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Mayoral debate scheduled Feb. 16

The Northwest Examiner will host a debate involving the top three candidates for mayor, Eileen Brady, Charlie Hales and Jefferson Smith, Thursday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m., at the Northwest Neighborhood Cultural Center, 1819 NW Everett St.

The debate will focus on neighborhood and livability issues of special interest to the Westside neighborhoods served by the newspaper.

The public is invited and there is no admission charge.

Business association sabotages parking plan

By Allan Classen

For a time, it appeared that the Nob Hill Business Association was not on the same page with Richard Singer regarding parking policy.

Singer is the organization's co-founder and the primary commercial property owner on Northwest 23rd Avenue.

NHBA President Pat Fiedler announced in October that she thought the comprehensive parking plan developed by Mayor Sam Adams would inevitably be enacted, probably to the benefit of the community. Fiedler issued a statement Nov. 25 saying the association supported the plan while still wanting to discuss possible modifications.

That put her and the NHBA at odds with Singer, who, at a September public meeting with the mayor, denounced the plan as "a waste of time and money," while his brother Don called it a "lousy system."

In December, what appeared to be the first policy gap between Richard Singer and the NHBA in 27 years was smoothed over.

Fiedler issued a revised statement Dec. 12 "to avoid any misinterpretation and to resolve any confusion that may have resulted from our previous statement.

"The Nob Hill Business Association does not support the current Northwest Parking Plan," she wrote.

Lest anyone be confused, she and the

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Troubled film stars got their start at 23rd Avenue school

By Carol Wells

The body of Mayo Methot was found in a motel room in Multnomah Village, where it had lain undiscovered for several days. Her obituary in the June 10, 1951, Oregonian noted that, according to her mother, she died in a Portland hospital of complications from influenza.

That the mother, Evelyn "Buff" Methot, was a former police reporter for that newspaper might account for its willingness to hide the true reason for the death of the once-beloved local girl who became a Hollywood star. The fact was that Mayo's desperate final moment was a suicide, marking the end of a downward spiral—steeped

in depression and fueled by alcohol—that began when her husband, Humphrey Bogart, left her in 1945 for a 19-year-old beauty named Lauren Bacall.

The body count for tragic suicides would rise again in New York City four years later when another Portland actress, Ona Munson, was found dead in what her hometown newspaper described as her "lavish" Manhattan apartment. Munson had started life as Owena Wolcott. She was best known for play-



Mayo Methot with her husband, Humphrey Bogart.

ing prostitute Belle Watling in the 1939 classic movie "Gone With the Wind." Her Oregonian obituary was direct and heartbreaking, noting that she had taken an overdose of barbiturates and that the New York police who found the body had discovered a note saying, "This is the only way I know to be free again."

Both women walked strange paths, from pampered and adored child stars on Portland stages, to the careful cultivation of their talents at Miss Catlin's School in Northwest Portland, to fame as actresses.

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Ona Munson as fallen woman Belle Watling in "Gone With the Wind."

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Garbage truck noise intolerable

I feel like my neighborhood is under acoustic assault. Nighttime garbage and recycling noise has gotten completely out of control and has made an uninterrupted night’s sleep a virtual impossibility. Five nights a week, residents of our condo building and the adjacent apartments are subject to highly disruptive recycling truck, garbage truck and oil-collection truck noise. Backup alarms, compactor noise (loud enough to shake our building) metal dumpsters slamming onto asphalt and the coarse roaring of diesel engines have become all-too-familiar nuisances between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 5:30 a.m.

Six years ago, Portland’s noise review board examined this issue. They commissioned a multiyear study on the impact of nighttime garbage and recycling noise (portlandonline.com/shared/cfm/image.cfm?id=89754).

In summary, they agreed it was a major livability issue, and a nighttime ban would be the best solution but wound up basically punting on the issue because of the potential impact on traffic congestion.

This is hard to comprehend. Seattle does not allow garbage or recycling pickups between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. This is a city with nearly twice the population density of Portland and far worse congestion, yet they recognize the harmful impact of this type of noise on livability. Portland, by comparison, has a list of recommendations and “best practices” for haulers—recommendations that are not being consistently followed or enforced, and even if they were, would have a negligible impact on the overall noise level.

It is long past time for Portland to act on this issue. The city has a responsibility to keep disruptive noise to a minimum during core sleep hours. This, like construction noise, is a controllable noise source and one the city has a duty to regulate. To use the excuse of a few extra garbage trucks double parking on city streets as a cop-out, when it is already routine for garbage trucks and delivery trucks to do so during the day, is turning a deaf ear to the problem.

Gary Kercheck
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Must we?

I had to laugh when I read the letter entitled, “A plea to dog owners,” in your December 2011 edition. It struck me that the writer’s own language may shed some light on why she was “viciously attacked twice” by neighborhood dogs. Her feelings about man’s best friend are pretty apparent when she says, “[I]f you must own a dog ...” Yes, some of us “must.”

Elizabeth Larson
NW Larson Rd.

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Editor’s Turn

By Allan Classen
Editor & Publisher

Parking plan tarred by Tea Party tactics

Whenever the “Northwest parking wars” become too bizarre for words, I try to understand why people are saying things they can’t believe and acting in ways that seem to contradict their rational self interest.

Most often, that means trying to get inside Richard Singer’s head. The man who owns much of Northwest 23rd Avenue and who manipulates the behavior of scores of commercial tenants and other well-connected folks, has drawn a zigzag path through neighborhood affairs for decades. But his capacity to shock and discomfit only grows with time.

Most recently, he’s been hammering a comprehensive parking plan developed by Mayor Sam Adams in the way Tea Party zealots went after President Obama’s health plan. Singer and his ill-informed allies have spewed insults and over-the-top criticisms at Adams during public forums, questioning his integrity, interrupting him and generally showing the manners of 3-year-olds needing naps.

Hurling public barbs at a sitting mayor is no way to win him over, but it may make sense if the goal is to intimidate other commissioners from supporting his parking plan.

The Northwest District parking plan would expand parking capacity and promote transit so more visitors could reach the district. It would encourage turnover of parking stalls so a few long-term parkers wouldn’t drive away many potential shoppers.

For someone who has been crying for additional parking capacity and the right to build his own parking structure (for which he now has full city approval), what’s not to like?

The plan is too balanced, apparently.

By treating residents and other non-commercial parkers as worthy of consideration, it fails to meet his standard. For example, the draft plan would allow 85 percent of district employees to purchase permits that override the obligation to pay proposed parking meters. That percentage is more than fair; in most parking permit districts in the city, only half of employees are eligible. Best estimates are that 85 percent of district workers now drive. Singer wants permits for 100 percent. Though it’s

more than his tenants are likely to ever need, it’s less than he will accept.

As for time limits, commercial streets now have mostly two-hour time limits. He wants to change that to three hours.

You get the idea. Instead of compromising with residential users, he wants to hoard even more of the limited parking resources for the retail sector.

Killing this plan makes the garage he supposedly wants to build even less financially feasible. With free on-street parking, who’s going to pay to use a garage, especially when existing paid surface lots in prime locations almost never fill up?

Does Singer want to permanently nix a comprehensive parking system? I don’t think so. That would mean all the maneuvering and tantrums for the last two decades are for naught, and that the status quo suits him fine.

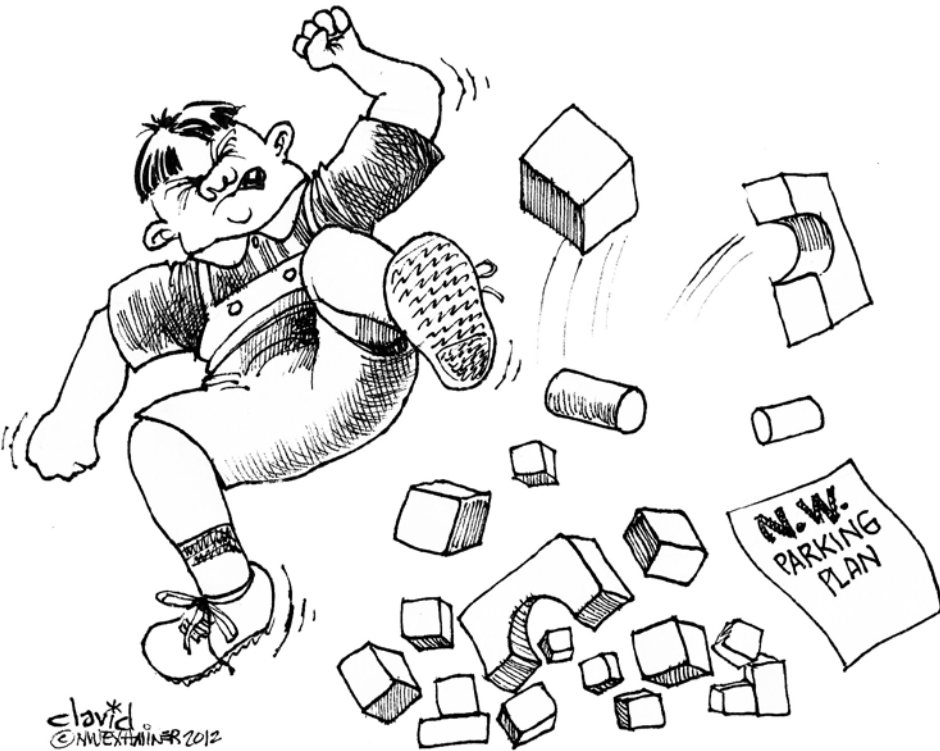
He doesn’t want this plan because he believes he can get a future City Council to pass one made to his order. Adams has been a particularly formidable adversary. He understands the parking problem in the neighborhood he used to call home, and he brought more expertise and resources to bear on this issue than all the city commissioners and bureaucrats before him.

