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All about trees

The September CNews is bursting with information about trees in the Concordia neighborhood. Do you want to learn more and share your opinions and suggestions about their value?

That's the subject of the Wednesday, Sept. 1, Concordia Neighborhood Association General Membership Meeting.

It begins at 7 p.m. and, like most association meetings, it's virtual until further notice.

Find sign-in details at ConcordiaPDX.org/CNAMEetings.

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Advocates rally to preserve grove

By Jordana Leeb
Concordia Neighbor

The future of the International Grove hangs in the balance. There are many threats to this unique stand of more than 60 trees, including people driving and parking inside the grove.

The most pressing issue on the minds of local tree and community advocates is the possibility the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) will use the grove for two years as construction staging or parking.

That would be during the \$12 million reconstruction project beginning next year on the 42nd Avenue overpass across Lombard Street. The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) owns most of the grove's land.

"Using the grove as a staging area is a concern because parking heavy equipment and materials would cause soil compaction," said Jim Gersbach, Concordia Tree Team member and 20-year Concordia resident. "That can be deadly to trees because it prevents water and oxygen from reaching their roots,"

Moreover, staging work could injure tree bark and limbs. Tree advocates have identified alternative sites for construction staging.

Staff members from the Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA), residents of Nesika Illahee across 42nd Avenue from the grove and members of the Cully and Concordia tree teams met during the summer to talk about what they would like to see happen in the grove instead.

Nesika Illahee opened in early 2020 and was developed by NAYA and tribal and nontribal partners as affordable housing for Native Americans in recovery.

"I would like to help the grove grow," said Angelique Saxton, resident services manager at the 59-unit complex.

"I have heard from the resident community they would like the grove to be part of Nesika and become more inviting, more people friendly and have safer access. It could be used for meditation, drumming, picnics and recovery meetings."

Eleven organizations signed a joint letter to PBOT and ODOT to ask them to not use the area for construction staging. The letter also asks the agencies to consider pedestrian safety and to include Native American art and culture in the



Eleven local organizations are asking builders to avoid harming the International Grove while reconstructing the 42nd Avenue Lombard overpass. Representing three of those organizations are (left to right) Angelique Saxton, Native American Youth and Family Center; Bruce Nelson, Cully Tree Team; and Barbara Wharton, Concordia Tree Team. Photo by Chris Baker

new bridge design.

These organizations included: NAYA, Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest, Verde, Hacienda Community Development Corporation, Our 42nd Ave, Cully Boulevard Alliance, Living Cully, Portland Clean Air, Cully Association of Neighbors, Concordia Neighborhood Association and Habitat for Humanity Portland Region.

Bob Granger, a member of the Cully Tree Team who helped plant the grove in 2011, is impressed with the efforts that led to that letter.

"I'm blown away at how this organic process has evolved into such a robust,

holistic advocacy effort," he said. "The inclusive and collaborative involvement of key neighborhood stakeholders is wonderful to see."



Jordana Leeb is a longtime Concordia resident who is passionate about the neighborhood, its people and trees. She lives with her partner and newly adopted special needs dog. You can see her recent film about Concordia at TinyURL.com/DiaryOfAStreet.

Tree teams celebrate grove's 10th

By Jordana Leeb
Concordia Neighbor

Reminding a community of its differences and similarities, creating a living laboratory to study trees, filtering pollutants and noise from nearby arterial roads, acting as a gateway for people traveling from the airport to northeast Portland neighborhoods.

All these and more were the aspirations for creating the International Grove 10 years ago at the corner of 42nd Avenue and Lombard Street.

Developing the grove was part of the

Bureau of Environmental Services Grey to Green Canopy Initiative. That eight-year commitment began in 2008 to increase the health of local watersheds.

Efforts included construction and planting projects to divert stormwater from the sewer system, reduce flooding and erosion, filter pollutants, provide habitat and increase neighborhood green space.

The Concordia and Cully tree teams and the Ainsworth Street Collective were involved in planning and planting the grove. Maintenance over the years has mainly been performed by volunteers.

To reflect the many cultures represented in nearby neighborhoods, the grove includes trees from six continents. Those trees include the Chilean beech and the Moroccan snow gum. This diversity is in contrast to the maples, ornamental cherries/plums and crabapples found widespread in the city.

