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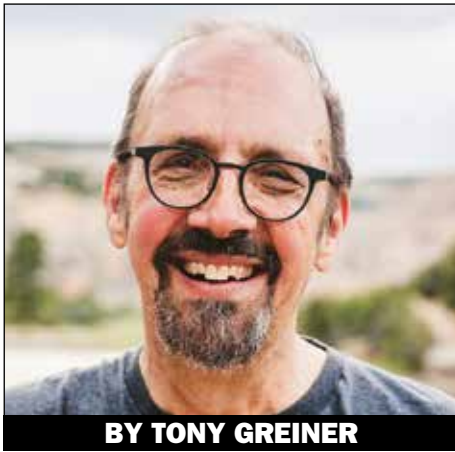


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CHOIR CHOSEN TO SING AT BACHFEST IN GERMANY

The Bach Cantata Choir is one of only five American choirs invited this year to sing at BachFest (June 7-16) in Leipzig, Germany. Each participating choir has been assigned specific cantatas (shorter choral works written for church services) composed by Johann Sebastian Bach. His compositions tended to have a small orchestra and singers, often a choir, and about 200 of them survive.

In addition to singing in Leipzig, the choir also will perform in Berlin, Potsdam and Prague, Czech Republic. Portland's Bach Cantata Choir is composed of about 50 members and is led by Ralph Nelson. It performs around five concerts a year at Rose City Park Presbyterian Church, at 1907 N.E. 44th Ave.

The performances in Europe mark the end of this season's performances, but people who want to be informed of future programs, and learn more about the group, can sign up for free delivery of the BachBeat newsletter



The Bach Cantata Choir is one of only five choirs from the United States invited to sing at the annual BachFest in Leipzig, Germany.. (Bach Cantata Choir)

at www.bachcantatachoir.org.

SHOP TILL YOU DROP AT LAURELHURST GARAGE SALE

The annual Laurelhurst Garage Sale will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 22. Get ready to participate as a seller or a buyer. Rummage through your closets, basement and garages for a chance to clear out some space.

This year's proceeds will support the Laurelhurst Arches Committee and the ongoing work to restore the Laurelhurst Welcome Arches. The seven arches, located throughout the neighborhood, have served as inviting symbols of the area for over 100 years. Developed by the Laurelhurst Development Co. and built in 1910 to demarcate the boundaries of the Laurelhurst neighborhood, the arches are made of sandstone and feature classical detailing, such as scrolling consoles, dentils, carved keystones and smooth and hand-tooled textured surfaces. The arches



Proceeds from the annual Laurelhurst Garage Sale will help restore and maintain the neighborhood's iconic arches. (Wikipedia)

desperately need repairs, restoration and ongoing maintenance.

The Laurelhurst neighborhood is on both sides of Cesar Chavez Boulevard south of I-84 to Burnside Street. Register to be a seller at the garage sale by 5 p.m. Saturday, June 15. Cost is \$25 per home. Email questions to laurelhurst.contact@gmail.com.

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Celebrate Father's Day and open streets during the Northeast Cully Portland Sunday Parkways event presented by Kaiser Permanente on June 16. (portland.gov)



SUNDAY PARKWAYS IN CULLY

On June 16, Cully neighbors will don their walking shoes, rollerblades or skates, or ride their scooters or bicycles during the Portland Bureau of Transportation 2024 Sunday Parkways. Presented by Kaiser Permanente Northwest, residents will explore interconnected neighborhood greenways and parks while promoting climate-friendly transportation.

According to PBOT Director Millicent Williams, Sunday Parkways promotes car-free zones, active lifestyles, community engagement and sustainable transportation. In their 15 years of existence, the neighborhood events have become a celebrated tradition that brings residents and visitors outdoors for a unique and inclusive experience, Williams added.

Project organizers are seeking sponsors, donors, event volunteers and vendors to take part. Additional information is at PortlandSundayParkways.org

HOST A FOREIGN STUDENT

Bring the world home this summer: Host an international student for two to four weeks. Local nonprofit American Cultural Exchange Service is seeking hosts for Japanese high school students (July 11-25) and college students from various countries (several dates in August and September).

Hosting an international student is a great way to make international friends, learn about a new culture, and have fun. Students

will have weekday classes and activities at Portland State University (commuting on public transit) and spend evenings and weekends experiencing American culture and practicing their English with their host. Hosts receive orientation materials, 24/7 support, and a small stipend.

American Cultural Exchange Service has been connecting families and students since 1995. Contact emily@exploretheworld.org or 503-673-6898 or visit acescollegehomestay.org for details.

JUNE IS PACKED WITH ROSE FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

The Rose Festival has lots of options for your rainy-day fun. Here's a short list of this year's events:

- Starlight Run, 6:30 p.m. June 1
 - Starlight Parade, 8-10 p.m. June 1
 - Junior Parade, 1-3 p.m. June 5 (see details Page 6)
 - Fleet Week, June 5-9. Free tours of the ships on first come, first served basis; see details on website for what to bring.
 - Annual Spring Rose Show, June 6-7, Lloyd Center. Free.
 - City Fair and Oregon Brewers Festival, June 7-9. Gov. Tom McCall Waterfront Park
 - Grand Floral Parade, June 8
 - Dragon Boat Races, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. June 8-9.
 - Milk Carton Boat Race, June 23. Casting pond in Westmoreland Park.
- More details at www.rosefestival.org.

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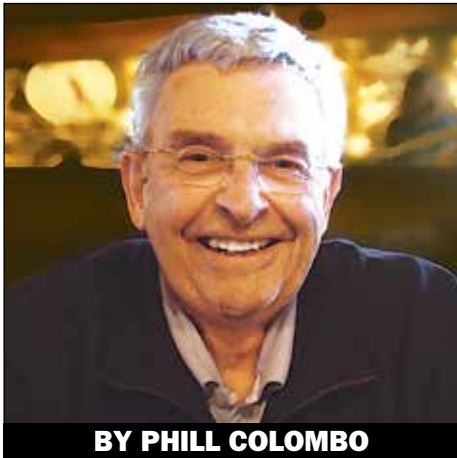
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CITY UNVEILS NEW PERMITTING BUREAU

Beginning July 1, Portlanders seeking most types of residential and commercial permits will have a one-stop shop, the Portland Permitting and Development Bureau.

“We have the opportunity to optimize permitting for community members, businesses and city staff,” Commissioner Carmen Rubio said.

Designed to ensure safe and responsible development, navigating multiple bureaus and processes across the City of Portland is often a source of customer frustration.

