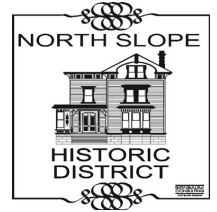




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Pitching in for a Clean Up!

Tacoma Community Based Services, Jason Lee Middle School, and the North Slope Historic District, Inc. join forces to clean up the district on August 11th. Nearly 9% of the NSHD property owners and residents (74 of the 836 qualifying Tacoma Solid Waste residential customers) took advantage of the free service and discarded nearly 11 tons of garbage and recyclables (i.e., scrap metals and tires)! In addition, participants filled up two trucks from St. Vincent de Paul with re-saleable items. Like last year, CBS arranged for 4 Code Compliance Officers who helped us collect garbage, a Community Service Supervisor and her crew who helped us offload garbage into dumpsters, two Tacoma Police Officers who issued parking tickets and warnings, and a street sweeper who cleaned up the school parking lot afterwards. CBS's mission is as much about building community as it is about cleaning up Tacoma's neighborhoods. Many volunteers contributed their time, money, muscles, pick up trucks, supplies and culinary talents to the event this year including Troy Axe, John Butler, Deborah Cade, Geoff Corso, Kathryn Longwell, Judy Martin, Mike and Marilyn Sabo, Julie Turner, and Marty Webb. Thank you volunteers!



Alaska's 1925 Serum Run - The Tacoma Connection Past and Present

Nearly every school child has heard of the famous Alaskan sled dog Balto, who helped save the town of Nome from an outbreak of Diphtheria in 1925. But did you know that Balto and his dog team also made a tour through Seattle, Tacoma, and Mt Rainier National Park? Or that Tacoma author and dog musher, Von Martin, retraced Balto's legendary run across Alaska with a team led by a Balto look-alike?

In February of 1925, Balto, a black and white husky, led the final relay of twenty individual mushers and their dog teams carrying lifesaving anti-toxin 800 miles across Alaska to Diphtheria stricken Nome.



Balto's arrival into Nome was celebrated around the world and elevated the stocky, scraggly coated husky to the status of a national hero.

The following month, Balto and his teammates arrived in Seattle by steamship to launch the beginning of their "celebrity tour" across the US.

Eighty-four years later, Tacoma musher, Von Martin, set out with the 2009 Serum Run '25 Expedition to retrace the original 1925 route across Alaska by dog teams. To prepare for the arduous journey, Von meticulously assembled 1,200 pounds of supplies, trained his team of twelve huskies for hundreds of miles, and made the long midwinter drive to Alaska.

What he did not anticipate was the worst Alaskan winter in decades.

Cut off from the expedition's support party and faced with an impassable trail, Von Martin and the Serum Run '25 Expedition mushers were forced to make a heartbreaking decision for their expedition and their faithful sled dogs.

Join Von Martin and his lead sled dog on October 25, as he shares Tacoma's connection to Balto's legendary 1925 run, both past and present. The free program will begin at 7:00 pm and will be held at the Immanuel Presbyterian Church in Tacoma. Von's exciting presentation will include photos, video, and stories that culminate in his 2011 return to Alaska and the completion of his mushing adventure to Nome while driving his dog team led by a Balto look-alike named Chewbacca.

Learn more about Tacoma musher and author Von Martin and his book, *A long Way To Nome*, by visiting his website at www.CalloftheWildHuskies.com



By: Von E. Martin

Fall Event for North Slope!

Attention North Slope. It's time for Octoberfest at the Parkway Tavern. Sunday October 7 from 2 to 5 pm. Come meet your neighbors and enjoy a great selection of brews.



North Slope Board Forms New Committee

The North Slope Historic District Board of Directors authorized the formation of a new committee early this year – the Neighborhood Outreach Committee. The mandate of this group is to function within our neighborhood, listening, giving information about the District or Board activities, and helping neighbors with issues that arise from time to time in neighborhoods. Current Board members are Deborah Cade, Kathryn Longwell and Julie Turner, with Ms Turner currently serving as Chair.

This group invites any residents of the North Slope neighborhood to join us on the committee to help us accomplish our goals:

1. Communicating with realtors about NSHD guideline requirements.
2. Providing relevant flyers for meetings, as available.
3. Managing the “New Homeowner Packet” – compiling, copying inserts, finding pamphlets and print-outs from others, delivering packets.
4. Talking to residents on walks around the neighborhood re: desired programs/activities, problems, good things noticed happening here.
5. Writing articles for the newsletter where needed.
6. Publishing a survey to assess desired programs/activities as a guide for the Board of Directors.
7. Other activities as we learn what is needed, as things evolve.

Please look for a survey in the next issue of the Trolley Times, and don't hesitate to call the Chair, Julie Turner, with ideas or suggestions or a request to join the committee. Non-Board members especially wanted!

Julie Turner. 253-383-2329

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Folklore of Tacoma's North Slope ***The Job Carr Family – Part 2*** ***By Karen May***

The serene family life of the Carrs in Indiana was interrupted by the Civil War. Although they were peace-loving Quakers, Job and Rebecca were loyal to the Union. In September of 1861, Job joined Company I of the 36th Indiana infantry regiment. Rebecca served 8 months as matron of the 36th Regimental field hospital. Their two sons joined later. Job was in several battles, including the Battle of Corinth, in Mississippi. He was discharged on disability November 10th, 1862. His wife nursed him back to health.



The Battle of Corinth – Currier Ives Print.

Job Carr traveled to Iowa and purchased a nursery there. In 1864 he sent for Rebecca but she wanted to remain in Indiana. In October of 1864 he sold the nursery and decided to follow the Oregon Trail west. Anthony bought a boarding house for his mother in Richmond, Indiana, where she stayed with her two daughters and received wealthy clients as a clairvoyant or "seer." Rebecca also received a pension for her services during the war.

