

LACEY Life

SPRING 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

APR 12 Arbor Day Seedling Giveaway

Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Huntamer Park in Woodland Square

APR 19 Lacey Family Fish-In

Saturday, April 19 at Long's Pond, Woodland Creek Community Park (times are assigned upon registration)

APR 26 HOA & Neighborhood Association Meeting

Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. - 12 noon at Lacey City Hall, Community Room

MAY 03 Lacey S.T.E.M. Fair & Grand Prix

Saturday, May 3, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Huntamer Park in Woodland Square

MAY 17/18 Lacey Spring Fun Fair & Grand Parade

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday, May 18, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Saint Martin's University

The Spring Parks & Rec brochure is out & available on our website!



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Shaping our Community Together

CITY OF LACEY AND NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE SIGN ACCORD

In early March, the Lacey and Nisqually Councils joined in a significant ceremonial event to sign a historic accord, acknowledging the mutual interests and partnership between the two. It also acknowledges the shared history and common goals for the future.

As a symbol of this partnership, both Councils exchanged gifts with each other. Mayor Andy Ryder, on behalf of the city, presented a Western Red Cedar Tree to the Tribe, symbolizing the growing partnership between the two. The Nisqually Tribe presented Lacey with a beautifully carved totem pole. The totem pole is a sacred symbol to the Tribe, with specific ceremonies and customs that



accompany its blessing.

The totem pole will be placed at City Hall, with a dedication ceremony to be held in the near future.

UPCOMING HOA AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

Required Stormwater Facility Inspections due this year

Clean water is a necessity, and neighborhood stormwater ponds play an essential role in preventing water pollution. For this reason, the city requires associations that own stormwater ponds or facilities to submit an annual Stormwater Facility Inspection. The goal is to ensure that residents understand the importance of maintaining these facilities. Reports are due by August 15 this year.

Our Spring HOA and neighborhood association meeting, scheduled for Saturday, April 26 at 9:30 a.m., is designed to assist associations with this task. A Water Resources staff member will be on hand to explain the report details,

Homeowners Association Meeting

Saturday, April 26, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon

Lacey City Hall

www.ci.lacey.wa.us/hoa

walk attendees through the steps necessary to complete the form, and help to answer questions.

All HOAs are welcome to send a representative. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. The meeting will be held at Lacey City Hall in the Community Room. Please contact Mary Coppin, Community Liaison, at mcoppin@ci.lacey.wa.us or (360) 438-2621.

THURSTON COUNTY HOLDS MEETINGS FOR RETAILERS ABOUT PLASTIC BAG ORDINANCE



Thurston County is holding a series of open-house style meetings to assist retailers regarding the recent plastic bag ordinance. Retailers are encouraged to stop by the Community Room in Lacey City Hall on Wednesday, April 23 between 5 and 7 p.m. to learn more and ask questions. More information at www.co.thurston.wa.us/solidwaste.

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LACEY SPRING FUN FAIR & GRAND PARADE IN MAY

Two days of FREE FUN for everyone!

Lacey's Spring Fun Fair and Grand Parade are back! Expect two days of family fun in May at the Fun Fair, located at Saint Martin's University in Lacey.

Fun Fair activities include rides for kids, games, and live stage entertainment. Plus, enjoy arts and crafts and food vendors. Reptile Man will be making a special appearance at noon on Saturday. The car show is all day on Sunday. Also featured on Sunday will be the 2nd Annual Talent Show, with the top talent taking home a cash prize of \$150.

The Grand Parade, starting at 6 p.m. on Saturday in Huntamer Park, runs south down College Street SE, then turns east on Pacific Avenue in front of Saint Martin's University. It brings floats, bands, horses,

FUN FAIR DAYS & TIMES

Saturday, May 17: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Grand Parade at 6 p.m.

Sunday, May 18: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

and more through the streets of Lacey!

Entries for the parade are still being considered and include a diverse assortment of floats, marching bands, community groups, and entertainers. The deadline to enter is 5 p.m. on Friday, May 2.

