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Neighborhood Tree Team Gives Busy Intersection a New Look Sixty three trees planted at NE 42nd Ave. and Lombard St.

by the Concordia Tree Team

On March 4th, members of the Concordia Tree Team, Cully Neighborhood Association, The Ainsworth Street Collective and the Portland Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) took part in an impressive tree planting at the intersection of NE 42nd and Lombard Avenues. The planting is part of Portland's Grey to Green Canopy initiative, which is headed by the BES. NE 42nd Ave. is a gateway shared by both Cully and Concordia.



Michelle McKnight from New Seasons and Dove Hotz, President of the Concordia Tree Team brave the weather the plant a tree (Bob Pallesen).

After collecting neighborhood feedback, BES designed a diverse mix of sixty three conifers and deciduous trees. The plan includes specimens from every inhabited continent on earth as well as many northwest native species—all-important for intercepting winter runoff, cutting noise and pollution into the neighborhood from highway, rail and airport.

The planting's international theme is also culturally significant, and trees were picked from regions and countries that represent the homelands of many residents in our neighborhood. Included are trees from Mexico, the Southern United States, Asia, Africa,

South America, Europe, Australia and - of course - the Pacific Northwest.

"The intersection will now have a unique arborscape that will look distinctive and attractive all year round with a combination of trees not found together anywhere in the city

except for maybe Hoyt Arboretum," said Concordia Tree Team member Jim Gersbach.

A BES contractor will monitor and water the trees for two years after planting, and the BEM will be responsible for...

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Gov. Kitzhaber Meets with Concordia Residents Over I-5 Bridge Concerns

by George Bruender

Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber and his newly appointed transportation policy advisor, Lynn Peterson, called a meeting with residents who voiced concerns at the Concordia Neighborhood Association's forum on the proposed 10-lane Columbia Crossing (CRC) I-5 bridge.

Four of the forum's participants were invited: economist Joe Cortright;

Mara Gross from Coalition for a Livable Future; Ron Buel, local land use spokesman; and George Bruender, the co-chair of Concordia's land use committee.

The meeting was a "listen-to session" with the four reps making their case for re-visiting the assumptions behind the current plans for a 10-lane crossing. The officials listened, took notes and asked questions.

Neighborhood representatives lobbied officials to study alternatives to the current plan, and not dismiss them without adequate evaluation. They expressed concerns that there was never

a real attempt to get continual, valued feedback from the neighborhoods who will be the most affected.

Neighborhood representatives also asked officials to establish an independent body to evaluate and provide oversight for the economics of the project, and consider how congestion on the current bridge can be relieved by other ideas, including: routing more traffic to the I-205 bypass; coordinating lifting of the bridge so it is less disruptive, and more quickly removing stalled cars and accidents.

Post your thoughts about the I-5 Bridge on www.concordiapdx.org.

What Concordia residents learned about the I-5 bridge project from meeting with Gov. John Kitzhaber:

- Pollution in our area, already some of the nation's highest, is expected to increase by 32% as the "easier crossing" generates more traffic.
- Instead of \$3.8 billion over 30 years, the project will most likely cost \$10 billion.
- Light rail, biking and walking, by federal requirement, are supposed to be the mode of bridge crossing by 30% of users. However, this seems unrealistic given the lack of facilities and connections on the Vancouver end.
- There is also a concern about ten lanes of traffic being merged into four lanes in the Convention Center junction of I-5 and I-84, and the additional costs needed for construction projects at the junction.



March's neighborhood forum about the I-5 bridge (Spencer Burton).

Chair's Corner

by Ken Forcier

Measuring Last Thursday

The Heisenberg uncertainty principle of quantum mechanics states that it is impossible to know simultaneously both the momentum and position of an electron accurately.

Last Thursday seems to be a similarly indefinable. It's organic. However, The city no longer wishes to pay the bill for the street closure, toilets, crowd control, and clean up after this next year. With city encouragement a group has now formed to begin the process of taking ownership of an event that, up until now, just "happened" on Alberta Street each last Thursday of the month.

The group, Friends of Last Thursday (FoLT), is being encouraged to empower neighbors to voluntarily take over the tasks now provided by the City. The City's view of Alberta Street is "you do it." I know that there are some prime movers out there with gobs of momentum, but what's their position?

On April 28th, the official opening of LT., a band of local volunteers will begin the task of transitioning this City subsidized event into a neighborhood owned event.

