

Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

Winter went out with a bang and spring came in like summer. I'm sure many of you were thrilled to see summer like temperatures return in mid-March with more typical spring-like weather.

With the extreme changes in weather, the area has seen some early brushfires including one close to City limits. The National Weather Service is predicting a warmer and drier summer than normal for our area, which may pose additional fire risks.

I would like to encourage each of you to assess your property and reduce risk by clearing your property of leaves and debris left over from the winter. Tips for preparing can be found at www.NFPA.org.

The warmer weather also brings with it the urge to head down to the Snoqualmie River for recreation. Please keep in mind that as the mountain snow melts, the river levels may become higher and have dangerously cold temperatures. I ask everyone in our community to exercise extreme caution this spring if you choose to recreate on the river.

This month, the City will be celebrating Earth Day and Arbor Day on Saturday, April 20th from 11:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. in Depot Park. Bring the whole family down for treats, free plants and education.

As we move further into spring, our summer community events are drawing closer quickly. SummerStage planning is underway, Duvall Days is just around the corner (June 1st and 2nd) and Sandblast (July 20th and 21st) will be here before you know it. This year will be Sandblast's 25th anniversary!

Also during Duvall Days weekend, the Riverview Education Foundation will be hosting the REF-Run featuring a kid's obstacle course, 5k and the return of the half marathon. Having run the half-marathon a couple of times, it is a great entry into long distance running. If you haven't done a race before but would like to – REF always puts on a fun event where the non-athletes can have just as much fun as the elite athletes. Come as you are, enjoy the fresh air and valley views; and get some great exercise at the same time. Visit <https://refweb.org/refrun-2019/> for more information and registration.

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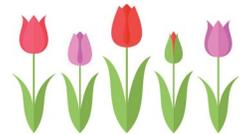
It's also the time of the year where we start to see and hear more wildlife near our homes. Please exercise discretion and caution for the bears as they come out of hibernation by making birdfeeders inaccessible, keeping garbage cans inside until garbage day and keeping bowls of pet food indoors. In addition to bears, following these guidelines will help keep rodents away as well.

In the light of Earth Day, spring and the return of wildlife, most of us will be working hard to get our yards into tip-top shape for summer. Most households utilize conventional fertilizers, which can harm pets, pollute the groundwater and eventually the Snoqualmie River. To reduce the pollution that occurs as a result of gardening, I hope you will consider moving to products that don't have the same negative impact to the larger environment.

It's going to be a busy spring and summer in Duvall! I hope to see you around town or at one of the upcoming community events soon!

Regards,

Amy Ockerlander



DUVALL DAYS- APPLICATIONS

The 2019 Duvall Days Festival is currently accepting applications for vendors and parade participants! This is the largest festival in the Snoqualmie Valley, kicking off the summer, as we expect up to at least 8,000 visitors. Our entire Main Street, and two parks have vendors and activities for all ages. The evening ends with live entertainment and a 15 minute firework show! Visit us at www.duvalldays.org for anything regarding the festival!



KUDOS KORNER



This month's "Kudos" go to the Duvall Foundation for the Arts (DFA). For many years now they have been displaying local artwork on the wall in the lobby of City Hall. Recently, volunteers Deanna Hobbs and Connie Zimmerman painted the wall a beautiful shade of blue, brightening up the office and placed new artwork by Shelley Skoripinski Supple. If you are walking downtown during business hours, please drop in to check it out.

Thanks DFA!

WILDFIRE PREVENTION- SAFETY ZONE TIPS



Even in temperate western Washington it can take only a few sunny days for forests to dry out enough to catch fire. And, in windy conditions wildfires can get out of control quickly. Wildfires burn every year in east King County. Before wildfire strikes, homeowners can help protect lives and property by creating a fire-adapted space around structures.

Top tips for maintaining a wildfire safety zone in the 30 feet around your home:

- Remove all dead plant material from around your home. Rake up dry leaves (under decks and porches too!) and move firewood away from the house. Keep your roof and gutters clear of flammable debris.
- Place a 3 to 5-foot swath of gravel or stones around the foundation of your home instead of flammable mulch.
- Prune branches that overhang or touch the house.
- Take out "ladder fuels," vegetation between grass and treetops that can carry fire between foliage and structures.
- Keep blowing embers out of your house. Cover exterior vents with fine (1/8-inch) mesh.
- Store flammable materials, including cushions, indoors instead of on porches and decks.
- Use fire-resistant construction materials such as Class-A asphalt shingles, metal or concrete products for your roof.
- Use fire-resistant plants in the garden.

For more fire prevention information visit firewise.org or contact your local fire department.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL?

April 1st -April Fool's Day.

April 20th -Irwin Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by The Irwin Group. Event begins at 2:00 p.m. at McCormick Park- Rain or shine. For more information contact Christi at 206-755-3414.

April 20th -Irwin Free Shredding Event sponsored by The Irwin Group. 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at Duvall Family Drugs parking lot. For more information contact Christi at 206-755-3414.

April 20th -Earth/Arbor Day Festival 26219 NE Burhen Way, Duvall from 11:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Visit www.duvallwa.gov/ for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MAY

May 2nd-Oct. 10th -Duvall Farmers Market Opening Day! 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Brown Ave. between NE Richardson & NE Ring St. More information can be found at www.duvallfarmersmarket.org.

May 3rd & 4th -Sno Valley Senior Center Plant Sale located at 4610 Stephens Ave., Carnation from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Visit www.snovalleysenior.org for information.

May 11th -Duvall Civic Club Plant & Garden Art Sale will be held behind the Duvall Visitor Center located at 15619 Main St. NE, Duvall from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Visit the Duvall Civic Club on Facebook.

May 18th -City of Duvall's Spring Mattress & Styrofoam Collection Event 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. at Depot Park 26219 NE Burhen Way, Duvall. Watch for a flyer with your next utility bill with the details.

May 27th -Memorial Day. All City offices will be closed.



Now available in Duvall!

APRIL COMMUNITY VAN NEWS

Our Duvall Community Van continues to see an increase in trip requests every month!

We are always looking for new volunteer drivers to help us fulfill the need. Contact Bree to schedule your next community van trip or become one of our amazing volunteer drivers. You can email her at communityvan@hopelink.org or call her at 425-943-6721.

Contact Bree if you have any special event trip ideas. Maybe a Sounders game? How about a trip to Restaurant Week in Seattle April 7th-18th? Bree will be happy to work with you to make it happen!

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CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2nd & 16th City Council meetings: - 7:00 p.m. in the Riverview Educational Service Center, 15510 First Avenue NE. (Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.).

April 10th & 24th Planning Commission meetings: -7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE.