



A message from your Pierce County Councilmember

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Serving the communities of

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North Puyallup, Pacific,  
Puyallup and Sumner



Friends,

Fall has come to Pierce County with its cold air, changing leaves and rain. But, this season brings opportunity. Opportunity to participate in actives and adventures with our families and friends, and an opportunity for you to share with me your thoughts on Pierce County.

I can't think of a better place to live than Pierce County. And what a privilege I have to serve you here on the Council. To do the very best job I need to hear from you. So before you settle in for a long winter please share with me your thoughts on how we can make a great County even better.

As an update we have begun the budgeting process and later in the year I will send out an update on its process and progress.

Remember your thoughts and comments are always welcome. My staff and I are here to serve you. Below please find some county notices and events I thought you might find interesting.

Enjoy these last beautiful days of Fall.

**Monster Mash Dash set for October 27**

This 5K course will really live up to its name as a MONSTER. Travel from the Central Meadow on the Soundview Trail up the giant hill then across the Grandview Trail, down the switchbacks back to the Central Meadow to finish.

[The event](#) is non-competitive and welcomes people of all ages and abilities. No official time will be taken. A digital running clock will be available for runners as they cross the finish line for their own curiosity.

Participants check-in/register at Chambers Creek Regional Park, 9850 64th St. W in University Place, at noon. The race begins promptly at 2 p.m. Although not a timed race, a digital running clock will be available for runners as they cross the finish line.

Adults and children are encouraged to participate in the one mile fun run/walk. All participants need to pre-register prior to race time. Cost is \$5/person (t-shirts are not included).



## ★ FEATURED STORY

[Brookdale Road sewer main replacement project starts Oct. 1](#)

[Homeowners invited to free workshops on managing stormwater systems](#)

[Non-peak season Pierce County ferry rates, schedule starts Oct. 1](#)

[PALS launches new agriculture website](#)

## PIERCE COUNTY NEWS

[South Prairie Creek celebrates big salmon return](#)

[Water quality projects at Spanaway Lake](#)

[Executive's 2014 budget proposal, Council approves jail cuts](#)

[Immigrants become U.S. Citizens at ceremony](#)

[Columbian volcano expert has advice for Puyallup](#)

[Sumner sells golf course](#)

[Fife Museum opens WWII exhibit](#)

## LOCAL EVENTS

### Free CPR Training, Oct. 13

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Sunday is an annual community event offered free-of-charge to anyone interested in learning the basic lifesaving skills of CPR. On Sunday, Oct. 13, citizens are invited to learn the fundamentals of CPR and are then given the opportunity to practice with CPR manikins and automated external defibrillators (AED).

Attendees can expect:

- More than 50 certified Basic Life Support instructors
- One-and-a-half hours of classroom training and 1 hour hands on training
- Four class options: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m., or 2 p.m. (Spanish interpreter services will be available at the 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. class and American Sign Language at 10 a.m.)
- Practical training with CPR and AED's

Attendees will learn:

- What happens when you call 9-1-1
- Patient assessment
- One rescuer adult/child/infant CPR and obstructed airway
- Automated external defibrillator use
- Foreign body airway obstruction management
- Essentials of a home first aid kit

Upon successful completion of the course, students receive a Tacoma Fire citizen level CPR card (good for two years). CPR Sunday will be held at Foss High School, 2112 S. Tyler St. in Tacoma. To secure your preferred class time, please [pre-register](#). For additional information please contact event coordinator Firefighter Craig Hanna at (253) 594-7979.

### Trick'r-Treat Bash, Oct. 27

Join us for a goulash good time as we kick off the Dash with our [Trick'r-](#)

[Parks: Sprinkler car show](#)

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[Treat Bash](#) located in the Central Meadow from noon to 2 p.m.

Vendors will be onsite promoting games, crafts, and of course passing out candy! This is a great opportunity for runners and families to learn about local organizations while having fun before the race.

## One night only to walk Fantasy Lights, Nov. 24

Kick off your holiday season with the a [sneak preview of Fantasy Lights](#), 2.5 miles of animated displays, at Spanaway Park. Walkers of all ages and abilities are invited! [Pre-register](#) by Nov. 20.

## Fantasy Lights, Nov. 28, 2013 to Jan. 1, 2014

Pierce County Parks and Recreation is pleased to present the 19th annual [Fantasy Lights](#) at Spanaway Park, the largest holiday drive-through display in the Northwest, featuring nearly 300 elaborate displays and thousands of sparkling lights. The beautiful two-mile drive along Spanaway Lake has become a memorable lakeside tradition for the entire family.

Visitors of all ages will be treated to the magical world of animation and imagination where bears fly kites, Santa and Rudolf sail a tall ship, snow boys kick field goals, penguins slide down an igloo, and reindeer leap over your car. You will also marvel at more LED lighting throughout the park along with new displays including a rocket ship, octopus and giant clam.

As you drive, dial your car radio to FM 93.7 to listen to a selection of special holiday music performed by a local high school to add to the festive atmosphere of the park.