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Community members are invited to join in on the Red, White and Blue Family Fun at the free Fourth on the Plateau presented by the City of Sammamish and Microsoft.

Festivities kick-off at 6:00 p.m., with the fireworks show happening at 10:00 p.m. This exciting annual event features a Food Truck Rodeo with offerings available for purchase from Simply Kettle Corn, Ekernal Bliss Kettle Corn, Waffly Good Waffles, Tabassum, Delfino's Chicago Style Pizza, Big House BBQ, Emerald Fresh Corn, 314 Pie, Mix Poke Bar, Panda Catering, Hot Revolution, Double Up, Rocky's Empanadas, Chomp - Mexican food, and Gemini Fish Too. The Sammamish Rotary will also be onsite selling hamburgers and hot dogs, Vedic Cultural Center will be selling veggies, and ice cream can be purchased from the Kiwanis.

In addition to the multitude of delectable food offerings, the event will also feature a variety of live music, beginning at 5:55 p.m. with a performance of The Star-Spangled Banner by Master Chorus Eastside. There will also be performances by Creedance Revelation from 6-8:00 p.m. and SWAY from 8-10:00 p.m. Families can enjoy activities and attractions throughout the event, including the Skate Park, basketball court, playgrounds, Spray Park, Bouncy Houses, Skyhawks sports activities, and adult games as well.

A number of vendor booths including Uncle Stinky's Magic & Novelties and Terri's Treasures will be available for you to buy marionettes, sphere balls, flashing bubble guns, glow wands, and more! Face painting, photo booths, temporary tattoos, balloon animals, and other items will be at booths throughout the event.

Parking will be available at Mary Queen of Peace, Skyline High School, Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church, Central Washington University, Pine Lake Covenant Church, Discovery Elementary School and Eastlake High School. ADA parking will be available onsite, please visit **http://bit.ly/4thonPlateau** for more information when we get closer to the event.

The City of Sammamish's Fourth on the Plateau is sponsored by Microsoft, Rhonda Newton, DDS, Orthodontics on the Plateau, Sammamish Plateau Water, Glass House Dance, and Porth – Personalized Orthodontics.

Sammamish Tightens Enforcement of Fireworks Regulations

All Sammamish residents should be aware of recent changes to the City of Sammamish fireworks regulations. This year's changes to the regulations impact who can be held responsible for illegal possession and discharge of fireworks. Under the new regulations, for 2018, the discharge of fireworks by any "responsible person" will result in a $1000 penalty. A "responsible person" is defined as:

(i) The person(s) with the right to control the property at the time that the discharge of fireworks occurs, whether such control arises by ownership, lease, or other legal right and whether or not such person(s) are present at the time of such discharge:

(ii) The person(s) in immediate control of property at which the discharge of fireworks takes place: or

(iii) The person(s) who organizes, supervises, sponsors, conducts, allows, controls, or controls access to the discharge of fireworks.

These new regulations mean that you could be held responsible for fireworks that are discharged on your property, even if you're not on your property at the time of discharge. Additionally, if a situation arises where police officers are not able to enter your property to determine the person(s) discharging the fireworks, they can issue a civil infraction to the property owner. We encourage you to inform your family members, guests, and renters of these new regulations.

On June 1, 2019, the financial penalties will change to a tiered system. The penalty will remain $1,000 for the first violation, but it will increase to $5,000 for the second, and $10,000 for a third.

For more information on the new Ordinance visit **http://bit.ly/Chapter8-1Fireworks**, Chapter 8.10 Fireworks.

To report fireworks in your neighborhood please use the non-emergency dispatch number **206-296-3311**. Please leave the fireworks to the professionals, and join us for a fantastic show at the Fourth on the Plateau.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Christie Malchow

Summer is here! With summer sunshine comes increased sidewalk use as we adults want to soak up some rays and stretch our legs, and our children are out of school and visiting friends and participating in summertime activities. I'm asking you to do your part to help make sure that our sidewalks are safe and clear for everyone to enjoy. Overreaching brush can force children, and those using mobility assistance devices, off the sidewalk and into the street. Trimming back those branches to keep a clear right-of-way is critical for safety.

However, it isn't just overgrown foliage that can block a pedestrian's path. As a frequent runner all over Sammamish, I run across refuse receptacles, cars, trucks, basketball hoops, and even portable toilets that force pedestrians to either go onto private property or into the street. Please do your part to keep our sidewalks clear, especially for our most vulnerable users.

Basketball hoop blocks pedestrian sidewalk access.

Additionally, did you know that if you park on the sidewalk in Sammamish you could receive a $71 ticket? Please keep in mind that the sidewalks & the rolled curbs are not designed for the load-bearing of cars or trucks. Our tax dollars have to be used to repair sidewalks when the crumble or crack under the pressure of vehicles on them.

