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THANK YOU for Renewing your

How's Biz?

A note from your Interim Executive Director, Michael Wells

We Are the Champions!

I believe that my first informed conversation about the Capitol Hill Sound Transit station took place somewhere around 1994. How I wish that I had marked the day on my calendar so that I could tell you exactly. Since that red letter day (whenever it was) I doubt that a week of my life has gone by when I haven't had a conversation with someone about trains, tunnels or traffic on the Hill. I'm not complaining, mind you, those conversations have been rich, satisfying and complex. I can talk about Capitol Hill until the cows come home - and often do, as my friends can tell you.

In March of 2010 I joined a group of folks to begin actively engaging with Sound Transit to make sure that what was built on top of the Sound Transit station was the best possible development for our neighborhood. Led by Hill Hero Catherine Hillenbrand that group has been meeting ever since to advocate for development on the site that will reflect Capitol Hill at its finest: community minded, diverse, functional, fun and beautiful.

Our group is a joint venture between the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce and the Capitol Hill Community Council. We've met with Mayor McGinn, the Seattle City Council, King County Council members and various and sundry Capitol Hill stakeholders. We call ourselves the Champions (Cue the Queen soundtrack...).

Through the hard work of active, engaged, community minded volunteers we've earned our seat at the table in this important discussion about the future of Capitol Hill. We've had hard (and thoroughly satisfying) discussions about height, parking, arts, community spaces, the LGBT community, retail and housing. We've hosted community forums and tabled at community events. And, in a way, our work has just begun.

Devoting this much time to community building is hard work. I'm very lucky to be in a position where that work is supported by a paycheck. But without the hard work - the blood, sweat and tears - of volunteers and community members that work couldn't be done. Ask anyone down at City Hall and they'll tell you; there is no more actively engaged community in this great city of ours than Capitol Hill.

So I'd like to thank the members of the Champion Steering Committee, for all they do for me. And you. And our neighborhood. These are the Champions, my friends: Catherine Hillenbrand, Betsy Hunter (Capitol Hill Housing), Jennifer Power, Zef Wagner, Tony Russo, Mike Kent (all of the Capitol Hill Community Council) Chip Ragen (Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce) Mike Mariano and John Feit (Schemata Workshop).

You rock.

The excellent Capitol Hill Seattle story on the work of the Champions (with video link) can be found here: <http://www.capitolhillseattle.com/2010/06/21/champion-steering-committee-bridges-community-concerns-and-sound-transit>

Michael Wells

40 Under 40!

Congratulations to CHCC Board Member Dani Cone of Fuel Coffee and High 5 Pie.

CHCC's very own Board Member Dani Cone was named in the Pudget Sound Business Journals 40 Under 40 as one of the brightest young business stars in Washington.

On **September 22, 2010** there will be an event held to honor the honorees. Tickets are available now! Visit [40 Under 40](#) to purchase tickets now!

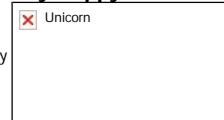
Congratulations Dani!



Membership Event

CHCC is now hosting a Monthly Happy Hour Come Join us at Unicorn!

The Chamber is now hosting a monthly happy hour! Join us each month at one of our local watering holes for food, drinks, networking and fun.



membership to the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce and for your continued support!

Up Coming Events

August 15: 12th Ave Neighborhood Festival

October 4: Spirit of the Hill Dinner

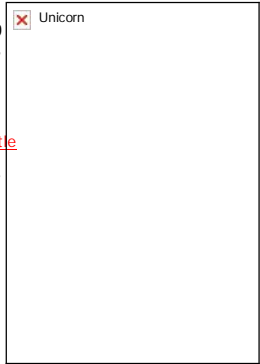
This month:
Unicorn Restaurant and Bar
 1118 E Pike Street

Wednesday, August 25, 5:30PM

Member Profile

Paul Blake for Unicorn Restaurant and Bar

Business Name: Unicorn
Start Date: January 27th, 2010
Address: 1118 E Pike St, Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206 325 6492
Website:
www.unicornseattle.com
www.facebook.com/UnicornSeattle



Why is Capitol Hill home to your business?

We all live here, we socialize here, we wanted to own a bar on the Hill. And the location became available at the right time.

Tell us one thing about your business that most people wouldn't know.

We are working on opening a huge (5000 sq ft) basement venue right below Unicorn!!

Other than your own, what is your favorite Capitol Hill Business?
 QFC (Harvard), Ayutthaya, Madison Market

Favorite Place to get a Martini/Coffee on Capitol Hill?
 Sun Liquor/Cupcake Royale

You are Cordially Invited to:

2nd Annual Spirit of the Hill Dinner

Save the Date for the 2nd Annual Spirit of the Hill Fundraiser Dinner for the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce!