I believe Singer would rather reshuffle the cards and work with another ill-informed, compliant mayor like Tom Potter, who was on duty when Singer got the city to spot-zone five sites for commercial parking structures in 2003.

Singer figures he can blow off lame-duck Adams and deny him the two other council votes needed to enact his plan. When a new mayor and one or two other new commissioners are seated next year, he’ll have a new hand to pursue a more perfect (for him) plan.

He’s had his way with generations of city commissioners; he’s not about to miss his chance because he came up against the one Portland politician who was wise to him.

There may be other explanations for Singer’s behavior. But I challenge any who propose alternative interpretations to test their theories against his actual behavior and demonstrated intentions.



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Board slate sweeps Goose Hollow election

Current Goose Hollow Foothills League board members remained in control of the organization after elections last month.

Although five candidates were nominated from the floor at the annual meeting—a number not exceeded in two decades—none cracked into the top finishers for six vacant seats.

Those seats all went to six candidates—four of them incumbents—on a slate approved by the board of directors.

Those reelected were Bill Reilly Jr., Scott Schaffer, Tom Turner and Mary Valeant.

The two new board members are John Karafotias, operations manager at The Oregonian printing plant on Southwest 18th Avenue, and Randy Wysynski, a resident active on crime prevention issues.

Nick Clark, Alexis Ingram, Van Le, Jane Netboy and Marilyn Simantel were nominated from the floor.

Twenty-six ballots were cast. The winners each had at least 15 votes, and the highest count among the rest was 11.

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— OBITUARIES —

Wayne W. Gingerich



Wayne Walter Gingerich, a mail carrier in Northwest Portland for about 25 years, died Nov. 22 at age 80. He was born May 24, 1931, in Canby and attended Canby High School. He worked for the Postal Service from 1956 to 1996, retiring as the longest-serving mail carrier in the city.

For most of his career, he worked out of the Northwest Portland branch, first on Northwest Wardway and later at Northwest 25th and Thurman. He was a member of the Portland Mennonite Church, then located on Northwest Savier Street. He married Ida Louise; she died. He later married Vicki Meyer. Survivors include his wife; son, Keith; daughter, Janet; and three grandchildren.

Margaret Thatcher

Margaret “Meg” Thatcher, who was raised in Willamette Heights and Council Crest, died Nov. 22 after being struck by a motor vehicle at age 61. Ms. Thatcher was born in 1950 in Portland. She attended Lincoln High School. She was a longtime volunteer at Loaves & Fishes and Meals on Wheels in Northwest Portland. She is survived by her mother, Nedra Thatcher; partner, Harvey B. Lucas III; sister, Ann Thatcher Miller; and two brothers.

Jemima Unlayao



Jemima Belista Unlayao, a retired nurse’s aide at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital, died Dec. 15 at age 86. She was born Oct. 3, 1925, in the Philippines and migrated to the United States in 1978. She was a founder of the Filipino Christian International Assembly of God in Portland. She married Severino in 1943; he died in 2008. Survivors include children, Diana Gaad, Emmy Villa, Brigida Navarro, Chona Serino, Rafael, Larry, Benjamin, Nelson, Alice and Eunice Unlayao; sisters, Cynthia Belista and Phoebe Beltran; 20 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Ethel Polonoff



Ethel Polonoff, a longtime Northwest Portland resident, died Dec. 25 at age 89. Ethel Waterman was born in Calgary, Alberta, May 23, 1922 and grew up in Montreal. She graduated from McGill University. In 1945, she married Irving Polonoff. They moved to Portland in 1956, where she earned a master’s degree in biochemistry from Oregon Health Sciences University. She worked at OHSU more than 30 years until her retirement in 2004. She lived in the same house on Northwest Overton Street more than 50 years. She was active in the Chapman School PTA and the Women’s Faculty Club. She is survived by her son, David; daughter, Deborah Polonoff; and sister, Claire Gorby. She was preceded in death by her husband and son, Daniel.

DEATH NOTICES:

Donald Stout Bryant, 93, a former teacher and track coach at Lincoln High School in the 1950s.

Renee Diane (Berg) Bergman, 86, a former science teacher at Lincoln High School.

Doris Arlene Schimmel, 91, a former board member of the William Temple House.

Arthur Lee Korsun, 75, who worked in the 1960s at Korsun’s Deli, 2301 NW Kearney St., which was owned by his parents.

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Tumult in Goose Hollow

In Goose Hollow politics, 2011 was a tumultuous year. The Goose Hollow Foothills League board complied with two records requests, filed their own records request against another organization, lost one grievance and just received a second.

The tumult began in February when the board approved a letter criticizing my neighbor, who was a former board member. Allegations included: She has a “bullying comportment,” she prefers “private action and connections over public debate and good governance,” and “her activities while a board member may be described as grossly inappropriate.” In addition, board emails disclosed only in June showed the nine-page letter was sent to the mayor, City Council and many others, but not to my unsuspecting neighbor.

Since July, I have asked the board to discuss possible irregularities in its 2011 emails, bylaws, minutes and training. For example, Portland Office of Neighborhood Involvement standards state: “Communications should not include statements that could be considered libelous or defamatory.”

In October, the board agreed to mediate with me but chose a representative who is not a board member. That representative encouraged confidential mediation. In contrast, I waived confidentiality, as the emails are public records, and I requested a board member to participate.

Against this tumult, some suggested the Dec. 15 board election was an opportunity for change. However, as a past president of the Oregon Peace Institute, I perceived a neighborhood campaign against incumbents could add to tensions or animosity amongst individuals.

Instead, after talking with neighbors, I submitted a grievance to the GHFL board Dec. 2 requesting a discussion concerning emails. I hope many will observe the board’s discussion and vote on my grievance. It will showcase how elected neighborhood directors follow bylaws and standards in providing “timely, meaningful, vigorous, and diverse public participation in the civic affairs of the city of Portland.”

Van Le
SW Market Street Dr.

The homeless ‘problem’

Ween Kohlberg [“Keep homeless off sidewalks,” letter to the editor, November 2011] feels that “Portland just loves” our homeless. To which I ask: Who truly loves the dark side of capitalism and social ills? And what is so

wrong with showing love and empathy? Does that not speak to the ‘health’ of our city? I would remind Kohlberg that Adolf Hitler also deemed Jews “disgusting,” “dirty” and a “problem” that he “took care of.”

Facts: New York City has recorded its highest homeless population in history, 40,000 (Democracy Now report, Nov. 11, 2011); up to one-third of the homeless are veterans of past and current wars (Portland Tribune Op-Ed, Nov. 10, 2011); and nationally, the number of homeless and those considered ‘food insecure’ has risen to record levels relative to the collapse of our ‘prosperity.’

Ween Kohlberg would rather “complain about” who occupies our sidewalks and storefronts than who has ‘occupied’ and stolen our savings and livelihoods, “defecated” on what people worked hard to attain, and left “their trash” in the wake of their capitalistic greed for us to clean up and pay for. Yet there, in all its American glory, is the

point: We get what we pay for—and consume—yet it is the homeless who are to blame and the scapegoat for our fear. Yet it is we, the anti-homeless, who “trash” this planet like there’s no tomorrow.

Psychotherapist Erik Eriksen spoke to Kohlberg’s unconscious fear in his landmark book, “Childhood and Society.” He wrote that “an individual feels barred and isolated from the sources of collective strength when he/she takes on a role considered especially evil, be it a drunkard [a homeless person?] or whatever colloquial designations of inferiority may be used in [the] group.”

All of us are the collective “problem” looking for a solution.

Sean S. Doyle
NW Thompson Rd.

Cultural Center board intends to sell building to Children’s Theater

By Allan Classen

The sale of the historic Northwest Cultural Center to its main tenant, Northwest Children’s Theater, is the goal of both of the nonprofit organizations.

The Cultural Center board unanimously approved a one-page document outlining a “go forward strategy for the Cultural Center” aimed at selling the property at 1819 NW Everett St.

