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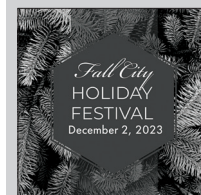


November starts the season of thanks and celebration, with families gathering to make new memories and share the blessings of the past year. In this issue, we share the holiday plans for Fall City, learn about new options for our holiday feasts, and get an update on efforts to make Fall City a more walkable community.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

It's that time of year when the community is preparing itself for the next big Fall City event. The Fall City Holiday Festival on Saturday, December 2, will feature the popular Holiday Market, Holiday School Music Concert, and the Festival of Lights, including the annual Tree-Lighting Ceremony. Be sure to add it to your calendar and share this wonderful event and magical memories with your family and friends.

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GRAPHIC DESIGNER. Due to the imminent "retirement" from *Fall City Neighbors* of its lead graphic designer, David Gershman, we are currently looking for a replacement who would like to pay it forward to our community each month by laying out articles, overseeing issue design, and preparing it for printing. The new designer will need to be familiar with Adobe InDesign software. If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact editor@fallcity.org.

YOUTH REPORTER. We are also looking for a youth reporter to keep the community informed about issues, concerns, and events affecting their peers. The responsibilities include writing a regular youth column and providing input on story ideas. Please contact editor@fallcity.org if interested.

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SUBMISSIONS: We encourage submissions, story suggestions and comments from our community. We are always looking for writers, reporters,

artists, photographers and idea people interested in volunteering for this publication.

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Community News and Notes

FALL CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Highlights of the October 2023 Meeting



REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT. *Rachel Shepard.* President Shepard introduced the FCCA officers and noted that *Fall City Neighbors* newsletter is looking for a volunteer graphic designer. She shared information about Fall City Emergency Resources, King County Division of Local Services and our state and national representatives.

TOTEM POLE GARDEN. *Anji Donaldson.* Anji reported that 19 submissions have been received to date: several are recommending stone or other natural material sculptures representing the Snoqualmie Valley, River, or Falls. Some recommended involving the Snoqualmie Tribe. Next month, Anji will provide a review of all submissions, grouping similar concepts, and asking for community input during November. Voting will occur in December.

BYLAW UPDATE. *Rachel Shepard.* Attendees were invited to share thoughts about the “nominating committee,” whose purpose is to recruit individuals for FCCA officer positions. The committee recommends individuals, and nominations can also be made from the floor. Questions were asked about the security of online voting and whether there is a way to ensure that only members vote.

The group also discussed associate members and whether those members should be allowed to chair committees, even though they would not be eligible to vote. Honorary memberships were also discussed. The membership boundary was discussed, and Shepard recommended that a map be offered to show the linked boundaries.

If you are interested in making edits to the proposed document, contact Rachel Shepard (fcga@fallcity.org).

LOSS CAPITAL PROJECT. *Jeff Wilson, project manager.* The Fall City Septic Association signed an agreement with a third-party guarantor, Kittitas PUD, as required by the State Department of Health for managing the LOSS. The team is now working toward an October 31 bid solicitation and hopes to break ground in early 2024; currently, construction is estimated to last two years. Jeff reported that the earlier issue with the Snoqualmie Tribe has been resolved. Jeff offered a shout out to Kate Grossman and the *Fall City Neighbors* team for the article about the LOSS.

Feel free to contact Jeff with questions or concerns.

FALL CITY ROADS & EVENTS. *Carrie Lee.* Shout out to Sue Holbink, who has worked for a long time on trail connectivity. Progress continues with the Heritage Walk Project and other projects that relate back to the 202 Corridor Study and issues around pedestrian and trail connectivity. Carrie reported that the Event Coordinating Committee, a group focused on marketing and outreach for Fall City events, needs a new co-chair.

FALL CITY DAY FESTIVAL. *Anji Donaldson.* Fall City Day volunteer job descriptions will be compiled this month, and both volunteer and sponsorship recruiting will begin in November. If you are interested in helping, contact Anji. The theme for next year will highlight children’s art. Feel free to join the potluck held on third Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Hauglie Building.

FALL CITY LIBRARY. *Mary Comstock.* The library is now fully staffed. Over 4500 people have entered the library over the last two months, in part thanks to the success of the Geocaching program. A variety of programs continue to be offered.

