PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM AT THE OCTOBER 19TH HILLTOP BUSINESS ASSOCIATION MEETING 8 AM AT ALLEN AME 1223 MLK

WE WILL ALSO WELCOME THE CITY COUNCIL POSITION 6 CANDIDATES
There are so many great things to say about the Street Fair. We are thankful to all of our volunteers and vendors who help make the Hilltop Street Fair a success. On behalf of the Hilltop Business Association, a big giant THANK YOU!

Now that the fall season is upon us, it is also time for us to consider the election cycle for the city of Tacoma. Many of us don’t really like to get into politics. We would rather just work and grow our businesses. Nevertheless, it is important for us to consider the issues that affect our businesses and who should be elected to office. You don’t really think about it until you have a permit issue or a code violation associated with your establishment. The Hilltop Business Association will host its third political forum. This forum will be on Thursday, October 19th at 8AM during our normal member meeting. The two Mayoral candidates will be in attendance, and we are hopeful to have the city council candidates as well. Be sure to bring your questions that you want asked that may help you make the right choice for your business.

Finally, I want to hear from you about what great things are going on with your business. Let us know if you are holding an Open House, Grand Opening, or Special Sale. I would love to get the information out to the members of the Hilltop Business Association.

All the best!
Pastor Anthony Steele

If you have an event or would like to contribute to the Newsletter, please email: Jennifer: spuntacoma@gmail.com

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**A MESSAGE FROM THE HBA PRESIDENT**

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**BOARD AND MEMBER MEETINGS**

**NEXT MEMBER MEETING IS THURSDAY, OCT 19th AT 8AM**

ALLEN AME CHURCH MEETING ROOM  
1223 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY, TACOMA  
BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND WEDNESDAY MONTHLY AT 4PM (SAME LOCATION)
"What happens when an underrepresented community is given direct access to an Advanced Technology Center for STEM education? “Hub on the Hilltop” tells the story of how McGranahan Architects, Bates Technical College and the community leaders of Tacoma, Washington’s Hilltop neighborhood joined together with one goal in mind: to provide an equitable education to all its residents.”

We are entering this short film into a competition through the American Institute of Architect’s “I Look Up Film Challenge”. Part of this challenge is to win the popular vote, and to do that, we want to gain as many votes for our film as possible. If we win, Bates’ story will go on to be screened at the Architecture and Film Festival in New York City on November 1, 2017.

The Tacoma Studio Tour is your opportunity to see inside the working studios of local artists, learn about the artistic process, ask questions, and purchase one-of-a-kind creations. All studios feature demonstrations or will have hands-on activities for visitors. It’s family friendly and free!
Dear Friends: Once an event like the Hilltop Street Fair is over everyone takes a big breath and searches for the future and an understanding of what is to come for us in Hilltop! While I am ever grateful for the incredible volunteers, sponsors, vendors, who participated giving their time and talent, and of course those who attended making this the best street fair yet, we still have work to do. Our district is not yet complete and is only growing in ways that we no not yet fully understand.

For the moment I want to go over some of the structure of our district.

In Tacoma the business districts are modeled after Main Street America, which is a program of the National Main Street Center, the purpose being to revitalize older and historic commercial districts to build vibrant neighborhoods and thriving economies. This model includes four areas of development. 1.) Economic Development and Restructuring, 2.) Organization, 3.) Design, and 4.) Promotion.

1.) Economic Development and Restructuring includes working with the businesses to assist with development or to assist in maintaining existing businesses. In the case of BASRA (11th and MLK) we provided assistance in cleaning up the lot. Rite Aid might fit in this area as well and the old Key Bank site. Mrs. Geezys and Red Elm fit this category to some extent as do other businesses. Nat Brazil, Kevin Grossman, Pastor Steele, and myself met with Gay and Michael Miller regarding the opening of Mrs. Geezy's several times in the past two years, and we think they will now be open hopefully within a month.

2.) Design has to do with banners (We now need new ones) maintenance of the planters and clean up of the district for which we provided some funds. Design includes decorative ideas for the district during the holidays and other times of year as well.

3.) Organization: Includes growing and retaining membership, addressing what is to be gained from being a member in the district, and would include holding forums and scheduling business meetings of interest and much more.

4.) Promotion has to do with maintaining the website, face book, the newsletter, and to some extent the production of the luncheon, street fair, and wine walk. These events promote the district. Promotion also includes the information you get when you Google Hilltop that creates a positive and unified vision and image to visitors for our district.

As the fall approaches it is time to look to next year and who might be available and interested in serving in one of the four committee areas and who might like to be an Executive Board Member for the Hilltop Business Association. Making your desires for the district known at this time is welcome.

In Love and Service.

Mario Lorenz - HBA Manager
This year, the Hilltop Street Fair Film Competition at Centro Latino during the street fair. We received 16 entries, including 4 youth entries. Three of the youth entries came from middle and high school students who were involved in a summer film program with the Tacoma and Pierce County Libraries. The film committee was impressed with the quality and diversity of all the entries that included everything from dramas to parodies to social issues and poetry.

The winners were:

**Best Overall:** Black Like Me – Gloria Muhammad

**Spirit of Diversity Award:** Coloring Hilltop – Jamika Scott

**Best Youth Film:** Teenagers – Lenia Martinez, Jai’el Thomas, Naseer Phels and Zoe Lehmiller

**Best Non-Fiction Film:** Tacoma: A Tale of Two Cities - Joseph Taylor

The 2017 Hilltop Street Fair included a Quilt Show to showcase the works of local quilters. The old Key Bank building on 11th Street was transformed into a gallery and 86 quilts were displayed for public viewing. The public was asked to vote on the quilt that inspired them the most and at the end of the day, the “People’s Choice Award” went to Wendy Jewett of Olympia for her entry.

The quilts came from not only established, expert quilters, but also from a group of beginner quilters called the Fabrics of Faith Quilters. Having just learned to quilt, this group of novices were delighted to share their first quilts with the public.

There was also a teen quilt project on display. Using a grant from the Central Neighborhood Council and collaborating with Peace Lutheran Church, a story quilt was created by the community youth to mirror the Fair’s theme of "Unity Through Diversity".

Heading up the show and teen quilt project were two quilters who are also military veterans/retirees, Elizabeth Burris and A'donna Richardson. Their goal for the future is for Quilt Show to evolve into a reflection of the diversity and different cultures within
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