While I think many residents and their guests believe they are getting out of the way of vehicles by parking on the sidewalks, they are actually creating a hazard for pedestrians and costing us all money in the process to repair them. For pedestrian safety and prevention of repairs, park your cars in the street and remove obstacles from sidewalks to keep clear paths.

Example of landscaping blocking sidewalk.

Thank you for your help making our City safe and accessible for all residents! Now get outside and enjoy this beautiful weather.

Don't miss out! Sign-up for Weekly Email Updates from the City of Sammamish

Don't miss out on all the summer fun happening in Sammamish. Sign-up for the Sammamish Weekly and you can receive timely information on issues of importance to you. While the City will continue to provide a mailed newsletter to your house every other month, you can now receive weekly email updates by signing up at **http://bit.ly/SammamishWeekly**.

China Bans Recyclables, Here's What We Can Do

Changes are afoot in the recycling world. For many years, our corner of Washington has sent paper, plastics, and other recyclables to China for processing. This practice has allowed local governments and private garbage haulers to collect comingled recycling while keeping costs low. Now, in a national effort to reduce air pollution, China is no longer accepting the vast majority of recycling commodities.

In Sammamish this means that some materials are being stored locally until alternative markets can be identified. The City has also temporarily allowed for disposal of mixed paper that cannot be sold or safely stored.

The City is working with King County and others in the region to identify a common set of immediate, mid-term, and longer-term actions for advancing recycling in light of China's restrictions. Our partner, Republic, has invested in new technology and staff to reduce recycling contamination and impacts to pollution.

Here's what you can do to help:

- Recycle right—**when in doubt, throw it out**. Often times when we're not sure what goes where, we take part in "wishful recycling" and assume that our items will be sorted properly later on. The truth is that even the best machines can't catch everything.
- Make sure all recycled items are **empty, clean, and dry**. Small amounts of food, liquid, and even rain water can make the contents of your blue bin unfit for recycling.
- Remember to **reduce, reuse, and recycle**— ***in that order***. Avoid purchasing products that produce a lot of waste packaging (including plastic clamshells, foil pouches, and styrofoam).

For more information about what goes in your recycling bin, please visit https://bit.ly/2wrLDxY.

Hoedown 'til Sundown

On Saturday, July 28th from 7:00 to 10:30pm, Sammamish Friends presents a good old fashioned barn dance for a good cause. The dance will take place at Wally Pereya's newly-renovated historic barn on the parkway in Sammamish. Tickets are now available online at **Sammamishfriends.org/barndance**. Early bird tickets are $75 per person. Tickets purchased after June 21st will be $90. Proceeds will go toward preserving green space in Sammamish.

- Authentic southern BBQ provided by Boar's Nest
- Beverages by Sol Stone Winery and Big Block Brewery
- Entertainment and line dance calling brought to you by Rockin' Horse Dance Barn

Get your tickets today! Space is limited, and we will not sell tickets at the door. Must be 21 or older to attend.

Issaquah-Fall City Road Improvements Project Update

We are currently working on wrapping up design and starting to plan for construction for Phase I of the Issaquah-Fall City Road Improvements Project. This project will:

- Help improve safety for all users along the roadway and at intersections
- Add capacity to the roadway
- Improve operations at intersections
- Improve access to neighborhoods and community spaces
- Help protect environmentally sensitive areas, such as the North Fork Issaquah Creek

Phase I design, which goes from 242nd Avenue SE to Klahanie Drive SE, includes two travel lanes in each direction, a raised center median, buffered bike lanes, new sidewalks, and a bridge crossing over the North Fork Issaquah Creek. The public has shared valuable input on priorities that helped shape the roadway's current design through four public meetings and workshops, meetings with residents, businesses and organizations along the corridor, online comments, and City Council meetings.

In response to community feedback provided during the October 2017 traffic workshop, we will be installing a traffic circle at the intersection of 256th Ave SE and SE Issaquah-Beaver Lake Rd prior to construction and are currently looking into additional strategies to manage traffic during construction. Construction is now planned to begin in spring 2019 and last through spring 2021.

On May 1, City Council approved the closure of Issaquah-Fall City Road between 247th Pl SE to Klahanie Dr SE during

bridge construction. This is expected to result in a cost savings of approximately $3 million and reduce bridge construction duration from 12 months to six to seven months.

The City will host a meeting prior to construction in late 2018 or early 2019 to share details on what to expect, schedule, additional traffic management strategies, and anticipated impacts. For more information, please visit the project website: **www.sammamish.us/government/departments/public-works/currentprojects/issaquah-fall-city-road** .

