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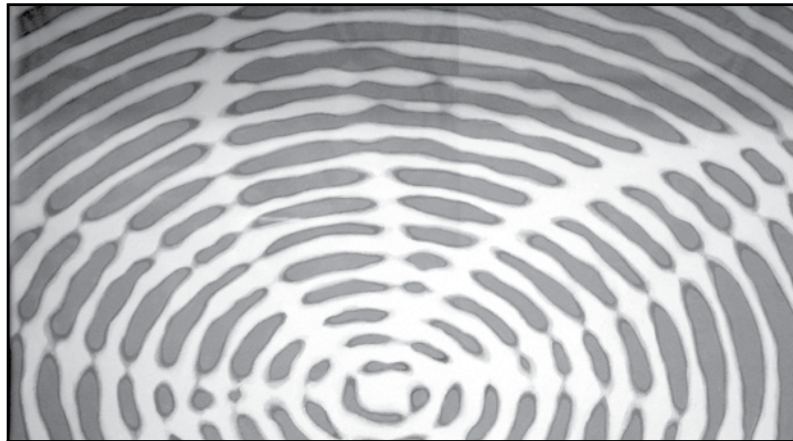
NE 42nd Ave To Get Murals from Local Artist

Public input invited for design process

The Alberta Court Crossing intersection project is gaining momentum. Concerned community members and local business associations have been organizing to improve the 42nd Ave. business district, and have chosen the intersection of NE 42nd Ave. and NE Alberta Court for a mural project. The intersection is a primary thoroughfare for vehicles, bicyclists and bus riders.

Placing murals on the two large walls facing northbound and southbound traffic on 42nd Ave. was determined to have the greatest visual impact given the large size and visibility of two walls. The murals were thus selected to initiate the improvement process. These walls belong to The Spare Room Lounge and Doggy Business dog care; both businesses are enthusiastic participants.

Loey Hargrove is the lead artist for the murals. After moving into the Cully neighborhood three years ago, Loey painted exterior signage and an eye-catching design for Delphina's Bakery. Carolyn Mistell, the owner of Delphina's and former president of the 42nd Ave. Business Association kept Loey informed on matters of the evolution of the 42nd Ave. improvement. When a decision was made unanimously that murals were an ideal starting point, Loey agreed to



An example of Loey Hargrove's mural work (above) and one of the two walls that will receive a mural (below).

be the lead artist.

A design concept was reached by consensus, and Loey has created several potential sketches. This is still an ongoing process, and the community is invited to give input. While this mural

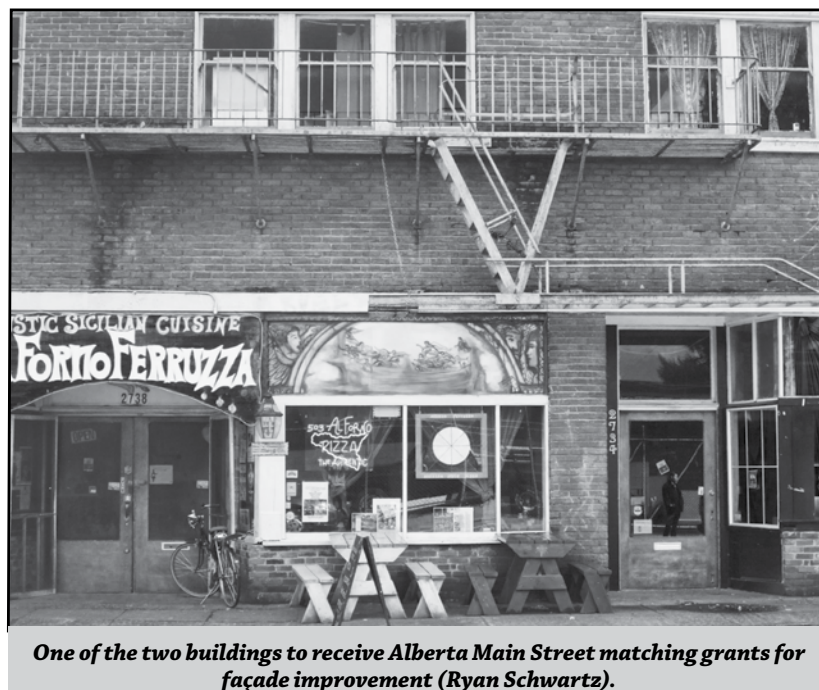
is regarded as a volunteer community project by those involved, there is currently an effort to seek funding to assist with some costs.

