



## ***Around Town***

***May 2019***

### ***From the Mayor's Desk***

Steilacoom has begun the largest infrastructure project in years. The Steilacoom Boulevard project starts at the Puyallup Street curve, extends through the "Tunnel of Trees" and then finishes at the edge of Town (Farwest Drive).

The project consists of adding curb, gutter, sidewalks, bike lanes, utility replacement, retaining walls and an overlay for the length of the project.

The estimated length of time to complete the project is 140 days which would put completion in October.

At this time, we are anticipating closing the road from Puyallup Street to Madrona Point Lane starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. Once school is out, the closure will extend to Hewitt Drive. Closing the road will allow the contractor to mobilize in the roadway and complete multiple tasks earlier including pile driving to place walls needed to secure the slide areas safely and efficiently.

Additionally, in initial discussions with the contractor, this option to the project could save up to 4 weeks, reopening in August before school starts, and could save the Town money on the contract.

Residents will see electronic reader boards announcing

traffic control and directional detours. Local residents will have access to their homes at all times.

### **Residents will need to explore and use alternate routes eliminating Steilacoom Blvd from their commuting plans.**

Trucks will be redirected at Farwest Drive.

Walkers – Steilacoom is full of many beautiful areas. Please explore those during the construction period and do not walk in the construction area even when workers are not present or on weekends.

The road will not be open nor available for parking on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Please notify your guests in advance of alternate routes and car-pooling options.

We appreciate your understanding and thank you in advance for your patience.

***Ron Lucas, Mayor***

### ***MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT***

Our School Board serves as a critical link between our schools and the community. Directors Bob Forbes (Board Chair), Sam Scott, Jason Pierce, Steve Schenk and Jennifer McDonald are elected by our citizens and serve the district at large. The Board establishes school policies according to federal and state laws. The Board also is responsible for upholding the vision, mission, District core values and goals; adopting an annual budget and approving expenditures; approving employment of personnel,

curriculum, course of study, school sites and construction, and evaluating the Superintendent, who is hired to manage all District operations.

The School Board meets twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesday evening. Meetings rotate between Steilacoom High School and Pioneer Middle School on a monthly basis. The first School Board meeting of the month is typically a Study Session, which is a public meeting for discussion purposes only. There is also a study session prior to each regular school board meeting to discuss the agenda and other pertinent topics which begin at 6:30 pm.

The second Board meeting each month is a regular Board meeting, with decision making and community comment opportunities. We would love to have you attend!

We value our School Board and the endless hours of volunteer time that goes into upholding the vision of **The Best Education for Every Student.**

The remaining schedule for the 2018-19 school year is:

#### **April 24, 2019:**

Regular Business Meeting  
PMS Library @ 7 pm

#### **May 8, 2019:**

Study Session Only  
SHS Library @ 6 pm

#### **May 22, 2019:**

Regular Business Meeting  
SHS Library @ 7 pm

#### **June 12, 2019:**

Study Session Only  
PMS Library @ 6 pm

#### **June 26, 2019:**

Regular Business Meeting  
PMS Library @ 7 pm

**July 10, 2019:**

Study Session Only  
SHS Library @ 6 pm

**July 24, 2019:**

Study Session Only  
SHS Library @ 6 pm

**August 14, 2019:**

Study Session Only  
PMS Library @ 6 pm

**August 28, 2019:**

Regular Business Meeting  
PMS Library @ 7 pm  
*Kathi Weight, Superintendent*

**COUNCIL ACTION**

Minutes to the Town Council meetings once approved are on the Town's website at: [townofsteilacoom.org](http://townofsteilacoom.org) and located under:  
Town Offices  
Town Council

**STEILACOOM SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS**

Steilacoom Summer Day Camp!  
Grades K-6  
Monday-Friday  
6am-6pm  
Located at Saltar's Point School

\$170/week – K-6  
\$150/week – 7-9

Discounts

10% siblings  
20% military  
20% free/reduced lunch  
\*may not be combined

HIGH SCHOOL

Want to be a camp counselor?  
Come volunteer at Summer Camp.  
Spaces are limited.  
For details, call 253-581-1076

*Steilacoom – A Historic Community – Help Keep It Clean – Don't Litter and please pick up after yourself or others*

**Preservation and Review Board Position Opening**

An opening currently exists on the Preservation and Review Board. The Board maintains a register of historic places and reviews proposed changes to registered properties and properties within the Historic District; reviews proposed changes to commercial, multi-family, duplex, quasi-public, and public structures within Town limits and promotes community awareness of the Town's history. Members are appointed by the Mayor for three-year terms. [Jennifer Schreck](#) serves as staff to the Board. If interested, please contact Paul Loveless at 253.983.2074 for an application.

