



TACOMA FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

A fire station in Tacoma will now double as a safe place for those seeking treatment for opioid addiction. Fire Station One, located at 901 Fawcett Avenue is the first in the state to become a “Safe Station.” Station One was chosen for its proximity to a number of calls related to opioids. Last year, the Tacoma Fire Department responded to 1,500 calls related to opioid use, abuse and overdose and they administered the drug Narcan over 400 times. Narcan can reverse the effects of an overdose

People can use the services at the station by walking in. An initial assessment will determine whether they need to be transferred to a hospital for emergency treatment. If not, they’ll be transported to a nearby medical clinic for assessment, medicine and ongoing support.

Safe Stations is part of TFD CARES, the department’s non-emergency medical service. CARES stands for Community, Assistance, Referral and Education Service.

In July, the department launched a mobile CARES unit that responds to non-emergency calls, some related to opioid use. The unit has served nearly 100 people. It was paid for with a two-year, \$1 million grant.

Officials hope to expand the program to other stations in the future. The “Safe Station” program is in place in 39 cities across the nation.



REMINDER - Sidewalk garbage cans are for pedestrians, NOT for retail store garbage disposal. If our sidewalk garbage cans are full, pedestrians will throw their garbage on the ground in front of your store.

ANNUAL “1st RESPONDERS HOLIDAY DINNER”

For the past ten years, the South Tacoma Neighborhood Council along with members of the South Tacoma Business District has hosted a “First Responders Holiday Dinner” on December 25th. While many families are sitting down together for a celebratory meal, our first responder’s duties & responsibilities continue. The Annual First Responders Dinner is a way for our community to give back to those who spend their lives serving others (police, fire/rescue, medics).

The food is prepared, the tables are set and an open invitation is extended to “all local first responders throughout Pierce County”. Last year, in addition to the food being served at Tacoma police headquarters, meals were hand delivered to other agencies that were not able to attend. PC Sheriffs Dept, LESA, Fife, Fircrest, Dupont, Steilacoom, University Place, Lakewood, Ruston and two emergency animal clinics. Others who were “on the road” and could not stay for a sit down dinner were provided with “To Go boxes”.

This year’s event will be held once again at Tacoma Police Headquarters, 3701 South Pine Street from Noon – 10PM. Food and financial donations are being accepted at this time. Monetary donations can be mailed to the South Tacoma Business District @ PO Box 9445, Tacoma WA 98490-0445 or can be dropped off at Guardian Security % Karen Rich, STBDA Treasurer.

We are also in need of volunteers to set up, serve, deliver meals and clean up. Assigned shifts will be scheduled in two hour intervals. Donna Buck will be coordinating all of the volunteers, so please contact her if you can donate at least two hours of your time on Christmas Day. Volunteers will be needed for set up between 10am – Noon. **Volunteers to serve and deliver will be needed between Noon-10pm.** Please contact Donna Buck at 253-224-7837 or email her at: mrsdonnabuck@gmail.com if you can help.

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TacomaFIRST311: CALL 311 for any complaints or questions that you may have. **Just Dial 311**

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.
- ▶ Your dues support the continuation of Beautification Projects.

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November 2019

*** REMEMBER - NO SHAVE NOVEMBER ***

Dawson's: Happy Hour Mon-Fri 3-6
Airport: Happy Hour Tue-Sun 4-6

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------|---|---|---|-------------------------------|
| | | | | | Executive Board Meeting 8:00am Dawson's Bar & Grill 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| TIME CHANGE (Fall Back 1 Hour) | | Election Day | | | | |
| 10 |  11 Veterans Day (Observed) Seahawks @ San Francisco 49ers | 12 | 13 | GENERAL MEETING 6:00pm SABETI's 5813 STW | 14 | 15 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | Cross District Assn Meeting 8:30am The Spar S Tacoma Neighborhood Council 6:00pm STAR Center | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |  Thanksgiving | 28 | 29 |
| Seahawks @ Philadelphia | | | | | Black Friday | 30 SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY |

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

The November General Meeting will be held on THURSDAY, November 14th @ 6:00pm at Sabeti Motors newly acquired building, 5813 South Tacoma Way. Join us to see what Shane has done with the “former Bank of America” building.

There will be a “Meet & Greet” at 5:45pm. The meeting will start promptly at 6:00pm and lasts approximately one hour. This will be the last meeting of the year. Please attend and give the executive board your thoughts on what you would like to see happen in 2020. Find out what has worked in the past and what has not and why. Give the board your input on the hanging flower baskets and summer events.

