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A free publication of the Concordia Neighborhood Association

November 2009



Be a part of what's happening
in the neighborhood.

Meetings held in the
Community Room
at McMenamins
Kennedy School

General Membership
November 3

1st Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M.

Land Use & Livability Meeting
November 5

1st Thursday of each month at 7 P.M.

Board Meeting
November 10

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M.

Green Team
November 24

4th Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M.

Media Committee

November 11 at New Seasons
2nd Wednesday of each month
at 6:30 P.M.

CNA Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 1st, 2009

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Concordia University's Hagen Center

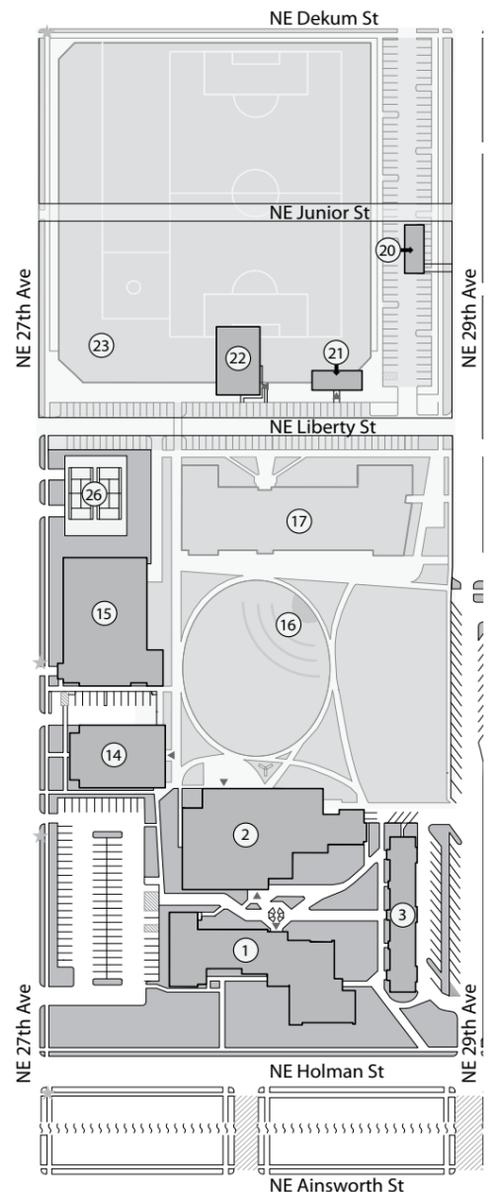
(Bldg #2 on adjacent map)

The ANNUAL CNA HOLIDAY PARTY is just around the corner, so please mark your calendars! Due to last year's crowd at the Concordia University Fine Arts Building, we have moved the party location to an even bigger venue. Concordia University has generously donated their Hagen Center for our event so there will be plenty of room to enjoy the festivities. The Hagen Center is located on the 2nd floor of the old CU library, which is Bldg #2 on the adjacent map. There is an elevator to the 2nd floor for those folks who are unable to use the stairs. All residents and business owners of the Concordia Neighborhood are invited to the free holiday festivities on Tuesday, December 1st in lieu of our General Meeting. The holiday party is a great way to meet new neighbors and mix and mingle with friends, old and new, in a festive and family-friendly atmosphere. This year we are delighted to



be serving homemade Mexican food provided by Chef Jose Hernandez. More traditional finger-food and nonalcoholic beverages will also be provided by the CNA.

A holiday party would not be complete without music! This year, we are pleased to announce that we will have the Concordia University Brass Ensemble under the direction of William Kuhn, Ed.D. performing festive songs for our listening pleasure. They will be performing a variety of holiday selections both in traditional and in jazz style. We hope to see you all there for this fun end-of-the-year event!



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CNA's November General Meeting

By Belinda Clark

November 3, 7:00PM Board Member Elections

Please join us and get involved in your neighborhood! Tonight we will fill open board positions and recruit volunteers for our various committees. If you have an interest in your neighborhood and want to make some new friends, please join us. You can nominate yourself or a friend. No previous experience is required.

