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Town Center Strategy Adjusts to Current Market Conditions

Over the years, the City has pursued a Town Center development strategy that focused on partnering with a single preferred development partner for the construction of the \$300 million private sector development. This strategy has proven to be the most successful strategy for similar projects around the country. From April 8, 2008 through June 30, 2009, the City negotiated exclusively with F+F Development.

The last eight months in particular have been exceedingly difficult for large projects throughout the Puget Sound Region and throughout the country. While F+F has worked diligently and with success in attracting tenants to the Town Center Project, current market conditions have frustrated their efforts to get financing to construct buildings for the prospective tenants. The lack of private sector bank financing for large scale development projects is not unique to F+F. As a result, the City has decided to allow its Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement with F+F to expire and has revised its strategy to acknowledge the current market conditions.

The City is proceeding with a “non-exclusive” marketing strategy that will give the City more flexibility to attract developers and tenants who are capable of developing smaller, more financeable segments of the Project site. The City has a real estate expert to assist in developing a strategy for marketing individual parcels within the Project to prospective developers. Heartland LLC, based in Seattle, provides real estate advisory services to many of the major public entities and private companies in the Puget Sound region. Heartland has recently facilitated successful public/private projects in the cities of

Seattle, Everett, Bellevue and Kent.

The City remains optimistic about the prospects for the Town Center Project. With much of the necessary infrastructure required for the Project nearing completion, the City has created a “pad ready” environment for private sector retail and restaurant development. The City also intends to utilize the **State’s recent \$12.5 million grant** to provide additional infrastructure improvements necessary to attract quality, sales tax producing businesses. These infrastructure investments, along with the addition of the new Pierce County University Place Library and Civic Building, make the Town Center site an attractive place for development.

The City believes that a revised strategy that is reflective of current economic and real estate market realities will result in the realization of the community’s vision and the Council’s objectives for the Town Center Project. The City Council remains committed to pursuing private sector investment in the Town Center District that will generate substantial new sales tax revenue while lessening the tax burden on residential property. The City continues to believe that the pursuit of a diverse, sustainable tax base is the best strategy to avoid significantly higher taxes or substantial cuts in essential services in the long-run.

City’s 2009-10 budget holding

Unlike many of the cities and counties around us, University Place has NOT made headlines because its budget estimates for 2009-10 are holding. While the operating budget remains at “limited” service levels and the capital budget is on a “pay-as-we-go” basis, the City has not had to make additional mid-year cuts in services of capital projects. The City’s fiscally conservative financial policies has earned it an A-1 bond rating from Moody’s, among the 10 best rated cities in the state.



At the June 1 Council Meeting Deputy City Manager Eric Faison and Mayor Linda Bird expressed gratitude to State Representatives Troy Kelley and Tami Green for their work which was instrumental in the passage of a bill investing \$12.5 million in infrastructure funding for the City’s Town Center Project. The funding will allow the City to continue construction of public infrastructure improvements needed to support the planned development. Unable to be present was State Senator Mike Carrell who also worked toward the success of this measure.

UPfest 2009

Jul. 31: 5–9pm
Aug. 1: 11am–9:30pm
at Cirque Park!

More info inside...

COUNCIL CORNER...

Despite the challenges of the current economy, the City continues on track towards its goal of building a long-term tax base through our investment in Town Center, and keeping a balanced Operating Budget. By leveraging grant funds and using long-term bonds, we have both kept City taxes low (about \$300 per year on a typical household) and continued with capital improvements:

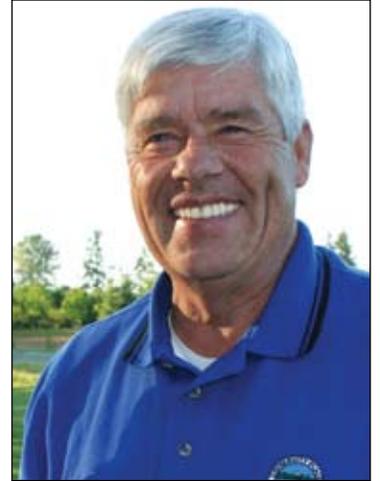
- Market Square
- Alameda Sidewalks
- 40th Street Sidewalks
- Bridgeport Streetscape
- Library/Civic Building
- 70th Avenue Sidewalks

The City's investments in the Town Center Project (along Bridgeport from 38th to 35th) have

stimulated the private sector mixed use investments in the Town Center District: Hogan's building at 40th and Bridgeport, the Alicia Building at 3300 Bridgeport and the 3100 Bridgeport retail office building.

By concentrating our share of state-mandated new growth in Town Center, we can continue to protect the character of existing neighborhoods AND create more local shopping choices necessary to build the long-term tax base needed to provide for future City services and capital improvement projects. By keeping our operating, capital and Town Center budgets each in balance, we can assure the long-term quality of life in U.P.

Councilmember Gerald Gehring



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MEETING CALENDAR

July 13 – 7 p.m.
Special Meeting

July 20 – 7 p.m.
Regular Meeting

August 3 – 7 p.m.
Regular Meeting

August 10 – 7:00 p.m.
Special Meeting

September 8 – 7 p.m.
Regular Meeting

All City Council meetings are held in the Town Hall meeting room, Windmill Village, 3715 Bridgeport Way, usually at 7 p.m., (unless otherwise posted). Changes to meeting times and locations are posted at City Hall, University Place Library, and Fire District #3, or contact the City Clerk's Office for current information about meeting dates and agendas. For information on the location of other City Committee meetings, as well as current information about meeting dates and agendas, please contact the City Clerk at 253-460-2511.

