Headlines

News from University Place City Hall



August 7, 2024

A Night Out Against Crime

As they have done every year for more than two decades, U.P. residents turned out in force for National Night Out festivities on Tuesday, Aug. 6.

A caravan of West Pierce Fire & Rescue engines, medic vehicles, U.P. police cars and other public safety vehicles visited 39 neighborhoods throughout the evening, giving residents the opportunity to chat with public safety officials, first responders, City Council members and City staff. But the true stars of the show were Brix and Coda Rainier, the dynamic K-9 duo from the Pierce County Sheriff's Department. Accompanied by their handlers Deputy John Munson and Deputy Levi Redding, the dogs wowed the crowds with their skills and good looks.



"I think I speak for all of us on the public safety team when I say that National Night Out is the highlight of our year," said Jennifer Hales, the City's public safety director. "It is so fun to see familiar faces, to hear what people are thinking and yes, to enjoy the amazing party spreads these neighbors put out. We all start our diets (again) the next day."

Check out the City's **Facebook page** for more photos from this year's event.





University Place Police Blotter

Keep yourself up-to-date with the latest public safety activity in University Place by checking out the U.P. Police Blotter! Chief Burke highlights some of the most notable incidents that the U.P. Police Department responds to. But that's not all - you can also browse through recent Calls for Service to get a better understanding of the local happenings in your area.

Don't miss out on staying informed and being part of a safer community - view the U.P. Police Blotter on the **City website** for updates!



"Finding Nemo" Finds Lots of Fans at Movie in the Park

Cirque Park was swimming with activity for the annual Movie Night in the Park on Aug. 3. Even before the movie "Finding Nemo" lit up the big screen, the park was teeming with fun and laughter as kids young and old alike enjoyed sweet treats from Bliss Small Batch Creamery and Kona Ice, savory bites from Starvin Marvin's Food Truck, costumed characters from Magic in the PNW and much more.



Thanks to Mother Nature for providing a perfect summer evening for this treasured family event that is free of charge thanks to the City of University Place.

Look out for more photos on the City's Facebook page!



Be a Good Neighbor: Follow the City's Yard Sale Signage Regulations

To ensure the streets and signposts of University Place do not become cluttered with out-of-date signs promoting seasonal yard sales, the City of U.P. requires:

- Yard/garage sale signs cannot be posted before 5 p.m. the day prior to the sale and must be removed immediately after.
- Signs are not allowed for more than three

- successive calendar days in a 30-day period.
- Signs should include the sale date/s and address.
- Signs should be placed adjacent to the property owner's right-of-way. They cannot be placed on street signs or utility poles, in the City's mowing strips adjacent to sidewalks, in roundabouts, medians or planter strips.

In addition to reducing visual clutter in U.P., these regulations also protect the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists by providing better visibility on streets and sidewalks. Fines of \$100 per sign may be levied against the property owner of where the sales are held.





July 10 - Joel Astley Band

Blues

July 17 - Flor de Luna

Santana and Latin Rock

July 24 - Pearl Django

Gypsy Jazz

July 31 - Lavon Hardison and South Sound Express

Jazz

Aug. 7 - Mark Hurwitz and Gin Creek

Blues, Roots Rock

Aug. 14 - Billy Stoops and

the Dirt Angels

Americana

Aug. 21 - The Chris Eger Band

Blues, Rock, Country

Aug. 28 - King Kom Beaux

Cajun Swamp Rock and Blues

Update on Village at Chambers Bay Parking Meters

The new parking meters in the Village at Chambers Bay have been installed and are being tested before becoming fully operational.

Please check future issues of Headlines, the City's **Facebook** and **website** for updates and status reports on when they will be activated.



Enjoy the Fruits of the Curran Apple Orchard Harvest

Make plans to spend Sunday afternoon Aug. 25 at the Curran Apple Orchard for the Community Harvest Festival. Participants are invited to fill and bring home up to two bags of freshly picked apples from designated trees. The orchard will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and pickers should BYOB (bring your own bags). Please note there will be no pressings during this event.



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Those unable to attend the Harvest Festival may pick apples after Aug. 25 from untaped trees during the orchard's regular hours from dawn to dusk.

Twisted Cider Recap

On July 27, the Curran Apple Orchard transformed into a runner's paradise for the Twisted Cider 5K run and 1K walk. Hosted by the Tacoma City Marathon Association, over 400 enthusiastic participants from across Washington state laced up their sneakers for this fruity adventure!

Racers refueled with giant free pretzels (because who doesn't love a good carb load?) and refreshing cider to quench their thirst. The Manic Meatballs food



truck rolled in to satisfy heartier appetites, serving up delicious bites to the hungry crowd.

As participants caught their breath, the air filled with tunes from Stan the Guitar Man and Moonyard, turning the orchard into an impromptu concert venue. For those looking to toast their achievement, a beer garden offered the perfect spot to mingle and share race stories.

From serious runners to casual strollers, the Twisted Cider 5K proved that fitness and fun make a perfect pairing – just like apples and cider!

Thank you to all of the vendors and participants for another epic event! See more photos on the City's **Facebook** page.



Property Tax Exemption Program Coming in September

Mark your calendars for the Property Tax Exemption Seminar on Wednesday, September 25 from 2-4 p.m. at U.P. City Hall. If you're a low-income senior or person with disabilities, this event is for you!

The Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer's Office will be on hand to answer your questions and provide valuable info. Stay tuned for more details in future newsletters on eligibility requirements and how to RSVP to hold your spot, and don't miss out on this great opportunity to learn about potential tax exemptions!

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CURRAN APPLE ORCHARD SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

THURSDAY EVENINGS 6:30 - 8 P.M.

> July 18 Octopus Ballet (folk & Americana) Anjali Silva and Sabor (Brazilian) July 25 August 1 Billy Spaulding & Soulful 88s (blues) **Budapest West (rock & world music)** August 8 August 15 Bigfoot Brass (brass band jazz)

Visit www.curranappleorchard.com for more details!



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

What's Up With Biz?

The City of U.P.'s Economic Development Office is holding another home-based business reception on Thursday, Aug. 22 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at NW Medical Arts (5350 Orchard St. W., Ste 202).

Home-based business owners are encouraged to attend this casual event and expand their network while tapping into new resources that can help their businesses grow.



The reception is free and open to the public. Residents and other business owners in University Place are encouraged to stop by to learn more about the products and services offered by U.P.'s home-based businesses.





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