Next Regular Meeting: 
Tuesday, June 12, 9:30 am 
At Crown Bar, 2705 Sixth Ave

President’s Message

This time of year is always my favorite on 6th Ave!

Shopping, Ice cream cones in hand... and...

Art on the Ave is only a short FIVE Sundays away!

If you haven’t saved it in your phone, marked interested on facebook, and looked at the band line up... you’re truly missing out! We are still in need of volunteers, so if you’re interested, please reach out to myself / or katie@thewarehousestacoma.com

Between now and then there will be two clean up events - June 9th as well as July 1st. Keeping the Ave safe and clean for everyone is a huge priority for us. Everyone has seen an influx of needles, and garbage around, and everyone is doing their part to keep it clean. Come out and help do yours too!

Did you hear 6th Ave won the city of Destiny Award?? June 22nd our team will be out representing the Ave and accepting the award from Mayor Woodwards. Were very excited and look forward to this event for the SABD!

We’re halfway through the year, and excited about events and changes coming our way... keep up the good work, SABD, and we will keep doing the same.

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Art on the Ave Update

Vendor applications are closed. We had 168 vendors apply this year. Vendor Coordinator Katie Lowrey is going through the last of the applications and will be sending the last round of invoices out.

Beer garden applications will close on Friday, June 8th.

New posters coming soon to business near you. The new posters will feature sponsor names/logos.

We are just 4-weeks away!

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Manager’s Report

Opportunities | One Door Closes; Another Opens

Or, One Store Closes and Another Fills its Space

6th Ave can sometimes be like a revolving door, businesses close and new businesses pop up in their spot. We have had our share of new businesses open this year. Some, like Fish! Fish! Fish! have been years in the making; others like Pizza Press and Locust Cider seem to be moving along quite quickly.

About a year ago, just after Art on the Ave 2017, Soap & Clay and The Looking Glass Boutique opened in the former Sluggo’s space. They shared one storefront and cleverly divided the space into two unique stores: a Soap Shop/Soap Studio where Chantine McBain not only sold soaps and other items, but made them before your eyes (as well as offering classes for bath bombs and more) and a Vintage Clothing Boutique featuring lovely vintage fashions in all sizes as well as vintage candies and other items. Jennee Leavitt of Looking Glass recently closed her store. Chantine is taking that opportunity to flex and expand. How can a soap shop fill that big space? Stop in and see.

Word is that Robert Stocker of the (soon to open?) Boom Boom Room (and Fish! Fish! Fish!) will be remodeling the Hive space next door into an Uber Eats pickup spot.

The much anticipated 6th & Alder development is working hard right now on completing their underwriting process with the bank for the construction loan and...
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continuing with the permitting process, but won’t likely get started on any demolition or site prep until late summer or early Fall at the earliest.

CM Robert Thoms was deployed to Afghanistan and Interim CM Justin Camarata is stepping up to fill his shoes. CM Camarata will even act as a judge for our AOA Grub Crawl.

Our amenities too, have changed in the last few years. The City of Tacoma replaced our old street trash cans with more useful, easier to empty models. Thanks to a grant from our two adjoining neighborhoods

Councils (North End and Central) and much hard work on the part of our design chair John Wolters, we completed the wrapping of the cans. Next up: a 6th Ave branded bulletin board/advertising column where the community can gather to post and read about items of interest to the community.

Tacoma Art Walk offered 6th Ave the opportunity to become a “leg” of the art walk. We are pursuing this opportunity after Art on the Ave. Who knows, maybe the Art Bus will also be resurrected.

6th Ave has so much going on right now that it’s hard to keep up. The Warehouse Tacoma, our Art on the Ave 2018 organizers were just honored by having their last two events (First Night + Ethnic Fest) win a Best of South Sound mention for best festival, so we are looking forward to a great event on the Ave.

6th Ave Business District will be receiving a City of Destiny Award later this month. How cool is that?

And, in other news, Google has started clamping down on the number of emails I can send per month, so I have begun sending our information via Mailchimp. If you are not getting regular SABD updates, please check your Spam folders.

Thanks, Angie

Art Walk Coming to 6th Ave?

Short answer: Yes. Third Thursday of the Month.