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Weather permitting; the streets will close to traffic at 7:00 pm and the (un)usual characters will mass in a festive manner until the streets are reopened at 10:00 pm. Friends of Last Thursday will be "ambassadors" of the merriment and will be encouraging neighborhood friendly behavior.

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Join us for this month's neighborhood meetings. All neighbors are welcome!

General Membership

April 5 at 7 PM
Concordia University's Luther Hall
Room 121

This meeting is a chance to get your voice heard. Tell the board what concerns you!

This meeting, Sara Wittenberg, the new Executive Director of Alberta Main Street, will attend to tell us about their work to "advance efforts to develop Alberta Street as a vibrant, creative and sustainable commercial district serving residents and visitors to our community."

A representative from Friends of Last Thursday will also join to discuss plans concerns for a safer, more family-friendly 'Last Thursday.'

Tree Team Meeting

April 7 at 7 PM
New Seasons dining area

Issues of note: 42nd St. tree planting, Concordia stewardship plan.

Wellness Committee

April 6 at 7 PM.
Caffé Vita,
3023 NE Alberta St.

Board Meeting

April 12 at 7 PM
McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room

Media Committee

April 13 at 6 PM
New Seasons Dining Area

Land Use, Livability and Transportation Committee Meetings

April 7 at 7 PM
McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room
The land use committee grants approval for many large neighborhood projects. Recently discussed were an enclosed baseball batting facility, as well as a two story addition to the Kennedy School.

The livability committee ensures we all get along harmoniously, without disturbing each other. Discussed will be noisy roof fans atop a restaurant on Alberta St., as well as amplified noise and preaching from a church on NE 23rd Ave.

The transportation committee will be discussing the annual student parking evaluation at Concordia University.

Free Summer concert needs community support

by Jeff Hilber

There's no better way to spend a summer evening than gathering with friends and family in Fernhill Park for live music, dancing and family fun. For the last six summers, the Fernhill Concert Series has been an unqualified success, offering high-quality entertainment to the neighborhood with free concerts in July and August.

The Fernhill Concert Committee in conjunction with Portland Parks & Recreation has been hard at work trying to raise money for the series. Last year, we had to reduce the number of concerts from five to four because of difficulties raising funds.



WE NEED YOU

Any contribution (\$5 or \$10) is greatly appreciated. Sponsorship commitments are needed ASAP but payment is not due until May 15 to be included in the promotional material. Businesses can contact Judith Yeckel, Concert Production Manager at 503-503-823-5446 or judith.yeckel@gmail.com.

Families or individuals contributing to the concert series can make checks payable to PP & R/Fernhill Concerts and mail to Judith Yeckel, Concert Production Manager, Portland Parks & Recreation, 1120 SW 5th Ave., Suite.1302, Portland, OR 97204.

All sponsors and contributors will be mentioned in Concordia News and on our website. All funds for these citywide concerts come from the community.

Free concerts in a neighborhood park are one of the best ways to build community and increase safety by getting to know your neighbors.

We hope you will consider becoming a sponsor. Donations are tax-deductible and stay "close to home." Sponsors also have the option to display, give away or sell items at the concerts.

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2011 Fernhill Park Concert Series Line-Up

The Stolen Sweets - 1930s swing jazz confection

The Quadraphones - the single sex sax quartet

Melao de Cuba - traditional Cuban music

Lisa and Her Kin - honky tonk--steel guitars, fiddles

Ty Curtis - Contemporary Blues Band of the Year

ANNUAL SPRING EGG HUNT

FERNHILL PARK

(Near the playground along NE 37th Ave & NE Ainsworth)

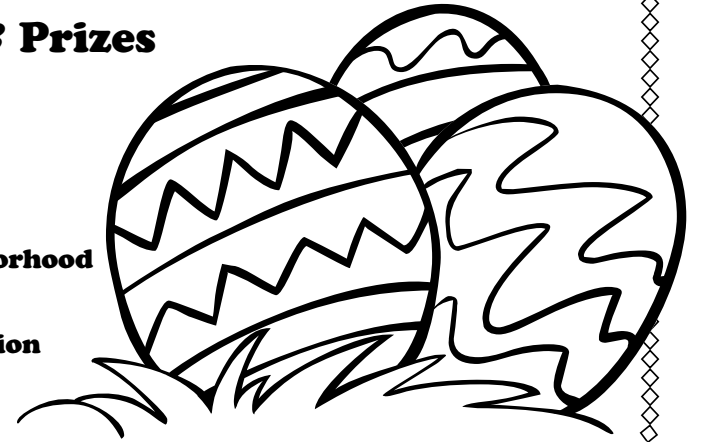
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Concordia families line up for the 2009 Egg Hunt. The 7th annual neighborhood egg hunt is Saturday, April 23rd at 10 AM.