**ANNUAL PLANT SALE**

Come rain or shine, members of the Steilacoom Garden Club will be at the multipurpose courts at Lafayette and Wilkes Street on Saturday, May 11 for the annual plant sale. Look for annuals, perennials, ground covers, succulents, and much more—mostly from local gardens! Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions; a representative from Pierce County Conservation District will have information about rain gardens; and local artist George Rybolt will have whimsical birdhouses to enhance your garden. Buy raffle tickets to win a beautiful hanging basket donated by H&L Market.

Gates will open at 9:00 and the sale will end when all plants are gone or noon, whichever occurs first. As you begin the task of spring gardening, remember

that **donations of plants from your garden or yard are always welcome.** Contact is 253-720-1460 or 253-431-0481.

Proceeds from the sale support the summer hanging baskets on Lafayette Street, the October scarecrow contest, holiday evergreen swags hung on Town buildings, and a holiday wreath laid at the JBLM Memorial Garden.

**BIKE RODEO**

The Kiwanis Club of Steilacoom invites local children to attend the "Bike Rodeo" May 11th at Saltar's Elementary School, 10:00 a.m. to Noon.

Bikes will be inspected to ensure they are in a safe working condition or may need adjustments. An individual will check bike helmets for proper fit and condition.

Each child will then proceed through six stations, such as signals, braking, dodging obstructions, looking back safely. All biking children will then receive their "Bike Rodeo" safety certificate.

**SOUND VIEW SENIOR LIVING**

Sound View Senior Living LLC (SVSL) is a licensed Adult Family Home located in the Town of Steilacoom. Marcus Rogers and Kristi Webster, co-owners of SVSL since its establishment in 2010, offer a safe, nurturing, and warm environment for seniors. This facility provides a level of care that gives comfort and security for senior citizens when their need and abilities become limited. For more information visit their website at [www.soundviewseniorliving.net](http://www.soundviewseniorliving.net)

## **STEILACOOM GARDEN CLUB COOKBOOK**

If you've always wanted to have your recipes published, you're in luck! Steilacoom Garden Club members are compiling a community cookbook with recipes both old and new. We need YOUR favorite recipes to include in our book. To submit recipes, please type out or photocopy and send to: Cookbook 408 Sheridan Street, Steilacoom, WA 98388. If you choose to submit electronically, send to paul.loveless@ci.steilacoom.wa.us. Deadline for submission is May 15. Our book, *Roots of Steilacoom*, will be available for purchase in the fall.

### ***Mother's Day 5K/7 Mile Fun Run or Walk***

The "I Love You Mom" 5K and the JustTRI-7 Mile "Dragon" is being held on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 8AM, starting at Topside Bar and Grill.

The 5K is an enjoyable, but a challenging course. It is well-marked and is 100% on pavement. Stroller and pet friendly, too! All 5K finishers receive the "I Love You Mom" medal.

For the 7-mile participants, the route is comprised of 2-loops and finishers receive 2 medals. The 2<sup>nd</sup> medal is the first of three "Dragon Series" medals.

The Dragon Series are running events hosted by JustTRI each year. The distances range from 5K to half marathon.

This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> run over the past 2 years through the Town

of Steilacoom. All the events have all been small, but full of life and enthusiasm.

Start Mother's Day right with a Great 5K, and then have breakfast at Topside Bar and Grill after the race!  
Register at: RunLakewood.com



## **CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT**

### **WHEN**

Saturday May 18th / 9 to Noon

### **WHERE**

Steilacoom Public Works – 1030 Roe Street, Steilacoom

### **GUIDELINES**

Limit two file boxes or three grocery bags per resident. Please do not bring plastic bags, DVDs or other items that will jam the shredder.

### **COST**

Non-perishable food items and cash donations accepted and appreciated in support of the We Love Steilacoom Food Pantry.

### **OTHER EVENTS**

A list of confidential document shredding events can be found on the website for the Washington State Office of the Attorney General under "Upcoming Events – Shredding Events".

