

# OLD TOWN NEWS

CITY EVENTS, CITY COUNCIL, DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES,  
& MUNICIPAL CODE INFORMATION

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Por favor llame 248-0432 para obtener información en español

## FREE RIDE TO THE FAIR!

Direct park and ride to the  
**Central Washington State Fair**  
from the parking lot at the

 **UNION GAP FIRE STATION**  
107 W. AHTANUM RD

### UNION GAP TRANSIT SHUTTLE HOURS

DEPARTS ABOUT EVERY 30 MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 20-29, 2019

SHUTTLES BEGIN AT 10AM



**CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE FAIR**  
PRESENTED BY LEGENDS CASINO HOTEL

**SEPT. 20-29 | YAKIMA**



City of  
**Union Gap  
TRANSIT**

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We currently have vacancies on the Planning Commission and Park Board. Appointed by the City Council, the board and commission members offer their knowledge and experience to advise and inform the City Council on a variety of issues to help shape the community.

Additional information can be found at: <https://uniongapwa.gov/forms>





# TOURISM UPDATE

EXCITING EVENTS • WINE TASTING • STATE FAIR SEPTEMBER 2019

## BOOK YOUR ROOM NOW FOR THE CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE FAIR!

Union Gap's Best Western Plus Ahtanum Inn is the Official Headquarter Hotel of the fair.

All 4 of the Union Gap hotels are minutes away from the great food, entertainment, exhibits and of course the rides!

Highlights include: Josh Turner, Nelly, Night Ranger and Creedence Clearwater Revisited!



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**SEPTEMBER 20-29 • AT THE STATE FAIR PARK**

## VINTIQUES UN-RUN AT FULLBRIGHT PARK

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 • 9 AM - 2 PM**

Come check out amazing vehicles of all types. Bring the whole family for another great *"Free Family Fun at Fullbright"* event!

The Un-Run is a one-day affair, open to **ALL** makes, models, types and year special interest vehicles, put on by **Vintiques of Yakima**.

**FREE ADMISSION FOR SPECTATORS!**

**FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT:**

**MARIA & DICK ELLIOTT (509) 697-5324**



## ARCHERY FEST 2019



The Barony of Vulkanfeldt in the Kingdom on An Tir formally invites you to attend Archery Fest at Union Gap's Fullbright Park. This event draws archers from throughout the Northwest. You can sign up to participate, or just show up and watch!

**SEPTEMBER 20-22**

**VULKANFELDT.ANTIR.SCA.ORG**



# PLAN YOUR CORPORATE TEAM BUILDING DURING HAUNTED OCTOBER!

Are you ready for a team building experience like no other? Contact **ESCAPE THE MADDNESS** and plan your event during October. Your team will escape from the *Pirates Cove Plunder*, *Pharoh's Tomb* or the all new *Slaycation* room. Plus, experience the Yakima Valley's best haunted house - *Madd Hatter's Haunt* and the *Haunted Trail*.



[www.escapethemaddness.com](http://www.escapethemaddness.com)

[escapethemaddnessinwa@gmail.com](mailto:escapethemaddnessinwa@gmail.com)



## YAKIMA VALLEY KENNEL CLUB AGILITY TRIALS

It's one of the largest agility trial shows in Central Washington and they have over 200 dogs participating annually. Spectators are welcome. Register prior to October 3rd.

**OCTOBER 18-20**  
**FULLBRIGHT PARK**  
**FOR DETAILS, VISIT: [www.r2agilityonline.com](http://www.r2agilityonline.com)**

## SAVE THE DATES

Union Gap has multiple events throughout the year, here are some of the highlights you should know about.

- **SEPTEMBER 20-22** - Archery Fest 2019 at Fullbright Park
- **SEPTEMBER 28** - Vintiques Un-Run at Fullbright Park
- **SEPTEMBER 20-29** - Book your rooms for the Central WA State Fair
- **OCTOBER 12-13** - Agri-Copia formerly the Plowing Bee Spectacular at the Central Washington Ag Museum
- **OCTOBER 18-20** - Yakima Valley Kennel Club Agility Trials
- **OCTOBER** - Madd Hatter's Haunt
- **OCTOBER** - Escape the Maddness Escape Rooms
- **OCTOBER** - Union Gap Corn Maze & Pumpkin Patch
- **Farmer's Market at Valley Mall**  
Sear's parking lot - Every Sunday until 10/27

**BOOK YOUR UNION GAP HOTELS - GREAT RATES AND FREE BREAKFAST!**

EMAIL: [info@visituniongap.com](mailto:info@visituniongap.com)

CALL: (509) 575-8770

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# STREET LIGHT OUTAGES

Please report any inoperable streetlight to the Public Works Administration Office at 225.3524. To help expedite the repair, it would be helpful to provide the address closest to the pole and the pole number if possible. Help us keep Union Gap safe and well-lit.

