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## Concordia News

is a free monthly publication of the Concordia Neighborhood Association. Newspapers are delivered to all residences and many community locations in the Concordia Neighborhood.

## Mission Statement

To connect Concordia residents and businesses - inform, educate and report on activities, issues and opportunities of the neighborhood.

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## 2nd annual spring alley Clean Up and revitalization in the 'bag'



By Carl Jameson  
CNA Media Team

Concordia's alleys are an underutilized community asset according to Garlynn Woodsong, Chair, CNA Land Use & Transportation Committee (LUTC),

and cleaning them up is the first step toward their revitalization. To that end, 30 volunteers, mostly Concordia University students, fanned out over the 120 alleys in the Concordia neighborhood and picked up trash and other debris on Saturday, April 16.

What they found wasn't surprising. The alleys were littered with cardboard, paper, plastics and the occasional tire. Some of the alleys were blocked with mud, blackberry vines and laurel bushes making passage impossible.

"Once we pick up these alleys people will see this sort of neglected space where they can walk their dog, or go for a walk with their kids, or maybe imagine planting some flowers and improving the muddy surface with permeable pavers or just new load of gravel," said Woodsong.

Alleys are a public right-of-way, but, like sidewalks, their maintenance is the responsibility of adjacent private-property owners. Many were once used for car access to the garages in back of homes, but have since been abandoned. Woodsong said, "What we are really trying to do is inspire the adjacent private property owners to band together and start maintaining or improving this neglected public right-of-way."

Concordia residents interested in alleys or any land use and transportation issue are invited to attend the Concordia Neighborhood Association Land Use and Transportation Committee (CNA LUTC) meetings at 7p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month, in the Community Room at McMenamins Kennedy School.

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Concordia University and other local students clean up an alleyway during CNA's recent Alley Clean Up event. Photo by Carl Jameson

### CNA spring Clean Up May 14 8 AM - 12:30 PM See page 5 for details



The CNA neighborhood Clean Up always nets plenty of trash, and leaves neighborhood homes many pounds lighter. Concordia residents help out. L-R: David McKenzie, Paul Wilkins and Jim Johnson



### TRIBUTE & FUNDRAISER

For Melody Winn, key figure in Ferhill Park playground project, on May 22  
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### MISSING MIDDLE HOUSING

Portland is lacking in this important infill development solution.  
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### FORGE OPENS ON ALBERTA

Former Halibut's location sports new restaurant from Enzo's owner.  
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**ISAAC QUINTERO**  
Chair  
Concordia Neighborhood Assoc.

## CNA continues efforts to connect community, help those in need

### CHAIR'S CORNER

Greetings Neighbor -

Thanks for checking back in with me. As you may have already noticed, the Concordia newspaper has been transformed visually to rival any other Portland newsletter now in publication. As CNA Chair, it has been a priority to help us connect with one another, and Concordia News is by far the best mechanism to do so.

Fortunately my goals have been supported by like-minded believers in the First Amendment. CNEWS has always been available to readers who wish to dig deeper into community issues. But like so many books on library shelves that don't get read unless the cover is attractive, CNEWS was in need of a makeover.

We believe the improvement in the paper's readability will make it more enjoyable for everyone. It is not our intention, however, to make the publication just a pretty face — we also aspire to produce a publication with more muscle and content.

In our push for journalistic quality, we did create a bit of a monster. Over the last four months CNEWS has risen to a high level of professionalism guided by volunteers. These folks did so with the hopes that other volunteers would step in to continue these efforts. But in the process we realized that a professional paper was going to need a professional staff, so the CNA board is carefully considering pay for several key positions.

The decision to do this is based on the realization that if we do not, CNEWS will go back to being at best a newsletter — with limited opportunity for growth and improvement. We will keep you up to speed on the paper's progress. We welcome your feedback and input, and also invite you to take pen in hand and write about that which you are most passionate.

We are also fortunate to have Sean Duffy join the board. He will be representing the Northwest 2 district of CNA. More about Sean in the next issue of Concordia News but for now, let me just say it is great to see a person under 30 who stood up to join with us in making our community one in which we can be proud. Our board now has an amazing level of diversity regarding age and interests; and it's critical that we recognize the importance of diversity to our future.

#### Parenting as grandparents

From time-to-time, I have heard comments about grandparents and others who have taken on the role of parent. They are often overwhelmed

by the enormous task in front of them when close to retirement and looking forward to the "Golden Years." I am the grandparent of a 4 year-old and 2 year-old and I help out with them occasionally. I have to tell you, it is one tough job, even when part-time — I can't imagine going alone on this.

Ironically, I was asked to attend a grandparents support group (*Ties That Bind*) by Betty Harris to see if CNA might assist in getting the word out and/or to provide ideas for grandparents or others who find themselves desperate for help in figuring out how to raise a child in today's environment. This situation is cause for alarm, as some children are truly at risk. We can, and should, help as we are one of the resources that can bring a personal touch of support as neighbors. I have asked *Ties that Bind* representatives to submit a regular column in the Concordia News, so watch for upcoming articles to see how you might help, and certainly to see if there is information that can help you with your grandkids.

#### Reaching out to Concordia University on land use issues

I recently had the opportunity to meet with Concordia University Administration to discuss working together to develop a strategy for influencing design for new student housing construction while being sensitive to neighborhood character. The meeting was initiated as a result of some neighbors' concerns about preliminary plans and a desire to have input into final design.. The meeting was initiated as a result of some neighbors' concerns about preliminary design plans and a desire to have input into final design.

University administration and I were in agreement on the necessity of early communication of planned activities so that we are part of the process and not at the end critiquing something that could have been avoided up front.

The University, like any one individual or business in our community, is a vital part of the fabric that binds us together and I believe it is important for all of us to promote each other's progress and well-being.

