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Our Community in Action

Sabin Girl Scout Troop Earns Prestigious Bronze Award



Girl Scout Troop 45157 members stand at the intersection of NE 17th Avenue and Failing Street, the site of their completed intersection painting project for the prestigious Bronze Award.

On Saturday, June 2, 2018, about 75 volunteers gathered to participate in creating Sabin's newest intersection painting at NE 17th Avenue and Failing Street. Sabin's Junior Girl Scout Troop 45157 chose the site for their community project, because they were aware that traffic around the school moves too fast at times, and they wanted to connect the school with the broader Sabin community. The troop of seventeen fifth grade girls, led by Sara Lockman and Lisa Johnston-Smith, has been together since the first grade (2014).

The intersection painting is the girls' capstone project for the prestigious Girl Scout Bronze Award. The Bronze Award is the highest honor a Junior scout can achieve and requires at least twenty hours of building a team, exploring the community, plan-

ning a project, and taking action on that plan. Troop members Andi Bell and Esperanza Walsh took the initial lead on the project. Andi described the significance of the project: "Part of the Girl Scout law is try to make the world a better place, and that is basically what the bronze award is trying to do."

Starting in September 2017, the troop came up with the idea and worked with City Repair's Village Building Convergence to design and secure approval for the intersection painting — a project aimed at creating community space, slowing traffic, and bringing the community closer together. The troop worked to raise funds to pay for the cost of paint, supplies, permits, and other general expenses through a bake sale, bike raffle, and online donation site.

2018–2019 SCA Meeting Schedule

Board meetings are open to all and are held from 7–9 p.m. on the second Monday of the month at Sabin School's Auditorium (second floor), 4013 NE 18th Ave. Please note the new schedule below:

No meetings in July and August

No meeting in September

October 8

No meeting in November or December

January 14

No meeting in February

March 11

No meeting in April or May

June 10

EVENTS CALENDAR

www.facebook.com/sabinpdx FOR SELECT INFORMATION ON SABIN EVENTS

Sabin Community Association





Summer Play Dates Every Wednesday at Sabin School

Come and hang out with Sabin friends, new and old, every Wednesday evening during the summer from 5–7 p.m. Stop by the south playground at Sabin School, bring a picnic dinner, and stay for a while. It's a great way to meet new families and enjoy Portland's great summertime weather.

SCA Board Election Results

On May 14, 2018, following a great presentation titled Local Geology and the "Big One" by Scott Burns, the Sabin Community Association held its annual election. There were many familiar faces and a few new ones, too. We're happy to announce the Sabin Community Association board for 2018–2019:

President: Clay Veka

Vice President: Erin Brasell

Secretary: Rachel Lee

Treasurer: Adrianne Cohen

At-Large Members:

Claire Bollinger Shayan Rohani Don Rouzie Vanessa Renwick

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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:

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.

Work-and-learn sessions take place on the above dates between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.



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Sabin Volunteer Group Joins the Street Trust's May Bike Challenge



Kirke Wolfe (far left) is pictured here with his son, daughter-in-law, and grandchildren during the May 2018 Sunday Parkways bike ride in Southeast Portland.

The Portland region Bike More Challenge took place this year during the month of May, and according to the event website, over 11,000 individuals participated, logging over 1.6 million miles on bicycles. The Bike More Challenge is a "fun, free, competition to encourage... friends, family, and colleagues to experience first hand joys and benefits of riding a bike."

Organizations are invited to join as teams to compete against each other to see who can get the most staff to ride bikes and log their trips between May 1 and May 31. Riders who participate are eligible for special offers and prizes. This year, depending on participation, individual riders were entered in a raffle for a Pedego e-bike. Teams that come in first place are also awarded prizes.

Kirke Wolfe, a retired Sabin resident and long-time newsletter deliverer, wanted to participate in the event as a team. He reached out to Sabin volunteers including board members, committee members, and newsletter deliverers and bun-

dlers. After creating a team online, the volunteers logged miles riding to and from work and around town.

In the 50–199 staff category, the Sabin Neighborhood Volunteers came in 135th out of 236 participating organizations, logging 86 trips and 507 miles during May. It's not a bad standing considering the group only had three riders participating this year.

Kirke hopes to encourage more Sabin volunteers to start logging their rides throughout the year and join the team for the May 2019 Bike More Challenge. To find out more about the challenge, visit the Love To Ride website: www. lovetoride.net/oregon. If you've a volunteer for the Sabin Community Association and would like to join the Sabin Neighborhood Volunteers team, you can change your affiliation in the "Rider Profile" section by scrolling through the organization list.

