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A Note From The City Administrator

It is great that summer is finally here. Due to relaxed COVID-19 restrictions on the State & Federal level we are able to bring some semblance of normalcy with various community events following COVID-19 safety protocols. Thursday, May 27th, kicks off the 2021 Season of the College Place Farmers Market. It will be held every Thursday from 4 to 7 PM at Lions Park (801 SE Larch) until Thursday, September 30th. The website is here: http://www.cpwa.us/residents/events/farmers_and_artisans_market.php. Also, our Movies in the Park events are coming back as well. These events will occur on July 10th, July 24th, August 7th, and August 28th at Lions Park at sunset. The website is here: http://www.cpwa.us/residents/events/movies_in_the_park.php. Finally, the Freedom Festival is making its return. This will occur on Sunday, June 27th from 6 to 10 PM down at College Place High School. The event will feature vendors, kids zone, a live performance from Whiskey Creek Band, and a Firework spectacular sponsored by Columbia REA at 10 PM. The website is here: http://www.cpwa.us/residents/events/freedom_festival.php

Blue Zones Project has a lot of free events, like outdoor movie night, cooking demonstrations, walkability assessments, and more going on in the month of June! Visit their website to see more information and register. <https://wwwvalley.bluezonesproject.com/events>.

The City continues to make headway on various infrastructure projects. The NW Destito stormwater project is about complete with the exception of a couple closeout punch list items. The Southwest Sewer Trunk Line project is underway. Contractor Apollo has installed the line down SW Owens Rd to the Treatment Plant. Apollo is now working on running the sewer along SW Mojonner Rd to SW Teal Rd. SW Mojonner will continue to be closed to through traffic between SW Clarence Rd and SW Bussell Rd until June 18th, then the project will be moving further southeast. Any project updates will be on this website: http://www.cpwa.us/residents/southwest_college_place_wastewater_trunk_line.php. The Public Works crew is in the midst of changing out deteriorating water system connections along Highland Park Drive. This will be a summer-long project. The City has also paid Walla Walla County to chipseal the following roadways this summer: SW Bade Street (4th to 13th), SW 11th, SW 10th, and SW Puff Lane. Chipseal adds about ten years to the life of a roadway.



This summer, CPPS is launching its **Summer Groove Program**! There are FREE programs being offered at each school, for all grades. Students will participate in programs at the grade level they are entering in the Fall 2021-2022 school year.

Davis Elementary School <https://www.cpps.org/o/elementary/page/21st-century-program>
K-Second Grade (M-Th) & Third-Fifth Grade (M-Th)

- Session 1: June 21st - July 8th
- Session 2: July 12th - July 29th

K-2 Summer Groove will incorporate a hands-on approach to reading and math in a fun and engaging way. Students will continue to use school based curriculums along with fun enrichment curriculums such as: Mango Math, Epic Books, & more!

3-5 Rotational program with students participating in Math & ELA content boosters and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) enrichment activities: Sphero Robotics, Little Kids ROCK!, Make-Do Construction, Bloxels, & more!

Sager Middle School <https://www.cpps.org/o/middle-school/page/21st-century-cclc>
Sixth-Eighth Grade (M-Th)

- Session 1: June 21st - July 8th
- Session 2: July 12th - July 29th

Rotational program with all students participating in Math & ELA content boosters and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) enrichment activities: Sphero/Robomaster Robotics, Tacos in Space, 3D printing, & more!

College Place High School <https://www.cpps.org/o/high-school/page/21st-century-program>
Ninth-Twelfth Grade (M-Th)

- Week based camp style rotations with a split schedule
 - Morning: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
 - Afternoon: 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Program offering credit retrieval, Gear Up Virtual eSports, Self Defense, Soccer and Referee Clinic, Student Filmmaking, Culinary Skill Development, Robomaster Coding, and more. See schedule to see what weeks programs are planned for and sign up for the ones that are of interest. Transportation to and from the Summer Groove program is available each day, however it must be signed up for before each Session starts. Grab and Go Meals (Lunch and Breakfast for the next day) will be provided daily. There will be no program or meal service on July 5th. For more information, visit the links listed above!



Walla Walla County
Rural Library District

We are excited to welcome Jen Stutesman to the Walla Walla County Rural Library District as the new manager at the College Place Library! Jen brings much experience and vitality to the branch. She has a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Washington and was previously employed by the WWCC. She's a very active member of the Walla Walla AAUW and volunteers at several organizations.

The District will be returning to the College Place Farmer's Market on Thursdays for the duration of the market. Look for our purple awning! We will have book giveaways, information about our programs and services, and much more. In a few more weeks we'll be debuting our BOOKMOBILE at the Farmer's Market!

Summer Reading Program kicks off District-wide on June 28 and runs through August 14. You can sign up at any of our branches in person or via an online form from our website. This year's theme is "Reading Colors Your World". We have some great prizes for your reading accomplishments this year for all age levels of readers ranging from books, gift cards, bikes, and more! We'll have storytime, two performers, and many other programs throughout the summer months.

