Catching Our Breath
Manager’s Report
By Angie Lokotz

Art on the Ave was a huge success this year. We owe a great deal of thanks to our surrounding community who came out in record numbers to support our event, to the sponsors including many 6th Ave businesses who generously contributed, to the coordinators (James Allan Tucker, Event Chair; Reilly Rosbotham, Vendors; Brandon Cummings, Volunteers), to the Board for standing fast, to the many vendors who came out in record numbers, the excellent bands, the artists who went above and beyond, the Grub Crawl participants and judges, and to the businesses who threw open their doors to welcome one and all to this great district. You handed out record numbers of flyers, coupons, give-aways, bumper stickers, bags, and more. All the businesses and vendors were sent surveys after AoA soliciting their opinions. As with most surveys, the happiest and most disgruntled were the ones who responded. The vendors responded in record numbers. 13 businesses replied. We learned what went well and what not to repeat next year. You are paying attention. It is not too late to get your opinion counted. Please...
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answer your survey. We also need to thank our friends at Hilltop Business Association who loaned us their lovely orange tent for our Volunteer/6th Ave Booth as well as their vendor marking kit.

But, there’s little time to catch our breath. We have new businesses opening all along the Ave. El Boracho is finishing up details and painting its windows; La Ca Bar has put its name on the Mary Mart sign; State Street Beer Co. is going strong; Soap & Clay and Looking Glass Boutique should open their doors shortly; Piece of Mind was open in time for AoA. Some new businesses have asked about joining the district. In past years we have encouraged businesses who wish to join after July to wait until the new year so that they get the full value of their new membership, but some Board members believe that there is value to a prorated discount membership. With membership, new businesses can vote. They could actually begin to affect their district right off the bat. There is power in that and it is certainly worth discussing at a meeting.

But we do have some blocks toward the Alder St. end of the Ave that are suffering. With the continued wait for Fish Fish Fish and Buzzy’s Arcade to open, as well as the empty storefronts at the old MaryMart location, as well as the Jeweler and Shore Street T’s, and the vacated sites from Trapper’s up to Old Milwaukee Cafe the businesses on those two blocks are lonely, especially in the evening. Business attracts business. Empty business attracts homelessness and vandalism. The Safety Committee is bringing attention to this issue and will speak at a City Council Meeting. Contact Casey Cowles (206-799-1062) to get your voice added. Or better yet, come along.

Just as the flurry of Art on the Ave dies down, we find ourselves ramping up to the Santa Parade on Sun, Dec 3. The committee is meeting monthly and will have more frequent meetings as the event approaches. Kristy Rawley (kristyarawley@yahoo.com, 509-387-0661) is the Head Elf and Chair of the Santa Parade Committee. She has been working diligently behind the scenes to contact participants and sponsors. You will find her report in this issue. Please help. Your participation will make for a better event.

I have received many complaints and suggestions this month. One suggestions was to add a calendar to the Newsletter, so you will find that in this issue on page 1.. Another suggestion was to add a suggestion form. What a great suggestion! I will work with TAPCO to get a suggestion box installed. They are centrally located and we collect our mail there.
Spanky Burger & Brew
601 S. Pine St., Tacoma, Washington 98405 (Corner of 6th & Pine)
Phone: 253-327-1111
Hours: Open 7 Days M-R 11-9; F-Sat 11-10; Sun 11-8
Facebook & Instagram: @spankyBB
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Owner: Shawn Burke

6th Ave has been known for Coffee, Pizza, Hot Dogs, Designer Ice Cream, and Gastronomic Flights of Fancy, and now we can add Burgers to that esteemed list.

Spanky Burger & Brew opened three months ago and has helped fill the niche between fast food and gourmet dining. They cater to everyone from business & shopping lunch crowd to family friendly dinners to a beer crowd later in the evening. Their price points hit all wallets from lower to higher and their menu, while understandably heavy on burgers, does offer items for vegans, gluten free diets, and even a Naked Spanky for those who choose to go bunless. They have begun having weekly specials (the week I stopped in featured the Belly Burger), floats (including beer floats if asked), and shakes made with real fruit.

And Shawn is happy with 6th Ave. The crowds are diverse, the attitudes are relaxed, the customers are open to new ideas and people are generally easy going. He even participated in the Grub Crawl for his first Art on the Ave and was a close third for the Savory Bites category.

He offers logo wear hats and t-shirts and handed out over 600 bumper stickers at Art on the Ave. Look for them on a car near you.

Oh, and what is a Spanked Burger? Similar to a smashed burger, the cook presses the meat down on the grill. Nothing naughty to look at here.

Angie Lokotz

Street Beat By Peter W. Vanrosendael

The Beat is going on another RANT. Is there anybody out there who may have a better idea for 6ABD coming together? By all means put your words to pen and be the new street beat mouthpiece.

Another Art on the Ave has come and gone, and 2018 AOA plans have already begun. Ya didn't think these things were easy, didja?? Join in the fray for next year’s hoopla, all and any are invited to display their two cents (or more) worth. And just around the corner, the Santa Parade. It's still not too late to serve up some of YOUR ideas. So there's the plan/plea. How can we serve YOU 6ABD businesses better (no we are NOT just going to go away) and again if any of you has a better idea, come join the band.
Greetings from the 6th Avenue Santa Parade!

by Kristy Rawley, Head Elf

Sunday, December 3, 2017
Road Closures: 2:30pm
Parade Line up: 3:30
Parade Start: 4:30

We have been busy planning and preparing for this year’s events with new and exciting ways to make this year bigger, more entertaining and more exposure to the 6th Avenue Businesses.

17 Confirmed new Participants including groups from many area high schools (bands, cheer, choir and dance).

Confirmed last year Participants: Tacoma Little Theater, Tacoma Musical Playhouse, Sound Movements Art Center, Studio 6 Ballroom

29 Sponsorship Emails Sent and Home Street Bank - Confirmed

This year we will be adding entertainment prior to the parade starting. Serni Solidarious (253.879.3366) Director of Student Programs at UPS and Music Director at Unity Church of South Sound will be coordinating this. Stage/Tent will be set up in the parking lot of Crescent Moon. Entertainers will perform from 2:30 to Parade start time. (timing not set in stone yet)

We are also adding “Carolers” to this year’s parade. Hopefully we have about 10 groups for this. They will be stationary on street intersections performing prior to parade. The groups will be spaced out throughout parade route.

Super excited to have the school bands participate this year!

Our committee also plans on reaching out to 6th Avenue Businesses to see if they want to participate in doing “coupons/discounts”. I will be printing up fliers showcasing these and handing them out during parade day. We think this will be a great way to get spectators into the businesses or return to 6th Avenue.

Promotions Committee Report

Promotions Committee Chairs:
Peter Vanrosendael, Turntable Treasures, 253-272-9229
Angela Wehnert, Crescent Moon Gifts, 253-572-8339

Meetings: Last Monday of the Month, 10:00 am, Crescent Moon Gifts

1. Photo contest proposal with 6 Ave theme, perhaps submittable via Facebook.
2. Still looking for additional businesses for REAL NW magazine ad. (Contact Peter or Angela for details)
3. Map update; APP vs hard copy or perhaps both. Work in progress.
4. Possible Click interview for Santa Parade.
5. Liaison between Santa parade coordinator and promotions must include who pays for what (stage, lighting etc).
6. 2018 budget proposal for promotion committee; $1200/map project. $300/stickers-decals $500/bags, $200/flyers $500/misc advertising $300/Real NW Living $500/t-shirts.

Design Committee Report

By John Wolters, Chair

Streetscape Improvement Plan

Meeting #3: August 8th, 2017 at 9:30 am during 6ABD General Meeting

Present a draft document of the 2017 Streetscape Funding Guidelines Program for the 6ABD and collect suggestions and comments.

Solar Compacting Trash Containers:

Rotator Creative, a Tacoma design agency, is working with 6ABD on the graphics wrapping the new trash containers. The date for installation depends on Public Works and has not yet been finalized.

