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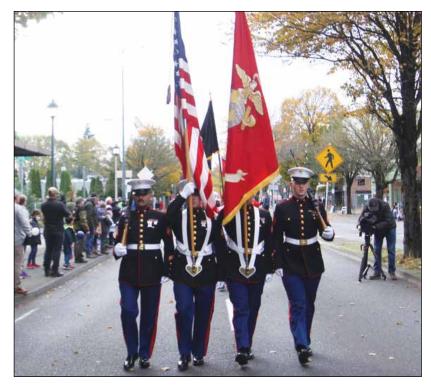


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encouraging cities and land-use agencies to

find ways to provide more middle-income

housing as well as low-income housing, her

top housing policy adviser told the Interfaith

In addition to shelter and services for

the houseless, more affordable housing is

Some cities are having trouble filling

jobs for teachers, nurses, small business

employees and similar positions because

also can't find housing they can afford, he

potential candidates can't find places to live.

he said. Young people entering the workforce

Bend, Tschabold said, is a fast-growing city,

but the median price for a house is \$800,000.

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needed in many parts of the state, said Matt

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the alliance, made up of representatives from

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nine major projects at libraries around the county, including the Albina and North Portland branches.

The Portland Business Journal named her as Nonprofit Executive of the Year. The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation gave her its Creative Leadership award.

"Merris has been instrumental in building the tremendous public support our library enjoys today," said Brad Thies, the foundation board chair. Last year, the library reached more than 200,000 children and adults and expanded 15 library programs.

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from becoming residents. Some coastal cities also don't have enough available housing.

Homelessness is a statewide problem, he said. Rural areas, especially, have difficulty providing health and mental health services for those who need them. The services may be hours away in another county, Tschabold said.

The governor has set goals for sections of her policy, Tschabold said. For instance, by Jan. 10, she wants the state to have an additional 700 shelter beds, 1,600 people rehoused and 10,000 stabilized to avoid falling into homelessness. A midterm goal is to support nonprofit and for-profit groups to cap rent by income. They could operate new housing, using \$440 million from the \$800 million approved by the last Legislature.

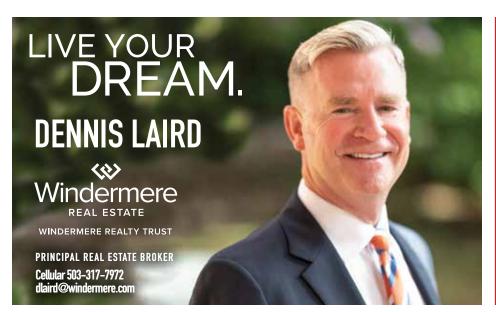
When the 2024 Legislature convenes in February, Tschabold said, Kotek will propose legislation aimed at increasing housing production and supporting funding for infrastructure - water, sewer and stormwater services — which can be a stumbling block for housing construction.

At the same time, he said, the governor is committed to balancing housing needs and environmental protections. These areas will need careful crafting, he added.

FUNDING TO ARRIVE FOR MORE CITY TREES

Portland is expecting historic amounts of funding for new tree planting, care and community education, according to the urban forestry section of the Bureau of Parks & Recreation. Trees are increasingly recognized as tools for mitigating climate and heat crises. the bureau says.

The Federal Inflation Reduction Act includes \$58 million for Oregon. Of that



Merris Sumrall

a strategic consultant in the technology sector before she joined the foundation, which supports the work of the Multnomah County Library.

According to the foundation, Sumrall has led the organization through three multiyear fundraising campaigns supporting children's literacy programs and educational library spaces for children and teens.

She also led the foundation in five successful ballot measure campaigns, including the 2012 measure to create the Multnomah County Library District and the 2020 capital bond measure. It is funding

Writers

Wanted

Investment Plan includes \$40 million for the Equitable Tree Canopy plan for communities to undertake tree planting and care. **LIBRARY FOUNDATION DIRECTOR TO RETIRE** Merris Sumrall.

trees in urban heat islands.

amount, \$12 million is going to a Portland

coalition led by Friends of Trees. FEMA's

Communities has awarded \$2 million to

Urban Forestry to plant, water and care for

The Portland Clean Energy Fund Climate

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A new director year, according to the Library

who has been executive director 2003, plans to retire. Foundation Board.

Sumrall had been



of The Library Foundation since is expected to be named by the new

Portland expects to gain new funding for planting

and caring for trees in heat zones. Trees help

mitigate the effects of

climate change and reduce

temperatures in areas with

few greenspaces, which experience heat absorbed

by paving and buildings during hot weather.

(Portland.gov)

X STAR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FEDERAL FUNDS AID BLACK FOOD CENTER

The Feed'em Freedom Foundation, supporting the Black Community Food Center, has received a \$703,046 grant from 2023 congressional funding, said Rep. Earl Blumenauer, D- Ore.

The COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated food insecurity among vulnerable communities, Blumenauer said in a prepared statement. The funds will support community-driven initiatives to turn insecurity into security, he said.

Currently, 1 in 5 Black families in Oregon experiences hunger, and 18% of Black families experience high food insecurity, said Shantae Johnson, executive director of Feed'em Freedom Foundation. The new funds will help the organization continue to create food security and community-led agricultural efforts, Johnson said.

Feed'em Freedom is a small farm incubator that supports emerging Black farmers in growing and celebrating culturally specific ancestral foods, Johnson said. Feed'em Freedom, through the food center, plans cooking classes, garden education classes and breastfeeding groups. It also provides access to a food pantry, a community hub and kitchen, food storage areas and an industrial greenhouse.

FREE EMERGENCY TRAINING OFFERED TO RESIDENTS

Anyone who lives or works in Portland may take free training to become a Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) member and assist in the event of a city or regional emergency, such as a severe storm, flood or major earthquake. The training is by Portland Bureau of Emergency Management and Portland Fire & Rescue. It is to provide disaster assistance within the NET member's neighborhood. The goal is for trained members to help save lives and property until professional responders arrive. Volunteers are especially trained to help others without putting themselves in harm's way.

NET members are prepared to be selfsufficient for two weeks with food, water and other necessities in a major disaster. They meet a network of neighbors, emergency response professionals and other community leaders preparing for a disaster.

Volunteers also may take advanced training in CPR, mental health first aid, de-escalation training, wilderness first aid, hazardous materials awareness and radio communication.

Information is at www.portland.gov/pbem. To learn about training opportunities, contact NET@portlandoregon.gov.

LIBRARY SERVICES SET AT UO PORTLAND CAMPUS

North and Northeast Portland residents whose usual libraries are closed because of construction may use temporary Multnomah County Library services at the Portland campus of the University of Oregon.

The temporary library is in Room 120 of the Library and Learning Center at 2900 N.E. Liberty St. Patrons may check out and return books, use computers and Wi-Fi and get personalized staff help, according to Shawn Cunningham, communications director for the county library system.

"The new service will help offset a series of construction-related closures to build, expand and renovate libraries as part of a 2020 voter-approved bond measure," Cunningham said.

Three North and Northeast libraries are affected by the renovation and construction projects. The Albina Library is being renovated and expanded with reopening expected in spring 2025. The Gregory Heights Library is undergoing interior updating with reopening expected in winter 2023. The North Portland Library is being expanded and is expected to house a new Black Cultural Center. Reopening is expected in fall 2024.

Some books and media have been moved to storage and are unavailable during construction. If an item being sought isn't available to check out, patrons may look at the library system's e-books, audiobooks and streaming media, which are free with a library card, according to a news release.

