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Featured Business

Dinihanian Farm Market & YourCSA.com

by Virginia Bruce

Vahan Dinihanian and his sister, Lillian Dinihanian Logan, have been running Dinihanian Floral Products for 27 years, taking over the business from their father. Their grandfather planted 40 acres of holly in the 1950s and the family business has mostly been providing greenery and flowers. But this year, they've converted part of the holly farm to a vegetable patch and have partnered with other nearby farmers to grow fresh fruits and vegetables for a Consumer Supported

Vahan and Lillian took the idea a few steps further by contracting with several farms in the area to grow crops for their CSA (yourcsa.com). In addition to the first three acres at the holly farm, they have fruits and veggies growing at farms in Hillsboro, on Sauvie's Island, and Dixie Mountain. By spreading out the growing area, it allows them to offer a greater variety of produce, and also lessens the danger of losing a particular crop due to local problems of weather, pests or disease.

Another three acres is being cleared at the holly farm for additional late season crops. Right now, they're growing carrots, peppers, and beets here, and adding strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, tomatoes, cauliflower, broccoli, beans, potatoes and more from the other farms for their July



Rows of vegetables replace holly at Dinihanians

Agriculture (CSA) program that is based at the family farm at 15005 NW Cornell Rd., just across from the Oak Hills shopping center.

A CSA is a partnership between the consumer and the farmer. The CSA subscriber pays up front, at the beginning of the season, to get a weekly box of freshly-picked produce throughout the growing season. The farmer provides a variety of vegetables in season from a central distribution point.

Vahan Dinihanian says that the idea for their new enterprise came from Vicki Hertel, who manages their Christmas tree farm. She started a CSA on her family's farm in Verboort (western Washington County) about four years ago, and is now fully subscribed.

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boxes. More varieties of fruits and veggies will be added as the season progresses. Their website lists the produce that subscribers can expect to see each month through October.

In addition, they've set up a Farm Store on the property where they sell the surplus produce, locally-raised free-range eggs and more. The store is open every day from 10 am to 6 pm.

What brought them to undertake such a change? "People had better start getting closer to their farmer!" says Vahan. News reports of tainted imported food, plus concerns about the oil it takes to transport food halfway across the globe, have people thinking local and seasonal for their food.

Michael Pollan's books, *Omnivore's Dilemma* and *In Defense*

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Next Meeting

Cedar Mill Business Association

Tuesday, July 14, 11:45 lunch & networking;
noon-1 pm program
Place: Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

Topic: Saltzman Road Project
Speaker: Matt Costigan, Washington County Project Mgr.

FREE pizza, bring your own beverage

The Cedar Mill Business Association's meetings
are free and open to anyone interested
in business in Cedar Mill

History in The News

The Life of John Quincy Adams Young

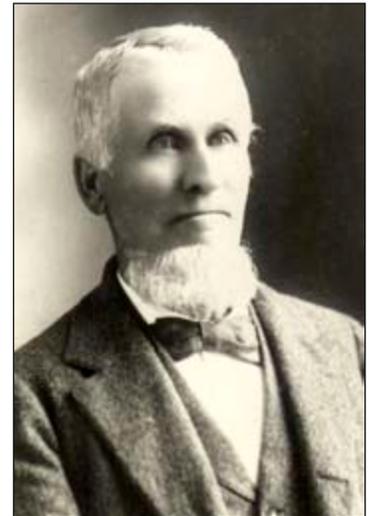
by Eberhard Jaeckh, member, Friends of the JQA Young House*

The modest white "saltbox-style" house on Cornell near 119th is the most tangible reminder in our community of the life of a remarkable man. We are fortunate to know a lot about the life of the person after whom the house is named. John Quincy Adams Young was born 1828 in Clermont County, Ohio, the last of seven children.

His father, Elam Young, seems to have been a restless man, moving from his birth place in Saratoga Springs, NY, west to Ohio, where glowing reports about Oregon Country—"the land of apples and rain"*—encouraged his wanderlust to go farther west still. Finally, at the ripe age of almost 59, he and his wife Irene—not a youngster either at age 56 - set out to make the arduous trip west. Their three youngest sons, James (age 23), Daniel (age 21) and John Quincy Adams, 19 years old, joined in. Four older children stayed behind. The family left Ohio in 1846, and wintered in Missouri. On May 7, 1847, near the height of immigration west on the Oregon Trail, they joined a wagon train led by Captain Bewley.

No journey on the Oregon Trail could ever have been easy. Theirs was made more complicated by their late start, consequently getting to Oregon Country late in the season. Exhausted, they finally arrived at the Umatilla River in October.

Dr. Marcus Whitman provided welcome shelter at his mission near Fort Walla Walla. Whitman was one of the earliest settlers, having come across in 1836 before there was an established Oregon Trail. His goal was to bring the good word



John Quincy Adams Young
photo courtesy of Bernie Young

to the local Cayuse tribe.

Their supplies being depleted, the Youngs decided to stay at the mission and assist Dr. Whitman in building a gristmill nearby. Only weeks later disaster struck. The infamous Whitman Massacre took place in late November. Thirteen

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Cedar Mill Business Association Member News

Do you have news or events or know of something that you would like to see covered in the Cedar Mill News? Please write to Virginia Bruce at vrb@teamweb.com

Church group sells sausages at the Farmer's Market

Christ United Methodist Church is grilling delicious locally made sausages and selling pastries, coffee and cold drinks every Saturday at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market,

held in the Safeway parking lot at the corner of NW Cornell and Murray.

The stand also features a "Children's Activities"

area with crafts and other supervised projects for children to do free of charge while their parents shop. The Farmers Market is a great way for church volunteers to connect with neighbors, raise funds for the church and have a lot of fun.