Featuring nine work teams, including one dedicated to customer support for all types of permitting, the new bureau also will include other teams specializing in specific parts of the development process, such as public



A graphic depiction of Permitting and Development, Portland's newest city bureau. Designed to streamline the city's permitting process, the new office will employ as many as 350 staffers.

infrastructure and building permit reviews. As part of the streamlining, the new bureau will bring together staff from the longstanding but soon to be phased out Bureau of Development Services with work teams from Parks & Recreation, Transportation, Water and Environmental Services bureaus, giving Portland Permitting & Development about 350 staffers.

Chief Administrative Officer Michael Jordan believes this streamlined permitting exemplifies Portland's community-centered approach to modernizing city government.

CEREMONY KICKS OFF PCC AFFORDABLE HOUSING, EARLY-LEARNING PROJECT

Foundations may already have been in place, and shovels really didn't hit the dirt, but Home Forward held what was labeled a "groundbreaking" in mid-May.

When completed in the summer of 2025,



Rendering of a four-story structure east of PCC's Opportunity Center that will provide students with 84 family-focused, affordable apartments and three early-learning classrooms in Concordia and Cully.



Shovels at the ready, Portland Community College, Home Forward, Native American Youth Association and Portland Housing Bureau officials pose for a "groundbreaking" photo.

(Phill Colombo)

the four-story structure to the east of the center will provide PCC students with 84 family-focused, affordable apartments and three early-learning classrooms in Concordia and Cully.

"I am so pleased to stand here today as we break ground on the PCC Killingsworth development," said Home Forward CEO Ivory Mathews.

With 18 studios, six one-bedroom, 45 two-bedroom and 15 three-bedroom apartments, rent will be based on area median income with 28 units at 30% of median income or less and 56 homes up to 60% of median income.

Features will include bike storage, Wi-Fi throughout, two outdoor courtyards with dining tables, a family room with lounge seating and TV, a community kitchen and dining table, a large laundry room and an experiential playscape.

College president Adrien Bennings highlighted the broader impact of the Opportunity Center.

The affordable housing units, workforce development initiatives and educational resources underscore a dedication to addressing the pressing housing issue while

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Advertisement for Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and Early Learning Center. Includes text: "Discover the power of faith in education with TLCS & TELC!", "Enroll today for quality Christian education for infants - 8th grade!", and contact information: "5520 NE Killingsworth Portland, OR. 97218".

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providing pathways to success for students and the broader community, Bennings added.

"We are pleased to be supporting the early learning center with the co-location of three early learning classrooms in the apartment building," said Interim Native American Youth Association CEO Oscar Arana. "Culturally specific early learning is critical for child development and sets Native children up for better outcomes later in life. We believe in the power of community-led solutions. The PCC Killingsworth apartments exemplify this approach, prioritizing the needs and aspirations of residents. We are proud to be part of this transformative community."

"This development will support the whole family," said Portland Housing Bureau Director Helmi Hissrich. "It also represents a step forward in our ongoing efforts to alleviate the city's affordable housing shortage. It underscores our commitment to collaboration to create inclusive and vibrant neighborhoods."

The project was made possible, in part, by the 2018 Metro Housing Bond funds allocated to Home Forward by the Housing Bureau. Other funds came from the Portland Clean Energy Fund, Department of Administrative Services, CitiBank and Wells Fargo.

Homes are scheduled to be completed by summer 2025, giving residents access to Fernhill Park, Northeast 42nd Avenue's commercial district and bus stops with frequent service. Construction and design are being led by O'Neill/Walsh Community Builders, Hacker Architects and Akana Architects.

REPLACEMENT OF BURNSIDE SPAN TO START IN MID-2025

If a Cascadia subduction zone earthquake were to hit today, none of downtown



Examples of designs being considered for the replacement Burnside Bridge. Now in the design phase, the earthquake-proof Willamette span is expected to be completed in late 2031. (Multnomah County)

Portland's Willamette River vehicular bridges would be immediately usable. That's the motivation for Multnomah County's effort to replace the current Burnside Bridge with one that can withstand such a quake.

Why start with the Burnside Bridge? Because the span is located on a regional established Lifeline route, making it critical that the bridge is still standing after a big quake.

After a major earthquake, a new Burnside Bridge will provide a way for first responders to get to those needing help, making it a beacon for safety, emergency response and recovery. A quake-proof Willamette crossing also will provide safer, more accessible multimodal transportation facilities in the heart of Portland, serving the community for

the next century.

The project design phase is a detailed process that includes looking at bridge form, architectural and aesthetic features, mechanical and structural components, constructability issues, costs and long-term maintenance needs. During design,

the project team will work closely with engineers, architects, contractors, agencies and regulatory bodies, complementing robust public outreach that will engage the community to provide feedback to help the project team make decisions for final bridge design plans. After those design plans are complete, the project can move into construction.

To learn more, visit www.multco.us/earthquake-ready-burnside-bridge

APPLICATIONS FILED

In Boise at 3952 N. Williams Ave., Kiley 40 LLC of Beaverton has filed for a permit to construct a 29-unit, five-story, multi-family, mixed-use structure of studios and one-bedroom apartments with commercial space on the first floor on vacant property.

In Cully at 5215 N.E. 52nd Ave., John McCulloch of Northeast Siskiyou Street has applied for a permit to build a garage and driveway.

In King on N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., between Alberta and Wygant trees, Concord NOPO LLC and North Neighborhood LLC has filed to build a two-story, 9,270-square-foot building for a 16-bed, secure residential behavioral health facility with associated clinic.

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'Dream Forward'

Rose Festival Junior Parade will march down Sandy on June 5

By Maggie Grainger
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It's June which means the Portland Rose Festival is officially underway. This year, Portlanders are encouraged to "Dream Forward" while celebrating the history of this beloved event.

Celebrating the community's children started early in the history of the Portland Rose Festival. In 1918, six kids in the Hollywood District were sorely

disappointed about the cancellation of their beloved Rose Festival due to World War I. So, they decided to hold their own parade.



Now a city tradition for more than 100 years, this year's festival promises to be full of family fun and festive favorites.

Significant Rose Festival events are planned in Northeast Portland this year, including the Junior Parade, the Queen of Rosaria coronation and the Grand Floral Parade with a 2-mile route stretching from Memorial Coliseum to the Lloyd Center.

The fuzzy Fred Bear will cut the ribbon to start the Fred Meyer Junior Parade at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 5. Children in costumes, elementary and middle school bands, young dance teams, decorated bicycles and wagons decked out with flowers will line up around Northeast 52nd Avenue and Sacramento Street for more than an hour before the parade starts.

