

## Board-certified veterinary surgeon opens clinic in Multnomah Village

### THE COUNTRY STORE

By Erik Vidstrand  
The Southwest Portland Post

A specialty veterinary clinic providing advanced surgical care for cats and dogs recently opened in Multnomah Village.

Board-certified veterinary surgeon Dr. Alon Kramer and wife Orit Kramer, his business and marketing manager, established OREV in 2012 in Tualatin and moved the business to Multnomah Village in June.

The clinic offers orthopedic, soft-tissue, abdominal and thoracic, reconstructive and oncological surgeries along with comprehensive anesthesia services and monitoring.

Dr. Kramer's certification involved several additional years of rigorous training beyond veterinary school. Kramer is able to provide advanced diagnostics and treatments that extend what a regular veterinary office can provide to its animal patients.

Orit explained that OREV was started with a strong notion of maintaining a local and privately-owned small organization that is involved with and supports its community.

"We regularly provide volunteer surgical work to the Oregon Humane Society, Multnomah County animal shelter, and the Washington County animal shelter," Orit Kramer told The Post.

"We're planning on other specialty fields in the future," Dr. Kramer added.

The couple met years ago during military service. After working and living in Europe for two years, backpacking in East Asia, U.S., and Canada for a year, they settled in the



Orit and Dr. Alon Kramer recently opened up OREV Specialty Vet Care in Multnomah Village. (Photo courtesy of Orit Kramer)

Pacific Northwest. They have three children.

"Our family has resided in the village since 2008 and is excited to live and work in this community," Orit Kramer said.

OREV is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The clinic is located at 7637 SW 33rd Ave and provides on-site overnight care for surgical patients.

For more information, please visit <http://oregonexpertvets.com> or call (503) 477-7122.

### History of Multnomah Days festival goes back to 1920s

Although some have labeled the upcoming Multnomah Days festival its 108th, it is actually not. According to the Multnomah Historical Association, the annual Multnomah Days celebration began in the 1920s when Multnomah merchants decided to have an annual city-wide sale.

"The annual parade and celebrations were on Independence Day then," commented Patti Waitman-Ingebretsen, a longtime member of

the historical group.

"In the 1950s the event was renamed Chief Multnomah Days," she said. "Then, as it is now, the pet parade was a big part of the celebration."

With the opening of Washington Square mall in the 1970s, Multnomah went into decline. The annual street fair stopped but was revived in the late 1980s when Portland Mayor Bud Clark served as grand marshal, riding a fire engine in the parade.



(Photo courtesy of the Multnomah Historical Association)

### Regional trail segment along Willamette River (west) now open to peds and bikes

#### SELLWOOD BRIDGE

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The regional trail between the west end of the Sellwood Bridge and Willamette Park recently opened. The old path along the east shoulder of Highway 43 (Southwest Macadam Avenue) between the bridge and

Freeman Motors is now closed.

This reporter recently walked the new trail and provided these observations.

Parking at Willamette Park is the easiest place to begin walking. Be sure to pay for parking. The trail follows Southwest Miles Place filled with quaint homes.

The Portland Water Bureau is constructing a new pumping station and the trail will eventually connect

with Nevada Street when this is complete. The regional trail continues north to downtown Portland along the Willamette River.

The trail winds south around the back of Freeman Motors, under a large power line structure, and along the Willamette Moorage Park, a group of floating homes. Their access has been disrupted for years.

Construction of a large bioswale to  
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