Board President Dan Anderson described the situation as a “work in progress and not a done deal.” He did affirm, however, that the goal of both parties is to complete a sale at some unspecified time. The price is negotiable.

The Beaux-Arts structure was built in 1909 as the First Church of Christ, Scientist. It was purchased in 1976 and converted into a community center. It has been operated since then by a community-based membership organization known as the Northwest Service Center until 1997, when it became the Northwest Neighborhood Cultural Center.

Any sale of the property would have to be approved by two-thirds of the membership, which is open to individuals living in the 10 neighborhoods surrounding the center. A proposed sale in 2006 to the Northwest Children’s Theater for \$2.1 million was favored by 127 of 224 members voting, but that margin fell short of the super majority needed.

The theater began renting performance and office space in the building in 1994 and began operating the entire building in 2009 under a master lease. Under the lease, the theater pays \$25,000 a year and is responsible for all building expenses, including long-range maintenance and repairs. The lease expires in 2020.

Judy Kafoury, founder and managing director of the Northwest Children’s Theater, said any sale “is a long way away,” but even evidence of the intent to sell may be helpful in obtaining grants.

Foundations are reluctant to give large grants to entities that do not have control of the real estate to be improved, she said.

Since signing the master lease in mid 2009, the theater has put \$93,000 into the building, said Kafoury. Improvements include a code-certified fire alarm system, repairing all radiators, bathroom upgrades, drain-pipe improvements and roof repairs.

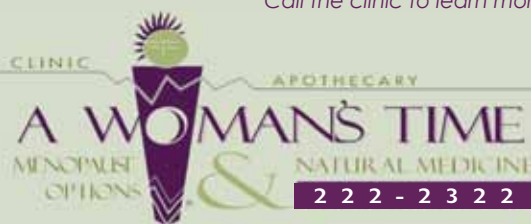
“There are now no leaks that go on in the building from rain,” said Kafoury.

The complete repainting of all interior surfaces is expected to be finished this year.

Public comment on plans and progress will be heard at the Northwest Neighborhood Cultural Center annual meeting, to be held Thursday, Feb. 9, 7 p.m., at 1819 NW Everett St.

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Shorter buildings don't impress Pearl activists

By Allan Classen

Even as local builders come out of hibernation, they aren't thinking big. They aren't proposing tall buildings of the kind that sprouted in the Pearl District in the 1990s and 2000s.

It appeared one bold developer would aim high in November, but it was only a mirage. The day after The Oregonian reported plans for a 15-story apartment tower at Northwest 14th and Irving, the Denver-based Simpson Housing LLLP called it off. Costs of construction were deemed too high in comparison to prevailing rental rates.

Patricia Gardner, chair of the Pearl District Neighborhood Association land-use committee, wasn't surprised. An architect herself, she said the same conclusion is being reached by builders across the city.

Structures up to about 75 feet (five or six stories) can be built with wood-frame construction. Beyond that, steel and/or concrete are required for adequate strength. That strength comes at a price, boosting construction costs about 25-40 percent.

To recoup the extra costs, developers need to go far above 75 feet if they decide to break that barrier. Heights between 75 and 100 feet are no-man's land; if steel and concrete must be employed, it makes sense to go well above that.

When the market for Pearl condomini-

ums was hot, seemingly every developer wanted to exceed codified height limits. The Metropolitan, at 19 stories and 225 feet, set the local record in 2007.

But when home lenders stopped underwriting condos, sales plummeted and new construction stopped. After a three-year freeze, developers are again testing the waters, but only with rentals. Since renters can't afford the larger, more luxurious units that were typically built during the boom, buildings must be erected on a tighter budget. That means wood frames.

While apartment vacancy rates have reached all-time lows in Portland, rental rates have risen only 8 percent in a year; not enough to persuade apartment builders to reach for the skies.

When Gardner heard that Simpson Housing walked away for financial feasibility reasons, she contacted the firm to ask how much taller they would have had to go to make the numbers come out. Would granting a height bonus have helped?

The answer she got was clear.

"Even with one or two more stories, it wouldn't have made a difference," she said.

To become financially feasible as an apartment building, it would have needed to be perhaps 30 floors tall, she said.

Is it a bad thing that tall buildings can't get off the ground?

That's a matter of perspective.

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Robert Ball's latest project is a six-story, 177-unit apartment building at Northwest 12th, 13th, Pettygrove and Quimby streets.

Gardner sees it as a loss of opportunity to achieve greater density in the central city, a goal she accepts as necessary to reduce urban sprawl.

"If you believe in the urban growth boundary, you need to go as high as possible," she said.

Older neighborhoods cannot accommodate ultra-high density without disrupting their character, overshadowing or jeopardizing historic buildings and stirring public resistance.

Gardner believes the Pearl District's north end, which is still mostly unimproved,

is the perfect location for maximum height and density because it has no pattern or population to disrupt.

"We don't have any context," she said. "We can grow tall."

Gardner and other members of her committee also regret that mid-sized, lower-cost apartment buildings of the kind on the drawing boards are unlikely to be architecturally bold or memorable.

"We won't get buildings of distinction," said John Hirsch, a member of the Pearl land-use committee.

Gardner also worries about creating a

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jagged downtown skyline with an erratic scattering of taller buildings surrounded by more modest ones.

"It's not a beautiful skyline," she said.

The financial squeeze dictating that apartment buildings will be of modest height also constrains the size of each dwelling unit. The overwhelming majority of buildings are divided into studios and one-bedroom apartments, with only a handful of two-bedroom units.

This pattern also bothers the neighborhood association.

Hugh D'Autremont of the PDNA land-use committee said more larger units would be "good for the Pearl. That keeps families here as they grow."

Families with young children are plentiful in the district, but many move out when their children need their own bedrooms or reach school age.

"Young families are growing," he said. "There are lots of kids here."

Gardner complains that developers aren't taking that point to heart.

"I can't reiterate that enough," she said of the need for family-sized apartments.

The three latest building proposals in the Pearl "are doing exactly the same product; all small units," she said.

"People will be looking for two- or three-bedroom units, and they won't exist," she said.

The Ramona, a subsidized apartment building at Northwest 14th and Pettygrove, is apparently succeeding with plenty of

two- and three-bedroom units. Owner Ed McNamara said 119 people are on a waiting list, and most of them want a larger unit. He also owns the Sitka, a 210-unit subsidized building at Northwest 11th and Northrup. Its waiting list for two-bedroom apartments had 59 names in late December.

With these trends and attitudes as a backdrop, Robert Ball's proposed six-story apartment building between Northwest 12th, 13th, Pettygrove and Quimby streets got a cool reception from the committee in November.

It will have 177 units, almost all of them studios and one-bedroom units. By efficiently designing each unit, Ball believes he can provide comfortable living in less space. Many studios will be around 450 square feet.

Ball said keeping units small is the key to affordability, and it's his goal to offer rental rates a step below the competition, starting at about \$950 a month.

In response to neighborhood comments, he has made modifications that he believes meet the standards for beauty and distinction.

"We are going to use a beautiful white brick and a neo-classical style with a nod to the Art Deco period," he said. "A building that is six stories can be a building of distinction if it's done properly."

Hirsch was not impressed.

"This is not architecture of distinction," he said. "It is indicative of other architecture in the city."



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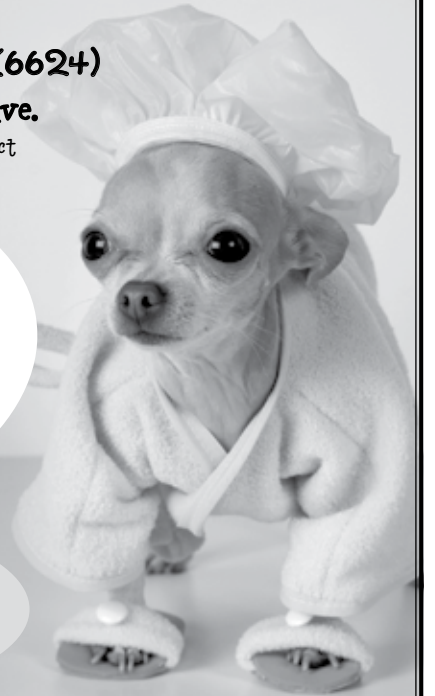
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Pearl Diver

By Michaela Bancud

Family printing business still making an impression

When something is truly old, people stop noticing it. That’s a bit how Michael Gann feels about his business, Gann Brothers Printing, a third-generation print shop run from an old brick building on 14th and Johnson.

“You’re in the Pearl?” they often ask. First-time visitors look around in disbelief and say, “Oh, my God, I didn’t know there were still people like you around here!”

Go see for yourself. Gann Brothers is open on First Thursdays. Visitors to the building get a tour, a box of Chiclets (more on that later) and maybe an old mat inner-type letter the size of a pencil sharpener. They can also try an arm-powered Kelsey printer.