With sidewalks and curbs lined with onlookers, the parade will travel west on



All photos courtesy of Portland Rose Festival



Sandy Boulevard, turn right on 40th Avenue, left on Tillamook Street and end at Grant High School.



Festival organizers encourage families to create pint-size floats to enter in the parade for a chance to win the Best Float award. Judges will take into consideration creativity, originality and how participants best interpreted this year's "Dream Forward" theme.

The Queen of Rosaria will be crowned on Friday, June 7, at Oregon Square, near Northeast Eighth Avenue and Holladay Street.

The 2024 Rose Festival Court includes 15 outstanding students from metro-area high schools. The court members represent

Portland as they visit community events, hospitals, senior living centers and business organizations. Each receives a \$3,500 scholarship from The Randall Group to attend any accredited college, university or trade program.

In choosing the queen, judges consider each court member's leadership and scholarship achievements, school activities, civic involvement, volunteer services and communication skills.

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In addition to more flower-covered floats, the parade will include marching bands, equestrian units, cultural organizations, drill teams, vintage vehicles, dancers and special guests waving from convertibles. A recurring favorite character in Rose Festival parades is Angel, the Clown Prince, who will wave from his throne to the citizens of Rosaria.

If you can't get to the Hollywood District on parade day, you can still join in the fun from home. Fox 12 Plux (KPDX) will broadcast the parade live.

For more information on parades and other events, please visit www.rosefestival.org.



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Making your own refreshing summer drinks is easy — and produces zero waste

By Esther Lerman Freeman

In my last article I mentioned that reducing and reusing were more environmentally powerful steps than recycling. I will use this column over the next few months to share tips and ideas on all three Rs; this month we'll look at reducing.

As summer approaches and our thirst increases, many of us enjoy beverages like juice, kombucha and carbonated drinks that come in recyclable, refundable cans and bottles.

But there are some amazing drinks we can make in quart or half-gallon bottles or pitchers that produce zero waste (other than compost), have no need for recycling and save quite a bit of money.

You can make several jars of iced tea to keep on hand in the fridge. I enjoy having a black tea, a green tea and an herbal tea available.

Start with three quart bottles and place a few single tea bags in each one (depending on the concentration you desire). Then pour a cup of boiling water over each and let them steep, for as long as suggested for the tea, or

according to your own preference.

You can add honey, maple syrup, brown sugar or just enjoy unsweetened. One may also squeeze a lime or lemon into the mix. As soon as one bottle is finished you can rinse it and enjoy steeping more in just minutes.

Another inexpensive, no-waste cold drink is water flavored with slices of cucumber, lemon, lime or any fruits you most enjoy. Hotels often have infused

waters in their lobby to enjoy, but you can treat yourself at home.

If you're interested in a spicier mix, and don't mind adding a few more minutes of prep time, a sweet and spicy ginger drink might hit the spot. Buy a piece of ginger, peel, slice and simmer it in a cup or two of water for 20-30 minutes. Add desired sweetener and let cool.

If you make it strong you can use it as a syrup to flavor water or dilute it and drink it on ice. Again, be creative, add fruits or even some dried hibiscus flowers.

Happy summer!

Esther Lerman Freeman is a Metro Master Recycler.



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Hope helps overcome adversity and fear

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Michael Wright

I take many detours on my daily rides through Portland neighborhoods. I won't say I never retrace earlier rides, but serendipity could be my middle name. I love the freedom to roam wherever the next turn takes me. As Yogi Berra famously said, "If you see a fork in the road, take it."

Sudden U-turns are definitely not the norm for me. Last week, I was on my way to take a few photographs to accompany what I had planned for this month's column when I had an "aha moment."

My westbound direction turned suddenly eastbound, back to revisit the location of a story I had intended to write later in the year. Weeks ago, I had been tipped to visit something called #HopeFence, in the Hollywood neighborhood. Turns out I had seen the fence before, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. At 150 feet in length, believe me, you won't miss it as you pass by on Northeast 45th Avenue and Brazee Street.

What prompted my change of plan was an Emily Dickinson poem titled, "Hope' is the thing with feathers," that had just crossed my mind. The poem evokes imagery of "hope" as a tiny bird, "that perches in the soul."

Sure enough, Dickinson made it on the fence.

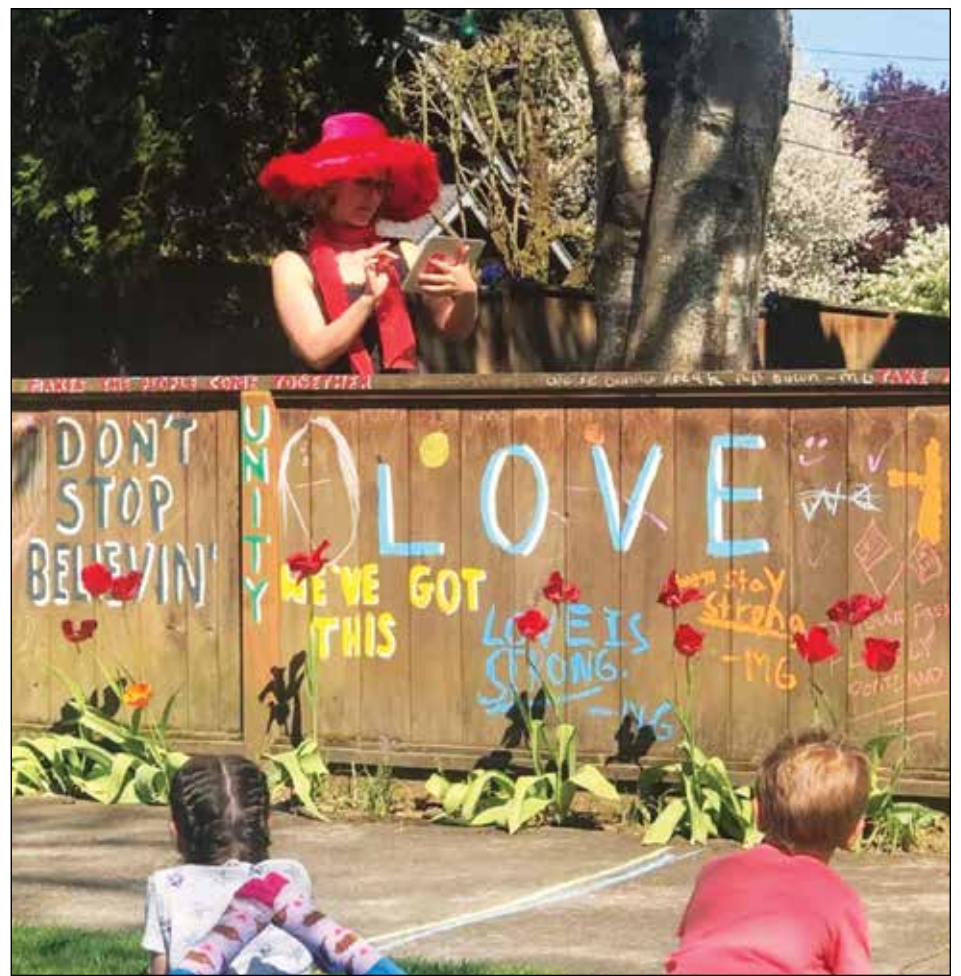
The #HopeFence that Jen Tate began

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Jen Tate began her Hope Fence to raise her own spirits during the COVID-19 lockdown. Soon it grew into a labor of love for the entire community and continues strong four years later.
(Michael Wright)