Committees with openings include: Land Use and Livability, Economic Development, Media (Newsletter and website), Social Committee, Green team, and Tree team to name a few. If you're interested in an annual project, we are looking for someone to take on coordinating our annual neighborhood cleanup. As you may have noticed, we were unable to organize it this year. We hope to find someone willing and able to manage this project.

See you there!



Chair's Corner

By Belinda Clark, Vice Chair

Since our next general meeting focuses on election of the CNA board, I thought I'd talk about my experience as a board member. I've lived in the neighborhood for close to 20 years, and attended neighborhood meetings off and on. About three years ago, I decided to attend a meeting after a many-year hiatus. That meeting turned out to be the night of the annual election of board members. After listening to the current board members speak, I nominated myself and was elected as an at-large board member.

Since then, I've learned a lot (Robert's Rules of Order for one), and I'm currently serving my second term. Our board works closely with city departments and organizations that impact our neighborhood. It is a rewarding and sometimes challenging volunteer position.

We are very fortunate to have some longtime volunteers such as George Bruender, chair of our Land Use and Livability committee. He has a wealth of experience with land use and development issues in the city.

Our Social committee puts on several events annually: the Easter egg hunt (which is very well attended), Concerts in the Park, National Night Out, and our upcoming holiday party (next month).

Please come to our November meeting to learn more about what we do as a neighborhood association, and how you might be able to get involved. Board members are asked to commit to a 2-year term. It's a great way to support your local community, and learn more about your neighborhood and how to make it a better place to live.

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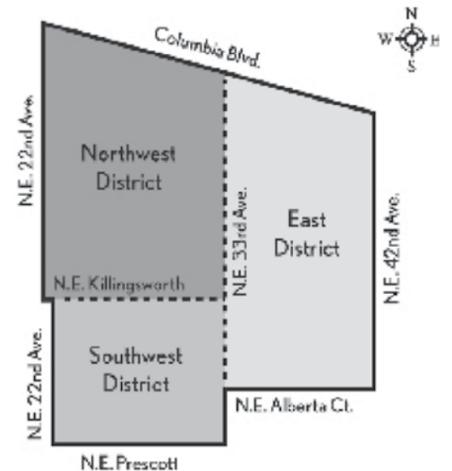
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Coming Soon – 2010 Census

What: Head Count

The census is a count of everyone residing in the United States.

Who: Everybody

All residents of the United States must be counted. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens and non-citizens.

When: Every 10 years

The next census occurs in 2010. Census questionnaires will be mailed or delivered to every household in the United States in March 2010. The questions ask you to provide information that is accurate for your household as of April 1, 2010.

The Census Bureau must count everyone and submit state population totals to the U.S. President by December 31, 2010.

The first Census was conducted in 1790 and has been carried out every 10 years since then.

Where: Everywhere in the U.S.

The census counts everyone residing in the United States: in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.

People should be counted where they live and sleep most of the year.

Why: U.S. Constitution

The Constitution (Article I, Section 2) mandates

a headcount of everyone residing in the United States. The population totals determine the size of each state's Congressional representation. The numbers also affect funding in your community and help inform decision makers about how your community is changing.

How: Via Questionnaire

The Census Bureau will mail or deliver questionnaires to your house in March 2010. We will mail a second form to households that do not respond to the initial questionnaire.

Households that still do not respond will be called or visited by a Census worker. (Census workers can be identified by a census badge and bag.)



Letter to the Editor

Airport Noise

I attended the Concordia neighborhood meeting last night at Kennedy School regarding the airport traffic and noise in this neighborhood. I recently moved here from quiet little Eugene. I've lived in Portland before; in fact I grew up here on the SW side of town. Portland has grown since then, it's true. More traffic. More people. More crime. And yes, more noise. I've lived in Los Angeles, Denver and Minneapolis/St. Paul as well as small towns in the West, so I'm not coming from a quiet little town mentality. I never had to deal with this kind of noise pollution in any of those cities.

When I decided to move up here a few months ago, I had no idea that the airport noise would be so constantly annoying. I had been staying in the neighborhood off and on all summer. It wasn't until I was actually here for a week or two that the noise pollution really started getting to me. I'm a writer and musician and quiet and concentration time at home is important to me. So is my peace of mind.

