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QUOTE OF THE MONTH
"Half our life is spent
trying to find something
to do with the time we
have rushed through life
trying to save."
Will Rogers

Congratulations to
Tammy Gibbons, the
winner of last month's
trivia. Thank you to
everyone who participated.

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Real Estate

Have you noticed a change in the housing market in the Portland Metro area and are you wondering what is going on? Here is an update based on the latest RMLS data. The continued increase in new listings combined with a drop in closed sales and accepted offers led to a significant rise in Inventory in the Portland Metro area. At July's rate of closed sales (2,713), the 9,555 active residential listings at month's end would last approximately 3.5 months. The number of new listings increased 11.4% when comparing July 2006 to July 2005. However, pending sales decreased 20.9% and closed sales dropped 16.7%.

Upcoming Fun Activity

Celebrate the 10th anniversary of the prestigious Art in the Pearl festival September 2, 3 & 4.

The festival will fill the North blocks of the Pearl with exceptional work from paintings to photography, jewelry, and furniture – all items have passed a rigorous jury selection process. Enjoy art, music, and hands-on activities for all ages.
www.artinthepearl.com

Trivia Contest

In 1970 127 runners ran the NY Marathon. In 1998 32,000 ran. Only 15 runners were entered in the first Boston Marathon in 1897.

It now has how many runners annually?

Lawn and Garden

With fall sneaking up on us, it is a good time to plan ahead for next spring's glory in your yard. In the Northwest fall is a particularly good time to plant because the soil is still warm and the plants get a chance to establish roots before the cold weather hits.

Get ready to plant your perennials soon, but keep them well-watered until the rains start. It will also soon be time to put in the spring-blooming bulbs like daffodils, tulips, and crocuses. If you intend to fertilize your lawn, then fall is a good time for that too, as long as you wait for the rains or have a good sprinkler system.

TIP: If you are starting an overhaul of your yard, or have just moved into a new home, you will love having before and after photos of the yard...so remember to take a few shots before you start to make your changes.