'JOYFUL EVENT' RAISES \$60,000 FOR SENIORS

Nearly 700 people filled the Grant High School auditorium to hear Pink Martini, the Royal Blues vocal ensemble and the Hollywood Ukulele Group in a benefit concert to support the Community for Positive Aging. It is celebrating its 50 years of services for older adults.

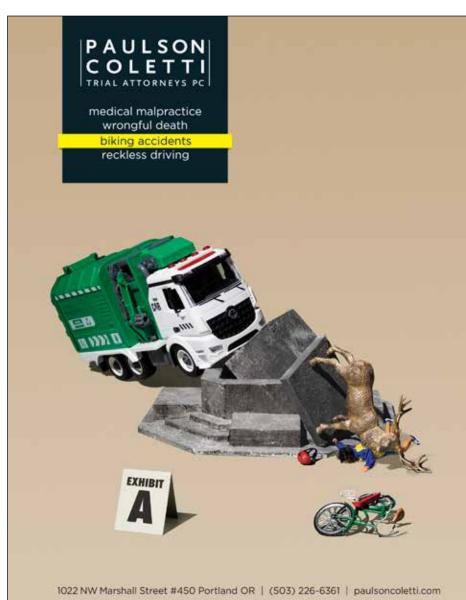
Pianist Thomas Lauderdale and vocalist China Forbes, the musical stars of Pink Martini, were the headliners in the September program. It raised over \$60,000 for the programs and services of CfPA, formerly known as the Hollywood Senior Center, said Amber Kern Johnson, the executive director.

"It was a wonderful and memorable evening," Kern Johnson said. "It was also an incredibly joyful event — something we all need more of these days."





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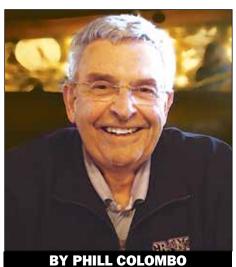


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CITY TO DOUBLE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC CAMERAS

By the end of 2023, Portland's Bureau of Transportation expects to increase the current 20 traffic safety cameras by eight, and a dozen more are planned to be installed in 2024. In addition to cameras mounted to poles to enforce speed limits, bureau contractors also are installing cameras at intersections to provide speed limit enforcement and red-light compliance. Some longstanding red-light cameras also will be upgraded to enforce both infractions.

More traffic enforcement will send a strong signal that reckless driving is unacceptable in Portland, according to city Commissioner Mingus Mapps, who oversees PBOT. "These cameras are a tremendous supplement to the essential work of our Portland police officers. With more enforcement, and more investment in rebuilding our streets to make them safer for everyone, we can get people to slow down and drive safer."

Contractors are installing cameras along high crash corridors and at some of Portland's most dangerous intersections to reduce dangerous driving behaviors and to prevent traffic deaths and serious injuries. "With these cameras, we are giving people a strong incentive to slow down and drive more safely," bureau Director Millicent Williams said. "We have seen a decisive drop in dangerous driving very soon after we added camera enforcement on several highcrash corridors, so I am eager to grow this program as quickly as possible. With Vision Zero (the city's program to end traffic deaths) as our guide, we need a communitywide effort, using every tool available, if we are to reduce and eventually eliminate traffic deaths in Portland."

Learn more about Vision Zero at VisionZeroPortland.com.

COUNTY LIBRARY OPENS TEMPORARY BRANCH

While library branches are undergoing simultaneous renovation/expansion in North and Northeast Portland, a temporary branch will offer services at the University of Oregon's Northeast Portland campus, 2800 N.E. Liberty St.

Located in Room 120 of the University's Library and Learning Center, the temporary library offers holds pick-up, a 24/7 book return, computer stations, Wi-Fi and free printing, faxing and scanning.

The library also houses a small collection of books in English and Spanish for adults and children, including items from the Black Resources Collection, Lucky Day items and DVDs.

Multnomah County Library is expanding and modernizing library spaces, which requires simultaneous closures at Albina, Gregory Heights and North Portland libraries. The temporary UO location is supplementing closed branches and is expected to operate through the summer of 2024, at least before library staff transition back to currently closed locations.

More information on the library branches under construction is at https://multcolib. org/blog/20230427/construction-underwaywhy-multiple-libraries-closed-same-time.

NORTH WILLAMETTE BOULEVARD MAKEOVER UPDATES DESIGN

Portland's Bureau of Transportation recently completed 30% of its plans for the North Willamette Boulevard Active Transportation Corridor Project, bringing features like roadway striping, new crossing upgrades and bus stop platforms from the concept level into a clearer picture of what will eventually be constructed. To illustrate, the project team created an interactive map to explore the improvements planned, along with additional graphics where larger changes are in store.

One element the bureau is planning is an off-street path for people traveling south/eastbound on bikes in Arbor Lodge, where the boulevard connects with North Rosa Parks Way. This path is intended to provide more space between people biking and driving, while allowing for the curve on the north side of the intersection to remain physically protected. While project design work will continue in 2024, some complementary paving and bike lane improvements are planned for construction next year.

Bureau maintenance crews will pave a section between North Portsmouth Avenue and Carey Boulevard. Rather than replacing the existing striping as-is, crews will stripe this section to align with the future protected bike lanes and other improvements slated for construction in 2025-26, avoiding grinding out striping on new pavement.

This restriping will remove all remaining on-street parking on Willamette between Portsmouth and Carey, except for the south side of one block from Van Houten to Portsmouth.

Also planned for 2024 are bike lanes on North Willamette that currently end just west of North Alma Avenue. The bureau plans to stripe buffered bike lanes adjacent to the curb to close this gap. On-street parking will be removed on Willamette in this area. Then, as part of the larger capital project in 2025-26, construction crews will add concrete traffic separators in the buffer areas.

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A Portland Transportation Bureau contractor installs a speed camera on a high-crash corridor. The bureau will double the number of cameras this year and next on Portland's most dangerous streets and intersections. (PBOT)

single-family residences with attached

single-vehicle garages on a shared lot.

In Piedmont at 319 N. Holland St., Dean

Estates is seeking to deconstruct and

remove the attached garage from the

In Rose City Park at 1715 N.E. 51st Ave.,

In Woodlawn at 1605 N.E. Liberty St., J.

Dean Holdings of North Portland wants

to construct five, two-story single-family

cluster without garages. An application will

be made to deconstruct a 1,099-square-foot,

residences on a shared lot in a cottage

single-family residence built in 1951.

garages on the shared lot.

with a sink.

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two-story, single-family residences without

Heather Wright and Robert Nicholson are

proposing to replace an unattached garage

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PERMITS ISSUED

- In Humboldt at 4429 N. Vancouver Ave., Nimble Homes #2 of Northeast Portland secured a permit to deconstruct a 1,479-square-foot, single-family residence built in 1905. Applications are being reviewed to build four two-story, four-unit townhouses without garages.
- In Overlook at 4107 N. Campbell Ave., 4641 North Campbell Houses of Southwest Portland has permits to build eight units, including a four-story duplex with two attached single-vehicle garages and six fourstory, single-family residences with singlevehicle garages on vacant property.
- In Sabin at 4716 N.E. 17th Ave., Shannon and Margaret Schilling have permission to build a detached, 253-square-foot, two-story office building with full bath, not to be used as an accessory dwelling unit.