It is for that reason I am going to encourage each institution and business to provide a liaison to CNA Board meetings, as we are all integrally connected and dependent for mutual success. More next month on CNA and Concordia News progress.

**Isaac Quintero**  
Chair/Concordia Neighborhood Association

### Concordia Neighborhood Association

#### Meetings & Updates

##### Board Meeting

May 10 @ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
Second Tuesday of the Month  
McMenamins Kennedy School Community Room

##### General Membership Meeting

May 10 @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
Second Tuesday Bi-Monthly  
McMenamins Kennedy School Community Room

##### Social Committee

If you would like to volunteer to help organize the CNA Neighborhood Clean-Up &/or unload vehicles and direct traffic the day of the event, or volunteer to help with the Fernhill Concerts in the Park, please email Katie Ugolini at ktugolini@gmail.com or call (503) 449-9690.

##### Finance Committee

Policies/Procedures visit our website or email: Treasurer@ConcordiaPDX.org

##### Media Team

May 17 @ 6:00 PM  
3rd Tuesday of the Month. Location changes monthly. Join the Media Team to volunteer on the newspaper, Website or Social Media. For more info & meeting location contact Susan Trabucco at susan@trabucco.biz or call (503) 440-7732

##### Land Use & Transportation Committee

May 18 at 7:00 PM  
Third Wednesday of the Month  
McMenamin's Kennedy School Community Room  
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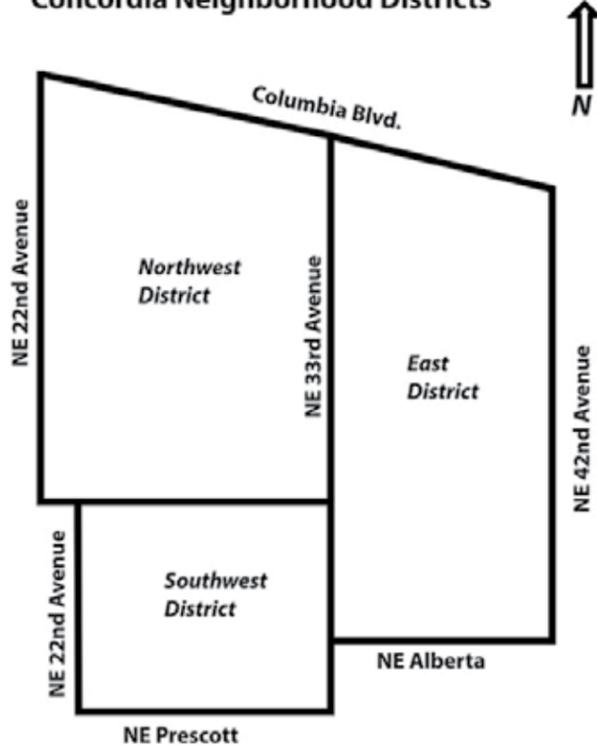
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#### Neighborhood Community Room

The Community Room at McMenamin's Kennedy School is available for your next gathering, book club, birthday, baby shower or special occasion. CNA manages the rental space & benefits from the proceeds. \$15/hour for nonprofit organizations. All others just \$25/hour. Email: CommunityRoom@ConcordiaPDX.org.

## Save your home: CNA May 10 general membership meeting to include earthquake preparedness info

The information isn't new – the experts have been telling us this for years: mega-quakes (8.7–9.2) occur regularly in the Pacific Northwest. The last mega-quake that shook Portland occurred in the year 1700. For the past 10,000 years, the average time between mega-quakes has been 300 years. The next one could happen tomorrow. According to a press release issued by Portland-based EcoTech, the next mega quake may shake foundations from Vancouver, BC to northern California. It will be the largest natural disaster in U.S. history, dwarfing Hurricane Katrina in damage, suffering and costs.

Frightened? There may be some ways to mitigate the damage, say some area experts.

Those experts are Don Francis of EcoTech and City of Portland Neighborhood Emergency Team coordinator Jeremy Van Keuren, who will speak at the Concordia Neighborhood Association's general membership meeting to be held Tues., May 10. They'll share information on how to prepare for the inevitable "big one," and how to get involved with a Neighborhood Emergency Team.

Francis said that in Portland, thou-

sands of people will die and tens of thousands will be injured. Many Portlanders will be homeless, as homes built before 1980 will likely slip off their foundations, crumple and collapse.

"These houses are most vulnerable because they are not attached to their foundation, and will potentially shift off the foundation during a quake and sustain much more damage than would have occurred had they been retrofitted," said Francis.

Not all damage will be physical. The equity in a person's home is where wealth is stored for most middle class Americans. According to a press release provided by Ecotech, for unprepared homeowners, an earthquake may not only destroy their homes – if they survive – it can also leave them with nothing but the mortgage payment for a house that no longer exists.

"Bankruptcy may be the final aftershock. We cannot prevent earthquakes. We can, however, be prepared," said Francis.

The CNA general membership meeting will take place in the Community Room of McMenamin's Kennedy School from 7:p.m. to 8:30p.m.

## CNA newspaper & website in transition, paid staff under consideration



By Susan Trabucco  
CNA Media Team

Faithful CNEWS readers have likely noticed some changes to both CNEWS and the CNA website. The CNA Media Team has been hard at work on

virtually every aspect of our print and online presence. More improvements are underway and we're always eager for your feedback.

With the improvements specific to CNEWS comes a significant increase in the amount of time required to produce this treasured neighborhood newspaper. Unlike other neighborhood associations that produce a few small pages a month or even every-other month, CNEWS is a full-scale monthly newspaper that requires a range of unique, professional-level skills and non-negotiable availability in order to meet deadlines. The time demands to produce CNEWS have always pushed beyond the limits of reasonable volunteer commitment; now the demands are even greater.