## **TOWN OF STEILACOM CONTACT INFORMATION**

[townofsteilacoom.org](http://townofsteilacoom.org)

### **Mayor**

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### **Public Works-Administration**

1030 Roe Street.....253 581-1912  
Administration  
Planning, Building, Permits  
Utility After Hours 253 620-4123

### **Public Safety**

601 Main Street.....253 581-0110  
Emergency.....911  
Non-Emergency ...253 798-4721  
Animal Control... ..253 830-5010

### **Community Center**

2301 Worthington St. 253 581-1076  
Before and After School Prog.  
Meal Site  
Youth and Adult Classes  
Fitness/Exercise Classes

## **TOWN MEETINGS**

Meetings are held at Town Hall unless otherwise noted.

Town Council:

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:30 PM

Planning Commission:

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:30 PM

Preservation and Review Board:

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 PM

Civil Service Commission:

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 2 PM at the Community Center.

**SPRING CLEAN-UP  
2019– APRIL 27 AND 28**

**To volunteer call  
Terry Huber at Public  
Works 253 581-1912**

**We ask that you read and follow these guidelines. Please contact us prior to the event if you have any questions.**

Spring Cleanup is a self-haul event that gives residents the opportunity to recycle or dispose of unwanted items from in and around their primary residences. It is not intended to take the place of having weekly garbage service. We reserve the right to refuse unacceptable items or limit the amount being brought in by an individual or group.

The Cleanup is designed to recycle items such as cellular phones, cardboard and scrap metals, while accepting usable donations for Life Center Thrift Shop, and disposing of unwanted items from around your primary residence (subject to limitations listed in this article).

Spring Cleanup is being held on the weekend of April 27th & 28th from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at Public Works (1030 Roe Street). *The event is open to Town residents and our sewer utility customers in the Arrowhead neighborhood. Identification in the form of either a utility bill or driver's license is required for entry. No commercial haulers, landscapers, contractors, etc.*

Waiting times can exceed one hour. **Please limit the size of your load to a pickup truck OR**

**4'X8' trailer. Help in unloading your vehicle is requested and appreciated. The safety of event staff and participants is paramount, please conduct yourself accordingly.**

**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

Past experience along with disposal and recycling requirements mean we must limit the types of items we can accept. The following list is not all-inclusive. **Call Public Works (253) 581-1912 if you have questions; you will be asked to take back unacceptable items.**

**NO** TV's, computers, computer monitors, laptops, vegetation, yardwaste, dirt, rocks, sod, stumps, bricks, chunks of concrete, roofing materials, propane tanks, quantities of construction materials or items with a compressor (like freezers, refrigerators). No tires, on or off the rim, or hazardous materials. No vehicles, boats, campers, or hot tubs. No mixtures of vegetation with disposables and **no household or putrid/rancid garbage.** Putrescible waste is **“solid waste that contains organic matter (i.e. food waste) capable of being decomposed by microorganisms and of such a character and proportion as to cause obnoxious odors and to be capable of attracting or providing food for birds or animals.**

**VEHICLE LOADING**

Load your vehicle as follows: disposables, scrap metals, charitable items and then cardboard. Items will be unloaded in reverse order.

**CELLULAR PHONES**

Phones and chargers will be collected at the I.D. Check

**CARDBOARD**

Empty and flatten boxes. No, food-contaminated, foil-covered, or wax-coated boxes.

**LIFE CENTER THRIFT**

Accepts usable furniture, small household items, clothing, sporting equipment, toys, etc.

**SCRAP METAL**

**REMOVE ALL FLUIDS** from lawnmowers, weed eaters, chainsaws, etc. prior to recycling. **No refrigerators or other items with compressors.**

No propane tanks – recycle them for **FREE** at the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility located at the entrance to the Tacoma Landfill. For information call **591-5418.**

**E-WASTE RECYCLING**

Computers, monitors, and TV's recycled for **FREE** at Lakewood GOODWILL 6002 Mt. Tacoma Dr SW Information - call **573-1333**

**TIRE RECYCLING**

L&S Tire Company  
9215 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW,  
Lakewood, WA  
(253) 582-5556

Accepts any size tire in any condition. Prices vary by size, type and service classification.

**RECYCLE QUESTIONS**

Call **1-800-RECYCLE** or go to **Pierce County Recycling Menu on the internet.**

Your adherence to these guidelines will help us provide you with a cleanup event that is safe, efficient, and fun. Thank you.