The Art Walk has traditionally been associated with downtown Tacoma, but the latest organizers, James Allen and the Tacoma Artists Collective, have been trying to expand the boundaries. 6th Ave is perfect for this expansion. Many 6th Ave shops already feature artists; some, like Dazed and Reused create artwork daily. Shops who want to participate can be paired with artists if you don't currently have one.

Many businesses have expressed an interest in doing a monthly event. After the success of the Wine Walk, more are on board. Once we get some bandwidth (i.e., after Art on the Ave) we can begin the process of organizing more monthly walks into the shops of 6th Ave.

The Art Walk map is put up on the website tacamaartwalk.com by the 2nd of the month. Peter Vanrosendael of Turntable Treasures has been attending the Sunday meetings of the Tacoma Artists Collective. He will be a liaison between TAC and our Event Committee Chair Chantine McBain to launch this. More information to come.
Rarely has anyone opened to more activity than Kirsten Reynolds, owner of (Re)style Clothing Co., who has strategically positioned her store with a ready clientele. She held a soft opening on April 21 with a Community Clothing SWAP and was open for consigning from the 24th to the 28th, encouraging many people to come into her shop before it was officially “open for business.” She kept racks of free clothes out on the street to spark interest and grow their consigned inventory. May 4th was an Open House featuring coupons and rewards for customers. May 11 was the Grand Opening with a surprise guest, Congressman Derek Kilmer, and well-attended by supporters, 6th Ave board members and store owners, as well as Spaceworks Tacoma (Kirsten graduated from their 2017 Entrepreneurship Program) representatives Gwen Kohl and Dmitry Mikheyev (who was a former manager in the same storefront when it was Tandem Gear). Cong. Kilmer cuts the opening day ribbon

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Minues of May Regular Meeting
President Christina Smyre called to order 9:32a

Introductions & Approval of Minutes - 9:36a

AOA Update/ Q&A - Doug Stoeckicht from the Warehouse
- Doug’s contact info: 253-229-3855
- Announced an AOA new website launch this year
- $500 to sponsor a block
  - Register online to request vendor spot
  - $75 for members
- need to ensure to do this or your business will be blocked
  - on the form, use the “Other” line to indicate you are a current, paid member
- Preliminary posters are ready and have been put up
- There will be 2 rounds of advertising posters
- Second posters will have sponsorship companies

CLO report - Officer Norling
- 2 burglaries- one of which is Mary Mart
- 2 vehicle prowls
- 3 assaults

Tacoma Community and Economic Development Report - Carol Wolfe
- It is historic preservation month!
- have posters to promote
- May is bike month
- May 9th Public Utilities Director finalist announcements 6-7:30p and May 14th meet and greet the finalists
- It’ll be all things: budget, filling new positions, housing affordability

Old Town & Art Initiative - Christopher Uebelhor
- Tacoma created a ballot initiative
- 1% sales tax increase ($13 per household/ $5mil a year)
- Community members allowed to apply for grants
- Seeks to help non-profits like Hilltop Artists and Grand Cinema
- Seeks to tear down barriers of education
- More outreach programs
- Art & Cultural Vitality and City Board will be determine distribution of grant funds

Pierce Transit- Alexander Mather
- For more info: Ridebrt.com
- Easier access to public transportation
- Lite rail on wheels at a lower cost
- Livens up corridors and economic boost
- Running along S 9th St to Market St through Tacoma Dome Station th SF2 Spanaway Walmart
- 15 mi. for project in 2015

City Of Tacoma Environmental Services - Mike Slevin
- Commercial clean up costs are not subsidized
- SABD requests for a few more garbage cans in hopes to reduce litter
- Food waste services is an add on cost
- BIA clean up or business responsibility
- The city provided fewer containers and $100.000 on big bellies for 6th ave
- Big bellies need to be on level ground
- Addressing the graffiti
- Call City of Tac Env Services if there’s illegal dumping
- Responsibility of garbage management falls on businesses-need city to be responsible and this issue will be brought up to the City Manager
- Gravity locks suggested to use to prevent illegal dumping
- Communal cans are paid for by residential and commercial
- Recycling costs less than garbage costs
- Street sweeping is twice a month
- Catch basins cleaned every 2 years
- Call 311 if catch basin is clogged
- Louis is the Solid Waste Facilities contact
- They are not the sanitation dept.
- Rate based utilities and determined by volume
- Cautious about expanding
- City of Tacoma pays for fire hydrants with tax money
- Should be charging businesses can sits in front of