Friends of Homestead Park

Meets at City Hall
3715 Bridgeport Way W.
1st Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Adriana Hess Committee

Meets at Adriana Hess Wetlands
2917 Morrison Road
3rd Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

CORE

Meets at City Hall
3715 Bridgeport Way W.
1st Wednesdays at 7 p.m.



UP for Art

Meets at City Hall
3715 Bridgeport Way W.
3rd Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

SUNDOGS

Meets at City Hall, D-3
3715 Bridgeport Way W.
3rd Wednesdays at 7 p.m.



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Thursdays, Aug. 13 & Sept. 10 — 6:30 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesdays, Jul. 29, Aug. 5 & 19 — 7 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Thursdays, Jul. 16 & Aug. 20 — 7:30 a.m.

COMMUNITY ORIENTED PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Thursdays, Aug. 2 & Sept. 3 — 6 p.m.

Coffee and Cookies with Council

Have a question or comment about the City? Join your University Place City Councilmembers for coffee or cookies to discuss what's on your mind.

In the upcoming months you can meet in the evening for cookies with **Mayor Linda Bird on Tuesday, July 28** or **Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Klosowski on Tuesday, August 25**. Both events take place **from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at City Hall**, 3715 Bridgeport Way West.

If you'd prefer a morning alternative, please join **Mayor Linda Bird on Wednesday, July 29** or **Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Klosowski on Wednesday, August 26 from 9 – 10 a.m. at the Senior Community Center** at 2534 Grandview Drive West.

Citizens can schedule other dates and times with City Councilmembers by calling (253) 460-2500.



FREE Curran Orchard Summer Concerts

Enjoy a great summer with music, food and friends at the Curran Apple Orchard Park (Brookside and Grandview Drive). This year's line-up features a great musical mix on every other Thursday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The final three performances will take place on July 23, August 6 and August 20.

Bring a picnic or purchase food from the U.P. Kiwanis. Special thanks to our sponsors Columbia Bank, CORE, Click!, Jobbertown Media and the City of University Place.



In case of inclement weather, all events will be relocated to the Curtis High School Cafeteria.

For more information, contact (253) 460-2530 or www.curranappleorchard.com.

National Night Out

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 4 and get ready to join your friends and neighbors for University Place's National Night Out activities. Designed to show citizen support for crime and drug prevention awareness and to strengthen police-community partnerships, National Night Out is a great way to show off your neighborhood's spirit while also sending a message to criminals that your community will not tolerate crime.

The University Place Police and Fire Departments, along with City staff and Council members, will be visiting neighborhoods around the City in police and fire vehicles from 6 to 9 p.m. to demonstrate the importance of working together to fight crime. To ensure that public safety personnel visit your neighborhood, call U.P. Police at 798-3141 to register in advance. Registration deadline is Thursday, July 30.

Make plans to join us as University Place spends a warm summer night putting a chill on crime!



Cirque Slam!



CALLING ALL **SKATERS**
AUGUST 15, 2009 / 12PM- 5PM / SATURDAY
CIRQUE PARK, 7250 CIRQUE DRIVE WEST

University Place's own skate park event is back for its third year. The 3rd Annual Cirque Slam will be a day of skating, video games, music, and food. Skaters will also have the opportunity to receive free gear, t-shirts, hats, backpacks, decks, wheels and other great stuff scheduled to be given away. This year the City of University Place and the University Place Youth Council are making the event bigger and better, so come down and join us for another great slam! All ages welcome.

COME FOR MUSIC, FOOD & PRIZES!
FREE T-Shirts!

If you would like to help with this event, please contact Brason Alexander at (253) 460-2530 or balexander@CityofUP.com.

Pups in the Park, Saturday, Aug. 29 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Pet parades, doggie square dancing, best tricks, doggie demos, food and fun are in store for our four legged friends and companions at the third annual Pups in the Park on Saturday, August 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cirque Bridgeport Park, 7250 Cirque Drive West.

Well mannered dogs can also take the Canine Good Citizen Test developed by the American Kennel Association. The test is \$5 (cash or check only) with proceeds going to SUNDogs and Chase Away K-9 Cancer.

SUNDogs (Safe, Unleashed & Natural) are sponsoring the event to raise money to maintain the new off leash dog area at the Chambers Creek Properties in University Place. SUNDogs, a 501(c)3, is dedicated to educating people about responsible dog ownership and has many fun opportunities for people to get involved.

For more information, visit www.updogpark.org or call Rod Giffels at 722-1418, rgiffels@gvakm.com, or Debbie Klosowski at 565-8466.



16th Annual Curran Apple Orchard Cider Squeeze

Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m., September 13

Don't miss this favorite U.P. tradition at the Curran Apple Orchard Park! Feed apples into the presses and transform them into delicious sparkling cider! Apple pie, bluegrass music, the Beeman and a host of other vendors make this a relaxing fun event for the whole family. Chat with Master Gardeners and check out the demonstration espalier along with other volunteer opportunities at this unique park, located at Brookside and Grandview Drive near Curtis Jr. High School.

Cider pressings begin at 1 p.m. Bring your own containers or purchase jugs for \$1 each. Adopters can press apples from their trees free of charge while visitors can purchase apples for a slight fee. Volunteers interested in helping with this event should contact Molly Wolfe at 564-2562.

For other information, please visit www.curranappleorchard.com. Special thanks to CORE, the City of University Place and Jobbertown Media for sponsoring this event.