With that reality in mind, Concordia residents should be aware that the CNA Board is considering the concept of part-time payment for the CNEWS production roles that are the most time-consuming and skills-dependent. The media team believes a payment structure would result in a more consistent newspaper of quality, containing the news and information neighborhood residents desire, and in a format appealing to the current and prospective advertisers who help cover production costs.

The CNA Board will consider this issue at the upcoming May 10 meeting. The public is welcome as usual. The various volunteer job postings are currently on the CNA website; modifications to the skills and time requirements will be made soon thereafter should the Board pass the vote for payment. Volunteers currently doing this work will be considered "interim" until final hiring decisions

are made.

To support the board's desire for transparency and to allow feedback from the community, here's a look at the roles and rates currently being considered:

**Editor-in-Chief:** \$500/month

**Editor:** \$500/month

**Ad Design/Layout:** \$30 page, which includes photo correction & ad design.

**Advertising Sales, Service, Billing & Collections:** 20% of monthly ad revenue (Currently around \$450/month; anticipated to be \$1,100 month when CNEWS is at full advertising capacity for 12 pages.)

Although the Board will not make any final decisions until the May 10 meeting at the earliest, anyone with the experience, skills, flexibility, time availability and desire to secure one of these jobs should keep an eye on the CNA website for news about the vote after May 10. You may also contact media team leader Susan Trabucco after that date by calling (503) 440-7732 or email [susan@trabucco.biz](mailto:susan@trabucco.biz).

## CORRECTIONS

Mistakes get made in the news business. But in all fairness to the people who were affected by our errors, we think it is best to own up to them.

– April Issue Editor - S.T.

In the April issue of CNEWS, **Raven Pearce** was the author of the article titled *Trinity Tigers go undefeated, earn two championships*. CNEWS incorrectly attributed the author.

Also in the April issue, on the front page, CNEWS incorrectly identified the man in a photo. The correct name is **Chris Lopez**, CNA Board member. CNEWS sincerely regrets the errors. *The errors have been corrected in online version of the April CNEWS*

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# The new Faubion PK- 8/Concordia University building breaks ground under sunny skies

More than 400 students, educators, elected officials, and community members gathered on the warm, sunny morning of April 7 to break ground and celebrate the development of a signature new facility for education in Portland.

“This is how we turn hope into opportunity,” said City of Portland Mayor Charlie Hales.

The new building will combine Portland Public Schools’ Faubion School and the Concordia University College of Education. In addition, Trillium Family Services joins them in collaborating to create 3 to PhD® - a new model for education that aims

to create safer, healthier and more educated communities.

Prior to the Groundbreaking Ceremony much construction has happened at the Faubion site. In February demolition crews took down the old building to make way for the new, and within a couple of weeks the buildings were gone. All scrap metals were recycled, thousands of bricks will be reused and all the asphalt and concrete are being recycled and reused on site. At the end of February construction began with foundations for the new building being poured. As March came to an end more foundations were prepared for pouring and seismic shear walls began to rise from the ground.



Faubion’s choir and Concordia’s Christi Crux Ensemble singing together at the ground breaking event.



Over 400 attended the ceremonial ground breaking.



Faubion’s principal LaShawn Lee speaking at the ceremony.

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# Tribute & fundraiser for Melody Winn May 22

## Key figure in Fernhill Park Playground Project succumbing to cancer



By Rachel Ivey  
Room to Grow Childcare

We don't always know who to thank for the things that make our community what it is. Some fit in so seamlessly or are so vital that it's

hard to imagine ever having been without them. Yet the playground at Fernhill Park is just such a place. Beautiful, functional, fun. But there was a time when it didn't exist. Making it what it is today was an uphill battle, championed primarily by two women; one of them was Melody Winn, the former owner and lead teacher of Our Place Preschool.

Opened in 1999, Our Place was home to over six hundred children in the 30+ years it was in operation. In childcare, the days can be long and exhausting, no matter how full of joy. It's impossible to overstate how impressed I am that Melody found the time to undertake the Fernhill Playground project. Talking with her about the multi-year challenge to raise the funds for it, I came away with a small sense of how she managed.

"I have always been a very positive person and have given 200% all of my life...I worked 60 hours a week with the children and it wouldn't be unusual...to work another 20 hours in the evenings and weekends," Melody said.

All of the work she and fellow community member Anne Rothert did paid off eight years later as their efforts, (combined with a contribution from the Parks Bureau) raised over \$90,000 for the structure. The voices of Melody and Anne in the community attracted helping hands for all the various hurdles, such as design, and meeting city requirements.

Heartbreakingly, Melody has since been forced to change gears. On April 6<sup>th</sup> last year, she was diagnosed with terminal cancer and given a year to live. Her decision to close Our Place was a devastating one, but necessary.

"I wasn't able to offer the children all...they deserved and I didn't want to be around them if I was going to die quickly," Melody said.

Despite the sudden change of pace, she hasn't been bored. As we turned the corner into spring, Melody looked forward to a group of former students coming over to make pizza. There, she told her visitors of finishing her volunteer training at Doernbecher Children's hospital.

"I have to say that my love for children has paid off...I have so many children who come to visit me... they tell me over an over how much I meant to them...I feel good that I was able to touch other people's lives and it makes me feel like I did right with my time here."

I can't think of a more beautiful legacy than a community of happy children

and a place we can all watch them play. Come thank Melody Winn in person at a fundraiser and community party at The Spare Room on Sunday, May 22nd from 6pm-9pm. Proceeds will help Melody with travel expenses for treatment.

Rachel Ivey is a mother, owner and operator of Room To Grow Childcare and researcher of all things home and child. She is proud to have her nest and business in the heart of Concordia. For tips, tricks, and advice on thriving with children, please feel free to contact [roomtogrowportland@gmail.com](mailto:roomtogrowportland@gmail.com).