On December 25, 1864, 51-year-old Job Carr arrived in what was to become Tacoma. His two sons, finished with the war, soon joined him. Job and his sons helped settle the area which is now called Old Town. The Job Carr Cabin Museum on N. 30th Street tells the story of his great contribution to the life of the community and his many careers.

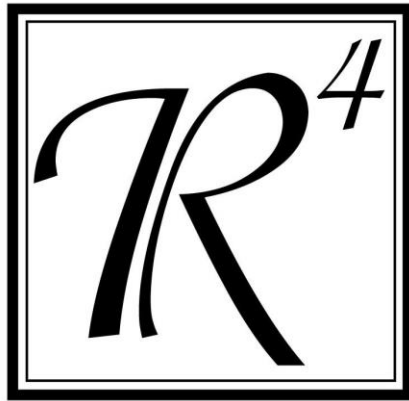
However, Job Carr still had the desire to grow fruit trees, ever since he had seen the nursery in Iowa. He had received a federal land grant on "Job Carr's Hill," and in the 1870s he cleared the land and built a two-story frame house, surrounding it with a large orchard. This land is what we now call home, or the North Slope Historic District. Job lived here until his death in 1887. His daughter Marietta had died in 1875, and his former wife, Rebecca, lived in Old Town since 1885, near their daughter Margaret. Rebecca passed away in December of 1908.

Job and Rebecca Carr and some of their descendants are buried in the Tacoma Cemetery on S. Tacoma Way. Many Carr descendants live in the Tacoma area and share their rich legacy with local residents.



Job Carr Gravesite. Pictured Left to Right- Howard Carr and his wife Jane, Margaret Carr, and Anthony Pittman Carr.

Do you know the four R's ?

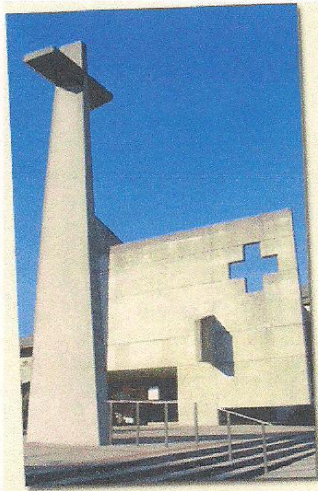


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Upcoming Special Music Events

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ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS, December 9, 5:00 p.m.

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Special Informational Meeting

Reuben McKnight, Tacoma's Historic Preservation Officer, will host an informational meeting on a proposed update to the design guidelines for the North Slope and Wedge historic districts on October 18 at 6 pm in Wells Hall of Christ Episcopal Church (300 Block of N K Street).

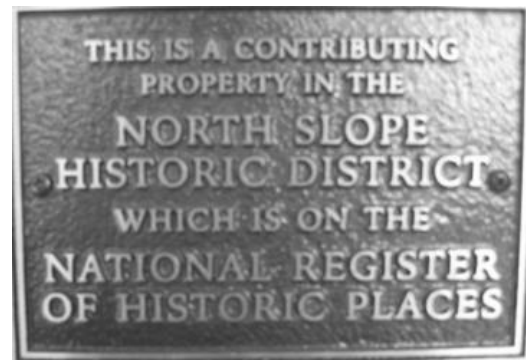
This update of the design guidelines is happening because the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) has for many years used both the *Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings* and specific guidelines for each historic district in the city's municipal code for design reviews. It has been a long time project to integrate the two sets of guidelines into one document for property owners. So what's changing? In application, nothing. This update is about integrating two sets of guidelines that LPC currently uses into one more understandable document. It is not about changing any of the design guidelines currently applied in the North Slope or Wedge historic districts.

Call Before You Hammer

Exterior changes to your house or garage, other than painting and minor repairs, 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

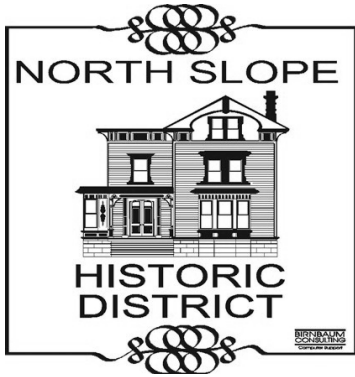


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To purchase your plaque, call Marilyn Sabo at 253-627-4735.



Reporting Non-Emergency Issues to Police.

NEW CITY LAW HELPS WITH NOISY CAR PROBLEMS

In early May, the TNT published a short article about a new ordinance that makes it easier for police officers to help neighborhoods address noise problems from loud mufflers and stereos on cars. I called our Community Liaison Officer, Jennifer Terhaar, and she emailed me how to report repeating offenders. Officer Terhaar wrote:

“I would suggest that you call in your complaints (when they are occurring) to the 911 Non-Emergency Line. The number is 253-798-4721. The 911 dispatchers answer this (phone) line in-between emergency calls.

Provide as much information about the cars, and their whereabouts. Obviously, you will get a better police response if the cars are stationary when you call, and note that due to call loads, we cannot always dispatch an officer to lower-priority calls like this in a timely manner.”

It was suggested in the TNT that information such as driver’s name, make of car, and a license number will facilitate enforcement of loud music coming from cars. CLO Terhaar reported that another ordinance covers loud mufflers, or the lack of one, but you can use the same police non-emergency number, with the same information.

You can reach CLO Terhaar at 253-591-5290, by email: jterhaar@cityoftacoma.org.

911 NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER: 253-798-4721

Join us for Caroling in the North Slope followed by cocoa and cookies at Immanuel Presbyterian on December 6th Starting at 6:00 pm



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October 18
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Immanuel Presbyterian
901 North "J" St