A similar combination of trees was not anywhere else in the city, apart from perhaps Hoyt Arboretum, according to Robert Pallesen. In 2011 he served on the Concordia Neighborhood Association

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From the Board

By Peter Keller, CNA Chair



Save the trees

Hey neighbors, this month’s CNews is all about trees, which is a topic near to my heart and likely most of yours. For the upcoming quarterly CNA General Membership meeting – Wednesday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m. – we’ll continue the conversation with local tree experts. I hope you can join us. Virtually.

Which leads me to my next announcement. We’ll be meeting virtually in September for both the CNA

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board and general membership meetings. We were looking forward to meeting in person once again, but due to the uptick in Covid 19 cases we’ll have to wait a bit longer.

The board didn’t meet in August, but we accomplished a few things nonetheless. We joined 10 organizations in endorsing a letter to city and state agencies asking them to preserve the International Grove at 42nd Avenue and Lombard Streets during the planned construction of the new overpass. Portland Bureau of Transportation responded, and there is a planned meeting to discuss the issue. (See story on Page 1.)

In addition, the letter the CNA board wrote to the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) regarding the sale of Concordia University resulted in an opportunity for CNA to meet with LCEF. We look forward to a productive conversation where we’ll express the neighborhood’s desires for the property. (See letter at ConcordiaPDX.org/cusale.)

Getting back to the topic of trees, this year’s extreme heat has likely been harder on our trees than any year on record. As I write, we’re in the midst of another heat wave...

It’s sad to experience this and it’s easy to feel powerless, but there are things we can do. For example, the Portland Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) offers a one-time water/sewer rebate for planting a tree, and another program will plant trees on your property at affordable, sliding scale prices. Visit PortlandOregon.gov/bes/63490 for details on those programs, and see Page 4 for our story on Friends of Trees.

In a similar BES program, I signed up and received three ponderosa pines in 2014. These trees are now six years older and, because they are more drought tolerant, they were OK in the heat.

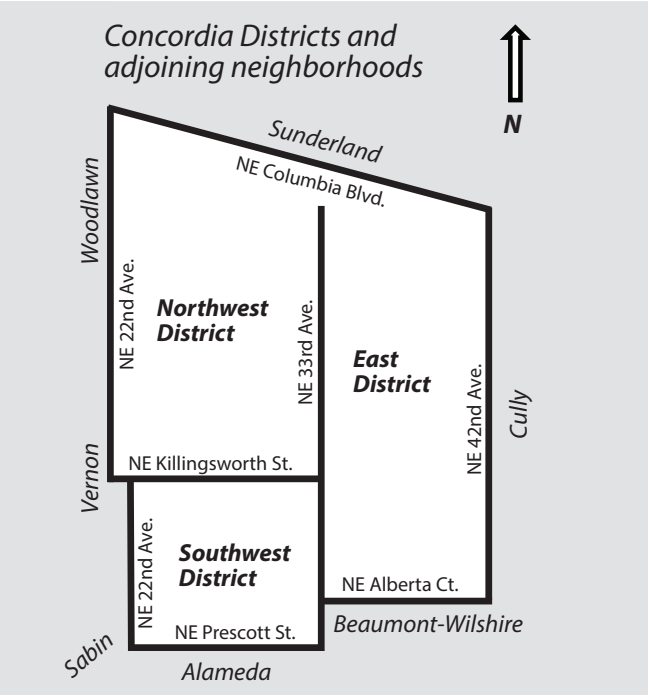
We need to do everything we can to preserve the trees we have and continue to plant more. Find sign-on information for the CNA General Membership Meeting at ConcordiaPDX.org/CNAMeetings. And join us Sept. 1 to hear from local experts about what you can do!

Native Portlander Peter Keller has lived in Concordia since 1997. He runs a small marketing agency with partner Max, out of their home studio. He loves exploring outdoors with and without his dogs.

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3rd Wednesday of the month, Wednesday, Sept. 15, 7 p.m., venue: see box below, contact Garlynn Woodsong, LandUse@ConcordiaPDX.org
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Concordia Art Works

Sound of a chainsaw draws this wood artist

By Maquette Reeverts
Alberta Art Works

It wasn't long ago that many people had workshops in their homes or garages. When things broke, you fixed them.