APPLICATIONS FILED

In Alameda at 3136 N.E. 31st Ave., Black and Orange Properties has filed applications to deconstruct a 1,552-square-foot, singlefamily residence built in 1923 and replace it with a two-story, single-family residence with a garage and an accessory dwelling unit in the basement.

In Arbor Lodge at 2150 N. Saratoga St.,

Portland Housework of South Portland is seeking a permit to deconstruct a detached garage and covered concrete patio built in 1925.

- In Eliot at 2222 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., BRL of Southwest Portland wants to deconstruct a single-family residence built in 1905.
- **In Hollywood at 1327 N.E. 46th Ave.,** Modern Homes has filed to build six two-story townhomes on a shared lot without garages.
- **In Kenton at 2334 N. Watts St.,** Susanna Morrill has applied to build a single-story accessory dwelling unit with no garage.
- At 8623 N. Curtis Ave., Kobek Inc. of Happy Valley is seeking permission to build two two-story townhomes after a permit to deconstruct a detached garage built in 1914 is approved.
- In Laurelhurst at 4240 N.E. Hassalo St., Katherine Anderson, et al., have filed to build a two-story, single-family residence with an attached accessory dwelling unit on vacant property.
- In Montavilla at 716 N. E. 91st Ave., Provision Investments Inc., of Vancouver, Washington, is looking to construct a fiveunit townhouse with no garages on vacant property.
- In Overlook at 4607 N. Campbell Ave., 4641 North Campbell Houses of Southwest Portland seeks to build eight four-story,



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Join community in honoring armed forces during Veterans Day Parade Saturday, Nov. 11

By Janet Goetze

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wisical groups, veterans' organizations military vehicles and classic cars are among the entries in the 2023 Veterans Day Parade. It will proceed along Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, at Beech Street, moving north to Alberta Street.

The parade, according to a news release, will feature "marching bands, military units, veterans' organizations, and community groups from all walks of life. The event not only pays tribute to our veterans but also provides an opportunity for the community to come together and express gratitude for their service."

A closing ceremony will be in the parking lot at 5305 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Vendors will be at the site as will a number of distinguished speakers. They include Oregon Sen. Lew Frederick, Multnomah County Commissioner Sharon Meieran, Jay DeFillipo, legislative director with the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs, and former County Commissioner Loretta Smith

Among parade participants are the Pacific Northwest Moses Williams Buffalo Soldiers Chapter, the Republic of Vietnam Veterans of Oregon Association, Nike Military Veterans, and Northwest Vietnam Veterans.

Registered musical groups include the Jackson Middle School Jaguar Band, the Robert Gray Middle School Marching

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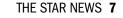
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The 2023 Portland Veterans Day Parade grand marshals are, from left, Hermann Colas Jr., Frank Dixon and Bruce Hall.

Band and the Mount Tabor Middle School Band. Also expected are the Portland Police Highland Guard and the Portland Fire Fighters Pipes and Drums.

The parade will have three grand marshals: Hermann Colas Jr., Frank Dixon and Bruce Hall.

Colas, a native of Haiti, served with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War at Williams Beaumont General Hospital in El Paso, Texas. In 1974, he moved to Portland where he and his wife, Roberta, raised three children. He graduated from Portland State University, worked for two decades with a telephone company, then founded Colas Construction in 1997. His children now manage the company. Frank Dixon practiced consumer law for

15 years after serving in the U.S. Army as an infantry unit commander in 1973. He retired from the Army Reserves after serving with the 104th Division as a commander of the Leadership Academy and as the division's internal auditor. He was one of the founders of Veterans for Human Rights, an early LGBT veterans' group. He was director for Basic Rights Oregon from 2002 to 2012.

Bruce Hall, who has helped plan the parade, is commander of the VFW Peninsula PEP

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Post 1325. He has served on the executive board of American Legion Post 150. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army in 1969. He served in Vietnam from November 1970 to June 1972. Hall was awarded several medals, including the Bronze Star. He left active duty in 1973, worked for an auto parts company and retired from the U.S. Postal Service in 2011.

A team of volunteers organized the parade in 2022 and 2023, following a two-year hiatus during the COVID-19 pandemic, said spokeswoman Anna Mehrer of Order Order public relations. Team members have included Don Espinoza and Larry Peters of Moda Health, Jo Schaefer of the Hollywood Neighborhood Association, community member Tina Kimmey, and Napoleon Hodgers, Northwest Chapter of the National Association for Black Veterans commander.

Portland's only Veterans Day Parade started in 1974 under the direction of Vernon E. Ross, owner of Ross Hollywood Funeral Chapel, During World War I, he was a medic at the veterans' hospital in Vancouver, Washington. During World War II, he was a captain in the Veterans Guard & Patrol.

Ross and a team from the chapel organized the annual parade along Northeast Sandy Boulevard, from about 57th Avenue to Grant High School on 36th Avenue. Ross died Nov. 11, 1983, right before the beginning of that year's parade, but his son and others continued the event until the pandemic closed it in 2020. Then the Ross Hollywood organizers decided to step down.

Mehrer ensured the website remained

About the parade

Portland's only Veterans Day parade was established in 1974 by Vernon E. Ross, proprietor of Ross Hollywood Funeral Chapel. He founded the parade to honor all veterans, past and present, living and deceased. Today, the tradition is carried on by Veterans Day Portland Inc. The Portland Veterans Day Parade is an inclusive, nonpartisan, family-friendly event officially permitted by the City of Portland.



hosted and continued to monitor social media accounts to recruit a planning team. Hodgers established Veterans Day Parade Inc. in 2022 when volunteers revived the parade but shifted the route from Sandy Boulevard to Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

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Hollywood HUB affordable housing project underway

TriMet, BRIDGE Housing partner on Lloyd development

By Phill Colombo

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ollowing a number of preconstruction activities begun earlier this year, TriMet and BRIDGE Housing formally broke ground in late October on what is touted as a communitycentered, transit-oriented development in the Hollywood Transit Center at Northeast 42nd Avenue and Halsey Street.

In conjunction with TriMet's major infrastructure improvements to the transit center, BRIDGE Housing promises to deliver a 100% permanently affordable housing building on a portion of the site.

In early 2024, crews are scheduled to begin building the new ramp and stairs, improving crosswalks and installing a new bus shelter on Northeast 42nd Avenue.

From July 2024-July 2026, BRIDGE Housing will construct the new building and the courtvard. Hollywood HUB apartments, 224 new units of affordable housing within steps of buses and trains, will provide inclusive and equitable housing. The project is funded by \$29 million from Metro's affordable housing bond program, the largest funding award to date for an affordable housing project in Portland.

TriMet and BRIDGE Housing share ambitious goals for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business, Emerging Small Businesses, minority-owned and women-owned business participation in project design and construction. TriMet's prime contractor is Raimore Construction, with minorities comprising more than 80% of its staff, including all supervisory and management personnel.

expected to complete the walkway, bus stop and crosswalk.

Collaboration on the two-year construction project includes TriMet as the public partner to provide the land on which the new apartment building and public plaza will be located in addition to bus and light rail service. BRIDGE Housing, one of the largest nonprofit developers of affordable and workforce housing on the West Coast, has developed more than 17,000 homes in over 100 properties since 1983. As a missiondriven nonprofit, BRIDGE's Portland team, led by Kurt Creager, manages over 1,100 homes in operations and construction. including the Songbird in N/NE, the Vera in RiverPlace, the Sitka, Ramona, and Abigail in the Pearl District, Cornelius Place in Cornelius, and Woodland Park in Hillsboro.