City Council Election Filings

Position #1*

Linda Bird
Daniel O. Carnrite
Javier Figueroa

Position #3

Eric Choiniere
Lorna Smith

Position #4

Ken J. Grassi
Carl J. Mollnow

Position #5

Rose Ehart
Denise McCluskey

**Primary Election – Tuesday, August 18, 2009*

Watch UPTV in September for Council Candidate forums and presentations on issues affecting our City.

Off Leash Dog Park opens!



Energetic dogs finally have a place to run and play off leash in University Place. SUNDOgs, in partnership with the City of University Place and Pierce County, dedicated the new off leash area on July 2 in the Central Meadow of the Chambers Creek Properties (CCP). Special thanks to Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Klosowski, Pierce

County Councilman Terry Lee and Pierce County Executive Pat McCarthy for their support in getting this project approved.

The interim fenced area, which is just under one acre, could be expanded after nearby county construction is finished. Long term, the County has identified a permanent off leash site in the southern area. Beach access will also be available after the pedestrian bridge is done next year. In the meantime, SUNDOgs is responsible for paying for the off leash fence, doggie waste bags and other amenities.

Dogs must be vaccinated and owners must stay with their dogs at all times. Please note that the City's Leash Law applies in all other areas of the City along with the rest of the CCP. For more information or to make donations, please visit www.updogpark.org.

Design Day an overwhelming success

New playground off to running start

Though it's still a year away from opening day, more than 300 children, parents, organizers and volunteers gathered at the Environmental Services Building (ESB) on June 11 in a massive show of support for the new kid-designed, community-built "Playground by the Sound" to be located in the North Meadow of Chambers Creek Properties in University Place.

Capping a busy 15-hour Design Day, playground architect Barry Segal of New York's Leathers and Associates unveiled a multi-element space featuring Galloping Gertie, a lighthouse, seashore exploration beds and a multitude of native animals and icons.

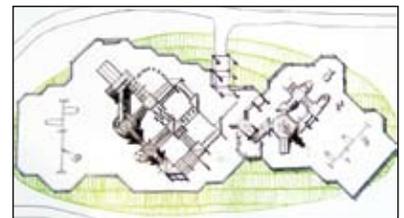
"Your children were tremendous," said Segal. "This has to be one of the most energetic and thoughtful groups of kids I have ever worked with. They came with great ideas and also had a sense of the history surrounding the area. Their design incorporates the best of all they offered."

Hundreds of children from area schools submitted drawings and spoke with Design Day apprentices during the day. By 6 p.m. their work festooned the ESB entrance and main conference room. A special children's committee wrote and performed a musical tribute to the new playground and Lisa-Kristina Boyle read her poem dedicated to the playground. Segal then unveiled the preliminary drawing to a rapt crowd. The final version will be ready in about six weeks, according to Segal.

"Now the real work begins," said Rebecca Vader, Design Day co-chair



On Monday, June 22, the U.P. Fire Department conducted a live fire exercise on a home on Grandview Drive W., across the street from the Sr. Community Center. The building, which was scheduled for demolition to make room for future commercial development, was donated by Mayer Built Homes. The final live exercise was the culmination of extensive firefighter rescue, search and survivor drills which took place over the previous weeks.



who along with Bay Stemp organized the Design Day extravaganza. "We need about 700 volunteers and \$150,000 to fulfill our children's dream playground." The 12,000 square foot playground, a partnership between the City of University Place, Pierce County, the Chambers Creek Foundation and many other entities is an all-volunteer effort funded and built by the community at-large. The playground park expects to open in summer 2010.

The recruiting and fundraising efforts were in full swing at the Design Day extravaganza as organizers raised nearly \$2700 selling engraved fence pickets and Playground by the Sound T-shirts. 29 new volunteers signed on to help build the playground. For more information on donating, buying pickets and apparel or signing up to volunteer for the many hundreds of positions available visit www.playgroundbythesound.org.



CIRQUE PARK UPfest 2009

Fun Family Entertainment!



\$1
per person

Help Support Your Festival!
Please make all donations at the
City of University Place
Festival booth
Thank You!

Friday JULY 31ST, 2009
5:00PM - 9:00PM



ENTERTAINMENT

- 5:30PM-7:00PM "HOGS & HOSERS" UP Fire & Police Softball Game
- 7:30PM-9:00PM Vicci Martinez - Soft Rock & Roll
- 5:00PM-8:00PM Vendors & Food Concessions

KID ZONE

What's on your list today? You'll find it at
Fred Meyer

- 5:00PM-7:30PM Ticket Booth for Kid Zone
\$8/ Wristband - Unlimited Pass / Friday ONLY
\$15 / 2 Day Pass - Friday/Saturday \$2/ Tickets
- 5:00PM-8:00PM Inflatables, Bouncers & Rock Wall

Saturday AUGUST 1ST, 2009
11:00AM - 9:30PM



ENTERTAINMENT

- 7:30AM-11:30AM \$5 Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction
Sponsored by the Optimist Club of West Tacoma
- 9-9:45/10:15-11AM Tacoma Banjo Band
Location: Curtis High School Cafeteria
- 11:00AM-7:00PM Vendors & Food Concessions
- 12:00PM-5:00PM "Mural Design" - Youth Painting Competition
- 12:00PM-12:25PM UP Viking Jr. Cheer
- 12:30PM-12:55PM Meredith Connie - Folk Guitar
- 1:00PM-1:45PM Second Time Around - Smooth Jazz
- 2:00PM-3:00PM DEUCE - 70's Blues-Rock, "Retro Rock"
- 3:00PM-4:00PM Reptile Isle - Snakes, Lizards & Turtles
- 4:30PM-5:30PM STARSTRUCK - Teen Girl Band
- 5:45PM-6:00PM UP "fore" Art Contest Winners
- 6:00PM-7:30PM Cody Rentas Band - Rock 'n Roll
- 8:00PM-9:30PM FREDDY PINK - Rock 'n Soul

KID ZONE



- 11:00AM-7:30PM Ticket Booth for Kid Zone
\$12/ Wristband - Unlimited Pass \$2/ Tickets
- 11:00AM-8:00PM Inflatables, Bouncers & Rock Wall, Trout Pond
OPEN-MIC KARAOKE - By Entertainment Masters
- 1:00PM-3:00PM Skyhawks - Sports Activities

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

6:00AM-4:00PM Cirque Park Parking Lot



Featuring...