Design Committee - John Wolters
- Graphic wraps going up soon, after 1 year
- We have a members tab on our website
- Pump up the art aspect of our community through murals and sculptures
- M Group
- Bobby Baylie - runs XTAC and free services provided as long as they get to keep the revenue
- Brennan Kidd from public works will need help with volunteers painting the curbs
- need coordinator to paint curbs and figure out the volunteer lineup

Promotions Committee - Peter Vanrosendael & Angela Wehnert
- Create incentive to use reusable bags on 6th

Events Committee - Chantine McBain (Casey Cowles presenting on her behalf)
- Chantine created Wine Walk
  - 16 business involved
  - 300+ ppl sold out event
  - Issue some tickets day of from 2-3p at Soap & Clay Shop

District Manager Report - Angie Lokotz
- Up to 60 members on SABD
- 11th annual May19th Spring Fairy Festival

Meeting Adjourned 10:45a
Congressman Derek Kilmer Visits 6th Ave

Representative Derek Kilmer was out and about on 6th Ave on Friday, May 11, with his aide Eric Williams. Eric had approached the board the day before and suggested that Rep. Kilmer would be stopping by at ReStyle Clothing Co.'s Grand Opening to give him an opportunity to hear about the good and the bad for small businesses, be accessible, and hear good ideas to bring back to D.C.

Congressman Derek Kilmer discusses 6th Ave business with Angie Lokotz, District Manager

Kilmer heard about ways Congress can make doing business a little easier. One way is by investing in infrastructure, so it is easier to come to our business districts and main streets to visit, shop and dine.

Derek had spent 10 years working for the Tacoma Economic Development Board and has a business background so a lot of his office work is focused around how to create more opportunity in more places – and a big part of that is meeting with business folks to hear what’s working and what’s not – where the federal government could be a better partner, and when they should step back.

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Businesses who did not secure their booths cannot be guaranteed that their storefront will be open to the street. You may set up on the sidewalk under your awning, send people into the streets (wearing your logo gear) to hand out flyers, coupons, etc., you may even want to consider sponsorship options (contact doug@thewarehousetacoma.com). Sponsorships can be as little as $100.

6th Ave will have a booth set up in the vicinity of Crescent Moon and we are happy to hand out brochures, flyers, and samples of 6th Ave shops as well. Contact Angie and she will arrange to pick up items.

The Grub Crawl will happen again this year. We have two return judges (Ed Troyer and Aura Mae the Kitchen Beautician) as well as CM Justin Camarata who will is standing in for Robert Thoms during his deployment.
Wine Walk was on May 12th and it was Awesome.

Finer points: Prep time for wine walk was roughly 6 weeks, which means we pulled off a fun and successful event in very little time! The ultimate goal of the wine walk was to have a district wide event that drove traffic to businesses on The Ave without negatively impacting other shops. Setting up pour locations within the businesses helped, not shutting down the street helped as well. The event was marketed using 6th Ave’s Facebook page with no advertising dollars and sold out two weeks in advance. Including the 360 ticketed patrons, The Ave saw an uptick in traffic (an estimated 1000 people) that visited our restaurants and bars after the event ended. All in all, a successful event for our inaugural run! Plans are being made to further streamline next year’s event and hopefully allow us increase the number of available tickets.

Featured local wineries were Vino Aquino (6th Ave), Gingko Winery (Old Town), Leony’s (Enumclaw), as well as local cideries Cockrell (Puyallup) and Locust Cider (Woodinville and soon to open on 6th Ave). Other wines and food was supplied by 6th Ave restaurants and bars.

The events committee’s goal is to have one event like this (not necessarily alcohol related) every month -- a district wide event that showcases our amazing businesses without negatively impacting the day to day operations of life and commerce on The Ave.

Any ideas for future events, please contact Chantine at Soap & Clay!