FALL CITY ARTS. *Scott Ricketts and Krimsey Lilleth.* The committee is considering application for Fall City to become a “Creative District,” a Washington State program that supports defining the vision for the future of arts and culture within Creative Districts. Becoming a Certified Creative District makes it easier to obtain funding for arts and culture programming in the future and \$60,000 is awarded upon certification.

FALL CITY FIRE STATION. *Chief Culp.* Fall City residents can stop by the fire station on Halloween and receive a glow stick, candy, and a hot cider.

EMPOWER YOUTH NETWORK. *Helene Wentink.* A “Youth Mental Health First Aid Class,” a free educational event, will be offered on October 21. On October 19, high school students

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Fall City Holiday Festival Returns

Saturday, December 2

Fall City is abuzz with preparations for the annual Holiday Festival to be held the first weekend in December. Be sure to add the event to your calendar and come share this magical time with your kids and neighbors. Here's what's happening:

HOLIDAY MARKET. 10:00 A.M.–3:00 P.M., CHIEF KANIM MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS

It is the 23rd year for the Holiday Market. It will again offer handmade items for sale from more than 30 local crafters and artists. Find gifts for friends and family, and pick up ornaments, fresh wreaths, and live poinsettias for your holiday decorating.

The Fall City Historical Society will have great gift ideas, including the 2024 Fall City Calendar, historic photo prints, three different magnets, wine glasses, pint glasses, a Fall City collector's mug and its books, *Preserving the Stories of Fall City* and *Jack's History of Fall City*.

This year's Bake Sale will be filled with many delicious goodies prepared by the Fall City United Methodist Church Women's group. They will also be serving breakfast and lunch items at the café, including coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, holiday breads, quiche, soups, and chili.

The Chief Kanim Middle School Music Program will kick off the market with a lively selection of seasonal music, and pianist Johann Sasynuik will continue the festivities with holiday favorites on the piano.

Bring your friends, have a cup of coffee, and enter to win one of many unique raffle prizes. Raffle proceeds benefit a music-appreciation donation to Chief Kanim Middle School Music from Johann Sasynuik and Fall City Holiday Market. See information about all the market vendors by following FC HolidayMarket on Facebook.



CHILDRENS CHOIR CONCERT. 4:00–4:45 P.M., FALL CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

The Fall City Elementary Fourth- and Fifth-Grade Choir and the Chief Kanim Middle School Jazz Choir will fill the festival with the uplifting voices of children celebrating the holiday season. Light wands will be handed out by the FCES PTSA to children heading over to the Festival of Lights.

FALL CITY FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS. 5:00–9:00 P.M., TOTEM GARDEN (42ND PL.) AND AROMA COFFEE

Fun for the whole family! Kid activities include free Fall City Library crafts, face painting, balloon artist, elves with candy canes, and Kiwanis ornament decorating. Savor Aroma Coffee cocoa and coffee. Take photos with Santa. Have a bite to eat from Five Hooks Seafood, Bai Tong, or Dragonfly Doughnuts, and enjoy the wine and beer garden. Purchase a 50/50 raffle ticket or silent auction item to benefit Live Gray's Way, a local nonprofit that funds DIPG pediatric brain cancer research and help families in the fight.

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY. 6:00 P.M.

Join in lighting up the town! The Holiday Festival culminates with the assistance of the Fall City Fire Department in lighting up the Fall City Christmas Tree and singing Jingle Bells with the Mt. Si High School Carolers. Presented by Live Gray's Way and Fall City Metropolitan Park District.



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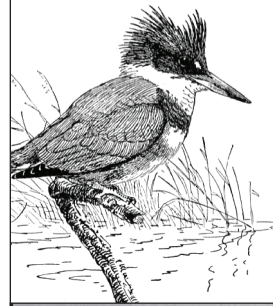


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Fall City Meats & Seafood to Open in Time for the Holidays

Matt Alexander is no stranger to Fall City. In fact, for the last 10 years, this Norwegian has been the well-loved butcher at the Farmhouse Market. He is now opening Fall City Meats & Seafood on River Street with local partners Clint Irving and Tim Kennedy.

Hailing from North Bend, Matt came from a family of hunters. At 18 years of age, Matt and his friends shot an elk but didn't know how to dress the meat properly. Though they "gave it a go" so the meat wouldn't spoil, Matt remembers this event with a slight cringe. This began his curiosity around how to dress an animal.