Melody Winn. Submitted photo

## CNA SPRING CLEAN-UP Saturday, May 14th

8:00 AM to 12:30 PM

PCC Workforce Training Center on NE 42nd Ave & Killingsworth!



Tired of seeing all the clutter & junk in your closet, basement & garage? Drop it all off at the PCC Workforce Training Center on May 14th for CNA's BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!

Spring Cleaning has come to Concordia and the CNA will dump, recycle and find a new home for your household items! Your trash may just be your neighbor's treasure!

**WE WILL TAKE :** Household Waste, Metal, Furniture, Electronics, Lamps, Batteries, Mattresses, Clothes, Bicycles and other Household Stuff.

**WE WON'T TAKE:** Light Bulbs, Refrigerators & Freezers, Large Appliances/ White Goods, Tires, Rocks, Concrete, Paint, Oil, Kitchen Garbage, Residential Yard Debris & Trimmings, Styrofoam (Block & Peanuts), Waste & Recyclables Collected Curbside (including Plastics), & Hazardous Waste.

Also, METRO is prohibiting the disposal of construction, remodeling or demolition materials (see examples below) suspected of containing asbestos at all Neighborhood Clean-Ups in 2016!

See below for examples of High Risk Materials Suspected of Containing Asbestos that will be prohibited at the CNA Clean-Up this Year:

Flooring: vinyl tiles, vinyl sheet, mastic  
Walls: plaster, decorative plaster  
Siding: cement siding shingles "Transite"  
Ceilings: acoustical tiles, "popcorn" and spray-on texture

### SUGGESTED DONATION FOR CLEAN-UP VEHICLE LOADS:

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\$20/large truck  
\$30/oversized load  
Extra \$5 Donation for Electronics & Batteries

### CONTACT:

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**SPECIAL FEATURES in 2016**  
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• **Collecting household items for Community Warehouse**, a nonprofit organization that provides essential household furnishings to low-income people. Their high-priority items are as follows: 1) Pots & Pans 2) Dish sets & Silverware 3) Microwaves 4) Cooking Utensils & Chopping Knives 5) Pillows, Blankets & Towels 6) Glasses/ Cups 7) Blenders 8) Toasters 9) Coffee Makers 10) Lamps

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### CLEAN-UP PROCEEDS HELP YOUR CNA!

#### Professional Tool Sharpening 8 AM - 1 PM

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# DULL BLADES?



Concordia Neighborhood Association

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\*The Neighborhood Spring Clean Up is coming

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# Land Use Update - lots of 'hot' activity



By Ben Earle  
Secretary, CNA LUTC

Well, that sure was a hot April for Portland – and for your CNA Land Use & Transportation Committee (LUTC) too!

## LUTC membership

Tyler Bullen was approved to fill our open 9<sup>th</sup> Member spot. A Portland native, Tyler moved to Concordia this past year from NW Portland, where he served on the NW District Neighborhood Association's *Transportation, Traffic & Parking Committee*. We also appreciatively accepted local land use lawyer Spencer Parsons' offer to become the Committee's *pro bono* legal consultant.

## Concordia design standards

Now that the *Bighouse Redesign Team* has completed its work (see sidebar), the LUTC has charged this able group – LUTC Member Jeff Hilber, Spencer Parsons, and architects Jason Buerkle, Jay Fesler, and Brian Symes – with compiling a most-needed set of viable design standards for both mixed use and residential developments that are truly compatible with the unique character of the diverse neighborhoods that makes Concordia so beloved by us all.

## Residential demolitions

With Board approval, the LUTC has begun sending a standard "*Letter to The Developer*" in response to the residential demolition permit notices we receive. This letter invites them to meet with affected neighbors and the LUTC to discuss alternatives to demolition, which include preserving / remodeling the house, moving it if appropriate, and deconstruction as options.

## "Big House" Building Update

The Bighouse Design Team has developed an exhaustively researched set of design improvements for the 4-story apartment building planned for the former "Bighouse Auto Repair & U-Haul" site at NE 30th and Killingsworth. These recommendations were submitted to the developer Brian Spencer in response to his agreement at the February LUTC Meeting to consider the neighborhood's suggestions.

Per the current (CS) zoning guidelines "to preserve and enhance older commercial areas that have a storefront character," the design requests were carefully crafted to improve the presence of this substantial new building to be as compatible as possible with the long-standing character of this unique intersection at the

## Comprehensive Plan

Because so many people showed up to testify at the April 20 public hearing on *City Council amendments* to the draft *Comprehensive Plan*, another session was added for April 27. Though the current public comment period will be officially closed by the time you read this and Council voting on the amendments began April 28, voting does continue on May 11 and a final vote is expected sometime in June. As always, you can advocate for any changes you feel strongly about by contacting the Commissioners directly. For more info, call the *Bureau of Planning and Sustainability* (BPS) at 503-823-7700 or go to [www.portland-oregon.gov/bps](http://www.portland-oregon.gov/bps).

## Mixed-use zoning projects

While the City Council wraps up work on the *Comp Plan* goals, policies, and land use map recommendations, there are also four "early implementation" Zoning Projects (ZP) still in process which will update the City's zoning code to accommodate the most urgent needs in managing the scale and design of mixed use development along busy corridors and neighborhood hubs. Slated for implementation before the final *Plan* approval expected sometime in 2018, they address *Employment, Campus Institutional, Residential and Open Space*, and *Mixed Use* zoning.

The *Planning and Sustainability Commission* (PSC) will accept public comment on the *Mixed Use Zoning* draft until their public hearing on May 10 and the resulting new Composite Zoning Map hearing is slated for July 12. For more info, see [www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/573779](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/573779) – you can also email [psc@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:psc@portlandoregon.gov) or call BPS.

## Residential Infill Project

The RIP SAC (Stakeholders Advisory Committee) is working with BPS staff

through June to develop "term sheets" detailing their proposed residential zoning code updates to improve how the scale of houses, narrow lot development, and alternative housing options are integrated into our neighborhoods. BPS will hold public outreach meetings throughout the city over the summer. Feedback will be compiled for review by RIPSAC who will recommend adjustments as needed and a final report will be sent to City Council. BPS will then incorporate Council's revisions into the code for final review and approval by the newly elected Council in order to become law, hopefully in early 2017.

## Transportation

In response to the tragic death of a bicyclist hit by a car in December, we

continue to encourage concerned neighbors to "Ask ODOT" for "safe passage for all bicyclists and pedestrians using NE Portland Blvd. (aka N Portland Highway), especially at the 33rd Ave. and 42nd St. crossings" by calling 888-275-6368 or at [www.oregon.gov/ODOT](http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT).

*Concordia residents are always welcome at CNA LUTC Meetings, 7pm every third Wednesday at the Community Room at McMenamins Kennedy School. For more info visit <http://concordiapdx.org/category/land-use-livability>, send your questions to [landuse@concordiapdx.org](mailto:landuse@concordiapdx.org), or email [lutc\\_secretary@concordiapdx.org](mailto:lutc_secretary@concordiapdx.org) to get on the LUTC notification list.*

# Missing Middle Housing



By Garlynn Woodsong  
Chair, CNA LUTC

There's a pretty hot topic being discussed now in Portland and in other cities across the nation. It's Missing Middle Housing, a term coined only a few

years ago, in 2012, by architect and urban designer Dan Parolek of Opticos Design in Berkeley, CA. The term refers to types of housing that are compatible with single-family homes in scale, but tend to provide more than one dwelling unit per lot, including:

- Townhomes
- Duplexes
- Triplexes
- Fourplexes
- Bungalow Courts
- Carriage Houses (Accessory Dwelling Units)
- Single-room Occupancies
- Townhome Courts
- Courtyard Apartments
- Small Multiplexes
- Live/work units
- Stacked Townhomes

These housing types can fill a much-needed market gap, not just for young Millennials, but also for empty-nesters who are downsizing; elders wishing to age in communities; teachers, fire fight-

ers, and the middle class; immigrants and others needing multi-generational housing; and families with children. The types all work regardless of tenure to provide both more affordable homeownership options as well as rental housing in smaller-format structures than the larger apartment buildings found on our main streets.

The demographics of Portlanders are changing. With the current average household size of 2.43 people per home in the Metro Region (as of 2010), the relatively small expected drop to 2.38 by 2030, combined with the projected population growth profile, results in a household average forecast to be as low as 1.85. This means increasing demand for smaller and more flexible housing, including these Missing Middle housing types.

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For more information, see [www.portlandforeveryone.org](http://www.portlandforeveryone.org) or contact me by emailing [landuse@ConcordiaPDX.org](mailto:landuse@ConcordiaPDX.org).

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An example of "Middle Housing" is this duplex at NE Flanders & 27th. Photo by Garlynn Woodsong



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# OPINION-Diary of demolition and development: Part 7



By Luke Griffin

Everyone in Concordia has had the opportunity to watch a house be torn down to make way for new houses, duplexes, and “skinnies,” for better and/or for worse. This is the continued

chronicle of my personal experience.

The project next door has been going on now for over a year and a half. Very little of it could be described as “good” for our street. Between the profit hungry, rude developers who threaten neighbors, to the out of place monstrosity now looming over the quaint surrounding houses, to the heartless city government with its intentional ineptness—aiding and abetting the project while sacrificing Concordia’s character so as to rake in more revenue—the process has been utterly depressing for this native of NE Portland. Such projects are not simply about demolitions and new construction but instead reflect who we are as a city and sadly, many of the Portland values that led us to love this place are being destroyed as quickly as the old homes.

### Positive change

The only good part of this entry is that a new foreman now controls the job site. In an apparent “180” from all past experiences, he seem to actually care about the people impacted by this project. His first day on the job he apologetically came to my door to talk with me. It wasn’t a canned, corporate spiel but a real conversation. He said he was brought on to do the finishing work but would make sure to talk to us about anything from fences to tree lines. He seemed to truly be open to suggestions and indeed worked with me on the shared fence. He also made sure the job site was cleaned up, the out-house was taken off my property, and the crews polite.

As much as I loathe the cheap monolith next door, he did not design the post modern, San Diego bread box nor did he decide to plant it smack dab in the middle of our quiet block. So how could I dislike him?

And it is exactly this sort of defer-

ence, along with an open dialogue with the neighborhood, that is needed to have progressive change in our town while protecting livability, history, and culture.

The finisher says he is like this because he lives in a similar neighborhood in SE and tries to imagine if this was happening next door to his family. Unfortunately, his attitude is rare and there are no regulations from the city to ensure those who care only about ballooning profits without connection to the community will be so thoughtful.

### Graveling over paradise path

Like many blocks in Concordia, ours has an alley. It was a green corridor with some unkept places, but pretty with flowers, trees, and grass making it a little nature trail. But not anymore. The City

decided the duplex must have off-street parking accessed from the alley; therefore, the entire length had to be leveled, graveled, and at the entry points, paved.

The developers did not want to pay for it and even ironically argued the neighbors wouldn’t like it. The City inspector said he didn’t care. The alley was City property and they could do with it what they wanted. To the chagrin and detriment of just about everyone, the alley way is no longer green and in the summer the rocks will be piping hot. Because it is still a narrow, hard-to-access alley, we all expect the new owners to park on the street anyway.

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### Outraged? Here’s what to do

Contact Portland City Council, get involved with the neighborhood association, start a petition. The question is not if we change but how we change.