Concordia is a beautiful neighborhood. A nice mixture of trees, people, gardens, shops, etc. No it isn't the richest neighborhood in Portland and perhaps that might be a factor in the airport's reticence to find other alternative routes for all the cargo plane traffic. That is the impression I get. We were given more information and a dandy little refrigerator magnet with a phone number on it to call when we are annoyed. Great! Am I supposed to be on the phone all day and into the night? That's about how constant the air traffic is over my house. What good does it do me after I've already been awakened from my sleep or distracted for the thirteenth time from my writing, or had to halt my conversation in my backyard just so I can be heard, to call? Is anything going to change?

I've tried to be patient this summer, assuming that it was going to be over come October. Little did I know that "over" meant only for this summer. That if I live here I'm going to have to endure at least two more summers of this assault on my senses. Good grief. Isn't anyone else as upset as I am about this?

I realize airports need maintenance. I know airports have to expand to meet the growing need of the cities they serve. But, with the river and all the industrial area surrounding Concordia as well as other available airports, I truly don't understand why other alternatives cannot be found. I feel if some of the Port Authority/airport executives lived and tried to work in my house they certainly would try a little harder to find a better solution. Right now I feel that it's a "not my problem, just live with it" attitude.

Signed,
Mad as Hell

Tour of the Ainsworth Arboretum

By Bob Pallesen

Jim Gersbach, a liaison with Urban Forestry and a board member of Friends of Trees led a group of Concordia tree team members on a tour of the Ainsworth Arboretum. The tour focused on fall color, appropriate planting and the responsibility and maintenance of trees during summer months.

While a number of young trees were damaged due to the extreme temperatures and inadequate watering this summer, most will recover; others will be replaced by Friends of Trees. This issue will be added to the Tree Team agenda of topics at future meetings. Concerned residents are welcome to participate in discussions. If you wish to attend, please contact Dove Hotz at missdove@alumni.reed.edu.



Clockwise from top: A red oak on Ainsworth and 30th Avenue; Jim Gersbach leads tour of the Ainsworth Arboretum

Land Use and Livability Update

By Belinda Clark

Our October land use meeting was held on Tuesday, October 1. The majority of our meeting was spent discussing the Land Use Bureau of Appeals (LUBA) appeal which was filed by the Concordia Neighborhood Association (CNA) in September.

Some background on this appeal: A house was built on 32nd Ave, and the roof height is considered to be measured at 2 feet above current building code. Inspections by the city passed, and the final project was completed. Complaints were made to the Bureau of Development Service (BDS) and the city Ombudsman by a concerned neighbor. CNA's help was requested to file the appeal, and after an emergency meeting of the board, it was approved to proceed with the filing in September.

Our concerns are not with the design, or placement of the house, but that the building code was not followed. The hope for the outcome is that the developer/builder has to file for an adjustment, which will be on file with the city, and in the future this project cannot be used to bypass residential building height requirements anywhere in the city. Because this issue has an impact citywide, we are also asking other neighborhood associations to join in support of our appeal.

