

Letters
to the
Editor

Robert Gray charity drive

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also donate these items to Outside In by dropping them off at Robert Gray. The drop-off location will be in the front of our school in the lobby, 5505 SW 23rd Avenue. There will be bins set up where the community can bring in any item they would like to donate. Please email me if you would like more information. Lisa Hyde, our school counselor, will be coordinating this charity drive. She has been included in this email along with our Principal, Beth Madison. Thank you for your help.

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Capitol Highway residents
needed on advisory
committee

I see that Capitol Highway is once again on the agenda of the Multnomah Neighborhood Association for the November 2014

meeting. We have known that it is a priority project for Southwest Portland neighborhoods with funding being the elusive component. I am writing to strongly encourage that Capitol Highway residents have a strong involvement and part in the actual decision making process. We live here and buy-in and support can be a positive experience.

The 2011 Refined Capitol Highway Plan (Taylors Ferry Road to Garden Home Road) involved members of various neighborhoods, bike coalition and other representatives. Multnomah Neighborhood had one person (who did not live on Capitol Highway) as the lone local representative, which was totally unacceptable.

I am very sure that none of that committee would be willing to have decisions made about their local street without having strong local input and process.

The Sunset Boulevard sidewalk process is a good example of how the Sunset Boulevard residents worked their way through the issue and came up with a workable plan.

We who live on Capitol Highway and those impacted directly by a plan to rework Capitol Highway need to be actively involved in the decision making process. Let us be part of the solution and not part of the problem.

Patti Waitman-Ingebretsen
Multnomah Village

Bakery customers invited to share their
picks in the general election

HOW SOUTHWEST VOTED

By Erik Vidstrand and Don Snedecor
The Southwest Portland Post

The Post recently visited with customers on a cold November day at the Baker & Spice community table and invited them to discuss the general election results and their voting decisions.

The icy wind did not seem to deter customers. A steady line of regulars sipped hot beverages and ate their way through the Hillsdale bakery's fresh scones, tarts, and breakfast breads.

A half-dozen registered voters sat down with The Post to share their reasoning.

According to census data, Hillsdale is predominantly Democrat, but the views offered were thoughtful and independent regarding candidates and measures on the November ballot.

Steve Poppe, a registered Republican, reflected that most of the measures on the ballot were unnecessary.

"There are already too many laws on the book," he sighed as he put down the New York Times he was reading.

"If I don't recognize a name or measure, I don't vote," Poppe said.

When asked about his vote for U.S. senator, Poppe said he wanted a change and selected Dr. Monica Wehby. Same for governor. He voted anti-

establishment. He didn't vote on Measure 91, the legalization of recreational marijuana. "Do we really need to legalize another intoxicant?"

Poppe went on to say that elections seem very cyclical. Get the old out, and bring in the new; in this case the Republicans.

"The Democrats will be back after the Republicans don't get it right," he predicted.

Mike, who didn't want his last name used, was next up. A Democrat from the Alberta neighborhood, Mike voted across party lines.

Although not involved in local politics, he follows the national scene by reading the New York Times blog called 538. (The number refers to the number of representatives and senators in Congress.)

"I'm most proud of the way Measure 91 turned out," Mike said, "and how it decriminalizes users of marijuana."

According to Multnomah County election officials, approximately 71 percent of the vote favored legalizing and regulating cannabis. Out of the small sample of six interviewed at the bakery, four voted in favor.

Election officials said the voter turnout was quite high for a mid-term election. Out of almost 448,000 registered voters throughout the state, over 295,000 individuals voted.

Nathan Kadish, 35, from Hillsdale, (Continued on Page 7)

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