Buildings Receive Matching Grants for Façade Improvement

by Sara Wittenberg

Alberta Main Street has announced participants in the 2011 Green Façade Improvement Program, which provides up to \$5,000 in matching funds and design assistance to businesses to improve the appearance of individual building facades, signs and awnings. To be eligible for the grants, improvements must be made to areas visible from the public way and include a green component.

The goal of this program is to make revitalization efforts affordable, creative and sustainable. Each grant



One of the two buildings to receive Alberta Main Street matching grants for façade improvement (Ryan Schwartz).

requires a one to one match from the applicant.

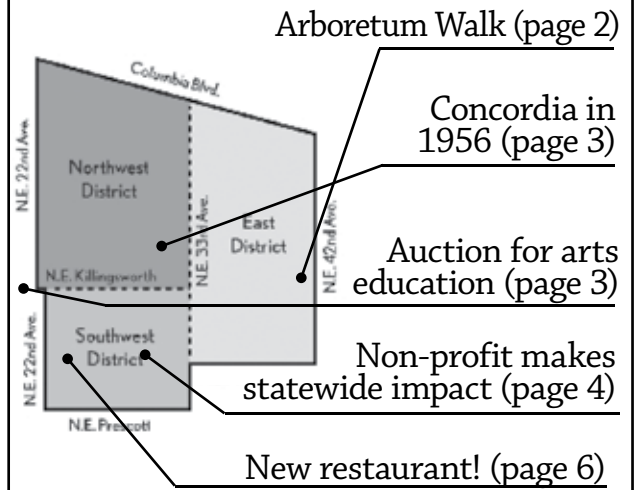
Alberta Main Street received applications from seven area building

and business owners interested in participating, but can only fund one third of the requests. Selected participants will spend the next month working with Main Street Architect Brian Emerick. Improvements will begin by June 15th and are expected to be completed by August 31st.

The properties selected include the building that houses the Community Cycling Center, All Teased Up Hair Salon, Mimosa Studios and Earls Barbershop (1700-1726 NE Alberta St.) and the building that houses Al

Forno Ferruzza Pizzeria and Six Days Art (2734 - 2738 and 2724 NE Alberta St.).

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Pursue a community mural project in your own neighborhood!

- Visit the Regional Arts and Culture Council website (www.racc.org) for city guidelines and potential grants through the public art mural program.
- Contact the Bureau of Development Services' Original Art Murals Program.
- Talk to owners of buildings that already have murals.

Join us for: Everyone is invited!
May's Neighborhood Meetings

General Meeting
May 3 at 7 PM

McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room

May's meeting will focus on gardens. Guests include:

Katie Meckes representing East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District;

Garden designers Suzinn Weiss and Midge Williams;

Matt Davis, an environmental health educator from Multnomah County Vector Control.

Board Meeting
May 10 at 7 PM

McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room

Tree Team Meeting

May 5 at 7 PM

New Seasons dining area

Wellness Committee

May 4 at 7 PM.

Caffé Vita, 3023 NE Alberta St.

Land Use, Livability and Transportation Committee Meetings

May 5 at 7 PM

McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room

The land use committee grants approval for many large neighborhood projects.

The livability committee ensures we all get along harmoniously, without disturbing each other.

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Time to gather all those items you no longer want or need. Make plans to join your neighbors and have a yard sale at your home. Your lovely, but unwanted items can be the treasure someone else is looking for.

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Yard sale packets, signs and maps will be mailed to all participants. We request that your sale be within the Concordia Neighborhood.

Yard Sale Coordinator—Donna Carrier: 503 288-9826, donna.carrier58@gmail.com.

Updated Maps are available on line. <http://goo.gl/maps/y0Tc>

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Hundreds of children and families enjoyed the spring weather for this year's Spring Egg hunt in Fernhill Park, cohosted by the Concordia Neighborhood Association (Bob Pallesen).

A Free Tour of the Ainsworth Arboretum

Concordia Tree Team offers guided walk May 19th, 6 PM

by Concordia Tree Team

Concordia tree steward and Tree Team member Jim Gersbach will be leading a walking tour of trees in the Ainsworth Linear Arboretum from Fernhill Park to Alberta Park on Thursday evening, May 19 from 6 PM to 7:30 PM.

Meet on the NE 37th Avenue side of Fernhill Park on the south end of the tennis courts (not far from the merry go round). The walk is free and part of the City of Portland's Green Walks series. Gersbach will discuss the natural history of some of the many tree species along the route, including their suitability as street and yard trees in Portland. For more information on Portland's Green Walks series, call 503-823-3601.



