

### Old Town/Chinatown discuss homeless camp with code enforcers

Approximately 70 people experiencing homelessness continue to sleep out on the corner of NW Fourth Avenue and Burnside, prompting a special meeting of the Old Town/Chinatown Neighborhood Association livability committee on Oct. 26. The city's Bureau of Development Services (BDS) has sent a letter to the property owners requesting a plan for the lot, and threatened the owners with fines for possible code violations. A spokesperson for the city's BDS told a crowd of nearly 100 people at the meeting that the owners of the property had responded saying they had given permission to the group of homeless people to stay on the lot barring any illegal activity. The spokesperson said they are moving forward on the investigation and that if code violations are found they could result in fines of up to \$1,000 a day if the owners do not comply. Representatives from Right to Dream Too, the neighborhood association and the Portland Housing Bureau also spoke at the meeting about coming up with both short-term and long-term solutions to the location at NW 4th and Burnside and the need for housing.



### Street Roots wins best feature in NASNA awards

Street Roots took home the Best Feature award from the North American Street Newspaper Association in its annual ceremony Oct. 14. The winning story was "On the left side of God," by Street Roots Managing Editor Joanne Zuhl, published in September 2010. The article goes in-depth into the political push on charitable giving after the Catholic Campaign for Human Development discontinued funding for Street Roots' Rose City Resource Guide because the booklet included a listing for Planned Parenthood.

### CORRECTIONS

In the Oct. 14 edition of Street Roots, the interview with Mary Nolan incorrectly stated she was the only candidate challenging an incumbent on City Council. Teressa Raiford is also running against Commissioner Amanda Fritz for Commissioner, Position No. 1. Street Roots strives for accuracy, but we're human. So we also strive to correct errors in our paper whenever possible. Please report any errors to our managing editor, Joanne Zuhl, at 503-228-5657, or write to joanne@streetroots.org

## A rock star with real Roots

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Family and music drew Bradley Siegle to Portland seven years ago from his hometown of Peoria, Ill. He quickly found a music scene that allowed him to express his individuality, which was preferable to some other cities he could have settled in.

"I think about going to L.A. and things like that," says Bradley. "The difference is success versus independence. Portland really allows an artist to be independent, to do what they want to do and I really like that about it."

Bradley describes his music as dark,

### VENDOR PROFILE Bradley Siegle

romantic and acoustic. He is inspired by The Cure, but people have recently compared him to Bright Eyes, Syd Barrett (late of Pink Floyd) and Elliott Smith, another Portlander. "Those compliments really inspire me," says Bradley.

Playing under the moniker Born Broken Heart, Siegle is a solo artist and much of his music can be found on his Myspace page. "When I play live it's just me and an acoustic guitar but I'll put the drums and the bass and the piano down when I record. I write, perform and record pretty much all on my own. I got some equipment when I was going to school so I use a good software program and have my MacBook that I record on."

Bradley has had some formal musical training, having begun a program at Full Sail University along with some courses in theory at Portland Community College. "I'm pretty much self-taught. I was in bands in high school and into college. I played a lot of shows. I was lucky in high school back home, I met a really good guitar player

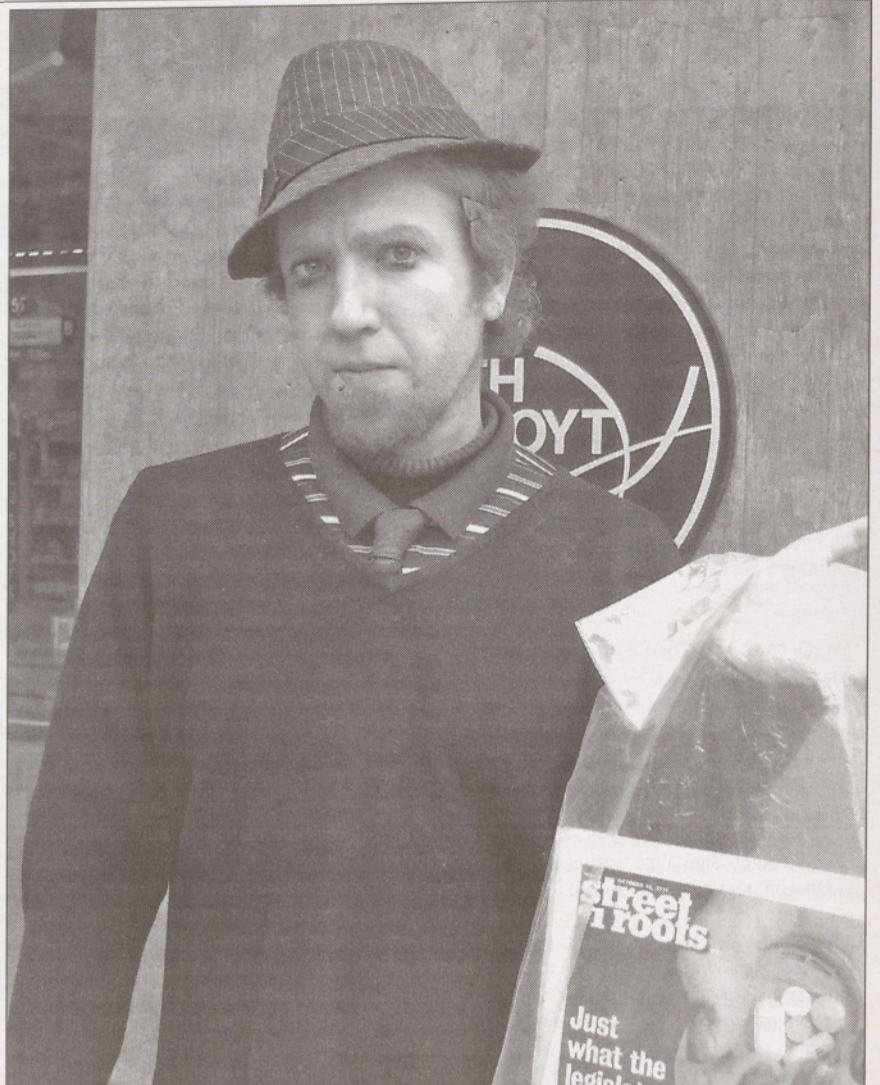


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and I played bass in a band for a while," Bradley says.

The main goal Bradley has is not to get rich and famous through music, though he does appreciate the fame that selling Street Roots brings: "It's weird to be on the streets and have strangers come up and know your name. It's really profound."

More than anything, he appreciates that personal connection between himself and his listeners. "My goals are self-motivated," Bradley says. "I don't have a corporate ideal... It would be nice if I got the opportunity to play some shows or to put some CDs out. It's basically grassroots, just someone possessing my CD and listening to it is the goal. It's very down to Earth. It's not about contacts or sales or anything like

that." Then, he smiles, "If anyone wants to hire me to play birthday parties I'm available."

Outside of music and Street Roots sales, Bradley really enjoys watching movies. Some favorites are the "Twilight" trilogy and "My Own Private Idaho," Gus Van Sant's look at the Portland underground. Bradley has also amassed a pretty amazing plethora of foreign coins from the return slots of Portland parking meters. His best score thus far has been ten francs.

Bradley's favorite food is cheesecake and his favorite drink is, appropriately, Rockstar. He sells Street Roots Wednesday through Monday from 8-2 at the Rite Aid in the Pearl District, NW 10th Ave and Hoyt.

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