By the age of 10, Kevin Poest was using the workshop's table saw while his grandpa made repairs on the family furniture. One day Kevin brought home a

With a little effort
and friendly
neighbors, his
material is free.

broken chair, and his grandpa taught him to use the lathe.

That old chair was never repaired because little Kevin became inspired. That chair leg became his first real piece of art and he never quit. Today by his backyard studio sit piles of materials garnered from wood millers, arborists or neighbors.

"When I hear a chainsaw I start walking toward the sound." With a little effort and friendly neighbors, his material is free.

"I started with wood pallets. Once you

Kevin Poest doesn't have to purchase the materials for his medium. He lives in Oregon, where supplies from wood millers, arborists or neighbors are plentiful – and he puts each offering to artistic use.
Photo by Maquette Reeverts

cut and sand them, they are great pieces of wood." His driveway stores his loot of street tree segments and burls waiting to be pulled into his workshop.

Kevin enjoys creating utilitarian pieces, including plates and bowls that show off the natural grain patterns while highlighting the irregular voids and edges of the natural medium. He is just as adept at making spindles and balustrades for historic homes, but the urns he makes for people's loved ones are his favorite.

"It honors my work."
Visit PoestsWood.com or @poestswood to donate wood or purchase his work.



Michel Reeverts, aka Maquette, holds a master of arts degree in art education, serves Alberta Art Works as director and Alberta Street Gallery as a board member. She is also a practicing artist. Contact her at Maquette@AlbertaArtWorks.org





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- 6 p.m. – association board meeting,
- 7 p.m. – association general meeting

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This nonprofit plants trees, grows community

By Nancy Varekamp
CNews Editor

Haley Miller has her dream job at Friends of Trees. In fact it was trees – and the outdoor recreational opportunities – that brought her to Portland in 2010.

“Trees have just such a calming effect to me,” she explained. “If I feel really stressed or overwhelmed, I go to anywhere they have big trees.

“That’s why I think it’s important to get more trees in the city, so people who can’t make it to a national park can take a walk in their neighborhood park and see trees, and be around trees.”

Just as important are trees in parking strips, Haley added. “They provide shade and protection from wind and rain.” They also provide barriers for pedestrians from cars and tend to slow the traffic.”

Beyond emotional and esthetic qualities, environmental science credits trees for improving air quality and reducing “heat island” effects on hot days. “I love putting more trees in places that need them the most.”

She goes further than helping neighbors select trees to put in the ground. Friends of Trees has spawned commu-

nity engagement around tree plantings. Although the organization serves the entire metro area, neighborhood trees senior specialist Haley is responsible for planning the planting events in Concordia, Vernon, Woodlawn and Piedmont neighborhoods.

After Friends of Trees accepts requests from local residents for trees in their yards, she plans morning-long planting efforts in the four neighborhoods.

Pre-pandemic, that meant creating a central staging area where about 200 volunteers met for breakfast and training. They divided into teams, each with an experienced team leader and about 10 trees to plant. They’d return by noon for a celebratory potluck lunch.

“People would meet each other, neighbors meeting neighbors,” she said. “The whole community aspect is really important to us.”

In a typical season – October through April – 6,000 volunteers donate about 40,000 hours.

During the pandemic, 21,311 trees and native shrubs trees were planted, but volunteers worked mostly solo. Those experienced volunteers were provided trees and locations to plant them.

“I was grateful and in awe,” Haley recalled. “They still came out in the rain on their own and planted the trees. It just shows how important trees are and how these volunteers respect that.”

Haley and her 27 colleagues at Friends of Trees are now planning how COVID-19 concerns will shape the upcoming planting season. For details



Haley Miller loves trees, and she’s even been known to hug a few. The Friends of Trees employee not only lives in Concordia, she’s responsible for planting efforts here and in Vernon, Woodlawn and Piedmont neighborhoods. Photo courtesy of Haley Miller

as they become available, contact her at Haleym@FriendsOfTrees.org.

There’s one thing she can predict

now with certainty. “We’ll engage the community in a way that feels safe and respectful.”



Nancy Varekamp is semiretired from her career in journalism, public relations and – her favorite work engagement – writing and editing targeted newsletters.

