

Headlines

News from University Place City Hall



May 30, 2018

Welcome to the new University Place Headlines e-newsletter. In an effort to provide citizens with timely, accurate and useful communications, we will begin sending out an electronic newsletter twice a month featuring news and events from City Hall as well as the surrounding community.

This is one of many ways we strive to keep the community informed, in addition to our social media networks, UPTV Channel, website and more.

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Business is booming in University Place

During the first five months of 2018, the City of University Place formally welcomed six new businesses with official ribbon cutting ceremonies. Considering that the City celebrated a total of seven ribbon cuttings in all of 2017, it is safe to say that business is booming in U.P.



Business openings as of May 31 include:

- **Anthem Coffee and Tea** opened its newest location at 3609 Market Place West in the Civic Building. This marks Anthem's fourth location in the South Sound area.
- **CityMD**, a new urgent care center, will open at 3556 Market Place West Suite 109. The facility is one of six other CityMD sites currently serving communities across King and Pierce counties.
- **HearUSA**, audiologists and hearing care professionals, marked the opening of their new location in the Green Firs Shopping Center at 3806 Bridgeport Way West
- **Mediterranean Gyro Grill**, which opened its second location at 3555 Market Place West, in the Clearview Building in the Village at Chambers Bay. The restaurant also has a Federal Way location.
- **Sapporo Japanese Steakhouse** opened at 3810 Bridgeport Way West in March.

- **TRA-MINW** opened its newest administrative office location at 2212 Mildred St. West

"We are thrilled with the number of new businesses who have chosen to call U.P. home," said Mariza Craig, director of the City's Economic Development Department. "In addition to those that have opened this year, within the next several months or so we'll be adding others, including QDOBA, Bliss, European Wax Center and SportsClips. And we still have several new development projects underway that will provide even more space for new businesses."

Those projects include construction in the Village at Chambers Bay on the parcel that faces Bridgeport Way south of Whole Foods. Plans call for two buildings on the site which will provide 17,000 square feet of commercial space. In addition, across Bridgeport Way there are plans for a five-story mixed-use building that will include 125 apartment homes and 10,000 square feet of commercial space.

"Each of these new businesses and projects, when combined with our existing businesses, continues to strengthen and grow our city's tax base," said Mayor Kent Keel. "They are enhancing our fiscal position while also providing products and services to our residents that contribute to our community's high quality of life."



Duck Daze June 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Join your friends for the annual Duck Parade along Bridgeport, plus the Fire Station 31 Open House and UPTown Cruisin' Car Show in the City Hall parking areas!

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Fireworks 2018

Legal fireworks discharged on July 4th only from 9 a.m. - 12 Midnight.

Must be 16 years of age to purchase, possess and discharge.

Children under 16 must be under direct supervision.



For questions regarding fireworks in the City contact Jennifer Hales, Public Safety Manager, at 253.798.3141

A reason to celebrate

Several University Place residents took center stage at the Tacoma Narrows Rotary & Partners Fifth Annual "Celebrate Community" banquet at Curtis Junior High School on May 5.

Curtis High School graduate Claire Flemming was the evening's keynote speaker. In addition to serving as the 2011 Daffodil Queen, the U.P. native was also a Rotary Exchange Student and an intern for the U.S. Department of State to the Embassy in El Salvador.



Rotarian and Master of Ceremonies Dr. Jay Mosser awarded Curtis High School students Daniel Bortle, Ciara Humphreys, Kobe Bond and Tasnem Abdalla with Rotary scholarships to support their higher education goals. U.P. Mayor Kent Keel presented Roger Gruener, owner of University Place Refuse and Recycling Service, with the "Volunteer of the Year Award" in recognition of his generous support of U.P.'s annual Spring Clean UP. "Roger is the consummate volunteer," Mayor Keel said. "He and his company have always been ready to lend a helping hand to this city and its residents. His company has been in our area for 75 years and truly models good corporate citizenship."

The prestigious Paul Harris Fellowship was awarded to Matt Owens, who accepted the honor in memory of his father, Marty Owens, who passed away in February. Marty owned Owens Press for nearly 30 years and served as the City of U.P.'s printer since the City was incorporated in 1995. In addition to his work with the City, Marty also produced many printed pieces to support the Tacoma Narrows Rotary Club, often working around the clock to get last minute projects printed on time for their community events. Marty was chosen by the club's members to receive the award, which recognizes those who embody Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self."



(Picture credit: Larry Baer, Tacoma Narrows Rotary Club.)



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The survey topics will vary and include questions about things like emergency preparedness, public safety education and much more. Participants will be emailed the results or they can also be found at www.CityofUP.com.

We want to hear from you, so please speak UP!

