



Renton City News

City opens Sunset Neighborhood Park

Renton dedicated Sunset Neighborhood Park and celebrated the Renton Highlands Library last month in a festive ceremony.

Dignitaries on hand included Renton Mayor Denis Law, city councilmembers, numerous state legislators, and representatives of federal agencies, the Renton Housing Authority, and the King County Library System.

The park is located next to the library and features walkways, restrooms, an entry plaza by the library with seating and a pergola, seating areas throughout, and a large lawn for gathering and playing. The park and library are key parts of the city's efforts to transform the Sunset area.

A second construction phase in 2019 will



Mayor Denis Law and King County Library System Director Lisa Rosenblum, along with city councilmembers and state leaders officially open Sunset Neighborhood Park.

add two playgrounds, picnic area, fitness area, interactive water feature, gazebo, walkways, and pergolas with seating.

The park was funded by the city, federal agencies, the Washington State Legislature, and King County.

Civic celebrations dot summer calendar

July and August mean civic events galore in Renton.

Renton River Days, the annual celebration of community pride, returns for its 33rd year from July 27-29.

From the parade down Third Street to the carnival booths, live entertainment, arts & crafts, games, and food booths that fill Cedar River and Liberty parks, it is the city's signature multi-day event.

On August 18, from 5 to 9 p.m., Cruz the Loop is back for a second year.



Renton River Days

Downtown will vibrate with a combination of live music and enough shiny hot rods and muscle cars to satisfy even the most ardent car enthusiast.

Also on tap are the city's summer concerts and movies in the park. Throughout both

months, several city parks will host family-friendly movies, while the stage at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park will rock with a variety of musical performers.

Information on all city events can be found on rentonwa.gov/events.

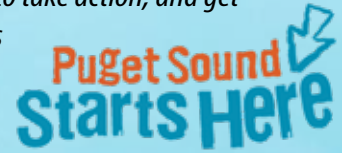


Russ Haag's 1958 Bel Air Hardtop was the Mayor's Choice winner at last year's Cruz the Loop.



PUGET SOUND STARTS HERE

The city's Surface Water Utility division protects local bodies of water from stormwater pollution. Learn how to help, commit to take action, and get a free Chinook Book smartphone app for discounts at Puget Sound businesses! Take the pledge at rentonwa.gov/pugetsoundstartshere.



Graffiti abatement

CITIZEN AWARENESS OF GRAFFITI, reporting incidents, and immediate removal have a positive impact on Renton. Call 425-430-7373 to report



graffiti vandalism or 9-1-1 to report it as it is happening.

Keeping graffiti from occurring takes a conscious team effort from everyone, including residents and business owners.

The city offers a \$300 reward to anyone who reports information that leads to the arrest and conviction of anyone caught tagging any property within the city limits.

More information is online at rentonwa.gov/graffiti.

Water quality report

THE CITY'S ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT is online at rentonwa.gov/ccr2018.

The report contains information on the source of the city's drinking water, composition, steps taken to protect the supply, and an update on use efficiency goals.



Printed copies of the report can be

obtained by calling 425-430-7287, or by emailing limhoff@rentonwa.gov.

Community Emergency Response Team

DO YOU KNOW HOW TO HELP IN A DISASTER?



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) teaches people how to safely respond after a disaster.

CERT training combines lecture and hands-on learning to teach people how to help others in an emergency. Skills taught include fire suppression, light search and rescue, emergency first aid, terrorism response, disaster psychology, team organization, personal preparedness, and more. At the end of the training, class participants put their skills to the

test to find, rescue, and treat mock earthquake victims.

There are two CERT classes coming up in 2018. The summer session is August 23–25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. all three days. Call 425-430-6700 to register.

The fall session is Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 25 to October 16, 6 to 9 p.m. The disaster drill is October 20, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration for this class opens in September.

For more information visit rentonwa.gov/cert or call 425-430-7723.

City launches cleanup campaign

The city has launched a comprehensive approach that encourages business owners, residents, and community members to work together to keep the downtown area safe and secure.

The city will also work with the Renton Chamber of Commerce and the Renton Downtown Partnership to educate and encourage their members to participate.

Renton police will increase patrols and the city will administer no trespass orders and continue to aggressively enforce code compliance complaints.

The program will also focus on the removal of trash, litter, abandoned shopping carts, and graffiti, as well as improving sidewalks and landscaping.

As part of the program the transit center will receive high-tech, solar-powered compactor trash cans from King County Metro. These trash cans prevent birds, rodents, and other scavengers from scattering trash on the ground.

If you see something amiss downtown, a dedicated hotline, 425-430-7373, has been established to report issues.



SMART COMMUNITIES AWARD

Renton has won a seventh consecutive Governor's Smart Communities Award from Washington Gov. Jay Inslee. The award recognizes achievements by local leaders who promote smart growth planning and projects that contribute to thriving communities, a prosperous economy and sustainable infrastructure in Washington State. The city was recognized for the Sartori Elementary School project.

RENTON SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

THE RENTON SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER is a hub of activity for Renton adults 50 and over.

Drop in and take a computer class, learn a new dance step, play a sport, or just drop in for fun and friendship. The center sponsors free social, health, and recreational activities and services in a warm, homey atmosphere.

The center is located at 211 Burnett Avenue North. *Golden Opportunities*, the city's recreational guide for adults 50 and over, contains a list of classes and activities. More information at rentonwa.gov/rsac.



CITY STARTS BUDGET WORK

THE COMMUNITY BUDGET ADVISORY GROUP, consisting of Renton residents, business owners, and community leaders, has started their work as part of the development of the city's budget for 2019-2020. The group meets for several weeks and provides valuable input to the Mayor for shaping the next biennial budget. The Mayor will make his budget proposal to the City Council in October.

