Successful Santa Parade Brings Out a Crowd

The fourth time was the charm. This year’s Santa Parade, Sunday afternoon, December 3, was a success. Head Elf Kristy Rawley, Funding Coordinator for Pinnacle Capital Partners in downtown Tacoma (who admits to being a great party planner) assisted by SABD Treasurer Tracy Hansen (parade lineup) and Serni Solidarios, the music director of Unity Church of South Sound and Director of Student Programs at UPS (entertainment tent) were the chief architects of this growing event.

This year we were also fortunate to have the DeMolay group as volunteers to set up the No Parking signs and barricades. They had everything in place by Saturday afternoon so when the police closed off Sixth Avenue on Sunday they only had to pull the major barricades into place.

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Change on the Ave
One Businesses Opens; Another Closes

This year we saw many new businesses open on the Ave. We have also had many significant anniversaries, with Studio 6 celebrating 10 years and Crescent Moon celebrating lucky 13. But, this year we lost Grit City Aces which was next door to Amy’s Casual Comfort. And much of the block between Cedar and Alder has been vacated for the new 6th & Alder development. We have also heard that Ubiquitous Journey will be closing its doors at the end of the year after celebrating its 9th Anniversary. We will miss Robyn and the great vibe emanating from her shop.

The look of the Ave has changed a bit since the beginning of the year. We have gained businesses where once there were empty storefronts. We also had a business significantly damaged by fire: Northwest Costume Shop. While owners Tom and Mary Johnson are still a bit stunned by the event, they are overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and support that the neighborhood has given them.

Piece of Mind moved in next door to Emerald Leaves, and gave new life to an old space until its fire last month. That space remains boarded as of this printing. Ruston Mercantile moved into the space vacated by The Coughy Shop and is a great new destination business. Soap & Clay and Looking Glass Boutique have both taken residence in the former Sluggo’s spot next door to Hi-Voltage and are greeting their customers with vintage style while offering classes and hosting parties as well. State Street Beer Co. moved in next door to Bluebeard Coffee which is possibly the most serendipitous pairing of businesses ever.

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Thank You, Community Partners!

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Central Neighborhood Council North End Neighborhood Council
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And on the other side of Bluebeard, 6th Ave Goddess Air BNB has remodeled a grand old home and is bringing people to 6th Ave on extended stays. The 6th Ave Apartments between Steele and Trafton have been refurbished and remodeled and lend a swanky feeling to that block.

Spanky’s Burger & Brew opened; El Borracho quickly became a staple business, and Freedom Driving School took the space next door to H&R Block. Ice Cream Social is doing very well and opened a second shop at Point Ruston. High Maintenance Salon has undergone a makeover. The Studio is a working art studio on the Ave. Mary Mart has completely updated its corner and it is clean and modern looking. Even Buzzy’s Arcade has a for lease sign in its window. The old Pop’s Liquor spot will soon be undergoing a remodel for its new tenant Pizza Press. La Ca Bar is finished with its remodel and had its Grand Opening last Friday. And finally there is positive activity down at Fish Fish Fish! and its sister business: Boom Boom Room.

Tacoma Games has hopscotched all over the district and has landed in both of the spaces vacated by Tacoma Custom Jewelers and Shore Street T’s. The newly remodeled space looks great and suits them well. They now have a dedicated gaming area separated from the retail area. The move brings them closer to students who attend UPS, and they are right next door to North End Social Club, which will bring them great street traffic. Their move has opened up their old space at 2509 6th Ave, next door to the old Sonia’s Taco Truck.

And that’s just what’s happening between State and Alder. There’s so much going on down at the other ends of 6th Ave as well. New spa Pacifique Medi-Spa opened down toward Stevens, hairdresser Head Case Salon took the spot vacated by All-Star Tattoo down toward Union, Vanity, a vintage boutique, is back in the block toward Proctor. The Lasagna Store, a pasta shop/retail space opened in the old Nuckle’s Sandwich Shop. And fitness, physical therapy, insurance, phone, and nail spa businesses have opened or expanded. It’s a great time for business on 6th Ave.

Off the beaten path member business Diamond Green, a marijuana store at South 12th and Proctor, has undergone some renovations and also painted a mural outside. It looks great.

Angie Lokotz
Successful Santa Parade
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The crowd started to gather around the entertainment tent at Crescent Moon around 2:30 to hear music that switched up from 30’s & 40’s swing to Punk Ukulele to Jazz guitar and Violin back to Tacoma-based folk rounded out with more Jazz Jam along with soulful vocals and ended with Classic Rock flavored with some holiday spice.