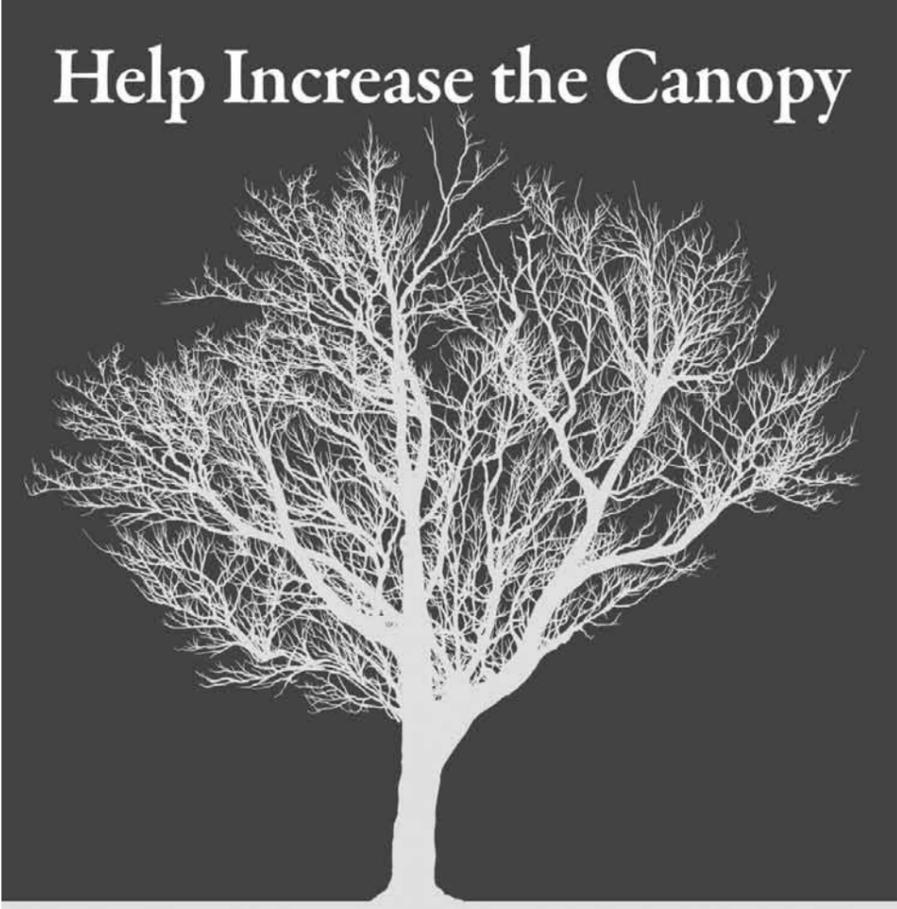
Tree Team update:

Three members (Barbara Wharton, Kristin Kaye, and Dove Hotz) completed the Tree Stewardship program of Portland Parks & Recreation, and will graduate on Saturday October 24th. There are funds available for grants, and currently they are working on a grant to plant more trees at Meek school. New members are needed; if you're interested please contact Bob Pallesen.

On October 11 there was a tour of the Ainsworth Arboretum. Concerns were expressed about the viability of the trees (especially the new ones), and responsibility for maintenance.

Other concerns:

Kennedy School/NE Jessup St – A group of neighbors have been meeting through the summer and are currently working to remove the on-street parking from the north side of Jessup Street from 33rd Avenue to the Kennedy School parking entrance. Concerns have been expressed about traffic congestion and safety along this street, especially when Kennedy School is busy. In discussions with the Department of Transportation, they found Jessup Street is narrower than typical residential streets. To proceed, Kennedy School management has been asked to sign off on the closure. We are waiting on their response.



Help Increase the Canopy

Join the Concordia Tree Team and help in the advocacy and stewardship of trees in our neighborhood. Find out how you can make a difference—join us.

The first Thursday of each month, at 6:00 PM, in the New Seasons dining area.

Or contact us at: concordiatreeteam@yahoo.com



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Fall Traffic and Parking Problems at Concordia University

By George Bruender

Construction on Concordia University's new library and dorm apartments has just been finished and it's time to assess what the impact will be on nearby residences. This was the subject of a recent meeting of the Traffic-Parking Committee composed of longtime neighbors and several college representatives who did find much unfinished business. October is the deadline for the college to spell out in detail its improvements over the year in a report due to the City. Major problem areas exist.