Vicci Martinez

Friday



and

Freddy Pink

Saturday



including ...

"STARSTRUCK"
"The Cody Rentas Band"

and **DEUCE**

THANK YOU TO OUR ENTERTAINMENT SPONSORS

- Lakewood Refuse • Charles Wright Academy •
- Columbia Bank-University Place/Fircrest •
- Rainier Pacific Bank • Skyhawks •

UPfest2009 - Fun



University Place's annual community festival takes place this year on **Friday, July 31 from 5:00pm-9:00pm**, and **Saturday, August 1, from 11:00am-9:30pm at Cirque Park!** This two-day event will feature live music and a variety of top-notch family entertainment such as **"Second Time Around"** and **"Vicci Martinez"** on the main stage Friday night. Festival-goers can begin their day on Saturday at 7:30am with a **\$5 Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction at Curtis High School**, sponsored by the Optimist Club of West Tacoma. The Tacoma Banjo Band will play during breakfast. Saturday's festival activities begin early at Cirque Park, with the Uptown Cruisin' Classic Car Show, continuing with over 150 local vendors and concessions, a variety of food from hot dogs and barbecue to Mexican cuisine, all available to attendees at reasonable prices.

The Kid Zone opens at 11:00am, with bouncers, inflatables, climbing rock wall, trout pond and many more activities throughout the day. The stages will be packed full of highly acclaimed entertainment, including local bands, "DEUCE", & "Starstruck", with "The Cody Rentas Band" and our fabulous headliner, "FREDDY PINK"; and a whole lot more in-between! So come join the celebration, it will be great fun for the entire family!

This year we are asking the community for a donation of \$1 per person to help support their community festival. Please make all donations at the City's Festival Booth or Kid Zone Ticket Booth. All proceeds will go towards future festival planning and programming.

For additional festival information, call the Festival Hotline at 253.460.5434, or visit the City's website at www.CityofUP.com.



**\$1
per person**

HOGS VS. HOSERS SOFTBALL GAME Friday, July 31, 5:30pm

This year UPfest will be hosting the annual "Hogs vs. Hosers" Charity Softball Game on Friday, July 31. Once again the U.P. Firefighters and Police will play against each other in a softball game to raise funds for the U.P. Children's Fund. Come and see which team of emergency responders will leave with the trophy! Show your team spirit by purchasing a Hogs vs. Hosers commemorative T-shirt for \$10, available at the festival. Shirts are also available ahead of time at the U.P. Public Safety Building. Make sure you don't miss a really great game – and one that is always entertaining, full of team spirit and pride! The most exciting softball game of the year will be the **Hogs vs. Hosers on Friday, July 31, at 5:30p.m. at Cirque Park, UPfest09.**



CALL TO ALL YOUNG ARTISTS!

Ages 12-18

UPfest & UPMC

presents the 1st

Theme of "DREAMS"

Mural Design Contest

Friday, July 31 &
Saturday, August 1

**Come to the Festival!
Bring Your Creativity!**

The UPFest 2009 Committee would like to thank the following sponsors for their commitment and generous support to this fantastic community event!

U.P. REFUSE & RECYCLING • The CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE

TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES • OWENS PRESS • CLICK! Cable TV
GRASSI'S • THE NEWS TRIBUNE • KLAY Radio

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Family Entertainment!

Friday, July 31



Vicci Martinez *Performance Time: 7:30p.m.*

When you first hear Vicci Martinez sing, you know immediately that you could be in the presence of somebody great. Vicci may be 23 years old, but she writes, sings and plays guitar with the touch of a veteran. Vicci is an acoustic-based singer/songwriter with a passionate voice, profound lyrics and incendiary live performances. The Tacoma native is growing a grass roots following and critical acclaim with her contagious live performances throughout the Northwest and beyond. Vicci has been touring the region non-stop, repeatedly selling out the prestigious Triple Door in Seattle and opening for Sting and Annie Lennox at the White River Amphitheatre. This vibrant young singer continues to develop her talent patiently, building a solid ground of experience playing major festivals and the top venues in the Northwest region.

Get ready UP - Vicci Martinez is On Her Way.

Friday, July 31

SECOND TIME AROUND

Performance Time: 6:00p.m.

R&B & Smooth Jazz

Their mission is to deliver the music with energy & enthusiasm to the delight of the listening & dancing audience.

Saturday, August 1

FREDDY PINK

Performance Time: 8:00p.m.

From Motown's Classic R&B Hits of the 60's, to the great Rockin' Horn Bands of the 80's & 90's, the fabulous music of Freddy Pink and their fiery horn section will literally blow you away. Freddy Pink's approach to Rhythm and Blues is fresh, yet their original arrangements of Motown and classic Rock tunes still carry the great grooves that made those songs memorable. Their repertoire is based around time honored hits that turn heads and stand memories on edge, and all played with a new millennium twist...



