

# METRO *Life*

The Portland Observer

SECTION B

## Community Calendar

### Mt. Hood Railroad

On July 25-26, the Mt. Hood Railroad is offering the Mexican Fiesta Train. It departs daily at 10 AM and 3 PM. The Mt. Hood Railroad offers a variety of scenic rail trips on vintage rail cars through the Hood River Valley. To purchase tickets or make reservations, call the Mt. Hood Railroad at 1-800-872-4661, or visit their website at [www.mthoodrr.com](http://www.mthoodrr.com).

### Dancing Tree

Friends of Tryon Creek State Park are having a Forest Musical event. On July 26th, the Dancing Tree will perform. Last year they wowed the audience with their marimba sounds. Call 636-4398.

### Health Quest '98

On Sunday, August 9th, Health Quest '98 will be held at the Community Learning Center at 4212 NE Prescott. A free health testing will be offered. Some of the Health Screening & Tests will be for height, visual screening, bone marrow typing and much more. Booths and Exhibits will be on display.

### Kerns Neighborhood

Kerns Neighborhood Association is hosting its annual National Night Out Picnic on Tuesday, August 4th from 6 PM till 9 PM at Oregon Park (corner of NE 30th and Oregon St.) Neighborhood residents and area businesses will gather for a potluck dinner, live entertainment and a raffle.

### Views

Are you a good listener? Would you like to enrich your own life while helping others? VIEWS (Volunteers Involved in the Emotional Well-Being of Seniors) seeks men and women 55+ to become peer counselors, offering supportive counseling to older adults. No experience is needed. Interviews are now being scheduled for the fall training to begin September 14th. Call 661-5455.

### Youth Explosion

Be a part of the Youth Explosion '98 being held by Mallory Christian Church. If you have a talent of singing, poetry, Christian rap, reading, or instrumental and would like to present your gift to God, please contact Ms. Rita Jamison. Call 284-0366 or 920-1360.

### Symphony In Concert

Michael Allen Harrison will be performing two original works for Piano and Orchestra called "The Rose Garden Suite" and world premiere of "Remembrance", a tribute to the 50th anniversary of Israel's Independence.

The event will be held on August 2nd at 6 PM. Call 255-0747.

### Power of Foods

On Tuesday, August 18th, OHSU Family Health Center in Gabriel Park will be presenting an educational talk featuring David McCarron, M.D. He will discuss how to lower your blood pressure without throwing out your salt shaker. call 494-9992.

### Summer Concert

Here comes your free summer concert. Bring your blanket, lawnchairs and picnic. The Portland Festival Symphony is bringing you the fourth annual classical concert held at Cathedral Park on Sunday, July 26th at 5:30 PM. We begin with the evening with a performance by Dee Wiggins Wind Symphony, Thara Memory & Ronnye Harris, Directors. Come and join us for free!

## Cathedral Park Host Jazz Festival



Portlanders prove that they know how to maximize the arrival of good weather & the fact that Portland has some of the premier Jazz musicians in the Country. Cathedral Park was the site of the Annual Jazz Festival hosted by the St. John's Neighborhood Assoc. A good time was had by all.



L-R, Sweet Baby James, Sir Malcom and Ralph Carter find a shelter from the sweltering sun to reminisce of old times & enjoy, the melodious sounds of the festival. (Photos by M. Washington)

## UNSOVLED MURDERS

### To the Portland Observer Readers:

Since January of 1998, there have been 18 murders committed and investigated. Many unsolved murders "litter" the Homicide files of the Portland Police office where reports date back over thirty years.

The Portland Observer is again presenting "Unsolved Murders". We offer our many thanks to those who had given information leading to the capture of killers. The help was most needed.

The Portland Police's Homicide Division wants your cooperation. If you have any leads related to the crimes described, please come forward. They encourage you to do so as an anonymous informant. Your assistance is valuable as a means to safeguard the lives of those within our community and prevent any more harm.

Feel free to contact Sgt. Chuck Shipley in Homicide Detail of the Detective Division at (503) 823-0479 or just leave a message.

#### "Unsolved Murder" Cases from 1996-1998

**December 5, 1996**

Location: SW Alder and Fifth

Victim: Ramirez-Avila, Alvaro male, Hispanic 24

The victim was involved in a drug deal when he was shot by the subject.

Case Open Case Detectives: Mike Hefley and Tom Nelson

**July 7, 1996**

Location: North Alberta and Williams

Victim: West, Michael male, Black 28 years old

The victim was a back seat passenger in a vehicle stopped at a traffic light. He was shot through the back window. Case Open

Case Detectives: Kerry Taylor

**October 9, 1996**

Location: 903 NE Portland Blvd.

Victims: Martinez-Cortez, Jose male, Hispanic 26 years old

Alcantar-Cervantes, Jose male, Hispanic 31 years old

Barragan-Bustos, Pedro male, Hispanic 24 years old

The 3 victims are shot after an argument breaks out at a home where the victims have just stopped. This is probably drug related. Case Open Case Detective: Matt Horton

## Kaiser Permanente Opens Green Oasis In Lloyd Center Area



Kaiser Permanente Plaza, Barbe West and Anthony Hagger  
Photo by Carole Archer

Assisted by 6-year-old Anthony Hagger and other youngsters from the nearby Sonbeam Daycare Center, Kaiser Permanente's Executive Director Barbe West recently planted annuals at the official opening of the new Kaiser Permanente Plaza in northeast Portland. Kaiser Permanente transformed the vacant lot along NE Holladay Street between 6th and 7th Avenues into a

grassy, tree-shaded refuge from urban stress. A concrete path invites office workers, convention goers, shoppers and residents of the Lloyd Center district to enter the plaza and relax in a large, semi-circular seating area. North Pacific Design of Portland drew up the landscape plan for the plaza. General contractor for the project was Portland's Cascadian Landscapers, Inc.