



Renton City News

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NEWS IN BRIEF

State of The City Address March 10

Renton Mayor Denis Law will deliver the annual State of the City address on Wednesday, March 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, One South Grady Way, Renton. For reservations please contact the Renton Chamber of Commerce at 425-226-4560.



Mayor Appoints Interim Renton Fire Chief

Mayor Denis Law appointed Deputy Chief Mark Peterson to the position of interim chief of the Renton Fire & Emergency Services Department effective January 1. Peterson is a 30-year veteran of the Renton Fire & Emergency Services Department.

Renton History Museum Unveils Master Plan for Sustainability

The Renton Historical Society has been working with museum consultants Gyroscope, Inc., since late July 2009 on a Museum Master Plan to plot out the Renton History Museum's next 15 years of sustainable operations. The plan is to recreate the museum as a place where Renton residents can engage with the past, understand its connections to the present and the future, and collaborate in heritage preservation and exhibit creation. For more information visit rentonwa.gov.

2010 Census Coming in March

The 2010 Census is coming March 15-17, 2010. Census forms will be sent via the U.S. mail. Forms need to be returned by April 1 in the envelope provided. Information provided will not be shared with anyone, and the form does not ask for Social Security numbers or financial information. Each person counted means \$1,400 in annual federal support for the State and the City of Renton. Over the next ten years (the next time the census is done) that adds up to \$14,000 for each person counted. For more information please visit www.2010census.gov or call 1-866-872-6868.

FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH

During the month of February the City of Renton is participating in a campaign designed to increase public awareness about heart health and various cardiovascular conditions. Cardiovascular diseases, including stroke, continue to be our nation's number one killer.

Each year the Renton Fire & Emergency Services Department provides free preventative screenings to the public that include blood pressure and blood sugar checks. During February Renton firefighters will be in various stores and locations throughout the city offering these services during the month.

Last year over 4,000 screenings were conducted and many people who were not aware they were at risk were given the opportunity to reduce that risk and quite possibly save their life by seeing their doctor and changing their lifestyle.

Also, during February Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automatic External

Defibrillator (AED) trainings will be provided to help citizens be better prepared to assist should someone experience a sudden cardiac arrest.

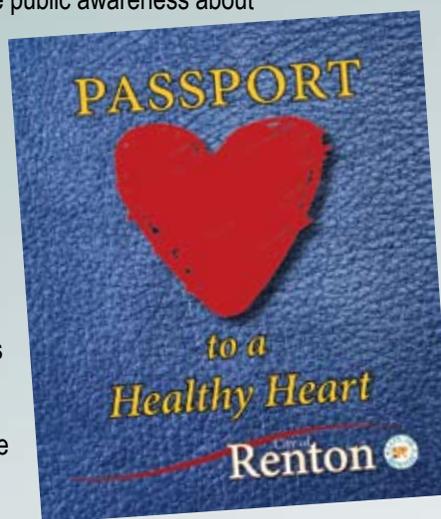
This annual campaign, designed to increase public awareness, offers a new twist this year. Renton Heart Month, in partnership with local businesses is introducing the "Passport to a Healthy Heart."

This is a fun new approach that not only provides an opportunity for citizens to learn more about heart health, but also provides an opportunity to enter a raffle for some terrific prizes. To

learn more about where to get your passport and how to get started visit rentonwa.gov and look for Renton Heart Month or call 425-430-7000.

Sponsors and partners of the Passport to a Healthy Heart include IKEA, Brotherton Cadillac, Uwajimaya, Lowes, Target, King and Bunny's Appliances, LA Fitness, happy delusions, Fred Meyer and McLendon Hardware.

For more information visit the city's website at rentonwa.gov.



VALLEY MEDICAL OPENS NEW TOWER



Mayor Law and several dignitaries at the ribbon cutting of the new Emergency Services Tower at Valley Medical Center.

On January 11, 2010, Valley Medical Center opened their newly constructed Emergency Services Tower. The new Level III trauma center will treat over 100,000 patients a year, fulfilling a great need in the region and representing a significant investment in Renton and South King County residents. The addition of the new Emergency Services Tower with its state-of-the-art features will help Valley Medical save thousands of lives in the community every year.