



CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, April 26, 2024

Public Services

The City's Public Works Department has been diligently trying to keep up with fast-growing vegetation along trail sides and storm facilities, using dedicated staff and work crews, but it has been a losing battle for some time.

Last month, we procured a flail attachment that fits our existing excavator to help keep up with the task. We immediately surpassed expectations by efficiently trimming back miles of trailside in the last few weeks alone.

Now that we have the equipment, crews can perform frequent lighter trailside flail trimming that will look much more well-groomed. We will also continue vegetation management in our storm facilities, which will greatly reduce the requirement for staff and work crews to complete those tasks.



Parks and Recreation

DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION

KIDS SUMMER CAMPS '24

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

6/17-6/20.....WEEK OF SLIME
6/24-6/28.....CHALLENGER SOCCER
6/24-6/28.....VALOR DANCE
6/26-6/27.....VALOR DANCE
7/1-7/3.....VALOR DANCE
7/8-7/11.....OUTSIDE THE LINES ART WEEK
7/15-7/18.....DINO MANIA
7/15-7/19.....SKYHAWKS MULTI-SPORTS CAMP
7/22-7/26VALOR DANCE
7/22-7/26.....CHALLENGER SOCCER
7/29-8/1LEGO ENGINEERING
8/5-8/8.....UNICORNS, RAINBOWS AND FRIENDSHIPS
8/5-8/9SKYHAWKS BASKETBALL CAMP
8/19-8/24...VALOR DANCE

REGISTER TODAY!

SEE THE CITY WEBSITE FOR DETAILS -
DUPONTWA.GOV/548/CAMPS



Summer Camps

Parks & Recreation is pleased to announce a little something for everyone this summer with our 2024 Summer Camps! Registration is now open for art and sports camps. <https://www.dupontwa.gov/548/Camps>

Outside the Lines ART WEEK



CHALLENGER SPORTS SOCCER SUMMER CAMPS '24

POWERED BY SPIRE

Slime Week

VALOR DANCE

DINO- Mania Makers

Lego Engineering

UNICORNS Rainbows & FRIENDSHIPS

Parks and Recreation

Bicycle Maintenance Class for Kids!

5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Get ready to roll into summer confidently with our bike maintenance class tailored for 4th to 8th graders! From fixing flat tires to adjusting brakes and gears, this hands-on workshop equips young riders with essential skills to care for their bikes, ensuring smooth rides all season long. Join us and pedal into a summer of fun!

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids>



FAIRY TRAILS

Parks & Recreation is excited to invite all for fairy dust and glitter, giggles, and more at our Annual Fairy Trails scheduled for **Saturday, June 1st**, down the Sequalitchew Creek Trail.

Registration information is located here: [Catalog - City of DuPont WA Parks & Recreation \(rec1.com\)](https://Catalog - City of DuPont WA Parks & Recreation (rec1.com))



Sign up for SequaliShoot 2024!

June 1 & 2, 2024 - In conjunction with "National Trails Day"

Take your best shot in this annual photography challenge! Shoot photos on any DuPont trail in a 24-hour period from noon on June 1 until noon on June 2. Enter your best 3 images!

All ages and abilities welcome. There are prizes for 1st, 2nd and People's Choice.

Photo Experiences - DuPont WA Photography - DuPontWAPhoto.com



NOON Saturday to NOON Sunday
Take the SequaliShoot Photo Challenge and give it your best shot!

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[Sign up at www.DuPontWAPhoto.com](https://www.DuPontWAPhoto.com)



Sponsored by City of DuPont • dupontwa.gov

The Steilacoom Historical School District does not sponsor or endorse this event/information and the district assumes no responsibility for it.



2024 Grand Marshal Nominations

Parks & Recreation is currently accepting nominations for the 2024 July 4th Parade Grand Marshal. If you know of a deserving candidate, please review the criteria, and submit your nomination to:

Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov no later than May 17th, 2024. We can't wait to hear your nomination!

Parks and Recreation

April Showers Bring May Flowers

May 15, 2024

2:00 - 3:15 PM or 3:15 - 4:30 PM

Middle Schoolers! Spend your ACE Wednesday with friends at Mince Mercantile! Enjoy making spring crafts and indulging in a delicious treat baked by none other than, Mince Mercantile! Registration is now open.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens>

DuPont Parks & Recreation



**APRIL SHOWERS
BRING MAY FLOWERS**

WED. MAY 15, 2024
2:00-3:15 OR 3:15-4:30
SELECT YOUR TIME DURING THE REGISTRATION PROCESS

MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENT AT MINCE!

