## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## Radke's Car Show coming SOON! Store's future is unknown

Pamela White

Radke Auto Parts

Radke Auto Parts is having their 16th Annual Car Show in the store parking lot (6666 N. Columbia Way) on Saturday August 15, 2015 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The future of Radke Auto Parts is unknown so this is very likely the last car show Radke's will ever have. So, come out and support your locally owned auto parts store, sign a memory book with your memories of Radke's and we will make sure the Owner (Merlin Radke) gets it after the car show.

Shine it up and show it off! There are no entry fees; just bring your vehicle over. It is open to all makes and models and there will be extra prize drawings for those who bring a car to show.

If you don't bring a car to show off, just come and look at all the other cars. It promises to be a day of fun, freebies and unbelievable sale prices all day.

Food by Sal from Over Easy Bar & Breakfast will doing the food this year and will be available for purchase as will ice cream.

Customer parking to view the cars and or shop the store will be across the street on Fessenden by the HUGE yellow building. Look for signs and balloons for parking.

Go to the Radke website and print out a discount coupon for \$10.00 off a purchase of \$25.00. www.radkeautoparts.biz.

For questions, call 503-286-4444 Monday thru Saturday 8:00am to 6:00pm.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### St. Johns Development

To the Editor

Thank you for the excellent article by Barbara Quinn showing the proposed mixed use building rendition at the corner of N Lombard and N Charleston that would replace the existing Hookah bar, Weirs Cyclery/Huk and the Finnish Church.

First, I/we are happy that this proposal meets the intent of the St John/ Lombard Plan (adopted in 2004).

Second, with that in mind, I/we would like to address three issues, two of which were raised in the Letters to the Editor that appeared in the July 24

Of particular concern is the elimination of the unsafe/blind curve along Lombard and Charleston. As a sometimes driver but mostly pedestrian and biker that utilizes this intersection almost daily, I would vehemently disagree with those who don't feel this is as bad as portrayed. If one watches driver behavior at this corner you will come away noting that drivers appear

to focus their attention on negotiating the curving street and the uniqueness of the Signal Station than they are for persons crossing Lombard (especially if you are trying to cross heading toward Safeway). I/we welcome the removal of the slip curve with the

improved safety of this proposal. By changing the configuration of traffic by requiring a Charleston right turn

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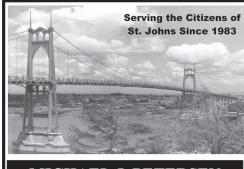
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## **Annual Spirit of Portland Awards call for nominations**

Call for nominations for the 31st Annual Spirit of Portland Awards closes Friday, September 12, 2015.

If you know of an individual or group who has helped make Portland a better place to live, work, study or play, please nominate them for one of this year's awards.

Celebrated since 1985, the Spirit of Portland Awards Ceremony is an important way for the City to recognize and celebrate those who make outstanding contributions to the community. Each year, there are roughly 20 winners.

Award recipients will be chosen based for the following categories:

#### **Outstanding Leadership** Awards:

Outstanding Community Lead-

- Outstanding Young Leader
- Individual Making a Difference
- Innovative City Leader Award **Outstanding Organization** Awards:
- Business Community Partner of the Year
- Community Group/Organization of the Year
- Neighborhood Association of the
- Organization Making a Differ-

#### Awards for Outstanding Leadership or Organization:

- Sandy Diedrich Award for Environmental Stewardship
- Equity in Practice

Nominations are due in the Office of Neighborhood Involvement by 5 p.m. Friday, September 11, 2015.

Nomination forms are available at www.portlandonline.com/ oni/spiritofportland or by contact-

portlandoregon.gov. They may also be picked up at the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI), 1221 SW Fourth Ave, Room 110, Portland, OR 97204. The awards ceremony will be

ing Juliette Muracchioli, at 503-

823-3093 or spiritofportland@

held on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Location TBD.

Spirit of Portland Award recipients are chosen by a selection committee composed of representatives from the Mayor's and City Commissioners' offices, the Office of Neighborhood Involvement, the Neighborhood District Coalition offices, Diversity and Civic Leadership Program partners, Business Associations, non-profit community organizations, and past award winners.

## Organizers say: It was a banner Year for Cathedral Park Jazz Festival 2015

The 35th Cathedral Park Jazz Festival, the longest running FREE jazz festival west of the Mississippi celebrates a banner year. It exceeded projections both in terms of attendance and donations. More than 10,000 people attended the festival. The donations, cash sales and sponsor's insured this festival will be back in 2016.

The Jazz Society of Oregon and the Cathedral Park Committee who staged and managed the festival would like to thank the entire community of St. Johns. The community of St. Johns has been exceedingly generous and gracious this year and in years past. They love this historic event and we love them.

We'd also like to thank the many volunteers who braved many hours in record temperatures to serve the thousands of festival goers.

The St. Johns Review, who pulled through again with a wonderful program and keepsake, was vital to the festivals success. Thank you!

Honestly, we were apprehensive that the record heat would keep many away but to our surprise they showed up to celebrate this historic event. Good music and good people are always a winning combination.

Of course, it doesn't hurt to have a stellar line-up of Portland's finest including, guitarist and award-winning vocalist Ben Rice, beloved powerhouse LaRhonda Steele, the Dover

Weinberg Quartet and master guitarists Lloyd Jones, Norman Sylvester, Ben Rice, Jay Bird Koder, Michael Osborn, David Stassens and young master guitarist Taylor Newville, 18, from Roosevelt High School, to put the crowning touch on Friday nights blues celebration.

Saturday, we opened with the Portland Youth Jazz Orchestra led by Ben Medler followed by the Chris Parker Quartet, Blueprints Trio, Kung Pao Chickens, Pa'lante, Toni Lincoln Quartet and Hailey Niswanger's PDX Soul who had the entire audience on its feet raised the roof

Sunday kicked off with the Alan Jones Academy of Music, followed by the Todd Bishop Group, Kelly Broadway Quartet with Randy Porter, and the Robert Moore Orchestra, a twelvepiece ensemble of Portland's finest. The festival wrapped up with the Paul Creighton Project and his tribute to the legendary Stevie Wonder, which by all accounts was a stunning crowd

Lastly, we could not have pulled this off without the support of our sponsors. It is the generosity and the belief of these people in jazz and the St. Johns community that made it possible. Please take a moment to acknowledge them: 3 Mountains Plumbing, Cascade Blues Association, Cathedral Park Place, Crave Catering, KBOO Community Radio, KMHD Radio, Marvel 29 Apartments, Mattecheck & Associates, Metro, NW Self Storage, Oregonians Credit Union, PDX Jazz, Port of Portland, Positively Entertaining, Safeway, Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, Sierra Nevada, St. Johns Ace Hardware, St. Johns Review Newspaper, Stephouse, The Cellar Door, The Wine Nomad and US Bank.

Thank you again and see you next

Mitzi Zilka President Jazz Society of Oregon

### **NOTICE**

**Burlington Water District** is scheduled to hold its monthly Board meeting on August 19, 2015 at 6:45pm. The 1st reading of Ordinance No. 15/16-01; Revised Water Rates and Other Fees (SCD update) will be read. **Location of the meeting:** Subway, 11324 St Helens Highway, Portland, Oregon 97231. The public is invited to attend.



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