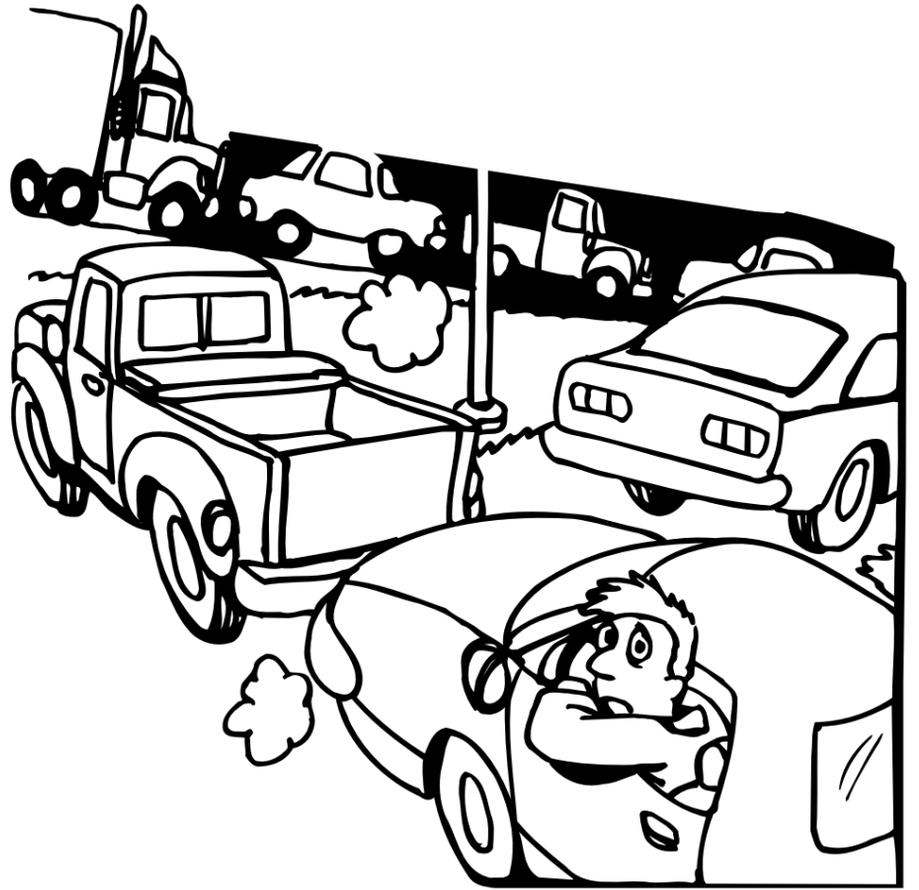
The college had promised neighbors that on-street parking would be made more tolerable this summer by painting yellow parking stripes 3 feet on either side of driveways, but the college never followed through. The committee insisted that letters go out within one week to affected residents who have difficulty getting in and out of their front driveways and the work be done soon and quickly. CU will pick up the cost.

College security in the meantime will monitor cars parked too closely, in front of driveways, within 10 feet of fire hydrants, and into crosswalks and report them to Portland's city parking enforcement (823-5195). In a separate flier, residents were also encouraged to call the patrol and report infractions, but the key to improvement will be continual enforcement by the City and CU.

Certain areas of NE 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th avenues between Holman and Ainsworth streets and NE 30th between Holman and Rosa Parks have traditionally restricted college parking. This restriction has been in place for some time per an agreement between CU and CNA, but the legality had been challenged by City lawyers. A final decision this fall has once again disallowed college parking on those streets. Neighbors can call CU Security who will enforce that rule (503-280-8517).

Since CU security is one person per shift, neighborhood awareness and reporting are the keys to easing some of the parking frustration. The college is also notifying both violators and their student body of the rules for parking. (Note: In Portland parking spaces in front of homes are not reserved for the residents.)

The second major parking-related aspect is to get more on-campus parking.



In getting its building permits approved, the college promised the City and the neighborhood that there would be 215 new on-campus slots by this fall. They have fallen quite short on that, due to City/County jurisdictional disputes. The new dorms have added 42 spaces and the college tennis courts will continue to park 44 vehicles. That still leaves a deficit of about 175 spaces.

The head-in spaces were to be built along the vacated Liberty Street and NE 29th Avenue. CU plans to build those lots now since receiving the official go-ahead in late September. Neighbors have asked for interim measures. Fences are being moved back on both Liberty and Junior streets to provide parking. They asked that the spaces behind the president's house and the soon-to-be deconstructed empty nursing classrooms and the Good Shepherd Home become graveled parking lots.

Some positive changes have eased the parking situation. The construction parking is gone. Class hours are more spread out during the day with the new class spaces in the library, so parking will not be as intense during certain hours. Alternative methods of getting to the college are being pursued, and CU is looking at transit subsidies for bus use. But real change won't happen until the Liberty Street parking is in place.

The committee also wants to explore the idea of one-side-of-the-street parking, something that the Department of Transportation nixed a few years ago. Holman, NE 27th, and Rosa Parks at 29th are the streets where traffic gets bottled up.

Contact Land Use chair George Bruender (gbruender@comcast.net) if you wish to be contacted about the date and time of the next committee meeting.