You can't miss the messages of hope on Northeast 45th Avenue and Brazee Street. Among them is a poem by Emily Dickinson amid other quotes to raise visitors' spirits. (Michael Wright)



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That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm

I've heard it in the chilliest land
And on the strangest Sea
Yet – never – in Extremity,
It asked a crumb – of me.

as a personal mission to raise her own spirits at the beginning of the lockdown, with the simple painted words, "WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER" was not just the beginning of a now four-year project to inspire her community — it was a labor of love that ultimately brought the message of hope to all who saw it.

Over the ensuing years, hundreds of messages have been added along the fence, prompting passersby to take another look.

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The eye-catching displays of hope-inspiring sentiments will stop you in your tracks when passing by Jen Tate's fence at Northeast 45th Avenue and Brazee Street. (Michael Wright)

Now there are thousands of inspirational words — you get the idea. Dickinson's poem closes with these words: *I've heard it in the chilliest land, And on the strangest sea; Yet — never — in extremity,*

It asked a crumb — of me.

Jen and her #HopeFence send out messages of hope every day, never asking for a crumb in return. And that is pretty cool.

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There's lots to see and do in this small, bustling district



BY MAGGIE GRAINGER

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Hooray for Hollywood! Hollywood may be one of Portland's smaller neighborhoods, but you would hardly know it with how much action it has going on — day and night. With the historic Hollywood Theatre acting as its anchor (and namesake), this bustling district is known for its popular weekend farmers market, eclectic restaurants and old-school Portland charm.

XIAO YE

A new restaurant on Sandy is taking Hollywood — and the entire city — by storm with its unique concept the owners are calling first-generation American food.

Xiao Ye opened its doors in September and people have been talking ever since.

"As restaurant owners, you don't know what to expect," says co-owner Jolyn Chen. "Everyone has been very curious about what we're doing and interested, and that has led to awesome conversations and opened their minds to the types of food we're creating."

As first-generation Taiwanese Americans, Chen and chef/co-owner Louis Lin wanted to create a space where they could take childhood recipes and memories and turn them on their head.



Xiao Ye owners Louis Lin and Jolyn Chen are first-generation Taiwanese Americans. They wanted to create a restaurant that put a new spin on dishes they remembered from their childhoods and past experiences. (Carter Hiyama)

For example, diners can expect to find dishes like strawberry and ume salad and grilled chicken heart skewers marinated in dried chiles, dates and mezcal on the a la carte menu alongside fried chicken with Japanese sweet potato and miso butter and parsnip ice cream for dessert.

"That's the fun part of the theme," Lin says. "It allows us to tell our own story and put food together that's a reflection of our lived experiences."

He maintains an ongoing list on his phone

where he keeps track of ideas and memories that might inspire new menu items.

Lin says he always had a vision of creating a restaurant, but it wasn't until the Southern California natives moved to Portland that he realized he could turn this concept into a reality.

"I could see the city was a place where I could do my own thing," Lin says. "It was something on my mind for a long time and Portland felt like the right city to do it in."

Lin says he couldn't imagine opening the

restaurant without Chen by his side.

Says Chen: "I started working in front-of-house then went into interior design, but there was always this part of me that really missed hospitality. This project was such a beautiful blend of the two careers."

"We both brought distinct foundational skills from our backgrounds and decided to join forces. As first-time restaurateurs, we're still learning as we go, but it's been

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incredibly rewarding to grow together.”

The restaurant’s name means “midnight snack” in Mandarin, and Lin says he wants people to feel instantly at home when they arrive.

“Our vibe is kind of grandma cottage chic,” he says. “It’s nostalgic.

“I’ve had people from different backgrounds and cultures say, ‘Hey this reminds me of my grandma’s cooking.’”

Adds Chen: “I want you to be taken back because it’s right off Sandy. The whole idea is you feel transported the moment you walk through the doors. Sitting at the chef’s counter is very similar to eating at someone’s kitchen island where you can watch everyone work and feel very engaged and connected.”

ADDRESS: 3832 N.E. Sandy Blvd. **WEBSITE:** xiaoyepdx.com **INSTAGRAM:** @xiaoyepdx **DON’T MISS:** Every month for one day only, Xiao Ye’s kitchen whips up a Burger of the Month special alongside its full a la carte menu. Sign up for their newsletter or check their social media to find out what day it’s going down in June.

WEDGEHEAD

Alan Robertson first realized he had a true passion for pinball about 16 years ago when he unlocked a bonus round in his brain playing a game called Attack From Mars.

“It opened my eyes to the joy and chaos of playing a physical game like pinball,” he says. “Ten years later, and I am the owner of my own pinball bar.”

In fact the bar — Wedgehead — is home to 150 pinball machines with 24 machines rotating on the floor at any given time.

Customers can purchase a daily unlimited free play wristband for \$12 and minors are allowed until 6 p.m.



Xiao Ye co-owner Louis Lin chats with diners. The restaurant’s name means “midnight snack” in Mandarin.

(Carter Hiyama)

Robertson and business partner Chris Rhodes like to move games in and out all the time to keep it fresh.

Says Robertson: “The regulars love the variety we offer them, and we are always pushing to pull some cool, rare games out of the warehouse and onto the floor. Nobody else will operate the old electromechanical games with the bells and chimes, and mechanical score reels, so we see it as our duty to put them out on the floor for people to experience.”

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Left: Wedgehead boasts a changing lineup of 24 machines on the floor at any given time. Owner Alan Robertson and business partner Chris Rhodes like to rotate the games, from an inventory of 150 — some from the 1960s — to keep things fresh. Regular patrons appreciate the variety.

Far left: Wedgehead offers signature “Little Hands” cocktails, which may or may not improve your pinball game.