Information and parade entry forms are available at www.laceyspringfunfair.com. Entry forms may be submitted to the Lacey Parks and Recreation Department, 420 College Street SE, Lacey, WA 98503.

As the new season for the Lacey Community Market ramps up and kicks off, we are on the look-out for vendors, all shapes and sizes. The LCM is an eclectic market, held the second Saturday of July through September. Themes this year include Yard & Garden Day, Family Fun Day, and the ever-popular Pet Day.

Interested vendors are asked to submit a pre-application as early as possible to receive the early-bird discounted fee and to be juried. Selection is based on product, past experience, and space available in each category. To meet the requests of our customers, we encourage farmers, food processors, and all types of food concessionaires to apply.

Applications are available online at www.ci.lacey.wa.us/market and at Lacey City Hall. Visit us online or call (360) 491-3214 for more information.

LACEY FAMILY FISH-IN

Families, get your fishing caps on! The Lacey Family Fish-In is Saturday, April 19 at Long's Pond, located at Woodland Creek Community Park.

This event, designed to encourage fishing as a family activity, is for kids ages 5 to 14 years old. Pre-registration is required with a completed registration form and \$5 fee. The fee includes a rod and reel to keep. Forms are available online at www.ci.lacey.wa.us/events. Please be advised that space is limited.

This family-fun event is offered in cooperation with Cabela's, Capital City Bass Club, Go, Puget Sound Anglers, Trout Unlimited, Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Zebco.

Please visit us online or call Lacey Parks and Recreation Department at (360) 491-0857 for more information.

NEW S.T.E.M. FAIR FEATURES ELECTRIC CAR RALLY

Lacey's S.T.E.M. Fair is an all-new event, which will showcase school clubs and teams from all over Thurston County. The event will be held on Saturday, May 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Huntamer Park in Lacey — and it's FREE!

S.T.E.M. stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, all of which are vital fields that shape our future. Highlights of the day will include hands-on activities for kids, demonstrations, displays, plus the Lacey Grand Prix.

The Lacey Grand Prix is an electric car rally where high school teams and hobbyists race their custom made electric cars in an effort to drive the most times around



the quarter-mile course in one hour. Teams are from the Pacific Northwest and include River Ridge High School's Electric Vehicle Club. Races begin at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Visit the city's website at www.ci.lacey.wa.us/events or call Lacey Parks and Recreation Department at (360) 491-0857 for more information.

HIGH EFFICIENCY TOILET REBATE PROGRAM

To encourage water conservation, the City of Lacey and the LOTT Clean Water Alliance are offering customers \$100 rebates for the purchase of high efficiency toilets (HETs).

Several HET Programs are available to Lacey utility customers and depend on the type of service you receive. Residential, commercial, and multi-family wastewater utility customers are eligible.

Applications and a list of approved models are available on the city's website at www.ci.lacey.wa.us/het.

LODGING TAX COMMITTEE VACANCY

The Lacey City Council is currently recruiting for two vacancies on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, whose primary responsibility is to recommend how to best use lodging tax revenues to Council.

The Committee is comprised of five Board members. By statute, one member must be an elected official of the city, two of businesses that collect the lodging tax, and two involved in activities authorized to be funded by the lodging tax revenues. The current vacancies are for representatives of businesses that collect lodging tax.

If you are interested in serving on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, and would like to receive an application, please contact Peri Edmonds at (360) 438-2620, or by email at pedmonds@ci.lacey.wa.us. You may also download an application from the city's website at www.ci.lacey.wa.us. Please submit a letter of interest and resume along with your application.



CELEBRATING ARBOR DAY *It's a Lacey tradition!*

Lacey has once again received the Tree City USA award from the National Arbor Day Foundation — marking the twenty-third consecutive year of attaining the distinction. Since first earning the honor in the early 1990's, our community has invested over \$3 million on tree planting and care, and provided nearly 26,000 free tree seedlings to residents (many of those seedlings are now over 30 feet tall).