Paper is piled up everywhere, and old Gann family photographs are stashed here and there. Shelves and drawers overflow with letterpress blocks and logos for past Portland businesses, such as Meier & Frank and the Pagoda Restaurant. Embossing, engraving and foil dies are arranged in tall wooden file cabinets. The two black original Heidelberg printers, or “windmills,” date from the early 1900s. They’re still used by Gann for jobs like printing runners’ numbers for marathons and other races. The arms on the machine move like windmills and make a rhythmic, whooshing sound.

The four-story building was erected in 1909 as a new factory for the American Chic Company, which relocated to Portland after the San Francisco earthquake. The company made Chiclets and other kinds of chewing gum.

Michael’s dad Steven bought the building in 1965. Steven Gann, who is 84, has had a stroke, and his wife Christine passed away last summer.

But his middle son, Christopher, still drives him to work every day and half-carries him into the shop and sets him in front of a paper shredder. Steven attended the U of O and Lewis & Clark Law School as young man, then joined his father’s business printing daily menus for downtown Portland restaurants. Michael says his dad recalls standing on an apple crate and hand feeding paper into the presses. Later, as Gann Publishing, he published law books and other legal materials.

Michael began sweeping the floors of this building in

the first grade. To say times have changed would be an understatement.

“When we first started working here, Mom was scared to death,” he said. “After the Meier & Frank workers next door left at 4:30 to go home, there was not a soul around except for hookers and drug dealers.”

These days, Michael Gann confronts only irrational parking enforcement officers and graffiti taggers.

“That makes me sad,” he said. “This is an historic building.”

But he’s always happy to talk shop and to explain old printing equipment. Old slugs from newspaper printing jobs lay around, as well as metal press tables. There’s a newspaper linotype machine upstairs.

Nine tenants rent space on the second floor: an interior designer, a Science Fiction writer, a Western clothing designer and a photographer among them. Curious art students from Pacific Northwest College of Art wander in from time to time, and some have their senior projects printed here. Recently, Gann printed an art project called “Life Inside” that connects students to prison inmates.

As for most modern printing, Gann says its just duplication.

“All you have to do is load the paper,” he said. “There’s



MICHAELA BANCUD

no skilled labor, no craftsmanship or artistry.”

He recalls a journalism class at Lincoln High School in the ‘80s where it was predicted that we’d be a paperless society by the year 2000.

It wasn’t the last time someone suggested his profession was doomed. But the Ganns are old school and they intend to stay in business by taking care of their customers one at a time.

“No job it too small,” he said. “If the light is on we’re here, so come by. We’re not stuck up. If you want 1,000 business cards, I’m not going to send you down the street.”

If that’s not enough reason, he has plenty more:

“We’re third generation. We’re local. We’re a family-owned small business. And we’re here for the long term.

“At least,” he said with a smile, “until someone offers us \$20 million for our building.”


Contact Michaela Bancud at pearl.diver70@gmail.com




MICHAELA BANCUD

Michael Gann at his century-old Heidelberg printing press.

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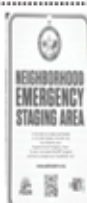
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TOUR FIREHOUSE #3

Join the Northwest District Association (NWDA) Safety & Livability Committee Monday, January 9, 2012 for a tour of Portland Fire & Rescue Station #3, 1715 NW Johnson, at 10:45 AM. Built in 1967, it serves the Pearl District, NWDA, Goose Hollow, Arlington Heights and Hillside. Meet the firefighters and learn more about the station. Questions? safety@northwestdistrictassociation.org.

WALLACE PARK: NET STAGING AREA



Emergency staging area signs will be installed throughout the City of Portland. These signs indicate where specially trained NET members will provide assistance to displaced residents following a major emergency. Wallace Park is the designated NET area in NWDA – a sign was recently installed in the NE corner of the park. This is just part of ongoing emergency preparedness efforts underway in Portland.

SHNA Survey Results

Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association's Transportation & Traffic Safety Committee poll elicited robust participation and strong neighborhood interest in the issues affecting the safety of our neighborhood streets. The majority of respondents support the proposals for traffic calming outlined in the survey. Complete results are available on line at www.sylvanhighlands.org.

Hillside News

At the recent annual meeting, Hillside members re-elected Elizabeth Aaby, Gary Berger, Jack Schwartz, Barb Schwartz, Keith Taft and Randy Weisberg were reelected for a two-year term. Also, an extension of Hillside's northeastern boundary overlap with Northwest District Association, along NW Cornell and Quimby Streets, was approved. Residents in the overlap area have the option of joining either or both neighborhood associations. Finally, Hillside formally requested inclusion in the Northwest Parking Study.

The Cornell Road Sustainability Coalition will meet to discuss a solution matrix to address fact finding issues and concerns that have been generated through the planning process over the past three months. Anyone interested in expressing their views should attend the meeting January 23, 2012, 6:00 PM at the Audubon Society (see page 2).

PEARL DISTRICT PREPAREDNESS ROUNDTABLE

If you live or work in a multi-story building and want to be prepared for an emergency, join this round table discussion. Emergency preparedness experts will answer your questions in an informal discussion on Thursday, January 26, 2012, 5:30 PM, The PremGroup Offices, 351 NW 12th Ave, Portland OR 97209. www.pearldistrict.org/2012/01/emergency-preparedness-roundtable-126/

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Mayoral Candidate Q & A

by Jerry Grossnickle, President

Forest Park Neighborhood Association is hosting Question & Answer sessions with Portland's mayoral candidates at its regularly scheduled monthly meetings. The neighborhood association would like to give its members a chance to meet the candidates and talk with them about issues important to them and the neighborhood.

As of now, FPNA has scheduled Jefferson Smith for January 17. Eileen Brady was rescheduled for March 20 to accommodate a conflict on her calendar. The meetings begin at 7 PM at 360 NW Greenleaf Avenue, and the candidates will be first on the agenda at these public meetings. If other candidates announce and ask for time, FPNA will do its best to accommodate them.

New Crime Prevention

by Jenni Bernheisel, ONI Crime Prevention Coordinator

Crime Prevention is so much more than number crunching and predicting crime trends. As your neighborhood Crime Prevention Coordinator, I bring a variety of skills and experiences that will benefit Northwest Portland neighbors. My interests range from neighborhood watch and prescription drug abuse prevention to elder safety and personal safety. I am a native Oregonian and have spent most of my life in Portland. To learn about Ms. Bernheisel (Jenni.Bernheisel@portlandoregon.gov) visit www.nwnw.org/blog.

Neighborhood Annual Meetings and Elections

NW NEIGHBORHOOD CULTURAL CENTER

The Northwest Neighborhood Cultural Center (NNCC) annual membership meeting is at 7:00 PM on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at the Cultural Center, 1819 NW Everett, in Looking Glass Hall (lower level).

The agenda includes a presentation about ongoing discussions with the Children's Theater. NNCC members may be asked to consider a sale of the building to the Children's Theater on terms substantially different from those considered in 2005 at a special meeting. The agenda also includes a proposed bylaw change. If approved, the bylaws change would reduce the number of neighborhoods from which NNCC draws its members.

Directors for the term beginning in 2012 will be elected. The following candidates are proposed by the current NNCC Board: Tanya March, Dan Volkmer, Juliet Hyams and Roger Jennings. NNCC members may nominate candidates for Director positions by petition until January 31, 2012. Deliver petitions to the Secretary at least ten (10) days prior to the Annual Meeting. The petition must be signed by at least ten (10) members naming the nominee(s) and stating that each nominee has agreed to serve if elected. At the Annual Meeting, the Secretary shall state the names and qualifications of those nominated by petition. Deliver nominating petitions to the NNCC Secretary: NWNeighborhoodCC@gmail.com or NNCC, P.O. Box 10327, Portland, OR 97296. The bylaws limit the maximum number of Directors to eleven. See <http://sites.google.com/site/nwnccorg/> for more information on NNCC and membership.

FOREST PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

The annual FPNA election of members of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 to fill four positions (three expiring in 2015 and one expiring in 2013). Three candidates receiving the most votes will be elected to full 3-year terms. If necessary, a tie will be resolved by lots or agreement of the subject candidates.

Nominations will be accepted if received on or before January 20, 2012. Candidates must be members of the association. To nominate a candidate, join the association, or for additional information, contact Neighbors West-Northwest, 503 823-4288, coalition@nwnw.org.

Nominations must be submitted by the person nominated, or accompanied by written consent of that person. Each candidate's name, home address, phone number and any other preferred means of contact must be included. It is customary (but not required) to provide a candidate's statement of up to 20 words with each nomination. Names, statements, and the time and place of voting will be published in the February, 2012 edition of the Northwest Examiner. If fewer than four nominations are received by January 20th, the President may nominate additional candidates.

Coalition News

NWNW JOB OPENING

Neighbors West-Northwest has an immediate opportunity for a **Neighborhood Event & Office Assistant**. Submit resume, cover letter & references electronically by noon on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. To view a complete job description and submission instructions, visit www.nwnw.org/who-we-are.