Renton police connect with community



A little impromptu 1-on-1 basketball and "Coffee with a Cop" are two ways Renton police connect with the community.

The next time you see a Renton police officer they might be shooting hoops or holding a Q&A session at a local church. These sightings are all part of the department's efforts to get out of their patrol cars and into the community.

Every day, officers, support staff, and their families work to make Renton a great place to work, play, live, and learn. It might be a charity football game, an impromptu game of basketball

at a park, making sandwiches for the less fortunate during the holidays, or answering questions during one of their many community events. No matter the circumstance, the end result is always the same: a Renton officer takes the time to interact with their community and the community becomes a better place.

So don't be surprised the next time you drive by a park or walk into an establishment and see one of our officers. They're just doing their job.

Multicultural Festival celebrates Renton

3RD ANNUAL FESTIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 14 & 15 SHOWCASES OUR DIVERSITY

Renton's third annual Multicultural Festival is September 14 and 15 at Carco Theatre and the Renton Pavilion Event Center. It's a celebration of the city's diversity and gets bigger and better every year. So mark your calendars and spend a couple days enjoying Renton's many cultures. Festival information is online at rentonwa.gov/festival.



FOUR WOMEN WHO ROCKED RENTON

The Renton History Museum on July 28 presents two plays based on individuals from Renton's history. **A Woman's Work is Never Done** spotlights three women who take action against illegal liquor sales in 1918. **The Murder of Mr. Anrooney** chronicles the 1930s murder case of Marlene Collier and puts her fate in your hands.



Out in the Community

Renton Farmers Market

TUESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 25, 3-7 P.M.

Piazza Park, 233 Burnett Ave. S

The best from local farmers and artisans! Kids' activities, live entertainment, chef demos, and food. rentonwa.gov/farmersmarket

"I'm Going Through" Exhibit

THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1

Renton History Museum, 235 Mill Ave. S

The history of black coal miners in King County. They persevered, challenging the color line and shaping the history of Renton and King County.

Beaches Open for the Season

THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9, 12-8 P.M.

Lifeguards on duty from 12-8 p.m. at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park and Kennydale Beach Park.

Henry Moses Aquatic Center

THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9

1719 SE Maple Valley Hwy.

Open swims, camps, lessons, programs, and special events that intertwine fitness and water play. rentonwa.gov/hmac

Summer Concerts

THROUGH AUGUST 8, 7:30 P.M.

Coulon Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N

Enjoy an evening of music and entertainment with family and friends. Dates: 7/11, 7/18, 8/1, and 8/8. rentonwa.gov/events

Summer Meals Program

THROUGH AUGUST 17

Various Renton locations

Free meal for Renton kids ages 1-18, regardless of family income. rentonwa.gov/summermeals

Summer Extravaganza

JULY 19, HERITAGE PARK, 11 A.M.-2 P.M.

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233 Union Ave. NE

Free food, arts & crafts, and entertainment.

rentonwa.gov/summermeals

Summer Fest

JULY 21, 4 P.M.

Piazza Park & Pavilion, 233 Burnett Ave. S

Celebrate summer with local musicians, art vendors, food trucks, beer & wine garden, and outdoor activities. rentonwa.gov/events

Summer Movies

JULY 21-AUGUST 24, DUSK

Various Renton locations

Outdoor movies under the stars. Dates: 7/21, 8/3, 8/10, and 8/24. rentonwa.gov/events

Renton River Days

JULY 27-29

Liberty Park, 1101 Bronson Way N

A multi-day family festival and celebration of community pride! rentonwa.gov/riverdays

Four Women Who Rocked Renton

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 12-4 P.M.

Renton History Live! is produced by the Renton History Museum. It takes historical Renton residents and brings their stories to life through theatre. Performances are on the hour.

A Woman's Work is Never Done

World War I is ending, but Rentonites are fighting a different war: against alcohol. Three women suspect illegal sales and their actions defy traditional norms and embrace the principles of the Women's Movement.

The Murder of Mr. Anrooney

Marlene Collier's 1930 murder case goes to trial. Is she a cold blooded killer or innocent ingénue? You decide—her fate is in your hands. Written by Lindbergh High student Raven Klingele.

Cruz the Loop

AUGUST 18, 5-9 P.M.

Piazza Park, 233 Burnett Ave. S

An afternoon and evening of cruising the famous Renton Loop. Registration required to cruise.

rentonwa.gov/cruz

CERT Training

AUGUST 23-25, 8 A.M.-5 P.M.

Renton Fire Station 14, 1900 Lind Ave. SW

Are you ready to help yourself and your community after a disaster? Learn the skills to respond when the unthinkable happens. rentonwa.gov/cert

Day of Service

SEPTEMBER 8, 9 A.M.-12 P.M.

Various Renton locations

In observance of the National Day of Service and Remembrance. rentonwa.gov/volunteer

City Contacts

General Information	425-430-6400
Mayor	425-430-6500
City Council	425-430-6501
Chief Admin Officer	425-430-6500
Administrative Svcs	425-430-6868
City Attorney	425-430-6480
City Clerk	425-430-6510
Code Enforcement	425-430-7373
Community & Economic Development	425-430-6575
Community Services	425-430-6600
Emergency Mgmt	425-430-7041
Graffiti Reporting	425-430-7373
Human Resources & Risk Management	425-430-7650
Municipal Court Judge	425-430-6550
Police (non-emergency)	425-430-7500
Public Works	425-430-7394
Regional Fire Authority	425-271-7900
Street/Water/Sewer Maintenance	425-430-7400
Utility Billing	425-430-6852

EMERGENCY 911
Non-Emergency 425-235-2121



The City of Renton provides reasonable accommodation upon request.

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