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Eagle Scout Project at L'Arche Portland Nehalem House May 30-31, 2015

Portland, OR, – [L'Arche Portland](#) announced today that Zack Danner of SW Portland is coordinating improvements at Nehalem House for his Eagle Scout Project with [Troop #592](#).

About the Eagle Scout Project

Zack Danner is coordinating work that will improve **Nehalem House**, home to four core members (individuals with intellectual disabilities) and three live-in assistants. On May 30-31 Zack and his team of 50 volunteers will resurface the back deck, perform significant landscaping including tree removal, weeding, grading and planting, install a motion detector light on the side of the house, build a bench and surround for the Prayer Garden, and improve areas of egress such as the emergency exit window area and wheelchair ramp. He will replace the kitchen stove and install new doors in the coming weeks. This work will improve livability and access for our residents and guests for years to come. L'Arche Portland is grateful to young people such as Zack for supporting our community. Thanks also to Western Pacific Building Materials and Raleigh Hills Parr Lumber for their donations of product and to everyone who donated money or labor to this project.

About L'Arche

The Portland L'Arche community is part of the L'Arche federation, with 147 communities in 35 countries. **At L'Arche Portland people with and without intellectual disabilities work together to create home and build community.** Those with intellectual disabilities form the heart of our shared life and invite others into mutual relationships. We welcome each person's unique gifts and challenges, and offer opportunities for personal transformation. We trust in God and live as a sign that love, respect and interdependence are the path to a peaceful and just world. L'Arche's model of sharing daily life together creates a culture of equality, founded on a belief in the unique value of every person and our need for one another and to belong.

For more information about L'Arche Portland, please visit www.larche-portland.org or call us at 503.251.6901. There are many ways to support our community – attending an event; providing in-kind donations (please see online [Wish List](#)); inviting our [Speakers Bureau](#) to present at your community group, church or school; volunteering; or becoming an assistant.

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