COME HANG OUT AT MINCE MERCANTILE ON AN ACE WEDNESDAY TO MAKE YOUR OWN PAPER FLOWER BASKET, HANG WITH FRIENDS AND ENJOY A DELICIOUS TREAT!

\$15 PER CHILD
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

YOUR PARKS & RECREATION 2023 AUCTION PROCEEDS AT WORK!

IF THERE IS A FINANCIAL HARSHSHIP THAT PREVENTS YOUR CHILD FROM ATTENDING PLEASE REACH OUT TO DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION. WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND!

MINCE MERCANTILE
bakery | deli | provisions
DuPont, WA

MINCE MERCANTILE -
1495 WILMINGTON DR.
DUPONT, WA.



DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION

SPONSOR A BASKET & SHOWCASE YOUR BUSINESS!

Help keep the Clocktower Park stage blooming all summer long!

Business name and logo will be showcased on a large A-frame sign in front of the stage!

Price includes commercial size basket, advertising and maintenance of basket

To participate, please contact Amy Walker with Parks & Recreation at awalker@dupontwa.gov



\$150

Help Keep Clocktower Blooming All Summer Long!

Help us keep Clocktower Park blooming all summer long by sponsoring a basket to be hung on the stage. These baskets add color, joy and seasonal flair to our events!

Basket sponsorships are \$150 per basket and include a commercial size basket, maintenance, and advertising on an A frame in front of the stage during events all summer long!

We have six baskets to sponsor and we anticipate that these sponsorships will go quickly. Interested in participating? Please contact Amy Walker with Parks & Recreation at (253) 405-9698.

CITY OF DUPONT Recreation Guide MARCH - JUNE 2024



Our Mission:

"To build a healthy community through people, programs and partnerships while creating lasting memories for generations to come."

Parks & Recreation is pleased to release our

2024 Spring Recreation Guide!

Within these pages you will find programming for all ages, spring break activities and a variety of new programs.

Here is the link to the guide:

<https://dupontwa.gov/187/Parks-Recreation>



PUBLIC INPUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHIEF LESCHI PARK

DuPont City Council has approved funding for improvements at Chief Leschi Park. Parks & Recreation will be hosting public input opportunities to gather community feedback.

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

Monday, March 4th 4:30pm - 5:30pm
DuPont City Hall

Saturday, April 13th 9:00am - 11:00am
DuPont PowderWorks Park

Saturday, April 27th 10:00am - 11:00am
Chief Leschi Park

Saturday, May 4th 12:00pm - 3:00pm
Clocktower Park during the Mother's Day Market

Can't make it? Please email your comments to Amy Walker awalker@dupontwa.gov



Chief Leschi Park

Parks & Recreation is hosting several opportunities for public input on upgrading playground equipment and picnic shelters at Chief Leschi Park and we need your help. Please mark your calendars to plan to attend at least one of the following opportunities to have your voice heard about the future of Chief Leschi Park. Aren't able to attend any of these meetings? Please email your suggestions to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov.

Parks and Recreation



Senior Lunch & Movie - May 29

The best deal in town! Grab a friend and join DuPont Parks & Recreation for lunch and a movie. After meeting at DuPont City Hall we caravan to the agreed upon lunch spot to follow with your movie of choice. \$10 includes lunch and a movie ticket. Transportation not provided

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>



Senior Lunch at the Landing

Parks & Recreation is pleased to announce an invitation for all seniors in our community to have "Lunch at the Landing." The next senior luncheon at Patriots Landing is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 21st**.

[Adults & Seniors | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](#)



Have a Blooming Good Time on the Parks & Recreation Instagram Page!

Parks & Recreation is actively looking to increase our following on social media. Follow us between now and May 4th and you will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a beautiful hanging basket, just in time for Mother's Day!



Mother's Day Market

Snack, sip, shop and celebrate motherhood from

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on May 4th, at our Mother's Day Market!

DuPont Parks & Recreation is delighted to announce our very first Mother's Day Market! We will be celebrating the Mothers in our lives with local businesses and vendors, fresh flowers, food trucks, performances from local artists, delicious treats, and much more! If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact Emma at ewiegand@dupontwa.gov.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/707/Mothers-Day-Market>



Shop, sip, snack, & celebrate the mom in your life at the DuPont Mother's Day Market!

