## Headlines

## News from University Place City Hall



## October 12, 2022

## Oktoberfest is this Friday, Oct. 14!

Don't miss the fun as Oktoberfest takes over **Market Square this Friday, Oct. 14 from 5 to 9 p.m.** 

Break out the lederhosen and polka to live music from the Lyle Schaefer German Band and accordionist Jakob Bean. There will be fun for young and old alike. Kids can enjoy face painting and other games and activities, courtesy of Merry Makers, while adults can enjoy the E9 Brewing Co.'s Beer Garden and help support the Curtis High School Football Boosters.

There will be fun fall treats like kettle corn, hot chocolate, caramel apples and "blooming apples" with lots of toppings. The Tornado Potato food truck will be on hand to serve up brats and gourmet potato spirals on a stick, while the Manic Meatballs truck will also be on-site to serve up crowd favorites like shells and cheese, applesauce...and of course, lots and lots of meatballs.

This family-friendly event will feature photo ops, mascots, free giveaways and other unexpected surprises. So invite your friends to join you for an evening of fun under the lights of Market Square and raise a toast to good times in University Place!



## **Help Public Works Weather the Season**

As fall ushers in more wind and rain, U.P. residents are asked to help the City's Public Works staff ensure that street catch basins are clear of leaves and debris to allow stormwater runoff to flow properly and prevent flooding.

If you notice that the catch basin in front of your property is covered with leaves, pine needles and/or other debris, please take a few minutes to rake up the material and



place it in a yard waste bag. Do not pile it next to the drain, since the next strong gust of wind will undo your efforts and likely block the drain again.

The City of U.P. has more than 4,000 catch basins within its roughly eight square miles. Although Public Works staff do their best to ensure the drains remain clear of debris, they can't cover the entire city on a daily basis. So if you see a clogged catch basin, please do your part to help yourself and your neighbors. And if you are unable to clear the basin yourself, call Public Works at 253.460.6496 and provide the location of the clogged drain so they can send a crew out to clear it.

### Whimsy in the Woods

Be sure to take a few minutes to enjoy another **video tour** from one of the featured gardens on the U.P. Historical Society's 2022 Garden Tour. Worthington in the Woods is a retreat that offers waterfalls, cobblestone paths, a berry patch and even a labyrinth that serves as a peaceful reminder of

favorite friends, pets and memories. Take a stroll down Cora's Fairy Path to spy 20 fairy houses and even a fairy downtown. Discover a wine cave, dug by hand, that now provides naturally temperature-controlled storage for a variety of vintages.

Get one last taste of the sights and sounds of summer as you soak in the lush, verdant foliage and tranquility of this suburban oasis.

Proceeds from the 2022 Garden Tour support the efforts of the U.P. Historical Society. Major sponsors of this year's Garden Tour include Gray Lumber, Columbia Bank, Seattle Seahawks, Michael Morrison Sotheby's International Realty, U.P. Refuse and Recycling, Karen Bellamy, and Frank and Cindy Bonaro. Other sponsors include Suburban Optical, Atkins Chiropractic, The 35 House Vacation Rental, New Tacoma Cemeteries, Funeral Home and Crematory.



## GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOV. 8, 2022





## 2022 Fall Oversized Brush Curbside Pickup

November 7-18, 2022

**Pile Limitations:** 1 per household no larger than 6' wide by 6' long by 6' high

The Oversized Brush Pickup is available to all residential customers of University Place Refuse and Recycling, even those without yard waste service. The pickup day for your area will be the same as your curbside recycling or yard waste pickup day during the



weeks shown above. Remember, this is a one day event for each neighborhood. The Oversized Brush Pickup is only for the larger brush and limbs that do not easily fit into a regular yard waste cart. Limbs are removed by machine or pitchfork. Sweeping of small items by the customer can be expected.

**Yes, Oversized Brush Includes:** branches, brush, and limbs no larger than 6' in length or 4" in diameter. Please stack loose for pickup (no cans, bags, or bundles).

**No, Oversized Brush Does Not Include**: blackberry, holly, or other thorny vegetation; stumps, limbs larger than 6' or thicker than 4"; small loose items such as grass, leaves, weeds, bark, pine/fir needles, etc. No noxious weeds like scotchbroom or English ivy, etc.

If you are signed up for yard waste service, please make maximum use of your cart before placing brush in a pile. Place your oversized brush in a loose pile at the curb or within 5 feet of the driveable portion of the roadway for pickup. Make sure the pile isn't in the street or blocking access to mailboxes or fire hydrants.

Visit the **University Place Refuse and Recycling website** for more information.

## Get Ready to ShakeOut.

October 20, 2022 Register Now at www.ShakeOut.org



#### What's UP with Biz?

Businesses continue to choose to open their doors in University Place, as indicated by the City's Economic Development Department's third quarter details on new business licenses. From the period July 1-Sept. 30, the City of U.P. issued 98 new business licenses, two-thirds of which went to home-based businesses. But there were several commercial openings during the third quarter as well (some of which had been delayed due to scheduling and/or COVID restrictions). These included: Seamless Beauty UP, Bridgeview 125, Therapeutic Associates Physical Therapy, 253 Therapy and Consult, Country Financial, Al's Hot Chicken, Cutty Sark Intimates and Lash Luv & Beauty.

In all, there have been nearly 24 ribbon cuttings for new businesses in U.P. in 2022. Please make a point of visiting the "newcomers on the block" and support efforts to shop local.





Lash Luv & Beauty Ribbon Cutting

Al's Hot Chicken Ribbon Cutting



## **Advisory Commission Vacancies**

Commissioners are citizens who, through their volunteer efforts, play an integral

role in the growth and development of their City. Citizens serving on the City's Commissions apply their unique knowledge and experiences to the issues and the needs of their City. They function as a focus group from within the community and create ideas to assist the City Council in shaping legislative policy.

Applications are currently being accepted from City residents interested in serving on the following commissions:

Economic Development Advisory Commission Planning Commission Public Safety Advisory Commission

Applications must be received by 4 p.m. on Nov. 4, 2022. For information about each commission and how to apply, visit the **City's Commissions and Partners webpage** or email **DNicholas@cityofup.com**.

### **October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month**

Cybersecurity Awareness Month — celebrated every October — was created in 2004 as a collaborative effort between government and industry to ensure every American has the resources they need to stay safer and more secure online.

This year, the focus is on four key behaviors throughout the month:

- 1. Enabling multi-factor authentication
- 2. Using strong passwords and a password manager
- 3. **Updating software**
- 4. Recognizing and reporting phishing



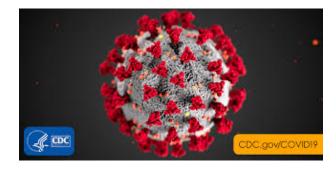
Check out the great information in each link and, let's remember, #BeCyberSmart!

#### **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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## **University Place City Council**



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