Tree expert Jim Gersbach, a driving force behind the Ainsworth Linear Arboretum, will be leading the tour (Bob Pallesen).

Tree Inventory Results Are In!

In 2010, a street tree inventory of Concordia was taken by over 50 trained volunteers. Trees at every tax lot in the neighborhood were inventoried; data collected included tree type, condition and size. Concordia's public right-of-ways host a diverse array of tree types. The street tree population consists of 4,636 trees of 82 types. Fifteen tree types comprise nearly 80% of the total, leaving the remaining types to represent 1% or less of the neighborhood's trees.

6 most common trees in the Concordia Neighborhood

- Maple (1068 trees, 23% of total)
- Cherry (434 trees, 9.4% of total)
- Dogwood (349 trees, 7.5% of total)
- Crabapple (298 trees, 6.4% of total)
- Ash (266 trees, 5.7% of total)
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May 5th Spring Plant Sale to benefit Growing with Music

Celebrate 12 years of bringing music and movement to at-risk children

Growing with Music is hosting their Spring fundraising plant sale on May 5th, from 6 PM to 8 PM at the Garden Fever Nursery (3433 NE 24th Ave). The event is free and a great opportunity to purchase your spring plants, flowers and vegetables. A raffle will also be held for a gift basket that includes a \$100 gift certificate to Garden Fever.

Growing with Music is a non-profit of twelve years led by Anne Clark, a NE Portland resident for over 50 years. Anne took what she was teaching in her

Kindermusik studio to teen moms and moms with young children in treatment for drug and alcohol abuse. The classes strengthen the bond between mother and child, in addition to the growing brains of young children.

For more information about the plant sale or about Growing with Music, please contact Anne Clark at 503-282-1839 or growingwithmusic@yahoo.com.

Concordia Memories by Clifford Dimoff

The Great Ainsworth Food Market Fire

There have been food markets in the building on the corner of NE 30th and Ainsworth for a long time, but few have made the news quite like the one that was there in 1956.

The current building houses a mini-market and the Concordia Campus bookstore. The original market was a brick building that covered the same area. In 1956, when I was 20 years



Firefighters battle the 1956 Ainsworth food market fire (Clifford Dimoff).

old, a fire of unknown origin started after normal store hours and engulfed the entire structure. In response to an alarm sent by a neighbor from the fire alarm box on the corner, a large number of firemen fought the blazing inferno into the night.

Fire alarms in those days weren't reported by telephone, they were sent by breaking a small pane of glass on

the front of one of the alarm boxes sprinkled strategically throughout the city and pulling down on the little lever covered by the glass. The boxes were about nine or ten inches wide, about a foot tall, with a peaked roof and typically attached to a telephone pole.

The fire was finally extinguished, but it left the building a total loss with nothing but the exterior brick walls standing and

the rest a pile of smoldering ashes. As one can imagine, there were a lot of neighborhood people who witnessed the fire, all standing safe distances away while they watched the firemen in action.

The property was cleared and the current building was constructed not long after the fire. Now it once again houses a mini-market.

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From Concordia, Black United Fund of Oregon creates opportunity for low-income communities

By Ryan Schwartz

Nestled between two commercial stretches of Alberta Street, the Black United Fund of Oregon's building is subtle compared to the impact their work has across the state. "We're your community resource," said Executive Director Adrienne Livingston. "Don't judge this book by the cover that is one block of a peach building."

Since 1983, the Black United Fund of Oregon has provided grants, scholarships and educational workshops to advance opportunities for the state's

low-income communities of all races. They focus on six different areas of advancement: arts, education, economic development, health, human services and social justice.

Individuals can apply for scholarships and attend a number of educational events, including an annual scholarship workshop. The Black United Fund of Oregon partners with a handful of colleges to provide educational opportunities for low-income students.

Non-profits and community organizations can apply



Portland students celebrate the completion of a scholarship writing workshop hosted by the Black United Fund of Oregon (Black United Fund of Oregon).

for grants to enhance their community impact. Organizations working in Concordia that are partially funded by the Black United Fund include Sisters of the Road, Chess for Success, Growing Gardens and the African American Outdoor Association.

Livingston grew up in Northeast Portland and has seen changes in the community that make her determined to increase the amount of small businesses and non-profits on Alberta Street. "Rising prices challenge small non-profits and businesses wanting to move on to Alberta Street. Individuals who want to live in this community and participate in this community are being priced out of this community," said Livingston.