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Hollywood Dance owner and instructor Joni Callahan has taught ballet to hundreds of neighborhood children — including her own — since she first started teaching at the studio in 1993. (Hollywood Dance)



Wedgehead offers pinball aficionados tons of old-school fun. Wedgehead also serves up tasty food and beverages when you need a break from the machines. (Wedgehead)

He says they have machines dating back to the 1960s all the way up to modern day.

“Pinball is a very old American game and it has changed a lot over the years,” he says. “We are pinheads and believe there are great games from all eras. We just got a brand-new “Pulp Fiction” game based on the movie and we always have a Godzilla Premium, which is currently ranked as the No. 1 pinball machine of all time on a popular pinball website.”

Not only are there hours of gaming to be had, but Wedgehead is also a fully operating restaurant and bar.

“My wife, KaCee, runs the bar program and her signature ‘Little Hands’ cocktails are unbelievably delicious,” Robertson says. “I know they have made me a better pinball player, or at least her cocktails help ease my mind when I play poorly.”

“Remember that being good at pinball is not a prerequisite to enjoying it. Pinball is a game of skill, but nobody is really good all of the time. Even the best players have bad games or days. Enjoy the journey, the destination is unimportant.”

To foster healthy competition, the bar hosts “Howdy Partner,” a weekly “anti-tournament” that brings pinheads of all skill levels together for some good old-fashioned fun. Teams of three to four players play five different

machines and combine their scores to determine a winner.

Robertson says nothing beats the rush of playing against others in a social setting.

“It’s fun for a little while to own some games at your house, but they are way more fun to play on location,” he says. “You can compete against others for high scores, and you can’t beat the variety and bang for your buck as you do playing on location in pinball’s natural habitat.”

ADDRESS: 3728 N..E Sandy Blvd. **WEBSITE:**

wedgeheadpdx.com **INSTAGRAM:** @wedgeheadpdx

DON’T MISS: The Wedgehead podcast not only takes a deep dive into the history of the game but interviews arcade operators and pinheads from around the world. New episodes drop every Monday at 7 a.m. on all podcast streaming services.

HOLLYWOOD DANCE

Dance is truly a family affair at Hollywood Dance, located on Sandy Boulevard.

Owner and instructor Joni Callahan has taught ballet to hundreds of neighborhood children — including her own — since she first started teaching at the studio in 1993. Now her daughter, Rachel, is the company’s

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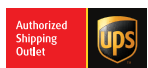
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Hollywood Dance photo: Hollywood Dance currently offers ballet, tap, hip-hop, contemporary, jazz and their popular Small Steps program for dancers ages 3-6. (Hollywood Dance)

artistic director and son, Matt, helps behind the scenes with administrative duties.

“Both of my children grew up in the studio and now work with me, and my grandchildren have started taking classes,” Callahan says. “We are truly a family business.”

But it’s not just her family that considers Hollywood Dance a second home — generations of dancers have been flocking to the studio since it first opened in the 1980s.

Says Callahan: “Many of our teachers grew up in the studio and have come back to teach here. We are a neighborhood studio, so we really get to experience the neighborhood’s growth and energy.”

Callahan has always been passionate about dance. Growing up in Eugene, she danced with the Oregon Ballet Classique (now Eugene Ballet) and began teaching when she was 17, eventually moving to Portland in 1981.

Students interested in attending Hollywood Dance join a specific dance program, mastering one level before they progress to the next. The studio currently offers ballet,

tap, hip-hop, contemporary, jazz and their popular Small Steps program for tiny dancers ages 3-6.

“Our goal is to create a friendly, warm and supportive atmosphere where our students can learn the joy of dance,” Callahan says. “Anyone can begin learning to dance at any age. We stress that you are never too old.”

Callahan says there’s nothing quite like the excitement of seeing someone fall in love with dance — even after 30 years in the business.

“I have learned so much about the kids and the parents we work with in the past 30 years,” she says. “Being here has made me a better person.”

ADDRESS: 4419 N.E. Sandy Blvd. **WEBSITE:** hollywooddancepdx.com **INSTAGRAM:** @hollywooddancepdx **DON'T MISS:** Summer dance sessions begin mid-July. Spots are filling up quickly. Check the website for more information.

BATTLE GROUNDS GAMING CAFE

A new gaming cafe is going to battle in the name of board games.



Battle Grounds Gaming Cafe opened in January and is already a popular spot for board game meetup groups, guilds and beginners. (Steve Coker)

Battle Grounds Gaming Cafe in Hollywood just opened its doors in January, and it’s quickly becoming a safe space for game lovers of all ages to come play, learn, hang out and battle it out on the board.

“When you walk in, I want this to be a

place that feels familiar, yet new,” says owner Steve Coker. “I want people to feel the joy of the community and have fun. I want this space to feel like a hug.

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Steve Coker's Battle Grounds Gaming Cafe is a gamer's paradise, with private game rooms, a tournament room, library, retail shop and cafe. But that's not all — Coker plans to add a science fiction and fantasy book club and to host screenwriting classes. (Steve Coker)

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"If you can play games and lose and still have a good time, that's an important aspect of this hobby."

He says board game meetups and guilds have started using the space that includes a cafe, private game rooms and a tournament room in the back. There is also a library where people can check out games as well as a retail shop in the front. Coker says he plans to start a science fiction and fantasy book club and host screenwriting classes in the space.

"I'm into anything around storytelling," he says. "That's all part of gaming."

Coker himself is relatively new to the board game game, having discovered a

passion for playing when he started to design his own game based on a screenplay he had written.

"I was bored during COVID and bought a 3-D printer," he says. "I was creating the characters from my script and realized they could be used in a game. I had several friends who were game designers who helped me learn different gaming systems and designs."

He started taking his game — The Adventures of Dax Dixon — to conventions, testing it with players and launched a Kickstarter campaign.

It was during this process he learned how far-reaching the popularity of role-playing games like Magic: The Gathering and Dungeons and Dragons is and fell in love with the gaming community.

Says Coker: "Everyone is playing games."


ADDRESS: 3728 N.E. Sandy Blvd. **WEBSITE:** battlegroundsgamingcafe.com **INSTAGRAM:** @bggcpdx
DON'T MISS: The cafe is hosting its first Dungeons and Dragons summer camp this month for 10 to 14 year olds. Starting June 17, campers of all experience levels will learn how to come up with characters, create storylines and build a team. Check the website to register and for more information.

WIGGLE ROOM


Looking for a place for you and your kids to get some wiggles out this summer? Look no farther than the Wiggle Room in the heart of Hollywood.