From delicious food trucks to beautiful flowers & handmade goods, we can't wait to show you all the amazing things local vendors have prepared!

Clocktower Park - 1400 Palisade Blvd. DuPont. WA.

[Shop for Mother's Day at the Market!](#)



Parks and Recreation

Gentle Yoga Classes

Saturdays, 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

June 1 - August 3, 2024

Start your mornings with some gentle movement by signing up for this class! Gentle Yoga offers a serene 60-minute practice perfect for beginners, emphasizing alignment, strength, and flexibility through traditional poses and breath techniques, all while nurturing your joints and muscles with gentle movements and modifications.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>

DuPont Parks & Recreation

GENTLE Yoga Classes

Saturdays 7:30 - 8:30 AM
June 1 - August 3, 2024

\$150
10 weeks

DuPont Community Center -
303 Barksdale Ave. DuPont WA 98327

About the Instructor
Masha Power has received the highest certification, E-RYT500, with the Yoga Alliance. She is also a Certified Clinical Yoga Therapist and Integrative Health Coach.



PATRIOT ATHLETIC LEAGUE

NIGHT OUT

FRIDAY, MAY 17TH

GATES OPEN 5:30PM | FIRST PITCH 7:05PM

\$20 PER PERSON TICKET INCLUDES:

- RESERVED SEAT
- BALLPARK MEAL
- PREGAME PARADE ON THE FIELD

\$15 HAT ADD ON:

COMPLETE YOUR LOOK
WITH A LIMITED
EDITION TACOMA
RAINIERS HAT.



\$15 PER HAT.



FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT:

Tom Wargo

secretary@patriotathleticleague.com | (253) 208-0750

HAT IS REDEEMABLE AT CUSTOMER SERVICE ON
THE DAY OF YOUR GAME. MUST BE PURCHASED
IN ADVANCE THROUGH YOUR LEAGUE.

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:
WWW.PATRIOTATHLETICLEAGUE.COM

TICKETS ON SALE THRU MAY 1ST FOR GUARANTEED SEATING | RAINIERS HAT ON SALE AT CHECKOUT

DuPont Parks & Recreation

CHAIR YOGA CLASSES

A low-impact, joint-friendly workout for all ages!

Fridays 7:30 - 8:30 AM
May 31- August 2, 2024

\$150 10 weeks

About the Instructor

Masha Power has received the highest certification, E-RYT500, with the Yoga Alliance. She is also a Certified Clinical Yoga Therapist and Integrative Health Coach

DuPont Community Center -
303 Barksdale Ave.
DuPont WA 98327

Chair Yoga Classes

Revitalize your mornings with chair yoga! Offering a gentle and low-impact workout tailored for individuals with age-related changes in joints and muscles, ensuring a safe and injury-free exercise option.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>

ARE YOU A MIDDLE SCHOOL OR
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT INTERESTED IN
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS



PARKS & RECREATION IS LOOKING TO FORM A CLUB TO MEET AT
THE COMMUNITY CENTER ON A MUTUALLY AGREED UPON TIME.
IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER.
JOIN US FOR GAMES, NEW FRIENDS, PIZZA AND FUN!
CONTACT AMY WALKER AT awalker@dupontwa.gov

Dungeons & Dragons

Are you looking to meet other local Dungeons & Dragons players for adventures and fun!? DuPont Parks & Recreation has been getting some requests to start a D&D group in DuPont and we are here for it! Explore fantastic worlds, clash with dark monsters, spin lore and commit heroic feats while playing the greatest RPG of all time! If interested, please reach out to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov

ARE YOU A
MIDDLE SCHOOL OR
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
INTERESTED IN
Knitting & Crocheting



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TO MEET AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER ON
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awalker@dupontwa.gov

Knitting & Crocheting

Are you interested in knitting and crocheting? Or maybe wanting to share your skills with some beginners? DuPont Parks & Recreation is looking to start a knitting and crocheting group! If you are interested in joining this cozy of knitters, please reach out to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov

HISTORIC DUPONT VILLAGE WALK

10:00 AM, SATURDAY

MAY 11TH, 2024

Led by museum volunteers

Walking tour meets at
DuPont Historical Museum
207 Barksdale Ave.

Please arrive 5 min early to sign in.
(Ages 12 & under must be with an adult.)

Walking on sidewalks, the tour will cover about 1.5 miles discussing historic DuPont Company homes, Johnson Brothers General Store, Carsten's Meat Market, School District #7 and its schools, the still-active 1917 Presbyterian Church, and more.