Hacienda CDC, the Youth & Family Services partner, has over 26 years of experience providing culturally specific services to eliminate structural, cultural and linguistic barriers and foster a sense of safety, understanding and belonging for residents and program participants. Dr. Steven Holt and Ericka Warren, as the outreach facilitator and convener, specialize in facilitation, training and consultation with an eye on equity, inclusion and diversity. Warren is co-consultant and facilitator with experience as a national community leader, educator and coach. She brings extensive insight into the process of creating inclusive communities. Rounding out the Hollywood HUB team is Holst Architecture, an awardwinning, woman-owned architecture firm of 40 professionals based in Portland.

Detailed information about the Hollywood HUB affordable housing proposal can be found at https://hollywoodhubpdx.com/.

Between February and July 2026, crews are



Looking south through the new pedestrian plaza toward the improved ramp access to MAX light-rail service, the new Hollywood HUB is on the right. (TriMet)

A fresh vision for Lloyd Center

New owners unveil plan that includes residences, businesses, ice rink; Major League Baseball stadium not ruled out

By Phill Colombo

phillcolombo@star-news.info portlanders got a first look at the Lloyd Center Conceptual Plan in mid-September when the property's new owners initiated a design advice request meeting with the city's Design Commission through the Bureau of Development Services.

The plan, the result of extensive market research, design study and community input over two years, also will be the subject of a future formal Central City Master Plan landuse application.

To scope out the concept, Lloyd Center owners, Urban Renaissance Group and KKR Real Estate Finance Trust, assembled a team of renowned local and national firms to support the property's revitalization.

ZGF, a Portland firm founded over 70 years ago to engage in planning and urban design projects around the world, is the lead master planner, having shaped many of Oregon's most iconic environments, including Gov. Tom McCall Waterfront Park, the Oregon Convention Center and the Portland International Airport expansion.

Field Operations, New York-based landscape architects and urban designers who created the High Line in Manhattan and the Seattle Waterfront master plan, were recruited to lead work on approximately 20% of the property designated for open spaces.

The initial project team is also composed of leading firms with extensive local and national experience, including DOWL (civil engineering), KPFF (structural engineering), DKS Associates (transportation engineering) and Radler White Parks & Alexander LLP (land-use counsel), along with dedicated team members and consultants responsible for community engagement and public affairs.

"This is an important step in a conversation with Portlanders about how this incredible site can evolve to become more relevant and thriving — a neighborhood for all Portlanders — for decades to come," said Tom Kilbane of Urban Renaissance Group.

"While we are still early in the process, we believe this initial master plan demonstrates the incredible potential to create an inclusive, sustainable and vibrant experience that will play a major part in this city's next



Initial plans for Lloyd Center's redevelopment calls for open spaces, allowing for free movement of pedestrians, bikes and vehicles. During the multi-year process, the mall will remain open. (ZGF)



The Lloyd Center conceptual site plan being discussed with the city allows for open spaces, streets connected to the community and development of residential, business, restaurant and entertainment sites. (Lloyd Center)

chapter."

The master plan envisions transforming a current, inward-facing 1960s mall and surrounding parking lots into a mixed-use neighborhood that builds on Lloyd Center's long history as an active, lifestyle-oriented regional destination.

The reimagined layout will be opened up to the surrounding communities by connecting into the city's street grid with significantly improved bike, pedestrian and vehicle transportation networks.

The design calls for thousands of new residences aimed at a range of income levels, as well as a variety of retail uses, including restaurant and entertainment venues. The plan also envisions options for a large commercial office campus and a significant amount of outdoor open/amenity space along with resident and visitor parking, while keeping the iconic ice-skating rink, a long-time neighborhood favorite.

"We have heard from people across the community that they want to see a bold, future-focused neighborhood, but also consideration for the values and history of our community," Kilbane said.

"To make sure we accomplish that goal, we have assembled a team of partners who have experience leading successful projects in the Portland metro area, as well as transformative projects across the country."

Lloyd Center's owners also have spoken with city leaders about the desire to locate a baseball stadium on the site, as initiation of the advice request process does not preclude the option of a stadium should a concrete proposal emerge to bring a Major League Baseball team to Portland.

"We would be thrilled to see a major league team come to Portland," Kilbane said. "We have certainly heard the rumors, including around Lloyd Center as one of the potential sites for a stadium, and our ownership group is open to dialogue with team owners, the MLB or anyone else who presents an actionable proposal.

"The door remains open for a substantive conversation about baseball, but we feel it's our duty to the Portland community to continue advancing the master planning process, which offers a multi-year path for achieving the revitalization of Lloyd Center," Kilbane said.

"At the end of the day, Portlanders want to see Lloyd Center become a vibrant and diverse neighborhood, with or without a stadium."

Meanwhile, Lloyd Center remains open throughout the proposed planning and longterm phased redevelopment process. Since taking ownership two years ago, the Lloyd Center team has signed 32 new leases and renewed over 90% of the existing tenants in the mall.

From new tenants like Trackers Earth in the former Marshall's department store space, which brings hundreds of kids to the mall each day, to tenants who've been in the mall for years like Joe Brown's Carmel Corn, there is a new energy and sense of community at the mall.

The ice rink continues to draw people from around the region, and the upcoming Painted Pines immersive art experience will be an exciting new addition at the mall.

"It is important to remember that this is a long-term vision and will take years to complete," Kilbane added. "We want make sure that everyone knows Lloyd Center remains open for business with a unique blend of local and national retailers, offices and community events."

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Natural Furniture redux

By Janet Goetze ianetgoetze@star-news.info

A atural Furniture was a business expected to retire along with its owners, but new owners have revived it in a new location with the same selection of furniture made from a variety of woods.

The manager, Adam Jelsing, also has moved from the Montavilla store to the new place at 1510 N.E. 37th Ave., with a set of windows facing Sandy Boulevard.

The new owners, David Pietka and Edward Eggleston, bought the remaining inventory of Rick and Tammy Slagter, who retired at the end of September. Pietka and Eggleston arranged to take on the Natural Furniture name, which dates from 1975 when Harry Ditcher operated the shop at Northeast

A casual table is created from a variety of the woods available for products at Natural Furniture. The varied woods are pieced together in an eye-catching pinwheel design. (Katherine Gray)



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Above: Courtney Stanton, a sales associate who also takes care of online information, shows the variety of bookcases and shelves favored by customers of Natural Furniture.

Below: The store is now open on Northeast 37th Avenue, near the corner of Sandy Boulevard. New owners moved the shop from its Montavilla site when the previous owners retired. (Katherine Gray)



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Popular store reopens with new owners in new Hollywood location but with same well-crafted wooden goods

Ninth Avenue and Broadway.

When Ditcher retired in 1984, his manager, Rick Slagter, took over the business. Seven years ago, a new property owner didn't renew his lease on Broadway, so Slagter moved to Montavilla.

Pietka said Natural Furniture was a successful business with a good reputation. He and Eggleston thought it would be a good addition to the Hollywood business district, and he had an available building where it could move. The site had been occupied by The Mountain Shop, which moved to Northeast 29th Avenue and Sandy Boulevard about two years ago.

"They had very loyal customers," Pietka said of Natural Furniture's previous owners, adding he hopes the customers are pleased

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with the new location.

"We will operate very much in the same mode as Rick and Tammy," he said. However, over time he expects to add wooden toys, puzzles, lazy Susans and other items made from natural woods.