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Jessica and Chris Wade came up with idea for the Wiggle Room on a date night, when they were talking about creating a play space for younger kids. (Wiggle Room)



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Wiggle Room has play structures that safely entertain young children while offering parents a chance to relax with beer and wine. (Wiggle Room)

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The Wiggle Room is the brainchild of Jessica and Chris Wade, a couple who came up with the idea during a date night.

"We were out to dinner and talking about a play space for littler kids," says Jessica, who is also a licensed pediatric occupational therapist. "Within a few months, we had laid out what we wanted to do."

They eventually found the perfect spot in Hollywood and got to work, but quickly discovered the ceiling wasn't the right height for many premade play structures.

However, the duo didn't let that stop them and they ended up creating a custom structure that is perfect for younger kids to climb and explore (and big enough for their parents to chase after their little explorers).



In 2002, Sharon Blair started Portland Sewing as a beginning class with only four students. Since then, the enterprise snowballed and became the Portland Fashion Institute with approximately 600 students and offering over 50 classes.

(Portland Fashion Institute)

Chris says it was not only important to create a space that was safe and inviting for kids, but one where parents could also sit back and relax.

One surefire way to relax? The cafe offers wine and beer for adults and kid-friendly bites like pancakes, grilled cheese sandwiches and chicken nuggets. Outside food is also allowed.

"We want people to feel like it's an extension of their living room," Jessica says.

Summer passes are now available for purchase. For \$150 get unlimited entry to the space from June through August.

ADDRESS: 1925 N.E. 42nd Ave., Suite C **WEBSITE:**

thewiggleroom.com **INSTAGRAM:** @thewiggleroompdx **DON'T MISS:** There are still spots open for their Arts & Craft summer camp sessions in July and August. From pirates day to outer space, kids will focus on a different theme each day. Check the website for more information and to register.

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The Portland Fashion Institute offers year-round admission to programs in fashion design, production and business for those interested in a career. The school also has fun drop-in classes for people wanting to simply learn a little bit more about the fashion industry. (Portland Fashion Institute)



entrepreneurship.

Director Sharon Blair first started Portland Sewing in 2002 as a beginning sewing class with only four students. Throughout the next two decades it evolved into Portland Fashion Institute and the school now has

approximately 600 students and offers more than 50 classes in fashion design, production and business.

Interested in a career in fashion? Admissions are year-round and potential applicants can apply up to two years before

they plan to attend school.

The school also has a variety of Just for Fun drop-in classes for people interested in learning more about the ins and outs of the industry. Check the website to see what classes are available this summer and let

your inner designer shine.

ADDRESS: 4301 N.E. Tillamook St. WEBSITE: pfi.edu
INSTAGRAM: @portlandfashioninstitute DON'T MISS: Emmy-award winning costume designer Amanda Needham will be stopping by PFI on June 29 to give an insider's look into the world of costume design. Check out the website for more information and to register.

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BY LISA LAKES

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If you are searching for a dining experience the whole family can enjoy (including the dogs) look no further than the Tin Shed. The “garden cafe” has been delighting customers since 2002, with a menu that offers a variety of healthy options for breakfast, brunch and lunch. Cocktails and mocktails are also available.

During a recent visit with a friend and our three dogs, we enjoyed a delicious lunch. Dogs are welcome inside and also in the pop-out space in front of the building.

One of our dogs was a bit reactive to bus traffic so we chose to sit inside. Our greeter let us know that the health department requires folks to keep dogs on the floor, not sitting in laps or on chairs or benches.

You may bring a blanket or bed for your dog to use while dining. Our dogs were so interested in what was going on, I doubt they would have looked twice at a bed.

The indoor space has large, open windows making the room airy and light. The service was excellent and well-paced; we did not feel rushed nor neglected. Everyone we spoke to was kind, helpful and accommodating.

The atmosphere was neighborly, with many folks expressing an interest in the pups, going out of their way to say hi to them.

We two-legged ones were very pleased with the Salmon and Spice sandwich. Dogs have their own menu. We ordered the Fido Food meal (\$8.50), which is free-range chicken thighs and sweet potatoes. The serving was large, and our server was kind enough to bring extra bowls so we could divide it into three portions. After a generous snack, we had plenty left to take home for a dinner topper. Three happy pups made quick work of their treat.

A Doggie Dessert is also available featuring blended banana, peanut butter and yogurt chilled and served with a chunky treat (\$7). A water station is available on the front sidewalk for thirsty pets.

As a souvenir we purchased Tin Shed bandanas for each of the dogs. Proceeds from the sale of these go to Animal Aid. Remember to have the dog wear their bandana on the second visit and get half off a doggie meal.

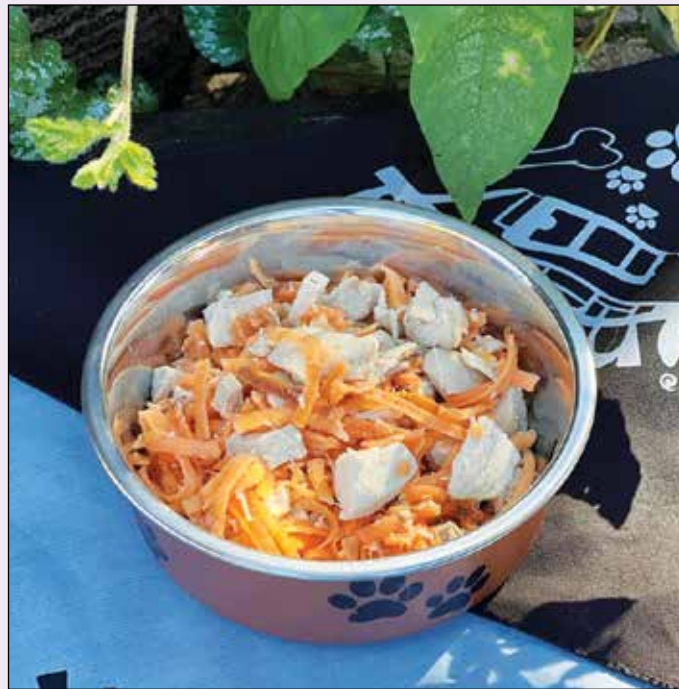
Our entire group enjoyed our visit immensely and look forward to another trip in the near future. Three paws and two thumbs up on this great neighborhood spot.



(Tin Shed)

Going out to eat? No need to leave your dog at home. Head to the Tin Shed on Alberta Street where you can find food for yourself and a meal for your pet, such as chicken and sweet potatoes (below left).