Celebrate Earth Day with Alberta Neighborhood Cleanup 'Deep clean' on Saturday, April 23, 10am to 2pm, with after-party, prizes and contests.

by Sara Wittenberg

Alberta Main Street, one of the three Portland Main Street projects, is working to help Alberta Street achieve its full potential as a vibrant neighborhood and destination—both for members of the immediate community and Portland as a whole.

One of the group's main goals has been to implement a new waste pickup and graffiti-removal program, to help keep the street sparkling. To kickoff the weekly street cleanings, Alberta Main Street is hosting a neighborhood "Deep Clean," encouraging community members to come out for a morning of trash pickup and good "clean" fun.

In keeping with the spirit of the neighborhood, this will be more than just a day of litter removal. Prizes will be awarded for the most recyclables collected and for the strangest item found. Volunteers are encouraged to participate as teams or come out and join our team-less team; come in

costume, if desired, as additional prizes will be awarded for best team spirit.

Trash bags will be provided. Volunteers will be assigned areas of the Alberta Street neighborhood when they register the morning of the event. Registration will be at Alberta Central (NE 18th & NE Alberta Street). Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own gloves or any tools they have that will aid in clean up. Some tools will be provided. All participants will receive a special thank you gift from Alberta Main Street and an afterparty—including refreshments and merriment—is planned to celebrate the day's hard work.

Sign up in advance at albertamainst.org or simply show up and register at Alberta Central, between Barista & Umpqua Bank. Additional volunteers are sought to aid in setup and breakdown of the day's events, or to act as quadrant leaders. Contact info@albertamainst.org for more information.



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SWAT Standoff Nabs ATM Thief on NE 31st Ave.

by Jeff Hilber

Concordia residents awoke to the sounds of a SWAT team megaphone on Tuesday night, March 1, 2011. The Portland Police Department had come to a resident in the 5700 block of NE 31st Ave. to arrest Dylan Smith on four counts of first-degree burglary. First degree burglary is the intent to commit a felony with a weapon.

Smith was wanted in association with a string of armed robberies at neighborhood ATMs. On three separate days in early February, customers at the Wells Fargo ATM on NE 42nd were held up at gunpoint. Portland Police issued a picture from the bank's camera and Wells Fargo posted a \$3,000 reward.

The arresting team arrived on the street in a van, while other officers were stationed in adjacent backyards and the alley. Using a bullhorn, they repeatedly called for Smith to come out. He was taken into custody without incident about 45 minutes later.

The homeowner arrived as the arrest was being made. Later, he told Concordia News, "We've know Dylan for a long time. He needed a place to stay and we offered a spare room. I didn't know any of this until I heard the police reading the warrant."

Smith, still lodged in the Justice center, is also facing charges from a hold up at Tonalli's donut shop and a Cricket store in Salem where a gunshot was fired.

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Volunteers at the neighborhood tree plant (Bob Pallesen).

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...mowing and other issues. "This is a great example of how the city and neighborhoods can work together successfully," said Concordia Neighborhood Association Board Member Bob Pallesen.

The effort has been positively received. "We're thrilled to know that we will have a beautiful grove of trees at the northern entrance of our business district. This is a wonderful development," said Carolyn Mistell, owner of Delphina's Bakery and member of the 42nd Avenue Business Association. The tree planting was also recognized in *The Oregonian*.

To get connected with the Concordia Tree Team, visit our blog at <http://concordiatreeteam.wordpress.com> or come to a meeting on the first Thursday of every month, 6-7 PM in the New Seasons dining area.

Town Hall Meeting Seeks Community Support to Reign-In Last Thursdays Proposed stewardship plan to be unveiled at St. Andrews Church on April 2, 2 - 4 PM

By Jeff Hilber

When you hear the saying one bad apple spoils the barrel, it is not the barrel of apples that is considered the problem. Upon reviewing the many opinions issued about Last Thursday, one doesn't hear many complaints against this unique event itself. What comes up are a few incidents, usually involving alcohol, that happen at the fringe of this monthly, fair-weather event. These few incidents are enough to cause concern about the event itself.