The crowd (estimated at near 2000) just kept on coming, bringing chairs, blankets, canes to the growing crowd, and a Clown greeted youngsters and kept the excitement up. Businesses offered hot cocoa and cider. Pure Beauty Bar set up tables with hot drinks and popcorn and had a waiting line until parade time. Legendary Donuts was so packed that the windows were steamed up. When the Life Christian Eagles Drum Line stepped off you could see the excitement build.

What was the difference between last year and this? Organization. Kristy held monthly meetings throughout the year and weekly as the parade date approached. Each person involved in the planning was trusted to do his role. Many community members stepped up. This year the Board members placed posters in other parts of the city, flyers were placed in the Small Business Saturday bags and handed out by elves. We heavily pushed the Facebook Event which was seen by 10K people and shared widely to neighborhood groups. We advertised the parade on every Event Calendar we could get and once again we were featured on CityLine.

We received a number of sponsorships for the parade with Homestreet, Mariners and Lexus being the number one and two sponsors. We also received an environmental services grant to cover the Porta Potties and the garbage cans. The hitch was that sponsors. We also received an environmental services grant to cover the Porta Potties and the garbage cans. The hitch was that the parents must follow). Serni chose musical groups that were righted and were kept locked during the parade.

Four Tacoma high school groups were involved (get the kids and the parents must follow). Serni chose musical groups that had many followers and friends. Tracy made sure that all the participants knew where to meet and where to pick up. (We arranged with 6th & Alder Partners to use the Trapper’s Sushi parking lot for the pickup vehicles.) The district tried to keep clear communication with businesses so that everyone knew what to expect. Oh, and the weather was good. In spite of a few showers early in the day, by parade time it was cool and clear.

Small Business Saturday Results

6th Ave was a neighborhood champion for Small Business Saturday this year, but we had two businesses who also signed up as neighborhood champions (Soap & Clay and Crescent Moon Gifts) so the Ave was awash in Small Business Saturday gear.

We also had a Santa Walk that day which featured parade organizer Kristy Rawley with her Santas and Elves and Sunday costumed personages walking along the Ave handing out candy and coupons (as well as Santa Parade flyers) to shoppers. They stopped into businesses along the way and provided selfie opportunities as well.

Nine businesses responded to the Small Business Saturday Survey. There’s not room to display the charts. Of the respondents, 8 were open Friday; 9 were open Saturday, 100% said they had all the supplies they needed and reported that their customers were aware it was Small Business Saturday.

Other results varied. Social Media is by far the most popular advertising medium with Facebook leading. Just over half (56%) of the respondents said their business came in waves during the day, 33% said it came in waves.

Most reported attendance about the same as last year (44%), but sales were up (56%).

Suggestions for next year:

- Helium tank for balloons, better cross pollination between retail and bars
- bigger bags
- Do a little more advertising so people know there is more on 6th Ave then just bars.
- Big Banner near my lot
- Have the Santa walk hand out small toys instead of candy

Suggestions for next year included better integration of retail and bars that day. Shoppers hang around looking for a snack or a meal. We have so much more to offer than a food court at the mall. We need to promote that better and offer incentives. Also having a helium tank to fill balloons is a great suggestion. If anyone has a tank on premises, please let us know. In fact, I think a survey of businesses is in order to see what each has to offer so that we can make better plans for future events. That will be one of my goals for next year.
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SABD General Meeting 11/14/17
Called to order 9:35

Greetings & Introductions

Broomie Award to: Tacoma Games

Bench at 6th & Pine to be Removed by City
The Health Connection has asked that the bench in front of their door at 6th & Pine (between Spanky's Burger & Brew and The Original Pancake House) be removed because Frank, one of our resident homeless, has made it his base of operations. The Board was hesitant to ask for its removal because they fear Frank will only move to another bench, and there are very few benches left on 6th Ave. Carol Wolfe said it was a difficult decision on the part of the City. They weighed the pluses and minuses, but ultimately decided to remove it. The Health Connection had done their due diligence and documented all their interactions with Frank, including bringing in Positive Interactions, charting his movement to and from the bench, comments by their clients, etc.

