



# UNIVERSITY PLACE VOLUNTEER CENTER

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## **Silent auction to support youth and senior activities**

Support your University Place youth and senior recreation programs by participating in this pancake breakfast and silent auction fundraising event. Join us on Saturday, April 3 in the Curtis High School Cafeteria, and enjoy mouthwatering pancakes and bid on some fantastic items in the silent auction. Proceeds go towards supporting recreation programs in University Place.



Call today to reserve your spot, tables are going fast and this will be a sellout event! Call the U.P. Recreation Department at 253.460.2530 to reserve your table of 8 today!

## **University Place Spring Flower Show and Plant Sale**

If you are longing for spring, be sure to mark your calendar for the University Place Spring Flower Show and Plant Sale! It is scheduled for May 1 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and May 2 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Homestead Park Rhododendron Garden Patio, 3715 Bridgeport Way W.

The Exhibit features one of the largest Rhododendron truss displays on the west coast. The plant sale includes hundreds of unique varieties of rhododendrons, roses, fuchsias, dahlias, ferns and other unusual perennials and companion plants grown by local Northwest vendors. For information on how to get involved either as a plant vendor, volunteer, or truss exhibitor call Gary Becker at 253.265.2796.

## **VikingFest**

**Bazaar, Food, & Fun!**



Curtis Senior High School will be holding its first annual Viking Fest on Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Sunday, April 25 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. This event will be held in Curtis Senior High School's brand new gymnasium. Viking Fest appeals to all ages ranging from our younger elementary crowd to our extremely encouraging senior population within our community. With varieties of food, bazaar, and many types of fun entertainment! The support from community members is flying in as well as the support of a great deal of outside community members and we are excited for this to be a great success! Everyone is invited to come and enjoy VikingFest!

## **Grant writers and fundraising volunteers needed**

The University Place Volunteer Center seeks volunteers to help with grant writing and fundraising for the center. This may involve going out into the community and asking for sponsorships as well as writing and submitting grants to local and national foundations. Hours are flexible.

Skills: Excellent writing skills, willing to make phone calls, motivated, grant writing experience is a plus.

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## Join Tahoma Audubon Society for Birdathon!

April 25 - May 31, 2010



Do you care about our environment? Do you want children to get outside and have beautiful and safe places to explore? If so, please join the Tahoma Audubon Society for Birdathon, our biggest and most successful fundraiser of the year!

The money we raise from Birdathon goes toward supporting our educational and conservation programs as well as many other activities that public and private grants don't cover.

We would love to have you be a part of Birdathon. Beginning birders as well as expert birders are all welcome! Go to [www.TahomaAudubon.org](http://www.TahomaAudubon.org) and sign up to get more information, or to donate. You may also call Cami Kesinger at Tahoma Audubon at 253.565.9129 or [CKesinger@TahomaAudubon.org](mailto:CKesinger@TahomaAudubon.org) for assistance on how to get started!

### Adventures in Community Service

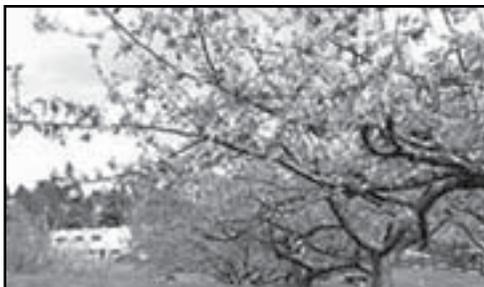
#### **Colegate Park Spring Clean-up**

March 28, 2010, 12 – 4 p.m. rain or shine!

Bring your own gloves, good spirits, rakes, and clippers! U.P. Citizens for Saving Our Parklands and the City of University Place will provide plastic bags, grabbers, and some bottled water. Refuse collection containers courtesy of UP Refuse. For more information contact Greg Bodhaine at 253.678.9116.

### Curran Apple Orchard work parties

Are you interested in helping out in University Place's very own Apple Orchard? Volunteers are needed on Saturday, April 10, and June from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., from to help with cleaning up branches, pruning trees, and installing red sticky apples for apple maggot control. Be sure to wear work clothes and dress for the weather. Report to the barn for work assignments. For questions or more information contact Molly Wolfe, 253.564.2562.



### Audubon Seeks Volunteer Receptionists!

The longstanding environmental group, the Tahoma Audubon Society, seeks volunteers interested in environmental protection to help our office and staff. Are you looking for some office experience? Do you love nature and the environment? If so, read on!

**What do the Tahoma Audubon Receptionists do?** Audubon receptionists are often the face of our organization, greeting park visitors and assisting Tahoma Audubon's staff by answering phones, checking office messages and sorting mail. They are essential members of Audubon's team, serving our staff and membership on a daily basis to answer bird inquiries, direct individuals who find sick, dead, or injured birds, and move the cause of environmentalism forward.

**When and where do your receptionists volunteer?** Our receptionists normally volunteer one day a month, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the Adriana Hess Wetland Park Office, located at 2917 Morrison Road, University Place, Washington.

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