

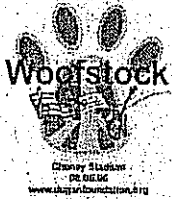
# TACOMA WEEKLY

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# Dugan Foundation Thanks You



On August 5, 2006, Woofstock '06 made its inaugural debut at Cheney Stadium. The event, a summertime animal adoption music festival presented by the Dugan Foundation, was designed to find homes for homeless companion animals. Fourteen sponsors, 16 shelters, 40 merchants, 10 local bands and hundreds of volunteers poured their hearts into this life saving event.

The results: 36 companion animals were adopted, 6 more adoptions were contingent on final evaluations and one adoption took place the following Monday, for a grand total of 43. Assuming the contingent adoptions came thru, 43 animals that were homeless on Friday were not homeless on Monday. The event was truly a success.

The Dugan Foundation Board of Directors wishes to express their appreciation to the individuals and businesses listed below that made Woofstock '06 possible. It was an honor and a privilege to have been a part of such a great team. With this writing, we thank you and recognize you for your selfless contribution on behalf of those homeless animals that cannot speak for themselves.

Finally, special recognition goes to those that came and adopted. Words alone cannot express how much we appreciate your commitment to helping make our community a no-kill companion animal community, one special life at a time.

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# City fixes its sights on unaltered pets

By John Larson

Tacoma Weekly Staff Writer

Cat and dog owners in Tacoma who don't fix their pets could soon be required to obtain a breeder's license. That proposal is under serious consideration by Tacoma City Council.

On Aug. 10 the council's Public Safety and Human Services Committee received an update on the proposal from Jon Walker from the city attorney's office, who serves as legal advisor to Tacoma Police Department.

Dogs who haven't been spayed or neutered cause many of the calls for animal service, according to Walker.

He mentioned a caller to animal control services who had a male pit bull on their porch who wouldn't leave. The person who took the call asked if they had a female dog in heat inside the house, to which they responded yes. "That is nature at work," Walker observed.

Another part of the law would ban dangerous dogs from the city. Walker's definition of a dangerous dog is one that has bitten or otherwise acted in an aggressive manner towards a person, assuming the dog was not provoked by the person. A

dog with two potentially dangerous charges would be considered dangerous.

Once labeled as such, the dog would either need to be put down or the owner would have to find it a home outside the city limits.

"I am fully prepared for sad stories and sad facts," said Councilmember Julie Anderson. "Some people will lose pets they dearly love."

Councilmember Connie Ladenburg said the Tacoma/Pierce County Humane Society needs adequate room to lock up dangerous animals. "We need to make sure there is room at the end," she said.

The Humane Society and the non-profit Dugan Foundation are working towards eliminating euthanasia of pets in shelters in Pierce County.

Humane Society Executive Director Steve Pierce addressed the committee. He mentioned a Doberman pinscher that was recently declared dangerous because it killed three cats.

Councilmember Mike Lonergan noted that dealing with dangerous animals could be at odds with the other goal.

"Our needs and a no-kill shelter could be at a con-

flict," he observed.

Walker had considered a provision to require a rabies test on aggressive dogs that are impounded. He researched it and discovered rabies is a neurological disorder, which can only be confirmed by removing the dog's brain for examination.

Pierce said a veterinarian can diagnose a dog as rabid while still alive. The dog is then sent home. "If possible, it is best to quarantine at home," Pierce said. This is because owners are better able to observe changes in their own pets, and also because rabid dogs at the shelter must be isolated in a separate cage.

Pierce expressed optimism the breeder license requirement would work.

"What we are saying is there won't be any more unplanned litters," he said.

He noted that dogs can undergo the procedure at the Humane Society for \$60, cats for \$50. This is much less than what many veterinary clinics charge, he said.

Anderson said it will push people to have their pets spayed or neutered. "I like the idea of aiming high. I know it will be controversial," she said. "I want to turn up the heat on people who have unaltered pets."

# Book captures Stadium's artistic transformation

By Jamie Forsythe  
*Tacoma Weekly*

What is art? A universal question many have tried to answer. Local designer Jonah Jensen's answer – construction. For the last five years, he's been involved in the renovation and construction project for Stadium High School.

Throughout that time, Jensen, a Tacoma resident, has taken upwards of 3,000 photographs and 70 of these have made it into a book, "Voices: The Art of Construction," which is currently being printed.

"It took me months just to figure out which pictures to use and how I wanted to use them," he commented.

The idea behind the 160-page book is to show construction as an art form with a focus on Stadium, according to Jensen. "It attempts to show that construction is more than a means to an end, that it's actually an art form much like a performance," he said, adding "the book captures Stadium High School during its transformation and seeing beauty in that."

Jensen was one on a team of many from Belay Architecture who designed the renovated Stadium and new Performing Arts Center. Oddly enough, he said Stadium is his first job out of college. Jensen, originally from the Tri-Cities

area, graduated from Washington State University in 2002. He actually built the model for the

project as an intern, he noted. "It's kind of a nice first job," he commented.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JONAH JENSEN

**FLYING HIGH.** Local designer/photographer Jonah Jensen's image, called "Bricks and Stone" is one of more than 70 of his photographs of the Stadium High School project, which appear in his new book "Voices: The Art of Construction" currently being printed. Jensen said this shot came unexpected as an eagle flew right past the scaffolding.

The photographs in the hard-bound book are broken up in series and placed most often in sequential order. An example of a series is Vertigo, which focuses on the staircases throughout the facility.

"In the series, I describe what's going on and my thoughts whether it's literal or hypothetical," Jensen said.

The book begins with an image at the beginning from five years ago before Belay even won the job. Jensen said the image was used on the cover page for his firm's proposal. It ends with a recent image he took Aug. 9 during the final stages of construction. The book, he noted, captures the whole essence of the project from start to finish.

Jensen recently submitted an order for 1,200 copies in preparation for the Stadium Centennial Celebration, Sept. 15-17, where he is planning to have a booth. About 100 of the ordered copies have been pre-sold, according to Jensen.

He is currently working in collaboration with the Stadium Centennial Foundation, Stadium's Booster Club and Tacoma School District.

"Voices: The Art of Construction" retails for \$50 with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the Dugan Foundation, a non-profit animal welfare organization.

For more information or to order a copy visit [www.jonahjensen.com](http://www.jonahjensen.com).