

LACEY Life

Shaping our Community Together

Lacey Parks are beautiful in the fall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

To see the complete list of events and get registration details, visit CityofLacey.org/Events or scan:



Please check our website or Facebook page for updates.

Oct 1 Children's Day

Saturday, October 1, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Huntamer Park

Oct 4 Nat & Thelma Jackson Art and Goose Pond Historical Marker Dedication

Tuesday, October 4, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Lacey Community Center

Oct 12 History Talks! Scoundrels: The Life of Susie Lewis

Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers & Online via Zoom

Oct 28 Coffee & Costumes with a Cop

Friday, October 28, 4 – 6 p.m.
Starbucks on College St & Pacific Ave

HAPPY Halloween



Nov 9 History Talks! The Pig War: Great Britain vs. U.S.

Wednesday, November 9, 6:30 p.m.
Lacey City Hall, Council Chambers & Online via Zoom

2022 LACEY CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Andy Ryder
Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller
Councilmember Lenny Greenstein
Councilmember Michael Steadman
Councilmember Carolyn Cox
Councilmember Ed Kunkel
Councilmember Robin Vazquez

CONNECT:

2022-23 LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL BEGINS WORK

The Lacey Youth Council (LYC), now in its fourth year, recently kicked off the 2022-23 year. The LYC serves as an advisory body to the Lacey City Council and provides local high school students an opportunity to share youth perspectives with local leaders, learn more about local government, work on community projects, and earn volunteer hours.



The Lacey Youth Council (LYC) meets twice a month during the school year to conduct business and discuss projects. LYC members provide monthly updates to the City Council at the 2nd regular Council meeting.

Many members will have additional responsibilities, depending on their position for the year. This includes roles such as Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Youth Representative on City Boards and Commissions, and Project Manager.

The **2022-23 LYC** includes the following members, including six returning members (noted by an *):

- **Hunter Akalirai**, Junior, River Ridge
- **Abigail Asare***, Junior, North Thurston
- **Justin Begley***, Senior, Timberline
- **Janine Ysabelle Bermudez**, Senior, Timberline
- **Alanis Blackburn***, Senior, River Ridge
- **Keegan Boldt**, Senior, River Ridge
- **Nathaniel Clay**, Junior, Timberline
- **Kiara Coleman**, Junior, Timberline
- **Rianna Joseph***, Senior, River Ridge
- **Rory Line**, Junior, Timberline
- **Nathan Miller***, Senior, Pope John Paul II
- **Zurysaday Ramirez-Plasencia**, Sophomore, North Thurston
- **Sarah Towne***, Junior, North Thurston
- **Ayiana Young**, Junior, North Thurston

"We look forward to working with this great group of students," said Rafael Fernandez, LYC Staff Liaison. "Not only do they learn a lot about local government, they provide a perspective that helps enhance the connection between youth and adults through creative and fresh thinking around important local topics. It's truly a win-win relationship."

To learn more, visit CityofLacey.org/LYC or scan the QR code.



LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL



CITY LAUNCHES NEW VOLUNTEER LITTER PICK-UP PROGRAM



In addition to our Adopt-A-Road and Adopt-A-Trail Programs, the City now has a Volunteer Litter Pick-up Program to provide community members an additional way to contribute to a cleaner environment and enhanced roadside appearance throughout Lacey.

Unlike the Adopt-A-Road Program that has a minimum 2-year obligation, the Litter Pick-up Program does not require a long-term commitment to participate. Individuals, groups, and businesses can take part in the Program on terms that fit their needs and schedules.

To learn more about any of the above mentioned Programs, including how to apply, visit CityofLacey.org/Volunteer or scan the QR code.



UPCOMING BUDGET DATES

The City invites you to learn about the **2023 Proposed Budget** and provide comment at the public hearings listed below.

- Thursday, Oct. 6** Workshop
- Thursday, Oct. 20** Presentation
- Thursday, Nov. 3** Public Hearing: Revenue Sources
- Thursday, Nov. 17** Public Hearing: Total Budget Overview
- Thursday, Dec. 1** Public Hearing: Final Budget
- Thursday, Dec. 15** Adoption



The public hearings take place at 6 p.m. during the City Council meetings. In-person and online attendance options are available. To find out more, visit CityofLacey.org/Lacey-City-Council or scan the QR code.