Below: Miss Bess, Willa Jolene and Hobbes eagerly await their meal.



(Tin Shed)



(Lisa Lakes)

Tin Shed Garden Cafe

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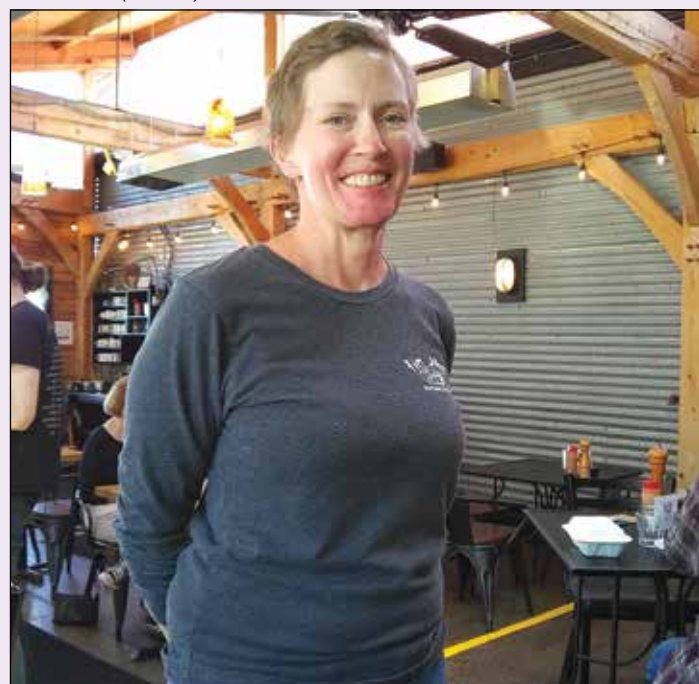
Hours: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday; 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday

Online: Tin Shed: www.tinshedgardencafe.com/

Animal Aid: www.animalaidpdx.org/



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(Lisa Lakes)

Left: Tin Shed Manager Merna Marriott and the wait staff are friendly and accommodating to people and pets.

Far left: Purchase a Tin Shed bandana to benefit Animal Aid. As a bonus, on your next visit, be sure your pet is wearing the bandana to enjoy half off the price of a doggie meal.

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KIDSTEENS AND FAMILIES

CULLY BIKE FAIR

June 7. 2:45-5:45 p.m. The Northeast Cully Neighborhood Bike Fair is a free, family-friendly event. Activities are free and include biking lessons for children with activities to learn about bike safety skills, learn-to-ride coaching for adults just starting out on a bike, quick-fix bike repairs. Bring your own bike or borrow one of Biketown's to participate in the fair activities. Biketown will have different bike sizes available for children and adults. This event is hosted in partnership with the Rigler and Scott Elementary Parent Teacher Associations and Community Cycling Center. Information: timo.forsberg@portlandoregon.gov; 503-823-7699. Scott Elementary School, 6700 N.E. Prescott St.

JUNETEENTH: FAMILY CRAFT DAY

June 8. 1-2:30 p.m. Hollywood library staff as they teach you and your family to make a special craft celebrating Juneteenth. Supplies

will be provided. 503-988-5123; Hollywood Library, 4040 N.E. Tillamook St.



MONTAVILLA MUSIC FEST

June 9, noon-7 p.m. HONK! PDX is a free, family-friendly brass band music festival hitting the streets of Montavilla. Bring your family and friends for a day of fun live music, community and celebration. Bring chairs, blankets, water. Well-behaved leashed dogs are welcome. On Southeast Stark Street between 79th and 80th avenues. HonkPDX.org

MZ. PEARL'S VARIETY SHOW

June 22. 2-3 p.m. What will happen next is hard to say. What objects can the circus renew? What lines can the audience repeat? And how much fun can we have with books? The show finishes with the audience being "on stage" with Mz. Pearl performing clown and circus acts. 503-988-5123; Hollywood Library, 4040 N.E. Tillamook St.

HOLLYWOOD FUN FEST

June 29. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Hollywood Fun Fest is hosting a series of free street fairs this summer. There will be arts and crafts, performances, opportunities to get in a little exercise, and no cars on the street. June's event will be outside the Community for Positive Aging, Northeast 40th Avenue between Sandy Boulevard and Hancock Street.

ENJOYARTS

COMMUNITY ARTISTS SHOW

June. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, or call to arrange other times to visit.

This month, Artistic Portland Gallery features wood works (right) by Scott Taylor and instruments by luthier Brent Furstner. (Artistic Portland Gallery)



The weather is perfect for a bike ride. Bring the entire family to the Cully Bike Fair where there will be loads of activities including a repair station, biking lessons and bicycles to borrow for the event.

(portland.gov)

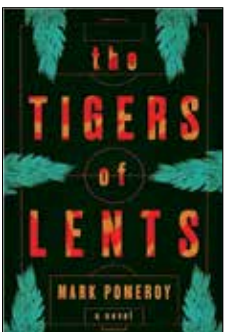
MAKING MUSIC WITH ABLETON

June 11. 4:30-7:30 p.m. This workshop covers how to craft music on the digital audio workstation

Ableton Live. Discover the fundamentals as we delve into beat-making, sound design and arranging tracks. Learn how to manipulate samples, use MIDI instruments and employ effects to shape your unique sound. 503-988-5123; Gregory Heights Library, 7921 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

LOCAL AUTHOR READING

June 18. 7 p.m. Mark Pomeroy, who lives in the Grant Park neighborhood will read from his novel "The Tigers of Lents" at Powell's City of Books on Burnside Street, downtown. The story concerns three sisters growing up poor in Portland's Lents neighborhood. Pomeroy has been teaching creative writing in Portland schools for many years, most recently at Grant and Cleveland



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high schools. The book was published by the University of Iowa Press, and copies will be for sale at the store.

ART FOR SALE

June 27. 6-9 p.m. The Alberta Street Gallery will have its Last Thursday event with jewelry by Mandy Allen, paper craft by Kim Nickens, watercolors by Mary Lyn Gough and Scott C. Johnson, abstract paintings by Jessica Clark and travel photography by Dan Bernard. 1829 N.E. Alberta St. Other Last Thursday information can be found at lastthursdayalberta.org

HONORING BLACK HERITAGE THROUGH ART

June 29. 4-5:45 p.m. Explore various techniques used by African/Black artists, while incorporating your own style, led by artist Auzurea Caples. 503-988-5123; Hollywood Library, 4040 N.E. Tillamook St.

