



# The Town Crier

City of Algona

FEBRUARY 2014

## Welcome New and Re-elected Council Members

The City is pleased to announce our newly elected council member— Dawn Dofelmire. Dawn holds council position no. 4., and brings a wealth of knowledge and assets to our City. Dawn will most certainly represent our citizens well.

Lynda Osborne has been re-elected to council position no. 2, and will continue to serve her community effectively and successfully. Congratulations to both members!!

## Representative Linda Kochmar to Hold 30th District Town Hall Meeting, Saturday - February 22

Representative Linda Kochmar will be holding a town hall meeting at Algona City Hall Council Chambers on Saturday, February 22, from 3:00 to 4:30 PM. She would like to hear from you about the issues that impact our community. Anybody is welcome to participate, and all questions and comments are encouraged. Contact Representative Linda Kochmar's office at 360-786-7898 with any concerns or suggestions you may have.

Please remember to license your pet to ensure their safety and your peace of mind. Pet licenses can be obtained at Algona City Hall, 402 Warde Street. Animal control is provided by Metro Animal Services and can be contacted at 253-299-PETS (7387), or e-mail at [www.metroanimalservice.com](http://www.metroanimalservice.com).



### Fact:

*Keeping pollutants out of the water isn't just a good idea - it's the law. The Washington State Water Pollution Control Law (RCW 90.48) and the King County Code (KCC 9.12) prohibit the discharge of pollutants to the storm drainage system, surface water and groundwater. Direct dumping of material or polluted stormwater can negatively affect every water body it enters.*

### Algona City Council

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The Algona City Council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

The Council conducts workshop sessions the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

All meetings of the City Council are open to the public

**Council Meetings**  
2nd & 4th Tuesday

**Visit our website at:**  
[www.algonawa.gov](http://www.algonawa.gov)



**Home Town Community Services** is happy to see you Monday-Friday. The center is open from 8AM to approximately 1 PM. Please come by to chat, get a cup of coffee or tea, grab a snack and stick around for Stone Soup lunch made fresh and served at noon. We are currently sharing space with the Algona Pacific Church of God. We

offer low impact exercise Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM. Join us Wednesdays at 10 AM for crafts that vary

in difficulty. Some of those only take a few minutes and some last a few weeks. On

select Thursdays we offer a free new item give away.



## Boeing Fabrication Auburn Site Updated Website

The Washington State Department of Ecology has updated their web pages regarding the Boeing Fabrication Auburn Site. The pages offer information on past practices, site history and background, the cleanup process, timeline, definitions, and resources. Please visit <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/hwtr/cleanupSites/boeing-fabn/index.html>, and take a look around.

## Be Careful of What You Dispose of Into The Sewer

Being careful of what you dispose of into the sewer lines will help our system be more efficient and cause fewer backups. A sewer backup can create a stressful situation for the homeowner and can cause health and safety concerns.

- ☞ Don't pour household products such as cleansers, beauty products, medicine, auto fluids, paint, and lawn care products down the drain.
- ☞ Don't put excess household grease (meat fats, cooking oil, butter, and margarine, etc) diapers, condoms, and personal hygiene products down a drain or flush them.
- ☞ Don't pour used motor oil down the drain. Wastewater treatment facilities are designed to treat organic materials, not hazardous chemicals.



## Mayor's Message

## Algona City Staff

### Coming in 2014

We are going to be busy this year!

One project we are proceeding on is the planning and conceptual design of a new Community Center and City Hall. We have a scoping committee consisting of two city council members, two planning commissioners, a resident that asked to be appointed, a resident that was appointed, a resident teenager, the city administrator and myself. We have met several times and conducted a survey of other residents in December 2013. We have hired an architect with experience in planning community centers. We received a \$125,000 grant from the 2013 State Legislature to finance this phase.

We will be preparing some conceptual plans of the proposed Community Center/City Hall in the next few months. Once we have proposed plans, we will be holding an open house to receive public comments. We plan to go back to the Legislature in 2015 to seek help in funding this project. Most likely, we will apply for grants from several sources to help finance the construction. When completed, a Community Center will provide the residents of Algona with a meeting place and services we can offer for many years to come.

We just completed the overlay on West Valley, including a dedicated left turn lane for south bound traffic. This was accomplished by a grant from the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB). This project has been completed. Now we look forward to completing the necessary study to raise the speed limit on the northern portion of West Valley. We are hoping to raise the speed limit by summer.

In 2014, the Planning Commission is working on the mandated update to Algona's Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan is a long range plan that details land use for many years to come and establishes the vision for Algona's future. This plan is required by the Growth Management Act., and needs to be completed by June 2015. We hope to complete the update by the end of 2014. You have a voice on what this plan says. The Planning Commission will be holding public hearings and all meetings are open to the public. Your participation is encouraged. Now is the time to speak up!

I have been appointed as Chair of the Valley Regional Fire Authority (VRFA) Board of Governors for 2014. VRFA was formed by a vote of the people in 2006 and started operation in January, 2007. City Council members Tim Fairley and Lynda Osborn also serve on the VRFA Board of Governors. The VRFA Board consists of the three Mayors (Algona, Auburn and Pacific) and two city council members from each city. Lynda Osborn serves as Algona's representative on the finance committee.

The Boeing Plume will of course be an ongoing issue in 2014. The contamination will be an issue for many years to come. The City is working to not locate the new King County Solid Waste Transfer Station in Algona. We have been host to the existing transfer station for over 50 years with no financial compensation, and refusal to help with the road repairs they are partially responsible for. The City of Algona was successful in getting a clause included in the new inter-local agreement for some mitigation, but taking 54% of our retail zoned property is unacceptable.

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### POLICE DEPARTMENT Non Emergency (253) 852-2121

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### PUBLIC WORKS (253) 833-2741

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**Office Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM





Don't Forget  
Free Popcorn  
Fridays!

# FEBRUARY 2014

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9	10	11 Council Workshop 6 PM  Council Meeting 7 PM	12	13 Planning Commission 6:30 PM	14	15
16	17 City Hall Closed	18 Penalties posted for past due Dec. bills & notices mailed	19	20	21	22
23	24 Disconnect notices for past due Dec. bills	25 Council Workshop 6 PM  Council Meeting 7 PM	26 Water shut off for past due Dec. bills	27	28	

