Headlines

News from University Place City Hall



June 8, 2022

Duck Daze Quacks Back



After two years of pandemic-induced cancellations, Duck Daze returned to U.P. to a throng of enthusiastic participants and a lively parade of marchers and vehicles.

Amid lots of smiles, laughs and duckinspired attire, the crowd enjoyed reconnecting with familiar faces and soaked up the community spirit Duck Daze inspires.





One of the day's most popular events

was the West Pierce Fire & Rescue Station 31 Open House, which featured a pitched water balloon contest for different age groups. Even the adults acted like kids, with U.P. Police Chief Greg Premo and WPFR Chief Jim Sharp going head-to-head. For the record, neither conceded.

The day was topped off with free live music in Market Square by Mark Hurwitz & Gin Creek, who left the crowd dancing with joy—and looking forward to many more Duck Daze to come.























The City Council is Considering a Public Safety Levy for the Nov. 2022 Ballot

Listen and Learn: Chief Premo and City Staff Host Public Safety Forum Tomorrow at 6 p.m.

Please join U.P. Police Chief Greg Premo and City staff for the first of three Public Safety Listening Sessions designed to talk about current public safety challenges and opportunities for improvements in University Place. The first of these community forums will be held this Thursday, June 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. These forums are designed to



share public safety information and updates, discuss a potential 2022 Public

Safety Levy proposal, while also providing an opportunity for the city to listen to concerns, answer questions, and hear feedback from residents, businesses and community stakeholders.

If this ballot measure is referred to and approved by voters, this levy would result in additional law enforcement staffing, reduce response times, enhance traffic enforcement, and address neighborhood concerns.

Members of the community can attend the event in person at the U.P. Council Chambers (3609 Market Place West, Third Floor) or watch it live on U.P.'s YouTube channel and on the City's cable channel UPTV (Rainier Connect channel 12 or Comcast channel 21). The session will be available for viewing afterward at any time on the City's YouTube channel and will replay on the City's cable channel on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2 p.m. and on Sundays at 4 p.m.

Those who will participate virtually must submit questions in advance to **UPPublicSafety@cityofup.com**. There will be no means of asking questions in real time for those streaming the event.

Two additional Listening Sessions are planned for:

- June 23 from Noon to 2 p.m.
- July 14 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Make a note to attend one or all and make sure you are informed about key issues impacting public safety in University Place. We need your voice!

Changes Coming on How to Report Fireworks **Complaints**

With Independence Day less than a month away, many residents are starting to hear fireworks being discharged. Remember: the City of U.P. fireworks ordinance only allows for the discharge of approved fireworks (fountains, cones, novelties, smokes and sparklers/morning glories) on July 4 between the hours of 9 a.m. and midnight.



KNOW WHAT'S LEGAL IN UNIVERSITY PLACE

Stay Safe & Legal this Fourth of July

If there is no immediate threat to people or property, rather than call South Sound 911 to report fireworks complaints, the public is encouraged to watch for information that will be announced soon on new online instructions where nonemergency violations can be reported and logged.

"We need to keep our 911 lines open for emergencies and urgent police, fire, and medical issues," said Jessica Kulaas, 911 Education Coordinator for South Sound 911. "This is our busiest time of year and we need to be able to address the community's most pressing public safety needs first."

Watch future issues of Headlines for the website address and instructions on how to report fireworks complaints online.



TWISTED CIDER 5K REGISTRATION INCLUDES...

5k finisher medal, t-shirt (register by 6/30 to guarantee a shirt/size), collective bib (register by 6/30 to add custom message), complimentary giant pretzel & cider at the finish line.

What's Up With Biz

Congratulations to these University Place businesses who were voted 2022's "Best of the South Sound" by readers of South Sound magazine:

- Cosmetic Surgery: Dr. Tarak Patel, Cascade Eye & Skin Centers
- Dermatologist: Cascade Eye & Skin Centers
- Credit Union: BECU
- Golf Course: Chambers Bay Golf Course
- Groomer: University Place Best Pet Grooming
- Jewelry: Tacoma Custom Jewelers
- Lasik: Keith Dahlhauser, Cascade Eye & Skin Centers
- Mani/Pedi: Pensee Nails and Spa
- Personal Trainer: Shon Peterson, Revolushon Fitness Group LLC
- Private Elementary School: Charles Wright Academy
- Public Elementary School: Chambers Primary School
- Public High School: Curtis High School



Thanks for making us proud and for making U.P. your "Place" for business!

CITY COUNCIL EETING

UNIVERSITY PLACE

JUNE 21, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.

VIRTUAL: WATCH ON COMCAST CHANNEL 21, RAINIER CONNECT CHANNEL 12 OR LIVE ON YOUTUBE.COM/UNIVERSITYPLACETY

- Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan
- Budget Carryforward
- Fireworks
- Traffic Impact Fee
- Planning Commission Report
- Form-Based Code Amendments
- Parks Maintenance Cost

Agenda Items are subject to change, please visit the City website for more information.