This led to a broader discussion about how we can keep our district appealing to customers and neighbors, keep it walkable, if we are removing amenities that customers like. Everything you do to make your business appealing to customers/clients also makes it more appealing to our homeless as well. Please, businesses, do not feed or shelter homeless residents. They have resources and will use them. Also, you can simply ask the person to leave. Most will go.

Treasurer’s Report/Santa Parade Report | Tracy Hansen/Al Switzer
Santa Parade Sponsorships
Homestreet Bank $1500; Mariners $1000
22 confirmed participants

CLO Report | Officer Jennifer Terhaar
2 vandalism cases
3 vehicle prowls
3 stolen vehicles
1 burglary
2 robberies
1 shooting
1 burglary attempt

Council Member Report | Anders Ibsen
Billboards - Public Hearing Tonight (11/14/17)
Port of Tacoma/City of Tacoma/Puyallup Tribe Subarea Plan Interim Regulation Public Commentary Tonight (11/14/17)

Community & Economic Development Liaison | Carol Wolfe
Streetscape: New Garbage Cans in place; placed based on a trash audit of public litter
6th & Alder development has slowed down
Fish! Fish! Fish! getting closer to opening
Paid Sick Leave: Tacoma aligning policy with State; in effect 1/1/18
Business Matters: 2nd iteration being planned

Committee Reports:
Design | John Wolters (WC Studio architecture agency)

Wraps are being finalized by Rotator Creative
Lincoln District has experienced some bubbling on its wrapped cans (ones that receive direct sunlight all summer)
SABD will replace sides that bubble
Damien McDivitt, owner of Mary Mart to join Design Committee
Applying for another grant | need input on ideas for grant monies. Three ideas on table: Single Occupancy Seating along the Ave (to replace benches); Depaving Project (requires a business to take ownership of the spot); Public Bulletin Boards (for use by public and businesses and help eliminate posters on poles)

Safety | Casey Cowles (Minuteman Press, S 38th)
Always need members. Join us.

Promotions | Angela Wehnert (Crescent Moon Gifts)
6th Ave Stickers well received
Working on tote bags
Next meeting Nov. 27 at 10:00, Crescent Moon Gifts

Manager's Report | Angie Lokotz (South Sound Pano | Business Photo 360)
Holiday Window Painting this Saturday, Nov. 18 by Grant and Jason Lee families
Discussion about a Pizza Party for participants
Mary Mart & The Studio will buy pizzas from Half Pint; Tacoma Games will host the families in their new facility

Pierce Transit | Alexandra Mather
Open Houses for High Capacity Corridor coming up.
The 1 Bus will have more stops. Pierce Transit happy to hear that bus stops have been cleaner lately.

Election
One position was filled. Tim Jacobs of Tacoma Games has taken the role of At Large Board Member for 2018.
We still have an at large position open. Also Jacob Pugh will stay on as Secretary until we can find another.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45
Respectfully submitted by Angie Lokotz
In the absence of the Secretary
Annual Holiday Window Painting

Every year for the holidays, the art teachers at Grant Center for the Expressive Arts and Jason Lee Middle School organize a window painting event for 6th Ave businesses. Eileen Newton (Grant) and Catherine Stegeman (Jason Lee) provide the paints, recruit students and their families, and hope that it doesn’t rain. The window painting took place on Saturday, November 18, and the weather gods were smiling that day. It was bright and sunny and warm.

The crews painted 25 windows on the Ave. And this year, in appreciation for their efforts 6th Ave businesses came together and threw the families a pizza party. Josh Norris of Half Pint Pizza Pub supplied the pizzas, providing the first 6 at no charge; Damien McDivitt of Mary Mart and DL Reynolds of The Studio picked up the tab for the rest of the pizzas and provided beverages, plates, and napkins; and the Tacoma Games owners hosted the families in their newly designed game store.

The families enjoyed themselves and said this was a great year. Appreciative businesses invited them in, many had hot chocolate, cider, and cookies, and some gave out favors and coupons. Families piled into Tacoma Games, grabbed some games, found a table, and enjoyed the pizzas. A couple of youngsters proudly displayed a bag which held a bath bomb and soap given to them by Soap & Clay owner Chantine McBain. You can see photos of the Window Painting on the 6th Ave Facebook page (@6thAveTacoma), under Photos.

November Broomie Winner: Tacoma Games!

First impressions count

People judge a business by its appearance. The Broomie is a traveling award (recently reinstated by Bill and Susan Connolly) presented to business owners who have shown that they care about the appearance not only of their business but also their district, neighborhood, and city.