Friends of Last Thursday will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting Saturday, April 2, 2 - 4 PM, at St. Andrew's Church Community Hall, NE 9th and Alberta St., to formally unveil their proposed strategy to address security, noise, drinking and noise issues that are creating animosity toward the event.

Some residents hope increased oversight does not

kill the event. "Any attempt to restrict or direct Last Thursday according to artificial interests will effectively kill the event," said Concordia representative of Magnus Johannesson.

Friends of Last Thursday seeks to work with the City of Portland to help bring organization to the event. Stephanie Reynolds with the City's Office of Neighborhood Involvement's Crime Prevention Program hopes concerns will turn into cooperation. "If everyone exerted as much energy helping with the event instead of railing against the City, the event would already be community-run and

going well," said Reynolds.

Indeed, the most vital component of the unveiled plan will be participation of the larger community.

Gardens by Suzinn Weiss

Now is the time to get your vegetable garden ready for the growing season! In addition to all the usual clean up that goes into getting the ornamental spring garden tidy, consider branching out to the edible side of gardening if you're so inclined.

Some vegetable such as peas, beets, hardy greens (including spinach, lettuce, kale, chard, etc), potatoes, radishes, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower and some herbs can be planted out now. If you already have dedicated vegetable garden space, cleanup any large debris and remove slugs so they won't nibble on new veggie shoots. Instead of toxic pesticides, use your hand or other organic methods; check out March's edition of Concordia News at www.concordiapdx.org for slug removal tips.

If you need to establish a vegetable garden bed there are many ways to do so. As an alternative to the tumultuous double digging method, look into techniques such as "lasagna gardening," permaculture and using straw bales. Making raised beds in dedicated boxes takes a lot of the bending out of the process. Using pots is another way maximize your smaller sunny spaces especially on a driveway, patio or porch. Last but not least there is no reason you can plant edibles along side of your ornamental

bushes and perennials.

Check your own compost pile to make sure there is enough material to cover your vegetable beds. If more is needed, buy a few bags of organic compost and lay one to three inches on top of the old garden soil. Treating the soil gently ensures that you won't disturb the soil food web that is already established just an inch or two below the surface layer. Avoid stepping on or digging in amended soil when it is really wet, so that it doesn't compact.

At this time, you can also divide perennials, which makes a great way to share plants or add to your garden. Light pruning of ornamentals should be done before April 15, and only if necessary. Also, install or test your drip irrigation system before plants get too leafy. Drip irrigation saves water and time, and a system is easy to install.

Now is a great time to learn more about that soil food web. Interested in leaning more about the amazing network of plant roots and fungus that make healthy soil? I recommend the book *Teaming with Microbes* by Jeff Lowenfels & Wayne Lewis. Don't let the title scare you; it's a fascinating, easy read about what's going on just under the surface of the soil.

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Where did we take each picture?
 NE 42nd and Killingsworth
 NE 28th and Going
 NE 27th and Dekum
 (solution found on page 7)



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Schools

Vernon Hosts Multicultural Night

Vernon School will be hosting their annual Multicultural Night Tuesday, April 12, 2011 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm, and you are invited to wear your favorite cultural costume and join them! Student work will be showcased and you will be able to win raffle prizes by filling “passports” with information learned throughout the evening. Performances include Cuban drummers Julio Reyes and Tony Gonzales, the Latin American inspired Grupo Condor’s Somos la Musica and



Samba dancing from Vernon leadership students who have been training with Chuk Barber. Local restaurants will provide international food tasting and Vernon School will welcome international students from Portland State University’s International Cultural Service Program (ICSP) who will share craft-making ideas and information about their home countries.

Vernon PTA will meet April 5th at 5:45 p.m at Vernon School. Dinner is served and Free Child-Care is available.

Crossword

by Chris Yensan

Is it Spring Yet?