The City Awarded ACFR Achievement

Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to City of University Place for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.



Government Finance Officers Association

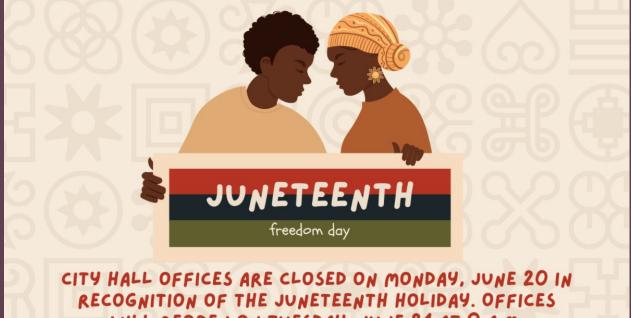
Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Presented to

City of University Place Washington

December 31, 2020

Christopher P. Morrill



WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, JUNE 21 AT 9 A.M.

Free Shred Event

Pierce County is hosting a free shred event at University Place Refuse and Recycling on Saturday, June 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please remember to ONLY bring paper documents containing sensitive information to these events.

For guidance on what documents may contain sensitive information, please view the graphic below. Staples, paper clips, and rubber bands can be shredded and do not need to be removed.

Not Accepted:

- 1. Already shredded material
- 2. Hard plastics
- 3. X-Rays
- 4. 3 ring binders
- 5. Garbage

3 shopping bag limit per person.

Protect Yourself

Please only shred portions of a document containing sensitive information. For example, an entire magazine does not need to be shredded if you are only worried about the address label. Remember that information like names, addresses, and birthdays are usually available online. The Attorney General's office does not consider these to be high priority for shredding. Please be mindful of the personal information you share online.

If you already have shredded paper: If you have bags of paper that you have already shredded, please put it in your garbage. Shredded paper is no longer accepted in our recycling program. Small, confetti-like pieces of paper have no retrievable fibers for recycling. This material is also not accepted in curbside yard waste. If you have a home worm composting system, it can be used.

Visit the Pierce County Website for more information.

To Shred or Not to Shred?

According to the Attorney General's Office, documents containing the following information should be shredded or destroyed:

- Account Numbers
- Birth Dates
- Passwords and PINs
- Signatures
- Social Security Numbers
- Credit Card Numbers



- The following pieces of information can be shredded, but are not high priority: names, addresses, phone numbers, & email addresses. You can also black this information out with a marker.
- Destroy only the sensitive parts, not the entire document
- If you are unable to attend an event or need shredding services, review our other shred options below.
- If you do shred at home, do NOT put shredded material in your recycling bin.
- Go digital when possible
- Protect yourself by being mindful about what personal information is shared online.

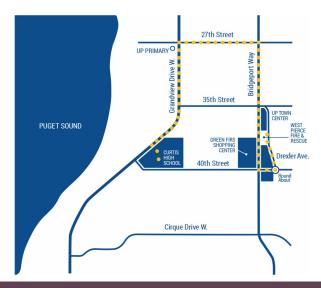


Source and more information: atg.wa.gov/what-shred

Cheer on the Class of 2022

Don't forget to fill the route of U.P. on Saturday, June 11 when members of the Curtis High School Class of 2022 conduct a vehicle parade through town after picking up their diplomas at 10 a.m. in the school parking lot.

This marks the third year that the graduates will celebrate their accomplishments with friends and neighbors throughout U.P. Cheer them on with balloons, posters and lots of applause as they wind their way through town before ending at the old Windmill Village parking lot.











ARRIVE BY BUS TO CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE EVENTS

> Request your **ORCA card HERE**





PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION **VACANCIES**

View open positions on the city website

Park Commissioners are citizens that, through their volunteer efforts, play an integral role in the growth and development of their City.

Citizens serving on the Park Advisory Commission apply their unique knowledge and experiences to the issues and the needs of the community for future growth of the City's park system.

They function as a focus group from within the community and create ideas to assist the City Council in shaping park legislative policy and future construction goals.



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The best way to survey and engage citizens

Sign Up Today!

Accessible via your smart device or computer, FlashVote surveys come out intermittently, no more than once a month, and are only 3-5 questions.

They take just a few minutes of your time and provide the City with a clear message of how our U.P. community feels about the given topic.

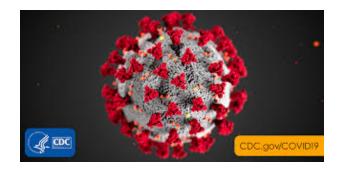
Visit the FlashVote site to sign up!

COVID-19 Resources

Looking for specific information related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Here's a list of official sources of information on which you can rely:

U.S. Centers for Disease Control
– Pandemic facts and information
Governor's Office – Details about
efforts and legislation specific to
Washington



Washington State Department of Health – Updated statistics and testing data

Tacoma-Pierce County Department of Health – Testing sites, vaccine info **Pierce County** – Resources for rent, utilities, mortgages, and much more **City of University Place** – Pandemic resource updates specific to U.P.

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