INGENERAL

Portland Chess Club
Wednesdays. 6-9 p.m. The Portland Chess Club sponsors and runs tournaments throughout the year, including monthly events. If you want to test the waters, Wednesday evenings are reserved for casual chess, where anybody can drop in and play a game, no charge. The club meets on the third floor of the Lloyd Center. Details, directions and information about tournament fee waivers for female and nonbinary players under 18 can be found at www.pdxchess.org.

FARMERS MARKETS

• Hollywood. Saturdays. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., through Nov. 16. The sixty vendors will accept cash, SNAP or EBT cards, and "Double-up Food Bucks" credits up to \$20 are available to help low-income shoppers. There's usually musical entertainment, and pets are welcome after



Most Northeast neighborhoods hold farmers markets. Rocky Butte has a new location this year. The market runs from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays at Northeast 80th Avenue and Siskiyou Street.. (Farmers Market)

10 a.m. The market is next to the Grocery Outlet on Northeast Hancock Street between 44th and 45th avenues. <https://www.hollywoodfarmersmarket.org/>

• Rocky Butte. Saturdays. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., through Sept. 29. At a new location this year at Northeast 80th Avenue and Siskiyou Street. They also have the "Double-up Food Bucks" program.

RUMMAGE, BOOK, BAKE SALE

June 7-8. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. New, used and vintage items, including furniture, toys, puzzles, tchotchkes, kitchen items, arts and craft supplies. Food and drinks served after 10 a.m. 503-252-3403, www.stritapdx.org; St. Rita Church Parish Hall, 10029 N.E. Prescott St.

ART SALE SUPPORTS HOMELESS

June 7-9. Works on paper by Portland's Nancy Larson. A fifth of the proceeds goes to support the Street Books mobile library for the homeless. Spur Gallery, 4001 N.E. Holman St.



When Mz. Pearl brings her variety show to the Hollywood Library on June 22, you never know what's in store except that it will be a good time. (Hollywood Library)

Call 503-929-8319 for times.

BLUES ASSOCIATION BENEFIT

June 9. 5:30-9 p.m. The second annual Cascade Blues Association Fundraiser. Performances by Ben Rice, Lloyd Jones, Ty Curtis, Norman Sylvester, Tevis Hodge Jr., Sonny Hess and Lisa Mann. General admission is \$30, not including service fees. <https://tinyurl.com/yc5bc7jw>; Alberta Rose Theater, 3000 N.E. Alberta St.

JUNETEENTH TENNIS CLASSIC

June 16. Noon is the registration deadline to sign up for this competition. There are several different sections, and while the competitions are for those over 18, the proceeds go to tennis lessons for kids in North and Northeast Portland. Information: <https://tinyurl.com/JuneteenthTennis>; Portland Tennis Center, 324 N.E. 12th Ave.

BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS

June 16. 2-3:30 p.m. Looking to hone your birding skills? Want to learn ways to attract more birds to your outdoor space? Join Nature Nerd Expeditions for an afternoon with the birds. In this adult birding class you will learn identification tips and tricks that'll help you identify a bird faster and more accurately. You will also learn basic landscaping and feeding tips that'll help you attract more bird species to your outdoor space. 503-988-5123; Gregory Heights Library, 7921 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

OREGON SUMMER CLOSET SALE

June 21-22. noon-5 p.m. Dress for Success will be open to all shoppers, with proceeds going to the organization's mission of helping people find jobs. <https://oregon.dressforsuccess.org>; 1532 N.E. 37th Ave.

TWO-SPIRIT PRINTMAKING

June 13. 5-7 p.m. Culturally relevant and identity-supporting printmaking night where adults who identify as Two-Spirit/LGBTQ+ can make Pride bling with medallions, posters, flags, and learn more about local Two-Spirit resources. 503-988-5123; Hollywood Library, 4040 N.E. Tillamook St.

GO BANANAS FOR BOOKS

June 14-15. 2-8 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Over 60 exhibitors will be showing their most interesting used, rare and collectible books, prints, vintage photos and magazines at the Rose City Book & Paper Fair. Tickets at the door for \$5. Information: cascadebooksellers.com. Lloyd Doubletree Hotel, 1000 N.E. Multnomah Blvd.

EYEGLASS, DEVICE COLLECTION



June 29. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Get those old eyeglasses and hearing aids back to work. The Hollywood Lions club will be gathering unneeded

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Patty Spencer, owner of Fresh Air Sash Cord Repair Inc., will share her vast knowledge of preserving and restoring windows on June 29 and The Architectural Heritage Center. (Patty Spencer)

eyeglasses, hearing aids, cell phone and e-tablets at the Hollywood Farmers Market. You can also learn about this organization and the work it does. Northeast Hancock Street between 44th and 45th avenues.

SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

June 29. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. The Community for Positive Aging hosts the third annual summer block party. The road will be shut down on Northeast 40th Avenue between Sandy Boulevard and Hancock Street. There will be live music featuring the Hollywood Ukulele Group and HomeBrew, children's activities, food, community partner tables with resources and a small business market inside the center. This event is sponsored by Portland Bureau of Transportation and Essential Quality Care. 503-895-2750. Community for Positive Aging, 1820 N.E. 40th Ave.

LEARN TO REPAIR WINDOWS

June 29. 10-11:30 a.m. The Architectural Heritage Center welcomes Patty Spencer,

owner of Fresh Air Sash Cord Repair Inc. to present "The Basics of Wood Window Repair." Spencer will share over 25 years of experience in preserving and restoring the function of original, double-hung, wooden windows found in homes built in the 1940s and earlier. With a focus on restoring the operating function, this workshop will cover the basics that homeowners should know, including: signs of window deterioration, preventive maintenance measures, repair practices, plus ideas about weatherization. 503-231-7264; 701 S.E. Grand Ave. To register, go to: https://tinyurl.com/3kaa3rjf



The Community for Positive Aging is planning its third summer block party on June 29. Check out the live music, kids' activities, food, fun and more. (The Community for Positive Aging)

FORSENIORS

PLAY THE UKULELE

Tuesdays. 10-11:30 a.m. The Hollywood Ukulele Group (HUG) has seats available for drop-ins, along with loaner songbooks for visitors. Loaner ukuleles available for the day, given enough advance notice. Permanent members can gain access to the HUG songbook online. 503-895-2750. Community for Positive Aging, 1820 N.E.

40th Ave.

STAY AT HOME AGING

June 17. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Learn about activities and services offered by Northeast Village PDX that support seniors opting to remain in their own homes and stay involved in their community. The member-led organization serves residents in Northeast neighborhoods as they engage with and help one another. 503-895-2750. Community for Positive Aging, 1820 N.E. 40th Ave.



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