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What can neighborhoods do to work with TriMet? What successful projects have been initiated by neighborhoods in the past? Discuss your passion and questions with your neighbors. Space is limited. RSVP to angela@nwnw.org or 503 823-4211.

Date: Thursday, January 19, 2012

Time: 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Place: Cafe Yumm, 1806 SW 6th

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Goose Hollow Foothills League	
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Northwest District Association	
Saturday Morning Cleanups	\$1,000
Portland Downtown Neigh. Assoc.	
Abandoned Newspaper Boxes	\$390

NEIGHBORHOOD SMALL GRANT

Ecotrust	
Sundown at Ecotrust	\$1,000
Emerson School	
Emerson School Mural	\$1,982
Friendly House	
Neighbors Meeting Neighbors	\$2,073
Geezer Gallery	
Art Therapy for At-Risk Seniors	\$2,006
Goose Hollow Foothills League	
Goose Hollow Sign Caps	\$4,480
Historical Preservation League of OR	
Historical Bicycle Tour Guide	\$925
Linnton Neighborhood Association	
Picnics with Business Community	\$600
Northwest District Association	
Community Event Series	\$4,312
Oldtown Chinatown Neigh. Assoc.	
Earthquake Awareness	\$1,450
Portland Downtown Neigh. Assoc.	
National Night Out	\$1,500
Portland Taiko	
People of the Drum	\$2,000
Sylvan-Highlands Neigh. Assoc.	
Neighborhood Events	\$2,672

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BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 9th
5:30 p.m.
Sylvan Fire Station
1715 SW Skyline Blvd
Call to Confirm: 503 823-4211



Forest Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Jerry Grossnickle
503 289-3046
www.forestparkneighbors.org

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 17th
7:00 p.m.
Willis Community Center
360 NW Greenleaf



Goose Hollow Foothills League

www.goosehollow.org

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Thursday, January 19th
7:00 p.m.
Multnomah Athletic Club
1849 SW Salmon St

Planning Committee

Thursday, January 12th & Feb. 9th
7:00 p.m.
First United Methodist
1838 SW Jefferson

Neighborhood Vision Realization Committee

Tuesday, January 17th
8:00 a.m.
Lincoln High School, Room TBA
1600 SW Salmon



Hillside Neighborhood Association

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4212
www.hillsidena.org

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 10th
7:30 p.m.
Hillside Community Center
653 NW Culpepper



Linnton Neighborhood Association

www.linnton.com

NEXT TOWN HALL MEETING

Wednesday, March 7th
7:00 p.m.
Linnton Comm. Center
10614 NW St. Helens Rd



Northwest District Association

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BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 23rd
6:00 p.m.
Legacy Good Sam, Building 2
2nd Floor Conference Room
1040 NW 22nd Ave

Health & Environment Committee

Monday, January 9th
7:00 p.m.
2217 NW Johnson St

Planning Committee

Thursdays January 12th, 19th,
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8:00 a.m.
CoHo Theater
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2nd Saturday Litter Patrol

Saturday, January 14th
9:00 a.m.
Food Front Coop
2375 NW Thurman

3rd Saturday Clean Up

Saturday, January 21st
9:00 a.m.
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115 NW 22nd Ave



Executive Committee

Wednesday, January 11th &
February 15th, 8:00 a.m.
Neighbors West-Northwest
2257 NW Raleigh

Transportation Committee

Wednesday, February 1st
6:00 p.m.
Legacy Good Sam, Building 2,
2nd Floor Conference Room
1040 NW 22nd Ave

Safety & Livability Committee

Monday, January 9th
10:00 a.m.
Meet at World Cup
1740 NW Glisan
10:45 a.m. - Tour Fire Station 3
NW 17th & Johnson

Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association

Contact: 503 626-8197
www.ninapdx.org

NINA Meeting

Tuesday, January 10th
7:30 a.m. Meet & Greet
Holiday Inn Express
2333 NW Vaughn St

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Wednesday, February 1st
4:30 p.m.
Galvanizers Company
2406 NW 30th Ave



Northwest Heights Neighborhood Association

Contact: Charlie Clark
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Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

www.oldtownchinatown.net

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 7th, 5:00 p.m.
U of Oregon, 70 NW Couch St

Public Safety/Livability Committee

Wednesday, Jan. 25th, 11:30 a.m.
Central City Concern
232 NW 6th Ave

Land Use Design Review Committee

Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 3:00 p.m.
U of Oregon, 70 NW Couch St

PHLUSH

Monday, January 23rd
5:30 p.m.
Floyd's Coffee Shop
118 NW Couch St

OTCT Business Assoc. Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 19th, 11:30 a.m.
Bud Clark Commons - 3rd floor
665 NW Hoyt

Arts, Culture & History Committee

Tuesday, Jan. 24th, 11:30 a.m.
Oregon Nikkei Center
121 NW 2nd Ave



Pearl District Neighborhood Association

www.pearldistrict.org
Contact: Dave Davis
503 799-2212

Board Meeting

Thursday, January 12th &
February 9th
6:00 p.m.
PREM Group, 351 NW 12th Ave

Executive Committee

Thursday, Feb. 2nd, 8:30 a.m.
Urban Grind
911 NW 14th Ave

Livability Committee

Monday, January 16th & Feb. 6th
5:30 p.m.
Cupcake Jones
307 NW 10th Ave

Planning & Transportation Committee

Tuesday, January 17th & Feb. 7th
6:00 p.m.
PREM Group
351 NW 12th Ave



Communications Committee

Monday, January 9th & 23rd
5:30 p.m.
Zimmerman Community Center
1542 NW 14th Ave

Emergency Preparedness Roundtable

Thursday, January 26th
5:30 p.m.
PREM Group
351 NW 12th Ave

Portland Downtown Neighborhood Association

www.portlanddowntownna.com

Land Use & Transportation Committee

Monday, January 16th
5:30 p.m.
Eliot Tower, 3rd Floor
1221 SW 10th Ave

Portland Downtown Continued...

BOARD/GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 24th
6:00 p.m. Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. General Meeting
Loaves & Fishes
1032 SW Main (Enter on 11th)

Public Safety Action Committee

Thursday, January 19th
12:00 p.m.
Museum Place Apts, 2nd Floor
1030 SW Jefferson



Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association

For more information visit
www.sylvanhighlands.org
To get involved in Public Safety or
Transportation contact
claudiachaconne@hotmail.com

General Meeting

Tuesday, January 10th
7:00 p.m.
Sylvan Fire Station
1715 SW Skyline Blvd



Cornell Road Sustainability Coalition

Contact: Peter Stark
pstark@gmail.com

Monday, January 23rd
6:00 p.m.
Audubon Society
5151 NW Cornell Rd

Neighbors West-Northwest Coalition

Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 8th
5:30 p.m.
Legacy Good Sam, Northrup
Building
2282 NW Northrup

Coffee Klatch: Working With TriMet

Thursday, January 19th
5:00 p.m.
Cafe Yumm
1806 SW 6th Ave

Nob Hill Business Association

Contact: Kay Wolfe
kay.wolfe@homestreet.com

GENERAL MEETING

Wed. January 18th
8:30 a.m.
Holiday Inn Express
2333 NW Vaughn St



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Glad You Asked

Answering your questions about Northwest Portland history

By Mike Ryerson

Catlin Gabel’s early years

Question:

“I saw your history slide show (“The History of 23rd Avenue”) at the Mission Theater earlier this year and I question Miss Catlin’s School ever being on Northwest 23rd as you mentioned. The Catlin Gabel School’s website says Miss Ruth Catlin began on Northwest 24th in 1911 and then moved to Northwest Culpepper Terrace in 1917. Where did you get your information?

—KAREN PHILLIPS

Answer:

Old Morning Oregonian advertisements and articles, the U.S. Census, Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps and Portland City Directories were our sources.

Unfortunately, the Catlin Gabel website doesn’t do a very thorough job of reporting the school’s early history, and most of what it does have concerning those first few years is inaccurate.

Miss Ruth Catlin opened her private school in 1911 at age 28 in her rented home at 2425 NW Lovejoy St. The old address was 809 Lovejoy before house numbers were changed in the 1930s.

It’s believed she may have lived and operated the school there rent-free for the first year courtesy of the Durkheimer Family, who also owned the house directly east at the corner of Northwest 24th and Lovejoy. Both houses remain standing today.

In 1912, Miss Catlin moved to a house located on the northwest corner of 23rd and Irving Street where Papa Haydn restaurant is today. We’ve been unable to find any photographs of the structure, but old insurance maps show a very large home facing east toward 23rd Avenue.

According to papers written by Margery Hoffman Smith and stored at the Oregon Historical Society, her widowed mother, Julia Hoffman, who founded the Arts and Crafts Society in 1907, donated the use of part of her home at 161 23rd Street (701 NW 23rd Ave.) to the school.

Miss Catlin’s operated out of Hoffman’s house for five years until 1917, when a

new building was completed on Culpepper Terrace.