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Second Sunday Suppers

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The Little Red School House: Fall Session and Our Indian Summer

By Don Gire, Faubian PTA President

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Indian Summer! Can we say that anymore? It's not "Native American summer" nor is it summer in New Delhi. So, it's settled. We will stay traditional, call it "Indian Summer" and enjoy the heck out of it. The leaves are turning, October has been a fantastic host to mild sunny weather and who says "it always rains in Portland"?

Faubion School has enjoyed the nice weather and the process of easing into its fall semester as well. Lots of recess time, some trips to Whittaker Pond and other outdoor field trip venues make the hard work of school taste a bit better. We even participated in a "summer time" Run for the Arts sponsored student run that earned money for each lap the kids completed and helped fund the Young Audiences Arts for Learning Program. And, your assistance with the Fall Fundraiser was greatly appreciated. Have you seen the new Faubion T-Shirts? Go Bulldogs!

The PTA has started its mid-month Friday Koffee Klatches, already had one heck of a turn out for Curriculum Nights pizza and movie party and had its first general membership meeting on October 21. The PTA is all about more parental involvement in the kids' educational process and, between that and this economy's need for a full work day, have moved their meetings to 6:30 PM in keeping with working hours. We are having our larger general meetings at school and hold our business & board meetings in the new Concordia University White Library. Come join us one of those nights.

Our school is progressing well under the "new management" of LaShawn Lee. We now have expanded curriculum which includes conversational Spanish for everyone, a Brazilian Drum Corps course, and new art programs (to

mention a few). We have our elementary school running side by side with our middle school but with a distinctly different feel and our pre-K is a great success. Our lumps? Sure. Overcrowding, not enough floor space, PPS and SUN schools running almost simultaneously, "run-run, hurry-hurry" but the job is getting done. When is the new school construction scheduled? Did I hear the word "economy" again?



Our November schedule for PTA events is:

- 11/13: Koffee Klatch @ 8:35AM in the Faubion library. Have a cup of Joe on us!
- 11/16-24: Our Annual Book Fair
- 11/18: PTA Business Meeting 6:30 PM
- 11/27: Faubion mans a float again for the Macy's Parade. Watch us on TV.

We'd love you to get involved whether you have Faubion Students or are a member of the Concordia Community. Find out more and keep up to date on our website www.faubionpta.com

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Above L-R: Smith Mask and Ramirez Alter among others, will be displayed at Onda Gallery. See Community Calendar under "Day of the Dead" on the back page for more information. On the right: Family members and friends gather together to remember the dead.



Volunteer Opportunities for "Art on Alberta"

**** Through November 1 for Art on Alberta Board Position ****

No deadline for other Art on Alberta volunteer opportunities

Art on Alberta is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to promote the Alberta Art District's distinct cultural identity through art and educational activities. We currently have several needs for people to help us as we prepare for our 2010 programming. If you are an individual looking for job experience, we are looking for positive-minded individuals who are comfortable working with a team for these roles:

Board Position:

Art on Alberta has an open board position for someone with the enthusiasm and organizational skills to help us coordinate volunteers. Our greatest need is at our May Art Hop event, but we would like to create opportunities of varied length and skill levels for members of our community, art lovers, or anyone else who wants to be part of the community in this unique Portland neighborhood. We are especially looking for an individual who checks and responds to email with some frequency. Individual must commit to our team through June 2010 at a minimum. Please send a cover letter and current resume by November 1 to: president@artonalberta.org.

Other Volunteer Needs:

1. Alberta Street Historian

Art on Alberta recognizes that our neighborhood has a unique history in this city and would like to document the way that this neighborhood has evolved in its history. We are looking for an individual with an interest in local history who will help us to build a section of our website that brings forward the history of Alberta Street from its original Irish/Italian roots, through

the Vanport Flood, and to the present day and the individuals who worked to revitalize this neighborhood. Part of this task should include archives from the Oregon Historical Society, but may extend to longtime community residents. At a minimum, we would like to include this information on our website, but other community outreach is possible, if the volunteer has a vision about how to incorporate it with Art on Alberta's mission. We are also seeking a historian for the art on the street, and it would be ideal for these to positions to work together at times.