"I was working at QFC at the time as a box boy," says Matt. "I had a bond with the meat manager because he was also a wrestling coach and I wrestled in high school. I asked him what it would take to get a meat cutter apprenticeship. One of the meat wrappers had broken her hand, so my boss said I could have her position if I did a good job filling in for her. That led to my apprenticeship. I was at QFC for 19 years. In 2013, I came to Farmhouse Market."

Since leaving the Farmhouse Market earlier this year, excitement has been building for Matt's next big move. With the help of local farmers Clint Irving and Jacob Hudson, the business team was put together. Clint's family has been in Fall City since 1935. His mom and grandma worked at Otonikers Meat Market in the '70s and '80s, which was in the very building that the new butcher shop will be located.

Clint shares his excitement, "This whole idea of a butcher shop started with 'how can we benefit the community?' We hope to add something to the downtown area that will create more good paying jobs. We want the shop to be a place for everyone, so we can keep the prices affordable." Clint and Jacob farm beef cows and corn, which will contribute to the shop. They are also connecting with some of the milk producers they work with to bring their products in.

Tim Kennedy is the third link in the partnership. He was approached by Clint and decided to buy the building for this enterprise. Tim is an Alaskan seafood pioneer. He hitchhiked his way up to Alaska in the '70s and built successful businesses. He came up with concepts for his fishing boats that everyone has followed. Tim has been selling fish for 50 years. His daughter and son-in-law live in Fall City and are commercial fishermen. They will be one of the local connections for seafood.

When Matt was asked why he wanted to become a butcher, he said, "I came from a hunting family background. It is really gratifying feeding people, knowing

that something I handcrafted is being served at a holiday meal. That feels really good! When I went to meat-cutting school at South Seattle Community College, part of their apprenticeship was culinary arts. Before that I really didn't know how to cook well. That course really helped."

Matt has wanted to open his own shop for years. The timing seemed perfect when the Sahara Pizza building came up for sale. All the doors seemed to swing wide open.

The butcher shop will keep everything as local as possible, within the state. They will be offering meat from cattle and sheep raised in Fall City, and non-GMO, free-range pork from Pure Country Farms, in Ephrata.

"I am most thrilled about the smoked products," said Matt. "We will be smoking sausage, turkey, pepperoni, in-house bacon, and kielbasa. Customers can pre-order smoked baby back ribs for weekend football parties, their Thanksgiving turkey, and Christmas prime rib. We will also offer farm-raised wild game such as elk, deer, wild boar, venison, bison, duck, wild rabbit stew, as well as the exotic stuff too, all depending on how popular things are with the public. Our hope is to also offer butchering services for farmers and hunters in the Valley."

For the seafood end of the shop, they plan to provide a wide assortment. Look for salmon, halibut, King and Dungeness crab, oysters, scallops—all the good stuff. "I have some awesome smoked salmon, smoked cheese, and lox recipes," says Matt.

The shop will also carry ready-to-cook and prepared meals, as well as some local produce, dairy products, and eggs to round out a meal. The deli section will feature cheesecakes from Old Brooklyn Bakery in Issaquah, meat pies, shepherd's pie, quiche, crab and shrimp pies, and some Cajun cuisine.

Our furry friends are not forgotten. They can enjoy non-GMO raw pet food, pup sticks, pig ears, chicken feet, tripe, and tendon.

"We hope to build a family community inside the shop. An apprenticeship program will be created for those that truly want to learn a lost art and we are looking for a few old-school, retired meat cutters," said Matt. "We will probably need at least a dozen employees. It's hard, physical work, so I'm looking for athletic people. If anyone wants a fun, good time environment, come join our gang!"

The shop is anticipating a mid-November opening, in time for the holiday season. "We're just waiting on Puget Power to hook us up," said Matt.



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Now That's A "Dry" Martini

On Nov. 5, 1912, Fall City's future was set - along with other unincorporated areas of King County - to become a "dry" town; the sale and manufacturing of alcohol were to be prohibited starting Jan. 1, 1913. That November election included this question regarding alcohol in local elections across the State, at the city and county levels under a local option law. For King County, the county and all of the unincorporated areas were categorized as one voting unit, and the majority of the votes were in favor of temperance.

