

VOLUNTEER CORNER

The City Welcomes Park Docent Sheila White



Park Docent Sheila White was new to Sequim in the summer of 2015 when she decided to explore the town and take a walk in Carrie Blake Park. As she was leaving, she noticed the RV spot at the entrance to the park along with a sign offering the opportunity to apply for a position to volunteer as a docent. After placing her name on a waiting list, Sheila said she was glad to receive an invitation to volunteer for the gig.

“It is, indeed, a beautiful park, and it is such a privilege to be a part of a lovely place that celebrates community living,” she said about Carrie Blake Park.

“**A thriving community is about teamwork**, and the best teams oftentimes have spirited volunteers attending to the finer details. I have noticed all kinds of ‘volunteers’ visiting the park daily who take pride in keeping the surroundings beautiful along with me.”

Noting the importance of volunteers, Sheila said that in her most recent career field her team was made very effective by volunteers who helped attend to diverse details and the ultimate success with clients. “Without their generous donation of time, the quality of work we provided could not have been accomplished. The park atmosphere is much like that experience.”

Sheila said hands down the best thing about this position is the flow of people who visit the park, and the camaraderie and collaboration she has with the staff and fellow docents Budd and Merrily Nash.

Sheila expressed thanks to the City staff for being the go-to people and for keeping the park a pleasant

place to visit and volunteer. She thanks Kay Dill and Elaine Cole for giving her such a warm welcome. And she sends out a special thank you to those who share in keeping the Carrie Blake Park a clean and popular place to relax.

To learn more about how you can enjoy the satisfaction and camaraderie of volunteering with the City, contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.