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.face-book.com/SabinPDX for news, upcoming events, and tips from fellow neighbors.

Girl Scout Troop Earns Award

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The intersection painting at NE 17th Avenue and Failing Street is pictured here.

The design, titled "Sabin Wild Roses," features a wild rose at the center, representing the beauty of nature, children growing and developing, and the connections between us all. The bee and star represent Sabin School's tickle bees and star mascot, and the trefoil is a nod to the Girl Scouts.

When asked what they learned during the project, Andi said, "I've realized that we are way more capable sometimes than we give ourselves credit for. We all did an amazing job!" Esperanza discovered that she didn't know all of her neigbors, stating "this was a neat opportunity to meet them."

According to the Girl Scouts of America: "When you go for the Bronze Award, you represent what Girl Scouts can achieve in their communities." The Sabin Community Association is honored to have these girls as members of our community and looks forward following their great work in the future.



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Sabin Neighbors are Encouraged to Sign Up for SCA Email List



We want to hear from you!

SCA is expanding its digital communications list to keep neighbors informed of upcoming events and community news once the final print newsletter is delivered in June.

Email addresses will be used to send information regarding SCA news such as digital newsletters, neighborhood updates, and community events (no more than once per month). Mailing addresses will be used very infrequently to mail information related to SCA news.

Three ways to stay in touch:

- Fill out and mail this pre-addressed, stamped postcard.
- Visit www.sabinpdx.or/contact-us and fill out the online form.
- Email your contact information to sabinpdx@gmail.com

SCA will not share this information with individuals or other organizations.

Every newsletter this month should contain this addressed, pre-stamped postcard. If you did not receive this postcard and would like to mail in one for our records, please email Erin Brasell, newsletter editor and communications chair, at ebrasell@gmail.com.

The June 2018 edition will be the last print version of the Sabin Community Association Newsletter (SCAN) for the foreseeable future. The SCA Communications Committee, however, will remain active and has developed a plan to continue providing information to Sabin neighbors.

This September, community members should expect to see an SCA flyer on their doorsteps that will list any upcoming events, including upcoming SCA meetings, neighborhood events, and important SCA contact information. It will also include a reminder on how to find news and events online and how to sign up for SCA's email list.

Over the next few months, SCA board members will continue to talk about the best way to provide information to neighbors, especially those who do not frequent social media sites, and determine what capacity we have to develop regular online communications such as a digital newsletter.

The SCA board would like to thank all of our dedicated volunteers who have supported newsletter production over the years.

For those who would like to keep informed about community news, there are several ways to stay in touch:

- 1) Fill out the addressed, pre-stamped postcard to be added to SCA's email list
- 2) Visit www.sabinpdx.org/contact-us and fill out the form online
- 3) Email your contact information to sabinpdx@gmail.com
- 4) Like Sabin Community Association on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Sabinpdx
- 5) Visit our website: www.sabinpdx.org where SCA will update events, news, and announcements

SCA will create an email list over the summer and will be in touch with individuals and businesses who choose to receive digital communication.

SCA will not share information we collect with individuals or organizations, it will be used only to notify Sabin residents about neighborhood information.

SCA Hosts Another Successful Neighborhood Cleanup



Volunteers walk items to two of the five drop boxes that collected a total of 17,000 pounds of mixed waste at the Sabin Neighborhood Association cleanup event on May 12, 2018.

On Saturday, May 12, 2018, the Sabin Community Association held its annual cleanup event at the Maranatha Church parking lot. It was another successful year, with a large free area where dozens of items including exercise equipment, household goods, baby items, and books, were saved from the landfill.

SCA counted around 120 cars entering the parking lot, and this year we even had a few people drop off and pick up items on foot and on bikes.

At the event, the recycler took five drop boxes with a total of 17,000 pounds of mixed waste. Around 2000 pounds of metal was collected by the metal recycler. Volunteers hauled away one van load of styrofoam to be recycled.

SCA would like to thank all the volunteers who made this event a success — and especially Shayan Rohani and Claire Bollinger, who were the lead coordinators for the cleanup.

Thank You Volunteers!

The Sabin Community Association is successful because of its volunteers. If you're interested in finding out more about what we do, please visit our website:

www.sabinpdx.org