The Black United Fund will be hosting a happy hour fundraiser on June 30th. Learn more at www.bufor.org.

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Gardens by Suzinn Weiss

I write this in late April, my thermometer reads 47 degrees with an expected low of 38 during the night so I can't really recommend planting delicate annual vegetable starts and certainly not tomatoes no matter how many fabulous varieties are tempting you at the nurseries. Well, OK, buy them if you must but unless you have a green house or cold frame DO NOT plant them in the ground.

If they are in 4" pots, replant them in 1-gallon pots and put them on a sunny windowsill or if the day is warm let them enjoy time outdoors but you'll have better results later if you keep the plants inside during cool weather. I had one gardener tell me she was going to tuck her tomato plants into bed at night! I usually wait until June to plant mine in the ground.

If we end up having a cool, short summer you'll get a better tomato harvest with smaller varieties. Try growing tomatillos, which are great for fresh salsa, cooking and pickling. Mine went nonstop from August to frost.

While waiting for warmer days, take a free class at the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation district, 5211 N. Williams Avenue. It's worth a visit to the office to see their beautiful demonstration garden and the inventive, artful downspout on the North side of the building.

New research shows our copper pipes, gutters, downspouts and rain chains are harmful to salmon. Copper contributes to the fish losing their olfactory function, which plays a key role in species recognition, migration, reproduction and predator avoidance.

If you're thinking of having a big tree, shrub or hedge removed this season please wait until after nesting season (4/1-7/30). Birds have enough obstacles hindering successful nesting without having their homes literally being ripped out from under them!

Finally, I hope you'll take the time to just be in your garden and take a few swipes at the weeds as you enjoy the beauty surrounding you!

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Ryden G Booth
Born Oct 2, 2010
to Christine Garcia and Cameron Booth



Sofia Fern Michels-Duke
Born Nov 26, 2010
to Rose Michels and Erin Duke



Scarlett Simone
Born Jan 4, 2011
to Matt Hilber and Christin Spagnoli

Summer Concert Series needs \$750 more in donations

A warmhearted "Thank You!" to every business and resident that has given their support to this year's Concert in the Park series. We are very close to raising enough funds to present five nights of free live music in Fernhill Park. Concordia Neighborhood Association recently donated another \$1,000 to cut the remaining shortfall in half. Please consider donating. The concert series is only \$750 from reaching the needed funding.

Sponsorship commitments are needed ASAP but payment is not due until May 15, 2011 to be included in promotional material. If you are a business, please let us know how you would like to participate as a sponsor by contacting Judith Yeckel, Concert Production Manager at 503-503-823-5446 or judith.yeckel@gmail.com.

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Crossword by Chris Yensan

A certain three-letter word makes up part of the answer for many of these clues. (solution found on page 7)

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Restaurant Spotlight
by Ryan Schwartz

Enzo's: Italian Comfort Food

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Stop by Enzo's in the middle of the afternoon, and you'll be greeted by Enzo Lanzadoro and his sister Carmela as they prepare fresh pasta and other regional delights from their former home in southern Italy. In a joyous, uplifting atmosphere, they offer diners food from the heart — simple and satisfying Italian comfort food.



The family behind recently opened Enzo's Caffe Italiano on Alberta St. (Bob Pallesen).

Last month, Enzo opened his new restaurant on Alberta St. after outgrowing a small cafe in the Southwest hills. In their cozy kitchen, Enzo and his family make homemade bread, pasta, sausage, mozzarella and classic desserts such as cannoli and tiramisu from family recipes that have been handed down for generations. Enzo's recipe for Quasanella sausage was created over 150 years ago when it was chosen above all others for an offering to the patron saint of Torritto, a small village on the Southeast coast of Italy.

Enzo's opens at 11AM Tuesday through Saturday, offering fresh baked bread and Italian espresso. For the lunch crowd, Enzo's serves authentic thin-crust pizzas and paninis. Both their pasta and pizza are nearly gluten-free, and they are trying to perfect recipes for both that contain no gluten. The restaurant also serves Italian wines along with light and dark brews of beer from Menebrea, an Italian brewer.



Quesanella sausage, once for the patron saint, now available in Concordia (Bob Pallesen).

"We've received a warm welcome and love this area; already we have repeat customers," says Enzo. "Our idea is to get involved in the neighborhood but it will take time to expand."