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During the October 2021-April 2022 season, currently no parking

strip plantings are planned, but yard trees are in good supply and Concordia is on the list.

The Friends of Trees website reports that, since 1989, it is responsible for planting 870,000+ trees and native plants by “thousands and thousands of volunteers” in 120+ neighborhoods in six counties in Oregon and Washington.

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Volunteer organization fights food insecurity

By Michael French
CNA Media Team

A local grassroots organization is fighting food insecurity with fresh food. The Portland Fruit Tree Project, a community-based urban food recovery project, works with homeowners, orchards and partner organizations to glean and distribute unused fruit.

Food insecurity is up in Oregon. Nearly 25% of households in the state experienced food insecurity in 2020, up from 10% in 2019. Households of Black, Indigenous and people of color (BIPOC) are especially hard hit, according to a study by Oregon State University.

“There is no reason people should go without good food, especially when it is growing and dropping on the sidewalk,” said Kris Balliet, board of directors chair for the Portland Fruit Tree Project. She is a Concordia resident and the organization’s business office is located in nearby Leaven Community.

“We get there before fruit starts getting bad, gather it and put it into a system that gets it to people experiencing food insecurity.”

To distribute the food, the project works with community organizations,



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such as Black Mental Health Oregon, Hollywood Senior Center, Friends of Trees, Mudbone Grown’s CSA program, Davis Elementary School and other schools in diverse and low-income neighborhoods.

Kris said the organization, founded in 2006, struggled with finances prior

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– Kris Balliet

to the outbreak of COVID-19. Since then, it’s turned a corner fueled by strong community support, ongoing demand for services and the hiring last year of director Heather Keisler Fornes.

“The pandemic illuminated how many people need fresh food, and how great the need is. Our expansion has been remarkable over the course of the last year,” Kris said. “We wanted to make sure that fruit was not going to waste, and kids were not going without fruit, even during a lockdown.”

Lately, increased donations are



Kris Balliet, Concordia resident, chairs the board of directors of the Portland Fruit Tree Project. The pandemic has put a spotlight on how many people need fresh food, so the nonprofit has increased its efforts to harvest the bounty of Portland residents’ back yards. Photo by Michael French

funding new programs.

The organization recently established a new BIPOC work training program in partnership with The Blueprint Foundation, a Black-led green workforce development nonprofit. The program aims to raise wage opportunities for youth and established workers in landscaping or other lower-wage work.

A new service helps property owners care for home orchards. Coaching helps do-it-yourself owners to better care for their trees. A full-service care programs offers comprehensive maintenance for fruiting trees, vines and shrubs.

“We invite everyone in the Portland metro area, and particularly the inner northeast, to participate,” Kris said.

Homeowners can participate by harvesting their own fruit or requesting volunteer help.

The project also welcomes cash donations, in-kind gifts and volunteers to harvest trees or offer skills like legal, grant writing or accounting services. For more information, visit PortlandFruit.org.

Tree teams celebrate grove’s 10th

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Board of Directors and the Concordia Tree Team.

“We will now have a unique arborscape that will look distinctive and attractive year round,” he told The Oregonian in 2011.

Planting different types of trees in the grove also offers an opportunity to study, over time, which trees could offer shade, mitigate climate change effects and filter air pollution.

For example, current day tree team members found the cork oak tree did much better in a recent ice-storm than expected.

“The grove is important because as northeast 42nd becomes denser and more built up, urban heat island effects will become more pronounced,” said Jim Gersbach, Concordia Tree Team member.

“Expanses of tree-shaded land will become even more precious and life-saving as cool-air refuges,” he added.



It was early 2011 when members of the Concordia and Cully tree teams and the Ainsworth Street Collective helped plant more than 60 trees to create the International Grove. On the right is Dove Hotz. Know the identity of the person on the left? Contact CNewsEditor@ConcordiaPDX.org. Photo courtesy of Robert Pallesen



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Visit International Grove next month

There are currently no signs at the International Grove, and safe crossing is difficult due to its location. Members of the Concordia and Cully tree teams want to change that. They invite you to an Oct. 3 event at the grove to tour the

trees and discuss possibilities.

See the October CNews Concordia Community Calendar for details about that event, or visit Facebook.com/groups/ConcordiaPDX in late September.



