

Memories from Chinese New Year Portland Classical Chinese Garden Celebrates The Year of The Pig

"Lunar Year 4705, the Year of the Pig (Boar) opened on February 18th with 1,700 spectators watching three colorful lions dancing to the rhythmic beat of drums and crashing cymbals. From the plaza to the mountain, the lions roared, paid respect to the gods and spirits and wished everyone good fortune for the coming year. The beginning of the New Year is the time to begin afresh. Look for the Garden to be offering classes and opportunities for members to learn more about the culture of China. Never twice the same, Lan Su Yuan seeks to inspire, engage and educate our community in the culture of China. Thank you to Old Town Chinatown for their support."

— Gloria Lee, Executive Director,
Portland Classical Chinese Garden

Gung Hei Fat Choi!

That means "Congratulations and Be Prosperous." It's a traditional Cantonese greeting for the Chinese New Year. This February, to usher in the Year of the Fire Pig, Old Town

Chinatown's **Classical Chinese Garden** hosted a 15 day celebration that included lion dances, classes, demonstrations, performances, feasting and processions.

For the opening day kick-off on February 18th, visitors, including many families with small children, were lined up around the block to enjoy dance performances, storytelling, and a chance to take a picture with the lion! Carol Gwo, a skilled storyteller, explained the origin of the Chinese Zodiac to a jam-packed crowd.

The Chinese Zodiac, she told the crowd, began when Buddha challenged all of the animals to a contest of wit and strength. To show their skill, they were told to cross a wide river. The rat rode on the back of the ox, so they were first. Then came the tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, ram, monkey, rooster, dog, and then the pig. So that is the order of the Chinese Zodiac.

Chinese New Year is historically one of the most important festivals of the year, and has included traditions to bring longevity, prosperity, luck and happiness. It is a time for visiting family and friends, contemplating plans for the upcoming year, and for match making. People wear bright clothes, give each other gifts, and prepare special foods. The lion dances and the abundant firecrackers are meant to scare off evil spirits. Also, a new animal and element rotate in for the New Year.

Photographs by Mike Zaugg



2007 is the year of the Fire Pig. Typically, people born in the Year of the Pig (or Boar) are easy-going, generous and joyful. They are thought to care deeply about the well-being of others, and to have a passion for learning. The element that applies to the year is also said to cast a specific meaning on the upcoming year's events. Since this year's element is fire, people will be drawn to act decisively, but must be careful not to let their passions get the better of them. To find out more about your Chinese Zodiac animal, and what this year will bring for you, go to www.portlandchinesegarden.org.



ARTS AND ATTRACTIONS IN OLD TOWN CHINATOWN

The Song of Songs: The Honeybee in the Garden at Oregon Jewish Museum

For anyone who hasn't seen *The Song of Songs: The Honeybee in the Garden* at the **Oregon Jewish Museum** at 310 NW Davis, you still have one month to catch it. The beautiful illustrations created from parchment, fine calligraphy, paint, and precious metal leaf were created by artist Debra Band to depict *The Song of Songs*, the Bible's poem of sensuality, passionate love, appreciation of nature, and an allegorical relationship between Bride (the nation of Israel) and Groom (God).

Debra Band has had numerous exhibits across the United States and England. Her work was recently honored when the State of Israel Bonds selected one of her pieces to represent the "chai" bond. Band is descended from a long line of rabbis, back to Berditchever Rav in late 18th Century Ukraine.

In *The Song of Songs: The Honeybee in the Garden*, her husband David provides the text translations from Hebrew. The exhibit opened on February 1st with a First Thursday reception and will continue through May 6th.

Museum hours are Tuesday – Friday 11 am to 2 pm, and Sunday 1 pm to 4 pm. Admission is \$3, free to museum members. Group Tours are available upon request. For more information call 503.226.3600 or go to www.ojm.org.

Portland Saturday Market is Back!

Portland Saturday Market is here again. The opening weekend, March 3rd and 4th, featured great entertainment on the Main Stage, and free kids' activities with Ethos, Inc., a multi-cultural music center. Supplies were available for children and their families to make their own musical instruments for a parade through the market.

The market is now open every Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm, and every Sunday from 11 am to 4:30 pm, until Christmas Eve. It is located at SW Ankeny and Naito Parkway, at the Skidmore Fountain. With more than 350 artisans, and various live performers, Portland Saturday Market has something exciting for everyone. Two hours free parking at Smart Park garages, or a free Tri-Met ticket, are available with a \$25 purchase.

Upcoming Special Events:

- **Summer Arts on Main**
July 11th – August 15th, between Broadway and Park.
- **Holiday Artisan Market at Pioneer Courthouse Square**
December 4th – December 13th
- **Festival of the Last Minute:**
December 15th – December 24th at SW Ankeny and Naito Parkway.

For more information about upcoming events at Portland Saturday Market go to www.portlandsaturdaymarket.com.

The Monkey and The Rat to Rock First Sundays

"April Fool's Blues" Children's Concert

The Monkey and The Rat

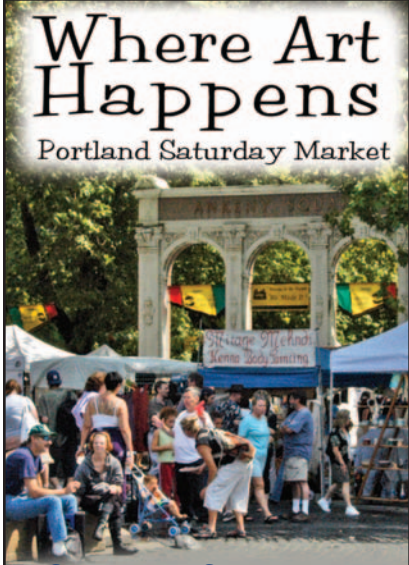
131 NW 2nd Ave.

Sunday, April 1st - 1 – 3:00 pm

FREE!!

April 1st's "April Fool's Blues" marks the start of First Sunday concerts at **The Monkey and The Rat** at 131 NW 2nd Ave. Featured in the acoustic Blues Concert and Kids' Jam are delta-and-funk blues duo Lynn Hyde and Stu Kendall. It's free family fun at one of Old Town Chinatown's great import stores. The First Sunday concerts at The Monkey and The Rat are part of the Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association's ongoing

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**Where Art
Happens**
Portland Saturday Market

Sat. 10 - 5 + Sun. 11 - 4:30
March ~ Christmas Eve.
503.222.6072
www.portlandsaturdaymarket.com

brainstorming to develop interesting and fun First Sunday activities to attract visitors to Old Town Chinatown. Owner Christopher Yates invites other business owners to join him in developing ideas for First Sundays. For event information, call 503.224.3849 or go to www.monkeyandrat.com.

New Exhibit Opens at Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

On March 11th Roger Shimomura's *Three Lithographic Suites on the Internment Experiences* opened at the **Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center**. The collection of prints are a part of Mr. Shimomura's body of work that includes paintings, prints, and theater pieces discussing the sociopolitical issues of Asian Americans. The opening celebration featured "An American Diary," a lecture by Mr. Shimomura outlining his work over the last 40 years.

An award-winning artist and widely respected university professor, Mr. Shimomura has had over 100 solo exhibitions of his paintings and prints. Over 200 universities, art schools, and museums nation-wide have welcomed him as a visiting speaker. He has received over 30 grants, including several National Endowment for the Arts fellowships. In 1999, the Seattle Urban Art League created a scholarship in his name to be awarded each year to a Seattle resident pursuing a career in art. In 2004, Shimomura retired and began the Shimomura Faculty Research Support Fund. *Three Lithographic Suites on the Internment Experiences* will run through April 22nd. The Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center is open Tuesday – Saturday from 11 am to 3 pm and Sunday noon to 3 pm. Admission is \$3, free for members.

NW Documentary Premieres *Eloquent Nude*

Eloquent Nude, a new documentary from **NW Documentary Arts & Media** about the works and love of photographer Edward Weston and his wife and model Charis Wilson, was received with enthusiasm beyond expectation at its world premiere at the Portland Art Museum on March 8th. Over 1,500 people lined up around the Art Museum to see the film, and guest appearances by Director Ian McCluskey and Charis Wilson herself. It's not too late to catch this amazing documentary! *Eloquent Nude* will be shown at **Cinema 21** at 616 NW 21st Ave. March 30th - April 5th. Shows are 7 pm nightly, with a 2 pm matinee on Saturday and Sunday. A limited run DVD will also be available. Don't miss this chance to support NW Documentary Arts & Media, a part of the thriving Old Town Chinatown arts scene, and to be one of the first to experience this inspiring story of love and art. For more information, call 503.227.8688, or go to www.nwdocumentary.org.