At the time, neighboring towns Duvall, Tolt, Redmond and others were also unincorporated, so they too would become "dry" in 1913. Though these three towns had voted to be "wet" in the election, the combined results for King County overrode that option. These towns immediately rallied, and voted for incorporation in part to avoid the Prohibition statutes: Duvall - Dec 30, 1912, Tolt - Dec. 31, 1912, Redmond - Dec 31, 1912. By being "wet" towns, it was possible to tax the thriving saloon businesses, and for Redmond, that meant funding for much-needed waterworks.

This success was short-lived, however, for in November 1914, Washington voters approved Initiative Measure Number Three, prohibiting the manufacture and sale (although not the consumption) of liquor statewide. This measure went in to effect Jan 1, 1916. There was an exception for pharmacies and religious services. Drug stores, where prescription liquor could be obtained, boomed - it was found that 65 new drug stores opened in Seattle between January and March, 1916.

45 SALOONS ARE CLOSED BY DRY VOTE

The "dry" vote in King county, outside of the incorporated towns and cities, will put 45 saloons out of business. The county is required under the terms of the local option law to refund 90 per cent of the license for the unexpired term to the saloon men. The license for country saloons is \$300 annually.

The Seattle Star, Nov. 9, 1912



Pioneer Saloon, 1906 on River Street

Fall City's first recorded saloon was Bertrand's Saloon, opening in 1880, and remained open until its sale in 1895 to Justin and Emerson Neighbor, who converted it to a general merchandise store. Along River St. there was also the Pioneer Saloon, opened by Peter Stokes and his son Frank, and the Middle Saloon opened in 1908 by the same Bertrand brothers. Happy to keep their clients in house, hotels also advertised their bars on site.

For Washington state, the question of Prohibition began in 1854 with the first territorial Legislature, where it failed. However, over time that eventually changed, and Washington was among the 33 of the existing 48 states that had already adopted Prohibition laws at the state level before the 18th Amendment to the United States Constitution, the Prohibition amendment, was ratified in 1919. *Cheers!*



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This year's calendar exhibits some of our favorite historic images of Fall City.

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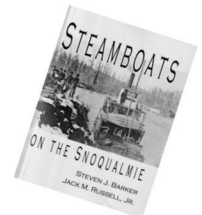
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- If you still find aphids on your roses, kill them merely by hosing them off or squishing them with your fingers, as aphid bodies are so soft.
- Cut your long fern fronds in half, like the giant chain fern/*Dryopteris woodwardia* that grows 4 to 6 ft in the garden (8 to 10 ft in the wild). Use the fronds to cover plants needing insulation from winter cold and rain.
- A good fall rule is to cut back flowers after their seeds have fallen because birds love to eat those seeds.
- Cisco lets any salal grow and spread as an easy attracting native.

It’s still not too late to plant bulbs in November or early winter at the latest. They’ll still pop up in early, mid, or late spring. Add mulch to your bulb hole to nourish and hydrate the bulbs. If your bulbs have multiplied, pull them gently apart to plant in several rows. I forgot to pull mine apart last year and got too many green leaves. Right now, I can’t plant enough narcissi, and my seller confirmed a shortage of the miniature narcissi. However, he clued me in that if I bought pre-packaged miniature narcissi I’d get 100 bulbs of eight varieties.

Really consider getting bulbs in by November or early winter at the latest. Spring planting’s not as viable as it once was. Warmer ground and uncertain rains now affect the Pacific Northwest. Two years ago, the three-day heat dome in June, with temperatures above 100 degrees, killed more plants introduced in spring 2021 than those planted in fall of 2020.

Recently I asked the Seattle Public Utility manager why, against common wisdom, his tree seedlings were going into the ground in spring instead of the prior fall. He explained that he did so because tree roots have two fast-growth periods, spring and summer—plus, possible winter snow could flatten seedlings that small. That’s

GARDEN CORNER

by Susan Miller

his reason why he stuck with spring planting. His trees, planted at Carnation’s Stossel Creek, are part of Seattle Pacific University’s Assisted Migration Project. As heat increases, trees will be moving northward toward cooler conditions (via their root systems) about 10 to 20 km in 100 years.