The District is about to conduct a strategic planning process to help us plan for our future! We will be hosting several meetings to gather community input throughout the summer. If you would like to participate please contact Rhonda Gould, the Executive Director, at 509-527-3284 or rhonda@wwcrlid.org.

We've had to momentarily suspend lending hotspots to patrons due to a recall on the devices by Verizon. Once they are replaced, the hotspots will be back and ready to circulate, but we can't wait to see you this summer, either at the branch at Meadowbrook Plaza or on the Bookmobile at the Farmer's Market!

BMAC: Supportive Service for Veteran Families COVID-19 Housing Assistance



Navigating the current economic and social crises is something our service members should not have to face alone. If you or someone you know served in the military and is struggling with housing issues, we want to help however we can.

The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program at Blue Mountain Action Council is a VA grant-funded program available to serve eligible low-income Veteran households through case management and housing assistance. Serving Walla Walla, and 16 other counties throughout Washington, Idaho, and Oregon. Prior to COVID-19, our program eligibility was limited to Veteran households who were without housing and those at risk of losing housing due to eviction. **However, due to COVID-19, temporary program changes have allowed us to serve eligible low-income Veteran households who have simply fallen behind on rent.** Although the household must still meet the military service, income, and other screening criteria, we believe this will allow us to prevent housing loss for a greater number of Veteran households. To learn more about the SSVF program and eligibility, contact BMAC at 509-529-4980.

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES

Worried about housing?

- ✓ **MILITARY SERVICE:** Someone in your household served in military (certain requirements apply)
- ✓ **LOW INCOME:** Your income is below the limit (based on federal guidelines)
- ✓ **HOUSING CRISIS:** You are at-risk of losing housing OR You already lost housing.
*Due to COVID, this temporarily includes being behind in rent.

How Can We Help?

Housing Support

Help with finding housing or keeping housing

Case Management

Support to reach your goals

Referrals

Get access to the benefits you earned

SERVICIOS DE APOYO PARA LAS FAMILIAS DE VETERANOS

¿Preocupado/a por su vivienda?

- ✓ **SERVICIOS MILITARES:** Alguien en su hogar sirvió en el servicio militar (ciertos requisitos aplican)
- ✓ **BAJOS INGRESOS:** Sus ingresos están por debajo del límite (según las pautas federales)
- ✓ **CRISIS DE VIVIENDA:** Corre el riesgo de perder su vivienda o ya perdió su vivienda.
*Debido a COVID, esto incluye estar atrasado en el alquiler (excepción temporal)

¿CÓMO PODEMOS AYUDARLO/A?

Con apoyo de vivienda

Ayuda para encontrar vivienda o mantener su vivienda

Gestión de su caso

Apoyo para alcanzar sus metas)

Referencias

Obtenga acceso a los beneficios que usted se ha ganado

Let's Talk.

Call today to find out what is available.

BMAC: 509.529.4980 | BMACWW.ORG
BLUE MOUNTAIN ACTION COUNCIL

Conversemos.

Llama hoy para saber qué servicios hay disponible para usted.

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"Make For Joy" Summer Art Camps for Kids

Registration is now OPEN! Ages 6-14. Sign up for **Painting, Drawing, Fiber Arts, Mixed Making, Clay, & Ceramics!** Practice fine art, try all kinds of professional art materials, learn about history and cultural art styles, and explore new ways to apply your creativity! Camps will be held at Lions Park in College Place. Every camper gets a free "Make For Joy" t-shirt with their registration. Multi-Camp, Sibling, and Early Bird Discounts available. Learn more at: wheatartco.com/makeforjoy.

Contact info: Allison Palmer · wheatartco@gmail.com

Sign-up at: <https://www.wheatartco.com/makeforjoy>



COLLEGE PLACE
Farmers + Artisans Market



EVERY THURSDAY!
4:00-7:00 PM!
LIONS PARK

LOCAL FARMERS!

LOCAL ARTISANS!

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT!

Hope to see you there!

Community Calendar

June 1st at 5:30 PM – City Council Workshop.

June 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th at 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM – College Place Farmers Market at Lions Park

June 6th at 7:00 PM—10:00 PM – Blue Zones Outdoor Movie Night
<https://wwwvalley.bluezonesproject.com/events>

June 7th at 5:00 PM – Economic Development, Tourism, and Events Commission.

June 8th & 22nd at 7:00 PM – City Council Meeting.

June 10th at 12:00 PM – Civil Service Meeting.

June 10th at 5:00 PM – Blue Zones Cooking Demo at CP Farmers Market

June 15th at 7:00 PM - Planning Commission.

June 17th at 4:00 PM – Historic Preservation Commission.

June 25th at 8:00 AM – Park, Arbor & Recreation Board.

June 27th at 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM – College Place Freedom Festival at College Place High School.

All meetings are being held virtually. You can watch a livestream on the City YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbx3qrqzLDL05NusReSl-g>. If you have a comment you would like to make, please contact Lisa Neissl – City Clerk at Ineissl@cpwa.us. Comment requests received by the Clerk no later than 4:30 PM on the meeting date will be accepted. Check our website and Facebook Page for updates!

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