

## **Bike riders invited to shed clothes**

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MOSCOW - A number of bicycling events are planned in Moscow for May to commemorate National Bike Month, starting with the first-ever Nearly Naked Bike Ride on Friday.

Riders will meet at 5:30 p.m. at Friendship Square. Cyclists are invited to clean out their closets of clothing to get rid of and wear as many layers of clothes as possible. Prior to the ride at 6, riders will remove as many clothes as they feel comfortable riding in (no nudity, please). The shed clothing will be donated to the Sojourner's Alliance thrift shop. The guided ride will travel through Moscow on a pre-selected route. The ride is expected to last 30 to 45 minutes.

Other National Bike Month events include:

- Moscow Mayor Nancy Chaney will officially proclaim Bike Month at 7 p.m. Monday at city hall.
- Full Moon Ride, 8 p.m., May 8; cyclists will ride east on the Latah Trail, with fast and leisurely paced groups; bike lights are mandatory; meet at Northwest River Supply (old Tidyman's building).
- Bike-to-Work Day, 7 to 8:30 a.m., May 15; riders will be greeted at the corner of Sixth and Main streets with refreshments, bike-related booty, cheering and encouragement.
- Biking Moscow 101, 6:30-8 p.m., May 20; Hamilton Indoor Recreation Center parking lot; an informative session providing great bike routes through town and bike safety tips; bring bike and helmet.