Get Prepared For Summer

School is out for summer, and many of us in Sammamish are looking forward to a little rest and relaxation at the coast, or sending the kids off for a week of summer camp. As an emergency manager, I have similar plans with my family, but I'm always planning for contingencies. Here are some ideas to make sure your family is prepared this summer:

Summer Camps

You've probably spent countless hours researching the perfect camp for your child this summer, but have you asked what the camp's plan is if a disaster occurs? I recommend asking the following questions: What is your emergency plan? How will I be reunited with my child in the case of an emergency? What is your plan if parents cannot reach their children (roads closed, etc.)?

Make sure to add additional names to your child's emergency pick-up list, as you may not be able to reach your child quickly in a large disaster.

Depending on the camp, children may be asked to pack certain supplies. In addition to what is required, I recommend packing the following necessities:

- Backpack (labeled with name and phone)
- Lunch and snacks (nut-free)
- Water bottle
- Sunblock
- Insect Repellent
- Change of clothes/jacket
- Plastic bag (wet clothing)
- Parent contact info and picture

Outside of camp, these items are a good starting for your child's baseline emergency go-bag. Parents may also consider including a hard copy of the family emergency plan and a small bag with Band-Aids and other first aid items.

Vacation

Heading to the beach? Sammamish residents are not under threat of a tsunami while at home, but would you know what to do in the event of an earthquake or tsunami siren while at the coast? While you may be prepared for local emergencies, your summer plans may put you at risk for different hazards such as tornadoes, wildfires, and hurricanes. Be sure to research where you are going so you understand the risks, emergency evacuation routes, and know strategies to keep your family safe if a disaster occurs. A good strategy is to visit the emergency management page on the official City government website of the location you're visiting, Lastly, always bring a copy of your family's communication plan and make sure that you provide your trip itinerary to family or friends outside of your travel destination.

I hope that your family has a safe and happy summer vacation. For more information contact me, Andrew Stevens, Emergency Manager at **astevens@sammamish.us** or visit **http://bit.ly/SammamishPrepares** .

We're Under Construction

Public Works Project Construction Updates for Summer 2018

Summer is synonymous with roadway construction. This year is no different within the City of Sammamish. If it appears that this summer is busier than last year, you are correct. The City has several projects across the City that will be impacting our roadways and citizens.

Construction Update 212th Way SE (aka Snake Hill) Repair:

Snake Hill is open! Thank you to all of those that worked on this project, and thank you to all the neighbors and community members for your patience during construction. This project is now complete and is being enjoyed by the public. Please watch your speed as you travel down the roadway, our police have increased their presence to kindly remind you.

SE 4th Street Improvements

The City has begun improvements to SE 4th Street from 228th to 218th. Improvements include sidewalks, bike lanes, street lighting, landscaping, roundabouts, and sewer and water main upgrades. We anticipate this project will last through Spring of 2020. More information about the project is available at: **http://bit.ly/SE4thImprovements.**

This summer will include constructing and relocating the deeper utilities. Due to the depth of the utility work we do expect to have road closures this summer so please plan your alternate routes. Once completed with the utility work, the road will remain open to traffic for most of construction. There will be times during work when only one lane will be open and flaggers will be managing traffic. Please keep aware of our message signage and alerts for the occasional periods of construction when access is impacted.

Sidewalk Crossing East Lake Sammamish Parkway and SE 33rd Street

We will be installing a new signalized crosswalk along East Lake Sammamish Parkway just in front of the 7-11 at SE 33rd. This project is expected to begin in June and be completed in August. Once completed there will be new flashing beacons to be aware of as pedestrians cross the roadway with their slurpees.

Citywide Paving and Concrete Sidewalk Work

We are again repaving roadway locations across the city with our asphalt paving program. Prior to paving these locations we are also upgrading the concrete sidewalk ramps. Highlighted locations to avoid this year include 228th Ave SE from the southern city limits up to SE 32nd Street, SE Klahanie Blvd. from Issaquah Pine Lake Road to SE 37th PL SE, East Lake Sammamish Parkway from the northern city limits down to the Sammamish Landing Park, and SE 37th Street/205th PL NE from Sahalee Way NE down to 204th PL. NE.

East Lake Sammamish Ditch Cleaning

Just to make things really interesting this summer along the parkway, we will also have a contractor out cleaning the roadside ditches starting at Inglewood south the city limits. This will be a short moving project site along the east side of the roadway with flaggers and shoulder closing between the hours of 9:30 am and 3:30 pm. The work will occur between mid-June and July.

Citywide Restriping

Citywide Restriping is scheduled to begin in July of this year. This work will be done during the night hours and is weather dependent. We would like to please request that people try to avoid the wet paint this year when following the painting truck.

Zackuse Creek Fish Passage and Stream Restoration

The City is preparing to start construction on the much anticipated Zackuse Creek Fish Passage and Stream Restoration Project this summer. Construction is scheduled to begin in early July and be completed by November 2018 to allow kokanee access to a restored and improved Zackuse Creek.