Design Committee Report

Solar Trash Can graphics

Solar Can graphic wraps are now installed on the 6th Avenue District garbage cans.

A huge Thank You from the Design Committee to 6th Avenue Businesses, the 6ABD Board, City of Tacoma, Public Works, Rotator Creative Design agency, North End and Central Neighborhood Councils and PrintNW.

(Re)style Clothing Company

Most people would take a well-deserved day off, but, no. May 12 (Re)style Clothing acted as a check-in station for 6th Ave’s first Wine Walk, where hundreds of eager shoppers were introduced to Kirsten and her well-stocked shop. Some came back three and four times that day. And the days after that.

The bright green walls and curtains reinforce the “restyle, reuse, upscale” motif and shoppers are finding quality bargains amid the well-stocked racks. They have denim, shoes, dresses, accessories, and more for women and men of all sizes, and home decor! There’s even a large back room for VIP after-hours parties, customer fit to your preferences (shopping, crafting, meet-ups, music, and more).

In just over a month, her shop has become a staple on the block, adding to the general ambience of the street and bringing new life to an empty storefront. Kirsten says “she is happy to be part of one of the most vibrant Neighborhood Business District in Tacoma, her home town and her own community”; she reports, “we could have located anywhere in the City, but 6th Ave has so much to offer with community engagement opportunities, cross-business networking, and great community events. I look forward to being a part of many more Wine Walks and other fun events in the future.”

Kirsten will be hosting a 6 on 6th Social in September (Thurs. 9/6/18), but don’t wait until then to stop in. Stock changes almost daily, so check in often.
The Great Barrier Relief Project

The Great Barrier Relief Project is the nickname given to City of Tacoma Resolution RES40025 which will be presented Tuesday night, June 5, at City Council by CM Lilian Hunter.

We can thank the Rev Anthony Steele, President of the Hilltop Business Association for bringing the topic of “event costs” up to CM Hunter at the March CDA meeting. He asked CM Hunter why we couldn’t get some sort of financial help for the cost of street barricades and signs. She ran with the idea and is presenting the resolution at Tuesday night’s City Council meeting for approval. Our district is among the five districts that will benefit from this resolution if it passes.

Late good news for 6th Avenue: The resolution was passed by the city council Tuesday evening.

The CDA Executive Board requested the Boards of the affected districts to attend Tuesday night’s meeting to show support and appreciation for their consideration. This can mean up to a $2,000 reimbursement of costs for street barricades for our Art on the Ave event.

Street Beat By Peter W. Vanrosendael

Upon taking a mini survey of business revenues for May, we all must remember, that this thing called “Brick and Mortar” is a marathon, not a sprint. There will be cycles of ups and cycles of downs. And I think most would agree, that we are all fighting the competition of the internet. So how can we as a business district overcome some of that competition?? Promote our brand of 6ABD as being a destination resort (huh??). A destination of friendlies. Customer service, going the extra kilometer, striking up conversations. Ya know the art of small talk with customers can go a long way in getting them to return, and YES we all want the return customer (does any business wanna see a customer once a year?) Your long term success will be with the returners. So let’s brand 6ABD as a friendly bunch of eclectic sojourners ourselves. We’re all in this boat together.

May Broomie Award Winner: TAPCO

Neatness counts. TAPCO keeps its parking lot clean and their bushes trimmed. Elizabeth Stewart, TAPCO Branch Manager, and Jacob Pugh, Assistant Manager, are pictured here with 6th Ave President Christina Stewart.

President’s Message

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by representing you best!

If you’d like to volunteer for the June 9th Cleanup, check in to Mary Mart for details.

Date: June 9th (Saturday)
Where: Start at the shop then have a crew head west and east on the ave.
Who: Anyone can volunteer (preferably, no 21 and under persons)
Time: 10a-12p
Items: We have gloves, reflectors and garbage bags provided by the City

Christina Smyre
6th Ave Business District President
MEMBERS 2018

(list is constantly updated as member dues are paid)

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- BD Local app (Backseat Driver) | Smart Advertisement LLC, Timothy & Sadie Marlowe, P.O. Box 11988, Tacoma, 843-614-7629, smart253@gmail.com
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