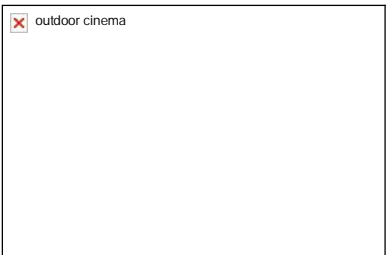
Please join us for an evening of delicious cuisine from **Osteria La Spiga**, awards, silent auction, raffle, entertainment and networking with community leaders and residents. Additional details about the event and ticket sales are forthcoming at www.yourcapitolhill.com. Keep an eye out for your very own save-the-date card and invitation designed by our own **Ellen Forney!**

2nd Annual Spirit of the Hill
Date: October 4th, 2010
Time: 6:00pm
Place: Osteria La Spiga, 1429 12th Ave., Seattle
 Contact: Michael Wells, Interim Executive Director
 Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce
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 (206) 328-6646

Three Dollar Bill...Blonde But Not Forgotten

Celebrate Summer nights...at Cal Anderson Park!

Over 1400 people have come to enjoy summer nights at Cal Anderson Park to enjoy **Three Dollar Bill's** Outdoor Cinema Film Series: **Blonde But Not Forgotten.**



The film on June 30th : "The Legend of Billie Jean," had the audience singing along to Pat Benatar's "Invincible" and chanting "Fair is Fair" along with Billie Jean.

All screenings are FREE and begin at sunset (around 8:30-9 pm) at the southeast corner of Capitol Hill's Cal Anderson Park.

The next screening is on **Friday August 13**, the film is **Desperately Seeking Susan** which will start off with a **Madonna Look-a-like contest!**

This is an event you won't want to miss! Get your outfits, blonde wigs, and lipstick ready and let's see you all **glammed out** next Friday night!

12th Avenue Street festival

Don't miss Pike/Pines First Annual Neighborhood Street Festival!



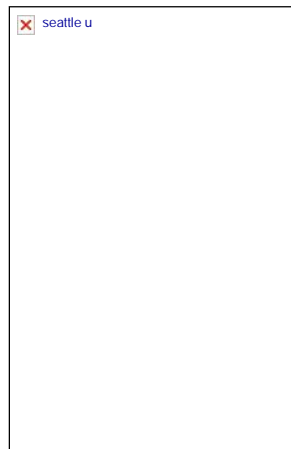
On **Sunday, August 15th** we'll be closing down 12th Avenue between Pike and Madison Streets from

noon to 6pm to celebrate the 12th Avenue and Pike Pine neighborhoods in style. You won't be able to get the usual strawberry shortcake or ear of corn from this street festival though! Fantastic local restaurants will offer international flavors from Italy, France, Mexico and Ethiopia...just to name a few. There will be booths featuring wares from great independent retailers and information from local yoga studios, salons, and theatres. The Festival will feature a beer and wine garden, roving buskers entertaining the crowd, and a fun-filled space just for kids. Come celebrate and support the great local businesses and organizations that make 12th Avenue and Pike Pine such fantastic urban neighborhoods!

For more information, please contact Cecelia Gunn at 206-204-3832 or cgunn@capitolhillhousing.org.

Concert for the Community

Groovin' on the Green Presented By: Seattle University



Come join us Saturday, August 28th, for a free, family friendly concert presented by Seattle University and organized in collaboration with the Jackson Street Music Program and community partners.

The Event is Featuring:
Garfield High Jazz Combo
Total Experience Gospel Choir
The Goody Bagg Band
Anzanga Marimba

Concert for Community will be on the Green, West of the Chapel of St. Ignatius on the Seattle University campus. Tho the event is free, tickets will be needed for admission.

Please visit www.jazzinthecity.com for more information on the event and to get your tickets!

Get BLITZED!

Join us Thursday, August 12 for BLITZ!

BLITZ is the place to be every Second Thursday! Experience the best showcase of visual, musical, literary, and performing arts in

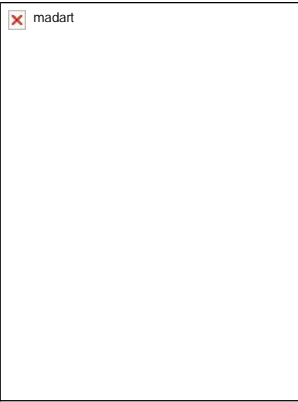


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For more information visit: www.blitzcapitolhill.com Receive regular updates by joining Blitz on Facebook or following "blitzarts" on Twitter.

Blitz Monthly Profile

MadArt in the Park



**August 1-
September 12 at Cal
Anderson Park**

Seattle's award-winning Cal Anderson Park serves as the backdrop for the innovative, outdoor art installation project, "MadArt in the Park," August 1 - September 12, 2010. MadArt in the Park is an outdoor sculpture exhibition that focuses on the interactive nature of sculpture in public spaces. During the first two weeks of the six-week exhibit, the west side of the seven-acre park will serve as an outdoor art studio to allow visitors to witness firsthand the process of art installation.

For more information visit: www.madartseattle.com

Thank you for reading our newsletter this month. If you have any further questions about our newsletters please contact us at hiedi@CaphillChamber.org.

Sincerely,

Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce

