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Message From Mayor Kelley



In 2013 when I was campaigning to be your mayor I promised to focus on filling empty storefronts and bringing more economic development to Stanwood. While a number of Stanwood businesses have changed hands, new businesses are popping up all over town. The biggest change in the landscape is the new building facing 94th Ave NW across the street from QFC. Both Grocery Outlet and Petco are expected to open on the site this summer. Shima, a new Japanese restaurant in west Stanwood, opened its doors in March to great reviews. I would encourage you to try their menu and find out what everyone is talking about. They are open Tuesday through Sunday from 11:30am-8pm.

to downtown, and bring businesses together. Last month, the city hosted the first Business Roundtable. The purpose was to gather business from all over town for a one-hour focused discussion about the events and activities that would draw you, your family, friends and neighbors to downtown. I am encouraged that businesses from all parts of the community are working together. It is great to hear the exciting ideas about how to make Stanwood a better place to live, work and play.

Since becoming your mayor, the city has implemented a number of programs to cut red tape, promote businesses, bring shoppers

I would like to hear from you. What do you think the city should be doing to improve Stanwood? I will be starting my weekly "walk with the Mayor". Starting June 1st and continuing through September my "walks" begin at 7:30AM the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. We meet at the Rite Aid parking lot located at 26817 88th Ave NW in Stanwood. This is a great opportunity for you to share with me what's on your mind. Can't make the "walk"? You can share ideas with me by e-mail at mayor@ci.stanwood.wa.us or by calling me at city hall 360.629.2181 xt 4507.

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Discover Port Susan Event Calendar

APRIL 2016

03,10,17,24
Toy Boat Building
At Cama Beach State Park.
10AM-12PM
camabeachfoundation.org
18 **Ovenell Open House**
3:30PM-6PM at the Stanwood
Fire Station located at the
corner of Pioneer Highway and
SR532 www.ci.stanwood.
wa.us for more info
28 **Non-Motorized Plan**
4PM - 6PM at the Stanwood
Fire Station located at the
corner of Pioneer Highway and
SR532
30 **8th Annual Women's Expo**
Camano Center, 10AM-4PM
www.camano-center.org

companies, with a lot of
interactive things for kids to do.
Bring the entire family!
06, 07, 08 **2016 Studio Tour**
Mother's Day Weekend. 10AM-
5PM More info at www.
camanoarts.org/
07 **Mother's Day Sail**
Cama Beach's annual Mother's
Day Saturday Sail. Free boat
rides, and other fun activities
while you wait for your ride
www.parks.state.wa.us
07 **Sock Hop at the Center**
5PM-8PM. Ticket \$20 (no
Meal) Ticket with Meal \$25
Professional Elvis tribute artists
More Info: www.camano-center.org
01,08,15,22,29
Toy Boat Building
At Cama Beach State Park.
10AM-12PM
camabeachfoundation.org
14,15 **18th Annual Camano**
Island Studio Tour
camanoislandtour.com
14 **Clean Sweep**
9AM-2PM. Florence Rd. next

to Amtrak Station
More info on front page
21 **Relay For Life**
11-11PM at the Stanwood
Fairgrounds. 6431 Pioneer Hwy
JUNE 2016
EVERY FRIDAY IN JUNE
2016 Port Susan Farmers Market!
Summer Hours: 2PM-7PM
NEW LOCATION! Behind
Stanwood Police Department
www.portsusan.org
01,15 **Walk with The Mayor**
1st and 3rd Wed
June-September 7:30AM
meet at Stanwood Rite Aid
05,12,19,26
Toy Boat Building
At Cama Beach State Park.
10AM-12PM
camabeachfoundation.org
04 **Beer, Brats and Biz**
11AM-4PM at Freedom Park
578 SW Camano Drive
www.camanoisland.org
11 **Crab Dash 5K/10K**
Kick off summer with the

4th Annual Crab Dash. Come
ready to move in your favorite
crab wear. Registration starts
at 7:30AM, race at 9AM.
camano-center.org
11 **Youth Fishing Derby**
10AM-2PM Center for Wooden
Boats at Cama Beach. FREE
Fishing Derby! For more info
camabeachfoundation.org
18 **Soap Box Derby**
276th St NW Stanwood. Fun
Family Event!
25 **Windermere Real Estate**
Presents the 3rd Annual Summer
Concert Series
in Downtown Stanwood
Featuring The Naughty Blockes
271st East Stanwood
2PM-4PM
26 **Twin City Idlers Car Show**
14th Annual Twin City Idlers
Car Show. 9AM-3PM FREE to
Spectators.

Get Around Town In Your Wheeled All-Terrain Vehicle

In 2013, the Washington State legislature made significant changes to the statutes relating to the use of all-terrain vehicles, including electric golf carts.

Starting April 4, 2016 it will be legal to drive wheeled all-terrain vehicles (WATV) on city streets. Both the driver and vehicle must be licensed and the WATVs are only permitted on streets where the speed limit is 35mph or less. WATVs are not allowed on state highways.

For more information about making your WATV street legal or operating your WATV on City streets visit the City's website at



www.
Visit the City's website for more information:
www.ci.stanwood.wa.us



FREE!
BIG RIGS

2ND ANNUAL TOUCH-A-TRUCK

Port Discover Susan

Saturday, May 7, 2016
10 a.m.-2 p.m. Downtown Stanwood

A Discover Port Susan Event
Sponsored by the City of Stanwood
www.DiscoverPortSusan.com

Speed Pitch!

PeeWee Trike Race!
Bring your bikes & trikes!

Soap Box Derby Car Demonstration

13th Annual Clean Sweep! May 14th

Mark your calendars! The City of Stanwood's 13th Annual Clean Sweep event is Saturday, May 14th from 9AM - 2PM on Florence Road next to the Stanwood Amtrak Station. This is a free event. Residents can dispose of trash, scrap metal, yard waste, and household hazardous waste. Snohomish County will be on site to take old or used household hazardous waste. For more details on the Clean Sweep Event see the flyer inside this newsletter or visit the city's website www.ci.stanwood.wa.us. **NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?** This event is a great opportunity for students who need community service hours to graduate. Last year more than 40 students volunteered. Contact public works for more information 360-629-9781 ext 4531.



Business Spotlight



The City of Stanwood would like to recognize Pat Rimmer's Les Schwab Tire Center for their contributions to our community. The store opened in 1988 and recently celebrated its 25th Anniversary in Stanwood. Manager Rob Dvoskin has served the Stanwood branch since 2002. Pat Rimmer's Les Schwab Tire Center is an active participant in the community and gives back to the community by sponsoring numerous organizations and events. Local schools and school programs such as the FFA and 4-H, the Port Susan Farmer's Market, the Twin City Idler's Car Show, the Stanwood Camano Fair and Parade, the Historical Society, the Chili Chowder Cook-Off, both the Stanwood and the Camano Senior Center, as well as the YMCA all benefit from generous donations. The City of Stanwood thanks Pat Rimmer's Les Schwab Tire Center and Manager, Rob Dvoskin, for their commitment and service to the City and its citizens. For more information about Stanwood's Les Schwab Tire Center visit www.patrimmerlstires.com/stanwood.html or call (360) 629-9717.

Welcome New Businesses

The City of Stanwood wishes to extend a warm welcome to the following new Stanwood businesses.

- Island Floral
- KPRO Auto
- Puget sound Pediatric Dentistry
- Riverland, LLC
- Rubumco Painting
- Shima Restaurant
- Spartan RX Fitness
- Taqueria Mi Cocina
- Polska Kuchnia
- Gather Market



Shima Japanese Restaurant
10007 270th ST NW

Adopt A Street Program



For the past 10 years Mike Greenslade, a local volunteer, has picked up litter during his daily walks. Mike approached the city in July 2015 about implementing an Adopt-A-Street program to encourage other citizens and community groups to help reduce roadside litter and build civic pride in a litter-free community.

There are three areas available for adoption. If you have been thinking about adopting a street or have questions contact public works at 360-629-9781 or visit the city's website.

The city would like to thank Sons of Norway, Stanwood Camano Kiwanis, Porsche Club of America, Sundberg Family, The Dennis and Judy Pearce Family, and Angels of America. Who have already adopted a street and collected 70 bags of trash in January and February!

New Employees Join Our Team



Listed Left to right Jan Berg (finance Director), Shawn Smith (City Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director), Trace Justice (Building Official/Code Compliance Officer)

Jan Berg was hired as the city's finance director on March 24, 2016. She served as Interim Finance Director for the City since mid-December. Prior to coming to Stanwood, Jan was the finance director for the City of Lake Stevens from 1997-2006 and as city administrator from 2007 through 2015. Before serving Lake Stevens, Jan was the assistant finance director for the City of Marysville for five years. Jan lives with her husband and daughter in Everett.

Shawn Smith is the new City Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director. His responsibilities at Stanwood include managing the design, review, and inspection of both city and private projects, supervise public works employees, and serve as the right hand to the Public Works Director. His past experience includes the engineering services manager at the City of Marysville, and chief engineer at a land development company in Edmonds, as well as working for Snohomish County. Shawn lives in Everett with his wife and 11 year old daughter.

Trace Justice joined the City's Community Development Department in February replacing Jeff Foss as the new Building Official and Code Compliance Officer. Previously, Trace worked at the City of Sea-Tac as the Building Official and served in Snohomish County Planning & Development Services for 23 years. Trace served as the President for the Washington Association of Building Officials for three years and currently serves as the Immediate Past President. He resides on Camano Island with his family.

Share Your Thoughts On Stanwood River Parks OPEN HOUSE APRIL 18

The Stanwood River Parks Community Advisory Committee is hosting an open house to share **preliminary plans for Ovenell Park and Hamilton Landing Park on Monday, April 18, from 3:30pm-6pm.** The Open House will be held at the Stanwood Fire Station located at the corner of Pioneer Highway and SR532.

Comments on the proposed park plans can be submitted to riverparks@ci.stanwood.wa.us

Tours of both parks will be offered on Thursday, April 14 at 10:00 am and Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 am. Tours will start at the East Gate of Ovenell Park, located on Saratoga Drive behind NAPA Auto Parts, and will then continue to Hamilton Landing.

Both parks are located on the Stillaguamish River about a half-mile apart offering Stanwood residents and visitors a chance to access the river by foot and by carry-in watercraft such as canoes, paddleboards and kayaks.

Under the terms of the grant, the parks cannot be used for "active recreation" including sports fields. However, the conceptual plans for both parks will offer visitors a variety of activities.

Ovenell Park is envisioned as a place that celebrates and preserves Stanwood's cultural and environmental heritage. The master plan includes space for an interpretative center with "hands on and feet wet" activities. There will be a large open grass area for picnics, outdoor movies, small concerts and special events. The committee envisions converting the former dairy barn into an indoor/outdoor venue for local events such as the farmers market, holiday events and art shows. The master plan has both a non-motorized boat launch and dock for visiting self-powered watercraft.



To learn more about the parks visit the city's website at <http://www.ci.stanwood.wa.us/parksrec/> or call Deborah Knight at 360.629.2181 xt 4506 or e-mail Deborah.knight@ci.stanwood.wa.us