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Free Antiques Appraisals on 6/28

Do you have antiques? Have you wondered how much they're worth? Join us for the next North Slope program at 2 p.m., Sunday, June 28, to have your treasures appraised for free!

The North Slope Historic District is hosting this event with some of Tacoma's quality antiques dealers. The number of appraisals per person will depend on how many people are in attendance. Donations to the North Slope Historic District will be accepted.

We'll be joined by two highly esteemed appraisers:

Don Dunnigan has been the owner/manager of Period House Appraisal in Tacoma for 37 years. He's considered an expert in the antique and fine art appraisal field, works closely with major insurance companies and teaches related classes.

Alan Gorsuch, owner of Tacoma's Sanford & Sons, will be our other appraiser. On the weekend of June 20th, check out Sanford & Sons for an estate auction featuring historic Tacoma photos and more.

Even if aren't able to haul your prized possessions to this event—come see what our appraisers say about your neighbors' treasures!

Put it on your calendar:

"Antique Appraisals in the North Slope" Sunday, June 28 @ 2:00 p.m. Immanuel Presbyterian Church 901 N. J St.

Save This Special Summer Issue! Don't miss any of the fun in the North Slope

Be Part of the North Slope's Annual July 4th Parade



Children of all ages are invited to participate in the North Slope's Fourth Annual Fourth of July Kiddie Parade beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 4. Participants should

gather at the corner of N. 12th and N. J streets, near Saint Patrick's Catholic Church.

Once everyone has assembled, we will call upon parents and spectators to help carefully move our spirited parade participants down J Street to N. 8th. At 8th, we'll turn right and travel one more block to the North Slope Park.

All modes of non-motorized transportation are allowed: You can walk, jump rope, bike/trike, rollerblade, skateboard ... younger residents may want to catch a ride in a stroller or wagon. If you play an instrument: Bring it! Decorations are strongly encouraged, as is patriotic apparel. The North Slope will provide free stick flags to participants. Well-behaved pets on leashes are also welcome. We also need lots of spectators to line the route and cheer on our marchers.

Again this year, a prize will be awarded for the best float. Gather your friends and neighbors to create a non-motorized (yes, that means it will be powered by you!) float that speaks to the spirit of the holiday.

NSHD Fourth of July Parade Saturday, July 4, -starts at 10 a.m. Gather near St. Patrick's Church at N. 12 and J Ends at the North Slope Park on N. 8th and K Non-motorized participants only! North Slope Play Date Saturday, June 20th @ 10 a.m. North Slope Historic District Park Corner of North K & North 8th Meet other families in a fun. free and casual setting

Be Part of the July 11th Garage Sale

It's time to clean your closets and organize your attic in anticipation of the annual NSHD Garage Sale: Saturday, July 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

<u>Here's how it works</u>: Each family sets up their items to sell in their own yard. Maps listing participating homes are handed out the day of the sale; shoppers won't receive the maps until 9 a.m., so you won't have any early bird shoppers.

To Participate: Fill out the form below. Attach a check for \$5 made out to NSHD (cash will also do). This fee helps cover the cost of advertising and flyers; any additional funds go toward North Slope beautification and safety projects.

Drop the garage sale form off at Judy Martin's home (515 North M Street) by July 8. Questions? Call Judy @ 572-3059 or: judithkmartin@aol.com

NSHD Garage Sale 2009

Your name _____

Address _____

Where will you stage your sale? Circle one:

Parkway Alley

What one item would you like to feature in the map and advertising? (example: baby clothes, antiques, power tools, etc.)

Mail or drop off by 7/8 (with \$5) to 515 N. M St.

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Call Before You Hammer

Exterior changes to your house or garage, other than painting and minor repair, must be reviewed by the Tacoma Landmarks Commission. This includes:

- Changing or replacing windows
- Changing siding
- Adding, replacing or changing a porch or deck.

Before starting any exterior work, contact Reuben McKnight, our city Historic Preservation Officer at 591-5220 or: Reuben.McKnight@ci.tacoma.wa.us. He can tell you if your project needs a design review and how to proceed if it does.

Celebrate National Night Out with the NSHD on Tuesday, August 4th



The North Slope will join more than 10,000 communities in all 50 states in celebrating National Night Out.

Our neighborhood gathering begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, August 4, at the North Slope Park. Those attending are asked to bring a finger food to share; we'll supply plates, napkins, flatware and drinks.

There's always a chance for a visit from the fire department, police officers or other surprises. Most of all, it's a



chance to celebrate our neighborhood and chat with friends – new and old.

Put it on your calendar:

"NSHD National Night Out" Tuesday, August 4 Starts at 6 p.m. North Slope Park Corner of North K & North 8th Reach more than 1,000 North Slope homes by sponsoring/advertising in The Trolley Times for as little as \$200.

> For details e-mail: news@tacomanorthslope.com



Tacoma's TreeStreetNW Update

Tacoma's TreeStreetNW program ended in April with 976 trees planted in the city right-of-way throughout the city. Seventeen of those trees are setting their roots in the North Slope Historic District. Congratulations to those with new trees! Remember to keep them watered this summer and next.

Celebrate 100 This Fall

Our friends at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, who continue their longstanding support of the North Slope Historic District, will be having a



100-year celebration for the Sanctuary building the weekends of Sept 27 and Oct 3. For more details, stop by the church or visit: www.ipctacoma.org.



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Free Antique Appraisals on Sunday, June 28th- Details Inside!

A few Plaques Still Available

We still have a handful of North Slope plaques available for purchase by district property owners.

These bronze, 5-by-7-inch plaques identify your home as part of the North Slope Historic District and National Register. The locally produced plaques cost \$75 each and are available on a firstcome, first-served basis.

To purchase your plaque, send an email to news@tacomanorthslope.com or phone Mary at 272-0165.



Call the Abandoned Auto Hotline

The City of Tacoma offers an Abandoned Auto Hotline which allows citizens to report vehicles that they believe to be abandoned. The Hotline number is **(253) 591-5926** and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Tacoma Municipal Code Section 11.05.230 prohibits parking or storage of any type of vehicle on City right of way for more than 7 days. An abandoned vehicle is a vehicle that has been left on city streets for an extended period and may have one or more of the following conditions.

- Is unused or inoperable
- In a state of disrepair
- Major components missing
- Has flat tires
- Has expired or missing license plates.