

# EARLY BIRD WEEKLY



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Sean Andries, Executive Director of Chehalem Cultural Center, accepted a \$3,000 check to help replace in-ground electrical receptacles for outdoor events. The existing version, cool as they were retracting into the ground, weren't the best choice for rainy Oregon climes.



Terry, "Miss Mack," McElligott, Mountain View Middle School's principal, accepted a check from the Foundation for \$3,500 to cover some of the 30 computer replacements in the school's 3D Printer lab.

Our Interact Club raised \$30,000 funding a year's education for 50 Kenyan students.

Rowan, Corrie, Max and Mason presented an idea they call "Helping Paws - Helping People." The plan is an April 30 event to be held at Jaquith Park with pet vaccinations and goody bags.

Like their [Facebook page](#) to spread the word as the project develops.



Caitlin Corning, Chair, Dept of History and Politics - Professor of History, George Fox University joined student Connor Shelton in sharing their Mapping Our Community project.



One of twenty five colleges in the country to receive this grant from Council of Independent Colleges the project is designed to explore the history of downtown Newberg using resources from GFU's archive and museum collection (and some outside sources).

Phase I of the project is researching 90+ addresses on Newberg's First Street from Main St. to River Rd. from the time of its incorporation (1889, when Fox was Pacific College) to present day.

Eventually the project hopes to expand to Hancock, Center and Second Streets.

Connor is the student lead for 17 of his fellow History majors dredging through the archives, piecing together our town's past for the benefit of business owners, the City, community organizations and others to learn the stories of our buildings.

Like every town everywhere Newberg has undergone new construction, reconstruction, demolitions, repurposing and rezoning. New businesses, expanding, failing and relocating (to/from) businesses.

One example is what's known today as Ken & Daughter (owned by Greg and Edie Salmon) had previous lives on 705 First St. as real estate company, an undertaker, a clothing store ... and just those were within a three year time span. Actually those last two, the undertaker followed by mens'

clothing store a year later were both Hodson & Elliott. Their phone number? "Green 118." [add THAT to your smartphone's contacts list]

As the project outgrows GFU's internal resources it will reach deeper in to sources like Newberg Historical Society, narrative history, etc.

As cited earlier when mentioning George Fox U's resources, The Crescent is one of those [current](#) and [archival](#) resources. It's as vital today as when it first published in 1891 but, instead of black based ink on wood fiber newsprint it is now published in HTML and read on a palm sized screen.

The mapping project is being built using Google Maps because it's free to its contributors and users and is familiar to so many people.

When asked if he had a favorite building Connor quickly answered, "Chapters." Not just for its historical value but because he loves the feel of the business.



When Caitlin was asked about favorite stories she actually mused more over how stories were unearthed than in the actual stories.

Example? In a day with phone numbers like "Green 118," there was a LOT that was left unsaid. And no, no one had yet invented touch screens. In fact, that was before push button or rotary phones.

So when advertising dollars are spent, space

is at a premium. Why would you waste the space for an expensive news panel real estate? Instead, make everything as big and readable as possible.

With that in mind, "everyone knows the location of Moore's Drug Store." So instead of listing a street address in your ad, try "Two doors west of Moore's drugstore."

Or, "C. B. Wilson," who keeps the finest grocery stock in the city, lists no phone and no address. Not even "next to." This must have been some grocer store!

The map will eventually be made public and the group has looked in to building a way for long time residents to fill in the blanks by story submission.

More to come as progress moves along.