Streetlight LED Conversion Project:

Leigh Starr, Signal and Streetlight Operations engineer at the City of Tacoma, gave details about the LED conversion planned for the City’s streetlights. 6th Avenue will be converted to LED heads in 2018.
Tacoma Citizen’s Academy

Want to gain insight into how the Tacoma Police Department works? The Citizens' Academy is for you. The goal of the Citizens' Academy is to create a growing core of well-informed community members who are proud of their police department, and who can serve as ambassadors who share their experiences with and knowledge about law enforcement with other community members.

There is a Commitment: During three-hour sessions, held one night a week for twelve (12) consecutive weeks, the Citizens' Academy offers community members and business leaders an up close and personal look at the way the Tacoma Police Department is organized and an opportunity to learn more about:

- Operations Bureau Activities: Patrol, Traffic, Marine Services and K-9 Units, SWAT / Special Response Team, Search and Rescue, Bomb Squad

- Investigations Bureau Activities: Major Crimes - Special Victims, Career Crimes; Violent Crimes – Homicide/Assault, Sex Crimes, Child Abuse; Forensic Services; and Special Investigations - Gangs, Narcotics, Vice

- Administrative Services Bureau Activities: Internal Affairs, Accreditation, Public Information Officer, Hiring Unit, Training, Range

Each session at the Citizens' Academy can accommodate 25-30 community members over the age of 18. Instructors are officers and personnel from within the Tacoma Police Department and other agencies who are department-recognized subject matter experts.

Apply for the 2017 Academy by August 18, 2017

The next Academy will be held from September 20 through December 13, 2017 on Wednesdays from 1800-2100 hours at Tacoma Police Headquarters.

Space is limited. Register today. Application deadline is August 18, 2017.

Contact Lt. Dan Still at (253) 591-5697 with questions.

(Info from the City of Tacoma Website)

Grub Crawl at AoA Winners . . .

. . . as picked by our distinguished judges: CM Robert Thoms, Aura Mae Your Kitchen Beautician, Pierce Co. Sheriff’s Spokesperson Ed Troyer, Aaron Grissom, along with 6th Ave Secretary Jacob Pugh, who along with VP Elizabeth Stewart organized the Grub Crawl

SWEET TREAT
- Ice Cream Social - Strawberry Shortcake (1st place Sweet Treat)
- Legendary Doughnuts - Chocolate Covered S'more (2nd place Sweet Treat)

SAVORY BITE
- The Pine Room - Meatball Slider with basil on potato baguette (1st place Savory Bite)
- Gateway to India - Chicken with mint/cilantro sauce (2nd place Savory Bite)
- Spanky's - Peanut Butter Bacon Burger (a close third for Savory Bite)
- O'Malleys - Reuben Pierogi & Guinness Cake
- Jazzbones - Spam Sliders
- E9 - BBQ Pork Flautas
- Crown Bar - Pork Sliders
- Asado - Empanadas (with lamb, beef, chorizo and pine nuts with a chimichurri sauce on the side)

Serious Personal Injury? Talk to a Serious Personal Injury Attorney

TERRY E. LUMSDEN

- $6 million for E. coli hamburger contamination
- $4.5 Million for 80 clients, 100 unit Bremerton apartment fire
- $5.5 Million for 750 clients due to defective home diesel oil contamination
- $5.0 Million for child birth negligence
- $5.3 Million for brain injury to child due to window blind cord strangulation
- Millions in injuries and deaths due to baseboard heater and thermostat failures; car accidents, brain injuries, product liability, industrial toxic injuries, elder abuse
- Each case is different

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accidentattorneytacomawa.com
Minutes of SABD General Meeting 07/11/17
Crown Bar | 9:30 AM

Call to Order 9:33 AM
Approval of Minutes (Elizabeth moved, Casey seconded, all approved)
Introductions
No Treasurer’s Report | Tracy Hansen out sick

CLO Report | Imtiaz Norling
• We are still continuing to see a few vehicle prowls - theft involved
  There has been a couple of commercial burgleries in the business district

