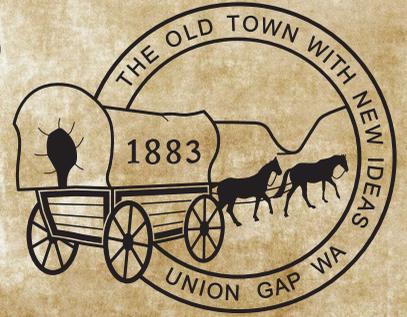


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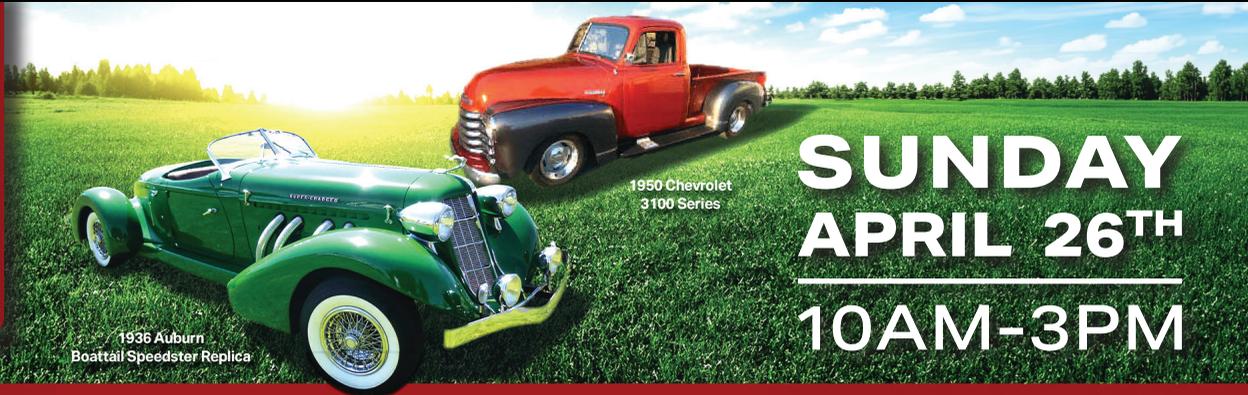
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**SUNDAY
APRIL 26TH
10AM-3PM**

CENTRAL WASHINGTON AG MUSEUM IN UNION GAP, WA



**FULL EVENT
DETAILS**



Our 2026 event season kicks off on April 26 with the Old Steel Car Show. Last year we set a record with more than 300 registered vehicles and over 1,200 spectators in attendance. If it has wheels and an engine it belongs at the Old Steel Car Show! Register by April 15 for the discounted rate of \$20. After April 15, registration increases to \$30. The first 200 registered participants will receive a swag bag and dash plaque. In addition to an incredible lineup of vehicles, guests can enjoy food vendors, museum demonstrations, door prizes, and so much more. Best of all, this event is free for spectators. Non-food vendor spaces are still available but food vendor spots are currently filled.

If you're interested in participating as a vendor, please reach out to Cheryl at cwam.ed.coordinator@gmail.com

You can find car show registration details on our website:
<https://www.centralwaagmuseum.org>

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Follow the **City of Union Gap** on Facebook to get the latest updates on city news, local events, and important community information.

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AG MUSEUM MARKETING WORKSHOP

We are excited to host our first-ever Ag Museum Marketing Workshop on April 1st and 2nd right here at the museum. This workshop is designed specifically for small museums, agricultural clubs, and heritage organizations. Participants will take part in sessions focused on volunteer recruitment, membership growth, social media strategy, event marketing, fundraising, and grant writing.

Full details and registration information are available at:
<https://cwammarketingworkshop.eventbrite.com>



TUESDAY CREW

Many volunteers also enjoy being part of our weekly Tuesday Crew. Join us any Tuesday starting at 8:00 a.m. to work alongside a great group of people tackling everything from restoration and woodworking to machinery and engine repairs — whatever project needs attention. Coffee break is at 10:00 a.m., and lunch is at noon.

STAY AS LONG AS YOU WOULD LIKE- WE PROMISE YOU WILL HAVE FUN.



HORSE-N-HARNESS GROUP

The Horse-n-Harness Group of the Central Washington Agricultural Museum is excited to host its 10th Annual Horse-n-Harness Clinic on Saturday, April 4, beginning at 9:30 a.m. This hands-on clinic is open to all experience levels—whether you're new to working horses or simply looking for a refresher. Participants and spectators alike are welcome to enjoy a day of learning, tradition, and practical experience. Reservations are required. Call (509) 985-9135 by Friday, March 27 to register. Participation fee is a \$20 donation to the Central Washington Agricultural Museum and free to museum members.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR?

We are still welcoming sponsors for the 2026 season. When you sponsor the Central Washington Agricultural Museum, we make sure your business is recognized all year long. Sponsor banners are displayed year-round at the museum, where thousands of visitors see your name and logo regularly. Sponsors are also recognized on our social media platforms and in print materials for each event. Interested in becoming a sponsor or learning more about becoming one?

Please contact **Charlie Brooks** at charlie.brooks@smgnational.com for additional information.



SPORTS ARE BACK AT THE AHTANUM YOUTH PARK!

