

Jules of Morocco is closing its Multnomah Village store after 16 years



Julie Olson is closing Jules of Morocco in Multnomah Village. (Photo courtesy of Julie Olson)

Olson told The Post. "They used to come in monthly, check-in, and were the most down-to-earth folks."

Trilley Otten had a stroke five years ago and Gene has been taking care of her since. Olson said it would be inevitable that the building would be sold.

"The new owners will be most likely upgrading the building to meet seismic codes," Olson said.

Olson lived in Rabat, Morocco, from 1983 to 2006. Her factory was located in Marrakech. She said at one time, Olson had 200 tailors working for her.

"I don't want to be bitter," Olson said.

"When one door closes, another opens."

She already has plans in the works for a new endeavor.

Olson will be holding a garage sale the weekend of July 13-15. Everything from clothes to antique Moroccan rugs and doors will be for sale. The band, Kode Bluz, will play from 3-6 p.m. on the 14th (Bastille Day).

"It will be a thanks and farewell event to all my customers of 16 years in Multnomah," Olson said. "Champagne and nibbles will be served!"

The sale will be held at 3135 SE Van Water St. in Portland.



Legacy Hopewell House hospice received one of the grants from the Hillsdale Community Foundation. (Google photo)

Hillsdale Community Foundation announces 2018 grants

By Erik Vidstrand
The Southwest Portland Post

The Hillsdale Community Foundation has awarded \$4,520 in grants.

Michael Reunert, board chair, announced a \$1,000 grant went to Hopewell House, which provides compassionate, competent care for hospice patients and their families.

Don Baack, who represents the Hillsdale Neighborhood Association, received \$470 for replacement of the gateway entry sign at Southwest Vermont Street and Bertha Boulevard.

The Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. Schools Committee was awarded \$550 for a fall speak-up session that will help under-served families address education equity issues in local schools.

Foundation secretary Rick Seifert said that the Hillsdale Business and Professional Association requested support for continued maintenance of street banners along Capitol Highway

in the town center for \$1,000.

"The foundation will also contribute \$1,500 to the maintenance, replanting, and watering of plants along Capitol Highway in the town center," he said.

"The money for the grants was raised primarily from the foundation's annual book sale," said Seifert.

The annual book sale will be held on Sunday, July 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Watershed Building at Bertha Court and Capitol Highway.

Donated books should be dropped off at the Hillsdale Farmers Market on July 8 and 15.

The community foundation, a volunteer-lead effort, is a 501(c)3 non-profit whose mission is the revitalization of the Hillsdale Town Center and the bettering of the neighborhood as a whole.

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Jules of Morocco is closing its doors. According to longtime owner, Julie Olson, the current building owners, Gene and Trilley Otten, decided to sell the building that also houses Jones & Jones Jewelers to North Rim Commercial Properties. The boutique has been around for 16 years.

"This lovely couple, both in their late eighties, loved their building,"

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