The church, tucked behind Bales Thriftway at 12755 NW Dogwood, west of Saltzman Road, houses a wealth of community activities as well as weekly church services. Sunday morning service is held at 9:30am during the summer. For more information, call 503-646-1598 or visit www.cumcpdx.org.

Sunset Credit Union promotes local businesses

Want a great way to have your business reach over 2,000 (loyal) people AND receive superior business account service? Sunset Credit Union, located at 1100 NW

Murray Rd., has found a new way to promote member business accounts to their membership.

"With this economy, we were looking for a way to help generate more business for our members who have companies in the area," said Sunset CEO/President Judy Makela. "We came up with a



program where our business accounts offer discounts to other Sunset members. For instance, this month, our members can receive

a free coffee mug from us and then bring it into Poppa's Haven Coffee Shop and receive \$0.75 off a fill up of coffee or \$0.50 off the price of a specialty drink each time they visit."

"We'll be doing it for all our business accounts because it is a win-win for both our members and business accounts," says Makela. "Our members receive discounts at these companies and the businesses see an increase in customer traffic. It's simply keeping with the credit union philosophy of people helping people."

Some of Sunset's other business partners include Pet Barn, Bandito Taco, and many other Cedar Mill businesses. "Anyone who belongs to the Cedar Mill Business Association can now join Sunset and be a part of this unique program." To join Sunset Science Park Federal Credit Union or to learn more, contact them at 503.643.1335, or visit their website at www.sspfcu.com.

Sunset Animal Clinic offers healthy pet treats

It's important to educate yourself on the ingredients in your pets' treats. For example, skinless chicken, chicken liver, corn, beef hide, yeast, potassium, wheat flour, and soybean oil are some of the ingredients that we probably recognize. But what about citric acid, choline chloride, or propylene glycol? These sound weird so, what are they? Citric acid is vitamin C, choline chloride is an organic

compound (a type of salt), propylene glycol is a food additive (it is used in cake mixes, salad dressings, soft drinks and many other foods). They're all safe and are used to make treats taste better or keep well.

The companies that we are associated with: Butler, Hills, Virbac and IAMS; are dedicated to animal health and have been a benefit to the animal community.

These treats have been selected because they offer not only a good-tasting treat that your pet will love, but have therapeutic value or are low-calorie, low-fat treats that help keep your pet in shape.

The most important source of information on pet nutrition is the veterinarian that takes care of your pet. Remember that treats are treats and not a regular source of nutrients for your pet.

Know your veterinarian and staff. Know that they care about you and your pet. Also know that the companies that supply the treats and food care because most pet companies have been in business for 50 years and some more. That means a lot.

Visit Sunset Animal Clinic online at sunsetanimal.com or stop in and see their selection of treats and other pet foods at the clinic, 14740 NW Cornell in Oak Hills Village.

Village Gallery News

FlatKats Up Close

The Village Gallery of Arts' July featured artist Karin Graves is honored with a reception on July 11 from 2-4 pm. The "FlatKats" are a collection of work made with vintage textiles and threads. Each character is inspired by a vintage blanket as Karin uncovers her narrative portrait.

The show opens on July 7 and runs through August 1. Also featured will be the group show of artist members of the Village Gallery.

Come in to buy affordable original paintings for your home and office. You will also find original cards, jewelry, fused glass, stained glass, sculpture, pottery, silk scarves, fiber arts, prints, paper arts and mixed media. Support your local artists when you shop.

We are open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday from noon to 4 pm. The Village Gallery of Arts is located at 12505 NW Cornell Rd; Portland, OR. 97229. We are next to the Cedar Mill Library. Call 503-644-8001 or see us on the web at www.villagegalleryarts.org

Planning & packing for the family vacation

by Tim Kimble, The UPS Store

Whether your family vacation involves flying or driving, traveling across the country, or venturing abroad, packing suitcases is an art. Today, more people are finding it convenient to ship their luggage before they leave. Shipping your things in advance means more space in the car for the entire family on long road trips. It also means less weight in the car, resulting in better gas mileage. Shipping luggage ahead of time is smart for air travelers, too. Not only can it reduce stress at the airport, it can actually save travelers money.

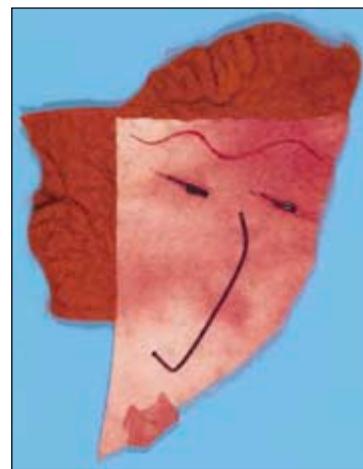
"With many airlines enforcing luggage weight and size limitations, and imposing fines for overages, we've seen many customers ship their luggage ahead of time," said

The UPS Store owner, Tim Kimble. "If you are trying to bring along large items such as golf clubs or surfboards, shipping ahead can save you from paying more. It also helps avoid the headache of lugging everything through the airport."

Tim Kimble offers some helpful tips for packing and shipping

your luggage:

A suitcase should be shipped



Rainie, by Karin Graves

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inside a box to protect it. To reduce weight and cost, skip the suitcase and pack your clothes and other items directly in a sturdy box.

If you're sending stuff out, you'll probably need to send the stuff back home as well. One option is to pack a flattened box and a roll of heavy-duty tape for sending souvenirs home...or dirty laundry. You can also have your shipment professionally packed at our The UPS Store® located at 10940 SW Barnes Rd., Peterkort Towne Square. Expert packing is especially recommended for fragile items.