DEUCE

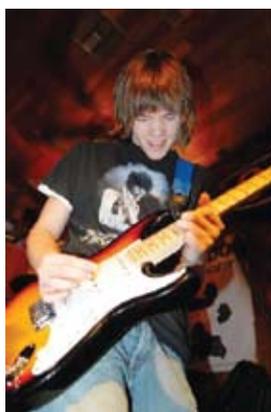
Performance Time: 2:00p.m.

The Hard-Rockin' Four out of UP. We play originals and covers in the style of 70's Blues-Rock (what do they call that now, Retro Rock?). *Austin Starr - Vocals, Blaine Conzatti - Guitars, Beau Kapeliela - Bass, Josh Kuras - Drums*

The Cody Rentas Band

Performance Time: 6:00p.m.

This band is centered around an amazing and talented young man on guitar. Cody started playing at the age of 6 yrs old, and has progressed over the years with the help of many wonderful and talented musicians, too many to list. His playing and his smile are intoxicating, you can't help but be drawn in to him. This young man is backed by very talented and accomplished musicians. Put that all together and you get THE CODY RENTAS BAND. If you like the classics like Stevie, Jimi, Eric, Trower, etc. as well as current rock/blues, you will be blown away. They are headed to the top soon, so if you have a chance see them, you won't regret it.



STARSTRUCK

Performance Time: 4:30p.m.

What began in the spring of 2005 with three third grade girls singing at a school talent show has now evolved into the phenomenal band known today as Starstruck. Maddy Long kicks the beat, while Linda Ta completes the rhythm section with her bumpin bass lines. Emily Moneymaker provides rockin' guitar riffs, while Lizzy Rowe delivers vocals with power, energy and excitement. Watching and listening to this Indie all girl rock band from Tacoma you'd never guess they're barely in their teens. Consistently wowing crowds since 2008, with their catchy originals & covers of such greats as The Monkees, Benatar, Nirvana, The Donnas and more - if you haven't seen this band live, you haven't lived.



PARKING

Friday, July 31 5:00-9:00pm

Limited Festival parking available at Cirque Park with additional parking available at Drum Intermediate and Central Baptist Church. **NO shuttle bus service available Friday**

Saturday, August 1 11:00am-9:00pm

\$3 Suggested Donation for Cirque Park gravel lot; parking limited, "first come, first serve". Paved lot parking available after 4:30pm. FREE parking available at Drum Intermediate & Central Baptist Church.

- Limited shuttle bus service available Saturday only

Shuttle Bus

- Saturday, August 1 ONLY

Services begin at 10:45am, (2) pick-up locations:

Drum Intermediate (Red Line) & Central Baptist Church (Blue Line). Shuttle Bus service is intermittent with limited seating. Last shuttle bus leaving Festival parking lot at 10:30pm.

Several off-site parking locations within walking distance. **WALKING IS ENCOURAGED**

General Parking/Shuttle Bus Locations

Cirque Park 7250 Cirque Dr. University Place, 98467	Central Baptist Church 5000 67th Ave. W Tacoma, 98467 (Blue Line)	Drum Intermediate 4909 79th Ave. W. University Place, 98467 (Red Line)
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ENTERTAINMENT

Seating

General admission seating is festival-style on the lawn, "first come, first serve" basis. Blankets and/or beach chairs are recommended; *NO reserved or bleacher seating available.*

Stages

Friday, July 31

Entertainment begins Friday, July 31 at 6:00pm with Jazz & Motown sensation **"Second Time Around"**, ending the evening with the passionate voice of Tacoma native, acoustic-based singer/songwriter **"Vikki Martinez"**, at 7:30pm.

Saturday, August 1

Entertainment begins at noon with a variety of musical groups and family entertainment.

Tacoma-based **"Cody Rentas Band"**, led by a 15-year-old electric guitar prodigy, and his Rockin' Blues band, kicks off the evening performances at 6:00pm, followed by our headliner at 8:00pm; from R&B hits of the 60's, to the Rockin' Horns of the 80's & 90's, the fabulous music of **"Freddy Pink!"**

Do's & Don'ts

DO BRING beach chairs & blankets for lawn seating. Ice chest and picnic baskets are welcomed. Family, friends and neighbors. **DON'T BRING** BBQ's - no open fires or fireworks, no weapons of any kind. **NO ALCOHOL** or **SMOKING** permitted.

Festival Vendors

A variety of food concession stands will be available Friday & Saturday at reasonable cost. Arts & Crafts presenters, demonstrators and local businesses will be on hand to welcome visitors.

\$5-Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction 7:30-11:30am

Sponsored by the Optimist Club of West Tacoma

Featuring the Tacoma Banjo Band, 9-9:45am & 10:15-11am

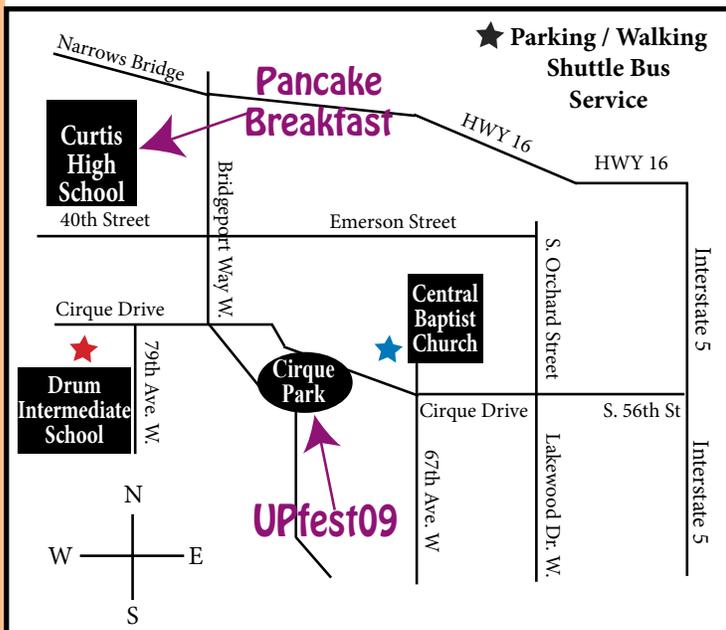
Location: Curtis High School, 8425 40th Street W., 98466