Tour will last about 90 minutes. Rain or shine, come prepared.



DUPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

DUPONTMUSEUM.COM
DUPONTHISTORICALMUSEUM@GMAIL.COM
(253) 820-3666



FREE &
open to all



Rain or
shine!

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF DUPONT



RONALD J. FREDERICK
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION
ARBOR DAY

WHEREAS, in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees — wherever they are planted — are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Ronald J. Frederick, Mayor of the City of DuPont, Washington, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024, as

ARBOR DAY

in the City of DuPont and encourage all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Signed this 23rd day of April 2024.


Ronald J. Frederick, Mayor

City News



THE CITY OF DUPONT
INVITES YOU TO

A PURPLE HEART SIGN UNVEILING AND
CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL AWARD CEREMONY

HONORING FALLEN AND WOUNDED VETERANS BY BECOMING A PURPLE HEART CITY
AND IN HONOR OF FILIPINO AND AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II



THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

1:00 PM

CLOCKTOWER PARK

1301 PALISADE BLVD., DUPONT WA 98327

On Thursday, May 2, the City of DuPont will host a Purple Heart Sign Unveiling and Congressional Gold Medal Award Ceremony honoring fallen and wounded veterans by becoming a Purple Heart City and in honor of Filipino and American Veterans of World War II.

Thursday, May 2nd, 2024, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Clocktower Park, 1301 Palisade Blvd., DuPont WA 98327

The Congressional Gold Medal is an award bestowed by Congress and is the highest civilian award in the United States. The decoration is awarded to an individual or unit who performs an outstanding deed or act of service to the security, prosperity, and national interest of the United States.



Public Services



AUGUST 2023

I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. Corridor Improvements

Beginning in late summer 2023, contractor crews working for the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin construction on Interstate 5 in DuPont near Joint Base Lewis-McChord. This is the third in a series of projects that widens I-5 to add HOV lanes between DuPont and Lakewood.

Improvements coming to DuPont and JBLM

In addition to extending the I-5 HOV lanes, construction crews will make improvements that enhance mobility and safety in DuPont and near the JBLM DuPont Gate at exit 119, including:

- A new bridge spanning I-5 and the railroad. The new bridge will feature a partial Diverging Diamond Interchange and a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists between JBLM and DuPont.
- Direct access between JBLM and both directions of I-5.
- A new roundabout connecting Steilacoom-DuPont Road and the new overpass.

The project will also add a new signal at the intersection of the southbound I-5 off-ramp at Mounts Road (exit 116) and improve the I-5 vertical clearance over Pendleton Avenue.

What you can expect

Construction will begin in summer 2023 and is expected to be complete in 2026. The project consists of multiple stages that involve overnight and weekend ramp closures, lane shifts onto temporary pavement, potential speed limit reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian detours. Crews will contain dust and debris to the construction site and will minimize noise as much as practical. Clear signage will indicate required detours throughout the project.



The project extends HOV lanes in both directions into DuPont.

Stay connected

Follow us on Twitter [@WSDOT_Tacoma](#)

Check out our Facebook page: [facebook.com/WSDOT](#)

Project hotline: 206-467-2171

Scan the QR code or visit: [wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/i-5-mounts-rd-steilacoom-dupont-rd-corridor-improvements](#)



For updated weekly ramp and lane closure schedules, visit: [wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/](#)

WSDOT: I-5 Mounts Rd to Steilacoom-DuPont Road Corridor Improvements outreach links:

Online open house:

<https://engage.wsdot.wa.gov/i-5-mounts-to-steilacoom-dupont-rd/>

WSDOT Blog:

<https://wsdotblog.blogspot.com/2023/09/i-5-hov-dupont-jblm.html>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IiDRY3j6DNI&t=1s>

The WSDOT Facebook page also has a post linking the blog and online open house:

<https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/>

New energy code requirements for water heaters!!

Insulation required under all hot water heaters on concrete floors or in unconditioned space.

See link for detailed code requirements on water heater installation.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/7763/Water-Heater-Requirements?bidId=1>



ADOPT A STORM DRAIN

Did you know storm drains feed directly into our local lakes and rivers, unfiltered? That's why it's so important to adopt a drain and keep them clear for cleaner and healthier water.

