

EVERSON CITY NEWSLETTER

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Bicycles: As we head into Spring, more and more people will be out on their bicycles. As a reminder, please make sure that you **lock up** or secure your bicycles when they are not in use. Bicycles that are found to be abandoned or turned in, are typically picked up by the City of Everson and secured at one of our facilities. If you find your bicycle to be **missing or stolen**, please **notify the Everson Police Department immediately**.

We also offer **bicycle registration**. You can **contact the Everson Police Department**, and your bicycle can be registered by providing the following: make, model, serial number and description of the bicycle, including any additional features that make that bicycle unique. As mentioned above, when bicycles are found or turned in to the City, they are stored for several days, so please contact us at 360-966-4212, and **we can check if your missing or lost bicycle was turned in**, so we can get it back to you. Thank you, and everyone **please ride safe and always wear a helmet**.



Everson Street Projects

Scheduled Street Projects:

- **Kirsch Drive Improvements**— Len Honcoop Gravel was awarded the contract for reconstruction of Kirsch Drive. Construction will begin soon.
- **Lincoln Street Improvements Phase 1 & 2**— We are in the design and engineering phase. Construction estimated to begin summer of 2017.
- **Sable Drive Overlay**—In conjunction with Phase 2 of Hawk's Landing.

Unscheduled Street Projects:

- **Winter Thaw Damage**—The City has submitted for Federal Aid to help fund repairs to several streets damaged by the quick thaw we had earlier this year. Awaiting outcome of that request.



Everson Garden Club Plant Sale -Sat, April 29th, 9am-1pm

Everson Elementary School Lawn, 216 Everson Goshen Rd

Offering lots of colorful perennials, (unusual as well as the old stand-bys), natives, shrubs and small trees at well-below retail prices. All their plants thrive in Whatcom County.

Vendors will offer veggie starts, specialty plants and crafts.

For information contact Linda Burpee, 592-5456.

Put Your Pipes on a Fat-Free Diet

It's not something we think about when we pour leftover grease down the drain, but wastewater treatment plant operators across the state wish folks would put their pipes on a fat-free diet.

Most blockages in sewer systems can be traced to the presence of fats, oils, and grease (FOG), creating sewage spills and sewage overflows both on private property and in city streets. For those of you with septic tanks, it can mean more frequent pumping of your septic system. Many people believe that pouring grease down the drain and following it with lots of hot water will keep the fats liquefied and carry them safely through the pipes. This is not true. *Cont. next pg...*

City Hall Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 8:30—4:30

- **Fingerprinting** *By Appt Only*
- **Passports** *Walk-in Hours:*
T-Th, 9—11am & 2—3:30pm
- **Concealed Pistol License (CPL)** *By Appt Only*
For residents within the City limits of Everson & Nooksack.
- **Notary Public** *Walk-in Hrs:*
During regular office hours

Call 360-966-3411 to schedule an appointment, or visit our website www.ci.everson.wa.us

ARE YOU PREPARED?

I hope you are enjoying your spring weather after our unusual winter. Take time now to prepare for the next round of fall and winter weather associated with the great Northwest which includes wind, rain, snow and ice events. There are FEMA documents available at the Everson City Hall and McBeath Library for your reading and information. Also, check our website, www.ci.everson.wa.us for links to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).



Pipes on Diet *Continued...* Fats, oils, and grease cool down very quickly and can solidify after traveling only a few feet.

Raw sewage in the pipes will attach to fats, oils, and grease, creating impenetrable globs that back up sewer lines. These globs of fats, oils, grease and waste are difficult to dislodge in the pipes and disinfect at the treatment plant and can allow disease-causing pathogens to enter nearby streams, lakes, and rivers.

Cleanups are difficult and costly, and blockages can cause raw sewage to back up into streets and possibly even into homes and businesses. You can help keep fats from clogging pipes by disposing of grease properly. Here are three tips:

- 1) Never pour fats, oils, or grease down the drain.
- 2) Never flush fats, oils, or grease down the toilet.
- 3) Always put grease in the trash.

Pour hot oils or grease into heat-proof containers, such as a tin can, and cool before putting it in the trash. You may even freeze the grease for easier disposal. Wipe greasy pans and dishes with paper towels before washing them and throw the paper towels into the trash to keep as much grease as possible out of your drains.


These tips can help prevent expensive plumbing repairs and sewage overflows. You can save yourself costly repair bills, keep our rivers and streams clean, and save operational costs at the wastewater treatment plant. Put your pipes on a fat-free diet. Please dispose of grease properly.

NO DUMPING



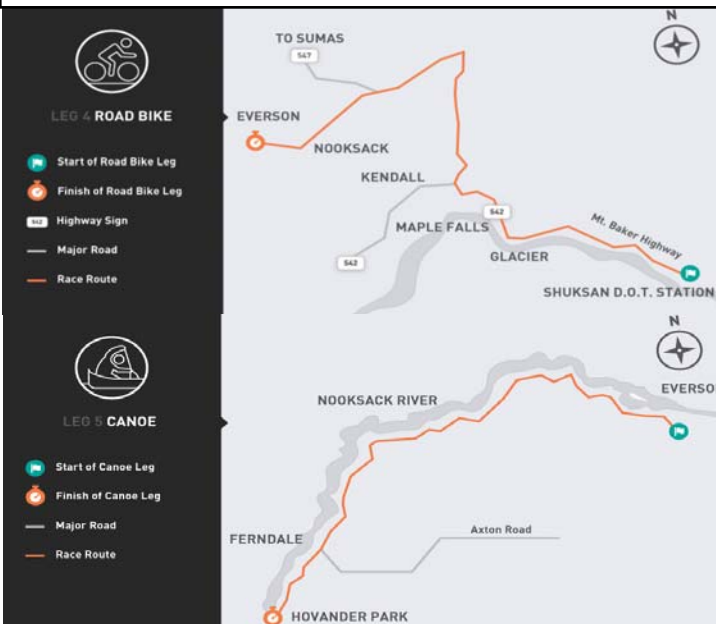
DON'T LEAVE YOUR GARBAGE ON THE SIDE WALKS, FINES WILL BE APPLIED





Ski to Sea Race — May 28, 2017

Please watch for cyclists on the roadway & come cheer for the teams at Riverside Park!



Notable Dates

- Apr 8th Spring Clean Up Day—Strandell Shop
- Apr 11th City Council Meeting 7pm
- Apr 13th Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- Apr 25th City Council Meeting 7pm
- Apr 27th Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- May 9th City Council Meeting 7pm
- May 11th Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- May 23rd City Council Meeting 7pm
- May 25th Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- May 29th City Hall Closed—Memorial Day
- June 8th Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- June 13th City Council Meeting 7pm
- June 22nd Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
- June 27th City Council Meeting 7pm