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HealthCheck at World of Smiles

At World of Smiles we are excited to be involved with KATU's Health Check Program. Last week we filmed commercials for KATU channel two. So watch for us on TV starting early July!

Also, support local families with us at the Walk Now For Autism event. You can join our team or make a donation to this wonderful cause by visiting the events page of our website www.visitworldofsmiles.com

Rummage Sale at Leedy Grange

Cedar Mill's Leedy Grange is holding a big sale on Friday and Saturday, July 10-11, from 8 am to 5:30 pm. Loads of items will fill the hall, including books, household and decorator items, collectibles and lots of "what have you!"

The Grange is considering having a series of Flea Markets in the future with tables available for rent, so if you're interested in that, be sure to find a Grange member and let them know.

Leedy Grange meets on the second Saturday of each month at 1 pm. An open potluck starts at noon, come on by and join us for lunch and find out more about our Grange. Leedy Grange is located at 835 NW Saltzman Rd., at the Saltzman entrance to the Bales shopping center.

CMBA Meeting Notes

by Lauren McCabe, CMBA President, Cedar Mill Chiropractic

The Cedar Mill Business Association (CMBA) general membership meeting was held at Leedy Grange on June 9th.

During the Committee Reports segment, the Membership Committee noted that they are looking for new participants so that we can have an even more successful Membership Drive in 2010. Contact Becky Jarvis, Electronics Unlimited at 503-848-9191 if you'd like to help, it's a great way to meet people.

The Events Committee reported that the Farmers' Market booth is available for members to use to promote their business. Sandy Sahagian of Sandy Sahagian Portraiture is in charge of this ongoing event. If you are interested in participating, contact her at 503-297-2343. Plans are developing for the CMBA to have a booth at the upcoming Cedar Mill Park Concert on August 6 as well.

Our guest speaker was Julia Eiden of Huntington Learning Center. She presented an informa-

tive and well-received introduction to social networking strategy and tools, including Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.

Following her presentation, CMBA created our own group on the business networking website, LinkedIn. This is the latest member benefit for the CMBA, because only members will be allowed to join our group. If you want to join, go to LinkedIn.com, and enter "Cedar Mill Business Association" in the search box.

Guy Pabst, Aflac, was the Ten Minutes of Fame presenter. He discussed the history of Aflac and the benefit of offering their supplemental insurance plans to employees.

The CMBA's next meeting will be held July 14, 2009, at 11:45 am at the Leedy Grange (see page 1 for more information). Our main speaker will be Matt Costigan, Washington County Project Manager, presenting information on the Saltzman Road construction project scheduled to begin in August. The "Ten Minutes of Fame" speaker will be Kay Bridges of Nikken.

A Child's Way in Cedar Mill

A Child's Way Kindergarten-Preschool has been a fixture in the Cedar Mill neighborhood for 28 years.

Located in the Christ United Methodist Church, behind Bale's Thriftway for the past 15 years, this independent

non-profit school is nationally-accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, www.naeyc.org. The school's web-site is www.achildsway.com.

Parents, students and community members fondly celebrated the retirement of Co-Director, Elaine Winans with the end of the school year. She and Sarah Harris were among the founding members of this non-profit kindergarten-preschool. This wonderful community of families will miss her greatly.

Sarah will continue in the co-director position with new co-director Kathy Phillips. A Child's Way Kindergarten-Preschool begins its twenty-eighth year in the fall.

The school serves approximately three hundred and fifty children

when fully enrolled. A Child's Way is still accepting applications for the fall. There are openings in the



Pre-Kindergarten and 3's afternoon classes. To enroll or learn more about the school you may call the office at (503) 644-8407 or visit their website.

New businesses coming to Cornell

Pars International Market will be moving into the retail space in the new building at 12923 NE Cornell next month. The shop will sell a variety of Middle Eastern groceries and other items.

Salar's Mediterranean Grill is nearly finished at Cornell & Dale, it should be opening in early August also.

We'll have more complete information on both businesses in the August issue of the News.

Library News and Events

By Dawn Anderson

Be Creative @ Your Library—Summer Reading Programs!

The Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries are hosting performances by magicians, musicians and other creative performers. All programs are free of charge and no registration required. Stop by the library or visit www.cedarmill.org/library for a schedule. For more information call Cedar Mill (503) 644-0043 ext. 112 or Bethany (503) 617-7323.

Cedar Mill:

Wednesday mornings 10 to 10:45 am, St. Pius X Community Center.
July 8: Richard Glauber—Music in Action!
July 15: Jay Frasier—"I Love to Read" Magic Show
July 22: Heather Pearl—Mz. Pearl's Variety Show
July 29: Curtis Carlyle—A "Cutting Edge" Juggling Show
August 5: Angel Ocasio—Komedya 4 Da Kids

Bethany:

Friday mornings, 10 to 10:45 am at the Bethany Fountain.
July 10: Richard Glauber—Music in Action!
July 17: Heather Pearl—Mz. Pearl's Variety Show
July 24: Curtis Carlyle—A "Cutting Edge" Juggling Show

Why did the Bethany Library cross the road?

To get more space, silly!

Stop by on Saturday, July 18 at 10 am for the Dedication and Second Birthday Bash!

The Bethany branch of the Cedar Mill Community Library is celebrating two years of library service to the Bethany community in a new, larger location! No registration required. Free.