On an interesting sidenote: One of my science friends shares great climate articles she finds while scanning professional journals. She read a *Scientific American* article, “Make Safer Fireproofing Material.” The article reports that lab-grown mycelium, the fungal root network, layered into fire-retardant sheets, provides a safe, nontoxic way to protect buildings. Unlike asbestos, it does not shed noxious compounds when exposed to fire. I think it’s amazing that science has discovered that easily reproduced sheets of fungi can diminish fire danger to homes and communities. If you agree with Fire Chief Culp, as I do, that a drier future will inevitably bring wildfires to Fall City, it makes sense to pay attention to all developments that can reduce or cut fire danger.

In one of my prior articles, I reported on how planting succulents around your house can save your home from a neighborhood wildfire. It is part of “Firewise-ing” your property with a protective ring of 10 feet of non-burnable rocks, cement paths, and low plantings inside these rings. California firefighters took video of a neighborhood burnt to the ground—only chimneys and charred autos remained. Two homes were unscathed by the inferno because of low succulents surrounding the buildings. It made a powerful impression on me and is something you may want to consider when firewise-ing your home between growing seasons.

Good gardening!

Susan Miller
Master Gardener/Master Pruner
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Library Expands Services with New Librarians

by Alana O'Neill, Teen Services Librarian

For too long the Fall City Library has been missing a vital component: a full staff of librarians. That has changed over the last few months. Kellyn Haley has been serving as the Adult Services librarian for a few months and has already made an impact with her creative and engaging programs, such as the popular geocaching programs. Jenni Yanagihara has been the Children's Services librarian since February and has assembled a loyal following at her weekly family story times. I started as the Teen Services librarian this September and am excited to bring in some regular after-school opportunities for middle and high schoolers. Together, we hope to re-establish new relationships and serve the community of Fall City to the best of our abilities.

Coming up for the rest of the year, we are offering weekly tutoring and a monthly book group. We are looking for additional tutor volunteers, if you might like to help. We are also excited for the return in December of perennial favorites, The Dickens Carolers.

Looking forward to 2024, the library will host a full range of events and programs for all ages. The library will be hosting a pop-up museum for the Fall City Historical Society in the second half of February. We are still working out the details, but be sure to put that on your calendar if you like local history. The collaboration with Fall City Arts will continue. These workshops have spanned across age groups and have been immensely popular. On January 30, we are hosting "Outdoor and Adventure Photography," a photography workshop with a focus on getting into the outdoors and recording nature around you. More geocaching programs will pop up as well.

Weekly tutoring will continue into the spring, with a weekly program for middle and high school students beginning that will offer a space for fun and learning. Of course, no slate of library programs would be complete without family story times. Be on the lookout when summer comes around, as more and more events get added to the calendar for our summer reading program.

Library programs are always free and open as long as we have available space. Some programs do have prior registration, so be sure to check out details either in the building or on our website.

Most of these programs would not be possible without the amazing support of the Friends of the Fall City Library. This volunteer program supplies support and funds to allow us to bring these programs to the community. Without their dedication, the calendar would be much emptier. If you are interested in learning more about the Friends of the Fall City Library, please email them at: fallcitylibraryfriends@gmail.com.

Finally, even if none of these programs spark your interest, please still stop by. The library has tons of resources beyond books to offer, and all the staff wants to get you connected to the right one. If you have ideas or feedback for events we can offer, don't be shy. No one knows the community better than the individuals who live in it.

Thank you for opening your doors to us and making us feel welcome. We want to return the favor and make sure every single person knows they can find their place in the library.

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FALL CITY PARKS GETS \$500K FOR WEST SIDE TRAIL

The King County Council has approved an award of \$500,000 to the Fall City Metropolitan Park District for Phase II work on the West Side Trail. The trail is a multi-year effort to improve safety for pedestrians along SR-202 (Redmond-Fall City Road). It will create a more walkable community, linking schools, residential areas, and downtown. It will also increase recreational opportunities by providing a non-motorized connection to the central business district and other community parks.

Thanks are being expressed to Kirk Harris for the countless hours he has put in to secure not only funds but in managing the design process for the West Side Trail. Read more about the project on the Parks District website, www.fallcityparks.org.

In addition, to the West Side Trail, the Parks District is working with King County Subarea Planner Jesse Reynolds and the Fall City Subarea Committee to encourage the development of more trail connections within Fall City. Specifically, they are looking to create safer connections to the Snoqualmie Valley Trail and to the Preston-Snoqualmie Trail from the Lake Alice Road parking lot.