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Urbanism

Neighborhood has essentially no tree code

By Garlynn Woodsong
CNA Board Member, SW1
CNA LUTC Chair

Often, when homes in Concordia are demolished – to be replaced with new, larger homes – any existing mature trees on the site are also removed.

This practice can remove habitat for birds and animals, as well as remove the shading, cooling and air quality services trees provide to help mitigate the urban heat island effect.

But doesn't Portland have an adopted city tree code that implements the Port-

Portland's tree code seems to be doing its part to help perpetuate Portland's nickname: Stumptown.

land Urban Forest Plan and protects the beloved trees of our neighborhood?

According to research provided by neighbor Jordana Leeb, yes. And no.

Unfortunately, the current tree code exempts sites of under 5,000 square feet in size from tree preservation requirements when undergoing development.

What this means effectively is almost none of Concordia west of 33rd Avenue is subject to the Portland Tree Code:

- Parcels south of Killingsworth Street tend to have an average lot size of 4,000-5,000.
- Parcels north of Killingsworth sit on

historically platted lots that are only 2,500 square feet.

- Even east of 33rd many parcels are – or can be – subdivided into lots of 5,000 square feet or less.

For sites over 5,000 square feet, one-third of all on-site trees over 12 inches in diameter are to be preserved, but applicants can choose to pay fees in lieu of preservation for any trees they wish to remove below this threshold.

The fee is only due, however, if the site isn't eligible for an exemption from the tree code because a tree is:

- Dead, dying or could be declared dangerous by an arborist
- "Nuisance species"
- Exempted by a land use review
- Tree removals already approved through a land division or planned development
- Other reasons

Indeed, Portland's tree code seems to be doing its part to help perpetuate Portland's nickname: Stumptown.

Data from 2018 to 2020 citywide reports over 33 trees were chopped down that were at least a foot in diameter of the trunk at the breast height of the average

person. Additional were uncounted trees with smaller diameter trunks.

The Portland Urban Forest Management Plan lacks any sort of quantitative goals to achieve in terms of tree canopy coverage, urban heat island mitigation or even tree planting.

Plans without goals are easier to achieve, which perhaps explains why this plan, policy and code do very little to actually preserve the trees of Concordia from being cut down during development.


According to the Portland Urban Forest Action Plan of 2020, 30.7% of the city is covered currently by tree canopy, up from 26% in 2002.

The plan does not state a goal for future tree canopy coverage; however, other cities have adopted goals. Nearby Milwaukie has a goal of increasing its tree canopy to 40% by 2040. Farther away, a tree canopy already covers 40% of Pittsburgh, which is still seeking to protect and expand tree coverage beyond that.



Garlynn Woodsong lives on 29th Avenue, serves on the CNA board and is an avid bicyclist. He also is a dad who is passionate about the city his son will inherit. He is the

planning + development partner with Cascadia Partners LLC, a local urban planning firm. Contact him at LandUse@ConcordiaPDX.org.



What's Selling in Concordia?

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News from the NET

PublicAlerts system offers best disaster info

By Erin E. Cooper
Concordia/Vernon/Woodlawn
Neighborhood Emergency Team

In the case of an emergency such as flooding or forest fires, it's important to have accurate information about the situation, including information about when to evacuate.

In the past, government agencies used tools such as radio, television and automated calls to landlines to reach households. These days, those methods are less reliable to reach many people.

Luckily, in the Portland area, the PublicAlerts system allows individuals to receive these types of notification through text, email or calls to cell phones.

Although landlines are automatically registered to public alert notifications, cell phone users must sign up at PublicAlerts.org. The service is available in 11 languages, and it has an additional feature that allows people to identify if they have special needs that might require assistance during a disaster or evacuation.

Supplying this information ahead of



Erin E. Cooper is a marine biologist living in Woodlawn. She spends a lot of time thinking about disasters and has been a NET member for many years. Contact her at OceanListener@gmail.com.

Although landlines are automatically registered to public alert notifications, cell phone users must sign up at PublicAlerts.org.

time allows emergency responders to deploy resources and personnel more efficiently.

PublicAlerts is likely to distribute the most accurate, location-specific information quickly. However, if cell phone networks are not working during or after a disaster, local radio and television intend to broadcast the most accurate information.