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Saltzman Road project beginning soon

Plans are complete and a contractor has been hired to begin the project to widen Saltzman Road. Northwest Earthmovers, the same company that's working on the Murray and Cornell project, will be handling Saltzman improvements, says Matt Costigan, Project Manager for Washington County Land Use & Transportation. (See October 2008 for more information)

The only major change in the plans for the project since last fall is that four-foot-wide bike lanes will be added to both sides of the road from Cornell to Dogwood. To meet

to the willingness of Bales/Findley Property Management to change the configuration of their northeast parking lot, adding an exit onto Dogwood for shoppers who want to go northbound.

The Saltzman project will begin, probably this month, with "clearing and grubbing." This will involve the removal of trees, fences and other structures and vegetation that are in the already-acquired right-of-way for the project. Unfortunately, this includes removal of the huge sequoias across from the library. It is hoped that some of the

side. Parking next to the shops in the Milltown center will be eliminated, as will the southern Saltzman entrance to that lot.

On the west side of Saltzman, Costigan notes, "the existing curb, gutter, and sidewalk in front of 7-11, the Grange and Thriftway will remain. Some water lines and underground utility work will need to be done in the roadway there." Access into the Thriftway lot may be restricted while the contractor



Attractive new light fixtures have been selected that are both "dark-sky friendly" and in keeping with the old-fashioned style of lights in the rest of the Town Center road areas.



the bike lane needs, the two north-bound lanes have been reduced in width from 12' to 11'.

As we noted last fall, the community effort to get a stoplight and crosswalk adjacent to the library was successful, thanks in large part

logs can be used in a nearby park project—negotiations are currently underway.

Road work will begin on the east side of the road north of Cornell. All of the additional width needed for the project will come from that

place from 9 am to 3:30 pm Monday-Friday for the duration of the project. Some night work will occur for water line installation—work hours and lane restrictions will be from 8 pm to 6 am.

is working directly in front of the driveway, but it will remain open the rest of the time.

Costigan says that they anticipate no road closures or detours during the project. Lane restrictions will be in

We'll continue to publish updated information on the project as it progresses. For more detailed information, visit the project website at www.deainc.com/saltzmanroad, and attend the Meet the Contractor Open House on July 13, and the CMBA meeting on July 14.

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Washington County's "Meet the Contractor" Open House

NW Saltzman Road Improvement Project
Monday, July 13, 2009
5 to 7:30 PM
St. Pius X Catholic Church Hall
1280 NW Saltzman Road

The purpose of the meeting is to present the upcoming NW Saltzman Road construction project which is part of the Major Streets and Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP 3b/3c) and introduce the selected general construction contractor.

The project will improve and widen NW Saltzman Road to three lanes (two travel lanes and a center turn lane) and include safety and intersection improvements, bike lanes, and sidewalks. Other enhancements include improved road geometry, illumination, new water quality and storm drainage facilities, and utility upgrades.

Representatives from Northwest Earthmovers, Inc. (NEI), the project's general contractor, along with members of the project design team—Washington County Capital Project Management Division staff and David Evans and Associates consulting engineers—will be available to answer your questions. Information about the staging of the work, scheduled utility upgrades, potential construction related impacts, lane restrictions, and work hours will also be available.

For more information contact: Matthew Costigan, Senior Project Manager, Washington County Capital Project Management Division phone: 503-846-7825, email: matthew_costigan@co.washington.or.us

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What's new at the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market?

Our Blueberry Bash is too much fun for just one Saturday, so we're celebrating it on two market dates this year: July 11 AND July 18. We start on July 11 with the wonderful music, including some BLUEgrass,



Ursula and Ima at last year's Blueberry Bash

of Lauren Sheehan, along with all our usual Blueberry Bash fun. On July 18th, we'll get a morning visit from Ima Blueberry, so be sure to bring your camera to get a shot with this ever-photogenic, singing & dancing BLUEBERRY!

On both days, look for tons of blueberries and lots of "blue"

themed fun, including "door" prizes (though we have no door) and our annual "Guess how many blueberries" game! Townsend Farms, always community-minded, donates fresh blueberries for the Bash, and this year we plan to give away several half-flats to lucky customers, along with other merchant prizes. Great Harvest Bread will of course have lots of blueberry muffins and blueberry cream cheese scones for the Bash, and other vendors plan to go along with the blueberry theme as well.

More news for July: The scent of lavender is in the air, which means it's time to make lavender wands! Ursula Davis (master volunteer & market advisor) will be on hand teaching the art of lavender wands to market guests on July 4, July 18, July 25, and into August for as long as the lavender lasts. She can tell you all about some fun, local lavender festivals, too, including the one where you'll find her on July 11.

Jumping ahead to July 25th, our Student Music day, we've booked a few local award-winning college-student musicians, including Geoff Hill & Andrew Westling, violinists, along with Oak Hills resident and high-school senior, Ted Case, keyboardist.

Seems like we take a lot of photos of Ursula, guess that's because she's always right there, always stepping up to help out with anything we need at the market.

Cedar Milers Volkswalk

Please join us for a walk in the forest on July 11. This walk will begin at the Jones Creek Day Use area on Hwy 6 headed toward Tillamook, between milepost 22 & 23. You have a choice of 10K rated 2+ or 5K rated 1+.

The walk will be on park trails and forest roads and will border the Wilson River at times. Will be held regardless of weather, but please use good judgment in severe weather; the trails will be more difficult. There are narrow log bridges which will be inappropriate for strollers and wheelchairs and may frighten pets. For more info, see the website at www.cedarmilers.org or call 503-614-8771

With that ever-helpful attitude, she ends up in front of the cameras a lot! In fact, the market has grown to the point now that we could not get a market set up (nor taken down) without our well-oiled squad of volunteers—Susan, Sandy, Ryan, Connor, Julie, and of course, Ursula and Mark. It's become quite an undertaking planning and setting up a larger market (dozens and dozens of vendors, always a new puzzle to piece together each week for half the Saturdays of the year!)