Adam Jelsing, who worked for the Slagters for 11 years, has moved into a managerial role since the Oct. 5 opening on 37th Avenue, Within a few days, he said, he had five orders for new furniture.

The new shop is smaller than the Montavilla store and it doesn't have a warehouse where some of the furniture was finished according to customers' specifications. However, it does have a separate room for the traditional finish of an oil rub. Of course, customers may want to do their own finishing, too, Jelsing said.

The woodworker who completed the custom orders for built-in bookcases and

shelves retired along with the Slagters, Jelsing said. He's hoping to hire someone to continue that work for customers.

Bookcases remain the top selling item for Natural Furniture, the manager said. Various sizes are in the store, but some customers want shelves that fit a particular place in the home.

Dining room tables are popular, along with chests of drawers. The shop also has bedroom furniture and living room tables. Tables and chairs for children and outdoor furniture made of cedar also are available, Jelsing said.

Pine and alder are among the popular choices in woods, he said, and walnut is favored by many customers, too. Other choices include ash, birch, cherry,

eucalyptus, mahogany, maple and poplar. Sheesham is a hardwood with striking

color variations, ranging from light golden

Shelves, or bookcase, are designed with offset horizontal lines. Books, plants or curios can be viewed from both sides or the shelves can be placed next to a wall. (Katherine Gray)



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brown to a deep reddish hue. Sometimes the colors swirl together. The wood comes from the Dalbergia sissoo (Indian rosewood) tree in India where a company produces the furniture and ships it to Portland.

Parawood has a very pale color but is a very hard wood. It is sometimes called "Asian oak." It originated in South America where a 19th century Englishman, Henry Wickham, took seeds to England where they sprouted. The seedlings then went to

Malaysia to form rubber plantations. The trees' vegetable gum is made into rubber. After 25 or 30 years, little sap is produced and the trees are cut down to produce parawood.

Jelsing pointed to a row of straight-back chairs at one end of the shop, and he expects more to arrive, he said. In addition to items in the shop, Jelsing plans to continue Natural Furniture's service of ordering furniture built for customers.



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Walkable, family-friendly, vibrant street has fun shops and stops galore

By Maggie Grainger maggiegrainger@star-news.info

hether just out for a stroll or with a destination in mind, working your way up Fremont Street you're guaranteed to discover fun and funky finds.

GARDEN FEVER!

hey say you reap what you sow and T in the case of neighborhood nursery, Garden Fever!, that means cultivating a community of supportive and enthusiastic plant lovers over the decades.

Now celebrating 20 years at its location at 3433 N.E. 24th St., the colorful, lush and eclectic store is turning over a new leaf with new owners, Tim and Shawna O'Neal.

The duo took over the beloved spot in mid-February after the original owners decided to retire. O'Neal had worked at the nursery from 2017-20 and was excited to be back in the neighborhood.

"It's a bit of a new beginning even though it's been here a long while," he says. "Being new owners of a store like this is really a privilege. Our intention is to continue what the store has always provided the community, while also making some changes to reflect our own interests and creativity."

O'Neal says he couldn't have asked for a warmer reception, especially from fellow small business owners.

"This is such a unique spot. Being part of a small business community, surrounded by residences with amazing gardens - we couldn't be happier. We have customers who have been coming in since the store opened, so there are a lot of stories associated with the store."

O'Neal says there's something for everyone at the shop — whether you have a green thumb or not and lots of gifts that are



Tim and Shawna O'Neal took over the reins at Garden Fever in mid-February and love being back in the neighborhood.

(Sarah Wright Photography)



There's something for everyone at Garden Fever! — whether you have a green thumb or not — and lots of gifts that are

uniquely Portland.

"We're always looking around to find unique and practical things that catch our eye," he says. "We even carry some products that are made by our staff."

And with the rainy season upon us, the O'Neals are also ready to help people with their winter plant plans.

"We're really into Pacific Northwest natives," O'Neal says. "Red flowering currant is a good one because the berries stay on the plant well into the year so it's a good winter food source for birds. It also flowers very early in the spring."

With such fun yards in the area, he says no plant-related question is too big or too small to bring up to the staff. In fact, O'Neal admits the most common question is probably, "Do you know what's wrong with my plant?" Says O'Neal: "We're more than happy to help you figure it out!"

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AERIAL DANCE PDX

Kids of all ages are reaching new heights (literally) at Aerial Dance PDX. The airborne dance studio first opened its doors in September 2021 and has been delighting students ever since.

"Through aerial dance, kids have the opportunity to face fears, become stronger and gain confidence," says owner and aerial instructor Alicia Anthony. "It's a very healthy outlet for kids in so many ways."

"Aerial provides an exercise that challenges the body and the brain. There are always more puzzles to learn and unlock you forget that you're exercising."

The studio currently offers 10-14 week sessions for kids ranging in ages from 6-18. There is also a 10-month intensive program that culminates in a spring aerial dance performance. Adult private lessons are available upon request.

Anthony was first exposed to this unique art form during a dance audition in Portland. She quickly realized it was the natural next step on her own movement journey.

"I grew up in the world of dance with a focus on jazz and modern. After dancing competitively in college, I wanted a new way to challenge myself," she says.

Now she finds delight in teaching her students that anything is possible with practice, discipline and lots and lots of patience.

"Classes are challenging, but fun," Anthony says. "Be ready to get some things the first time, but also know some skills and strength come with hard work and time. The high that comes from accomplishing and getting through that moment is unforgettable and addictive."

Winter session registration is now open and classes begin in January.



ADDRESS: 4831 N.E. Fremont St., Suite 5 WEBSITE: https://www.aerialdancepdx.com INSTAGRAM: @aerialdancepdx DON'T MISS: Spots are still available for Thanksgiving Break camp, a three-day workshop where students will have the opportunity to practice their aerial skills and be exposed to other disciplines of circus such as dance, tumbling and prop spinning.







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It's no magic trick: Kids grow up (and out of their clothes) in the blink of an eye.

"Children grow so quickly that oftentimes items are barely used," says Carmen Ripley Wilson, owner of Beanstalk Children's Resale shops. With two locations, one at 3527 N.E. 15th Ave. and another at 8021 S.E. Stark St., she's been helping families find new homes for their gently used and quality products since 2012.

"Resale is not only about saving money, it's about being sustainably mindful," Ripley Wilson says. "When you shop resale there are less new things being produced and using valuable resources like water and fuel."

But she does admit the thrill of the find is also a huge draw. On any given visit to Beanstalk, you can find quality brands like Hanna Andersson, Mini Boden, REI, Patagonia, Columbia, Bogs, Nike and Adidas at 30-70% below the retail price.

The shops don't exclusively sell kids clothes. You can also find great deals on baby gear, books, puzzles, toys and maternity clothing.

The staff carefully screens all products for damage, stains and wear and tear so folks can shop knowing they're getting the best.

Ripley Wilson says it's this dedication to detail that has had families coming back year after year.

"I love seeing the families that had newborn babies in 2012 have fifth and sixth graders this year," she says. "They have shared how much they love our store with their parent friends and some of our loyal customers call themselves 'beanstalkers."

Interested in selling some of your outgrown items? Ripley Wilson says the process is easy especially if you follow these simple steps:



Besides children's clothing, you can also find books, toys, and maternity clothes. (Beanstalk Children's Resale)

■ Bring your gently used baby/kids items anytime between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays.

■ Items must be freshly washed and free of

stains, damage, pet hair and odors. ■ Two grocery bags or one large tote are

allowed per person per day.

