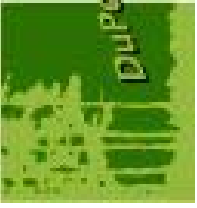


# News From City Hall

City of DuPont  
March 2004



## Highlights From City Hall

**Landscape Maintenance:** The City Council recently awarded a contract to Tru Green Land-care, which increases the level of service available for maintenance of Center Drive, Wilmington, Haskell and Palisades. A drive down Center Drive showcases the significant improvement in the level of care. This is one of the items the City indicated would be accomplished with the increase in the property tax rate.

**Water Master Plan:** The City is engaged in a process of updating its Water Master Plan to insure that adequate water source and facilities will be in place to accommodate the growth of DuPont. DuPont is fortunate to have fairly new water facilities and a good source of ground water. Our Water Master Plan is reviewed and approved by the Department of Health.

**Public Safety Facility Planning:** The inadequacy of the current police and fire facilities are a priority concern for the Mayor and City Council. Over the next few months the City will begin studying options for developing a new public safety facility.

**Fire Master Planning:** The Fire Department has just completed a process involving community stakeholders to evaluate the direction and model for fire service. This important effort has generated many good ideas for consideration and action.

These are just a few of the many issues being considered by your Mayor and City Council.

## School Boundary Update

The issue of re-aligning the school district boundaries within the City of DuPont has been an on-going process since about 1987. Round 1 of this current process ended last year with the Puget Sound Regional Committee on School District boundaries rendering a decision that will formally transfer all of the Clover Park School District's boundary area within the City of DuPont to Steilacoom Historical School District #1. The decision did not set a date for that transfer or a process and timeline for the fair and equitable adjustment of assets and liabilities and bonded indebtedness and special levies that pertain to property parcels within the transferred area.

The second round of the process ended on March 3 with the Regional Committee making a decision to transfer the properties in questions by September 1, 2008, and effecting the transfer of tax obligations and assessed valuation to SHSD #1 by March 1, 2009, with the effective date of impacts on SHSD property tax rates beginning January 1, 2010. This action concludes, for the foreseeable future, the involvement of the RC in this process.

This is a much slower transfer process that SHSD had advocated for, but it does provide the certainty for us to do our advance planning for facility development with a much clearer and solid calendar. It is indeed a strong, positive outcome for our district's taxpayers, since they will see a substantial tax reduction in the near future, and it's also a victory for DuPont residents since their vision of "one great city — one great school district: will be come a reality.\*

\*The complete text of this report can be found at [www.steilacoom.k12.wa.us](http://www.steilacoom.k12.wa.us).

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VOLKSSPORT EVENTS



Walkers, runners, and bikers of all ages are invited to participate in the 12th annual Volkssport Event in DuPont. The event features a 5k walk, two 10k walks, a 15k bike ride and a 25k bike ride. The event is sponsored by the Over the Hill Gang Volkssport Club and the City of DuPont. Walk on groomed trails and sidewalks throughout the City.

The event begins at the DuPont City Hall on Saturday, March 27 with participants beginning any time between 8AM and 1PM, and concludes at 4PM. This is a sanctioned event for IVV credit at a cost of \$3.00. FREE WALKERS AND BIKERS ARE WELCOME. Pre-registration is not required. For additional information please contact Jack Maxey at 253-927-4580 or email jackmaxey@prodigy.net.

NOTES FROM FRIENDS OF THE DUPONT LIBRARY



The Pierce County Library System and Friends of the DuPont Library are excited to announce the tentative opening of the DuPont Library on Saturday, May 1st. The library is expected to be open Tuesday through Saturday with some evening hours. Plans continue for a gala fund-raiser open house, and a community celebration. Friends will also sponsor an on-going used book sale after the library opens. Stay tuned for more information about the new library and hours, the grand opening events and how and where to donate books for the book sale.

The Bookmobile will continue its Saturday visits to City Hall (1:30-2:00) and the Clock Tower Green (2:30-4:00), until the opening of the library in May. If you haven't already done so, be sure to take the time to visit the Bookmobile and check out some of the varied selections of books and other materials available each week.

Spring Family Storytimes presented by staff from the PCLS will be on Thursdays at 1:30 from March 18th through April 15th at the Clock Tower Village Apartments. The programs, which include stories, fingerplays and movement games, are geared to preschool children, but all ages are welcome. Please call the PCLS Youth Services Department at 536-6500 to pre-register.

Friends look forward to continuing our involvement in the community, and encourage interested residents to join us. Annual membership dues are \$10.00 per person or \$15.00 for a family. The group's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the Clock Tower Village Apartments Clubhouse.

Contact Christy MacAnnaly, President (964-2310) or Lois DeYoung, Vice President (912-0757) with any questions about the group or library services.

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UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

Mar 22 & 23 ... No Building Inspections
22 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
23 ... City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall)
27 ... Volkssport (8AM to 4PM begins at City Hall)

Apr 6 ... Park Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
7 ... Civil Service Meeting (6PM City Hall)
10 ... Egg Hunt (11:00AM Lake Sellars Park)
12 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
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This newsletter and upcoming City events may be found online at the City website — www.ci.dupont.wa.us.

YOUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

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Councilmember Penny Coffey 964-8769 or pcoffey@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Roger Westman 964-8121 or rwestman@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Joan Baird 964-8121 or jbaird@ci.dupont.wa.us

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Public Works 912-5381
Building Department 912-5387
Fire Department 964-8414
Police Department 964-7060
Website www.ci.dupont.wa.us
Non-Emergency Police Number 798-4721

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