(solution found on page 7)

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| <p>Across</p> <p>1. These bring 68A, as the saying goes</p> <p>8. Popular sheepskin boot brand</p> <p>11. Rested</p> <p>14. Mongoose’s sociable cousin</p> <p>15. Small Australian moth</p> <p>17. Ruin</p> <p>18. Small, Arctic canid</p> <p>19. Turkmenistan provincial capital</p> <p>20. ___-shut case</p> <p>21. Two-seater sports cars</p> <p>24. Trek women’s bike model (Abbr.)</p> <p>25. They represent airlines before Congress (Abbr.)</p> <p>26. Alias, for short</p> <p>27. Greasy</p> <p>28. They’re longer than mo’s</p> <p>29. Finance</p> <p>37. It’s the first of the fourth</p> <p>41. Full of hot air</p> <p>42. Rim</p> <p>44. Hen’s home</p> <p>47. Mimic</p> <p>48. Potato chip brand</p> <p>49. ___ Na Na</p> <p>52. More horrific</p> <p>56. Blocked the wheels with a wedge</p> <p>58. Legend</p> <p>59. Barbie’s beau</p> <p>60. Silvery-white metallic element</p> <p>64. Paper art</p> <p>65. “___, With Love and Squalor” (J.D. Salinger short story)</p> <p>66. Independent Fed.</p> | <p>Agency</p> <p>67. It’s used to determine if the number is even or odd, in computing (Abbr.)</p> <p>68. 1A brings these, so the saying goes</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1. Univ. home of the Mustangs</p> <p>2. Rooster’s mate</p> <p>3. The definitive collection of the Eng. Lang.</p> <p>4. Thoroughfare between V and X?</p> <p>5. Garnering through great effort</p> <p>6. Attacked</p> <p>7. Patron saint whose name means “Staff of the Goths,” for short</p> <p>8. Take the warp out of a piece of wood, say</p> <p>9. Chugs</p> <p>10. Adhered to</p> <p>11. African hunting trip</p> <p>12. Without an established key</p> <p>13. The fifteenth of the fourth</p> <p>16. Squig’s pal, of Lavern and Shirley</p> <p>21. ___ Wray, of King Kong fame</p> <p>22. Popular southern vegetable</p> <p>23. Coarse file</p> <p>27. Ancient</p> <p>29. It holds the</p> | <p>rubbish</p> <p>30. Furry alien from the 1980’s</p> <p>31. Pro ball league</p> <p>32. Common Hawaiian tree</p> <p>33. It can be wet or dry, in wood</p> <p>34. Corrida cheer</p> <p>35. Trippy drug</p> <p>38. Tombstone abbreviation</p> <p>39. Jai follower</p> <p>40. Puppy squeal</p> <p>43. According to</p> <p>44. ___ Day (the twentieth of the fourth)</p> <p>45. The ___ (2001 Nicole Kidman film)</p> <p>46. Atmospheric?</p> <p>49. Nordic toast</p> <p>50. Steers a ship, say</p> <p>51. Off-the-cuff</p> <p>52. Miles in the Sky lead track</p> <p>53. Yuletide song</p> <p>54. Mallorcan town square</p> <p>55. Extend your subscription</p> <p>57. Paris airport code</p> <p>61. Suffix that converts adjectives and nouns to verbs</p> <p>62. Independent ins. co.</p> <p>63. Parisian possessive</p> |
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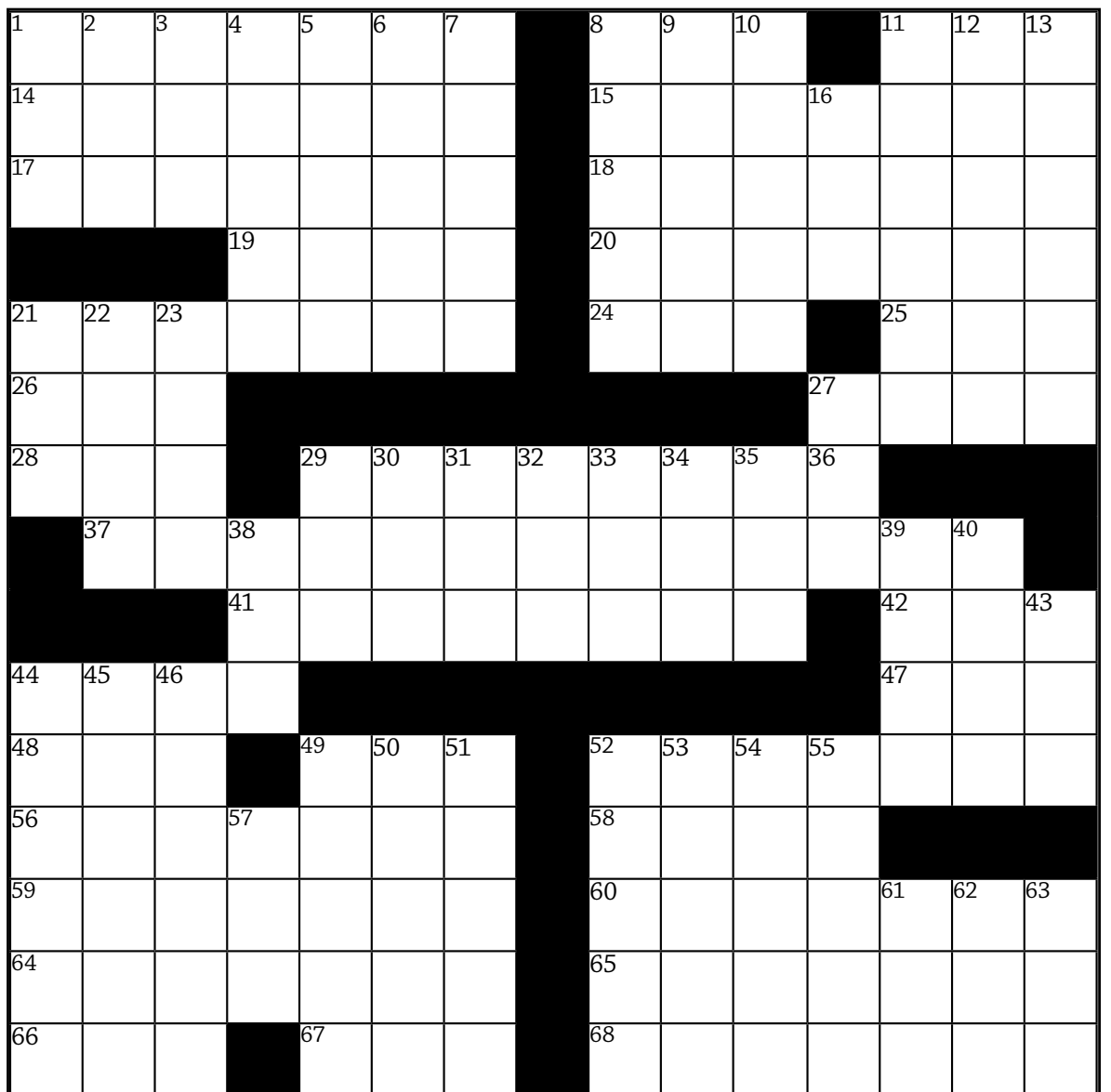
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Restaurant Spotlight
by Ryan Schwartz

