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Veterans Day is observed on November 11 to honor and thank all military veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces. One way to honor those who have served is with an engraved tile plaque at Veterans Memorial Park.

<u>Veterans Memorial Park</u>offers a unique setting to view and reflect on the names of over 2,000 veterans etched into granite tile plaques. Each plaque holds special meaning and deserves to be respected.

Applications are <u>available online</u>, or <u>download and print a</u> <u>paper version</u> and return it to Renton City Hall. If additional assistance is needed, contact the office at 425-430-6600 or email veteranspark@rentonwa.gov.

The application process is as follows:

- Complete each row one letter or character per box. Sixteen characters per line are allowed at a maximum per tile. (Note: Spaces and punctuation count as characters)
- Fill in the contact information to receive order confirmation and tile location after it is engraved.
- Provide a copy of Honorable Discharge DD214 or Proof of Active Service to this form.
- Obtain copies <u>online.</u>
- Include a \$75 check or money order to the *City of Renton*.
- Mail completed application, payment, and proof of service to *City of Renton/Parks & Trails - Veterans Park, 1055 S. Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057*

Please apply by February 28 to engrave the tile by Memorial Day 2024. New tiles are engraved annually.

Tip sheets are available online with instructions on creating an account in the <u>Self-Service Portal</u> and <u>submitting the application.</u>

A reminder that all city facilities will be closed Friday, November 10.



Veterans Day Dance at Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center is tomorrow

Join the Renton Parks & Recreation Department at Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center for the Veterans Day Dance on Thursday, November 9, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 50+ — live music by the Triple Treat Band. Tickets are \$5.

<u>Get your tickets in advance online</u> using the keyword "Veteran's Day" or in person at the Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center.



Introducing Sunset Terrace: The first marketrate development in the Sunset Area

Last week, the official grand opening of <u>Sunset Terrace</u> <u>Apartments</u> took place, marking the first market-rate development in the Sunset neighborhood.

The building's 100+ units are already almost fully leased. Residents of Sunset Terrace will have access to various amenities within walking distance, including parks, the library, retail, and restaurants.

Sunset Terrace is the latest and among the many essential components of the <u>Sunset Area Transformation Plan</u>. The Sunset Area Transformation Plan has guided the redevelopment and revitalization of the Sunset Terrace neighborhood in Renton. The plan identifies and directs reinvestment in the neighborhood.

The strategy behind the plan leverages public investments, which, in turn, catalyze private investment. The result is the revitalization of a neighborhood known for public World War II-era housing – meant to be temporary – almost 80 years past its intended use. The previous neighborhood has become dilapidated, and offered very little walkability. In this iteration, the Sunset neighborhood has turned into a compact and walkable mixed-use neighborhood with new residences close to shopping, services, and public transportation.

This is a great example of how public and private investments work best together to incorporate a mix of affordable housing, retail, and market-rate housing, ensuring a heightened quality of life for Sunset neighborhood residents for years to come.



Holiday Bazaar and Food Drive to kick off the city's upcoming seasonal events

Over 100 vendors are signed up for this year's Holiday Bazaar. Support small businesses around the region at the <u>Holiday Bazaar</u> on Friday, November 17, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, November 18, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Renton Community Center.

Both days there will be opportunities to find excellent gifts for friends, family, and maybe even something personal. From annual favorites to over 50 new vendors participating in this year's Bazaar.

In addition, there will be several local food vendors outside the community center, including Una's Kettle Corn, Pizza Maniac PNW, and Café de la Loba. For the first time this year, the Bazaar will feature a food drive on both days to help those in need this holiday season. Be sure to bring any non-perishable food items that will be donated to Sustainable Renton at the end of the Bazaar.



Maplewood Golf Course empowers young golfers with launch of PGA Jr. Golf League, plans for expansion in 2024

Last month, Maplewood Golf Course in Renton launched its first Professional Golfers' Association (PGA) Jr. Golf League, providing kids 12 and under the opportunity to hone their skills under the guidance of highly trained professionals.

Headed by Kirk Gleason, a Certified PGA Professional, the league saw 24 players participate in multiple practices and matches over eight weeks, culminating in a successful season. Building on this success, Maplewood Golf Course plans to continue the league next year, further expanding its impact on young golfers in the region.

To continue delivering quality programs and expert instruction, Maplewood Golf Course continuously invests in its business and growth. With the rising costs of products and services, some changes to fees are necessary. Starting in January 2024, the course will implement local and state taxes on green fees, rentals, and range balls.

These changes are essential to maintain and improve the golf course to a high standard, as well as to compensate instructors for their services, including those within the PGA Jr. Golf League. Additionally, these adjustments will ensure that Maplewood Golf Course maintains its participation in the <u>Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary</u> <u>Program</u> and continues to meet the program's environmental stewardship guidelines.

For more information about fees, courses, and other programs, please visit <u>Maplewood Golf Course website.</u>



Around Renton

Mondays – <u>Free Community Grocery Store</u>, St. Matthew's Church (1700 Edmonds Ave. NE), 5:30–7:30 p.m. Presented by <u>Sustainable Renton</u>. Please note, this program will end on December 18.

Free Museum Days – First Wednesday and third Saturday monthly, <u>Renton History Museum</u> (235 Mill Ave. S), 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

November 9 – <u>Senior Veterans Day Dance</u>, Don Persson Renton Senior Activity Center (211 Burnett Ave. N), 5:30-7:30 p.m.

November 17 & 18 – <u>Holiday Bazaar</u>, Renton Community Center (1715 SE Maple Valley Hwy), Friday from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.

November 18 – <u>Gobble Wobble Wine Walk</u>, Check-in at 507 S 3rd St., 2-5 p.m. <u>Tickets are \$25</u>.

November 25 – <u>Small Business Saturday.</u> Support small businesses during this all-day event.

December 1 - <u>Holiday Lights Opening Night,</u> Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park (1201 Lake Wash. Blvd. N), 6-8:30 p.m. Holiday lights will run daily from December 2 through January 1 from 4-9 p.m.

In other news this week



A recap of the news posted on the city's social media accounts. Find us (@cityofrenton) on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, & <u>Twitter</u>. Renton residents can also find us on <u>Nextdoor</u>.

988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Arts in Renton

City Council (agendas, documents, and meeting video)

Neighborhood Program

Park Projects (Arnold)

Pet Microchipping (free for Renton residents)

Rainier Avenue South Phase 4 construction project

<u>Recreation Guide</u> (classes, activities, leagues, and events for September through December)

Report issues via Renton Responds

Street Maintenance Winter Preparation

Traffic Construction Projects