Guest speaker will be Oliver Scott, Executive Director for **Urban Business Support**. Do you need help growing your business? Are you experiencing higher rents? Do you need access to funding to help run your business? Attend and get answers to the above questions. He will be giving FREE seminars in January in both English and Spanish.

SO. TACOMA IS NOW PART OF THEIR PAST

Interview with owner Doreen Hovermale by Mario Lorenz

Elmo's Adult Books & Videos on South Tacoma Way is now part of the past. This summer, Elmo's building was purchased by Heritage Bank and at this time no plans have been announced for the direction of the block where Elmo's stood. Doreen thinks that it might be good to build a six or seven story apartment building or condo facility with retail on the first floor.

When I spoke with people, be they council members, neighborhood people or other business owners, everyone knew about Elmo's and where it was. She and her husband began the store in downtown Tacoma and later moved to South Tacoma. They faced opposition from city officials, politicians, neighborhood groups and with each court case, they prevailed. Doreen considers herself a pioneer in the “free speech” battle.

“When Elmo's began in 1969, there was no opposition for about a year; then an adult movie theater moved into the “M” street location. The City of Tacoma was not happy about the adult movie house and they lumped Elmo's in with the movie house. They were not the same but the city could not see the difference. Pornography was pornography and therefore trouble.” said Doreen. She went to court and the city required a few small changes and that was it. Elmo's won the court case and it continued on for forty eight more years.

“We spent thousands of dollars in court for people to have the right to see what we sell and now you can get anything and everything on the internet and it is not regulated. We were always regulated. There were state regulations that would not allow us to sell certain materials in those days,” Doreen said.

Elmer and Doreen opened their first store in August of 1969 and then they got married in November. Elmer had four children and Doreen had five so they blended their families. Elmer did public relations and Doreen did the books. They began to build a store in Pasco but Elmer had a stroke in 1992. Doreen told Elmer she would finish the store and she did. Elmer passed away before it was finished. The Pasco store is still there today along with locations in Bremerton and Lakewood.

Doreen wanted to become more involved in the community. “My fingers had to be in the pie”. She was a member of the business district and a supporter for 16 years. Now at 84, Doreen says she has probably forgotten more than she ever knew. Now after 49 years she has said “Goodbye to South Tacoma”.

L&I PROPOSES CHANGE IN WORKERS' COMP PREMIUMS FOR 2020

The Department of Labor & Industries has announced an overall 0.8 percent decrease in the average price of workers' compensation insurance premiums across the state beginning in 2020, marking the third year in a row for an overall rate decrease. **If adopted**, individual employers “may” see smaller or larger drops depending on that employer's industry and claims history. The changes will be adopted by early December and effective January 1, 2020. We will update you next month.

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

No-shave November is a month-long journey during which participants forgo shaving and grooming in order to educate the public about cancer prevention and to aid those fighting the battle. The rules are simple: *Put down your razor for 30 days and donate our monthly hair-maintenance expenses to the cause.* The goal is to grow awareness by embracing our hair which many cancer patients lose.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

The City of Tacoma owns and operates a number of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS). Level 2 (J1771) chargers available at the following locations:

- Two at the 'A' Street Garage, 110 South 10th Street
- Four at the Park Plaza North Garage, 923 Commerce Street
- Two at the Pacific Plaza Garage, 1125 Commerce Street
- Two at the Museum of Glass, 1801 Dock Street
- Eight at Tacoma Public Utilities, 3628 S. 35th Street
- Two at Cheney Stadium, 2502 S. Tyler Street
- Two at Old Town Parking, 2216 N. 30th Street
- Eight at the Center for Urban Waters, 326 East D Street

In addition to what the City operates, there are fee-based Electric Vehicle Charging Stations at more than 30 Tacoma business locations. This includes five Fast Charge Stations with multiple plugs at businesses along Interstate 5. Locations of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in Tacoma and elsewhere can be found on an online data center maintained by the US Dept. of Energy.

NEWSLETTERS FOR YOUR CUSTOMERS

If you would like to have newsletters delivered to your business each month for customers to read while they are waiting for services (or just to take home with them), please contact Karen Rich @ Karen@securityRus.com or Mario Lorenz @ mariolorenz@gmail.com with your request. We will add your name to the list of businesses that are already receiving them.

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GENERAL MEETING THURS NOV 17th
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