**The Cruise-In Diner:
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Hot rod enthusiast Jamie Grant never thought much of the Korean restaurant next to her bed liner shop on NE 33rd Dr., just North of Columbia Blvd. That is, until its owners locked the door behind them and left the country, sending a letter to the landlord that they forfeited everything in the space. Within two hours of learning the news, Grant had signed a lease and taken on the responsibilities of a restaurant owner.



Owner Jamie Grant behind the counter at The Cruise-In

The freshly re-modeled Cruise In Diner now keeps the surrounding office district fed with breakfast and lunch specials, ranging from the standard turkey sandwich to the groundbreaking peanut butter grilled cheese and chicken fried steak breakfast burrito. Grant puts the spotlight on her burgers, which are handmade, flavorful and a generous half-pound. She accurately describes her food as "not wimpy" and "out of control." To help customers get back to work, the Cruise In offers 10 cent cups of fresh brewed, locally roasted Longbottom coffee.

Grant says she focuses on the basics to satisfy customers. "We're clean, friendly and everyone leaves full," she said. The Cruise In also offers beer and wine to go. "We love being part of this neighborhood," said Grant, who added that they hope to host more community events and are considering staying open for an evening happy hour.

Happy Hour

A Look Inside the Spare Room Lounge
You've driven by, but have you been inside?

4830 NE 42nd Ave, 503-287-5800
Hours: 7 AM - 2:30 AM every day

When the bowling alley at NE 42nd Ave. and Alberta Ct. closed down in the early 1980s, the attached bar stuck around. To this day, its regulars still come daily for an affordable drink and down-home American-style dinner. The Spare Room is a casual, comfortable, and non-judgmental drinking atmosphere, a no-frills escape from the daily grind.

