



This Week from the Mayor



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STREAM Team program fills after-school need

ONE OF THE BEST THINGS about being mayor is watching how programs developed by city staff make a strong impact on the youth in our community.

[STREAM Team](#) is a perfect example of such a program. Developed by our Community Services Recreation Division, it is a partnership with Renton School District, King County Best Starts for Kids, Environmental Science Center, Seattle Advocates for Education, Centru Rendu and TechBridge Girl. STREAM provides high-quality and culturally appropriate programming in science, technology, reading, recreation, environment, arts and math for students aged 5 to 14 at the North Highlands Neighborhood Center. STREAM is funded through a grant from King County's Best Starts for Kids Out-of-School-Time Program and Community Services funds.

The program is not only great for the children, it's a prime example of our city staff listening to our residents and working with them to develop meaningful solutions. Community Services staff invited students to share with the city council last Monday what they liked ("learning new things," "helping me relax") and what they would like to see added to the program (sewing, ping pong). It was fun to see these students enthusiastically talk about how much the program has helped them become more confident and, interestingly, more tolerant. The students also got a glimpse of how our city government works and I would not be surprised if we see some of them running for elected office in the future.



Sikh community celebrates faith founder



Councilmembers Armondo Pavone, Ryan McIrvine and Ruth Perez took part in last Saturday's tree planting at Ron Regis Park.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF the Sikh community to Renton are invaluable. Last Saturday, they gathered at Ron Regis Park as part of a worldwide celebration to plant trees in honor of the 550th anniversary of the birth of faith founder Guru Nanak.

City Councilmembers Ryan McIrvine, Armondo Pavone and Ruth Perez represented the city at the event. We are very grateful for the addition of these wonderful trees, which are a fitting reminder of Guru Nanak.

Museum uses grant to modernize signage



Mayor Law is joined by King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn and Renton History Museum Manager Elizabeth Stewart next to the museum's new sign, paid for by a grant from Building for Culture.

I WAS PLEASED to be joined by King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn earlier this week for a visit to the Renton History Museum. If you visit the museum, you'll see new signage on both their ground level sign and on the building. These new additions came as part of a grant from King County's Building for Culture program. Councilmembers Dunn and Dave Upthegrove were instrumental in securing the funding.



Inside, the museum has a treasure trove of artifacts from Renton's colorful past and also hosts a [series of community events](#) designed to inform and entertain. It's well worth your time.

Downtown hosts "Ladies Night" on Saturday

The [RENTON DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP](#) has worked for the past several years with our Community & Economic Development staff to transform downtown Renton into a vibrant, cultural and economic destination, complete with shops, boutiques and restaurants featuring goods from all over the world. Their efforts have been truly outstanding.



The Wine Walk is one of several events sponsored by the Renton Downtown Partnership. This Saturday they host Ladies Night.

The partnership is kicking off their 2019 slate of events with their inaugural [Ladies Night](#) this Saturday from 3 to 9 p.m. Over 30 downtown retailers will take part, offering food and drink specials, live performances, classes and promotions. If you've been to their other events – Wine Walk, Olde Fashioned Halloween, holiday tree lighting, and the downtown Santa House - you know this will be another great one. Hope you can attend, as it promises to be a fun evening. Oh, and guys, don't worry, your turn will come.

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