Talks with the Taylor Development Group are under way to encourage the enhancement of their properties with pocket parks that would be available for public use and for trails connecting the new developments with the main area of Fall City and the schools.

This summer, many people have been enjoying the recent development of Bernard Park, the district's biggest

acquisition to date. Warm sunny days have seen people strolling, walking dogs, playing volleyball, and enjoying the open grassy areas of the park.

The district is also in contact regularly with the King County Parks department to continue their maintenance of Fall City Park and Horse Arena. Several meetings have occurred with our Councilperson Sarah Perry to keep her apprised of the community needs for open space, for continued maintenance of our King County-owned properties, and for improved roadways—specifically, pedestrian crosswalks on SR-202 and on Fall City-Preston Road.

Commissioners are attending the Mountains to Sound Greenway committee meetings to assure that Fall City has a voice in the development of new trail connections for pedestrians and bicyclists here in the Valley. They are also exploring options for a dog park on one of King County's public lands and are beginning to interview potential grant writers as one way to raise money to purchase more park space and enhance the spaces we already have.

Residents are encouraged to visit and enjoy all our local parks. A complete list is available at the Fall City

Metropolitan Park Districts website: fallcityparks.org/fall-city-public-space.

Use the QR code at left to see a map of the West Side Trail and additional details about the project.



ANNUAL PIE SALE TO BENEFIT LOCAL WOMEN, CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Again this year, the Fall City United Methodist Women and Handbell choirs will combine fundraising efforts with their Harvest Pie Sale. The sale features such delicious pie flavors as apple, bumbleberry, cherry, pecan, berry crumble, and rhubarb crumble. Each pie is a \$20 donation.

Orders need to be placed by Wednesday, November 8. To order, call or text 206-295-7569, or e-mail

harvestpiesale@gmail.com. Order confirmations will be provided.

Pick up your homemade pie(s) on Saturday, November 18, between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the Fall City United Methodist Church.

Proceeds from this annual fundraising activity support nonprofit programs for women, children, and youth in Fall City and neighboring communities.

November Sno-Valley Senior Center Events

VIVA LAS VEGAS RAINBOW BINGO

Friday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Roll the dice and see if you're a winner at Viva Las Vegas Rainbow Bingo. \$15/person, \$25/twosome for 10 bingo games, the chance to win awesome prizes and a fun night of entertainment from the fabulous Sylvia O'Stayformore. Register at the link: igfn.us/form/ki8G2A.

NEW SVSC MEMBER TEA

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2:00 p.m. Want to know more about the programs and services available? Join us for a complimentary tea and talk with current volunteers, members, and staff to have your questions answered, and learn where you'll find new friends, fun events, and more.

MEMOIR: CRAFTING A MOMENT

Friday, Nov. 17, 11:00 a.m. We'll explore ways to write about the sights, sounds, smells, tastes, and feelings that create meaningful moments in your life. In this workshop, we narrow our focus to specific experiences and use a variety of exercises to help get them on the page.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY LUNCH

Friday, Nov. 17, Noon. Join us for a delicious lunch and

help celebrate all the birthdays this month. Call 425-333-4152 at least a day in advance to make a reservation.

STEAK DINNER AND PIE AUCTION

Saturday, Nov. 18, seatings at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Featuring your choice of steak or salmon, stuffed eggplant (V), all the fixings, and dessert. You'll also have the chance to bid on pies baked by Sno-Valley Senior Center. Available to all ages. Reserve your seats at: igfn.us/form/Y4lSgw.

SEAHAWKS VS DALLAS, THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Thursday, Nov. 30, 5:00 p.m. Come and cheer on our HAWKS! Popcorn, chips, and salsa provided. Bring a snack to share if you like.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, Dec. 2. Support Sno-Valley Senior Center and local artisans. Join us for festive holiday shopping, crafts, and baked goods.

For more information or to register for classes and events, go to www.snovalleyseior.org or call 425-333-4152.



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1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month

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Location

Fall City United Methodist Church
4326 337th Place SE
fallcityfoodpantry.org

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NEXT FOOD PANTRY DATES

November 1 and November 15

FALL CITY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Embracing the Giving Season

The Fall City Food Pantry is dedicated to providing essential sustenance to families and individuals in the Fall City area throughout the year. However, our efforts truly come to the forefront in November and December as the Pantry gears up to make the holiday season a little brighter for those facing food insecurity.