Help build the Cedar Mill Park Trail!

9 am - 1 pm, Saturday July 18

Join us as we install a new trail from 107th through the woods to Cedar Mill Park! Please bring work gloves, a shovel and re-usable water bottle to drink from throughout the project. Refreshments and a water cooler will be provided!

Cedar Mill Park is next to Cedar Mill Elementary School, located on the corner of NW 102nd & Cornell Road. Volunteers will meet at the picnic tables on the north side of the lower parking lot.

You can pre-register for the event at the THPRD website, thprd.org/about/volunteer/environmental.cfm, or just show up!



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Making space for craft

by Jody Creasman, OCAC Communications Director

Just up the hill on Barnes from St. Vincent's Hospital, Oregon College of Art and Craft (OCAC) nestles in a wooded 9.5-acre campus, serving over 2,500 children and adults annually through degree and community programs. It's sometimes called the best-kept secret on the Washington County cultural scene.

From its beginnings as small workshops taught in 1907 at founder Julia Hoffman's home, to a location in northwest Portland, and now in its present location near Cedar Mill, OCAC connects you to a world of creativity.

The school is an intentionally small, exceptionally student-centered art college gathering people from all over the country. The College offers a Master of Fine Arts in Applied Craft and Design, a four-year Bachelor of Fine Arts in Crafts, two Certificate Programs, as well as year-round studio classes and workshops for adults and children of all ages and skill levels. Many classes are open to people who aren't pursuing a degree. See the website (ocac.edu) for class offerings.

Vision for the future

Now into its second century, OCAC has outlined a vision for its future: to become the principal center for the invention of modern craft. OCAC continues to engage people of all ages and skill levels, and looks to enrich the regional culture in which it thrives.

This vision will evolve with the transformation of the entire OCAC campus as we renovate existing studio and public spaces, as well

as construct new buildings that add 54,000 square feet to double the College's current facility size. This ambitious project will:

- Improve the educational experience by providing enhanced facilities equipped with modern technology, ample storage, and extensive studio and classroom space.
- Contribute to the creative economy of Portland by bringing more innovative artists to the region.
- Inspire more community artists to rediscover craft.
- Increase services and resources available to the community to better meet demand for our wide range of programming.

Campus highlights

OCAC's campus features a community of buildings with studios, library, café, exhibition spaces and on-campus housing.

Enjoy the serenity of the wooded OCAC campus as you savor artfully prepared, reasonably priced lunches, dinners, and Sunday brunch at the Hands On Cafe. The menu changes daily and features ethnic and regionally inspired cuisine. Cash or check only.

The Hoffman Gallery, named after the College's founder Julia Hoffman, brings the work of regional, national and international artists to campus. Exhibitions are selected to reflect current trends in the arts, as



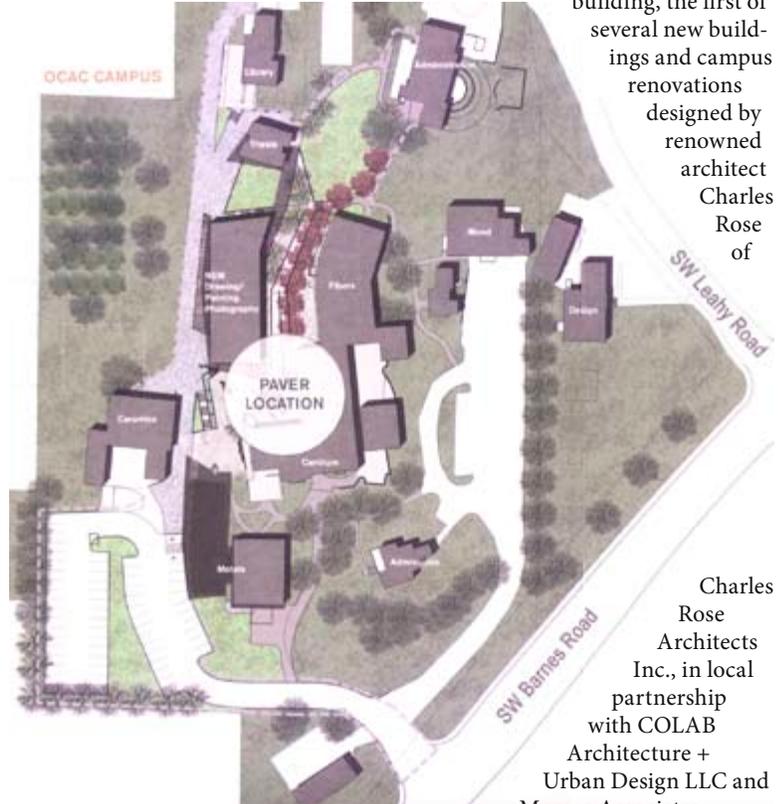
well as the historical and cultural aspects of art and craft. Common to all Hoffman gallery exhibitions is the goal of providing a forum to promote dialogue and education.

The Centrum Gallery features student artwork in monthly departmental shows throughout the year. Exhibitions in the Centrum Gallery feature artists with current or

with your name, a loved one's name, or a favorite quote, are available for tax-deductible contributions of \$250 or \$500 each. Your "purchase" of a paver will be a tangible and lasting reminder of the mark you've made on our campus.

The pavers will be placed in the various courtyards near the new Drawing/Painting and Photography

building, the first of several new buildings and campus renovations designed by renowned architect Charles Rose of



Charles Rose Architects Inc., in local partnership with COLAB Architecture + Urban Design LLC and Murase Associates.