Many other details published about Miss Catlin’s early life are also inaccurate. When she died in Stamford, Conn., at age 94 in 1978, The Oregonian reported that she first came to Portland in 1909 to start the school. However, in the late 1890s, the young Ruth Catlin had actually lived with her parents, a brother and a sister at 102 NW 21st Ave. (in a house that still stands).

The family appears on the 1900 U.S. Census at that address, and it’s believed they returned to the East around 1901 when Ruth’s father began working out of New York and Chicago as a broker. Ruth Catlin is listed as living in Manhattan during the 1910 census, and she returned to Portland the following year to open her school.

See related story on page 1. For additional information, visit nwexaminer.com and see “Examiner Extras.”

Have a question about Northwest Portland history? Email it to Mike Ryerson at mikeryerson@comcast.net or write: Northwest Examiner, 2825 NW Upshur, Ste. C, Portland, OR 97210.



MIKE RYERSON

Ruth Catlin ran her first school out of her home at what is now 2425 NW Lovejoy St., according to the city directory and a December 1911 Morning Oregonian story.

Friday afternoon, at Albina, saw an entertainment to the kindergarten residents of that neighborhood and at the same time Miss Ruth Catlin, principal of a private school on Lovejoy street, was hostess to a large number of poor children.

Catlin Ruth prin Miss Catlin Sch h 809 Lovejoy



Ruth Catlin ran the school until she deeded it to the community in 1928. She died in 1978 at age 94.

Miss Catlin’s Resident and Day School for Girls

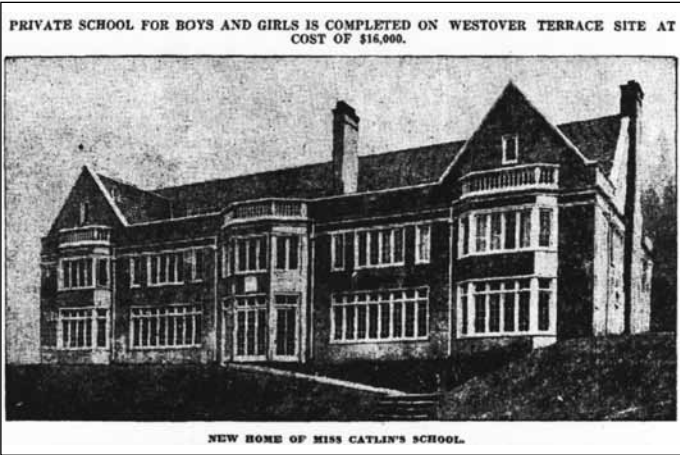
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This advertisement appeared in the Morning Oregonian in 1916, shortly before Miss Catlin’s School moved from Northwest 23rd Avenue to its new Hill-side location on Northwest Culpepper Terrace. Portland’s street addresses were changed in the 1930s.



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Papa Haydn restaurant is now located on the site where Miss Ruth Catlin’s School operated from 1912 to 1917. The current single-story structure was built in 1926.



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Making **noise** in a small way

Former Couvron owner/chef scoring with new small plate restaurant

By Wendy Gordon

Tony Demes, who closed the well-regarded Couvron in 2002 to open a restaurant in Manhattan, is back. With Noisette (meaning hazelnut in French and pronounced nwah-ZET), the owner/chef is aiming high again.

This time he has more competition. Fine dining has flourished in the city in the nine years since he left.

The first clue that you're in for a special dining experience comes when you enter the quiet, elegant, 40-seat restaurant. Demes took over an aesthetically challenged location that has housed many failed eateries, including another named for the same nut—Filbert's. He significantly renovated the building and grounds, adding new siding and insulation. Once indoors, the freeway noise and neon signs across the street melt away.

While Couvron specialized in rich multicourse meals that lasted hours and left diners in a stuffed hedonic haze, Demes

defines the approach as "contemporary French." He hasn't left the rich sauces behind, but he's incorporated more seafood and vegetables in a small-plate format. While the extravagant multicourse dinner is still an option, now you can customize your own "tasting meal" to fit your appetite and budget. A carefully selected wine list offers proper accompaniments for your food plates.

Whatever you choose, the consummate professional waiters will treat you as if you have all the time in the world. Half the renovated space is commanded by an open kitchen, where you can watch Demes and his sous chefs glide about, creating their exquisite dishes. On a recent visit, they were prepping a *tarte tatin*, and a sumptuous scent of apples permeated the room.

The menu changes seasonally and, as one might expect, emphasizes the local and organic. One of the aspects of Portland Demes missed the most was the ready availability of superior local meat, seafood

and produce. The only non-local items on the current menu are lobster (who could object to that?) and frozen peas, which Demes finds sweeter. You won't find much in the way of salads, which are apparently hard to arrange on small plates.

Menu items are divided into "cold" and "hot." The tuna *tartare* is fresh and relatively simple, dressed with capers, shallots and fresh horseradish sauce. More unusual is the Maine Dayboat Lobster, choice chunks of lobster atop chopped beets and Asian pears, surrounded by a trail of hazelnuts. The combination sounds strange but it works remarkably well. One aspect of Noisette that sets it apart from other ambitious restaurants is that Demes knows

the difference between inventive and just plain weird.

"I cook what I like to eat," he said.

A hot plate offers several bites each of exquisitely tender New York steak and rich short ribs, linked by a wondrous potato purée and accompanied by a superb red-wine sauce and a dollop of wilted greens. The Magret duck breast was perfectly prepared, though a bit rare for my taste. I preferred the sides of grain salad, savory cabbage and rutabaga purée.

The best plate of the lot was probably a strip of Idaho white sturgeon, brined, then smoked in pecan wood. The smooth smokiness infused the fish, making it taste as if it had been cooked over a campfire.

After smelling apples throughout our



Chef Tony Demes puts finishing touches on a plate of braised short ribs.

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Tony Demes is a hands-on owner/chef, spending most of the time in the kitchen. But, in the cozy dining room next to the open kitchen, he is seldom out of sight.

luxuriant and lazy meal, I couldn't resist ordering the *tarte tatin*. The puff pastry was excellent, but the apple cider sorbet was even better, retaining the pungency and effervescence of freshly squeezed apples. Noisette also offers chocolate and

Grand Mariner Soufflés, a retro treat perfectly executed. Noisette's plates are architecturally beautiful, but the style always enhances the substance. While the plates are small, they are not miniscule and never succumb

to pretension. The food is rich enough that two or three plates per person are more than satisfying. Our tab for two cold plates, three hot plates and one dessert plus wine neared \$150, but it was well worth the money.

Noisette is not trying to be a neighborhood pub. It is a special occasion, white-tablecloth restaurant and proud of it. Demes is glad that, as he puts it, "Portland's grown up a lot. "You still have the small town aspects

but more sophistication," he said. "That's important for chefs and makes it easier to take risks." Welcome back.

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Sommelier Anthony Garcia takes a wine order in the Noisette dining room. Owners Debbie and Tony Demes are in the kitchen in the background.



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Blazers back on the big screen!

The bad news is the 2011-12 NBA Basketball season got off to a late start and a short schedule.

The good news is the Portland Trail Blazers didn't put a game in the loss column until January.

Despite the late start, Nob Hill Bar & Grill has been quick to jump aboard the Blazer's bandwagon.

"We'll be showing all the televised games on our four big screens at the pub," owner Greg Hermens told the Nobby News.

Hermens added, that because of the short season, his regular Blazers' promotions will have to be on hold until next year.

"We usually have lots of drawings for some pretty big prizes, but since nobody knew if the rich players and rich team owners would ever come to an agreement of who was going to get even richer, we won't be giving away any new cars or trips to the NBA Finals this year," he said.



Nob Hill Bar & Grill's owner Greg Hermens poses with one of his many friends during a Trail Blazers late season opening party.

"But, prizes are not completely out of the picture," says bartender Hilary Cattin.

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GOING OUT

Actresses *continued*

Yet none of that kept them from reaching the breaking point.

Child actors early in the last century were celebrated with a fervor that comes off as overdone and uncomfortable to today's reader. In a childhood performance, Ona brought down the house "in a dainty French doll costume" as she "twirled and tripped on the tips of her little toes," a 1909 review gushed.

Young Mayo was not spared such attention either. When she was all of

8 years old, she was already being lauded as having the kind of talent that ensures a brilliant career, and was credited with a remarkably innocent and unspoiled nature despite her great gifts.

Miss Catlin's School was an institution of learning run by the forward-thinking Ruth Catlin. It boasted that it utilized solely modern methods "developed along the lines of the most progressive schools of the East." The school, now called Catlin Gabel and ultimately moved to Southwest Barnes Road, was then at 161 (now 701) NW 23rd Ave., where the present-day Papa Haydn restaurant stands.

