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Welcome New CHCC Members!

Ada's Technical Books
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NEW CORNERSTONE MEMBER

Starbuck's Coffee Company

Thank you for your support of the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce!

Up Coming Events

September 30, 5:30pm:
Capitol Hill Chamber Happy Hour at The Broadway Grill

October 4:
Spirit of the Hill Dinner

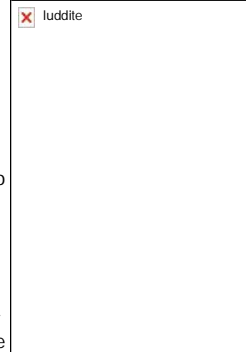
October 15-24:
15th annual Seattle Gay & Lesbian Film Festival

How's Biz?

A note from Interim Executive Director, Michael Wells

The Luddites were a social movement of British textile artisans in the nineteenth century who protested - often by destroying mechanized looms - against the changes produced by the Industrial Revolution, which they felt was leaving them without work and changing their way of life. It took its name from Ned Ludd. - Definition from Wikipedia

Luddite has been used as a term to describe those of us who are neither comfortable nor happy about technological advancement. I have been a self proclaimed Luddite for years. I don't own a car. I didn't own a personal computer. I've never even owned a camera (I've heard that they steal your soul). And, of course, I spent the majority of my working life hand selling books, an antiquated notion if ever there was one. Don't get me wrong - I was happy to partake of the modern miracles of running water, electric lights and HBO. But I was deeply intimidated by technology. So fast, so much to learn, so removed from basic human interaction...



Times change.

I sit here at the Chamber office having just read my Twitter feed and checked-in on Foursquare (I unlocked the Oversharer badge). My new - my first - cell phone sits by my side and I am getting ready to send this note to all of you via Constant Contact. My laptop sits at my side, panting, ready to go out and play after I leave the office. How has this happened? What have I become? Ned Ludd would shun me at the annual convention.

All of you know, far better than I, how essential technology is to running your business. In this brave new world social media has become an essential tool in reaching out to your customer base, advertising your goods and services and finding new customers. In the same way that the Ipod and Myspace revolutionized the music business Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and Foursquare are revolutionizing retail, service organizations and nonprofits. Today we are capable of communicating with our customers and clients in a split second. We can target customers for special discounts, deals and events. We can follow our vendors, our clients, and our competition and see how they are communicating with the world at large. The ability to tap into the cultural zeitgeist has never been so readily available. New business models are taking shape in front of our very eyes.

So, Luddites of the world shake off your chains! Rouse yourself from the dreary slumber of old world technologies and rise, singing in the sunlight of the new media! And follow the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce on [Twitter](#)

(As I finish this note, Aaron Copeland's Variations on a Shaker Melody, popularly known as 'Tis a Gift to Be Simple, Tis a Gift to be Free', is playing on my Pandora station. Old world meet new.)

Have a lovely September -

-Michael Wells

Spirit of the Hill Dinner



Last year our annual fundraising dinner, the Spirit of the Hill, was held at Jerry Traunfeld's marvelous restaurant, [Poppy](#). The funds that we raised that night were essential in furthering the mission of the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce in 2010. Glasses were raised, funds were raised, spirits were raised. It was a lovely night. This year the event will take place at the marvelous [Osteria La Spiga](#). Please join us for an evening of delicious cuisine from Osteria La Spiga, awards, silent auction, raffle, entertainment from [the](#)

[Toy Boats](#) and networking with community leaders and residents.

In Italy, the osteria is an inviting neighborhood spot where locals savor fresh, seasonal food while enjoying the company of good friends.

Renowned for its Northern Italian cuisine, La Spiga is authentic enough in both food and ambience to make you feel a wave of nostalgia, even if you've never been to Emilia-Romagna. Chef and co-owner Sabrina Tinsley crafts the Romagna cuisine to make it genuine, yet hers alone. Using the very finest ingredients, menus are changed seasonally to reflect what is freshest in local markets. As co-owner and host Pietro Borghesi says, "An evening at La Spiga is like dining in Italy" without the plane fare".

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Toy Boats, a Seattle-based quartet of toy- and small-instrument players. Wielding a unique repertoire that encompasses original compositions as well as compelling cinematic arrangements of traditional Eastern European and world folk music, the group focuses on creating a mesmerizing, delicate acoustic experience in unorthodox venues. The Toy Boats' four musicians represent a diverse range of performance experience, comprising experimental-music ensembles, jazz groups, radical marching bands, stripping bananas, professional choirs, concert piano and solo concertina performance, and old-time C&W bands.

There will be a silent auction that evening as well as the presentation of the Spirit of the Hill Award, presented annually to a community member who represents the best of Capitol Hill.

Tickets are available through [Brown Paper Tickets](#).

