



CITY OF SEQUIM News

September 2014



Meeting Dates & Locations

City Council Regular Meeting Transit Center	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Transit Center (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	Next Meeting September 16
Parks and Recreation Board PW—615 N. 5th Ave.	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Transit Center Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting December 12 10:00 a.m.
Arts Advisory Commission Transit Center Conf. Room	3rd Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

2015 Budget in Process

The City has begun working on the 2015 budget and intends to present the City Council with a balanced budget for 2015. Budget presentations to the City Council are currently scheduled on the following dates. All meetings are at the Sequim Transit Center, 190 W. Cedar St. Visit www.sequimwa.gov for meeting updates.

September 29—2015 Budget Proposed and Presented to City Council by City Manager

October 13 & 27—Budget Review

November 10—Public Hearing on Property Tax, Revenues, Fees, and Utility Rates

November 24—City Council Adopts 2015 Budget & Property Tax Levy, Revenues, Fees, and Utility Rates

Volunteer Opportunity!



The City is recruiting **Storm Drain Inventory Volunteers** to assist with the Stormwater Stewardship Program. Visit the City's website www.sequimwa.gov for a complete job description. To learn more about this and other volunteer opportunities with the City of Sequim, contact Volunteer Coordinator Pamela Leonard-Ray at (360) 582-2447 or pleonard-ray@sequimwa.gov or City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.

Visit our booth at the Dungeness River Festival September 26—27 at Railroad Bridge Park, and learn more about the Stormwater Stewardship Project.

National Day of Service and Remembrance Saturday, September 6



Volunteers beautify City Parks as part of National Day of Service

The City of Sequim will participate once again in the National Day of Service and Remembrance, Saturday, September 6. If you would like to volunteer to help with community projects that

day, please contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at 683-4139 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov

Passport applications will not be accepted at the City of Sequim from August 29 through September 12, 2014. To schedule an appointment after September 12, please call and leave a message at 681-3432. If you need to submit your passport application sooner, please visit the Auditor's Office at the Clallam County Courthouse, 223 E. 4th Street, Port Angeles or call 417-2000.

Please Keep Garbage Cans Clear of the Sidewalk

When you put out your weekly trash, please be mindful of pedestrians, and be sure to keep the garbage cans clear of the sidewalk.



Thank You Music in the Park Sponsors!

A big thank you to our Music in the Park Sponsors for making the 2014 program possible. Because of their generous donations, we were able to present 10 weeks of music throughout the summer!

Presenting Sponsor: Kitsap Bank

Sponsors: Avamere Olympic Rehab, Brokers Group, Jarmuth Electric, Attorney Christopher Shea, Gray & Osborne, Anonymous Citizen.

Friends: Les Schwab Tire, Sophie's Florist, US Bank. Donations are now being accepted for the 2015 program. All donations are tax deductible. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at 683-4139. Donation boxes are also available at the James Center for the Performing Arts.



VOLUNTEER CORNER

Volunteering is a Way of Life for Mark Schildknecht



Volunteer in Police Service (VIPS) Mark Schildknecht

“I have been a volunteer for as long as I can remember,” says Volunteer in Police Service (VIPS) Mark Schildknecht.

“There have been a few times in my life, Vietnam for example

and a truck wreck in 1987, where I probably shouldn’t be here at all, and I am still on this side of the grass. I have this feeling that God has other plans for me. I think those plans include helping others wherever I can. Until another explanation presents itself, I volunteer.”

In fact, Mark’s work with the Sequim Police Department is just the tip of the iceberg in a long history of volunteer service in Clallam County. Many may recognize Mark’s voice and sense of humor as the popular morning host of the “Mark in the Morning Show” on Sequim’s all volunteer radio station KSQM 91.5 FM. Additionally, Mark served six years as a volunteer with Clallam County Fire District 2 and volunteered with the Clallam County Sheriff’s Marine Patrol. He has driven the bus for the Boys and Girls Club, transported visitors to the New Dungeness Lighthouse at the Dungeness Spit, and served on the board of directors and driven the bus for the Sequim Senior Center.

A former Marine, Mark became a charter member of the Mt. Olympus Detachment 897 of the Marine Corps League in 1994, serving as past Commandant. He currently holds the state title of Department of Washington Sergeant-at-Arms. Mark helped to create and currently serves on the Mt. Olympus Detachment Honor Guard. In 2013, the Honor Guard held military honors for over 60 veterans’ funerals and memorial services. On the last day of each month, Mark and the Honor Guard hold a memorial Bell Ringing Ceremony, naming and commemorating each Clallam County veteran that has passed away during that month. He has spent countless hours assisting the Marine Corps Reserves Clallam County Toys for Tots campaign. In 2013, he was voted the Mt. Olympus Detachment’s “Marine of the Year.”

Since 2008, Mark has volunteered with the Sequim Police Department where his tasks can range from serving subpoenas and processing evidence to patrolling community festivals and helping visitors with information. *Continued Next Column...*

Mark Schildknecht Continued

In addition, Mark is a volunteer for the Project Lifesaver Program, where he assists the Sequim Police Department in providing and maintaining a way to locate people with dementia, Alzheimer’s, and other cognitive disorders that cause them to wander.

“How like Mark to gravitate to a VIPS function that provides direct assistance to the people he volunteers to as well as to the people they serve and protect,” said Sequim Chief of Police Bill Dickinson.

In recognition of his service, Mark was awarded the 2014 Clallam County Service Award, which he describes as one of the greatest honors of his life.

“Through volunteering I have met and become friends with some of the finest people here in beautiful, sunny Sequim,” Mark said. “I encourage everyone to volunteer and enjoy the most wonderful feeling knowing you can make a difference.”

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Steel Structure is Erected for the New Civic Center



The Building is beginning to take shape as crews complete the steel structure of the new Civic Center. To keep the community informed of progress on the Civic Center Project, the City is

posting weekly updates to the City of Sequim website www.sequimwa.gov.

In addition, Lydig Construction is holding monthly neighborhood meetings the third Thursday of each month to inform the neighborhood and community of any impacts in the coming month. The next meeting will be on September 18 at 5:00 p.m. at the Sequim Transit Center, 190 W. Cedar Street.

Please contact City Engineer David Garlington at (360) 683-4908 or dgarlington@sequimwa.gov with questions.

“Coffee with the Mayor”

Sequim residents can meet informally with Sequim Mayor Candace Pratt on Thursdays, September 4 and 18, at the Black Bear Diner, located at 1471 E. Washington Street, at 8:30 a.m.



The Mayor will be at a different published location each month to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Please contact Candace Pratt at (360) 582-0114 or cpratt@sequimwa.gov with questions.