Young ladies at Miss Catlin's studied such genteel subjects as French, piano and interpretive dance. Mayo was placed in the school by Maud Ainsworth, a wealthy and eccentric patroness of the arts who took Mayo under her wing as a protégé and saw to her education. Ona attended the



The star endures on Hollywood Boulevard.

Oregonian article for Ona Munson, February 12, 1955.

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The July 10, 1951, Oregonian report referred to pneumonia.

school until she was just 14, when she convinced her mother to take her to New York City to further her theatrical career.

Ona, who could sing, act and dance, did well in the East. She was in the original stage production of "No, No, Nanette" and introduced the song, "You're the Cream in My Coffee," in the 1927 Broadway musical, "Hold Everything." Her first starring role in a movie was in the Warner Brothers 1930 talkie "Going Wild." She would wind up with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Like Ona, Mayo first found success on Broadway when she moved east. She introduced the song, "More Than You Know," in the Billy Rose musical, "Great Day," in 1929. In Hollywood in the 1930s, she

signed with Warner Brothers, where she met Bogart and was cast as the bad girl in crime dramas, such as "Jimmy the Gent" and "Marked Woman."

While both women attracted attention at home, the fascination with Mayo bordered on the fanatical. A 1930 story in The Oregonian, reporting that Mayo was home from New York to visit her mother, took up two full columns. Also breathlessly reported were that she had bought a fabulous Los Angeles home, spent time aboard a palatial yacht and, at the height of the Depression, bought some hungry-looking men breakfast at a restaurant. When she and Bogart arrived in town for their honeymoon fish-

ing along the Deschutes, she was described as an "actress and excellent cook." Famous, perhaps, but still a down-to-earth gal.

What somehow eluded this microscopic coverage of her life were the many stories of the Bogarts' nuclear-level fights, for which they were known as the Battling Bogarts. Both were veterans of two previous failed marriages. She was insecure, he egged her on, and all of it was lubricated by generous quantities of alcohol. Actress Gloria Stuart recalled a dinner party at which Mayo produced a pistol and threatened to shoot Bogart, and actress Joan Blondell reminisced about "slapping a steak" on a shiner the actress had given her husband. Bogart claimed he loved a good fight. His pet name for his wife was "Sluggo," and he gave that name to his motor boat in her honor.

Ona had three failed marriages, but she also had at least one affair with a woman, playwright Mercedes de Acosta, who counted Marlene Dietrich and Greta Garbo among her conquests. Perhaps Ona's bisexuality, so scandalous in her time, contributed to her suicide, but certainly the ill health that had plagued her for many years and the typecasting after "Gone With the Wind" were contributing factors.

Whether Ona thought much of her days at Miss Catlin's school, we do not know, but Mayo certainly did. The woman who would be best remembered for her bouts of violent drunken fury apparently valued her refined education. In her will, she left a scholarship fund, along with her library of classic books, to the school.

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The Bogarts at home. The Oregon gal and the movie tough-guy shared a love of fishing.

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Community Events

Emergency Preparedness

A free Emergency Preparedness Roundtable will be presented Thursday, Jan. 26, 5:30 p.m., in the PREM Group offices at 351 NW 12th Ave. Representatives from the American Red Cross, the law firm of Vial Fotheringham and earthquake preparedness author Betsy Shand will answer your questions in an informal discussion. The goal of the event is to help those living in vertical, high-density communities to be ready for emergencies. Light refreshments, courtesy of Community Management Inc., will be provided. Contact Jan Valentine at 503-715-2822 with any questions.

Rotary speakers

Portland Pearl Rotary Club meets at the Ecotrust Building, 721 NW Ninth Ave., every Tuesday at 7:25 a.m. Meetings are open to the public. A \$10 charge includes breakfast. For information, contact: George Wright, georgec3pub@comcast.net or 503-223-0268.

Jan.10: "International Operations," Jason Kruger, special agent, FBI, Portland Division.

Jan. 17: "Business Networking," Matt Mahaffy, Realty Trust.

Jan. 24: "A History of Northwest Portland: From the River to the Hills," Jane Comerford, author.

Jan. 31: "Social Enterprise and Earned Income Strategies in the Non-Profit Sector," Chris Krenk, president and CEO, Albertina Kerr Centers.

Talking to doctors

"Talking With Your Doctor," a free workshop for anyone who would like to feel in charge of their health care, will be offered by Volunteers Involved for the Emotional Well-Being of Seniors Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1:45-3:15 p.m., at Friendly House, 1737 NW 26th Ave.

Senior field trips

Friendly House Senior Field Trips, with transportation provided by Ride Connection, will visit Bob's Red Mill Jan. 13, 82nd Avenue thrift stores Jan. 20 and the Chinese Garden for Chinese New Year with music, storytelling and a plant sale Jan. 27. To sign up or for more details, call Ride Connection at 503-226-0700.



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Urban Gleaners

Tracy Oseran of Urban Gleaners will speak at the annual meeting of Northwest Portland Ministries Thursday, Jan. 12, noon-1:30 p.m., at Congregation Beth Israel Goodman Hall, 1972 NW Flanders St. A catered kosher buffet lunch (\$18) will be served. Free parking is available at Congregation Beth Israel, corner of Northwest 19th and Flanders or Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, corner of Northwest 19th and Everett.

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Reduce stress

Learn self-hypnosis to reduce stress at a workshop led by Steve Frison, a board-certified clinical hypnotherapist, at Friendly House, 1737 NW 26th Ave., Thursday, Jan. 26, 6:30-8 p.m. For information, visit friendlyhouseinc.org.

Orchestra concert

Members of the Portland Youth Philharmonic and its conductor, David Hattner, will present a Chamber Orchestra Concert in the Wieden & Kennedy building, 224 NW 13th Ave, Jan. 29, 4 p.m. The program includes Henry Cowell's Persian Set performed on Persian instruments Cowell discovered during his study in Iran in the 1950s. Tickets are \$15 for seniors and students and \$20 for adults. For information or to order tickets, call 503-223-5939.

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Parking *continued*

business association had shifted gears to align with Singer.

Ron Walters and Tavo Cruz, president and vice president of the Northwest District Association, thought Fielder may have been signaling an opportunity for the neighborhood and business associations to come together on the district's long-standing parking dispute.

"We thought we had a compromise solution," said Walters.

He and Cruz were waiting for a written summary of their discussion with Fiedler before taking the next step. That document never came.

Instead, Fielder issued her Dec. 12 statement opposing the plan unless substantial changes were made.

"I thought, that was odd," said Walters. "They just came back with a different plan."

He was unaware of any NHBA board meeting or event at which the change of direction was based.

"Their position changed again, and I don't know why," said Walters. "It's disappointing."

"It evolved from a meeting of the minds to some concerns to lack of support. I'm trying to understand from Pat's point of view what's happened."

Asked to respond, Fiedler said, "After sending out the first statement saying we supported the plan if certain issues were met, we received emails and phone calls



Dazzle owner Favina Priola blamed the city for parking problems that doomed her second store downtown to close at an open house on the Northwest Parking Plan last fall. With melodramatic flourish, she accused Mayor Sam Adams of bold and unrealistic goals. "You're going to come along with your sword and kill all the snakes," she said.

from businesses questioning our support of the plan. The board realized that people were misinterpreting our position."

Fiedler said the original statement of support was always contingent upon certain changes being made to the plan.

The discussion also occurred outside the process created by the mayor to hammer out a parking plan acceptable to the community. The breakdown of a tentative

accord did not come up at the final meeting of the Northwest Parking Plan Stakeholders Advisory Committee, which has been meeting for two years. Fiedler represents NHBA on that committee.

"NWDA has been trying to be supportive of the whole process," said Walters, describing association representatives as easy to work with, patient, regular in attendance and consistent.

"We speak with one voice," he said. "They're not speaking in a unified voice. We're hearing different things from different people inside and outside meetings."

Fiedler said her board approved the resolutions on parking unanimously during specially called meetings. NHBA board meetings are not open to the public.

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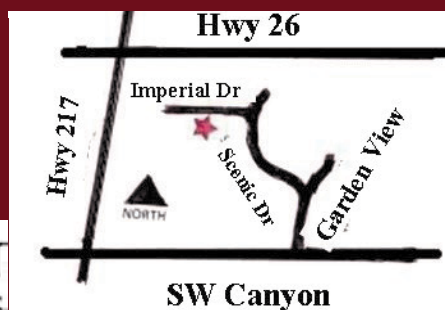


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ESCO hearing date set

A public hearing on renewal of ESCO Corporation's permit to emit hazardous air pollutants will be held Tuesday, Jan. 24, 6:30 p.m., at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital Auditorium, 1015 NW 22nd Ave.

The public is invited to attend and offer comments, as well as to submit written comments to DEQ by Feb. 1.

ESCO's application includes 16 improvements to emission control that are part of a good neighbor agreement signed by the company and neighborhood/environmental groups. The application governs operation of two steel foundries in Northwest Portland at which ESCO makes parts for mining and construction equipment.