\$1 Per Person - Suggested Donation

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT YOUR FESTIVAL!

All donation proceeds will go towards future festival programming. Please make all \$1 donations at the City festival booth.

Thank you!



Roadway construction heats up this summer

The summer construction season is here and thanks to the City's success in obtaining both Federal and State grant funding, this will be one of the most productive seasons yet. Four grant funded roadway improvement projects will be constructed throughout the City.

Bridgeport/35th Streetscape

The City was awarded a \$2.4 million Federal grant for intersection/streetscape improvements to Bridgeport Way and 35th Street surrounding the Town Center development site. This project will add on-street parking, widened sidewalks, signalization revisions and improved pedestrian amenities along Bridgeport between 35th and 37th Streets and will add sidewalks and street lighting along 35th Street between Bridgeport and Drexler Drive. This work began in June; anticipated completion is Spring of 2010.

Bridgeport 3A Project (Cirque Drive to 54th Street)

The City has secured a \$1.7 million Federal grant for the construction of sidewalk, curb and gutter, bike lanes, median, street lighting, signalized pedestrian crosswalk and landscaping along both sides of Bridgeport Way from Cirque Drive to 54th Street. This project will be a continuation of the improvements constructed on Bridgeport from 27th Street to Cirque Drive. This work is scheduled to begin in August and will continue into mid 2010.

40th Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Project

One of the heaviest pedestrian and bicycle traveled areas in the City is along 40th Street in front of the Jr. and Sr. High Schools. Over the years, several bicycle and pedestrian accidents have occurred in this area. In order to improve the safety of this area, the City has begun constructing a sidewalk, parking bays, bicycle lane and decorative street lights along the south side of 40th between Sunset Drive and Olympic Boulevard. Enforcement emphasis patrols and radar feedback signs will be included

as part of the project. \$745,000 has been obtained from the State for this construction. This work is anticipated to be completed later this fall.

70th Avenue

Next month construction will begin on the 70th Avenue sidewalk project. This project will add sidewalks and bus stop improvements along the west side of 70th Avenue between 27th Street and 19th Street. The City obtained a \$178,000 Community Development Block Grant to fund this project. This project is anticipated to be completed this fall.

Two grants received from "Safe Routes to Schools"

The City has been awarded two grants totaling \$1,497,000 for the construction of pedestrian/bicycle improvements as part of the State's "Safe Routes to Schools" program. These projects demonstrate the City's continued commitment to providing safe areas for walking and biking with an emphasis around our schools.

street lighting along the east side of this section of road. Construction of this project is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2010.

40th Street

The City has also been awarded a \$697,000 grant for sidewalk and street lighting improvements along the south side of 40th Street between 67th Avenue and Sunset Drive. These improvements will provide direct pedestrian and bicycle access to both Evergreen Primary and Narrowview Intermediate schools and will tie into the 40th Street sidewalks to the west serving Curtis High School. Construction of this project is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2010.

Grandview Drive

One of the most requested areas for sidewalk and bike lane improvements has been along Grandview Drive between 27th Street and 19th Street, a route schoolchildren use in traveling to U.P. Primary School. The City has secured \$782,000 for the construction of sidewalk, landscaping buffer, bicycle lane and

Alameda Avenue Ped/Bike Safety Project Opens

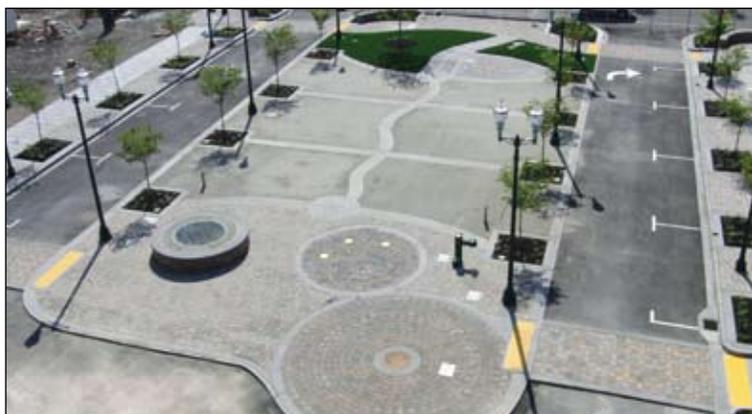
Residents are now enjoying a safer place to walk and bike along Alameda Avenue. Last month, the Alameda Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Project was completed and the improvements were fully opened to the public. The project added a bike lane, sidewalk and street lighting along the east side of Alameda Avenue between 51st Street Ct. W. and 44th Street W. In order to help control vehicle speeds, emphasis patrols by the Police Department were conducted and radar speed feedback signs were installed.

The improvements built under this project connect to our network of over 10 miles of sidewalks and bikelanes throughout University



Place and are another piece toward meeting the City's goal of providing sidewalks, bike lanes and street lights along all arterial streets.

