

# OLD TOWN NEWS

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

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**UNION GAP**  
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## CENTRAL WASHINGTON AGRICULTURE MUSEUM

Join the Central Washington Agricultural Museum as they kick off the 2023 Season on April 1st from 12pm-4pm - Admission is FREE! This is a self-guided WALKING TOUR (*the drive through route will be closed except to trams, for the safety of families*) so wear comfortable shoes!

***There are ACRES to explore!***

### SCHEDULE

*SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

**Noon - 4pm**

Olde Yakima Letterpress Open

**Noon - 4pm**

All museum exhibits open

**Noon - 4pm**

Building #1 woodshop tours

**Noon - 4pm**

Engine Demo showing moving parts  
(Building #17)

**Noon - 4pm**

Blacksmith demonstration

**12:30pm**

Veterans Memorial Dedication

**12:30pm - 3:30pm**

Kiddie Train Rides

**1pm - 3pm**

Horse~n~Harness group  
horse-drawn wagon rides

**1pm - 3pm**

Apple Packing Line demonstration

**TBD**

Lindeman Exhibit



**AG MUSEUM T-SHIRTS AND HATS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

More details at [www.centralwaagmuseum.org](http://www.centralwaagmuseum.org)





PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE



### LOCATION

Union Gap Senior Center  
1000 Ahtanum Road  
Union Gap, WA 98903

# SENIOR MEALS

Please call to register for meal at:  
**(509) 426-2601 or 1-855-426-2601**

### DINING ROOM INFORMATION

- Age 60 or older no cost (\$2.50 *suggested donation*)
- Serving lunch at 8 locations

Monday – Friday  
11AM - 11:30AM

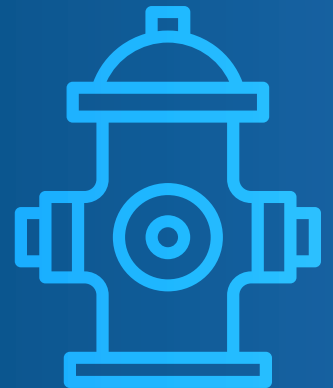
Meal registrations are required in order to ensure we have enough meals and table settings. Reservations need to be made at least the day before you plan to attend by 3PM.

- Serving traditional American or Hispanic meals

Transportation is available pending location, please call  
**509-457-1111** for more information.

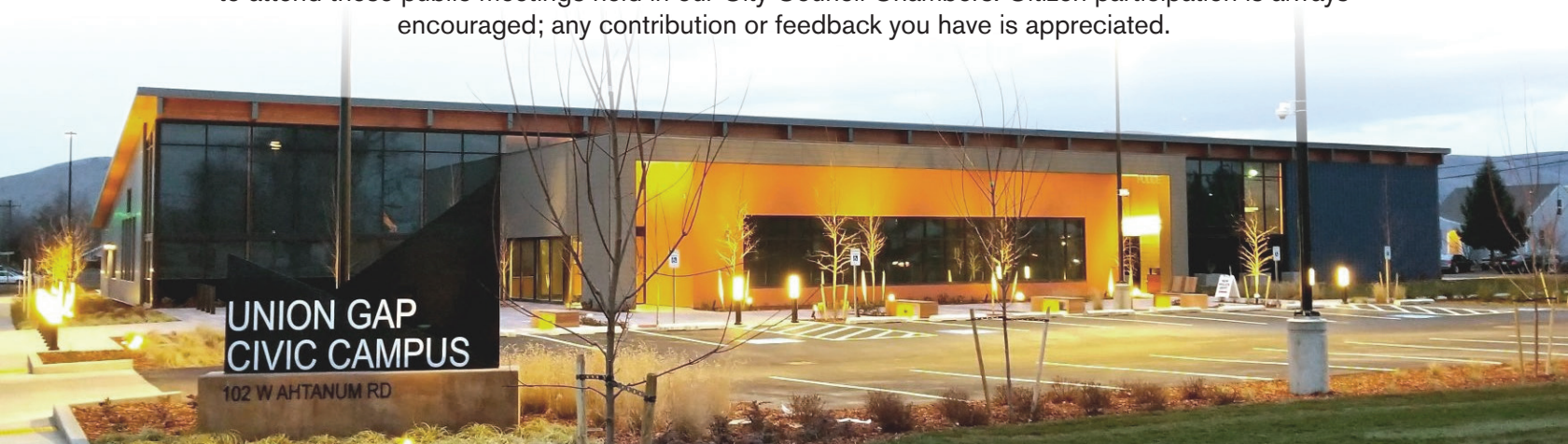
## CITY OF UNION GAP HYDRANT FLUSHING PROGRAM - 2023

During the warmer months, the City will be conducting our annual hydrant flushing program. The program includes flushing a low dose of chlorine into the system and systematically flushing the lines to remove/clean the water lines. We will let you know when the dates have been determined - please check out the next newsletter for more information.



## City Council Meetings & Council Committee Meetings

City council meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6pm. Council Committee meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 6pm. Please feel free to attend these public meetings held in our City Council Chambers. Citizen participation is always encouraged; any contribution or feedback you have is appreciated.



# OLD STEEL CAR SHOW

26<sup>th</sup> year

1964 FORD GALAXY 500



1954 FORD CUSTOMLINE

10AM-3PM

## Sunday, April 23, 2023

CENTRAL WASHINGTON AG MUSEUM, UNION GAP, WA

**Pre-Registration \$20**

**Day of Event \$30**

*Register by April 9, 2023. The First 200 Registrations  
Receive a Goodie Bag & Dash Plaque.*

***One of the Region's  
Largest Outdoor  
Spring Car Shows!***

- \* Demonstrations
- \* Museum Activities
- \* Trophies
- \* 50/50 Drawing
- \* Theme Basket Drawings

***All Cars, Trucks,  
Motorcycles & More  
are Welcome to Enter!***

- \* Delicious Food
- \* Door Prizes
- \* Free Admission for Spectators
- \* Great Family Event!

**State Farm**



Joel Goesch



STEVE MCLAUGHLIN



For more information call 509.457.8735 or email [info@centralwaagmuseum.org](mailto:info@centralwaagmuseum.org)

Find the registration form under the events tab on <https://www.centralwaagmuseum.org/>



# LIBRARY / COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS



The City is pleased to announce, that Concord Construction Inc. was awarded the Library & Community Center project. Citizens should see some type of onsite construction around the first of May.



## Spring Has Officially Sprung!

While trimming trees, mowing lawns and planting flowers, please be mindful of the following. While fertilizers and sprays promote healthy plants and beautiful yards they are also full of chemicals that are not only harmful to yourself; but also to the Storm Water Quality Management Program (SWQMP). Stormwater drains must be kept clear of lawn clippings, leaves and garbage to help keep them clear and limiting the chances of flooding in your yards and/or home.

Stormwater drains are not processed like a sewer system – drain flows directly into our riverbeds and local streams without a sanitization process. By limiting the amount of fertilizer and/or the number of times you fertilize your yard, you can contribute to a safer environment for all. A great alternative to fertilizer is lawn mulch - one lawn mulching session is equivalent to one treatment of store bought fertilizer. With your help we can work together to create a healthier environment by using the above tips. Remember, we are the solution to stormwater pollution!

## FREE to Union Gap Residents

Bring in your drivers licence (ID) or proof of residency into City Hall to receive your **FREE PARKING PASS**. One pass per household, valid for one year from the date issued.

**VALID ONLY FOR THE AHTANUM YOUTH PARK**

## FREE “Spring Clean-Up”

### CITY OF UNION GAP

On **Saturday, May 13 2023, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**, the City of Union Gap and Basin Disposal will be sponsoring the Annual “*Spring Clean-Up*” program. There will be **four (4) disposal sites**, set-up throughout the City, for residents to dispose of their yard waste. The site locations are as follows:

**Fire Station Parking Lot**  
107 West Ahtanum Road

**Ray’s Wholesale Meats Parking Lot**  
2112 South 3rd Avenue

**Cahalan Park Parking Lot**  
2100 South 18th Street

**Loudon Park Parking Area**  
3607 4th Street

This **FREE** service is for Union Gap residents only. The disposal sites are for **yard waste only**; if your waste is bagged, you will be asked to remove the bags prior to dumping into the disposal containers.

The City is unable to assist in bagging yard waste. However, we would like to encourage disabled residents and senior citizens to contact us for assistance in **hauling** your bagged yard waste to the disposal sites. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

**Public Works & Community  
Development Administration Office**

509.225.3524



**Yard sale or garage sales shall be permitted as an accessory use to a dwelling**, provided all of the following provisions are met:

- Only two (2) yards sales per dwelling unit per years shall be allowed; and
- Each yard sale shall not exceed three (3) days in duration.

(Ord. 2274 § 1 (part), 2000)



The City of Union Gap contracts with the Yakima Human Society for animal control services.

For problems with stray animals or other animal control issues please call:

**(509) 248-0430**

## WHO TO CALL FOR ASSISTANCE?

**EMERGENCY - 24 HOURS A DAY / 7 DAYS A WEEK:** All life threatening emergencies - **dial 911**

**AFTER NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS, WEEK-ENDS AND HOLIDAYS:** All non-life threatening emergencies (i.e. water line breaks / sewer back-ups) - dial **509.248.0430\***

**DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS:** All issues that can wait until normal business hours - dial the appropriate number listed on the back of this newsletter.

*\*After normal business hours, week-ends, and holidays the Police Department transfers their business line to SUNCOMM Communications - the 911 call center for Yakima County and dispatch for the Union Gap and Yakima Police Departments.*

CITY OF UNION GAP  
102 W. AHTANUM ROAD  
P.O. BOX 3008  
UNION GAP, WA  
98903-0008

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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  
**Jack Galloway** ~ 452-2966

Position #5  
**David Hansen** ~ 388-8898

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

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

#### MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor  
**John Hodgkinson** ~ 424-0993

Deputy Mayor  
**Roger Wentz** ~ 930-7023

### CITY STAFF

*City Manager*  
**Sharon Bounds**  
494-6562

*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