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This new duplex under construction is the one discussed in this article; the author lives directly north of the new building. The project is located on NE 32nd Avenue between Emerson and Sumner streets. Photo by Susan Trabucco

*“...many of the Portland values that lead us to love this place are being destroyed as quickly as the old homes.”*



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# The Original Halibut's hits the road, Forge moves in

By Carl Jameson  
CNA Media Team

The Original Halibut's fish and chips shop at 2529 NE Alberta Street closed last summer and moved down the road to the Piedmont Station Food carts at 625 NE Killingsworth Street. They still serve the same menu of fried chips, fish and chowders, but from a bright blue food truck.

Their next door neighbor, Enzo Lanzadoro of Enzo's Caffe Italiano, has moved into their former space and created a new restaurant in its place: *Forge*.



Customers enjoy the outdoor seating at Forge.  
Photo by Carl Jameson

At a soft opening in mid-April, the large fireplace was the center of attention with *Forge* chefs cooking with its crackling wood fire. *Forge* also features concrete floors and counters and a bar that seems to be a long stack of bricks. There are rough-hewn wood tables and iron work throughout.

*Forge* is a counter-service only restaurant that seeks to be both casual and friendly. It will be open from breakfast through dinner. By late-May *Forge* will have a full menu of wood fire-cooked meats and vegetables.

"The idea is to have an open fire – nothing gets cooked on a stove. Imagine yourself camping in the morning you're going to have eggs and bacon cooked over the fire – with the smell and everything," said Lanzadoro.

The rest of the day's menu will fea-

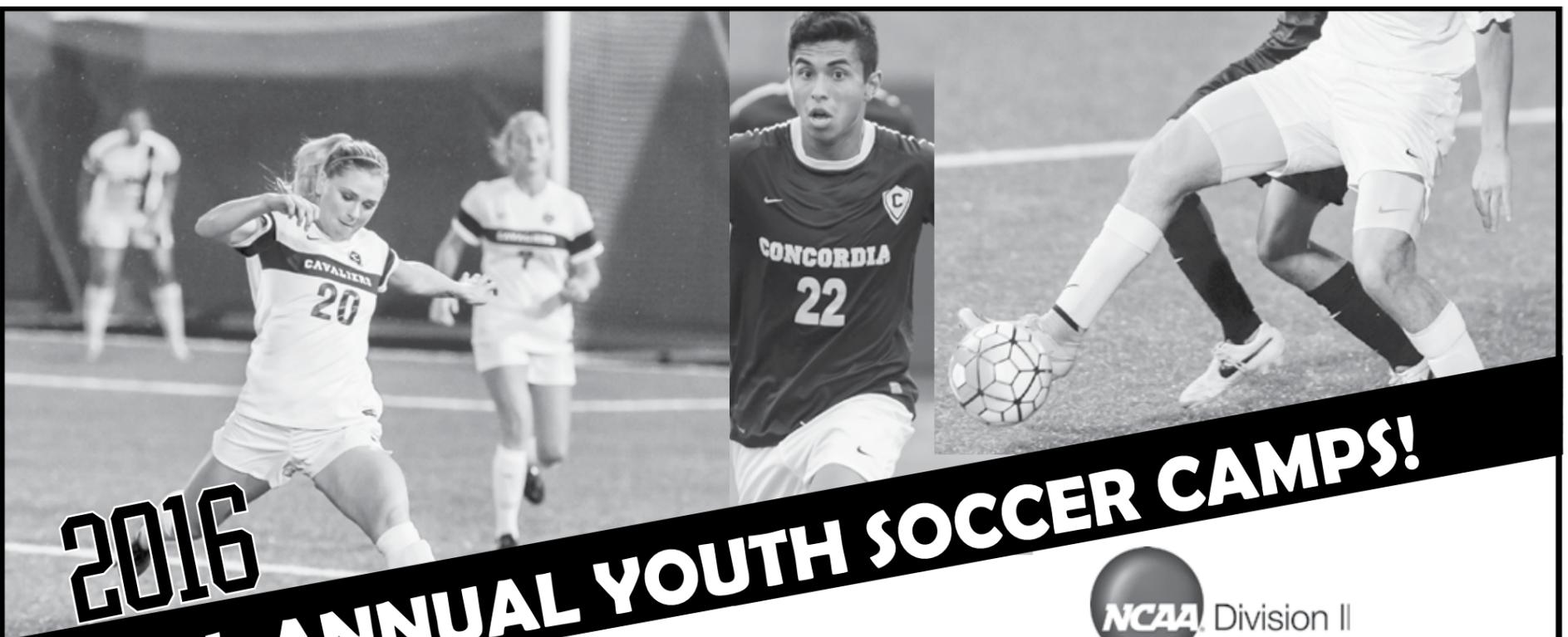
ture steaks seared on hot coals of either alder or oak, a variety of fish, yard-long sausages on hardwood planks and slow-cooked rotisserie chicken. There will also be a lot of vegetables, not just meat. Mushrooms, eggplants, zucchini, cauliflower, and broccoli will all be available roasted over the fire and with sauces.

*Forge* has a full bar with a limited beer and wine selection. There's outside seating in the front and sides of the restaurant. An on warm days, the windows will be thrown open to let in the breeze.

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Chicken hind quarter with garlic cilantro mojo served at Forge, one of Alberta Street's newest restaurants.  
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## Making Space for You on Mother's Day



By Jennifer Allison  
Gnome's Home

**I**t is no mistake that as our days get longer, and spring gifts us with more time and energy, our lives get busier, especially if you are a *Mother*. Some days I feel like I just don't get time

to breathe. I am a mother of three, domestic goddess and homemaker, wife, teacher, and human being- which is like having a few full-time jobs.