The application proposes to reduce the maximum allowable particulate matter emitted from the current 214 down to 134 tons per year based on "recalculation of emissions using updated emission factors."

At the same time, the cap for carbon monoxide emissions would rise from 312 to 348 tons per year. ESCO explained the increase as due "in part because of a minor production increase but mainly because of recalculation of emissions using updated emission factors."

For more information, visit <http://www.deq.state.or.us/aq/northwest/escoQA.htm> or view hard copies of the draft permit and review report at the Northwest Library, 2300 NW Thurman St.

Hemp City leaves suddenly



Antone Jarrell, who managed the short-lived Hemp City, was arrested in July and August for marijuana and weapons violations.

Hemp City, the medical marijuana dispensary that opened at 921 NW 23rd Ave. in November, lasted less than a month.

The business vacated suddenly in late

December. The landlord in Vancouver, B.C., said, "They just left without notice and without paying rent. I don't know what's going on."

Ismet Yetisen, co-owner of the property with Ilhami Cicekdagi, said he thought he was leasing to a medical doctor for a conventional pharmacy. Had he known the nature of the business, he said he would not have rented to them.

Hemp City manager Antone Jarrell, 29, who told the Examiner he has a marijuana prescription to relieve back pain, was arrested in Portland in July and charged with illegal possession of marijuana and a loaded firearm, according to the Portland Police Bureau.

Jarrell, who played basketball at Jefferson High School, Portland State University and in the International Basketball League, was described by his Jefferson coach, Marshall Haskins, as "an extremely personable and intelligent young man, and will be a great representative for us in all facets of our program, the community and the university."

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New Businesses

Story and photos
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Synergy Women's Healthcare practitioners Amy Bruner, MD (L-R); Laura Korman, MD; Leigh Lewis, ND, LAc; and Wendy Vannoy, ND.



Anna Mara in her shop, Anna Mara Floral Design.

Synergy Women's Healthcare

2250 NW Flanders St., Suite 205,
503-227-4050
synergywomenshealthcare.com

A group of interdisciplinary practitioners has opened a new clinic in the Flanders Professional Building. Leigh Lewis, a licensed acupuncturist and naturopath who is also a tri-athlete, combines evidence-based naturopathic, conventional and Chinese therapies for women of all ages. Wendy Vannoy, ND, aims to empower women of all sizes to engage in their own health. She offers nutritional solutions and collaborative cancer treatment. Amy Bruner, MD, is a gynecologist who practices minimally invasive surgery, preventive medicine and menopause management. Laura Korman, MD, also a gynecologist, worked on a Navaho reservation in Arizona. She emphasizes mind-body balance, nutritional therapy and exercise for clients of all ages.

Patty's Closet

820 NW 23rd Ave., 503-227-6452
ilovepattyscloset.com

Elisabeth Abram recently opened a Patty's Closet women's clothing franchise outlet, the first in the seven-



Patty's Closet franchise owner Elisabeth Abram, center, flanked by associates Gabriella Corya (left) and Charlotte Leveque.

store chain outside of Nevada. According to the company website, "We will be bringing in a little more glitz." The shop is decorated in pink and purple. Patty's Closet offers a variety of changing styles, carrying just two of each size—small, medium and large—in dresses, sweaters, pants, shoes and accessories. Their aim in frequent changes is to attract return customers. They will also highlight jewelry by local artists.



Stephen Cadieux prepares a coffee drink at Ristretto.



J.D. Miller talks to a patient at Portland Pearl Orthodontics.

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Anna Mara Floral Design

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Anna Mara Jorgensen, who had been creating floral designs, arranging wedding flowers and personal bouquets out of her home in Southeast Portland for several years, seized the opportunity to open a store in the Schoolhouse Electric Building, located at the north end of 22nd Avenue. Featured here are orchids, seasonal flowers and small decorative trees. Inspired by combinations of color, texture and awareness of nature, she aims to pass on to her clients the feeling of flowers as “joyful expressions of love.” Orchids, seasonal plant designs, wreaths and small decorative trees are prominent in her installations.

Ristretto Roasters

2181 NW Nicolai St., 503-227-2866
ristrettoroasters.com
Ristretto Roasters recently opened in the Schoolhouse Electric Building, its third Portland location. The company offers single-origin coffees, which change with the season. The current variety, Peaberry, is shade-grown in New Guinea on a farm operated by the Opais tribe. All coffees are purchased and roasted by company owner Din Johnson. Coffee beans can be ordered online for \$13-\$15 a pound.

Portland Pearl Orthodontics

1849 NW Kearney St., Suite 200,
503-944-9374
portlandpearlorthodontics.com
J.D. Miller, DDS, offers walk-in service in his new Pearl clinic. He offers conventional orthodontic braces, invisible correction plates, Invisiline products and hidden lingual brackets. He fills prescriptions for oral appliances to help with sleep apnea. Dr. Miller believes all six-year-olds should see an orthodontist to catch complications early, when correction is less invasive. An open house is planned in February.

Blick Art Materials

1115 NW Glisan St., 503-223-3724
DickBlick.com
Dick and Grace Blick, the founders in 1911 of Blick Art Materials, launched their business by inventing a pen and marketing it from their kitchen. The Galesburg, Ill.-based company, which specializes in discount art supplies for artists and educators, bought Art Media, a local chain of three stores last year and has been operating temporarily in the former Art Media location at 902 SW Yamhill St. Bobby Lively, development director of Blick’s new superstore in the Pearl, said the company sells canvasses made of acid-free and warp-proof sustainable materials.

— BUSINESS BRIEFS —

Forest Park Federal Credit Union has merged with **SELCO Community Credit Union**, the third largest credit union in Oregon, with headquarters in Eugene. Forest Park was founded in 1951 for ESCO workers. ... After three years in business at 333 NW 13th Ave., **50 Plates Restaurant** has closed. ... The nonprofit **3D Center of Art and Photography** on Northwest Lovejoy closed at the end of the year. Board President Ron Kriesel said the organization could not afford a rent increase, but hopes to raise funds and find a new location. ... **Encore Audio/Video** (formerly Northwest Sony Only), has relocated to 1610 NW Glisan St., across the street from its home of 30 years. ... **Douglas M. Rogers** has applied for a liquor license to do business at **Slabtown**, 1033 NW 16th Ave. Rogers said he is negotiating to purchase the business. ... **Jane Currin Designs** at 828 NW 23rd Ave. is closing after three years in business. ... **Little Urbanites**, 916 NW 10th Ave., closed at the end of the year. ... **Boyd’s Coffee** at 404 NW 11th Ave. in the Pearl has closed. ... **Ben S. Bui** has applied for a liquor license for **Fish Sauce**, an Asian restaurant, at 407 NW 17th Ave., the former Saint Cupcake location. ... **Moteva Fitness**, a personal fitness company, has leased 1,743 square feet in the Mustang Building at 2325 NW Thurman St. ... **Cana Flug**, co-owner of **Besaw’s Café** at 2301 NW Savier St., is now associated with a second Northwest Portland restaurant. She is the new general manager at **Wildwood**, 1221 NW 21st Ave. ... Oregon’s Bureau of Labor and Industries has charged **Typhoon** restaurant for civil rights violations and is seeking damages on behalf of 24 workers. An administrative hearing is scheduled May 15. Another state agency, the Civil Rights Division, has charged that “Typhoon used its leverage over workers recruited from Thailand to impose lower pay, longer hours and unfavorable contract terms” than to non-Thai employees.



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Snapshots



ABOVE: Linnnton neighborhood activist Pat Wagner was awarded the 2011 Lowenstein Trust Award at a City Council session last month. She is surrounded by Commissioner Amanda Fritz (L-R), Mayor Sam Adams, Lowenstein Trust board chair Michelle Harper, Commissioner Dan Saltzman and Commissioner Nick Fish. Wagner helped reopen the Linnnton Community Center and build a breadth of programs serving all sectors of the community. LEFT: After receiving her plaque, Pat Wagner asked some members of the Linnnton community who also deserved recognition to take a bow.



Linda Lee DuHaime, one of over 550 diners at the 27th Annual Northwest Portland Ministries Christmas Dinner, said, "I love the energy of being invited to a Christmas meal and not being treated like you're a waste of time or an inconvenience. This is the first Christmas in five years my husband and I have felt like celebrating."



This guardrail and row of boulders, installed at the adjacent homeowners' expense, have taken a beating from Cornell Road motorists unable to negotiate the curve near Westover. Before the barriers were installed, a car smashed through their backyard, coming to rest near their son's play gym. Wendy Gordon said the latest crash in December was the fifth major one since her family moved there a decade ago.



Ava Valentine (left) and Leslie Friebele at a recent holiday gathering for Cathedral School's Senior Buddies program, now in its 10th year. Third graders and about two dozen seniors paired to attend a prayer service, chat and play Bingo. Afterwards, the seniors were served lunch by the staff at St. Mary's Cathedral.

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