Tacoma Games, which recently remodeled and relocated into the spots formerly occupied by Tacoma Custom Jewelers and Shore Street Custom T’s at 3013 6th Ave, was chosen as the third recipient of the Broomie Award. Tim Jacobs and Jeremy Button, two of the owners are pictured below. Tacoma Games has an interesting business model and is co-owned by a group of gamers who bought out the original owners. A lot of elbow grease went into turning the two vacant storefronts into one new area which allows Tacoma Games to now have a distinct retail area and a games area as well.

Keeping up the tradition, Tacoma Games proudly displayed the Broomie in their front window this month. We hope that the Broomie will be featured in the front window of each month’s awarded business. At the end of the month, a new business will be selected and the Broomie will make its rounds of the district. With luck, it will visit each and every business.

If you have suggestions for a business you believe deserves the Broomie, please contact a Board member.
December Calendar

6th Ave Business District Meeting

When: Tues, December 12 @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am
Where: Crown Bar, 2705 6th Ave; Agenda: Santa Parade Updates, Committee Reports, Broomie
President: Christina Smyre, Crown Bar owner

6th Ave Promotions Committee - Will reconvene in January

When: Last Monday of the Month Before the Board Meeting @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Where: Crescent Moon Gifts; Agenda: Cross pollination between businesses, Reviving 6 on 6 Socials?
Committee Chairs: Angela Wehnert, 253-572-8339; Peter Vanrosendael, 253-272-9229

6th Ave Board Meeting

When: Wed, December 27 @ 7:00-8:00 pm
Where: Primo Grill (unless otherwise indicated)
President: Christina Smyre, Crown Bar owner

All are welcome! You don’t have to be a district member to come to a meeting or be on a committee. (But we’d like you to.) 6th Ave needs and wants your input!

2018 SABD Officers

President Christina Smyre, Crown Bar
Vice President Elizabeth Stewart, TAPCO
Secretary Jacob Pugh, TAPCO
Treasurer Tracy Hansen, HomeStreet Bank

At Large:
Angela Wehnert, Crescent Moon Gifts (Promotions)
Peter Vanrosendael, Turntable Treasures (Promotions)
Casey Cowles, Minuteman Press (Safety)
Tim Jacobs, Tacoma Games

Other Committee Heads:
John Wolters, WC-Studio (Design)
Kristy Rawley, Santa Parade Organizer

Manager:
Angie Lokotz

We still are looking for someone to head the Economic Restructuring Committee. That position has long been unfilled and it is an important one. That committee keeps track of properties on the Ave: vacancies, square footage, owners, tenants, special amenities, requirements, etc. This would be a great position for a realtor to take on.

Angie has also been acting as the Organization Committee, keeping the membership and contact lists up to date.
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Promotions Committee Report

1. Real NW ad has run its course. It's a great magazine but we will not renew without sincere support from other businesses on 6th Ave.

2. Feedback on small business Saturday in form of survey please enter and hear results at general membership meeting.

3. May 19 Spring Fairy Fest: The band "Rogues End" will return, enjoy this band.

4. Promo committee plan for 2018 should be complete by January.

5. Video surveillance is inexpensive, if there is interest, perhaps we can jumble together an order for multiple businesses.

6. Let's get Council Members Thoms or Blocker here for our meetings.

7. Let's reiterate to the City of Tacoma, the need for a commercial/tenant basis of rules.

8. Tossing out there an opportunity for a group 6ABD picture (a business owner selfie, as it were), when? where?

9. Shopping bags are on order with 6ABD logo. Four colors have been ordered

Winter is coming, whose responsibility is it to de-ice your sidewalk, unplug street drains, or remove the slippery leaves? (See rant in the street beat)

Street Beat

By Peter Vanrosendael

I'm walking down the street and I slip (on whatever: ice, leaves, garbage) and am seriously injured. Who is my lawyer gonna come after? Well, that's a slippery slope. Technically it's the building owner just as with graffiti. But we all know who actually does the grunt work. It's the tenants and our superlative shining of civic resolve (now I don't want to hear any crap about "they don't pay me enough to do that" or "that's not my job" - just not enuf time in the day"). SHUT UP and do the right thing: it's called self-protection. An ounce of prevention is worth a tonne of cure. It's this way or you'll be using a claim on your million dollar indemnity insurance … oh … you have no indemnity insurance??? Oops.