Pay attention to official announcements from official sources such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management.

In a major disaster like a Cascadia earthquake, the damage to power lines and cell phone towers makes it difficult to access information through television

or the internet.

Each emergency kit should have a radio tuned to emergency frequencies in case the disaster is widespread enough to prevent other news from getting through. Make sure you have extra batteries for your radio if it doesn't have a hand-crank for power.

Know where your nearest Basic Earth-

quake Emergency Communication Node (BEECN) is, since this is a place to get information if other sources are unavailable. For most Concordians, that's in Alberta Park, but check for information on other nearby ones at PortlandOregon.gov/pbem/article/483656.

Planning how to get reliable information can save lives.

CNA Seeks Recording Secretary

The Concordia Neighborhood Association is hiring a recording secretary to record and transcribe minutes of board, general and land use meetings held at McMenamins Kennedy School or virtually.

The contract position pays \$35/hour for meetings and time spent preparing and publishing minutes online. Hours are about 5-7 per month.

- Directors meetings: usually 7 p.m. 1st Wednesday each month
- General meetings: quarterly, 7 p.m. 1st Wednesday of the month
- Land use meetings: 7 p.m. 3rd Wednesday each month

The position requires good writing, transcription and document preparation skills. Availability and dependability are a must! Residence in Concordia is not mandatory.

Interested? Contact the Chair@ConcordiaPDX.org with a resume, references and writing sample.

Chair: Chair@ConcordiaPDX.org
CNA website: ConcordiaPDX.org



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Community partners will be on-hand to answer your questions.



Community events calendar

Read all the details:

ConcordiaPDX.org/Sept2021Events

Thursdays, Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 4-7pm
CULLY FARMERS MARKET
Location: 5011 NE 42nd Ave.
Details: Facebook.com/cullyfarmersmarket, CullyFarmersMarket@gmail.com

Saturdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, 10am-2pm
WOODLAWN FARMERS MARKET
Location: Dekum Street & Durham Avenue
Details: woodlawnfarmersmarket.org, Facebook.com/woodlawnneighborhoodfarmersmarket

Saturdays, Sept 4, 18, 1pm
WOODLAWN VERNON HISTORIC WALKING TOURS
Location: TBD
Details: vnaboard@gmail.com, pre-registration required at vernonpdx.org

Saturday, Sept. 11, 2-8pm
5TH ANNUAL KENNEDY SCHOOL OKTOBERFEST BREWFEST
Location: McMenamins Kennedy School
Details: mcmenamins.com/events/226952-5th-annual-kennedy-school-oktoberfest-brewfest

Wednesdays, Sept. 15 & 29, 3-7pm
FREE CANOE & KAYAK RENTALS
Location: Whitaker Ponds, 7040 NE 47th Ave
Registration: columbiaslough.org/events-list/canoe-amp-kayak-rentals-free-m56s4-h77y3

Thursday, Sept. 16, 4-6pm
CONSTRUCTION CAREER FAIR
Location: St. Michaels Lutheran Church, 29th & Dekum
Details: homeforward.org/development/property-developments

Saturdays, Sept. 18 & 25, 2-4pm
FOOD PANTRY
Location: 5209 NE 22nd Ave.
Details: sharonsda.net, office@SharonChurch.comcastbiz.net

Tuesday, Sept. 21
OMSI SCIENCE PUB
Location: McMenamins Kennedy School
Details: sciencepub@omsi.edu

Sundays, Sept. 26, 4pm
SACRED HARP SINGING
Location: McMenamins Kennedy School Community Room
Details: portlandsacredharp.org

Thursday, Sept. 30
LAST THURSDAY
Location: Alberta Street & online
Details: lastthursdayportland.org

Local catio in upcoming tour



The 9th Annual Catio Tour set for Sept. 11 features one belonging to Ocho in nearby Alameda. Check out this CNews Extra story at ConcordiaPDX.org/2021CatioTour. Photo courtesy of Cats Safe at Home™



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10 JIMMY DORE SHOW
political comedy

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15 THIS MIGHT GET WEIRD
BFF podcast gone wild

16 NPR radio show
LIVE WIRE RADIO WITH LUKE BURBANK

17 RIZO IN THE FLESH
the high priestess of cabaret

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Nina Simone tribute

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