Here's how easy it is:

1. Find a drain to adopt near you at <https://adopt-a-drain.org/>
2. Name your drain. Bonus points for fun or creative drain names!
3. Take a few minutes to clean up the street and sidewalk near your drain if needed. Dispose of the debris properly (we show you how to do that too)
4. Report the amount you collect on your Adopt-a-Drain account
5. Repeat as necessary, we recommend about 2x/month
6. Email report to the City to publicworks@dupontwa.gov so we can say **Thank You** for helping out!!

You can make a difference! Every little bit helps. Together we can make a difference.



We protect our water

Sweep up! Rake up! Pick up!

[Adopt a Drain](#)

Community News

The Steilacoom Historical School District will be changing the times for **school zone lights** in the City of DuPont effective May 6, 2024. Based on a review of other school district practices, and in an effort to create more consistency within the school district, school zone lights will be activated on the following schedule:

Chloe Clark Elementary

AM: 8:35 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.
PM: 3:25 p.m. to 4:05 p.m. (M, T, Th, F)
Wed PM: 2:25 p.m. to 3:05 p.m.



Pioneer Middle School (including Center Drive and Bob's Hollow Lane)

AM: 7:40 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.
PM: 2:30 p.m. to 3:10 p.m. (M, T, Th, F)
Wed PM: 1:30 p.m. to 2:10 p.m.

The intent of the changes is to have school zone lights activate in the morning 30 minutes before the start of school and stay on until 10 minutes after school starts. In the afternoon, the lights would activate 10 minutes before the end of school and stay on 30 minutes after the end of the school day. Whenever school is not in session, the district plans to deactivate the school zone lights, including during Spring Break, Winter Break, other scheduled non-school days, and snow days.

The district is working with the Town of Steilacoom to make similar changes in the near future.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

who?
Students living in the Cherrydale Primary School boundaries who are 5 years old on or before August 31, 2024

what?
Kindergarten enrollment for the 2024-25 school year

where?
CHERRYDALE PRIMARY
1201 Galloway Street
Steilacoom, WA

when?
WEDNESDAY May 1
3:30 - 6:00pm

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CHLOE CLARK ELEMENTARY
1700 Palisade Blvd
DuPont, WA

when?
WEDNESDAY May 1
3:30 - 6:00pm

What do I need to bring when I enroll my kindergarten student?

You will need ...
• Your child's birth certificate
• Your child's immunizations from your doctor's office or state immunization portal (visit the [WA State Department of Health website](#) for children born in Washington).
• Verification of residency document (we will accept one of the following): utility bill, garbage/recycling bill, or lease/rental agreement (no home ownership documents). The lease/bill must include your name and address and be dated within the last 30 days.

Does the district provide transportation?

Bus transportation is provided for all resident students who live farther than one mile away from school; students living within a one-mile radius are not eligible for bus transportation. Parents of kindergarten students are required to be at the bus stop for pick-up and drop-off. School bus assignments will be available in August.

Can I find out who my child's kindergarten teacher will be?

Cherrydale Primary School will notify parents of teacher assignments in late August.



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**JBLM 2024
RETIREE APPRECIATION DAY**

ALL BRANCHES & AGES

JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD
SERVICE MEMBERS DEFENDING AMERICA

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF RETIREE BENEFITS & SERVICES

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, JUNE 28 ★ 8AM - 3PM, WALLER HALL

A day devoted to providing services, information, and valuable resources to Military Retirees and their Families.

ID CARDS
MEDICAL SCREENS
LEGAL SERVICES
VEHICLE PASSES

VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND MUCH MORE!

WALLER HALL
2140 LIGGETT AVE
LEWIS-MAIN, JBLM

FOOD AVAILABLE
ON-SITE FOR PURCHASE

Joint Base Lewis-McChord Directorate of Human Resources
Scan or click this code to see all DHR flyers
jblmDHR

*New ID Cards will be issued to those within six months of expiration; two forms of unexpired ID are needed for renewal. Widows seeking ID Cards will need to bring a death certificate. Former spouses seeking ID Cards will need their original divorce decree with a judge's stamp and DD 214 to begin the process.

DuPont Community Garden

PLANT SALE



May 4 & May 5

9 am-1 pm

Powerline Rd.

located off Center Dr.
past Creekside Apts.

**PLANTS
VEGETABLE STARTS
HANGING BASKETS**

Cash and Credit Accepted

Find us at the DuPont Farmer's Market:

June 27, July 11, Sept 5 and the Steilacoom Apple Squeeze

Proceeds to support the DCG's mission of supporting local food banks.

For more information see the DCG FB page or
dupontcommunitygarden.org

**DuPont Library
20th Anniversary Party**

FREE

Celebrate the DuPont Pierce County Library's
20th anniversary!