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Now Showing & Coming Attractions

Portland Classical Chinese Garden

Exhibit: *Scrolls from China*

When: Ongoing

Hours: Daily, 9 am to 6 pm

Where: NW 3rd and Everett

For More Information: call

503.228.8131 or go to www.portlandchinesegarden.org

Oregon Jewish Museum

Exhibit – *The Song of Songs: The Honeybee in the Garden*

(By Debra Brand)

When: February 1st – May 6th

Hours: Tuesday – Friday 11 am –

2 pm and Sunday 1 pm – 4 pm

Where: 310 NW Davis Street

Event – Annual Gala: It's Chai

Time For Art, fine art auction,

silent auction and banquet

When: Sunday May 6th, 5 pm

Where: The Governor Hotel, 611 SW 10th Ave.

For More Information: call

503.226.3600 or go to www.ojm.org.

Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

Exhibit: *Roger Shimomura – Three Lithographic Suites on the Internment Experiences*

When: March 11th – April 22nd

Hours: Tuesday – Saturday 11 am –

3 pm and Sunday 2 pm – 3 pm

Where: Oregon Nikkei Legacy

Center, 121 NW 2nd Ave.

For More Information: call

503.224.1458 or go to www.oregonnikkeilegacycenter.org

Saturday Market

Ongoing: *artisans, food vendors and performing artists*

When: Now until Christmas Eve

Hours: Saturday 10 am – 5 pm and

Sunday 11 am – 4:30 pm

Where: SW Ankeny and Naito

Parkway

Event: *Summer Arts on the Main*

When: July 11th – August 15th

Where: Between Broadway and Park

For More Information: go to www.portlandsaturdaymarket.com.

Caring for our Community

Portland Rescue Mission Welcomes New Executive Director



Portland Rescue Mission photograph

Eric Bauer says that he is “delighted to be working in such a welcoming, eclectic neighborhood as Old Town Chinatown.” On February 17th 2007 he stepped in as the new Executive Director at **Portland Rescue Mission**. His personal mission is “to serve the hurting and disenfranchised.” He hopes to engage the community at large in Portland Rescue Mission’s programs, and envisions regular visits from community groups to host evening meals. It’s an easy and fun way to get involved.

Eric came to Portland with his wife Ruth, and his sons, Ethan and Jeremiah, after 9 years at the Christian Aid Center in Walla Walla, Washington. Before that, he spent 15 years in engineering and business development in the Bay Area, Los Angeles, and Seattle. Eric was born in Eugene, Oregon, but grew up in

Arkansas and Northern California. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin - Madison, and his Master’s Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford.

Portland Rescue Mission offers hot, nutritious meals to those who desperately need them, but that is just the beginning. Their mission is to give hope, transformation, and total life recovery to the people they serve. The goal of Portland Rescue Mission is to address the root causes of homelessness. Programs are available for men, women and children, including emergency services, addiction recovery, counseling, vocational assistance, skills training and ministry. Participants in their programs express deep gratitude and a renewed sense of hope. They comment that the love and sense of community that they experienced at Portland Rescue Mission were life changing – at a time when they needed those things more than anything.

To receive services, all anyone needs to do is walk through their door at NW 2nd and Burnside. For those interested in supporting Portland Rescue Mission’s programs, there are long and short-term volunteer opportunities, several choices of giving programs, and meal vouchers to purchase. A fun way to get involved is the

Walk to End Homelessness

on May 19th. To sign up, go to www.portlandrescumiission.org or call Erika at 503.MISSION ex. 7777.

Spotlight

The Royal Palm

One of downtown’s most at-risk populations are people experiencing both homelessness and mental illness. Cascadia’s **Royal Palm**, at NW 3rd and Flanders, is dedicated to ending chronic homelessness for individuals with mental illness. The facility, established in 1997, is part of the city’s 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness. There is housing for 30 residents, and emergency shelter for 20. Cascadia is the largest provider of community mental health services in Oregon, with 70 sites in 4 counties, including 55 housing facilities.

Eric Sevos, the Royal Palm’s Program Director, who will be leaving the Royal Palm for another position with Cascadia, has also served on the Board of Directors of the Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association for the past several years. “I am impressed with the commitment of the community to partner with social services,” Eric says. “This creates a uniquely welcoming neighborhood in Old Town Chinatown.”

Macdonald Center & Residence: Portland's Tallest Little Building

By Marylee H. King



Macdonald Center and Residence photograph

The Macdonald Center and Residence on NW 6th and Couch in is one man's dream to serve the people who have no other help and regularly fall through the cracks. Founded by Fr. Richard Berg, CSC, the Macdonald Center and Residence provides a home for 54 residents who need assistance with their daily living. Such assistance includes meals, medicine management, and medical transportation arrangements, and may include help with dressing and showering. "We provide a quality home, quality care, and a fun environment," says Ryan Bethke, Residence Director. Since October, Legacy Management Group of Everett, Washington has managed the assisted living facility.