All day, everyday:
\$3 Jim Beam and Coke
\$1 Jello shots

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Q+A with an Alberta Artist
by Ryan Schwartz

Lorna Nakell

www.artsinterviews.com,
www.5thonthelist.wordpress.com

How did you come to live in Concordia?

In 2001, we were living in Seattle looking at houses here. my mother-in-law drove by a house in Concordia for sale by owner. We loved it because its such a cute neighborhood. My introduction to the Portland art world was Guardino Gallery. When there was the Concordia coffee shop, I made friends with the owner and traded art table tops for coffee.

What is your favorite neighborhood hang-out?

I have a seven year old so we often go to the park on 33rd. Our neighbors behind us also have a big beautiful garden and will let us go over there and pick raspberries in the summer.

Whats in store for your art?

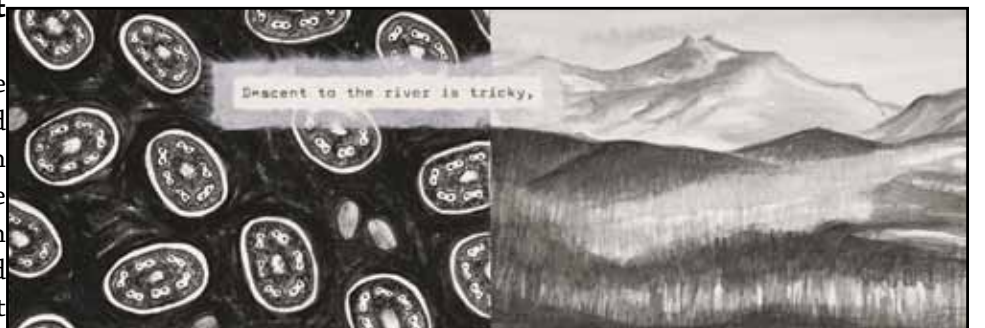
I am veering more into narrative writing. I am working on a project right now that is a story, a supernatural thriller about Eisoptrophobia - fear of your own reflection. The main character will then be portrayed in a real life book reading and art show. I'll be in a group show at Annie Meyer Gallery in September.

Where do you go for inspiration?

I take walks, and taking walks is one of the ways I come up with ideas. The nature in the neighborhood influences my art. Footsteps on pavement. And then the businesses I visit and friends in the neighborhood. My favorite coffee shop is Extracto and I do most of my writing there these days.

What do you like about Concordia?

Everyone gets along. We have an alley behind us and have big alley parties in the summer and everyone brings their favorite dish and we sit around and eat and chat. I see that gentrification is moving in, but I feel there is room for everyone. It still is very much an arts-focused location.



Camping Alongside a River, Page 1, watercolor and gouache on paper by Lorna Nakell. Created for an exhibition at the Grants Pass Museum of Art.

Are you an artist, restaurant or bar owner that wants to be featured in the Concordia News? Email concordianews@yahoo.com and tell us what the neighborhood can learn about you.

Neighborhood Volunteer Opportunities

Alberta St. Earth Day Clean-up needs volunteers on April 23.
Contact info@albertamainst.org for more information.

The Concordia Neighborhood Association needs a representative for the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods's SALT Committee.

The community food forest at NE 19th Ave and Killingsworth needs maintenance help. www.portlandfruit.org

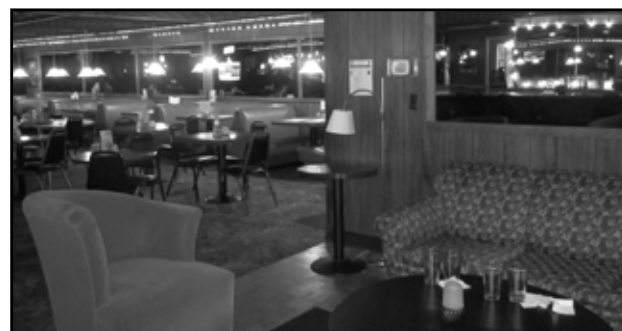
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To Arman Bohn & Liz Rousseau



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Born September 24, 2010
To Palemon & Leah Torres



Victoria Karsten Dahlin
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To Michael & Jennifer Dahlin



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November 18, 2010
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Concert Series

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Communicating With

Photography - Art Exhibition,

Concordia University's Art and Culture Programs is dedicated to educating and inspiring our students, faculty, and the greater Portland community. We cordially invite you to view three distinguished photographers; Brent J. Schauer, Daniel J. Dinges, and Rob Harbeck.

