



THIS WEEK IN RENTON

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Memorial Day Celebration Monday, May 30, 1pm

Honor and remember: Memorial Day at Veterans Memorial Park

Our annual [Memorial Day ceremony](#) returns as an in-person event on Monday, May 30, at 1 p.m. in [Veterans Memorial Park](#) (523 S. Third St.). We hope you'll join us as we honor those who died in service to our country.

The program includes welcomes from Mayor Armondo Pavone and Darrell Pilat from VFW Post #1263 in Renton. In addition, Renton Police Department Honor Guard will present the colors and wreaths representing each branch of service, first responders, and MIAs will be presented.

Anne Martin from Hazen High School will sing our National Anthem. Holly Mauery from Lindbergh High School will close the ceremony by singing America the Beautiful.

The featured speaker is James M. Collins, Major General, U.S. Army (Retired), Civilian Aide Emeritus, Secretary of the Army for Washington state.

Our special thanks to Frank R. Vaise, VFW Post #1263, and Fred Hancock, American Legion Post #19, for their leading roles in the program.

Next door to the park, Renton History Museum offers free admission and is open before and after the ceremony, from 12 to 3 p.m. Their feature exhibit is "With the Ring," a history of marriage in Renton.

All city facilities will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of the holiday.

Memorial Day 2022: Remembering Allison Oubre

Kelsey Urban works as the city's risk manager. She also served 11 years in the U.S. Navy as a helicopter pilot.

On May 19, 2009, she lost her best friend and fellow pilot Allison Oubre in a training accident.

For Kelsey, Memorial Day is deeply personal. Earlier this week, [she reminisced about Allison, their friendship, and the meaning of Memorial Day.](#)



"Meet Me at the Market" Tuesdays, 3-7 p.m., Piazza Park

Farmers Market opens 21st year on June 7

[Renton's Farmers Market](#) returns to [Piazza Park](#) when it opens its 21st season downtown on Tuesday, June 7, at

3 p.m. The market will be open every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m. through Sept. 27.

The market brings some of the best locally grown flowers, fruits, and vegetables; fresh baked goods; meats and cheeses; wines; mead; ciders; and handmade crafts to the Renton community. In addition, the Kid's Patch activity area returns, and there'll be live music supported by Renton Municipal Arts Commission and tips from WSU's Master Gardeners.

Eligible shoppers can utilize the SNAP Match program. SNAP/EBT shoppers' purchases are matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$40 each market. As a result, SNAP/EBT effectively doubles their buying power and provides additional revenue for Washington family farmers.

Logan Street, which runs between Piazza Park and Market West, will be closed to traffic during the market, creating a pedestrian-friendly environment. Park for free in the nearby City Center Parking Garage (655 South 2nd St.).

Find more information on Renton Farmers Market on their [website](#), or [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) accounts.



Saluting Dale Walker and Walker's Renton Subaru

Mayor Armondo Pavone and Renton School District Superintendent Dr. Damien Pattenaude today honored owner Dale Walker of Walker's Renton Subaru and staff for their contributions to our schools.

Dale and his team have donated \$1 million from Subaru's Share the Love program to Renton Schools Foundation and Communities In Schools of Renton-Tukwila. The money has provided free STEM summer camps, art & music supplies, and classroom resources.

Thank you Dale, and the Walker Subaru team, for choosing to invest and support our local youth. Renton thrives through innovative public-private partnerships like this.



Kennydale Beach Park reopens

Our parks planning and natural resources division is overseeing three ongoing construction projects. Here's the latest on each:

Kennydale Beach Park: The park reopened on May 26 following [construction of a new playground for ages 2 to 12](#). The project also included a new fabric shade covering the 2 to 5-year-old play structure in addition to a stand-alone shade structure. Funding was from the division's Parks Capital Improvement Program.

Kiwanis Park: The park is [undergoing a complete makeover](#) and is closed for the rest of the year. Funding comes from the 2019 Parks Bond.