I know I am not alone in that story. It's the way we do life. It's the way we survive. It's installed into our genetics; Master Multi-Tasker! This is also why I am a big supporter of self-care and rest. I actually find time to make space for *ME* because I know that if I am not grounded, centered, and nourished, I have nothing to offer others in my life. That might require that I go for a walk by myself after dinner instead of sitting around – or that I get up an hour earlier than my children to journal and drink my tea in silence. But I have learned the value of this time and space. It gives me my happiness and my sanity.

Here are some simple ways, that I hope you find helpful, to begin a new habit and give yourself a gift:

**Get out of Your House!** Leave the place that you constantly clean, but it doesn't ever seem to stay that way. Changing up the venue – taking a walk, going for a hike, moving your body in a yoga or dance class – or just going out-

side to take a few deep breaths while leaving the mess behind can do wonders to make you feel peaceful again.

**Connect with a Friend.** My best friend and I love to go soak at a local spa and sauna. It is so relaxing. I also enjoy visiting with friends while sipping a warm beverage at a local café and just getting real about the life we are living. Relationships are essential to living a life fulfilled.

**Make a Gratitude List.** Nothing shifts the bad story I have playing in my head about how I did not do enough, or make the right decision, or whatever the judgement is that is keeping me grouchy. I will just write it down wherever I am if my journal is not within reach, and let my life regain a sense of perspective.

**Read a Few Pages and Reflect.** I tend to be an all-or-nothing type person; it's either chocolate or vanilla, read a whole book or don't bother, but this kind of thinking is what stresses me out. I give myself permission to read a page (or paragraph) or two of something inspiring, and then I will contemplate it, meditate on it, or write about it. It's a great practice to cultivate positivity.

This Mother's Day, I hope you find time to give yourself what you deserve, and if you are the partner to a wonderful Mama, then give her the best gift of all; some space to rejuvenate.

*Jennifer Allison is a parent-child teacher and early childhood educator at Gnome's Home. Please go to <http://gnomeshome.org/> for more information on classes for children and adults.*



  
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# Organic tomato growing made simple

You can grow healthy food in Portland



By Jolie Donohue  
The Gardening Goddess

Spring has sprung full force in Portland. In May, we are itching to fill up the edible garden for our summer harvest. Tomatoes are a favorite of gardeners everywhere.

One of my all time favorite garden quotes comes from public radio host Mike McGrath, "Everybody wants to grow tomatoes. Tomatoes are the gateway drug to all of gardening." Lest we get too eager to start planting tomatoes, here are some tips for successful growing in Portland:

### Tomatoes like warm weather

They need consistent minimal night temperatures of 55 degrees. In Portland this is typically between May 15-June 1. Planting your tomatoes too early will result in stunted or dead plants.

### Tomatoes like full sun

Tomatoes need a full sun location, ideally south facing, where they receive 8-10 hours of sun a day. They will not set fruit in shady areas.

### Tomatoes like warm soil

They need consistent soil temperatures of 60 degrees.

*"Everybody wants to grow tomatoes. Tomatoes are the gateway drug to all of gardening."*

—Jolie Donohue  
The Gardening Goddess

Plant your tomatoes into the garden by transplants/starts. Portland does not have a long enough or hot enough summer to facilitate direct seeding tomatoes. If you want to start tomatoes by seed start seeds indoors in mid-February.

### Tomatoes prone to Blossom End Rot

To prevent the disease Blossom End Rot, add a calcium source into the planting hole, such as a spoonful each of rock phosphate or bone meal and lime.

### Tomatoes need space

Tomatoes have very long root systems

(3-4 feet) and they need plenty of room to grow. Make sure your planting bed is deep enough for the tomato's roots.

Tomatoes are big plants and need proper spacing to thrive. Give the plants plenty of space between each other, at least 4 feet wide per plant.

### Tomatoes are "heavy feeders"

Tomatoes appreciate being planted with an organic granular fertilizer, which will slow release to your plants throughout the season.

### Tomatoes need time to grow

Tomato plants take several months to

produce in Portland. Expect your harvest to begin in late August and end in October when cold temperatures have set in.

### Tomatoes need support

Tomatoes have dense branches laden with heavy fruit. Install a tomato cage or other support system at planting time to prevent later damage to your plant.

### Tomatoes don't need a lot of water

Be consistent with a deep watering a few times per week throughout the growing season. Inconsistent watering contributes to fruit splitting and Blossom End Rot.

### Rotate your crops

Do not grow your tomatoes in the same place every year. This will create disease and pest problems. Use a 4-year rotation for all edible crops.

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# Part 3: The Alberta District and its bungalow grocery

*The life and times of a neighborhood store and its people*



By Doug Decker  
Historian

This is the third of a four-part series about the early days of the Alberta business district, written by Northeast Portland neighborhood historian Doug Decker. To read

more of Doug's research and writing—or to read the full text of the early news stories mentioned here—visit his blog: [www.alamedahistory.org](http://www.alamedahistory.org)

Picking up where we left off, one of our favorite mom-and-pop grocery stores, at the northwest corner of NE 27<sup>th</sup> and Going, had risen from a vacant lot in the midst of the Alberta District's 1909 muddy streets, to a men's clothing store in 1911, to a vibrant neighborhood grocery run by a local family from 1921 to 1943. The photo featured in the April edition of *Concordia News* showed proprietor Agnes Coulter out front of the store—Alameda Park Grocery—in its prime.

But during the war years, like so many things, shopping patterns were changing.

In 1943, Isabelle Coulter sold her pride and joy to Charles and Vera Fiebke who held it for just a year before selling it to Henry and Ruth Rieckers, who owned the business until 1953. During this decade, the business was referred to as "Rieckers" and as "Rieckers Grocery." A classified advertisement in *The Oregonian* on March 3, 1953 indicated the Rieckers were retiring and putting the business up for sale, asking \$6,500.