■ If you have larger items, call ahead or send pictures to info@beanstalkpdx.com.

For more information on how to sell your gently used items, visit beanstalkpdx.com. There you will find their consigning policy and FAQ page.

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TOMORROW'S VERSE

S ometimes the trick is to surrender to the flow and let the music be your guide.

That's what TJ Fuller realized when he was trying to figure out his next life chapter. After 20 years as an educator, he knew he was ready for a career change, but he didn't realize it was his love for the jam band, Phish, that would lead him to opening his own taproom.

"My wife and I sat down and talked about options and did a vision board of sorts," he says. "It became fairly obvious that I love beer and music — especially Phish — so we decided to go do something with it."

Enter Tomorrow's Verse, a neighborhood taproom that was created for music lovers who love beer and beer lovers who appreciate music.

A self-described "Phish Head," Fuller has seen the band more than 200 times since 1994. In fact, the name Tomorrow's Verse comes from their song "NICU."

"I wanted to find a name that matched our music theme but also wasn't too obviously 'Phishy," Fuller says.

The bar's name isn't the only shout-out to the musicians. Fuller holds regular Phish webcasts for diehard and new fans alike. However, it's Fuller's love of all music that

inspires all aspects of the space. "I really like the idea of Tomorrow's Verse

being a third space for people," he says. "If your first place is your home, your second place is work or school, then a third space is somewhere that attracts you to go to be comfortable, be creative and to be yourself outside of those first two spaces.

"I want this to be a place where people can socialize, connect with old friends, meet new ones and have a good time regardless of what is going on at home or out there in the world."

It's safe to say he's done just that. In addition to the webcasts, the taproom plays host to game nights, bluegrass jams, trivia and music bingo.

"Music bingo is so much fun," he says. "It's a bit like music trivia and bingo rolled all into one. The host plays about a minute of a song, you look for the title of that song on your bingo sheet, you get five squares in a row, then you shout out bingo!

"We've got a lot of regulars who come and sing along to the songs, cheer each other on and razz each other when someone gets bingo before they do."

And Fuller says he couldn't have asked for a better location.

"I am so lucky to have chosen a spot with such a supportive community that really cares," he says. "They come to support when it's raining, snowing, heat doming or apocalyptic smoking outside. I also love that it's become a hub for the community of sorts. I see lots of neighborhood folks meeting and creating friendships here at Tomorrow's Verse."

For a full list of upcoming events, visit www.youenjoymybeer.com

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TJ and Sarah Fuller behind the bar at Tomorrow's Verse, a space they created for music lovers who love beer and beer lovers who appreciate music. The taproom's name comes from the lyrics of a song by the jam band Phish. (James Newman @thismustbetheplacephotography)

from all over the region get together every week to play music with strangers turned friends in the round.

WILD PET PROVISIONS

Pets and their owners are wild about WILD Pet Provisions.

Owner and pet nutritionist Heather Macfarlane has been "connecting dogs and cats back to nature" since 2017 when she first opened the shop.

"I see a lot of clients whose pets suffer from chronic illnesses and disorders; most common issues being allergies, digestion issues, liver disease, kidney disease, urinary disease, neurological issues, you name it," she says. "I am often the last hope, as these pets have already seen many veterinarians and even specialists, with little to no answers or improvement.

"Food works. Nature provides. And I facilitate that reconnection to nature that brings balance and healing."

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prevention.

This love of animals has been a constant in Macfarlane's life since she was a young girl working on her family farm outside Portland. Her first job was at the Holistic Pet Center when she was only 13, and it was around this time that she started working at a country vet clinic to gain knowledge in veterinary medicine. She continued her studies in college, eventually focusing on pet nutrition.

After more than 30 years in the business, she decided to open WILD where she not only helps local pets, but she is a nutrition consultant for pet lovers as far away as South Africa and Europe via Zoom.

But Macfarlane can't do it alone. She has a dedicated team that is just as dedicated and passionate about animals living their best lives as she is.

In addition to nutrition and health services, WILD is full of fun gift ideas, tasty



Head to WILD Pet Provisions on Nov. 25 when holiday items, decorations and deals will be unveiled. (WILD Pet Provisions)

treats, toys and more for furry friends big and small.

"I have handpicked all of my inventory based on my many years of research and experience," she says. "We have a very wide variety of food and treats, but if I had to pick a favorite, Green Juju and Smallbatch dog treats are some of the best treats available, and I highly recommend them for everyone. They both offer clean ingredients, highquality nutrition and a wide variety of proteins to choose from and rotate."

She adds: "For dogs, you can't go wrong



with a Fluff & Tuff dog toy and a bag of locally made dog biscuits by Portland Pet Food Co., which uses all local ingredients like Bob's Red Mill," she says. "Or perhaps an attractive ceramic treat jar (filled with dog cookies) will do the trick or Dogiva Chocolates (that squeak, of course)."

WILD also has a wide variety of sweaters, fleeces and jackets for dogs and cute kimono collars from Japan for cats. Can't decide? The WILD staff can curate a gift box for you or you can always grab a gift card. Macfarlane wants everyone to feel supported and happy when they enter and leave the shop.

"I love Portland, I love the memories I have growing up here, and I love being a part of this community today by serving it, the people and their pets," she says.

ADDRESS: 2393 N.E. Fremont St., Suite A WEBSITE: INSTAGRAM: @wildpetprovisions DON'T MISS: Small Business Saturday is Nov. 25 and WILD plans to unveil all their fun holiday items, decorations and paw-some deals.

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Star News sighting

Middle schoolers by day, rock legends by night! The Roy G Rebels recently rocked the block at their neighborhood cookout.

The group performed covers of Bikini Kill's "Rebel Girl" and Blink-182's "All the Small Things," along with their original song,"3:15," for friends, family and fans.

From left: Una, Gwen, Evit, Norah and Hann.

Look for their album to drop in the near future.

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PostNet opens in 42nd St. Station

he Star News recently met up with Prabha Awasthi, the owner of the new PostNet in the Hollywood. The store is celebrating its grand opening on

Nov. 10 with 20% off printing services and 10% off shipping. Awasthi shares more about the services and offerings you can expect when you visit PostNet this holiday season and year-round.

Question: Welcome to the neighborhood, Prabha. We're excited you're here! What do you love most about being in Hollywood?

Awasthi: The Hollywood community is vibrant and diverse, and what I love most is the strong sense of community support. Since our soft opening in March, we have received a warm and enthusiastic reception from the local residents and businesses. We're grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful community.

Q: Describe PostNet in five words.

Awasthi: Convenient, friendly, one-stop, reliable, community-oriented.

Q: What services do you offer?

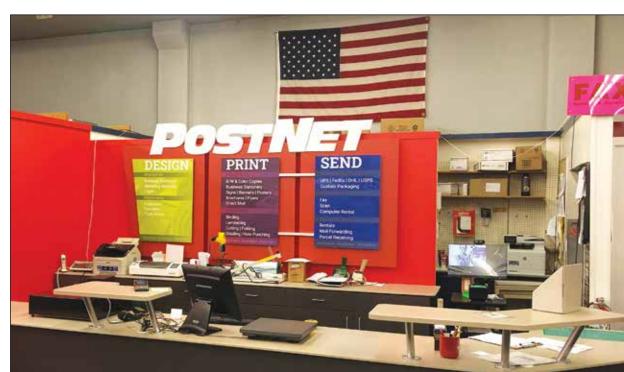
Awasthi: We offer a wide range of services, including:

■ Shipping with all major carriers (FedEx, UPS, DHL, USPS)

 Printing services (business printing including flyers, brochures, business cards, booklets, calendars and wide-format items like banners, flags, signs, blueprints, posters)
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PostNet owners Prabha and Indra Awasthi are planning a grand opening for their new store in Hollywood's 42nd Street Station on Nov. 10, with discounts on printing and shipping. (Maggie Grainger)

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Q: The holidays are around the corner. How can PostNet help with holiday needs?