The Center also helps about 200 people maintain their independence through their outreach visiting program in the single room occupancy hotels. The friendly support of 72 community volunteers and 150 university students allows people to continue to live independently as long as possible. Bethke says, "The Center provides kind of a family to the poor and forgotten in Old Town Chinatown."

The majority of the Macdonald residents come from the neighborhood. Some of them are the hard core homeless – individuals who have lived on the streets for years and years. They lived in a survival mode because they had to. According to Bethke, mental health issues are the hardest part of the work at the Macdonald Residence. Bethke also sees that as one of the most rewarding aspects.

"When someone moves in with bi-polar disease or paranoid schizophrenia and they have been off their medications, they are in the worst possible condition. But getting them stabilized and seeing where they go to in terms of their well being is awesome. It's so rewarding to see such a person become a valuable asset in our community," Bethke observes.

Why does the impossible happen at the Macdonald Center and Residence? Probably the single biggest factor in the Residence's success is the lack of staff turnover. Most assisted living facilities have a turn over of staff every 4 to 6 weeks. At the Macdonald Residence many of the caregivers, housekeepers and dietary aides have been there almost since the building opened seven years ago.

The quality staff who provide the one-on-one, hands-on care to the residents really become family. Also, the residents are so appreciative of what the staff does for them and, most importantly, the respect shown to them. The residents also greatly help by contributing to make the residence work. They share their ideas and concerns as well as volunteer through the Center. "The residents make it possible to mold the building program around them," Bethke indicates.

Bethke hopes to set the bar for excellence in serving the frail poor through assisted

living. "I'd like the Macdonald Center and Residence to be Portland's tallest little building." Even though the Macdonald Center may not stand out like the Bank Tower, Bethke would like people to know the Macdonald Center and Residence, where it is and what it does by its reputation and what it does to benefit the poorest of the poor in Portland. For more information, call 503.222.5720 or go to www.macdcenter.org.

Union Gospel Mission Enjoys a New Home

Union Gospel Mission has a new home, and Executive Director Bill Russell wants the neighborhood of Old Town Chinatown to see the new facilities as a resource for the community. The organization moved into the attractive and bright space at the holiday season in 2006. The multi-story building at the corner of NW 3rd and Burnside boasts living quarters for their LifeChange addiction recovery program, a chapel, and a conference room. Daily meal programs continue in the attached space that was renovated in 1989. Bill Russell says that Union Gospel Mission is "so grateful for the beautiful space that was made possible by donations and resources from the community" and invites neighborhood groups and committees to reserve the conference room for their meetings. Union Gospel Mission will continue their annual programs this year, such as Easter Brunch (April 8th) and Operation Overcoat. They ask that the neighborhood have patience and understanding regarding lines that may form outside the building on event days. To find out more about Union Gospel Mission, call 503.274.4483, or go to www.ugmportland.org.

Meet Your Neighbor: Brian Ford at Ford's on 5th

Brian Ford is the owner of **Ford's on 5th** at 121 NW 5th. His specialty is high-quality food, served fast. Neighborhood residents have dinner regularly at Ford's on 5th, because it's a friendly place, and local businesspeople often choose it for a quick lunch. Steak sandwiches are the top pick, made with "choice" Painted Hills beef. The meatballs, marinara, soups and salad dressings are all house-made using old family recipes.

There's a great story behind the Ford legacy of high-quality dining in Oregon. It all started in 1927 in Canyonville. Brian's grandfather, John, opened "Ford's" right on Highway 99. The sign read "You can pass by Ford's, But don't let Ford's pass you by." When I-5 was built in the 1950's, that Ford's was torn down. Brian's father, Henry, who had taken over operations, moved up to Portland and opened "Henry Ford's Restaurant and Piano Lounge" on Barbur Boulevard. Dinner houses were becoming very popular, and people flocked to Henry Ford's, including celebrities. Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Clarke Gable would visit. Brian Ford took over in 1996. During the last 6 years of business, Henry Ford's ranked among the top steak-houses in the U.S. In 2003, the building was becoming old and needed extensive renovations. Brian switched gears and opened the current Ford's - Ford's on 5th. It has become a popular neighborhood hang-out.