The city is proclaiming the month of April as Arbor Month, and is encouraging residents and businesses to plant and properly care for trees.

This year's seedling giveaway will

be held Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (or until supplies run out) at Huntamer Park in Woodland Square. Species available this year include Colorado Blue Spruce, Eastern Redbud, Flowering Crabapple, Purple Smoke Tree, and Scarlet Oak. The seedlings, up to three feet in height, are limited to one per person, so bring the family!

The event will also feature onsite planting, with soil, pots, and instructions available for free, courtesy of Great Western Supply and The Barn Nursery. For information, contact Stephen Kirkman, Lacey Public Affairs, at (360) 456-7788 or skirkman@ci.lacey.wa.us.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES SOUGHT FOR CITY BOARD

The Lacey City Council is seeking volunteers 16 to 18 years of age to serve as youth representatives on the Lacey Parks Board, Historical Commission, and Library Board. This is a great opportunity for students to participate in the government process while serving their community. The youth representatives, appointed by the Mayor with confirmation by Council, are full voting members.

Eligible candidates must be enrolled as a junior or senior in a public, private, or

home school within the North Thurston Public Schools District, and reside within Lacey or the Lacey Urban Growth Area. Applications will be accepted through June 1. Terms of office are September to September.

Application materials are available at high school career centers and online at www.ci.lacey.wa.us under "[Boards and Commissions](#)." For information, please contact Jenny Bauersfeld at (360) 413-4387, or by email at jbauersf@ci.lacey.wa.us.

PLANNING COMMISSION CHANGES REGULAR MEETING TIME

The Lacey Planning Commission has a new meeting time — now to begin at 7 p.m. Meeting days will remain the first and third Tuesday of the month. The decision to change the time came about as an effort to increase and improve public participation.



LACEY DEPARTMENTS: PHONE DIRECTORY

LACEY CITY HALL

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Lacey City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, except in November and December, when it meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month.

SERVICES IN LACEY: PHONE DIRECTORY

ANIMAL SERVICES (360) 352-2510

COMMUNITY CENTER (360) 412-3191

INTERCITY TRANSIT (360) 786-8585

LACEY LIBRARY (360) 491-3860

LACEY MUSEUM (360) 438-0209

SENIOR CENTER (360) 407-3967



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THE CITY OF LACEY CARES!

We want to hear from you. Please send us any comments or suggestions on how we can better serve you and our community.

Name _____
Address _____

Drop-off or mail to City of Lacey, 420 College Street SE, Lacey, WA 98503
or email comments to publicaffairs@ci.lacey.wa.us

The City of Lacey has a policy of non-discrimination based on disability for providing equal access to its services and programs. If you need to receive this newsletter in another format, please contact the City Clerk at (360) 491-3214; TDD Relay (800) 833-6388.

A REMINDER ABOUT CARBON MONOXIDE ...

All residents are encouraged to have an operable carbon monoxide detector in their home. Carbon monoxide is a poisonous gas that cannot be seen or smelled yet can kill a person in minutes.

State law now requires carbon monoxide alarms to be installed in single family homes, condominiums, hotels, motels, apartment units, and rental properties. While there are a few exclusions, including an exemption for owner-occupied single family residences legally occupied before July 26, 2009, the safest course of action for all residents is to follow these guidelines:

- Install a carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your dwelling and in the garage; follow the carbon monoxide detector instructions for routine maintenance, including regular replacement of batteries.
- Have oil and gas appliances and fireplaces, as well as wood stoves, checked every year by a trained



- professional.
 - Make sure chimneys and flues are routinely checked and cleaned.
 - Never burn anything in a stove or fireplace that isn't vented.
 - If you suspect a gas leak, leave your home immediately, call 911, and don't go back into the home until the problem has been resolved.
- More information regarding carbon monoxide safety is available from the Consumer Product Safety Commission at www.cpsc.gov.