SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION
Youth spring sports registration opens on Monday, Dec. 4! First up is spring soccer, which is offered to youth from toddler-aged to 8th graders. Matches are generally held on Saturdays in March and April at Covington Community Park and Kentwood High School. There is also one weekend evening practice per week that is determined by the volunteer coach.

After soccer, we will transition to t-ball, coach pitch, and baseball. These games are held on Saturdays at Kentwood High School in May and June and also have one weekday evening practice per week that is determined by the volunteer coach.

Volunteer coaches are always needed. If you can help out with a practice or come to a game, please contact us. Pre-registration is required and can be done online at www.covingtonwa.gov/cac or by calling (253) 480-2480.

WINTER REC PROGRAMS
Registration for Covington Parks and Recreation winter classes is now open. This winter we bring you a great selection of classes from educational to fitness to sports skills and more!

Bring the family to one of our free Star Parties at Covington Community Park to star gaze with members of the Seattle Astronomical Society or try the Owl Prowl at Soos Creek Park where you will learn about and see owls in their natural habitat.

Active kids can also enjoy gymnastics, the Kids Love Soccer program, dancing classes, RazzKids, karate, Ninja Kids, and EBI Basketball Skill Classes. We also offer Super Sitters and Safe at Home classes as well as art, Musikgarten, and Kids in the Kitchen classes. Active adults can take karate, Stroller Strides and Stroller Barre, Bootcamp and Zumba Gold classes. Register today at www.covingtonwa.gov/parks.

2018 MINOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM BEGINS IN JANUARY
The City’s Minor Home Repair Program will have new opportunities to apply for a Minor Home Repair grant beginning in January 2018. This Minor Home Repair Program is funded by a Community Development Block Grant and provides free home repair for eligible minor home repair projects like repairing or replacing hot water heaters, gutter damage, and other types of problems.

To be eligible, the home must be owner-occupied and located within city limits. There is a one-year residency requirement and homeowners must have no plans to sell their home within a year. Owners must also be income eligible according to HUD income guidelines. These new low to moderate income guidelines will also be available in January.

For more information about this program, please contact the city’s human services office at 253-480-2411.

CITY COMMISSION OPENINGS
Do you want to be an advocate for parks and recreation in Covington? Would you like to be a proactive participant in city government? Now is your chance to get involved because the Parks and Recreation Commission has three openings for adults or youth (age 14-18) who live inside Covington or within a three mile radius of city limits.

Applications for commission openings can be found on the city website at www.covingtonwa.gov or by contacting Deputy City Clerk Joan Michaud at jmichaud@covingtonwa.gov. Applications will be processed in December and interviews are scheduled for Jan. 9.

HOLLYDAZE FLOAT-IN MOVIES
CATCH A HOLIDAY MOVIE WHILE ENJOYING A DIP
The Hollydaze Float-In Movies have moved to Saturday evenings this December. Register online for one, two or all three of the events that include viewing classic holiday films and fun activities with prizes!

Float-in movies will be held on the following dates:
- Saturday, December 2 - 6-8 p.m.
- Saturday, December 9 - 6-8 p.m.
- Saturday, December 16 - 6-8 p.m.

Pre-registration is required and can be done online at www.covingtonwa.gov/cac or by phone at (253) 480-2480.

WINTER BREAK SWIMMING
While the weather outside may be frightful, we think the pool is quite delightful! This winter break, the Covington Aquatic Center will be open for all regularly scheduled programs throughout the break except for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year’s Eve, and New Year’s Day.

The aquatics center will also have some extra “No School” swims on designated weekdays, which offer 90-minute swims at the regular 1-hour public swim rate. The “No School” swims will be held on the following dates:
- Monday, December 18 – Friday, December 22 - 1-2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 26 – Friday, December 29 - 1-2:30 p.m.

SEAHORSE DAY TO CELEBRATE ART IN COVINGTON
If you’ve been to or driven by the Covington Aquatic Center, chances are you have seen the SeaHorse sculpture created by artist Ben Dye. The sculpture was installed at the Covington Aquatic Center on December 13, 2014, and it has become a beloved landmark and mascot of sorts since its installation. The Covington Aquatic Center’s Youth Swim Team even adopted the SeaHorse as their mascot.

To celebrate the SeaHorse’s third anniversary in Covington, the Covington Aquatic Center will be collecting donations to benefit the Covington Public Art Fund on Wednesday, Dec. 13. For stopping by and donating $2 or more that day, donors will receive one free admission coupon to use for a public swim any time in the remainder of the month. So, please, come feed the SeaHorse!

HOLLYDAZE EVENTS - DEC. 2
Don’t miss out on Santa riding in on the fire truck this year! Beginning at 4 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 2, craft activities for kids, live performances, hot cocoa, cider and treats will kick-off the community tree lighting event located by the Don Henning Roundabout next to Fred Meyer!

The Covington Kiwanis Club also provides a variety of other activities around town during their Hollydaze event. You can enjoy a brisk run (or walk) in the Reindeer Dash 5k, grab some grub at the annual Pancake Breakfast, or shop dozens of vendors at the Hollydaze Craft Bazaar. More details and times for these activities can be found online at www.covingtonhollydaze.com.

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