Brian has several exciting projects in the works, including ideas for a new steak house. And there may be a new **Ford's at The Civic** on Burnside as early as August. But there will still be Ford's on 5th in Old Town Chinatown. Stop by and say "Hi!"

Public Restroom Update

Many people feel that the need for more public restrooms is one of the most pressing concerns in downtown Portland. Readily available restrooms make downtown more enjoyable for visitors and shoppers. For public transit users, people experiencing homelessness, and those who are "restroom-challenged" (people who need to use restrooms frequently, such as pregnant women, children, and people with certain health disorders) the availability of suitable restrooms can make the difference between an easy day and an extremely inconvenient one. Lack of public restrooms is also costly. Every year, there are 3,000 calls for emergency waste removal in downtown.

Over the past two years, a group of organizations have teamed together to take action. Citizens of Old Town Chinatown, including members of the Neighborhood Association, teamed together to form **PHLUSH** (Public Hygiene Lets Us Stay Human). They created a report detailing the need for more public restrooms in downtown.

After receiving the PHLUSH report, Mayor Potter's office commissioned a group of Portland State University Urban Studies graduate students, **Relief Works**, to study the issue further. They researched public restroom solutions in other domestic and international cities, and submitted their findings to Mayor Potter's office.

SAFE (Street Access for Everyone), the Mayor's downtown livability committee, is currently considering several of the suggestion for new restrooms, some of which are highly creative, such as artist-designed loos, and attendant-monitored "comfort stations."

Portland Business Alliance and downtown property owners have pledged to support efforts by providing cleaning and security in all newly opened public restrooms, through the Downtown Clean and Safe program. Mike Kuykendall, Vice President of Central City/ Downtown Services, says that they are "excited to partner with the city to make it happen." Other cities, such as Seattle, have had problems with illegal activities, like drug dealing and prostitution, in public restrooms. The Alliance wants to make sure that doesn't happen here.

Look forward to more updates!

Get Portland Mall Construction Updates at portlandmall.org

In February, light rail construction began on 5th avenue as the Portland Mall Light Rail Project is now underway. Visit portlandmall.org for the latest construction updates, events and activities, commuting tips and more. While you're there, sign up to get free updates by email and learn how you can support local businesses.

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portlandmall.org

Light Rail Construction Begins in Old Town Chinatown

It's easy to see big things are happening in the North Mall. While sewer and water utility work continues for the Portland Mall MAX Light Rail Project, light rail Construction began on March 5th along 5th Ave. between Irving and Everett streets. The work in the North Mall is part of a larger 8.3 mile light rail project that will add light rail between Portland State University and Union Station and along the I-205 corridor to connect with Clackamas County, one of the region's fastest growing areas.

Construction Schedule

Light rail construction is divided into three to four block work zones and lasts up to eight weeks. The first of four work zones in the North Mall spans 5th Ave. between Irving and Everett streets with light rail construction taking place during March and April. Work will proceed consecutively to other work zones in a clockwise motion, starting South on 5th Ave., proceeding North and ending South on 6th Ave. Double work shifts are being used to decrease the overall duration of impacts to the community and businesses. After 6 pm, crews will limit their activities to those that generate little to moderate noise. Once this light rail construction is complete, crews will complete sidewalk and station finishing work. All street, rail and sidewalk in the North Mall will be completed by the 2007 holiday moratorium.

A Closer Look

Light rail construction in the first work zone provides a detailed example of how the project work will be performed.



Construction for the I-205/Portland Mall Project is progressing. In February, crews replaced water mains on 5th Ave. between Burnside and Couch. In early March, light rail construction begins on 5th Ave. between Irving and Everett Streets.

Street closures will occur on 5th Ave. between Irving and Everett Streets and most cross streets. Glisan and Everett Streets will have through traffic with one open lane at all times. Vehicle access to all parking facilities will be maintained through at least one driveway. Pedestrians will have access to buildings and businesses and three crosswalks at any intersection will remain open at all times.

Learn More

To find out more about the project and receive weekly construction updates, visit www.portlandmall.org. Area residents and business owners also can contact TriMet's Community Affairs Representative Coral Egnew at 503.962.2275. For construction emergencies, call TriMet's 24 -hour hotline at 503.962.2222.

