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Our Community in Action

SCA's May General Meeting will Feature Scott Burns on Local Geology and "The Big One"



Join SCA for Scott Burns's presentation on Monday, May 14, 2018, at 6:30pm at the Sabin School Auditorium (4013 NE 18th Ave).

Please join the Sabin Community Association for its spring general meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018, to chat with fellow Sabin residents and hear a great talk by geologist Scott Burns.

Most Sabin neighbors have heard about the "Big One," the massive earthquake that is likely to hit the entire West Coast from Seattle to California. Burns will address the Big One, the past, present, and future of earthquakes in the Pacific Northwest, and local Portland geology.

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**SABIN'S 2018 BETTY WALKER
SPRING CLEAN-UP**



Maranatha Church Parking Lot

4222 NE 12th Ave. (at Skidmore) | 10am-2pm

Suggested Donation: \$20 per carload, up to \$50 for truckload
Donations support neighborhood projects

WHAT TO BRING?

Household Junk
Furniture, Mattresses
Scrap Metal, Appliances
Wood (no treated wood, but paint and nails okay)
Large Branches
Items for our Free/Trade Area

FOR DONATION

Not sure if an item is reusable? Bring it! We'll sort.
Tools (yard and home), furniture, kitchenware, lamps, clean linens, irons, fans, alarm clocks, canes, crutches, and medical gear
Lumber in 5 foot lengths or longer
Bikes

NOT ACCEPTED

Hazardous waste
Construction, demolition, remodeling debris
Residential/commercial yard debris and trimmings
Curbside waste & recyclables
Waste not allowed at regional transfer station
Other materials: see website

Please visit SabinPDX.org/cleanup for a full list of acceptable items.

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2018 SCA Meeting Schedule

Board meetings are open to all and are held from 7–9 p.m. on the second Monday of the month (except in July, August, and December) at Sabin School’s Auditorium (second floor), 4013 NE 18th Ave. Upcoming meetings:

May 14

General Meeting, board elections, and Scott Burns presentation

June 11

No meetings in July and August

September 10

October 8

November 12

EVENTS CALENDAR

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ON SABIN EVENTS

Sabin Community Association



SCA Discontinues Print Newsletter after June 2018

Dear Sabin neighbors,

It is with mixed emotions that we share our upcoming transition of phasing out the SCA paper newsletter after the June 2018 issue. In an increasingly digital age, and with difficulty recruiting SCAN writers, editors, and deliverers, the SCA board has decided it is time to build our digital capacity.

Reading through past years of Sabin Community Association files, we found an early print copy of the Sabin Community Association news bulletin — what would eventually become the Sabin Community Association Newsletter (SCAN) — that was mailed to neighbors in the summer of 1977.

The five-page newsletter, typed on legal-size paper, featured a number of topics including an SCA survey stating three goals: 1) “to improve neighborhood communication through a newsletter and neighborhood hotline”; 2) “to support Sabin School in educational activities as well as other groups which strive to improve the community”; and 3) “to upgrade home improvements, beautification of neighborhood streets, lights, parks, and neighborhood facilities.”

Although community issues have changed and evolved over the years, SCA’s goals remain on point with those of the early SCA board. We have made available this 1977 newsletter on SCA’s website, www.SabinPDX.org/newsletter-archives. It is an interesting snapshot

into Sabin history from over forty years ago.

For at least 25 years, volunteers have loved making front porch delivery of paper newsletters to all 1500+ homes in Sabin. Each issue of the newsletter has involved about 40 Sabin residents, working together on production and distribution: an editor; several writers; two newsletter bundlers who sort the newsletters from the printer and bundle them into packages for each of our distribution routes; four volunteers who deliver the bundles to distributors; a volunteer who communicates with distributors; and over 30 volunteers who walk, drive, and bike Sabin news directly to our doorsteps.

This network of volunteers has been one of SCA’s greatest assets. To each of you who has had a hand in this production and distribution process, we send our deep appreciation!

We are also excited to be looking ahead and providing more nimble and timely content electronically, as well as balancing production and volunteer capacity.

Engage with us online, or better yet, join us in person for our May 14 presentation on Local Geology and “The Big One.” It is an event you do not want to miss (see page 1 for more details).

— Erin Brasell, communications chair and Clay Veka, president, Sabin Community Association



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Daytime Singers FEAST on Song with Susan Riggs



FEAST Community Choir members take part in warm-up activities during noon-time Friday classes here in Northeast Portland.

Susan Riggs has been teaching music most of her life. A year ago, she dove into Community Choir leadership, and started FEAST: a daytime singing opportunity for adults here in Northeast Portland. Explaining the acronym, Susan says, “you could just — Forget Everything and Sing Together — for an hour and a half a week.”

FEAST brings people together to find their individual voices, create harmony in community, and build community through song. “So many people tell me, because they’ve had a shushing experience somewhere along the way, they can’t sing. It just isn’t true,” says Susan, who quotes the African proverb: “If you can talk, you can sing.”

When Susan invites her singers to share a memory of being sung to, or singing to someone else, everyone has a story. A lot of them involve children — singing to children or grandchildren, being sung to as a child, and other stories are about rocking out privately in the shower or the car. “Well,” says Susan, with a sparkle in her eye, “you don’t have to wait for grandkids, or only sing in private! And, you don’t have to wait until your next life to sing!” FEAST is a safe place for you to sing in community now.

All the songs are taught through the oral tradition of call and response. No need to read music. “Your hands tell us everything,” says Sandy Young. Multi-sensory learning with gestures and movements help singers get with the music. Newer singers stand between more experienced singers, and get carried along.

Making music engages more areas of the brain than other activity. “I really feel like my brain has had a workout when I leave here!” says current singer, Shirley Erickson. FEAST promises social connection, finding your voice, uplifting lyrics, healing harmonies, and a brain bath.

New singers are welcome. No auditions ever. FEAST Community Choir meets most Fridays, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Spring term begins April 13, and runs through June 8th. See FeastCommunityChoir.com for pricing details to drop-in or join for the term.

SCA General Meeting

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Burns is professor Emeritus of geology at Portland State University, where he taught for over twenty years. He earned an MS from Stanford University in 1970 and his Ph.D. in Geology from the University of Colorado in 1980. His research interests include environmental geology, soils, landslides, engineering geology, among others. During his career, he has won a number of awards for teaching and his work in geology, including being named Outstanding Scientist for Oregon in 2014 by the Oregon Academy of Scientists. Not only is Burns an accomplished scientist and teacher, but his enthusiasm for science is contagious, and his talk is guaranteed to be a lively one.

In addition to a lively discussion, SCA invites community members to join us for pizza, snacks, and meeting new neighbors. Dinner and mingling begins at 6:30 p.m., and the talk begins at 7 p.m. SCA Board elections will take place after the talk, at approximately 8:15 p.m., and all are welcome to attend. SCA currently has an officer position open, and we will have several at-large positions opening this year. We hope to see a few new faces on the board!

In order to provide sufficient seating and refreshments, we are encouraging folks to RSVP on SCA’s Facebook event at <http://bit.ly/SabinMayMtg> or by email: ebрасell@gmail.com.

No RSVP is required, however, to attend. We look forward to seeing you all there!



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Neighbors Can Keep Informed through the SCA Website and Facebook Page



Above is a screen shot of our website makeover that the communications team will work on updating in the coming months. This is one of several strategies SCA is exploring to continue providing updated information for Sabin residents.

As mentioned in the page 2 article on the SCA board's decision to discontinue its print newsletter, the communications committee will continue to develop plans to provide digital content that keeps neighbors informed.

One of those efforts is to update the SCA website to be more user friendly and to provide more opportunities to share digital content, such as upcoming events and important news about the neighborhood. The initial update began in March 2018 and will continue throughout the summer. Please check back often as we add content and update pages.

In addition to the updated website, we have begun adding events to our Facebook page, including our upcoming Sabin Neighborhood Cleanup, Annual Meeting, and Sabin Community Orchard work and learn sessions through the end of the year.

Website: To access the website, please visit www.SabinPDX.org. The website has a simple menu at the upper right hand corner that includes information on SCA, Sabin neighborhood infor-

mation, and news and events. We will use the website to post ongoing activities, SCA board and committee minutes and updates, as well as updated Sabin neighborhood assets and businesses. More time-sensitive news and events, however, will be addressed on SCA's Facebook account.

Facebook: SCA's Facebook page is www.Facebook.com/SabinPDX. There, the community association will share news stories, updates from other community associations, and SCA events. To see all updates from SCA, please "like" our page and adjust your "follow" settings from the drop-down menu to see first or default under News Feed and standard for Notifications. While you're looking around, don't forget to check out the Annual Meeting Event and let us know if you plan on attending!

During this transition, the communications team is happy to answer questions and take suggestions. And, of course, if you're interested in joining the team, please let us know by contacting communications chair, Erin Brasell at ebbrasell@gmail.com.

Sabin Community Orchard Upcoming Events

Here's a friendly reminder that Sabin Community Orchard (SCOrch) stewards are continuing their work-and-learn gatherings on the second Sunday of the month, and they're always looking for new volunteers. We hope you can join us to support this community project, enjoy some fruit, and take home some useful suggestions for your own fruit plants!

Here's the remaining 2018 schedule:

- April 15:** Earth Week event, pollinators
- May 20:** Fruit thinning, pest & disease management
- June 24:** Fruit, pest & disease monitoring, irrigation
- July 15:** Summer pruning, watering
- Aug. 19:** Soil health, weed management, watering
- Sept. 16:** General maintenance, tree harvest
- Oct. 21:** Fall tree care, harvest
- Nov. 18:** Putting SCOrch to bed

Please bring appropriate well-marked personal tools and dress for the weather. Jeff Strang, Co-founder and Chief Steward will bring a canopy and orchard ladder. We hope to see you there!

The Sabin Community Orchard is located on a sloped public right-of-way at NE Mason Street between NE 18th and 19th avenues.

Sabin Community Association is on Facebook!

The Sabin Community Association has over 800 followers on Facebook who enjoy up-to-date information about our neighborhood.

Check out our page www.facebook.com/SabinPDX for news, upcoming events, and tips from fellow neighbors.