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Refresh UP Campaign a success!

We are pleased to announce that all five grant applications pursued by the Refresh UP campaign have been declared finalists in the January Pepsi Refresh Project. This means that pending the completion of paperwork, all five of the grants, totaling \$65,000, will be awarded to Refresh UP recipients. This is in addition to the \$30,000 in grants that Playground by the Sound was awarded for December.

- Playground by the Sound - \$25,000
- Alison Bird on behalf of Playground by the Sound - \$5,000
- Pierce County Library Foundation - \$25,000
- University Place Volunteer Center - \$5,000
- Marie Peterson on behalf of City of University Place Parks and Recreation - \$5,000

Only thirty two grants are awarded each month nationwide. It is a unique success to have five grants awarded in a single month to benefit Pierce County, and University Place in particular. Special thanks go to Linda Bird and her son Jon Bird, who were the driving force behind this co-op.

Refresh UP would like to thank the thousands of supporters that accepted the challenge to vote all three ways each day. This is a great example of several groups working together to benefit our community.



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Find U.P. Parks & Rec on Facebook!

The University Place Parks and Recreational Department is very excited to announce the launch of their new Facebook page!

With the massive budget cuts in Parks & Recreation in 2010, the department has dug into their creative side with marketing and advertising for their programs in 2011. The biggest cut to their budget was the mailing of the Parks & Recreation Program Guide that was mailed to homes in the community three times a year. Since then, the guide has gone "green" and is available only online, which has saved money for the department, but has also meant a short fall in registrations for nearly all the programs offered.

The community is beginning to become accustomed to the online program guide, and now with the launch of Facebook, that will only help reach the community about programs and activities that are available through the Parks and Recreation Department.

The community will have the opportunity to "like" the page and in turn will be alerted with updates for the department and what is going on in the community. The Facebook page will allow information for upcoming events, programs and registration deadlines, as well as trips and tours, cancellations, and rain out information for sports teams.



The Parks and Recreation staff is looking forward to this new venture into social media! Login to Facebook today and become a part of the University Place Parks & Recreational link!



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April 4-8



Parents, no need to worry about a sitter, taking off work or finding daycare for spring break. Register your child for Spring Break Camp UPlay where they will participate in sports, arts & crafts, a field trip, movie day, Guitar Hero and much more! Day camp takes place April 4-8 for grades kindergarten through 5th.

For more information contact Brason Alexander at balexander@CityofUP.com or 253.460.2530. Register today, space is limited!

Black Tie Ball & Auction a success!



On February 4th it was a night to remember at the First Annual Black Tie Ball & Auction held at the Fircrest Golf Club. Organized by the University Place Community Supported Parks & Recreation Organization, guests enjoyed an evening of dinner and dancing with live music provided by the band Fingertips. Proceeds from the event will benefit the University Place Parks & Recreation Department. We look forward to seeing you next year at the Black Tie Ball & Auction!



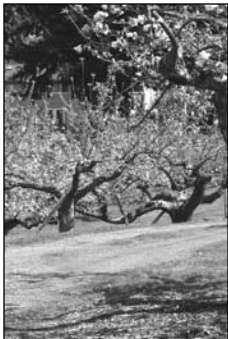
Troop Leaders Needed!

Volunteer as a troop leader and work with girls from K-12th grade in University Place! You must submit a volunteer application and background check in order to start the volunteer process. Please contact Shannon Lippert at 798.5011 for more questions.

Reserve the Senior Center for your event!

Rent the University Place Senior Center! Located at 2534 Grandview Dr. West our location is easy to find and centrally located. The main room holds up to 88 people and is a fantastic space for small to medium sized gatherings. The commercial kitchen is included in all rentals or can be rented separately. For additional details please call, 564.1992.

Pruning & Work Parties at Curran Apple Orchard Park



Come and volunteer at the unique Curran Apple Orchard Park. Learn from Master Gardeners that will guide and teach you how to prune and care for the apple orchard trees. Pruning Parties are Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on March 12, April 9, and May 11. For more information contact Molly Wolfe at 564.2562 or Dave Gallagher 223.0039.



Coaches Needed!

Be a part of making this baseball season a successful season! Coaches are needed to keep this great program going for boys and girls from Pre-K to 7th grade. Registration deadline is March 11. For more information contact U.P. Parks & Recreation office at 253.460.2530.



2011 Team Sponsorships Needed!

Don't miss out on this incredible marketing opportunity! City of University Place Youth Athletics served over 2,000 kids in 2010 in our four sports seasons (basketball, baseball, indoor soccer, and flag football) equaling more than 175 teams! We are looking for sponsors for this year's teams. Team sponsorship helps support each individual sports league by helping pay for uniforms, equipment, officials, facilities, maintenance, scheduling and administration of these leagues. Your sponsorship also supports the entire community recreation program by showing your individual/businesses support of the great recreation opportunities provided and the wonderful parks that we have in our community. Call the Recreation Office for a sponsorship application or visit us online at www.CityofUP.com, and don't forget to check us out on Facebook.

What the sponsor receives:

- Your business name on the back of the team uniforms
- Your sponsorship classified as a tax deductible donation
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- Your business receives a team picture/thank you sponsor plaque for your wall

\$195 for Sponsorship of one team

\$700 for Sponsorship of 4 teams (one in each sports season)

\$1,000 for Sponsorship of 6 teams

Your sponsorship is paid to the "UP Community Supported Parks and Recreation" a 501c3 organization. EIN # 27-2280288