New Members Join Neighborhood Association Board

On March 6th, six new members, most of whom both live and work or own businesses in the neighborhood, joined the board of the Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association. They are Melissa Armstrong, Fairlight Fitzgerald, Kaebel Hashitani, David Heifetz, Richard Walden and Thornton Wilson. Relected to an additional two year term were current members Terry Leckron and Carl Roberts. Board members whose terms end March 2008 are Scott Brumitt, Randy Capron, Tom Carrollo, Howard Davis, Kim Faucher, Carol McCreary, June Schumann, Joe Ross, Judy Van Alstyne, Paul Verhoeven, Howard Weiner, and Christopher Yarrow.

The General Meeting, which is held annually in March, gave neighbors an opportunity to get to know one another prior to the 5 pm business meeting. The Association thanks **Helen's Market, Monte Rossa Coffee House, Backspace, World Gifts and Tobacco** and Nikki Jardin for kindly providing refreshments.

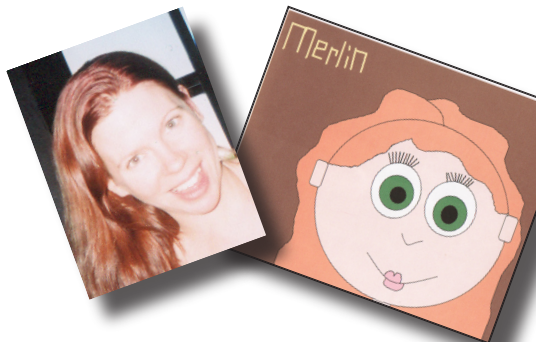


Old Town Chinatown

Crier

A Publication of the Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

At Last! Crier Gets a New Editor



"Hi, My name is Merlin Varaday, and I am the new editor of the Old Town Chinatown Crier. Here are a couple of pictures of me. You can see me walking around in the daytime as a Sidewalk Ambassador. Please stop and say "Hi!"

I am very excited to work on this newsletter, because I think that Old Town Chinatown is a pretty amazing neighborhood. There are so many fun things to do here, like enjoy food (and a ghost!) at Old Town Pizza, take in the great night life, or celebrate Chinese New Year at the Classical Chinese Garden. Each retail store, art gallery and club is so unique. In this neighborhood, there are also many organizations who show that they care about the people in our city. This is a place where everyone is welcome.

It will be great to get to know folks better in the neighborhood while working on this newsletter. The Crier is the place for what you have to say about the neighborhood. Please send in ideas and submissions for each quarterly issue. The in-box for the Crier is otctcrier@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you!

Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

Membership in the Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association is open to all who reside, own businesses or property, or work in the neighborhood. Meetings are open and committees welcome volunteers. If you cannot attend meetings but have ideas to share or would like to get involved, please get in touch.

Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting

Board of Directors and community members meet first Tuesdays, 4:30 pm -6:30 pm at Port of Portland, 121 NW Everett. If you would like to suggest agenda items or receive a copy of the agenda, contact Tom Carrollo. 503.227.3278 x222 tom@beardsleybldgs.com

OTCTNA Arts, Culture and History Group

Third Tuesdays, 11:30 am -1 pm at Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center, 121 NW 2nd Ave.. Brown bag lunches welcome. Chair is June Schumann. 503.224.1458 onlc@oregonnikkei.org

OTCTNA Public Safety Committee

Meets in conjunction with the Public Safety Action Committee (PSAC) for Old Town and Downtown on Second Tuesdays, 10 am - 11:30 am at City Hall in the Rose Room. Contact Howard Weiner regarding neighborhood public safety or livability issues. 503.248.0495 howard@calsk8.com

OTCTNA Communications Committee

Last Mondays from 4 pm - 5 pm. at Backspace, 115 NW 5th Ave. Contact Carol McCreary if you'd like to attend or become involved with the Crier, the website or media relations. 503.984.4081 carolmccreary@comcast.net

Joint Land Use & Design Review Committee of OTCTNA and Visions

First Tuesdays, 3 pm - 4:30 pm at Central City Concern, 232 NW 6th Ave. Co-Chairs are Patrick Gortmaker patrick@kalbererco.com and Paul Verhoeven, 503.222.6072 ex 12 paul@saturdaymarket.org

Old Town Chinatown Visions Committee

Second Wednesdays, 11:30 am -1 pm; Central City Concern, 232 NW 6th Ave. Brown bag lunches welcome. Susan Snyder: susan@centralcityconcern.org

Visions Business Development Committee

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am -1 pm at Central City Concern, 232 NW 6th Ave. Brown bag lunches welcome. Chair is Dorian Yee. 503.224.7066 dyee@bankofthewest.com

For more information, visit our web site at www.oldtownchinatown.net.

Please send submissions, ideas and press releases to otctcrier@gmail.com.

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