A limited number of pavers are available. Order yours online at www.ocac.edu. Act now to reserve your place in history as a community supporter of fine art and craft in the Northwest!

former association with the College, such as alumni, former artists in resident, and workshop instructors.

Over 100 artists sell work in the retail Craft Gallery, which features ceramics, jewelry, wood, fiber, handmade books, glass, metal, mixed media, prints and photographs. Most artists represented have a current or former association with the college as alumni, faculty, students, or workshop instructors.

You can sign up to get our free e-newsletter highlighting gallery shows and other activities at the school on our website ocac.edu (click on News & Events and select Newsletter).

Take part in the changes at OCAC

Memberships in OCAC help support the programs of the school, and offer discounts on classes, events, and purchases to members.

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Rendering of the new Drawing/Painting/Photography building currently under construction on the OCAC Campus.

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Temporary trail opens Bluffs Park to northern neighbors

Until recently, neighbors to the north of The Bluffs Park in Cedar Mill had no way to get to the nearby playground and natural areas. Although there was a 20-foot-wide strip of Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) property that ran along the north side of the Hiway Condominiums, few were aware that it was there, and

South road and one south of South Drive (see map). An informal trail connected the two western segments for many years, but fell into disrepair and became choked by blackberries in recent years.

In 2003, a Master Plan was developed with Phase 1 calling for construction of a play area with swings and a climbing structure.



until the latest development at the west end of Blackhawk Drive was built, accessing it involved crossing private property.

This spring, THPRD constructed a temporary chip-surface trail, connecting Blackhawk to the park. Prior to that, some people attempting to enter the park had been

A trail was improved from Haskell Court, winding through the small natural area. Funding for Phase 2, including construction of a permanent trail, landscaping and other improvements, was included in the 2008 bond measure that voters passed last November. These improvements are scheduled for Fall 2010.



Parents and neighbors have been requesting access to the Bonny Slope School trail and better access to the park, and the district has responded. The new temporary segment will consist of a set of switchbacks because the center segment of the park is fairly steep. A short walk

confronted by Hiway residents who mistakenly believed that they were trespassing.

In June, THPRD announced that they would build an additional segment of the temporary trail connecting the two segments of The Bluffs Park. With a short on-street segment, the new trail will finally offer a safe way for kids to walk to Bonny Slope School from the Ironwood neighborhood.

The Bluffs Park has been a neighborhood park in the THPRD system for over 30 years. It consists of three separate segments; one off Haskell Court, one north of

along South Drive will then connect to the school trail (see [May 2008 article](#)).

Human Services deserve our attention too

by Bruce Bartlett, chair, CPO 1

Land use issues (new developments, infill, transportation planning, sidewalks/lack of, etc.) overtly impact the daily lives of people, so they are the most visible county services to the largest number of people. Oregon's land use laws are built on a set of Goals, and Goal #1 dictates that citizens will have a way to be involved in land use issues.

From this initial mandate, the county's Citizen Participation Organization (CPO) program was born—as a result there is considerable awareness of our individual and collective ability to be a part of the land use process.

While I am definitely a “land use geek,” I have a larger abiding interest in the work of our Health & Human Services (HHS - www.co.washington.or.us/HHS) department which provides for the care of citizens who truly need help (services to the aged, veterans, people with physical and mental disabilities, public health services, animal services and much more). The county's 2009-2010 budget has recently been approved and I had a look at it. It was striking to find that the amount of money spent on human services is five times (~\$20 million) larger than the amount spent on land use support services (~\$4 million, not counting capital projects). Public Safety (Sheriff, Jail/Community Corrections, Courts/DAs) consumes 15 times as much money as land use (~\$60 million). Land Use is the smallest component of the budget.

The state is mandated to fund the county's HHS budget with state-shared revenue and passed-

through federal funding. Virtually no taxes collected in the county pay for human services. As responsible stewards, the county's policy has been to not “backfill” funding for human services. This means that identified needs will go unmet unless the state pays. As I testified recently to the county Commissioners, whether this policy will be able to pass a serious “Compassion Test” remains to be seen. Washington County has done exemplary work in crafting a very cost-effective system of providing essential human services. I have personally seen the system evolve over the last 15 years and I am proud to have been involved with it.

The process to approve Oregon State's budget for the next biennium has roared to its awkward finale. Through a myriad of negotiations and “jiggerings” plus the critical Federal Stimulus money, there have not yet been huge cuts in all budgets. However, the state's revenue-raising proposals (read: taxes) are likely to be referred to voters in November. If the voters turn down the revenue proposals, or when the stimulus money runs out, monstrous cuts will have to be made to human services.

It saddens me that these cuts will not attract anywhere near the attention that land use matters will. Each dollar spent on human services has a person's face connected to it. Unfortunately these faces can be invisible and they are all too easy to ignore. I find myself wishing Oregon had another Goal #1 that encouraged citizens to be involved in the advocacy of our precious human services, not just land use.

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Bonny Slope Blueberries opens 2009 season

Joan Gunness, owner of Bonny Slope Blueberries, says, "come on up!" to pick the most delicious huge and juicy blueberries in the area. The farm, located at 3555 NW South Road, is open 9 am - 6 pm daily or by appointment. She advises you to call first to make sure they're open, since they have to close occasionally for ripening—503-645-1252.

Bring your own containers. For easiest picking, make a blueberry bucket from a large plastic container with a cord attached to put around your neck. That way you can use both hands.