Saturday, May 4, 2-4 p.m.

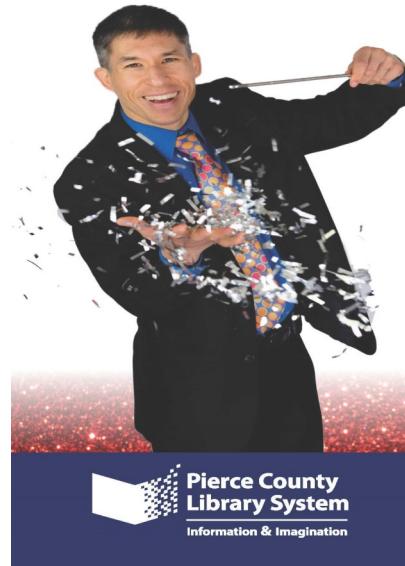
- Participate in Star Wars themed games and activities.
- Take photos with Star Wars characters.
- Watch a magic show by Jeff Evans at 3 p.m.
- Enjoy snacks provided by the Friends of the DuPont Library.
- And more!



Costumes welcome.
All ages.

Visit mypcls.org/calendar
for more info.

DuPont Pierce County Library
1540 Wilmington Dr. • 253-548-3326



Learning • Enjoyment • Community
mypcls.org

Washington Relay TTY 711

Follow us!

4/24 12501

Community News



Put Your Food Waste in Your Yard Waste Cart! Pierce County's curbside residential yard waste program now accepts food waste! You can now put all food and yard waste in your existing yard waste container. Newly accepted items include dairy, eggs and shells, grains and bread, spoiled leftovers, and meat and poultry (including bones). Fruit and vegetable scraps, coffee grounds and filters, and tea bags were already accepted. These new guidelines apply across Pierce County, regardless of your service provider. Check out the new guidelines at PierceCountywa.gov/YardWaste.

No bags, cups, utensils, pizza boxes, or paper items, even if they are labeled "compostable or biodegradable." These items will not break down in our system.

Preventing wasted food in the first place has the greatest environmental benefit. When food and yard waste end up at the landfill, the nutrients never return to the soil. The organic material rots and produces methane, a powerful greenhouse gas, but now your food scraps can be composted instead of buried in the landfill. Compost reduces soil erosion, improves water quality, helps store carbon and increases soil's ability to retain water.

The following things will be encouraged to add to the food/yard waste carts.

- Fruits/vegetables
- Seafood/shells
- Bones
- Meat
- Dairy
- Bread/rice
- Coffee grounds and tea bags



The following things will not be accepted.

- Pizza boxes
- Items labeled compostable (take home boxes, service ware, plastic bags)
- Napkins
- Plastic plates & cups



DuPont Fire Department

Response Information: The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the “Current” column are statistics from the past week and the “Year” statistics include all responses since January 1st of this year. Please note the weekly figures are based off raw data.



(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other		0	
(11) Structure Fire		1	
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire		2	
(14) Natural vegetation fire		0	
(15) Outside rubbish fire		1	
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition		0	
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other		0	
(31) Medical assist		1	
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident	22	187	
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1	32	
(33) Lock-In		1	
(35) Extrication, rescue1		1	
(36) Water or ice-related rescue		0	
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other		0	
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks		3	
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition		0	
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem		0	
(50) Service call, other	2	20	
(51) Person in distress		1	
(52) Water Problem		19	
(53) Smoke, odor problem		1	
(54) Animal problem or rescue		0	
(55) Public service assistance		9	
(56) Unauthorized burning		1	
(60) Good intent call, other		1	
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route	1	11	
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found		0	
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke	1	6	
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency		0	
(70) False alarm and false call, other		1	
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		0	
(73) System or detector malfunction	3	14	
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)	2	12	
(91) Citizen complaint		0	
Unknown		0	
TOTALS		32	325

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore	1	
Madigan	7	65
Mary Bridge	3	8
St. Clare	3	39
St. Joseph		13
St. Peters	1	4
Tacoma General		1
TOTAL	14	131

ALS	14	131
BLS	9	93

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	9	83
0800-1649	16	152
1700-2359	7	90
TOTAL	32	325

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	1	47
Monday	5	52
Tuesday	4	39
Wednesday	2	60
Thursday	6	45
Friday	8	42
Saturday	6	40
TOTAL	32	325

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	2	17
DPF Provided	3	22
Multiple Calls	5	34

