

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Muddy Boot Organic Festival

SE neighborhood event celebrates urban farming

Edible gardens, backyard livestock and community farming bring a down-home focus to this year's Muddy Boot Organic Festival, returning to southeast Portland for its fifth annual "Soulful Celebration of Sustainable Living."

This bustling regional festival kicks off Friday, Sept. 10, at 7 p.m., with a keynote address by widely respected filmmakers and food and agriculture policy advocates Curt Ellis and Ian Cheney, the creative forces behind such films as *King Corn*, *Big River*, *The Greening of Southie* and the upcoming *Truck Farm*.

The festivities will continue



Sallie Ford and the Sound Outside are among the musical performers scheduled to entertain at the Muddy Boot Organic Festival this weekend on the grounds of St. Philip Neri Church, 2408 S.E. 16th Ave.

Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11 and 12, in a colorful sustainability-themed outdoor festival featuring live music; sustainably produced food, beer and wine; information booths and vendors selling green goods; educational workshops; discussion panels and fun activities for families and children.

Both the keynote address and outdoor festival take place on the grounds of St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, 2408 S.E. 16th Ave.

The theme of this year's event is "Nourishing Spirit: City to Farm," embracing the festival's mission of promoting sustainable living practices within our local communities, thereby enhancing the health of our world, our neighborhoods and ourselves.

More information is available at muddyboot.org, or by calling 503-231-4955.

Prom Gown Giving Urged

As thousands of students start packing to head back to college in the fall, the people at Abby's Closet want to remind young ladies to think about donating their gently used gowns to the non-profit organization. Abby's Closet hosted its 6th Annual Prom Gown Giveaway last April and over 2,100 high school women from all over Oregon and Washington browsed through more than 5,700 beautiful gowns in all sizes, colors and styles. The organization is accepting donations now. For the nearest drop-off site, please visit the website at abbyscloset.org.



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Sunday 11:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

All dinners with two sides of your choice for \$9.95 potato salad BBQ beans Cole slaw or beans and rice.