Awasthi: We're here to make your life easier during the holiday season. We can assist with your holiday needs by offering a one-stop shop for all your shipping through any of the major carriers, providing stamps for your cards, ensuring shorter lines and helping with business and wide-format printing, notary and mailbox needs. We're dedicated to helping you stay stress-free during this special time of the year.

Q: How has it been working with your family?

Awasthi: PostNet is not just a business to me, it's a family endeavor. My husband, Indra, my son, Devanshu, and my daughter, Susmita, have been incredibly supportive in making this dream a reality. Their dedication and involvement have played an integral role in our success and our ability to provide the community with exceptional service.

Q: Anything else you'd like to share with Star

News readers?

Awasthi We're committed to providing our customers with better service, shorter lines and more options under a single roof. We take pride in knowing our customers by their first name and strive to create a friendly and welcoming environment. We look forward to serving you and becoming your trusted partner for all your shipping, printing, and office needs and would like to be a singlestop shop for all such needs. Thank you for choosing PostNet Hollywood.

PostNet Hollywood is located at 2000 N.E. 42nd Ave. inside the 42nd Street Station mall. They are open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Fridays and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.



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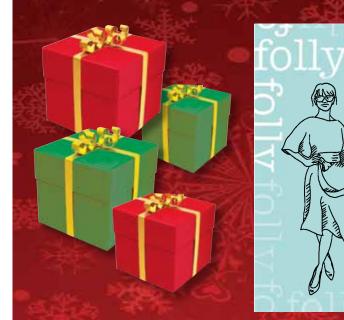
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EXAMPET CONNECTIONSNavigating the nuances of pet insurance



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any people consider their pets as family members and strive to provide a high quality of life for them. However, owning a pet can be expensive, sometimes shockingly so. Accidents or serious illnesses such as cancer or diabetes can be devastating to a budget. And as pets age, costs can mount, especially if they develop longterm health issues. Veterinary science has developed to a point where specialists can treat conditions that formerly would have required euthanasia.

These treatments can be costly. By way of example, I owned a small dog that developed a very aggressive form of cancer. I chose to give her one chemotherapy treatment. She had a reaction to the medication and was in intensive care for five days. The charges added up to thousands of dollars. I did not have insurance. Needless to say, I have carried pet insurance on all my subsequent pets.

Each state sets regulations for insurance, including pet insurance. In Oregon, the Department of Consumer and Business Services sets rules and guidelines pet insurers must follow to do business in the state. This brief article is not intended to be a comprehensive review of pet insurance, nor am I advocating the purchase of insurance or the selection of a particular brand. The aim is just to give an overview of some of the key points and provide some links for you to research further.

Basically, there are three types of pet insurance: comprehensive (accident and illness), accident and wellness/ preventative care, which is usually added on to one of the other two. There are several considerations pet owners should ponder when deciding on insurance. They include: The role your pet plays in your family – the value you place on its life and quality of life.

■ Your budget.

■ Type of dog or cat – do you own a pedigreed breed that is prone to specific issues like hip dysplasia?

■ Age of dog or cat – premiums for older dogs will be higher. Premiums for a younger dog will be less, but should the pet develop a chronic illness, it may be covered because it was not considered a preexisting condition.

■ Your ZIP code – veterinarians may charge higher fees in densely populated cities vs. rural areas.





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Resources

Costs of pet ownership: www.marketwatch.com/guides/insurance-services/cost-of-owning-a-dog/

Cost of owning a cat: https://pettable.com/blog/cost-of-owning-a-cat

Considerations when selecting a policy: www.thebalancemoney.com/top-

questions-to-ask-when-buying-pet-insurance-2645828

■ Pet Insurance costs: www.marketwatch.com/guides/insurance-services/petinsurance-cost/#:~:text=Pet%20insurance%20is%20a%20good,anywhere%20from%20 %2414.58%20to%20%2424.41

Does your pet already have a preexisting condition?

Does the plan have an annual or lifetime cap on claims?

■ The policy's waiting period. There are many online resources that provide comparisons between companies. Be aware that these sites may receive commissions if you purchase through one of their links. You may get a free quote directly from companies by putting in a few details about your pet, such as type of pet, age, breed, gender and preexisting

conditions. Be advised these sites usually

ask for an email address, so you may get advertisements later.

Similar to human health insurance, each policy will have a premium, a deductible amount, an annual amount of coverage, as well as a description of what is covered and not covered. In most cases, you will pay veterinary costs upfront and the insurance will reimburse you for the covered amount. After purchase, you will receive detailed information about the policy, including a summary. Here is an example of a policy summary:

■ Unlimited Annual Coverage ■ \$500 Deductible 80% Reimbursement

■ Core Benefits: Accidents, Illnesses, Cancer, Hereditary Conditions, Surgeries, Emergency Care, Take-Home Prescriptions, Accident & Illness Exam Fees,

Rehabilitation, Acupuncture & Chiropractic ■ For a full list of what's covered and what's not covered, download your pet's policy.

When you file a claim, you will be asked to provide prior veterinary records for your pet. The insurer will be looking for preexisting conditions. Most veterinarians are willing to submit this information directly to the insurer. There is often a brief waiting period before coverage begins, often three months.

Pet insurance can be a benefit depending on your situation, providing peace of mind in the event of unforeseen illness or accident.

Consulting trusted sources such as friends or family who have had experiences (positive or negative) with a particular insurer can be helpful.

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Nov. 2. 4 p.m. A graphic novel club is for grades 4-5. Free. First come, first served. 503-988-5123. Multcolib.org. Hollywood Library meeting room, 4040N.E. Tillamook St.

STORIES ON ZOOM

Nov. 7. 10 a.m. A virtual storytime for children up to age 2 with a favorite adult. Have fun with interactive songs, rhymes, bounces and stories for the age group. Learn early literacy and child development tips to help build emerging language skills. Free. 503-988-5123. Register for Zoom at multcolib.org., click on events & classes, scroll to date and time.

ENJOY BOOKS, SONGS

Nov. 11. 10:45-11:15 a.m. Family storytime up to age 6 with a favorite adult. Enjoy books, songs, rhymes and movement activities while building language and literacy skills. Supported by gifts made to The Library Foundation. Free. 503-988-5123. First come, first served. Kenton Library, 8226 N. Denver Ave.

ENJOYARTS

WATERCOLORS IN SHOW

Nov. 1. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. In the Main Gallery, Mary Lyn Gough is a watercolor painter who finds the shapes, textures, colors and patterns in flowers as a source of inspiration. Hsin-Yi Huang works in porcelain for its smoothness and how glaze colors respond to it. In the Feature Area, Robin Kerr's abstract mixed-media works use combinations of acrylic, wax pastel, ink and fabric. www.guardinogallery.com. 503-281-9048. Guardino Gallery, 2939 N.E. Alberta St.