March 6 to April 15

In the George R. White Library and Learning Center, Concordia University,

On the 2nd floor balcony. Free during library hours.

www.cu-portland.edu/library/events/

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Guardino Gallery

2939 NE Alberta

503-281-9048

MAIN GALLERY: Maria Wickwire (ceramic sculpture) & Katherine Treffinger (oil paintings)

FEATURE AREA: Anna Magruder (paintings) & Will Schneberg (ceramic sculpture)

DATES: March 31-April 26

OPENING RECEPTION: Last

Thursday, March 31, 6-9 pm

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Portland Storytellers Guild

Potluck, Workshop and Story Swap

Friday, April 1, 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Kennedy School Community Room, (503) 249-3983

Bring a potluck item, a 5-7 min story to share, or just a pair of ears to listen and join PSG for a shared meal, short storytelling workshop, and a story swap.

Free to all storytellers and listeners.

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"Treasures: Lost and Found"

What do we treasure? And how do we protect and cherish these gifts? Come to our evening of stories and discover some possibilities.

Adults and children over 10 are welcome.

Suggested donation: \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per family.

Saturday, April 9th, 7:00pm

in the Kennedy School

Community Rm.

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Storytelling Workshop,

Portland Storytelling Guild in conjunction with The Concordia Neighborhood Association present internationally known storyteller, Jeff Gere.

His workshop "Faces" is Sunday

April 17th, 4 - 6 pm, in the

Kennedy School's Community Rm., doors opening at 3:30 pm.

Jeff Gere's facial aerobics lead theater games, improvisations, and stories exploring the subtlety, range and power of FACE.

Portland Storytellers Guild will ask for a donation of \$5 from Guild Members, \$10 from the general public. Identify yourself as a CNA member and receive the Guild discount.

Sarah Hauser at storytellersarah@gmail.com.

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Art Auction Fundraiser

In the Alberta Arts District for Japan Relief Efforts

Come together to create a generous contribution!

All donations will go to the American Red Cross Japan Relief Efforts.

Wednesday April 13th

4pm-close at Radio Room, 1101 NE Alberta

For submission details :

Fundraiser Event Curator:

503.313.0873

rachelsanders@comcast.net

Submission Deadline/Delivery : Sunday April 10th

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Food for Thought:

A conference on food issues.

April 14-16.

This will be an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in the many issues surrounding food and food production, from nutrition and genetic modification to justice and sustainability.

Best-selling author Michael

Pollan Keynote Lecture

7 p.m. on April 16

Chiles Center on campus, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd.

<https://pilots.up.edu/web/foodforthought>

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Garden with Native Plants for Water Conservation

Naturescaping Basics Workshop

Would you like to create a thriving, low maintenance, garden free from chemicals?

Learn to Naturescape! The Northeast Portland Tool Library

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Saturday, April 30 from

9am-1pm,

Redeemer Lutheran Church, 5431 NE 20th Avenue

Register online at <http://www.emswcd.org/workshops-events>,

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www.concordiapdx.org

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- Community News
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www.concordiapdx.org

To reserve the Kennedy School Community room for events, meetings, and special events, please email cnaroomkennedy@gmail.com. Proceeds from the room rental help fund Concordia Neighborhood Association events like our Easter Egg Hunt!

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Tuesday, April 12

RACE TALKS: An Opportunity for Dialogue

"The Arab-American Experience in Oregon"

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Tuesday, April 19

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Pacific Northwest Reading Series

Featuring: BRENT WEEKS

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Join the SFWA for an evening with some of the biggest names in speculative fiction.

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Thursday, April 21

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Saturday, April 23

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Sunday, April 24

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9 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. · All ages welcome

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Thursday, April 28

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Monday, April 25

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Sunday, May 1

May Day

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The annual access to dumpsters!

Saturday, April 30th, 8am - 12.30 PM

The parking lot at PCC Metropolitan Workforce Training Center, NE 42nd Ave. and NE Killingsworth.

Cost: \$5/car, \$20/large truck, \$30/oversized load, additional charge for TVs or monitors. Please do not bring these items, they will not be accepted: Freon appliances (air conditioners, dehumidifiers, refrigerators), yard debris, sod, rocks, concrete, food waste, hazardous waste, tires, batteries, paint or oil.

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