## YARD WASTE PICK UP

The Public Works Department will pick up your bagged yard waste, weighing less than 40 lbs thru April 30. Basin Disposal will pick-up beginning May 1 thru November 30 – after which PW continues doing so.

Please contact Public Works Administration office at **225.3524** to schedule a pick-up. During the first week of January, Basin Disposal will collect one Christmas tree per residence at no additional charge to you. Please place your tree next to your garbage container for pickup.



## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019

A great turnout and lots of fun to be had at the Annual National Night Out at Loudon Park in Union Gap.







# #smalltowntourismchat

**Join us for this month's  
#smalltowntourismchat  
Wednesday, September 18th,  
2:30pm PDT / 5:30pm EDT**

**Our guest co-host is @ShastaCascade**  
The Shasta Cascade region is in UpState California and is known for glistening lakes, world-class rivers, scenic drives and back-country roads.

Co-hosted with  
**@ShastaCascade**

## HYDRANT FLUSHING PROGRAM

The Water Department will be conducting annual maintenance, to the domestic water distribution system, beginning in September. The process is to systematically flush water through the fire hydrants to remove non-toxic manganese and iron oxides, which occur naturally. The purpose of this operation is to enhancing water quality; identify hydrant and valve malfunctions; as well as identify potential weaknesses in the system.

As part of our maintenance program, the City will introduce a low dose of chlorine throughout the entire system as a precautionary and disinfection measure. The estimated time frame for the chlorine to run through the entire system is approximately four (4) weeks.

To minimize the potential impact, to residential and business areas, flushing will be conducted during the following hours: Residential between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. AND Business between 11:00 p.m. and 3:30 a.m. You will be notified prior to maintenance occurring in your area. While the hydrants are being flushed, it is not abnormal to observe periods of discolored tap water, which may last several hours. However, it is anticipated that any water discoloration will not impact the majority of Union Gap's water users.

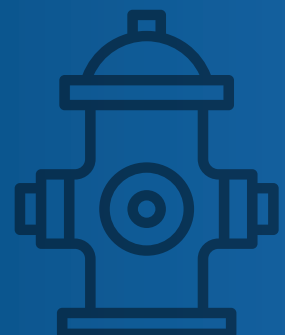
### ***Before maintenance:***

- Fill a pitcher, with tap water, in order to have water available for drinking and cooking.

### ***During & after maintenance:***

- Be aware of any cloudy or discolored water and stop using if possible;
- this will prevent discolored water from being drawn into your water service.
- Wait for the tap water to clear prior to using.
- Be aware that sediments may stain clothing if doing laundry.
- Do not operate a dishwasher; minor amounts of sediment may be drawn through your dishwasher.
- Do not operate a water purifier; operation may cause it to clog or plug the filter device.

In advance, we appreciate your assistance and patience during this necessary water system maintenance. If you, or your business, have special needs during these off hours please contact the Public Works Administration Office.





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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### WEBSITES

Published on a quarterly basis to  
keep citizens informed

City Business: [uniongapwa.gov](http://uniongapwa.gov)  
Union Gap Tourism: [visituniongap.com](http://visituniongap.com)  
Xpress Bill Pay: [xpressbillpay.com](http://xpressbillpay.com)

### PHONE DIRECTORY

#### 102 W. AHTANUM ROAD

City Hall	248-0432
Fire	575-6060
Park Reservations	248-0432
Treasurer / Clerk	248-0432
Utility Billing	248-0434
Newsletter	248-9202

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Building / Planning	575-3638
Code Enforcement	248-0430
Public Works	225-3524

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Police	248-0430
Crime Prevention	457-5927
Animal Control	248-0430

#### 1000 AHTANUM ROAD

Senior Citizen Center	248-2668
Activities/Barn Rentals	248-0432

#### TOURISM & TRANSIT

Tourism Promoter	575-8770
Union Gap Transit	574-8000
UG Transit TTY	574-8000

### MAYOR & COUNCIL

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Position #1  
**John Hodgkinson** ~ 424-0993

Position #2  
**James Murr** ~ 426-0838

Position #3  
**Roger Wentz** ~ 930-7023

Position #4  
**Dave Butler** ~ 452-8631

Position #5  
**Dave Matson** ~ 945-2139

Position #6  
**Julie Schilling** ~ 453-2446 Ext. 3

Position #7  
**Sandy Dailey** ~ 248-6351

#### MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor  
**Roger Wentz** ~ 930-7023

Deputy Mayor  
**Dave Matson** ~ 945-2139

### CITY STAFF

*City Manager*  
**Arlene Fisher**  
248-0432

*Director of Public Works &  
Community Development*  
**Dennis Henne**  
225-3524

*Director of Finance &  
Administration*  
**Karen Clifton**  
248-0432

*Police Chief*  
**Greg Cobb**  
248-0430

*City Attorney*  
**Bronson Brown**  
628-4700