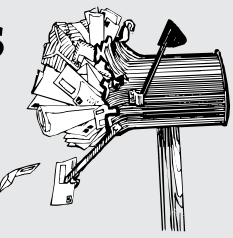


# Letters to the Editor



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## Village parking problems could be solved with new striping

Regarding "Multnomah Village Greenstreet Project now scheduled for completion July 22," by Erik Vidstrand, *The Post*, July 2013.

Between Southwest 35th and 36th [avenues] the new sidewalks and bio-swales are finishing up and the temporary striping has been installed. I would like to address several items in and about this area.

On the south side of Capitol Highway the parallel parking has several four-foot gaps between parking spaces. These gaps as well [as] spacing at the ends of the block eliminate at least one and maybe two parking spaces in an already parking short area.

If these are left-over from the street design when they would have included tree extensions, [then] that should be addressed and eliminated.

If they are for pedestrian access, then I ask if crosswalks will be

installed at each and how will this work crossing into angled parking on the north side? And won't this encourage jay-walking?

The limited parking during this construction project has also highlighted several parking problems that could be solved with some striping

On Capitol Highway west of SW 36th (7880 block) there are two curb faces. The north one contains space for two cars.

It currently is unmarked and we have seen repeated cases of cars being parked up to 24 inches from the curb, intruding into traffic, interfering with TriMet bus turns, and pushing traffic into the oncoming lane.

The south curb face needs to have the last parking space on the west end defined as people park onto the viaduct and at excessive distances from the curb.

The east end of that curb face needs to have the last space end marking pushed westward about four feet to allow vehicles coming up SW 36th from Multnomah Boulevard better visibility of cars coming eastward on Capitol Highway.

I am told by the project contractor that the City [of Portland] will review the current striping and markings and make permanent adjustments within 30 days. While the crews are here for that part of the project I ask that those additions [be made] to the existing project.

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## COMMUNITY LIFE GOES OUTDOORS

By Don Snedecor and Lee Perlman  
*The Southwest Portland Post*

**08** The movie "Raiders of the Lost Ark" will play Thursday, August 8, at Caruthers Park in South Waterfront. Live music at 6:30 p.m., film shows at dusk. FREE.



**10** Families and friends can help create the new 100' mosaic at the Marquam Nature Park shelter on Saturday, August 10, from 10-12 and 1-4. Led by artist Lynn Takata, open workshops are being held at the shelter during the month of August.

With a forest habitat theme, activities include creating ceramics, arranging mosaics and installing pieces on the amphitheater wall. Children 5 and up are welcome with parent.

The shelter is located at Southwest Marquam Street and Sam Jackson Road. For more information visit the Friends of Marquam Nature Park at [www.FMNP.org](http://www.FMNP.org) or email: [fmpnp@comcast.net](mailto:fmpnp@comcast.net). FREE.

**11** The music of Bon Ton Roulet will be featured at a concert at Caruthers Park in South Waterfront

on Sunday, August 11, at 3:00 p.m. FREE.

**14** Steve's Creature Feature: Explore the amazing world of reptiles with Steve Lattanzi. Kids will be able to safely see, hear and touch some of the most amazing creatures on earth.

Steve is a well-traveled wildlife expert who specializes in studying exotic animals from around the world. Wednesday, August 14, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Hillsdale Library, 1525 SW Sunset Blvd., 503-988-5388. *Across the street at DeWitt Park (weather permitting).*

**15** The movie "Hotel Transylvania" will play Thursday, August 15, at DeWitt Park in Hillsdale. Live music at 6:30 p.m., film shows at dusk. FREE.

**17** Shakespeare-in-the-Parks: *The Tale of Cymbeline* plays Saturday and Sunday, August 17 & 18, at 3:00 pm. at Gabriel Park, Southwest 37th Avenue and Nevada Street on the east side of the park. For more information visit the Portland Actors Ensemble at [www.portlandactors.org](http://www.portlandactors.org). FREE.

**18** The music of Luke Wilson King & Esther Rose will be featured at a concert at Caruthers Park in South Waterfront on Sunday, August 18, at 3:00 p.m. FREE.

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