Prices are \$2/lb for you-pick berries. If you want to leave the picking to them, call first to order berries at \$3/lb. But it can be a fun family outing to meander through the bountiful field getting your own berries. The bushes are loaded, and plenty of the berries are low on the bushes for kids. But please don't bring your dogs.

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Historic house needs your help

by Virginia Bruce and Leslie Peterson

People often ask when the historic John Quincy Adams Young House, on Cornell just west of 119th, will be open to the public. The answer is both simple and difficult—the house, built in 1869, will be restored once we raise about \$3/4 million! Although the house and grounds are part of Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD) the district needs the community to raise the money to renovate the house and develop the grounds.

The house was occupied more or less continuously up until the seventies, but after that it was repeatedly vandalized and finally boarded up. It will take a massive amount of work to turn it into a community asset, including raising/rebuilding the foundation and restoring the building from the walls in—new wiring, plumbing, insulation and interior finish.

Saving the house

The original Friends of JQA Young House was created in November of 1997 to prevent the house from being moved or demolished. The group, led by Sue Peterson Conger, gathered historical information about the house and property, and initiated discussions with the Cedar Mill Bible Church, which by then owned the property, and THPRD.

After eight long years of negotiations, THPRD acquired the house and about half an acre of surrounding property. In May 2005, THPRD appointed a 13-member ad hoc committee to create a Master Plan for its restoration.

The ad hoc committee worked for over a year to complete the restoration plan and then the group disbanded. Susan Conger, the chair of the Friends of the John Quincy Adams Young House and the hoc committee, succumbed to cancer in May 2006. In June 2006, THPRD general manager Ron Willoughby, who had been a great champion of the house, retired. With the

initial goal of the Friends being accomplished, and with the loss of key personnel, momentum in the development of the property was temporarily slowed.

Since that time, largely through the efforts of former ad hoc committee members, interest in the house has been sustained, and there have been several fund-raising activities, most notably the first and second annual Cedar Mill Cider Festivals. Former ad hoc committee members gathered with some of the descendants of Susan Conger to discuss the future of the fundraising effort. The house was named to the Na-



tional Register of Historic Places on December 31, 2008.

How you can help

This spring, a new Friends of the John Quincy Adams Young House committee was formed under the guidance of THPRD to raise money and continue community involvement. Funds are being collected and administered by the Tualatin Hills Park Foundation (thprf.org) a non-profit (501(c)3) adjunct to THPRD. We have created a website with information about the house, JQA Young and the fundraising effort (jqayounghouse.org).

The Friends committee could use a few more members, especially people with fundraising experience or contacts. See the website for an application form, or contact Lynda Myers at 503-629-6355.

Consider including the house in your will, trust or annual giving plan. This important community asset, once restored and enhanced with interpretive material, will serve as a center that links Cedar Mill and Washington County to its pioneer past for students, tourists, and everyone who visits. Contact Virginia Bruce at 503-629-5799 for more information.

JQA Young, continued from page 1 people were killed outright, including Whitman and his wife, the former dismembered and mangled beyond recognition.

The tragedy struck the Youngs as well. James Young was killed while driving a wagon from the mission to the gristmill. John Quincy Adams, his brother Daniel and his parents were unhurt. Still, the Cayuse held them and some fifty others prisoner, until Peter Skene Ogden of the Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Vancouver ransomed the captives a month later.

The gruesome Whitman Massacre was one of the cataclysmic events of the period. When news of it reached Washington, it helped to usher in the establishment of the more formal Oregon Territory a year later.

It is difficult for us to imagine what must have gone through the minds of the Youngs, who were looking for a promising future, only to be faced with exhaustion, death of one of theirs, loss of all their possessions, and then imprisonment at the hands of the Cayuse.

With the other freed settlers, they reached Fort Walla Walla on December 31, 1847. They left the next morning in three large boats for Fort Vancouver. JQA Young said in his memoir, "Think of this, going down the Columbia in mid-winter in open boats, with only blankets and our scanty clothing on our backs, and a very few personal possessions. All our cattle, oxen, and wagons were confiscated or, in other words, stolen from us by the five Indians in the camp."*

They stayed at Fort Vancouver for a few days, but soon afterwards boarded a barge to Oregon City. Elam, Daniel and JQA worked odd jobs to see the family through the winter, and then in May 1848 they moved to a small house in the Tualatin Valley to work for Walter Pomeroy.



Elizabeth Young in front of the second family home, date unknown. Photo courtesy of Bernie Young.

A year later (1849) Irene and Elam Young settled on two Donation Land Claim plots totaling 642 acres around present-day Orenco. (Elam Young Parkway runs through it.) From all we can tell, JQA continued working the farm with his father and brother Daniel for the next few years. His father died in 1855, at age 67. Their mother Irene died in 1865 at age 74.

In 1856 John Q.A. Young married a neighbor, Elizabeth Constable, one of five children orphaned on the Oregon Trail, who were brought to the Oregon Territory to live with their late father's nephew. John and Elizabeth had a total of 11 children, three of whom died young. Elizabeth was a respected midwife, seeing to the births of at least fifty babies in the area.

JQA and Daniel and their families continued living on their parents' farm until they sold it. Daniel's first wife died and is buried in Union Cemetery in Cedar Mill, he later moved to the Goldendale Washington area.

In 1869 John Q.A. Young formed a partnership with William Everson,

who had crossed the plains in the same wagon train as the Young family. They bought the "Jones Lumber Company" mill and 160 acres of timber from Justus Jones and his family, who had settled the original Land Claim on the property. We believe that the small house we today refer as the JQA Young House was built that same year. It became the home of the Young family, by now including five children.