This project was funded by a \$798,000 grant under the State's Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Program. If you have any questions or comments regarding this project, contact Tim Coleman at 460-2528.



Market Square constructed

Thanks to efforts by State Representatives Troy Kelley and Tami Green, and State Senator Mike Carrell, the City was awarded a State grant for \$1 million for the Market Square public plaza in front of the new Library/Civic building. This public plaza will be a central gathering place in the heart of our City at which many public events will be held. Plaza improvements include a spray pool fountain, fire pit, drinking fountains, raised crosswalk, large chess/checkers board and public benches.

The actual dedication and public events will, however, need to wait until the road improvements currently being constructed along Bridgeport are substantially completed. The anticipated official opening of the square is expected in early 2010.

Duck Daze enjoys perfect "duck" weather!

With a slight mist in the air, this year's annual Duck Daze, Treasures in the Park and Fire & Police Open House were celebrated on June 6 in true duck style. Despite the moisture, the true spirit of community emanated from those who came out to support their friends and relatives in the parade.



After the procession, people were able to visit the Public Safety Building and enjoy the delicious hotdogs grilled by local firefighters while also experiencing hopping up in the big rigs and engines, being custom fitted for helmets and life jackets, and receiving goody bags and safety information from Police personnel. Meanwhile, the Treasures in the Park Antique Sale & Flea Market set up shop under nature's canopy of green in our very own Homestead Park. With vendors selling a wide array of treasures from plants to collectibles and antiques to hand-made crafts, there

was certain to be something to satisfy even the most unique shopper. All this and at the same time enjoying the live music and entertainment on the stage!

The celebration ended at 4 p.m. when families returned home refreshed and invigorated from a day of shopping, food and community celebration. What more could a duck ask for?



Soldiers' Angels provide support to Armed Forces

On May 15, Soldiers' Angels in Washington hosted a luncheon to celebrate Armed Forces Day with local community leaders, Soldiers' Angels in Washington, and representatives from Fisher Houses, Madigan Army Medical Center and the Warrior Transition Brigade, among others. In addition to honoring our Armed Forces, one goal of the luncheon was to find ways to work together to bring support to our armed services, veterans and their families.

Mayor Linda Bird from the City of University Place, Deputy Mayor Penny Coffey and Council Member Larry Wilcox from the City of DuPont, and Amy Cruver, Executive Assistant for Representative Jim McCune 2nd District, attended the event. Also in attendance were Jodi Land and Nikki Wasierski from the Ft. Lewis Fisher House. The Fisher House is a home away from home for military families needing to be near their hospitalized loved ones.

The co-founder of Soldiers' Angels and Soldier Liaison SFC Toby Nunn were special guests at the luncheon. SFC Nunn is the youngest recipient ever to be bestowed the Audie Murphy Award, a decorated two term Iraqi Veteran, author and film maker of the No. 1 PBS watched documentary in 2008 "Bad Voodoo's War."



Soldiers' Angels is a 501(c)3 volunteer based non-profit organization that provides support to all branches of the Armed Forces. You can get involved in projects to support our local troops who will be deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan this summer by visiting their website at <http://soldiersangelswashington.wordpress.com>.

Education shelter dedicated in honor of Thelma Gilmur



On Wednesday, May 27, the City celebrated a wonderful accomplishment by having a ribbon cutting ceremony at Adriana Hess Wetland Park, where a new outdoor educational shelter was revealed. The "Thelma Gilmur Education Shelter" is named in honor of long time environmental educator and environmental preservationist Thelma Gilmur, who has spent a

lifetime sharing her passion with children and adults and has been crucial in the development and preservation of natural areas in University Place and Pierce County.

This shelter will provide the perfect setting for outdoor environmental classes while being surrounded by native flora, birds and trickling waterfall. The building is made out of all natural materials and a long lasting metal roof, with future improvements to include rain barrels, painting/staining with VOC paint and stain, and possible solar/wind power, this structure itself will provide educational opportunities in water conservation, alternative power, and "green" building elements.

This shelter was funded by local business, Team Insurance, owner Dixie Harris. The construction was completed through a cooperation of volunteer effort by Jim Stimach, of Stimaco Construction, Rick Pinkley, a local appraiser, Bruce Pyrah, Tahoma Audubon, and with limited city staff support. The project is a great example of how partnerships with local businesses, cooperation and volunteerism can work together to create and provide long lasting impact to our parks and provide opportunities for our community.

U.P. Volunteer Center Cirque City-wide Garage Sale Spectacular!!

Please join us on **Saturday, Aug. 8 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Cirque Park** for a CITY-WIDE Garage Sale to support the University Place Volunteer Center. EVERYONE is invited to take part!

If you have things to sell or are looking for some great buys – this is the sale for YOU!! Last year we had over 50 vendors and huge community participation. This is a great opportunity for networking within the community. Please register as soon as possible as spaces fill quickly.

Purchase your 10x10 booth space today!

Early Bird Special: \$35 (before Jul. 17)

Regular price: \$50 (Jul. 18 - Aug. 6)

Final Application Deadline: Aug. 6

GOT "STUFF"? – GET A BOOTH!

For an application online go to www.upvolunteers.org or call Julie Kerrigan (253) 223-0039 or jkerrigan@upvolunteers.org



Town Center developments well underway



One of the reasons for the City's involvement in jump-starting Town Center redevelopment was to encourage private sector investment in our downtown and to stimulate the tax base.

Since our Town Center Project announcement Trader Joe's has come to U.P. and three other mixed use buildings are underway.