2nd Annual Spirit of the Hill

Date: October 4th, 2010

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Osteria La Spiga, 1429 12th Ave., Seattle

Contact: [Michael Wells](#)

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Illustration by the illustrious Ellen Forney, Vice President of the Capitol Hill Chamber Board of Directors*Spirit of the Hill Award**

The **Spirit of the Hill Award**, presented annually at the Spirit Dinner is presented to a individual, business or organization that has shown an outstanding commitment to the Capitol Hill community. Recipients may be, but are not limited to, members in good standing of the Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce. The award is a recognition of the "Spirit of the Hill" - defined by the Chamber as a spirit of originality, community involvement and style.

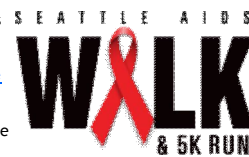
Have someone you'd like to nominate for this year's award? Send us a note telling us why your nominee represents Capitol Hill at its finest. Candidates will be selected based on nominations and suggestions from the Events Committee. Candidates will then be voted on by the Chamber Board of Directors.

If you have someone you'd like to nominate you can email us @ events@caphillchamber.org or at michael@caphillchamber.org and we'll had the lucky recipient to our list! Please include name and contact information for your nominee and a brief description as to their shining qualities.

The award will be presented at the Spirit of the Hill dinner on October 4, 2010.

**Team Broadway Wants to Recruit YOU!**[The Seattle AIDS Walk](#)

takes place Saturday, Sept. 25th, from 9 a.m. to 1p.m. and starts in Volunteer Park in Capitol Hill. We want to have the biggest & best team in the Seattle AIDS Walk this year--after all, **Broadway is the homestretch!** Our Team Captain is Gary Snyder from [Table 219](#) and he'll be helping us create the biggest and best spectacle of a team to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS. You don't have to live on the Hill or work on Broadway. We're hoping to have a huge team and encourage fun costumes (optional). [Click register](#) and then select: join an existing team. We are Team Broadway! Kids and dogs are welcome! Come join us!



Happy Birthday to the Seattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival!

The Seattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival is turning 15!



**three
dollar bill
cinema**

The largest event of its kind in the Pacific Northwest, the Festival features the latest and greatest in LGBT film and video, from major motion picture premieres to emerging talent. Packed with parties, events, and special guests, it's the social and cultural event of the season. This year's festival features over 150 films in 73 different film programs that will screen at 5 venues across Seattle including the Egyptian Theatre and Northwest Film Forum. Don't miss a moment of our milestone year! Follow Three Dollar Bill Cinema on Facebook ([facebook.com/threedollarbillcinema](https://www.facebook.com/threedollarbillcinema)) and Twitter

(@3dollarbillcine), and sign up for our email list at www.threedollarbillcinema.org

Member Profile

Rachael Brister, Executive Director of Three Dollar Bill Cinema

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 Seattle, WA 98122
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Why is Capitol Hill home to your business?

Three Dollar Bill Cinema was started in the home of its founder, who lived on Capitol Hill. We've been here ever since and it's where we belong. Our programming reached far beyond capitol Hill, but we always consider the hill our home.

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

That we have a fiscal sponsorship program. It has been around for over 10 years. We "lend" our non profit status to film projects and burgeoning organizations. We also offer mentorship to all participants in this program. We currently have four organizations and ten film projects "under our wing."

Other than your own, what is your favorite Capitol Hill Business?

I must plead the fifth on this. Way too many to choose from

Favorite Place to get a martini/coffee/cupcake/icecream/pizza on Capitol Hill?

Favorite coffee for beans: Cafe Vita
 Favorite cafe to sit and enjoy a cup: Roy Street Coffee and Tea
 Favorite cafe for coffee to go? Kaladi Brothers Coffee
 Favorite cafe pastries? Fuel Coffee. They have the best croissants!
 Favorite place for a cocktail: Knee High Stocking Co. is my current fave for their cocktails made with care. The Lobby Bar is my favorite place to drink with friends.
 Favorite ice cream: It's a three-way tie between Parfait (the ice cream truck), Molly Moon's and Hand Pint.
 Favorite pizza: Big Mario's pizza is a new obsession of mine.

I'm a closet foodie...so I could go on forever.

September Chamber Happy Hour!

Join us Thursday, September 30 for the CHCC Happy Hour at the Broadway Grill

If you missed our August Happy Hour at Unicorn you missed quite a time! Watching Chef Jerry Traunfeld of [Poppy](#) bite into a deep fried twinkie was a sight to behold! And we had a chance to introduce the folks from [Elliott Bay Book Company](#) to the folks from [Ada's Technical Books](#). Lots of deep fried fun was had by all.



The tradition continues this month when we'll gather at [The Broadway Grill](#) on Thursday, September 30 at 5:30pm. Matt Walsh, the new owner of the Grill is itching to show off his new menu! Great food, great fun, great friends. Join us

Get BLITZED!

Join us Thursday, September 9 for BLITZ!

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

For more information visit: www.blitzcapitolhill.com Receive



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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



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Sincerely,

Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce

