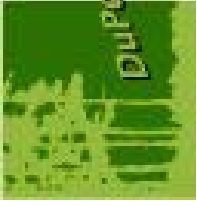


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City of DuPont

November/December 2003



DuPont Station Update: Commercial Development Takes Off!

Many citizens have been inquiring about what's going in at DuPont Station next to Exit 118. Mark Rowe and Greg Moore of Quadrant have provided the following information.

The buildings under construction along Center Drive and Wilmington Avenue will house Farrelli's Pizza and Pool Co., Mail Boxes Etc., DuPont Florists, Quizno's Subs and Sandwiches, Koko's Teriyaki, DuPont Cleaners, Security State Mortgage, Karen Dunn Insurance and DuPont branch of the Pierce County Library. This 2.76 acre site was purchased by Miravest for mixed use development. Occupancy will be occurring between January and March 2004, with Farrelli's being first.

A new 77-room motel, Liberty Inn, will be constructed on the northwest corner of Palisade and Wilmington.

A Mexican restaurant, Viva Mexico, will be constructed on the south side of Wilmington, west of the Sound Transit Center. Construction is expected to begin in November of this year.

Quadrant has a signed agreement with a medical office user to purchase 1.5 acres to build an office/retail building for occupancy in 2004.

Construction of the Ross Loop roadway connecting McNeil and Wilmington through the center of DuPont Station will be completed in early 2004.

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DuPont, WA 98327

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City Elections Bring New Faces to the City Council

The City of DuPont will see five new faces on the City Council as a result of the recent general election. New Councilmembers will include Penny Coffey in Position 4, Linda Cumberbatch in Position 5, Roger Westman in Position 1, and Alana Bullis in Position 3. Mayor Steve Young, leaves his seat on the City Council to assume the Mayor's duties. The new Council will quickly move to fill the seat vacated by Young. All but one of the positions was previously filled by appointment. As a result, the newly elected officers will take office when sworn in on November 19th, the date the election is certified by the Pierce County Auditor. Linda Cumberbatch will take office in January after Councilmember Bob Barro completes his term of office. The Mayor and City Council will participate in an intense training session on November 22nd for newly elected officials. It will cover our form of government, legal issues, and a discussion of major goals and expectations.

DuPont, WA . . . A Rich History and a Vibrant Future

YOUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Steve Young	964-2495 or syoung@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Bob Barro	912-0201 or bbarro@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Penny Coffey	964-8769 or pcoffey@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Roger Westman	964-8121 or rwestman@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Alana Bullis	964-8121 or abullis@ci.dupont.wa.us

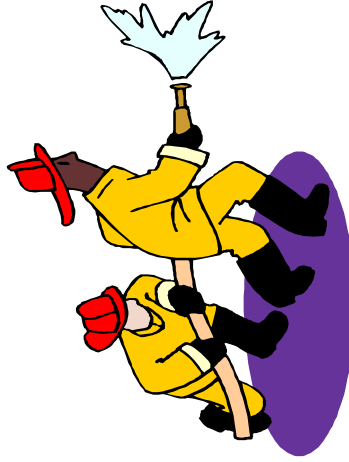
FREQUENTLY USED NUMBERS

City Hall (information)	964-8121
Planning Department	912-5388
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

Always call 911 in an emergency

Add Some Excitement to Your Life ... Become a Volunteer Firefighter

The DuPont Fire Department is looking for men and women to serve as Volunteer Firefighter/EMTs. Applications may be picked up at the Fire Department or on the City website at www.ci.dupont.wa.us. The Firefighter Academy will be starting in January 2004, so please get your applications in soon.



Happy Holidays

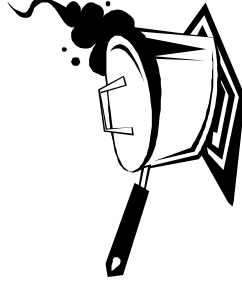
UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

- Nov 19 ... Mayor/Council oath of office and reception (4:00PM City Hall)
 24 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City hall)
 25 ... City Council Meeting and Public Hearing for 2004 Budget (7PM City Hall)
- 27 ... Thanksgiving Day (City Hall Closed)
 28 ... Thanksgiving Friday (City Hall Closed)
- Dec 1 ... Park Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 3 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 3 ... Civil Service Meeting (6PM City Hall)
 7 ... Advent Celebration & Children's Holiday Faire (7PM DuPont Presbyterian Church)
 9 ... City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 17 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 18 ... Santa Visits Yehle Park, Hoffman Hill, El Rancho Madrona (5PM to 7PM)
 19 ... Santa Visits Edmond Village, Palisades, Historic Village (5PM to 7PM)
 19 ... Santa visits City Hall (7PM City Hall)
 23 ... City Council Meeting — **CANCELLED**
 25 ... Christmas Day (City Hall Closed)
- Jan 1 ... New Year's Day (City Hall Closed)
 5 ... Park Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 7 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 7 ... Civil Service Meeting (6PM City Hall)
 13 ... City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 19 ... Martin Luther King Day (City Hall Closed)
 21 ... Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall)
 27 ... City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall)

Kitchen Fires

More than 20 percent of all residential structure fires in Washington State start in the kitchen. DuPont has had three serious kitchen fires in the last eleven months. Each was started by food left on the stove while people were gone from their homes.

The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers Ten-Community Study of Behaviors and Profiles of People Involved in Residential Cooking Fires reports that officials estimate the number of unreported cooking fires may be as high as nine times the number of reported fires. It also confirmed that unattended cooking was the most prominent contributing factor to fires in the home.



To Prevent a Cooking Fire:

- Keep an eye on your cooking.
- Wear short or close fitting sleeves.
- Watch children closely.
- Clean cooking surfaces.
- Do not leave cooking unattended.

If There is a Fire: React Fast!

- Call the fire department immediately.
- Slide a pan lid over flames to smother fire.
- Turn off heat.
- Have a fire extinguisher and proper training.
- Have a working smoke alarm.

Remember to develop a home safety and escape plan. Smoke alarms should be tested regularly and batteries changed at least twice per year.

For further information on fire prevention and safety topics, please contact the DuPont Fire Department at 964-8414. In an emergency call 9-1-1.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING

It is the time of year when everyone is busy rushing around trying to get their holiday shopping completed. Everyone should be aware of a few safety tips:

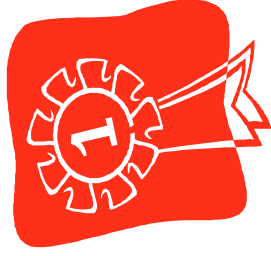


- Know where you are and where you are going;
- Pay attention to your surroundings;
- If possible, do not carry a purse or backpack. Take a small coin purse or card wallet that will fit in your pocket;
- Is anyone watching what purchases you make or what you have in your wallet?
- Do not leave wallets or purses unattended in a shopping cart;
- Do not leave anything in the car. Criminals watch for you to place packages in the car or truck and walk away to continue shopping.
- Park in well lighted locations;
- Park in locations close to heavily traveled entrances;
- Look around as you approach your car and have your keys in hand and ready;
- Always shop with someone else – use the buddy system.

Most importantly, use common sense and enjoy your holiday season.

DuPont Business Wins Regional Award

Congratulations to Haider and Sheree Marri, owners of the Barksdale Station Subway for winning the Franchise of the Year award for the Western Region of the United States. Recipients of this award are honored for their accomplishments in sales, community involvement and their efforts to build awareness of the Subway brand within their area. Mr. And Mrs. Marri also own a Subway franchise in Tenino.



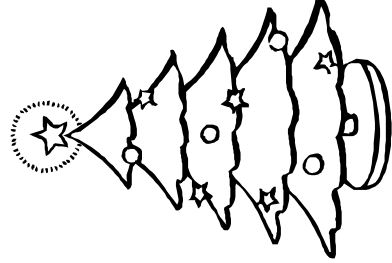
Please scoop! It's the law!

Once again, City Hall is receiving complaints about residents who do not clean up after their dog while out walking. Be sure to keep plastic grocery bags in your dog-walking coat pockets so you have one when you need it and please obey the law.



TREE LIGHTING

The date for the City of DuPont tree lighting has not been set as of the printing of the newsletter. As soon as the date is available it will be published on the City website at www.ci.dupont.wa.us.



NEWS FROM PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department would like to thank those citizens who have reported broken limbs and fallen trees. We strive to make sure that your surroundings and the trails are safe and free from such debris and we would like to encourage you to report any such occurrence.

We have also received a few reports of water collecting on the side of the roads. This can be prevented by cleaning the leaves off the catch basin grates next to your house. The Public Works Department would appreciate any help regarding this matter.



The daylight hours are getting shorter so this is a good time to check your surrounding streetlights and report those that need to be repaired. Please record the number on the pole along with the location and contact City Hall at 964-8121. We will forward the information to Puget Sound Energy. This usually takes Puget Sound Energy 2-3 days to repair, but can take up to a week. If the repair has not been done within a week, please do not hesitate to call us back and report it again.

Thank you, in advance, for your help.

WANTED ...

If you are interested in becoming a Civil Service Commissioner, please contact City Hall at (253) 964-8121.

SANTA TO VISIT DuPONT



A memo was received from the North Pole stating that Santa would be paying an early visit to the City of DuPont this year. In cooperation with the DuPont Fire Department, Santa will be visiting DuPont neighborhoods for two evenings and will also be at City Hall to meet the City's children. Santa's schedule will be as follows:

- Thursday, December 18 from 5PM to 7PM – the main streets of Yehle Park, Hoffman Hill, and El Rancho Madrona
- Friday, December 19 from 5PM to 7PM – the main streets of Edmond Village, Palisades, and the Historic Village
- Friday, December 19 from 7PM to 9PM – Santa will be passing out gifts to the children at City Hall

If you would like to bring a gift for your child, it needs to be at City Hall by 5PM on the 19th. Please be sure it is labeled with your child's name. Also, any additional donations of toys will be accepted. Please gift wrap and label each gift with the gender and age of the child to receive the toy.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

The DuPont Police Department began a Neighborhood Watch Program with our first meeting on October 21st. Citizens who want to be involved in their community and maintain their quality of life operate the program. Program participants will be having meetings to educate and coordinate its members regarding safety and awareness.

We are actively seeking people who want to be a part of the program. The program coordinator is Christy MacAnally, a DuPont Police Volunteer. If you want to join the program, you may leave a message for Christy or Gina Hooft at 253-964-7060.

Sgt. Mike Cummings



Fort Lewis Soldiers Lend a Hand on Make a Difference Day

On Friday, October 24, soldiers from Fort Lewis spent the day helping remove the engine from the locomotive at the museum (Historic Train Restoration Project), which they took to Fort Lewis to repair. They also helped at the Fire Station preparing the land for the irrigation and landscaping work the fire fighters and volunteers will undertake.

We are so very grateful to:

Detachment Leaders: **CPT Victoria Campbell** and **SFC Donald Smith**, both of whom helped on the train project and the fire station project
Project Coordinators: **SGT James Shockley**, mechanic/train project and **PV2 Laquinta Miller**, train and fire station worker
SGT. Angel Saladiuz, mechanic
SPC Terence Jones, mechanic
SPC George Akrins, mechanic
PV2 Doneisha Codes



LEAD & COPPER MONITORING

The City would like to thank all those who participated in the annual Lead and Copper monitoring program. The program samples for lead and copper in residents' homes. The residents collect their own samples and the City pays for the testing. The targeted locations are homes that have copper pipes and that were built before lead was banned in the solder used to join the copper pipes. Lead was banned in 1985. The results of these tests as well as all other water quality monitoring is available upon request.

SCHOOL DISTRICT DECISION

The decision on Steilacoom's petition to be DuPont's only school district will be made on Tuesday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fife School District board room. There will be no public testimony taken. School district staff will be present to answer any questions.