Clockwise from upper left:

3106 Bridgeport Way – Three-story office building

40th & Bridgeport Way – Mixed use three-story building

The Alicia, 3318 Bridgeport Way – Mixed use four-story building

Library/Civic Building – Mixed use, retail/office/civic uses



Bad economy got you down? Go shopping in UP!

Tired of all the gloomy news and forecasts? Has the economy got you down? Well, the good news is that University Place is still in business, and businesses are still alive and well in University Place!

The Economic Development Office in University Place is busy extending support to our local businesses as they weather this downturn. Through workshops, newsletters and on-site business outreach, the City is bringing resources to the local business community, offering individual business consultations and providing sources for new ideas and partnerships. Challenging times demand creative and innovative thinking, and the Economic

Development Office is meeting this challenge with a renewed focus on business retention. By visiting University Place businesses, the Economic Development staff is able to provide information about low-cost and free business assistance programs. We are also better able to keep our finger on the pulse of business in U.P.

If you are a business owner in U.P. and would like to schedule a business outreach visit, please call Becky Metcalf in the Economic Development Office at (253) 460-5442. You may also be interested in information regarding two loan programs available through the Small Business Administration (SBA):

Basic 7A Loan Program – This program

makes available up to \$2 million, with the SBA guaranteeing up to 90 percent of the loan. Borrower's fees have been eliminated.

America's Recovering Act (ARC) – Deferred-payment loans of up to \$35,000 are available to established, viable, for-profit small businesses that need short-term help to make their principal and interest payments on existing and qualifying business debt. ARC loans are 100 percent guaranteed by the SBA and have no SBA fees associated with them.

Act quickly if you are interested, as there is a limited amount of funding available! For more detailed information on these loan programs, visit www.sba.gov.

City earns Performance Award

University Place measures its service level performance and compares it with other cities nationwide. The City received the International City-County Management Association (ICMA) Certificate of Achievement award in recognition of the City's use of performance measurement. The award marks the third consecutive year the City has been recognized by ICMA with a performance measurement award.

Typically, University Place service levels and revised expenditures are in the above average to high service level range for services delivered. Yet, our revenues per capita are among the lowest in the state for cities our size. Low tax burden and high service levels equal excellence in service delivery.



Leaders at the Core of Better Communities

U.P. receives Tree City USA Recognition/Growth Award

Since incorporation, University Place has planted 2,445 trees along City streets and acquired 117.5 acres of parks and open space. This commitment to community forestry, along with other requirements, has garnered the City its 9th Tree City USA award.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. The Arbor Day Foundation is a nonprofit, environmental, education organization whose mission is to inspire people to plant, nurture and celebrate trees. More information on the Foundation and its programs can be found at www.arborday.org.



TREE CITY USA

Register now for September Sheriff's Community Academy

The Pierce County Sheriff's Department is offering its Community Academy program for persons living in Pierce County and contract cities who are interested in learning about law enforcement and the role of the Sheriff's Department in the community. The department is taking reservations for the following session:

University Place: Sept. 3, 2009

Classes are limited in size to 30 persons and will meet once a week for 13 weeks from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The Community Academy course is designed to familiarize the public with all aspects of the Sheriff's Department and provide citizens with some insight into the practices of law enforcement and the criminal justice system. The academy also affords an opportunity to meet the Sheriff and other members of the department. The classes cover constitutional law, procedures of patrol deputies, detectives, internal investigations, narcotics, K-9, crime analysis, domestic violence and other topics.

Field trips are scheduled to the 9-1-1 Communications Center, Forensics, Jail and the Marksman firing range. The academy is free of charge and is open to citizens 16 years old and over living in Pierce County.

You may send your application online; print an application off of our website at www.piercesheriff.org or you may stop by the University Place Police Station and pick up an application. Applicants are chosen on a first come, first serve basis, and class size is limited, so please apply soon.

ART CAMP for Youth Aug. 17-21

- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Ages 8-12
- T-Shirt Included

Art Camp is a week-long day camp focusing solely on the arts. Campers will let their imaginations run wild as they draw, paint, sculpt and perform other styles of art.

At the end of camp, campers will create their own gallery. Campers' artwork will be displayed so that friends and family can view their amazing work! Young artists will also take field trips to area art museums and galleries.

Come join us in a unique week of getting away into the fantastic world of art!

SPACE IS LIMITED! Enrollment is limited to 25 students. **Some Discounts Available.**

For additional information, please call Brason Alexander with U.P. Parks & Recreation at (253) 460-5404.

FREQUENTLY USED NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Medical Emergencies	911	Animal Control/Codes Enforcement	798-3133
Pierce County Sheriff (24 hours, non-emergency)	798-4721	Tacoma Public Utilities (customer service)	502-8600
University Place Police (business)	798-4058	Tacoma Power Outages (24 hours)	502-8602
University Place Fire Dept. (non-emergency)	564-1623	Water Emergency	502-8384, after 4:30 p.m. 502-8344
Domestic Violence Help Line	798-4166	Washington Natural Gas Emergencies	1-888-225-5773

UPTV "UNIVERSITY PLACE" ON TV

Each month different programs about University Place air on Click! Channel 12 and Comcast Channel 21. The following programs are scheduled:

- Playground by the Sound – Design Day
- Duck Daze Parade Replay
- U.P. Responds – National Night Out
- Regular Council Meetings

Visit our Website: www.CityofUP.com/uptv  for a schedule of what's on the channel each week. Send program suggestions and comments to UPTV@CityofUP.com or call 460-5441.

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