2. Art on Alberta Historian

Art on Alberta owes a large part of its recent renaissance to the arts. We are seeking an individual who is interested in documenting all of the permanent art on the street, both public and private. Gathering historical information from longtime arts advocates for the street, as well as working with the Regional Arts and Culture Council about projects under their oversight is within the scope of this position. The ultimate goal is to create a downloadable pdf guide that serves as a walking tour to visitors. If other community outreach is of interest to the volunteer who takes on this task, we are open to suggestions that fit within the Art on Alberta mission. We are also seeking a historian for the neighborhood to contribute to our website, and it would be ideal for these to positions to work together when appropriate.

3. Writers

Art on Alberta is seeking volunteer writers to contribute to our newsletter and blog who have an interest in reviewing shows that happen on Alberta Street, helping us profile member businesses, or interview artists for the monthly exhibitions mounted at our office. If you're looking for writing experience in any of these fields, please contact us about your interests.

4. Media Assistant

Art on Alberta's PR Coordinator is in need of an assistant who can help us promote our events, activities, and needs to online bulletin boards, calendars, Facebook page, Twitter, and other forms of digital outreach. This individual ideally would help us seek appropriate avenues for helping us promote ourselves in the local and regional community.

5. Gallery Assistant

Art on Alberta's Exhibitions Coordinator is in need of an assistant who can help organize our monthly shows. This job mainly consists of gathering information about our featured artist(s) each month for PR coordinator, but if you have other interests in helping promote this aspect of our community outreach, we are open to this as well.

If you are interested in helping Art on Alberta with any of these positions, please send a cover letter and resume to president@artonalberta.org. There is no deadline for these five volunteer positions; we will fill them as the right applicant comes our way.

For more information about Art on Alberta, please visit www.artonalberta.org.



Above: Hail Mary presents Janet Julian's latest work depicting mermaids or sirens as funerary deities whose charming looks and voices lure imprudent sailors to their deaths. All pieces made entirely of salvaged materials. See Community Calendar under "Siren Songs" on the back page for more information.

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October 29

Noelle Scott

WHAT: Art on Alberta's featured artist for October's Last Thursday will be showing at Grow Gallery. Noelle Scott works with acrylics, ink, charcoal and watercolor. Her inspiration is the range of roles women play in social settings. For more about the artist go to: noellescott.com, for more about Art on Alberta: artonalberta.org

WHEN: 6 – 9 p.m.

WHERE: Grow Gallery, 1614 NE Alberta Street

Siren Songs

WHAT: Hail Mary presents Janet Julian's latest work depicting mermaids or sirens as funerary deities whose charming looks and voices lure imprudent sailors to their deaths. All pieces made entirely of salvaged materials.

Please support this longtime gallery and artist, Mary Tapogna, who faces possible eviction to make way for a bar.

WHEN: 6 – 9 p.m.

WHERE: Hail Mary, 2928 NE Killingsworth Street

Day of the Dead

WHAT: Two major group shows at Onda and Guardino Galleries. The Day of the Dead (Día de los Muertos in Spanish) is a holiday celebrated mainly in Mexico and by people of Mexican heritage (and others) living in the United States and Canada. The holiday focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember friends and relatives who have died. The celebration occurs on November 1 and 2, in connection with the Catholic holy days of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day which take place on those days. Traditions include building private altars honoring the deceased, using sugar skulls, marigolds, and the favorite foods and beverages of the departed, and visiting graves with these as gifts.

Onda Gallery will present gifted Hispanic artists from Portland and the Willamette Valley.

WHEN: 6 – 9 p.m.

WHERE: Onda Gallery, 2215 NE Alberta Street and Guardino Gallery, 2939 Alberta Street

October 31

Spooky Books

WHAT: Illustrator, Lee White reads Druscilla's Halloween and shows how to draw a scary witch. Trick or

Treating all day long at Green Bean Books! Costumes encouraged. Find out more at greenbeanbookspdx.com

WHEN: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Reading is at three.

WHERE: Green Bean Books, 1600 NE Alberta Street

Trick-or-Treat

WHAT: Concordia University invites all children of northeast Portland to the university's tenth annual "Halloween in the Halls." Concordia students will hand out candy to trick-or-treaters at the East Hall residence hall. Trick-or-treaters are invited to enjoy carnival games and refreshments in the lobby area of East Hall. Coffee will also be available for parents.

