

Library Community Needs Assessment Survey

You are invited to share your thoughts and dreams for a new library with library staff and consultants hired by the City; the new library Community Needs Assessment Survey is now live as an online survey at: www.mountvernonwa.gov/library, with paper versions available at the Library, 315 Snoqualmie Street.

City Council Ward Meetings Announced

The Mount Vernon City Council has scheduled Ward Meetings in May and June 2014 to encourage community discussion about important issues and to provide residents with the opportunity to voice their questions, concerns or observations about the City of Mount Vernon. All meetings will be from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

- **Ward 1:** Tuesday, June 10 at the Police/Court Campus, 1805 Continental Place
Attendees: Ward 1 Councilmembers Joe Lindquist and Ken Quam, At-Large Councilmember Dale Ragan and Mayor Jill Boudreau
- **Ward 2:** Tuesday, May 27 at Hillcrest Lodge, 1717 S. 13th Street
Attendees: Ward 2 Councilmembers Mark Hulst and Gary Molenaar, At-Large Councilmember Dale Ragan and Mayor Jill Boudreau
- **Ward 3:** Tuesday, June 3 at Fire Station 3, 4601 E. Division
Attendees: Ward 3 Councilmembers Bob Fiedler and Mike Urban, At-Large Councilmember Dale Ragan and Mayor Jill Boudreau

There is a Ward map on the City's website at www.mountvernonwa.gov or residents may call the Mayor's Office at (360) 336-6211.

Mount Vernon Police School Resource Officers Recognized by School District

On April 24th, the Mount Vernon School District recognized Mount Vernon Police Department School Resource Officers Jeff Dowhaniuk and Jon Gerondale along with T.E.A.M Officer Mike Lumpkin at the Washington Association of School Administrators luncheon in Burlington. Districts from throughout our region chose individuals that had made significant impacts in their schools, recognizing their commitment and impacts on the overall relationship with their respective communities. Officer Dowhaniuk works in the Mount Vernon High School, Officer Gerondale works in the two middle schools and Officer Lumpkin is the T.E.A.M. instructor in the elementary schools. See picture below.

Mayor's Coffee Hours

Friday, May 16

5:00 - 6:00 pm

Walk the Skagit Valley Playfields Trail with the Mayor.
Meet at the parking lot at 2700 Martin Road.

Saturday, May 31

9:00 - 10:00 am

Mount Vernon Farmer's Market - Opening Day
Corner of Cleveland Avenue & Snoqualmie Street



Mount Vernon Parks & Recreation Summer Day Camp

The fun-filled days of summer are here! Campers will make arts & crafts, play outdoor & indoor games, explore the outdoors, take local field trips and take part in activities centered on the week's theme! Barbecues, playing outside, experiencing nature, engaging our imaginations...this is what summer is all about!

Daily Hours:

Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

Location:

Hillcrest Park Skylight Room

Age:

Boys & girls entering K-6 grades

Fee:

2 days - \$75, 4 days - \$115

- Week 1: July 7-10, Adventures Aboard
- Week 2: July 14-17, Art Escapades
- Week 3: July 21-24, Sports Extravaganza
- Week 4: July 28-31, Barnyard Palooza
- Week 5: August 4-7, Splish Splash!
- Week 6: August 11-14, Around the World
- Week 7: August 18-21, Community Builders
- Week 8: August 25-28, Best of the Best

For more information and to register, contact Mount Vernon Parks & Recreation at (360) 336-6215.

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Sign Up with MyStateUSA to Receive Emergency Alerts and 911 Information

The recent statewide 911 outage brought to light the importance of receiving emergency alerts. Skagit County has a wonderful system to take advantage of!

MyStateUSA is the community notification system that Skagit 911 uses to deliver alert messages via email, text and/or phone calls to residents and businesses in the event of an emergency or public warning. Visit www.Skagit911.com and click on the "Public Sign Up Here" button.

In addition, program the 7-digit emergency number into your cell phone! To reach our local Skagit 911 dispatcher – call 360-336-3131. When our statewide link went down, the local 7 digit numbers continued to function.

Library Bookmark Contest Winners

Earlier this spring the Mount Vernon City Library held the children's 2014 Create a Bookmark Contest to promote the upcoming summer reading program at the library and to recognize National Library Week, April 13-19. Winners were selected in three age categories. The Library's Summer Reading Program will begin on June 10.



Think Before You Flush

Flushable wipes are clogging sewer pipes! "Disposable" and "flushable" wipes do not dissolve in the sewer system. Even if you just flush one, the wipes collect in pumps and valves causing clogs. Clogs in sewer pipes can lead to dangerous sewage spills into the community and cost money to maintain and repair. Keeping our community safe from sewage spills and keeping maintenance costs down are important. You can help by putting trash where it belongs...in the trash.

Waterfront Project Update

Strider Construction continues work on the concrete walkway and floodwall adjacent to the river.

Main Street between Myrtle and Gates Street is closed to vehicle traffic for construction of the pedestrian plaza park. Work this week includes installation of irrigation system and power for the lights.

This project remains on schedule to be complete by September 2014.

