



NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

The STBDA would like to welcome Lumin-Art Signs Inc. as one of our newest members.

Lumin-Art Signs, Inc. has been designing commercial signage for local businesses since 1967 in the greater Puget Sound area. They are a full service custom electrical sign company.

They specialize in professional signage including internally illuminated channel letters, wall signs, monument signs, LED message centers, pole signs, cabinet signs, reader boards, neon signs, non-illuminated signs and A-Boards. They also do custom installations and removal of signage.

They have an in-house design department, fabrication shop and permit department and they are ready to help you give your company a visual makeover. Their service truck keeps all types of electrical signs in perfect working order. They also service parking lot lights and building accent lights.

Lumin-Art Signs Inc. is located at 4320 South Adams St, Suite A and their hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday, phone number is 253-475-5252. Dave Bowen is President and sales, Nancy Braedt is sales manager and Mary Mobley is accountant and office manager.

Please visit their web site at www.luminartsigns.com or give them a call and one of the sales personnel will come visit your business.



GRAFFITI UPDATE

Graffiti “artists” continue to plague the South Tacoma Business District, tagging buildings, light poles, newspaper boxes, USPS drop boxes, dumpsters, along with any other surface they decide to deface. The business district is pro-active in getting these tags covered up as soon as possible, but we need more “eyes and ears” to assist. Please call either Jim or Karen Rich at Guardian Security to report any sightings (253) 474-5855. The district works closely with the Tacoma Police Department to document the tags prior to covering them up. This could be helpful in the prosecution process.

2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please take the time renew your membership or sign up as a new member. Your participation is vital to the success of the STBDA and our business community. You can download the membership form at our website www.stbda.com or contact District Manager Jamie Brown at 253-475-5676, and she will be happy to assist you with your membership application.

Who Should I Call?



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Graffiti Cleanup253-798-7986
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 Energy Efficient Lighting ...253-502-8619
 Tax & License.....253-591-5252
 Dumpster & Recycling.....253-591-5543
 Sign Code Information253-591-5482
 Abandoned Autos.....253-591-5926
 Traffic Signal Problems253-591-5287

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ Spotlight your business in the STBDA Newsletter - circulation 300
- ▶ Link your website to the STBDA website at www.stbda.com
- ▶ Use the Membership Directory - to utilize your fellow business district members when you do business.
- ▶ List your events on the monthly calendar - a great way to invite your fellow district members to sales and events at your place of business
- ▶ Complimentary booth at the Annual Classic Car Show
- ▶ Introduce your business to newcomers in our "Welcome Kit"
- ▶ Host a membership meeting at your place of business
- ▶ Showcase your business at the district booth during community events.
- ▶ Additional 10% discount in Tacoma Weekly Advertising
- ▶ Your dues support the continuation of Beautification Projects.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Ground Hog's Day	3	4	5	6
7	8 ●	9	10	11 STBDA General Meeting @ Tacoma Eagles	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13
14 ○	15 Presidents' Day	16	17	18	19 Executive Board Meeting - Homestead	20
21	22 ○ Washington's Birthday	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	Every Thursday @ Stonegate Taco Thursday				



**SOUTH TACOMA BUSINESS DISTRICT
1ST QUARTER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 11, 2016
TACOMA EAGLES #3**

**4810 SOUTH TACOMA WAY
5:45 PM—7:00 PM**

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- * SW STREETScape IMPROVEMENT UPDATE**
- * STATE FARM GRANT UPDATE**
- * ANNUAL CAR SHOW**
- * 2016 ANNUAL BUDGET**
- * 2016 WORK PLAN**



Spaghetti Dinner provided by Tacoma Eagles #3



No Host Bar will be available



Donations to Tacoma Eagles #3 Roof
Fund will be gladly accepted

BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Karen Rich is co-owner of Guardian Security, located at 5424 South Tacoma Way. She and her husband Jim have worked together for the past 20 years.

Karen is the office manager and is in charge of accounting and marketing for the business. Jim is



the operations manager and supervises all service technicians. Prior to working at Guardian, Karen worked for a major wholesale distributor of locks and door hardware in the Seattle area for ten years.

Karen has been very active in the business district for the past 18 years. When Guardian moved to their present location in 1997, she attended a committee meeting for the Annual Classic Car Show. There she met other business owners and became invested in working towards making the South Tacoma Business District a more vibrant and consumer friendly area. She currently serves on the Executive Board as its Treasurer. She has held every board position over the past 15 years. When she was President, she became involved in the Cross District Association which is the governing body for all business districts in the City of Tacoma. She held the position of CDA President for three years in addition to being STBDA President. That gave her an opportunity to work with various City of Tacoma department heads and city council members, which has been a valuable experience. She often is the "go to person" for South Tacoma business owners who have questions regarding policies and procedures within the City of Tacoma.

Guardian Security provides physical security for both commercial and residential applications. They have six locksmiths, three automated gate technicians and one CCTV installer on staff. Guardian Security holds both General and Electrical Contractor licenses. Four of their technicians are low-voltage electricians, allowing them to integrate a variety of security systems. Guardian Security is also the "go to business" for the automotive industry, working on all makes and models of foreign and domestic vehicles. Most car dealerships and repair shops use their services.

Karen was born and raised in the Tacoma area. After graduating from high school, she attended college and studied accounting which led to her employment with a well-known Tacoma restaurant family. She was on their management team for ten years, supervising the front of the house and 30 employees.

Karen and Jim have five children, six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter all of whom live in the Puget Sound area. Karen and Jim live in the Town of Steilacoom, however, their major financial interests are in Tacoma.

Guardian Security 5424 S Tacoma Way 253-474-5855 www.securityRus.com

1ST QUARTER GENERAL MEETING

Our next General meeting will be February 11, 2016 at the Tacoma Eagles located at 4818 South Tacoma Way (they share a parking lot with the Habitat Store). Please join us at 5:45 pm for refreshments. The meeting will start promptly at 6:00pm.

The Eagles will be hosting a spaghetti dinner complete with salad, garlic bread and dessert! We look forward to seeing you all there. As always, there will valuable information shared that can affect you and your business. At this month's meeting we have updates on the South Tacoma Way Street Scape and the art project. It is also a great way to meet other business owners in our area and share ideas and information. Our goal is to build a stronger business community and we need your participation. Let's work together to make 2016 the year of positive changes.



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SOUTH TACOMA CAR SHOW

Justin Carle owner of Tacoma Shave Co. has volunteered to head up the committee for the 2016 South Tacoma Car Show, which is scheduled for Saturday August 20th. The committee held their first meeting two weeks ago and planning/organization is under way. WE NEED volunteers to be part of the Car Show Committee and WE NEED Sponsors! If this is something you would like to be involved with please email Jamie, Jamie_stbda@yahoo.com. She will be compiling a list of those interested so we can get the planning process moving forward. Justin has some great ideas and is enthusiastic about it. He can be reached at jay_carle@yahoo.com or (253) 324-0052



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5:45pm Meet & Greet, 6:00pm - 7:00pm Meeting



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calendar. Meetings are open to Everyone.**

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