Traffic on East Lake Sammamish Parkway (ELSP) will be heavily impacted during construction of the culvert, located just 900-ft south of Louis Thompson Road. For safety, ELSP will be fully closed for a two consecutive week period during the summer. The primary detour routes will be the newly opened 212th Way SE and Louis Thompson Road. Please look for portable message boards, City website, and future City e-newsletters to provide noticing of the dates for full road closure.

Please visit the project website at **https://www.sammamish.us/government/departments/public-works/current-projects/zackuse-creek-fish-passage-and-stream-restoration-project/** for more information in this important City restoration project.

City of Sammamish

Parks & Recreation

Summer Events

FREE

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KidsFirst!

Performances for Children at 1pm

- Tuesday July 10 • City Hall Plaza – Brian Waite, Band Battle of the Bands
- Tuesday July 17 • East Sammamish Park – Knights of Veritas, Medieval
- Tuesday July 24 • Klahanie Park – Reptile Isle, Hands-on Adventure
- Tuesday July 31 • East Sammamish Park – Nate Jester, Ace of Illusions
- Tuesday August 7 • Klahanie Park – Hoopsmiles, Hula Hoop Jam
- Tuesday August 14 • City Hall Plaza – Alex Zerbe, Kid Hop - Don't Stop

Concerts in the Park

Music at Pine Lake Park from 6:30 - 8:00 pm

- Thursday July 12 • Rain City Riff Raff, Swing
- Thursday July 19 • Aaron Crawford, Pop Country
- Thursday July 26 • Creme Tangerine, Beatles Tribute
- Thursday August 2 • Nearly Dan, Steely Dan Tribute
- Thursday August 9 • Just One Look...The Music of Linda Ronstadt
- Thursday August 16 • Sammamish Symphony, Forever Young

Shakespeare in the Park

Classical play performed at Klahanie Park from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

- Saturday July 21 • King Lear
- Saturday July 28 • Merry Wives of Windsor

Outdoor Movie Series

NEW event to the public for FREE from 8:00 pm -11:30 pm

- Friday July 13 • City Hall Plaza - CoCo
- Tuesday August 7 • Central Washington University - Zootopia
- Saturday September 8 • City Hall Plaza - Avengers: Infinity War

Sammamish Night Out

Come celebrate National Night Out from 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

- Saturday August 7 • This celebration will feature variety of service vehicles including helicopter, non-profit vendors, food trucks, music, and bouncy houses. The event will end with an Outdoor Movie on the grass.

Fourth on the Plateau

Family fun event at Sammamish Commons from 6 pm - 10:30 pm

- Wednesday July 4 • Upper Commons attractions include live music, Adult activities, skate park and small playground. Lower Commons attractions include a Kids Bounce Zone, playground and spray park. Food vendors, activity booths and sponsor booths are also located throughout the event site. Creedence Revelation Band will play on the main stage at 6:00 PM and Sway will take the stage at 8:00 PM. The fireworks show starts at 10:00 PM.

Sammamish Days/Nights

Fun filled day offers Kids Mud Run from 8 am - 10 am; cultural celebration from 10 am - 2 pm and ending with a 21+ paid entry event from 6 pm - 10:30 pm

- Saturday August 18 • Kids Mud Run @ Lower Commons
- Days @ Upper Commons - variety of performances, food truck rodeo, bouncy houses, & community booths.
- Nights @ Upper Commons - spectacular night out under the stars with wine and beer tasting, local restaurant fares and upbeat music.

More Information at www.sammamish.us/parks-recreation/

CITY CALENDAR

June

Friday, June 8
2017 Audubon
Photography Awards Show
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tuesday, June 12
City Council Study Session
6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Human Services Comission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19
City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday, June 21
Planning Commission Special Joint Meeting with Parks and Recreation Commission
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 23
Sammamish Walks - Pine Lake Park
Artful Experience
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, June 25
Arts Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 27
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

July

Wednesday, July 4
- Independence Day - City offices closed
- No Sammamish Farmer's Market
- Fourth on the Plateau
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday, July 5
Planning Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 7
Sammamish Landing History Walk
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 11
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m
Human Services Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m

Wednesday, July 18
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday, July 19
Planning Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 21
Sammamish Walks -
Beaver Lake Preserve
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, July 23
Arts Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 27
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

August

Wednesday, Aug 1
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug 8
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, Aug 15
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Aug 18
Sammamish Days
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sammamish Nights
6:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m
For tickets, visit:
www.sammamishchamber.org

Wednesday, Aug 22
Sammamish Farmer's Market
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**All meetings and events are at City Hall, unless otherwise noted. Times, dates, and locations are subject to change. Please check the city website for the most current information.*

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