Cascade Park: A [playground replacement project](#) started on May 23. The park is open, but the existing playground area new playground area, and a portion of the paved drive at 126th Avenue SW will be closed through July. Funding comes from the Parks Capital Improvement Program.



Uniting Talent With Opportunities

RENTON CAREER FAIR

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2022, 12-3 P.M.

Renton Technical College Cafeteria, 3000 NE 4th St

RTC RENTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE
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To register and for a list of current employers:
[GORENTON.COM/RENTON-CAREER-FAIR](https://www.gorenton.com/renton-career-fair)

Visit with over 70 companies at June 3 Career Fair

The [Renton Career Fair](#) is Friday, June 3, from 12 to 3 p.m. in Renton Technical College's (RTC) cafeteria. Over [70 businesses and organizations](#) will be in attendance and looking to hire.

Need help with your resume? RTC staff will provide [free drop-in resume help](#) via Zoom on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 31, and June 1, from 3 to 4 p.m.



City of Renton Recreation Division

Let's Go Renton!

June-September 2022

INSIDE: SUMMER CONCERTS & MOVIES!

Summer Fun for All Ages!

Renton Parks and Recreation
rentonwa.gov/recreation

Recreation

Register now for summer recreation programs

The parks and recreation department has just published [Let's Go Renton!](#), their guide to activities and events for all ages through the summer.

Inside you'll find schedules for our summer movies, concerts, entertainment series, day camps, sports camps, specialty camps, and events, including Renton River Days and 4th of July. In addition, there are adaptive recreation programs and adult fitness and general interest classes from meditation to self-defense. Finally, our seniors (50+) will find pages full of day trips, socials, and sports.



Puget Sound Starts Here.org

Stormwater Management Action Planning

Our Surface Water Utility is developing a [stormwater management action plan](#) (SMAP). The plan will guide policies, projects, and actions to improve surface water quality, reduce flood risk, and protect aquatic habitat in a high-priority watershed basin.

We have limited funds and need to prioritize how and in which basin to implement the SMAP. That's where you can make a difference. Explore the [SMAP process](#) and [weigh in with your ideas](#) to help us select a high-priority watershed for improvement. We would also value [your feedback on a survey](#).



Downtown Renton WINE WALK

RENTON DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP

The [Downtown Renton Wine Walk](#) returns on Friday, June 3, from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

The walk is perfect for wine lovers, from beginners to connoisseurs. Sample from over 20 varieties of wines and chat with the winemakers as they pour their choices. All while enjoying a walk in Renton's downtown.

[Tickets are \\$30 in advance](#). If available, they will be \$40 on the day of the event. Participants must provide proof they are 21 to purchase. Event check-in is at the Rain City Market, 700 S. Third Street.

The admission price includes:

- Ten tastings
- A map of the tasting locations
- A souvenir wine glass
- An event wristband

Bottles of wine will be available for purchase tax-free the night of the event only.

Event proceeds benefit the Renton Downtown Partnership and support future programs and beautification projects in Downtown Renton.



Recycle event on June 11

Our next [recycling event](#) is Saturday, June 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Renton Technical College’s north parking lot (NE 6th Place and Monroe Ave NE).

We’re accepting:

- Mattresses and box springs
 - \$15.00 cash for each piece
 - Must be dry with no excessive stains, bed bugs, or blood stains
- Cardboard (must be flattened)
- Tires: car, pickup, truck, and motorcycle
 - Bias ply, steel belted, and studded tires accepted
 - Remove tires from rims
 - Limit 10 tires per load
 - No semi-truck or tractor tires

In other news this week

A recap of news posted on the city’s social media accounts. You can find us (@cityofrenton) on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), & [Twitter](#). Renton residents can also find us on [Nextdoor](#).

[City Council update](#) (agendas, documents, and video from the most current meeting)

[COVID-19](#) (vaccine locations, current mandates, resources)

[Parks Projects](#) (Kennydale Beach, Kiwanis, Coulon)

[Pop-Up Lunches on Tuesdays](#)

[Recreation Guide](#) (current classes, activities, leagues & events)

[Traffic Projects](#) (impactful traffic around the city)