City of Tacoma Economic Development | Kala Dralle
• A six-year transportation plan is being put in place - if you’d like your voice heard, please make requests to Carol Wolfe by end of August/beginning of September
  • If you’d like to apply for the Citizen’s Academy, please do so by August 18th
    o Every Wednesday night from Sept 20 - Dec 13
    o The city’s bag ordinance is now in place
  • Events
    o Food Truck Festival in Wright Park - 7/23
    o World Waterski Championships at Pt. Ruston - 7/29-7/30
    o AAA Ball Club All Star Game & Reception at Cheney Stadium - 7/12
    Ethnic Fest in Wright Park - 7/29-7/30

Safety Committee | Casey Cowles
• City Council Meeting - Business owners and Casey to testify in front of city council to address violent behavior from our homeless and mentally ill population
  • 7/11 at Tacoma Municipal Building
  The City has cut back to amount of time someone can live in their car back to three days

Design Committee | John Wolters
• We had a great clean up crew before Art on the Ave
• We have 16 solar cans to wrap with graphic art
  Rotator Creative won the bid to create the graphic wraps

Promotions committee | Peter VanRosendorpel & Angela Wenher
• Work is getting done in the committees - please get involved
  • Real Nw Living Magazine
    o Please consider adding your business to our page ad for $100
    o We are looking into redeveloping a walking map of the business district

We are also looking into printing reusable totes

District Manager Report | Angie Lokotz
AoA was seamless for public with few snafus; we had a great volunteer group

Leigh Starr | City of Tacoma
• The City is replacing the sodium lights and transitioning to LED lighting
  o Ornamental fixtures won’t be replaced
  o 3000 kelvin for residential; 4000 on arterial
  ➤ Higher Kelvin produces better stopping distance with cars
  ➤ We don’t have safety reports on difference in lighting yet
  ➤ 82% favorable review on satisfaction across the country
  ➤ We have mostly asphalt streets that are less reflective than concrete
  ➤ LED light is uniformly distributed
  ➤ The process is anticipated to take one year
  Sixth Ave will be installed around summer of 2018

Meeting adjourned 10:36
Jacob Pugh, Secretary

SABD After AoA Meeting Minutes 07/20/17
Meeting Place: Pacific Grill, 7:00 pm
Board members and Event Chairs present: Christina Smyre, Elizabeth Stewart, Tracy Hansen, Jacob Pugh, Casey Cowles’ Angie Lokotz, James Tucker, Reilly

We had a quorum
Call to Order 7:00pm
Motion to approve writing a check payable to James Tucker in the amount of $2520 for chairing the event Casey Moved, Tracy Seconded, All Approved
Motion to approve writing checks to payoff the rest of the expenses associated with AoA Casey Moved, Christina Seconded, All Approved
Motion to contact volunteers and thank them by buying them dinner and two drinks maximum
• Christina Moved, Casey Seconded, All Approved (Brandon Cummings is key to making volunteers run smoothly and successfully)

Feedback from James:
• Thank you for trusting me to run the event
• Please get more involved as a board by reaching out for sponsors, artists, vendors, etc…
• James is giving us a playbook for the event. Whoever runs the festival should be able to run the event successfully if they follow the playbook.

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### SABD After AoA Meeting
**Minutes 07/20/17**

- The book is organized by color:
  - Black - Absolutely must do
  - Red - Don’t do
  - Green - Optional
  - Look into extending the festival to Union next year
- Get commitment from a business like Farrelli’s to cover the cost
- Look into building our own barricades
- Solves billing discrepancies for the future
- If we provide the product, we could possibly get Tracy’s husband to build them to spec (specs found online)
- Where do we store them?
- Spacing is always going to be an issue
- Allow businesses to swap spot if they both agree to the swap. If they don’t agree, don’t let it happen
  
  You can’t please everybody but you can sure try

### Santa Parade
- The event is on December 3rd
- Line up for the parade is from 3:30-4:30
- The Parade starts at 4:30

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**If your business neighbor isn’t a member of SABD, invite him or her.**

Nothing is more powerful than a personal invitation.