

Cohousing in Corvallis

An E Newsletter from CoHo Cohousing in Corvallis, Oregon

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Remember when your best friend lived right next door?

This 'N That

This issue includes a few CoHo highlights, plus an introduction to more CoHo members (human, canine, and feline).

In the Community



Hewlett Packard Earth Day

Amy and Susan staffed a CoHo booth at the Hewlett Packard Earth Day Fair on April 21st. They are holding real leaves, stamped with the CoHo website address (our Marketing Committee is SO clever!).



Karen greeted a visitor at our **Earth Fair Booth** on April 22nd in downtown Corvallis.



(Look for our interactive display at DaVinci Days in July.)

Meanwhile, CoHo members were being transformed into THE FISH for the annual **Parade of the Species**.







How many CoHo members does it take to "put the tail on the fish"?



CoHoers have paraded our CoHo salmon in the Procession for several years.





"The Procession of the Species is an environmental and artistic celebration of the natural world using the mediums of art, music, and dance. Its intention is to give the natural world a greater presence in our community in conjunction with the celebration of Earth Day. It is designed as a cultural exchange to engage people from all ages and walks of life in appreciation of the natural world." http://www.corvallisprocession.org/

Welcome to New Members

In the last few weeks, three households have joined CoHo. Check out bios (soon to be posted in the <u>Meet Us</u> section on our website) to get introduced to Maureen; Meredith, Ted, Mason, and Jessica; and Brenda and Den. Their interests include gardening, fly fishing, kids, singing, woodworking, soccer, laughing, and more.

There are now <u>nine homes available</u> in CoHo, including townhomes (one one-bedroom with loft and one two-bedroom) and lofts (four two-bedrooms, two three-bedrooms, and one four-bedroom).

CoHo Pets Speak Out!

Jasper and Louie (canine members of Jodi and Greg's family) started a trend by including their bios in the Meet Us section of the CoHo website. Some of the other CoHo animals decided to share the spotlight.

Chaser (aka Madcap Dream Chaser)

I am six years old. I live with my mom, Mardi, and Molly (she's a cat, but I like cats because they are fun to chase!). I love my mom because she spoils me with kisses and massages and she takes very good care of me. But, I take good care of my mom too. I sit on her lap and give her kisses. I also take her for a walk every day.

I can do a lot of really cool tricks. My favorite is "give me five" and my second favorite is "put em up".

I am kind of shy and I like people better than I like dogs. But, I'm looking forward to meeting my Coho dog neighbors.



I don't like riding in cars, but it's better since my mom got me a booster seat so I can see out.



Molly

I am a very pretty and very soft cat (also very modest). My CoHo neighbor, Susan, says I am the softest cat she has ever touched (and she's a "cuddler" so she's cuddled LOTS of kitties). I'm not sure how old I am—probably 5 or 6. My mom, Mardi, adopted me from the animal shelter. She brought Chaser to meet me and after one sniff, we decided we'd be good housemates.

I love to walk up to Chaser, look him in the eye, turn around and run. He always chases me.

Chaser and I also collaborate on projects (that's why we'll be great cohousing members). I knock treats and food off the table and Chaser eats them. My mom got smart and now she puts our food and treats in a cupboard. I haven't figured out how to get the cupboard open (yet).

Mostly I like to sleep. Chaser and I share the spot in front of the fireplace. I also like sitting on my mom's lap when she is at her computer. Sometimes I put my paw on her cheek and then I nuzzle her so she knows I love her.





Is it time to make your dream of living in community come true?

The clock is striking 9, marking the time that 9 homes are still available in CoHo!

This clock is on the Benton County Courthouse in downtown Corvallis.

Built in 1889, it is the oldest active courthouse in the state of Oregon.

To find out more about CoHo Cohousing

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Susan at the beach watching other fish swim by...





Mike and Juva in the Procession of the Species

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