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STNA Supports Winco to Replace Food 4 Less by Aron Goffin

On Thursday, November 21st, the STNA board voted to support a land use adjustment that would increase the number of trees, shrubs and groundcover present at the shopping center located at 82nd and Powell. The adjustment would be needed as part of the transition of the vacant Food for Less to a WinCo supermarket. Many neighbors showed up at the meeting enthusiastic to support the return of a large discount grocer. WinCo will fill a much needed gap in access and availability of affordable food within the neighborhood.

WinCo is known to have positive and strong employee and purchasing practices, and makes strong efforts to support local farmers. It is anticipated that the store will be completed and open by Fall 2014.

4th Annual South Tabor Harvest Festival A Success by Duane Hanson

Sunday, September 15th marked South Tabor's fourth neighborhood Harvest Festival. Despite the threat of rain, many neighbors showed up with a myriad of plants, veggies, seeds and tools for exchange with others. Several live string music acts added to the "folksy feel" of the event, and use of recycled materials for our signature corn-on-the-cob and fresh pressed apple cider heightened the sustainable feel of the Festival.

Sunshine School staff provided face painting and arts & crafts for the kids, and local artisans offered handmade items. Unsold straw bales were donated to the Franklin high school gardening program.

The South Tabor Neighborhood Association showed a small profit by days end & volunteers enjoyed Flying Pie pizza during clean-up. Thanks to all who came out to support this event. See you next year!

Plan on attending next year & bring the family!

South Tabor Block Districts: Our Changing Landscape by Lars Jorgenson

It's been said that Portland is a "City of Neighborhoods". What if we looked at our neighborhood as a collection of micro-communities? If you talk to enough neighbors in South Tabor, you'll find that there are already a good number of blocks that have formed their own small communities.

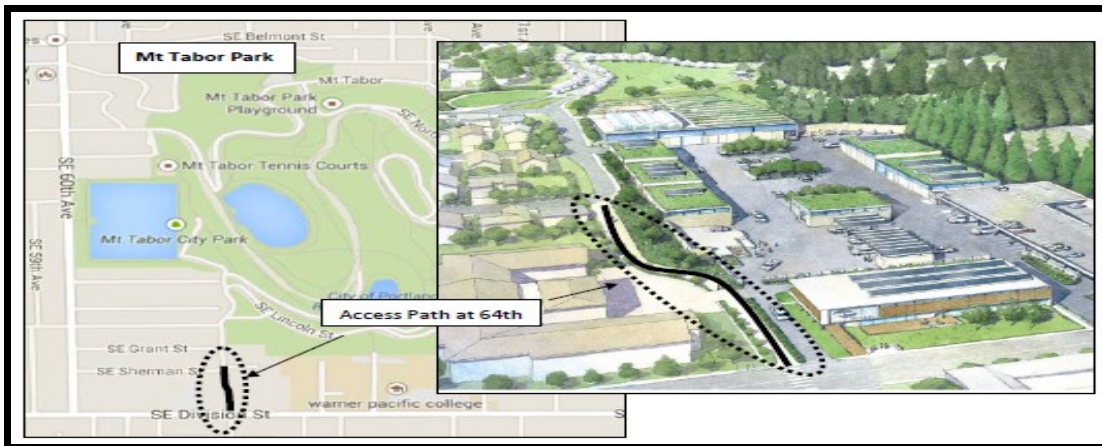
Maybe you are part of a Neighborhood Watch program, or participate in an annual Block Party. Maybe you share household items and extra garden produce with your neighbors. You might just already be part of a micro-community.

South Tabor Block Districts is a new initiative designed to help connect already existing communities, and form new ones. To sign up to the Block District email list, ask questions, help with the project, or provide information about your block, email resourcesharing@southtabor.org.

Improving Pedestrian and Bicycle Access to Mt. Tabor Park by Allen Vogt

Our neighborhood is blessed with Mt. Tabor Park and its paths, reservoirs, dog park, tennis courts and open spaces. Unfortunately, although the Mt. Tabor, North Tabor, and Montavilla neighborhoods have multiple safe and accessible entrances to Mt. Tabor Park on the west, north, and east, there is no good pedestrian or bike access to the park from the south. A group of neighborhood residents with representatives from STNA, Mount Tabor Neighborhood Association (MTNA), and Friends of Mt. Tabor Park (FMTP) have formed the Mt. Tabor Park Access at 64th Committee to pursue improved pedestrian and bicycle access from South Tabor to the park.

In 2008 Portland Parks and Recreation (PPR) with significant input from STNA, the MTNA, and others in the community, created a detailed plan to build an access path from SE Division Street to Mt Tabor Park at 64th Avenue. Although the completed plan was approved by the City of Portland in 2009 and included in last year's Capital Improvement Plan, due to financial constraints at the City, the project was dropped from the current year's budget. With the planning phases for next year's budget currently underway, now is the time to voice neighborhood priorities and get this project back on track. Contact Allen Vogt at allen.vogt@gmail.com or visit www.southtabor.org.



'Tis the Season to Plant or Give a Tree by Aron Goffin

Looking to improve yours or your loved one's landscape and the environment this holiday season? Purchase and help plant a tree with Friends of Trees in the South Tabor neighborhood on January 18th. As a homeowner, you have two options: pick and plant a tree for your green strip or for your yard. A variety of trees are available at a deep discount. The order deadline is January 6th – visit www.friendsoftrees.org for more information and to place an order.

Information Kiosk Project Nears Completion by Aron Goffin

Eight out of the ten kiosks are in the ground!

Happy Holidays from STNA!

