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At Flying Cat Coffee Company, most of the performers are lesbian-identified, and the cafe has already hosted lesbian groups and events.

kitten season."

CAT has an extensive foster program that provides a safe place for mother cats and kittens to thrive while they await adoption. "Our priority is to prevent the births of unwanted kittens," said Asmus. Last year, CAT spayed and neutered 635 cats and found homes for 3,250 felines.

Klages has also reached out to the lesbian community. Most of the performers at the grand opening celebration are lesbian-identified. The café has already hosted lesbian groups and a women's motorcycle club and will host an event with the National Center for Lesbian Rights in the fall.

"It is wonderful to have a new, locally owned business in my neighborhood and to be able to support it by doing something that I love to do," said singer/songwriter Cynthia Hoff. "Music brings community together and heals us. That I will also be supporting a wonderful cause like CAT is a bonus."

Hoff plays an eclectic mix of jazz and folk-pop favorites. Violinist Sue Lewis will join her, and the duo will perform among a lineup that includes Alexander's One Man Band, Sheer Blue, Walking Home and Lorna Miller. **JO**

Urban Farm Collective Grand Opening Happy Hour Market, Wed., June 3, 4-7 p.m., Tin Shed Garden Café, 1438 NE Alberta St., free, urbanfarmcollective.com.

Flying Cat Coffee Co. Grand Opening Celebration, Fri., June 5, 4-11 p.m., Sat., June 6, 8 a.m.-11 p.m., 3041 SE Division St., donations accepted, 503-327-1793.

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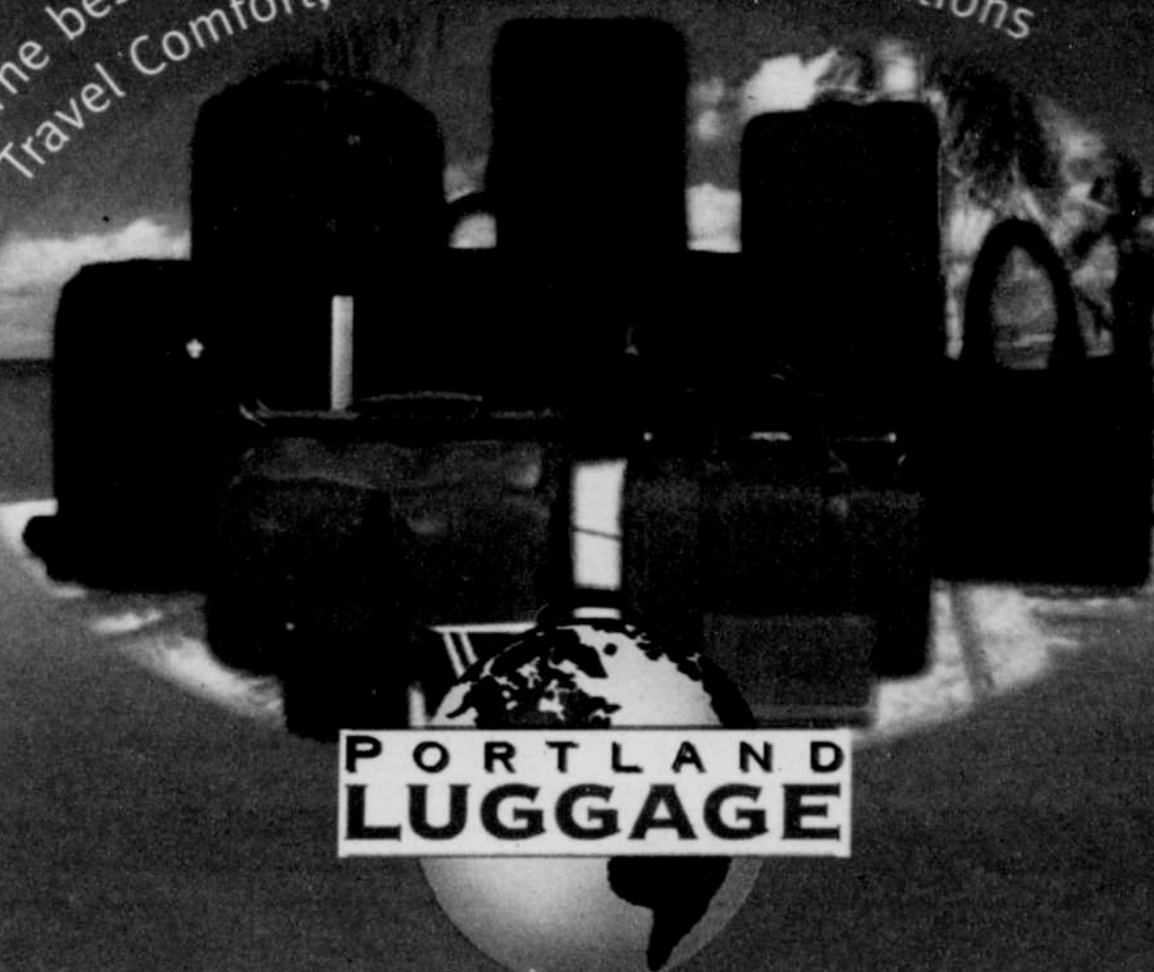
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