PARKSPLOURATION: HUNTAMER PARK



LARGE GRASS AREA



ENTERTAINMENT



FAMILY FUN!



LACEY PARKS
CULTURE & RECREATION

Did you know Huntamer Park is named after Thomas W. Huntamer, a former mayor and member of Lacey's first City Council? The park is located in the center of Lacey's Midtown and features an outdoor performance stage, two climbing rocks for kids, picnic tables, benches, and a large, open area perfect for picnics, playing in the grass, or just relaxing and reading a book.

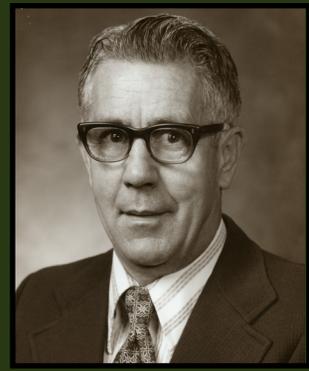
Huntamer Park is home to many of the City's outdoor community events. During the summer, the park hosts the City's lunchtime concerts, Children's Entertainment Series, and Music & Movies in the Park. In October, Children's Day is a family favorite (see article below for details), and the Lighting of the Christmas Tree & Park and Lighted-vehicle Parade are the perfect way to kick off the holiday season! In addition to City events, many other events, hosted by a variety of organizations, are held in Huntamer Park.

If you haven't had a chance to check out Huntamer Park, you're missing one of the City's best entertainment treasures!

Lacey has one of the State's best municipal park systems. It includes just under 1,200 acres of park land and open spaces, miles of ADA-accessible trails, hiking trails, several community buildings, and a premier regional athletic complex. To discover other Lacey parks and trails, visit LaceyParks.org/Parks-Trails or scan the QR code below.



COMMUNITY



In 2000, the City renamed the newly expanded Woodland Square Park to Huntamer Park after the former mayor and member of Lacey's first City Council, Thomas W. Huntamer.



AT A GLANCE

Address: 618 Woodland Sq. Loop SE

Hours: 7 am - dark

Size: 1.5 acres with covered outdoor stage

REMINDER: JOIN US FOR CHILDREN'S DAY - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Come to **Huntamer Park on Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for a day filled with **FREE, family fun!** We'll have games, activities, arts & crafts, entertainment, food for purchase, and more — rain or shine! **You don't want to miss it!**

To add to the fun, we invite you to dress up as your favorite animal or put on your best adventure or khaki attire (of course, it's not required) to go with this year's theme: Go Wild!

Children's Day, presented by Chick-fil-A Lacey, is the perfect way to spend the afternoon. For details, visit LaceyParks.org/Events/Childrens-Day or scan:



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ACADEMY PLANNED FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Are you a Homeowners Association (HOA) board member who wants to learn more about HOA best practices? Well, mark your calendar and attend the **2022 HOA Academy on Saturday, November 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Lacey Community Center** (6729 Pacific Avenue SE).



Whether your association is self-administered or has professional management, this educational opportunity will provide valuable insights and answers to many of your questions regarding successful HOA governance. The event will also include time to network with other HOA representatives.

This conference-style event, hosted by the City, features presentations and discussions led by professionals who are knowledgeable in HOA legal issues, board responsibilities, dispute resolution, neighborhood safety, and more.

How to Register

The academy is open to all South Sound area HOA managers and board members. You must pre-register to attend and space is limited. Registration is \$35 for Lacey and Lacey Urban Growth Area board members and managers; \$45 for other jurisdictions. Additional members of the same HOA will receive a \$10 discount.

Get More Information

To learn more, visit CityofLacey.org/HOA, call (360) 491-3214, or scan:



HELP PREVENT LOCAL FLOODING



Fall has officially arrived and with it comes falling leaves and typically rain. If your neighborhood has lots of leaves, it's a good time to make sure they aren't clogging the storm drains to help reduce local flooding. If you find a storm drain that's covered or clogged with debris, use a rake or broom to clear it. Other things to keep in mind:

- Never blow or sweep yard debris into the roadway.
- Use leaves to mulch planting beds to provide winter protection for plants.
- Dispose of leaves in your organics cart or compost pile.
- Maintain gutters, downspouts, rain barrels, etc. by keeping them cleared of debris and directed away from properties or hillsides.

If you see major flooding or cannot clear a drain, call our Public Works Department at (360) 491-5644 during business hours or (360) 704-2740 after hours.