Safety Message - Water Safety for Lakes, Rivers, and Beaches

Know the Water

- Spring – Rivers are often high and swift from rains and snow melt and can easily overwhelm the strongest swimmer. Even on hot spring days, lakes, ponds, and rivers are still cold and are dangerous for swimmers. Hypothermia can occur quickly in very cold water.
- Summer – Water that is warm on the surface, may be much colder below. Use caution when swimming and always supervise young children playing in or near the water. Rivers may not be moving as fast, but log jams can trap swimmers and large rocks and logs could tip over rafts, canoes, and kayaks. Illnesses can be prevented by not swallowing the water – learn more about recreational water illnesses.



Know Your Limits

- Swimming in open water (lakes, rivers, ponds, Puget Sound, and the ocean) is harder than in a pool. People tire faster and get into trouble more quickly. A person can go underwater in a murky lake, making them very hard to find, or be swept away in currents. Avoid swimming where two rivers come together – many good swimmers have gotten into trouble or drowned in currents that didn't seem to be moving that fast.
- Swim in a life-guarded area, especially if you are not a strong swimmer.
- Be cautious of sudden drop-offs in lakes and rivers. People who can't swim or aren't strong swimmers have slipped into deeper water and drowned.
- When boating, don't overload the boat and wear a life jacket that fits. Many people have drowned when they fell overboard while fishing, hunting, or pulling up a crab pot.
- Stay sober when on or in the water. Alcohol and other drugs increase the effects of weather, temperature, and wave action.

Wear a Life Jacket That Fits You

- Even the best water enthusiasts can misjudge changing water conditions when boating or swimming in open water. Be prepared at all times by wearing a life jacket – you'll never know when you'll be tossed into the water.
- Have children wear a life jacket that fits them and watch them closely around the water – they can go under water quickly and quietly.
- Take life jackets, a rescue device, a cell phone, and someone who knows CPR when you are out on the water.
- Check beach advisories and tide charts before you go swimming.
- Parents must tell their children about the dangers of open water at rivers, lakes, and beaches. Know where your child is, who they are with, and when they are expected home.
- Parents are powerful role models – if you wear a life jacket, it's more likely your children will too.

FUN WITH BOB and the squad
Do you remember Bob's Tips? Test what you know and have fun with the whole Squad!

IS THIS SURF safe? ACTIVITY one
Label the different activities that the squad are doing on this beach as either safe with a green tick or dangerous with a red cross!



FIND A word ACTIVITY two
ILLUMINATION PRESENTS **minions**

Use the following words to complete the sentences below:
red, lifeguard, yellow, signs, water, arm, swim, sunscreen, friend, 2

1. Swim between the _____ and _____ flags.
2. Ask a _____ for advice.
3. To stay safe, always read and obey the safety _____.
4. Always swim with a _____.
5. If you need assistance in the water, stay calm, float and raise an _____.
6. Put _____ on when going to the beach and reapply every _____ hours.
7. Make sure to _____ at a patrolled beach.

ACTIVITY three
Find the words listed on the right in the word search and circle them.

I	R	A	E	P	W	R	A	M	R	RED
U	E	B	Y	U	A	E	B	K	U	YELLOW
V	D	T	O	V	T	I	S	V	U	LIFEGUARD
S	O	I	A	N	E	O	I	W	S	SIGNS
T	A	U	F	T	R	A	U	S	O	FRIEND
R	J	V	R	J	K	B	V	M	R	WATER
E	T	S	I	G	S	O	S	E	R	ARM
Y	I	T	E	Y	L	L	O	W	E	SUNSCREEN
O	X	R	N	O	P	U	R	W	O	SWIM
A	V	E	D	A	X	V	E	I	A	
B	S	Y	T	B	C	S	Y	Q	B	
L	I	F	E	R	G	L	E	U	D	



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Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*

Total Calls for Service 4/15/24 – 4/21/24: 215

Average per day: 30.71

The “Total Calls for Service” statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

- 04 Agency Assist
- 04 Animal Complaint
- 01 Assault (not in progress)
- 03 Citizen Assist
- 10 Community Oriented Policing
- 01 Disorderly/Verbal Altercation
- 01 Harassment
- 03 Juvenile Issue
- 02 Missing Child (located)
- 01 Suicide Threat
- 49 Traffic Stops
- 01 Traffic Complaint
- 01 Unwanted Loiterer
- 05 Welfare Check

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

- 01 Attempted Motor Vehicle Theft
- 02 Theft from Vehicle

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

- 01 Court Order Violation (not in progress)

ARRESTS/REFERRALS

- 01 Arrest-Domestic Violence/Physical - Assault 4th Degree-booked into jail.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Officers completed required online training.
- Speed emphasis was conducted on McNeil Street.



Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

- Keep shrubs trimmed to 3 feet and prune the lower branches of trees up to 7 feet to maintain clear visibility, especially under windows.
- Keep the home clean and well maintained.
- Use walkways and landscaping to direct visitors to the proper entrance and away from private areas.
- Provide appropriate illumination to sidewalks and all areas of the yard.
- Add a gate with a latch to the front yard fence – this will require a few extra seconds for someone to open it.
- Replace inadequate door and window locks with good security hardware such as deadbolts.
- Fully illuminate all doorways that open to the outside.



DUPONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

DUTY * PROFESSIONALISM * DEDICATION

REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060

If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at Police@dupontwa.gov or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

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National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week

THANK YOU!

**From all of the officers and administrative staff
at DPD, we thank you for your unwavering
service and dedication. We appreciate you!**

#SouthSound911



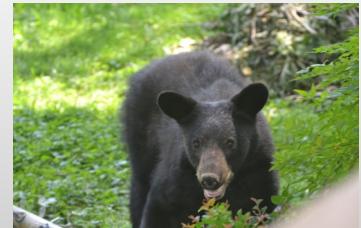
FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS:

DPD has received several reports of bear sightings in the Hoffman Hill and Palisade areas of DuPont. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has been notified.

Bears tend to avoid humans; however, prevention is the best advice. Access to food sources is the number one reason for conflict – Pet food, bird feeders and unsecured trash are some of the things that could attract a bear. When possible, put your garbage out shortly before the truck arrives.

If you're walking the DuPont trails, never travel alone, keep small children near you at all times, and always make your presence known by talking or making loud noises. Report any sightings to 9-1-1 and go to **SeeClickFix** at https://seeclickfix.com/web_portal/WYnFf8y7KrVAZ5iwpJ56uDQq/report/category/ for additional reporting. Remember to keep a safe distance if you encounter a bear.

For more information on black bears, please visit the WDFW website at: [Black bear | Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife](#)



City Council and Calendars

Tuesday, April 23 City Council Meeting overview:

- Mayor Frederick appointed Chris Castignanie to the DuPont Park & Recreation Commission.
- Mayor Frederick read the proclamation declaring April 26, 2024 as "Arbor Day" in the City of DuPont.
- Ordinance amending DMC 10.03 prohibiting digging or excavation and the use of metal detection devices within DuPont City Parks or property, was moved to a second reading.
- Finance Director Oaksmith presented an update on the General Fund.
- 2024 Council Priorities were discussed.
- City Administrator Campbell discussed revenue ideas.
- Staff presented and update to the drafted DuPont Fee Schedule.



Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Helpful Meeting Links:

- ◊ **City of DuPont Meetings** can be watched live or later at: City's YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3_CeNJw40A.
- ◊ **Regular Council Meetings** can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV <https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings>.
- ◊ **Agendas**, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777>.
- ◊ **Minutes**, after they are passed, are available at: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7>.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "Download Agenda".



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Date	Time	UPCOMING MEETINGS
5/4/2024	12:00 PM	Public Input for Chief Leschi Park - Clocktower Park
5/6/2024	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
5/13/2024	5:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
5/13/2024	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
5/14/2024	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission
5/14/2024	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
5/27/2024		City Hall Closed
5/28/2024	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting

Date	ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATE!	Location/Information
5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30	Dungeons & Dragons Club	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
3/2-5/4	Gentle Yoga Classes	Classes DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25	Knitting Club	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
5/1, 5/18	Teen League Meeting	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
5/2/2024	Purple Heart Sign Unveiling & Congressional Gold Medal Award Ceremony	Calendar • Purple Heart Sign Unveiling and Congressional Gol (dupontwa.gov)
5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23	Bicycle Maintenance Class for kids	Kids DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
5/4-5/5	DuPont Community Garden Sale	Events DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
5/4/2024	Mother's Day Market	Mother's Day Market DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
5/15/24	April Showers Bring May Flowers	Teen Events and Programs DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
5/17/24	Patriot Athletic League Night Out	Calendar • Patriot Athletic League Night Out (dupontwa.gov)
5/21/24	Lunch at the Landing	Adults & Seniors DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)