WHEN: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Concordia University's East Hall, NE 30th Avenue and Holman Street

November 2

Yoga for Seniors

WHAT: Believe Movement Studio has opened at NE 8th Avenue and Dekum Street. Concordia resident Laura Demeri spent months rehabilitating the building which holds classes seven days a week. Every Monday is free yoga for seniors; there is also a walk/run club you can drop-in to find fitness partners. Find out more at believemovementstudio.com

WHERE: Believe Movement Studio, 728 NE Dekum Street

November 3

Willamette River

WHAT: "The Willamette: From Headwaters to the Columbia": As part of Concordia's Environmental Stewardship Speaker Series, Travis Williams, executive director of Willamette Riverkeeper, will address the Willamette River's major changes through a photographic journey.

WHEN: 7 p.m.

WHERE: Concordia University's Luther Hall, Room 121

Q Center Game Night

WHAT: Q Center is now located nearby on Mississippi Avenue. Members of the LGBT community and their friends and family get together for a great social evening of informal competition, sure to help you pass a Tuesday evening. Catch Phrase or Scene-It? Jenga or Checkers? Pictionary in teams? Or feel free to bring your own game.

WHEN: 7 – 9 p.m.

WHERE: Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi Avenue

November 10

Native Plant Workshop

WHAT: Create beautiful landscapes that attract birds, butterflies and other pollinators into your garden by using native plants! This workshop will explore which native plants are most appropriate for your urban landscape.

Presented by East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, register at emswcd.org or call 505-935-5383

WHEN: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: The Williams House, 5211 N. Williams Avenue

November 15

Naturescaping Basics

WHAT: Naturescaping is the practice of designing (or redesigning) a landscape that provides wildlife habitat, reduces water use and pollution without sacrificing splendor. You will receive a workbook and take home a free native plant.

Presented by East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, register at emswcd.org or call 505-935-5383

WHEN: 1 – 5 p.m.

WHERE: Historic Kenton Firehouse, 2209 N Schofield Street

November 17

Weatherization

WHAT: Little drafts and leaks add up – especially on your heating bill. Community Energy Project provides free weatherization workshops throughout Portland. Participants learn to use basic draft-stopping materials to save energy in their homes. Income/area qualified participants receive a free kit of materials in addition to the workshop.

Please RSVP 503.284.6827 x108 or email energy@communityenergyproject.org visit www.communityenergyproject.org for more workshops.

WHEN: 6 – 8 p.m.

WHERE: Peninsula Park, 700 N. Rosa Parks Way

November 18

Kitchen Design

WHAT: Designer Michelle Rolens will present "Kitchen Design and Remodeling," an overview of efficient space planning, the latest in kitchen design, cabinet technology, and a summary of the remodeling process, as well as photos of her award-winning kitchen projects.

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Thursday, November 12
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JAZZ ORCHESTRA
Jazz community band
7 p.m. • Free • All ages welcome

Friday through Sunday,
November 13–15
African American Film Festival
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Sunday, November 15
CRAIG CAROTHERS
SONGWRITERS IN THE ROUND
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Grammy-awarded singer/songwriter
Don Henry from Nashville
7:30 p.m. • \$10 • All ages welcome

Thursday, November 19
McMenamins & opbmusic.org
Great Northwest Music Tour
FREAK MOUNTAIN
RAMBLERS
Legendary hilltop rock
7 p.m. • Free • All ages welcome

Thursday, November 26
THANKSGIVING BUFFET
1 p.m. 'til 7 p.m.; reservations required
\$23.95 adults; \$18.95 seniors;
\$11.95 kids 6-12; kids 5 & under free
All ages welcome

Sunday, November 29
"YOU WHO"
A monthly children's variety rock show
featuring **QUASI**
12 p.m. doors, 1 p.m. show
Adults with kids: \$10 advance • Adults without kids: \$15
Ages 2-12: \$5, 2 & under: free
All ages welcome
Tickets available at Ticketmaster

Monday, November 30
HISTORY PUB MONDAYS
"WOMEN AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR"
7 p.m. • Free • All ages welcome

Saturday and Sunday, December 5 & 6
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
9 a.m. & 11 a.m. • \$13 adults, \$10 kids
Reservations required • All ages welcome

Wednesday, December 31
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WHEN: 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Eastside Showroom, 804 N Alberta Street

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