It has been a few years, but recently, Union Gap has seen the return of some youth and even adult sports leagues! This year, we will see a Youth Soccer League, a Youth Rugby league, a Youth Flag & Tackle Football League and even a Table Tennis League utilizing The Ahtanum Youth Park.

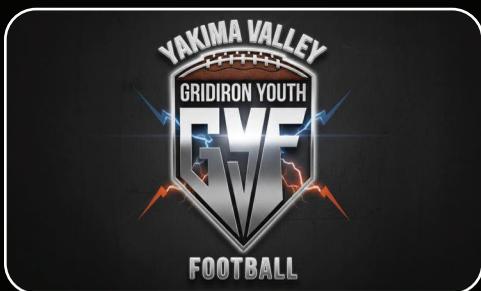
Please note, Union Gap has simply provided the space for each of these leagues at the Ahtanum Youth Park. If you are interested in checking out each of these leagues, please contact them directly. Information on schedules and costs can be found by reaching out to the respective groups;



Youth Soccer
Yakima Valley Champions League
www.yvcl.org or call Thomas at (509) 952-1570



Youth Rugby
Yakima Youth Rugby
www.yakimayouthrugby.org



Youth Football
On Facebook at Yakima Valley Gridiron Youth Football
Call Tiny at (509) 833-7963 or Stevie @ (509) 830-5756



Table Tennis
On Facebook at Yakima Table Tennis Club
Call (509)930-0332 or email at pingpong77@aol.com



WELCOME OFFICER HINZE

Officer Hinze joins us from the Selah Police Department, where he has served since 2023. Before that, he spent many years serving this community as an EMT, volunteer firefighter, and reserve police officer. He continues to serve as a volunteer firefighter.



WELCOME OFFICER DRUMHELLER

He joins us from the Yakima Police Department and brings over eight years of law enforcement experience to our team. As you see him out in the community—responding to calls and visiting local businesses—be sure to say hello and welcome him to Union Gap.



FUNDRAISING EVENT: JUNE 21, 2026

The Union Gap Police Employee Foundation
Old Town Days – Pancake Feed at Fullbright Park.
Your support is helping our community.

SPAGHETTI FEED!
AT FIRE STATION 43
107 W. AHTANUM RD.
APRIL 25, 2026 • 4:00PM - 7:00PM

JOIN US FOR A GREAT MEAL & FUN WITH THE FIREFIGHTERS!

YOUR SOLID WASTE HAS BEEN UPGRADED!

Something new for 2026 our residents may not be aware of yet, unlimited trash service! Residents now pay a set monthly rate, no matter if you have an extra few bags of trash, a mattress, a couch or even an appliance!

But what's the catch you ask? Here is what you need to know; If you fill your 96 gallon container and have extra bags of trash, please place those additional bags of trash next to your container in order to be picked up. Forty (40) pounds maximum per bag please. If you have bigger items like a mattress, a couch or an appliance to dispose of, you must notify the City's Utility Department of the item. Those larger items may be picked up the same day of your service or within the next business day. Keep in mind, ALL appliances must have the refrigerant properly removed prior. Any appliances with the refrigerant will still be disposed of but will result in a charge for the disposal.

For more details, don't hesitate to call City Hall with your questions 509-248-0432.

MIND THE DRIVEWAY!

Picking up the kids? Please stay "parking proactive" and ensure you aren't blocking local mailboxes or private driveways. A little extra space goes a long way in keeping Union Gap a great place to live. Thanks for being a considerate neighbor!

LOST A DOG?

HERE ARE SOME TIPS FOR YOU!

IF YOU ARE MISSING A DOG PLEASE FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

- Fill out a lost report with the Yakima Humane Society, include a picture, age, location dog went missing from, chip information if they are chipped, breed, gender and any collars they may have been wearing.
- Post on the many lost and found pages on Facebook. Be sure to add general location dog went missing from with a picture for reference.



- Make large missing flyers and post in the area the dog went missing, maybe a neighbor has seen the dog.
- Contact your local animal control to see if any dogs matching the description of yours have been picked up or spotted.

TO FILE A REPORT PLEASE VISIT
<https://yakimahumane.org/services/lost-found/>

YAKIMA HUMANE SOCIETY
509-457-6854

CITY OF UNION GAP ANIMAL CONTROL
Phone - 509-248-0430
Email - amanda.graham@uniongapwa.gov

PINK PATCHES

These are available for \$10.00 at the Union Gap Police Department. These were designed by the Union Gap Police Employee Foundation, and proceeds will help us continue to help families in our community that need immediate short term assistance.



UNION GAP POLICE EMPLOYEES FOUNDATION

Partner with us through Donations or Sponsoring!
Contact us on Facebook at [Union Gap Employee Foundation](#)
or email: ugpefoundation@gmail.com



WELCOME OFFICER KINCAID

Officer Kincaid came to us as an entry applicant from working as a dispatcher at Suncomm 911 Communications Yakima.

<https://www.facebook.com/Suncomm911>



WELCOME OFFICER SEDGE

Graduated from the basic law enforcement academy, class 929.

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Newsletter (509) 248-9202

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Code Enforcement (509) 248-0430
Public Works (509) 225-3524

Police (509) 248-0430
Crime Prevention (509) 457-5927
Animal Control (509) 248-0430

1000 AHTANUM ROAD

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Activities/Barn Rentals (509) 248-0432

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Tourism Promoter (509) 575-8770
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