On June 24, 1953, the property was purchased from the Rieckers by John Henry Moad and his wife Lucy Jane Moad. They operated the store—as Moad's Grocery—from 1953 to 1961 when it was sold to Robert A. and Louise M. Klatke, who changed the name to Bob's Quik Stop Market. But the Klatkes didn't hang on for long.

An article in *The Oregonian* on June 29, 1962 reports a robbery at Bob's Quik Stop. Klatke, age 56, was robbed with a knife to his throat. A few months later, he and Louise put the store back on the market, selling it to Agnes Martin on November 2, 1962. Then, sometime during the mid-1960s, the building ceased functioning as a store.

By that time, mom and pop neighborhood grocery stores were having a hard time hanging on. The whole retail grocery business was changing and local grocery stores were quickly becoming convenience rather than primary shopping locations. (To read more about local shops that once served the neighborhood, check out [www.alamedahistory.org](http://www.alamedahistory.org) and click on the story *When Mom and Pop Stores Ruled*.)

The Martin family owned the property for the next six years and at least one reference to the building shows it as the Mt. Zion Church of God in Christ. The Polk City Directory for 1965 shows the building as vacant, and in 1967, it is listed simply as L.S. Martin. On September 17, 1968, the Martins sold the property to Carl E. Bass (son) and Viola Matheson (mother). Bass, who was a potter, turned



The bungalow grocery at NE 27<sup>th</sup> and Going at low ebb, about 2002. This photograph shows just how far down the building had faded during its later years and why it was a leading candidate for the wrecking ball. Photo courtesy of Chad Crouch.

the space into an artist's studio and lived in the property until his death in April 2001 at the age of 73.

The property was purchased from the Bass estate by investor/developers George and Isabelle Zitcak, who held it

for just four months before selling it in April 2002 to Chad Crouch and Sheryl Eckrich. This is where the story gets interesting, which will be the subject of our final installment in the next edition of *Concordia News*.

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**Guardino Gallery**



April 28-May 24  
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**Vanport Mosaic Festival**

May 27-30, 2016



Vanport Flood, from the Portland City Archives



Survivors on N. Denver Avenue, from the Oregon Historical Society.

The Vanport Mosaic Festival is a 4-day multi-disciplinary event that memorializes a unique sociological experiment that forever altered Oregon's racial history. Conceived and curated by artistic co-directors Laura Lo Forti, S. Renee Mitchell, and Damaris Webb, the Festival, on the 68th anniversary of the Vanport Flood, will unite Portland area residents through historical and artistic tributes.

**Events include:**

- screenings of short docs produced as part of Vanport Mosaic participatory oral history program led by story-midwife Laura Lo Forti
- the premiere of *Cottonwood In The Flood*, a full-length play written by Rich Rubin and directed by Damaris Webb.
- Poetry by Renee Mitchell and youth from Spit/WRITE spoken word program
- Welcome Home To Vanport - on Memorial Day, May 30th, at Portland International Raceway (a part of the Vanport site), a day of self-guided tours, speakers, and music. Curated by Susan Barthel.
- an exhibit of photos and artifacts curated by Kim Moreland/Oregon Black Pioneers and Laura Lo Forti/A Fourth Act.
- a full day educational conference at Concordia University, in collaboration with PCC.
- A reunion/celebration of Vanport former residents.

For updates on the Festival and all Vanport-related initiatives, sign up for newsletter: <http://eepurl.com/biPSCf> or visit [vanportmosaic.orgxsss](http://vanportmosaic.orgxsss)

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**Urban weeds workshop**

Come learn how to identify the most common garden and landscape weeds along with some of the other more notorious plant invaders of the region. This workshop is presented by East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District and hosted by the Columbia Slough Watershed Council

Tuesday, May 3rd  
6:00pm - 8:30pm

**Location**  
Whitaker Ponds Nature Park  
7040 NE 47th Ave  
Portland, OR 97218

Questions? Contact Karen Carrillo at (503)281-1132 or [karen.carrillo@columbiaslough.org](mailto:karen.carrillo@columbiaslough.org) [www.columbiaslough.org](http://www.columbiaslough.org)

**Community Cooking @ St. Mike's**

1st Thursday:  
**Celebrate Cinco de Mayo** by making some Mexican dishes! We will be making pico de Gallo and guacamole, as well as a couple types of burritos and sweet corn cake. Suggested donation \$5 to help cover the cost of ingredients.

3rd Thursday:  
**Get creative with waffles!** We will be making some savory and sweet waffles and homemade strawberry jam. Suggested donation \$10 to help cover the cost of ingredients.

St. Mike's Community Kitchen  
6700 NE 29th Ave.  
(at the corner of 29th and Dekum)  
6-8 p.m.

Questions? Contact Rachel Schweitzer at 503-997-2003 or [st.mikes@kitchencommons.net](mailto:st.mikes@kitchencommons.net) with questions or to RSVP.

**Free HOMEBUYER CLASS**

 Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM

 *McMenamin's Kennedy School*  
The Community Room  
at 5736 NE 33rd Ave.,  
Portland, OR

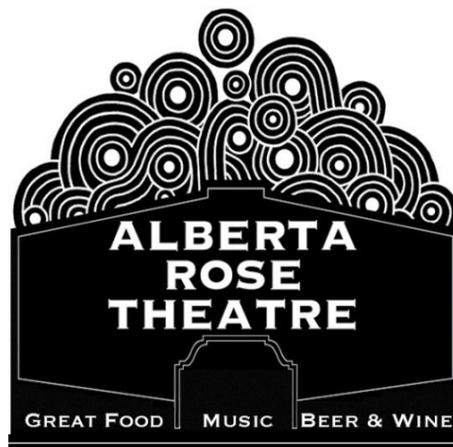
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