By 1874 JQA Young had sold his interest in the sawmill and purchased 280 acres of land across the Cornell Road, where he built a much finer and bigger house in 1884. That house no longer exists—apartments now occupy the site.

Young converted the old house into a small general store. He petitioned the US government for a Post Office, proposing the name "Cedar Mill." In 1874 he received his appointment as postmaster for the area. He operated his small Post Office from the original house until

1882, when George Reeves took over the position and ran the Post Office from his General Store at Cornell and Barnes.

John Quincy Adams Young then devoted his energies to what he called the "noblest calling of man," namely farming. In his later life, JQA Young was a respected member of the growing community. Aside from farming he was an active member of the Wesley Chapel, the Oregon Historical Society, and the Oregon Pioneer Association. He was one of the founders of Leedy Grange, he served as a Justice of the Peace, and was a Washington County Commissioner from 1898 to 1902.

His eventful life ended in 1905. He died in his Cedar Mill home across from the earlier saltbox home. Elizabeth lived until 1934. They are buried in Union Cemetery off NW 143rd Avenue. Their graves are next to that of his parents Elam and Irene. (Union Cemetery, incidentally, is the resting-place of many of the early settlers of the area and well worth a visit.)

His role in naming the area and his service as first Postmaster marks the JQA Young House a valuable historical site for us today. It was named to the National Register of Historic Places on December 31, 2008. The house is now part of Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (see accompanying article about the Friends of the JQA Young House.)

*Compiled from various sources, including, "Life Sketches by John Q.A. Young, 1889," extracted from the biography of John Quincy Adams Young, which was transcribed by his daughter Mabel Young McIlwain.

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Farm Market, continued from page 1 of Food, explain why food grown locally is not only more sustainable for the planet but also healthier. Industrially-produced food, dependent on chemical fertilizers and pesticides, has been shown to contain drastically reduced quantities of nutrients, including the vital anti-oxidants that keep us healthy. In fact, research is showing that plants that are grown sustainably actually contain more antioxidants because plants produce them to help resist disease and recover from insect damage.

One of the pleasures of subscribing to a CSA is getting a variety of food that you may not have been in the habit of buying. To help people figure out what to do with their bounty, YourCSA is providing recipes with each box of food. When you sign up, you get a binder with the basic CSA information, and you can add the weekly recipes to it. In addition, you get a supply of “green bags” that keep produce fresh longer by absorbing the ethylene gas

devoted to connecting people to local food.

All the produce from YourCSA is “naturally grown” and/or Food Alliance certified. Vahan explains that this means, “Pests are controlled with the minimum of low toxicity sprays, and only enough to rid the crop of an outbreak that would devastate the crop. Nothing is used prior to harvest. Weeds are hand picked, tractor-tilled or just let go.” The soil is enhanced with their own compost and sandy loam mix, which is also for sale at the farm.

Yearly membership is \$400 for 16 weeks of produce, which started



Vahan Dinihanian near the lumber mill. An old-growth log salvaged from the coast range waits to be milled into something special.



Packing greenery at Dinihanian's in the fifties

that speeds deterioration.

“A big part of our marketing plan is simply to do a very good job with the boxes,” says Vahan. “We want to encourage word-of-mouth.” He says that the sign they have installed on Cornell is getting them the most new customers. They also advertise on Craigslist and through links on localharvest.org, a website

June 30. For those who join later, prices are pro-rated so if you join by July 7, it's \$375 for 15 boxes. All prices and an online order form are on their website, yourcsa.com. Shares are designed to feed a family of four. “Overpick” is available at the farm market and by special order if you want to preserve some of the harvest for winter eating.



An old rug delivery truck and an ElDorado are preserved in one of the storage buildings. Vahan Dinihanian also restores and rides old motorcycles.

In addition to the regular boxes, they will be providing a Thanksgiving bonus box for your holiday. Next year they plan to include a Christmas tree and a wreath in a yearly subscription.

Still a lumber mill in Cedar Mill!

In addition to the holly, produce,

and soil products, there is a small lumber mill on the property. About eight years ago, Vahan installed a Mobile Dimensional Saw from MobileMfg of Troutdale to mill trees cut down locally. He currently has

a complete set of lumber available for a traditional German barn called a liegender dachstuhl, contact him if you need one! Additional lumber in fir, maple and cedar

sits in the mill shed. They also sell holly firewood and landscape timber.

The Dinihanian family in Cedar Mill is related to the other big nursery “dynasties” in the area by marriage—Gustav Teufel’s granddaughter Rosalie met and married the senior Vahan, a third-generation Persian rug dealer from Portland. They acquired the acreage on Cornell, and planted “Teufel’s Hybrid” holly, starting Dinihanian Holly Farms.

There are currently seven family members involved in this effort—Vahan and his wife Tasha and their four-year-old daughter Sonja; and Lillian and her husband Dan, along with their teenage kids Alexander and Christiana. Lillian and Dan have a farm in the Dixie Mountain area, in northwest Washington County along Skyline. They grow

Christmas trees, peaches, peonies and vegetables, and Lillian is active in the Grange, 4H and Future Farmers of America.

Vahan and Lillian grew up in the farmhouse on the property, helping out the family enterprise. It's now occupied by Carlos Adamy, the manager of the CSA, and his family. Vahan and his family live on another ten-acre farm on Skyline, where he currently grows holly and plans to plant asparagus for next season.

They also grow peonies and boxwood for florists on the Cornell property. While Dinihanians used to ship holly all over, Vahan says that they're, “done with wholesale holly,” and that they'll only be selling it locally. They're open during the holiday season with a great selection of decorations and greenery.

Visit the Farm Market on Cornell, or check out the website yourCSA.com for more information.

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