



Renton City News

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NEWS IN BRIEF

City of Renton and Partners Launch New Video Campaign

The City of Renton — in partnership with the Renton School District, Renton Technical College, Valley Medical Center, and the Renton Chamber of Commerce — has produced a new video marketing campaign designed to draw attention to Renton. To view the new Renton Community Marketing Campaign videos visit rentonwa.gov.



Renton Fire Department Offers New Taxi Transport Voucher

The Renton Fire & Emergency Services Department is participating in an innovative 9-month pilot program designed to study ways to increase efficiency of firefighters/basic life support providers while saving money for patients and health insurers. Under the pilot program, firefighters and EMS providers will use clearly defined Patient Care Protocols criteria to determine if a patient's condition suggests follow-up medical care is necessary but not serious enough to warrant an emergency response to the nearest hospital. Patients meeting this criteria would then qualify for transport via taxi and would be offered a free voucher to cover the round trip to and from the urgent care provider of their choice. For more information about the Taxi Transport Pilot Program contact Lieutenant Chuck DeSmith at 425-430-7100.

February is Black History Month

The Renton History Museum will be hosting two programs especially for Black History Month. On Tuesday, February 8 at 5 p.m. actor/storyteller Eva Abram portrays Bessie Coleman, the first African-American female pilot. On Saturday, February 19 at 11 a.m. award-winning Renton children's book author Kunle Oguneye dramatizes stories from his native Africa in "African Folktales with Uncle Kunle." Programs are free with museum admission, \$3 for adults, \$1 for kids. Visit rentonhistorymuseum.org for details.

LOOKING AHEAD - 2011 & BEYOND

Against the backdrop of our state government in financial crisis, and a nation continuing to face its worst economic challenges in generations, our city has been able to hold its own this past year. We established the service priorities we provide to our residents and focused on increasing efficiencies. Thanks to the efforts of our department heads and employees, we have survived the economic downturn without significant impacts to the public and have become stronger as an organization.



policies that have allowed us to identify ways to meet our service needs with fewer people and resources.

One of my top priorities next year is to continue to engage our community and hear from you about your assessment of the services you receive from Renton and your vision for the future. Most

importantly, I hope to hear your ideas, your input, and your vision that will help us make decisions as we establish future priorities.

We've got a lot of hard work, important projects and exciting opportunities planned for 2011-2012, and we hope the community will be a big part of this process.

To read Mayor Law's complete message visit rentonwa.gov.

FEBRUARY IS RENTON HEART MONTH

February is Renton Heart Month and an important time for everyone to learn more about their own cardiovascular health and the benefits of prevention, early diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease. Renton Heart Month provides people with the tools and knowledge they need to take the next step toward better health and a longer life.



heart attack risks and how to quickly and properly respond to warning signs.

This year's campaign will emphasize:

- Heart health awareness.
- Free blood pressure and blood sugar screening.
- Knowledge of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED).
- Taking personal action for improving heart health through early detection, diet and exercise.

Visit rentonwa.gov for more Renton Heart Month details and information.



CONSTRUCTION REPORT

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is nearing completion of the I-405 Stage 2 Widening Project in Renton. WSDOT held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Dec. 21 that included Secretary of Transportation Paula Hammond, Mayor Denis Law, several members of the Renton City Council, and other dignitaries from throughout the region.

REPORT SEWER EMERGENCIES

If you have a sewer-related emergency, broken pipes, leaky sewer main, a clogged side sewer, or wastewater seeping from a manhole, contact the city's maintenance services division immediately at 425-430-7400. After 3:30 p.m. weekdays, or on weekends, please call the Renton Police Department at 425-430-7500.

The city is responsible for maintenance and repair of the city's sanitary sewer system. Property owners are responsible for the operation and maintenance of their side sewers. However, before you call a plumber, contact the city to determine if the problem is in the main sewer line. Call 425-430-7400 for more information.

CITY CONTACTS

Area Code 425

- General Information..... 430-6400
- Mayor 430-6500
- City Council..... 430-6501
- Municipal Court Judge 430-6550
- Chief Administrative Officer..... 430-6500
- City Clerk..... 430-6510
- Code Enforcement..... 430-7373
- Community Services 430-6600
- Community & Economic Development 430-6580
- Finance & Information Services 430-6850
- Fire/Emergency Services..... 430-7000
- Graffiti Reporting Line..... 430-7373
- Human Resources & Risk Management 430-7650
- Public Works 430-7394
- Police 430-7500
or epolice.rentonwa.gov
- Street/Water/Sewer Maint..... 430-7400
- Utility Billing..... 430-6852

EMERGENCY 911

 **The City of Renton provides reasonable accommodation upon request.**

TDD.. 711 (425-430-6511)

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MEET YOUR RENTON CITY COUNCIL

January is the beginning of another term for our Councilmembers. Members of the Renton City Council serve four-year terms.



Terri Briere, Council President, has served on the City Council since 2000.



King Parker, Council President Pro-Tem, served on the City Council from 1996 to 2003 and was re-elected in 2008.



Marcie Palmer has served on the City Council since 2004.



Randy Corman has served on the City Council since 1994.



Greg Taylor was elected to the City Council in 2008.



Rich Zwicker was appointed to the City Council in 2008 and elected to the Council in 2009.

OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

Saturday, January 1

Polar Bear Dip. 11 a.m. Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd.

Monday, January 17

Martin Luther King Jr Holiday. City offices closed.

Tuesday, January 18

Sunset Area Revitalization Planning — Public Hearing. 6-7 p.m. Renton City Hall, 7th Floor Council Chambers. Final public hearing regarding proposed public and private investment in the Sunset Area.

Sunday, January 30

Renton Hoop Shoot. 4 p.m. Renton Community Center. 1715 SE Maple Valley Hwy. 425-430-6700.

Tuesday, February 8

Bessie Coleman by Eva Abram. 5 p.m. Renton History Museum. Call 425-255-2330 for details.

Saturday, February 19

African Folktales with Uncle Kunle. 11 a.m. Renton History Museum. Call 425-255-2330 for details.

Sunday, March 13

Renton City Band Concert. 3 p.m. Carco Theatre, 1717 SE Maple Valley Hwy. Tickets \$10 adults, \$7 seniors/students. 425-430-6700.

Tuesday, March 15

Finding Aunt Phoebe by Mary Michaelson. 5 p.m. Renton History Museum. Call 425-255-2330 for details.

For more information visit rentonwa.gov

DON'T FORGET TO LICENSE YOUR PET

The City of Renton requires that all dogs and cats aged four months and older be licensed. Pet owners are allowed up to 3 animals per household, and licenses are renewed annually.

Annual pet license fees for 2011/2012 are as follows: cat altered \$25; cat unaltered \$40; dog altered \$25; dog unaltered \$40. Lifetime licenses are available to qualified seniors.