The chefs' skills extend beyond the kitchen. Enzo created the ceramic tiles that decorate the dining room, and Carmela made the paintings. With his daughter as a hostess, Enzo has created a truly family-run restaurant bringing Concordia an unfiltered taste of delicious Italian cuisine.

Q+A with an Alberta Artist
by Ryan Schwartz

Kurumi Conley www.kurumiglass.com



Kurumi at work in her studio (Kurumi Conley).

How can we experience your art?

I open my studio by appointment and people can make what they want to make and fire it and shape it in the kiln. You don't need experience to come; you can be a four year old. I have pre-cut pieces that you can re-arrange and I do all the technical parts. Its having fun and playing with glass. You can make ornaments, rings, necklaces, magnets, decorative pieces, plates and serving platters. There are glass mushrooms in front of my house that people might see when they take a walk.

What is your favorite neighborhood hang-out?

I like taking a walk to the Concordia University Library and going to a little cafe there. I like checking the neighborhood along the walk, checking how the construction is going. My daughter gets books at the library.

Do you have a favorite story about your neighborhood?

There was a cat in my neighborhood that went around to all the houses. Everyone had their own names for him, but his name was C-A-T. Recently he passed away. All of my neighbors got together and we had a memorial service for the cat. Our kids went and picked flowers and we all shared food and stories about him.

Where can we find your art?

Some of my artwork is in the Guardino gallery at NE 30th & Alberta. Lemontree gift store on NE 40th in the Hollywood District also has it. I make some sculptural pieces; a glass chair is one of my signature pieces.

I want to add that I am Japanese and I am coordinating personal disaster relief shipments to a fellow glass artist in Sendai. These shipments consist of messages of hope and encouragement and small glass art paperweights to give cheer to children in the stricken area. I am not soliciting donations at this time but if people feel so inclined they may send messages in the form of cards and letters to me at the following address: P.O.Box 11634, Portland Oregon 97211.

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One of Kurumi's signature kiln-fired glass pieces (Kurumi Conley).

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School News

Vernon Hosts Auction for Arts and Music Fundraiser

The Vernon PTA was disappointed to learn last summer that due to ubiquitous budget cuts, all arts and music were to be cut at Vernon. one way school PTAs can counter these budget cuts is by holding auctions and other fundraisers through which parents raise money to hire teachers and resources that the school district cannot provide.

The Vernon PTA and its committed parents have rallied together and will hold its very first auction on May 6th at the North Star Ballroom. We want to raise enough money and partner with members of the community to hire a part-time music teacher at our school and we are very optimistic.

For this to be a success, we are seeking support from the local community. Many local businesses such as Umpqua Bank, Grasshopper, NW Natural and Real Deals Home Décor have committed support by sponsoring the event through significant cash and product donations.

You too can make a difference in the children of your community's lives by making a tax deductible gift or getting a group together to go to the auction and have fun. The Vernon "Owls" promise that "it will be a hoot!" For more information on the auction or to make a tax deductible donation to bring music to the school, go to: <http://bit.ly/ehMhD7>

If you would like to become involved in the PTA at Vernon, please come to our next meeting on May 3 at 5:45 PM. Dinner and free child-care will be served. 2044 NE Killingsworth Street.

Catlin Gabel high school's urban studies class is working with Alberta Main Street to inform future improvements to our district. Please take a minute to take their survey! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7ZYJRPT>

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Unique Approach to Education at New Summa Institute School

The Summa Institute will open its doors in September in an annex of the Grant Park Church on NE 34th and Knott. Summa Institute's three part synergistic vision of educating the child, parent and teacher together intends to change education in Portland. Applications are being accepted for September 2011.

Their unique vision of education includes: a primary elementary school with six mixed-age classes for children 5-14; a professional development center to train professionals how to "teach in tune with the rhythm of the child;" a parent development department to create continuity between home and school; and a research center to promote best practices for families and children.

You can learn more about the Summa Institute by attending an open house in May. Visit www.summaacademy.org for dates and times.

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Sunday, May 1
2420 NE Columbia Blvd.

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Build It Workshop: traditional birdhouse

NorthEast Portland Tool Library
Saturday, May 7
10:00 am - Noon
Join us for our first combined adult-child class on birdhouse construction. All materials, plans, and tools provided. Adults must accompany children that attend. Cost: \$5.00 donation per birdhouse. RSVP is required, as space is limited. Sign up at the Tool Library during our open hours. <http://neptl.org/>

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Social Work Information Event Monday, May 9, 6.30-8 p.m.