STUDY 'LORD OF THE RINGS'

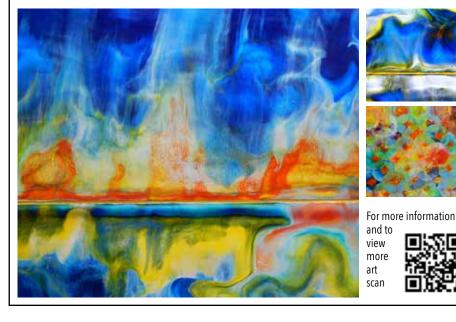
Nov. 1. 6:30 p.m. A four-week film class

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"Flower #60," Hsin-Yi Huang, porcelain. (Guardino Gallery)

focuses on "The Road to the Lord of the Rings" at Movie Madness, the educational arm of the Hollywood Theatre. Discover the creativity and magic woven into the fantasy not only of "Lord of the Rings" but its cinematic ancestors. Bring proof of COVID vaccination and photo ID to first class. Tuition \$75. Info@moviemadness.org. www. hollywoodtheatre.org. 503-234-4363. Films shown at Movie Madness Miniplex, 4320 S.E. Belmont St.

SOUNDS OF LOSSES

Nov. 3.- Feb. 11. Noon-5 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays or by appointment. A sound installation by Marcus Fischer is "What Was Lost and What Remains." The artist attempts to grasp the increasing numbers of individuals lost to mass shootings each year in the United States. The work addresses loss, generational trauma and gun violence, but it also is a container to hold space for these things that aren't easy to talk about. Free. info@oregoncontemporary. org. Oregon Contemporary, 8371 N. Interstate Ave.

YOUTH STAGE 'SPIDER'

JOIN 'LIVE WIRE'

Nov. 4. Doors 6:30, show 7:30 p.m. Experience the taping of "Live Wire" with Luke Burbank, which is heard on radio station KOPB. The show features comedy, conversation and music. Tickets \$30-\$45. 503-764-4131. www.albertarosetheatre.com. Alberta Rose Theatre, 3000 N.E. Alberta St.

FILMS PROBE PARANOIA

Nov. 6. 6:30 p.m. Over four Mondays, examine four classic films noir of the 1940s and 1950s when perceived threats to the American way of life permeated the veneer of peaceful domesticity. The four films reveal themes of foreboding and paranoia that are beyond the hard-bitten detective stories often associated with the genre. Tuition \$75. Class size limited to 18. Proof of vaccination and ID required. Info@moviemadness.org. www.hollywoodtheatre.org. 503-234-4363. Films shown at Movie Madness Miniplex, 4320 S.E. Belmont St.

SHOP ARTS, CRAFTS

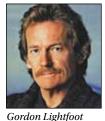
Nov. 10. 4-8 p.m. and Nov. 11 10 a.m.-4 p.m. A sale of varied arts and crafts. Free admission. www.unityofportland.org. Unity of Portland, 4525 S.E. Stark St.



Nov. 17. Doors 6 p.m., show 7 p.m. A benefit for Columbia Riverkeeper is "Sundown – A Salute to Gordon Lightfoot" on what would have been his 85th birthday. More than a dozen musicians and groups keep his songs alive. Tickets \$25 advance, \$30 at door, \$25 livestream. 503-764-4131. www.albertarosetheatre.com. Alberta Rose Theatre, 3000 N.E. Alberta St.

MEN SING TO WINTER

Nov. 18. 7:30 p.m. Satori Men's Chorus



Satori Men's Chorus is saying "Hello Winter!" in its 30th anniversary season of singing for peace. The program includes Franz Biebl's "Ave Maria," a rendition of

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ENJOY HOLIDAY ART

Nov. 25. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Enjoy pastries and coffee for early viewing, or afternoon wine and cheese as artists display handcrafted holiday gifts, artwork and jewelry for Small Business Saturday and Customer Appreciation Day. Select artists will offer one



Bach Cantata Choir Ralph Nelson, Artistic Director

Free Sunday Afternoon Concert Sunday, November 12, 2pm

J. S. Bach: Cantata 196 and "Jesu, Meine Freude" Vivaldi: "Autumn" from *The Four Seasons*

Rose City Park Presbyterian Church NE 44th and Sandy Blvd. Complete info at: <u>www.bachcantatachoir.org</u> piece at a discount, marked with a special tag. Also view display of holiday decorations. Regular hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. www.artisticportlandgallery.com. 971-339-0945. Artistic Portland Gallery, 4110 N.E. Fremont St.

FORSENIORS

PLAY THE UKULELE

Nov. 7. 10-11:30 a.m. Continues Tuesdays. The Hollywood Ukulele group meets with a few seats for drop-ins. Loaner ukuleles available for the day with advance notice. Free. Information: 503-288-8303. Community for Positive Aging at the Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 N.E. 40th Ave.

GET TECHNOLOGY AID

Nov. 7. Continues Tuesdays. 9:15-10 a.m. A volunteer technology ambassador may answer questions about a smartphone, tablet or laptop. Bring the device and a charging cord. Free. Appointment required: 503-288-8303 or email staff@communityfpa.



Artistic Portland Gallery's customer appreciation day includes specially priced artworks, gifts and a display of holiday decorations. (Artistic Portland Gallery)

org. Community for Positive Aging at the Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 N.E. 40th Ave.

LEARN OF NE VILLAGE

Nov. 13. 10-11:30 a.m. Learn about activities and services offered by Northeast Village PDX that support seniors opting to remain in their own homes and stay engaged in their community. The member-led

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An earlier Artistic Portland Gallery First Thursday event showcased works by the cooperative's 25 artists. (Artistic Portland

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organization serves residents in Northeast neighborhoods as they engage with and help one another. Information: 503-895-2750, Rose City Park United Methodist Church, 5830 N.E. Alameda St.

CAREGIVERS GET CARE

Nov. 30. 11 a.m.-noon. Caregivers seeking support and resources may meet with the team from OHSU's Layton Aging and Alzheimer's Disease Research Center. The in-person program continues on the last Thursday of the month. Free. Information: 503-288-8303. Community for Positive Aging at the Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 N.E. 40th Ave.

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GET RESUME HELP

Nov. 8. 12:30 p.m. Get help with a resume. Bring a draft and learn how to make it stronger. Free. 503-988-5123. Multcolib.org. First come, first served. Kenton library, 8226 N. Denver Ave.

LIONS COLLECT FOOD

Nov. 11. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The Portland Hollywood Lions' biannual food drive benefits the Community for Positive Aging at the Hollywood Senior Center. Nonperishable food and pet food are collected. They also welcome glasses, hearing aids, cell phones and e-tablets to recycle or recondition. Hollywood Grocery Outlet, 4420 N.E. Hancock St.

PARTY IN A 'CLOSET'

Nov. 16. 5-8 p.m. The fall closet pre-party of Dress for Success includes an advance sale of clothing. A limited number of tickets are available at \$25 each at 0regon. dressforsuccess.org. The sale of vintage and secondhand clothing continues from noon-5 p.m. Nov. 17-18. Proceeds support the mission to help women find and retain jobs and achieve financial stability. Cash and credit cards only. Parking in lot across 37th Avenue. Dress for Success Oregon, 1532 N.E. 37th Ave., suite B.

FIND TECH HELP

Nov. 22. 2-4 p.m. Meet one-on-one with a tech helper who can find answers to

questions about mobile devices, websites, getting started with tech. Drop-in time is first come, first served. Free. Find other times by calling 503-988-5123. Hollywood Library meeting room, 4040 N.E. Tillamook St.