Concordia University
George R White Library Room 310
2800 NE Liberty St.
www.cu-portland.edu/calendar.

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TEDx Comes to Concordia University

TEDxConcordiaUPortland, an independently organized event, is themed "think.inspire.go" and will feature more than 18 keynote speakers highlighting the innovative thinking that makes Portland unique. Including sustainability, food cart culture, alternative models of education, voluntary simplicity, peace activism and much more.

The all-day conference includes three sessions of talks, performances, breakfast, lunch and plenty of opportunities for dynamic conversation. Ticket sales through the event website.

Saturday, May 14

2800 NE Liberty St.
www.tedxconcordiauportland.com/.

Family Carnival at Vernon K-8

Come one, come all! Join us in ending the school year with a super fun night of food, games, prizes and much more! We'll have some carnival favorites: ring toss, cake walk, pitch blast (our version of a dunk tank), cotton candy and snow cones, as well as some new surprises for your family.

Friday, May 20 • 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Vernon School, between 20th and 22nd on NE Killingsworth

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Lara Rouse - New Mixed Media

Bizarre best describes Lara Rouse's latest work. It's something you would find hanging in your mom's kitchen in a parallel universe. Lara embraces religious kitsch, motivational posters, and good old-fashioned fun.

Last Thursday Opening Show runs through May 22 Hail Mary

2928 NE Killingsworth St
503 281 6096

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Guardino Gallery

Main gallery: Kelly Neidig, oil paintings and Brian R. Jones, ceramic wall sculpture.
Feature area: Stephanie Brockway "Circus Puppet Theater" carved wood & mixed media

April 28-May 24 Opening reception: Last Thursday, April 28, 6-9 pm 2939 NE Alberta

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www.guardinogallery.com

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Our United Villages Community Outreach is proud to announce a new monthly workshop series, Tools for Community Building.

Please join us for these skill-building workshops. You will walk away with tools and strategies for enhancing your own neighborhood or community projects.

2nd Thursday of each month 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Our United Villages Conference Room
3625 N Mississippi Avenue
503.546.7499
outreach@ourunitedvillages.org
www.ouvcommunityoutreach.com

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May Farmers Markets:

King, Sundays 10AM - 2PM
NE 7th and Wygant

Hollywood, Saturdays 8AM - 1PM
NE Hancock and 44th

History Storytelling

Hosting a social gathering to showcase the history of a place. FREE and open to anyone interested.

RSVP please, outreach@ourunitedvillages.org

Thursday, May 12

Snacks provided. Child care (9 and under), transportation, and interpretation provided upon request. Sponsored by Community Outreach of Our United Villages.

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The Star E Rose Cafe serves the neighborhood with live music, poetry readings, storytellers, great food and more.

THE STAR E ROSE CAFE

Alberta Flea Market -- live music and an array of new vendors every second Saturday Saturday May 14, 11-4pm DaBasement Jazz Quartet -- plays every fourth Saturday of the month

Saturday May 28, 1-3pm
2403 NE Alberta St.
503-249-8128

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Portland Fruit Tree Project Wish List

Are you able to contribute something on this list?

Pump pot or other large insulated tea/coffee pot, wheelbarrow, pruning saws, pole pruners, tree/plant tags, grafting seal, stretch-tie tape, small garbage bins, portable table, cable lock, projector (digital), all-in-one LaserJet printer/scanner, printer paper

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katy@portlandfruit.org

Donations are tax-deductible, and greatly appreciated!

Rent the Neighborhood Community Room

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

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Sunday, May 1
May Day Celebration
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Thursday, May 5
Family Frolic Series
Uncle B & Auntie E & J Dog
The songs we sing are old and new -- we'll laugh and dance and so will you! (A great time for the young and young at heart!)
6 p.m. · Free · All ages welcome

Friday, May 6
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Sunday, May 8
Mother's Day Brunch
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9 a.m. 'til 3 p.m. · \$23.95 adults; \$18.95 seniors; \$11.95 kids; free for 5 and under · All ages welcome
Reservations required

Thursday, May 12
Cornmeal
Progressive blues and jam band from Chicago as part of the
GREAT NORTHWEST MUSIC TOUR
7 p.m. · Free · All ages welcome

Thursday, May 19
PAGAN JUG BAND
Bluegrass
7 p.m. · Free · All ages welcome

Sunday, May 22
Pacific Crest Jazz Orchestra
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4 p.m. · \$10 · All ages welcome

Thursday, May 26
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