Giving Thanks

November marks the time for Thanksgiving, a holiday synonymous with gratitude and togetherness. The Pantry goes above and beyond to ensure that no one goes without the makings for a delicious meal. Volunteers and donors unite to provide for families in need. This year, we are thrilled to thank the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe for donating 40 turkeys in November and 40 hams in December. This generous gift embodies the true spirit of the season.

Community Engagement

An incredible sense of community thrives in the Snoqualmie Valley and supports the efforts of the Pantry. We rely heavily on volunteers who give their time and energy to ensure operations run smoothly. The sense of camaraderie and shared purpose is palpable this time of year. Local businesses, individuals and organizations often organize food drives and fundraisers to support the Pantry's mission.

The Impact of Your Contribution

The Fall City Food Pantry relies on the kindness and generosity of its community members. Your contributions, whether non-perishable food items, monetary donations or volunteer hours, have a direct and lasting impact. Here's how you can make a difference during the giving season:

- **Donate:** Consider making a financial contribution or donating non-perishable food items to the Pantry. Every little bit helps and goes towards feeding families in need. Scan the QR code at the right for our most needed items.
- **Volunteer:** Dedicate time to volunteer at the Pantry. You can help sort, pack and distribute food. Check out our volunteer opportunities on the website and if one works for you, call Nance at 425-269-8098.
- **Spread the Word:** Raise awareness about the Pantry's work within your community, colleagues, friends and family.
- **Organize a Food Drive or Fundraiser:** Consider organizing a charity event or fundraiser to raise money for the Pantry.



By joining together, we can significantly impact the lives of those in need and create a brighter, more hopeful holiday season for everyone. So, let's open our hearts, lend a helping hand and make this giving season exceptional for our neighbors in need.



NOVEMBER 2023 FALL CITY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

(Not-for-profit organizations and elected/appointed government groups may submit calendar items to editor@fallcity.org. Deadline is the **10th** of the month before the event.)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 8, AND 15

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. *Gardening Wednesday.* Help Fall City Learning Garden harvest and donate cool-season greens, compost, and prepare for winter. Garden is behind the Masonic Temple, 4304 337th Place SE.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

7:00–8:30 p.m. *Fall City Community Association Meeting.* Fall City Firehouse Community Room or on Facebook: *FallCityWA*.

8.00 p.m. *Election Day Voting Deadline.* Vote on local candidates and the Fire District tax levy. Official drop box is located at Fall City Library.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Fall City Methodist Church Pie Sale. This is the deadline for ordering homemade pies. The pie sale raises funds for

women's and children's programs in the area. \$20 donation per pie. Text or call 206-295-7569 or e-mail harvestpiesale@gmail.com to order. Pie pickup is on November 18 between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

Fall City Holiday Festival.

10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Holiday Market, Chief Kanim Middle School Commons.

4:00–4:45 p.m. Fall City Children's Choir Concert. Fall City Elementary School Gym.

5:00–9:00 p.m. Fall City Festival of Lights. Totem Garden (42nd Place) and Aroma Coffee.

6:00 p.m. Tree Lighting Ceremony. Downtown Fall City.

LEARNING GARDEN WRAPS UP THE SEASON

by Darien Payne

Weather permitting, the volunteers for the Fall City Community Garden will continue working on Wednesdays until Nov. 15, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. We have cool-season greens to harvest and donate to local foodbanks, compost to assemble, and cleaning up before our winter break. From mid-November through January, the garden and gardeners will rest for the winter.

This November, our tenth season, we have much to be thankful for! In 2023, we grew (and donated) hundreds of pounds of fresh vegetables, all in about 500 sq ft of growing space. Our apple espalier is planted, and we have blueberry bushes ready to plant. We can only do this because of our wonderful volunteers, who do it all. Thank you! We are an all-volunteer community project supporting our Fall City Food Pantry and the Preston Food Bank.

Thank you to the Fall City Masonic Lodge, who have supported the Learning Garden for 10 years, donating the growing space and water. Thank you to Sno-Valley Tilt, our fiscal sponsor, and to King County for the Local Service Area Grant funds, which paid for our blueberry and apple hedges, as well as additional tools and supplies.

We appreciate too those who stopped by to chat with us at the Seed Exchange and the May Library Plant Sale. Thank you all!

You can follow *FallCityLearning* on Instagram to see photos and learn about our activities.

FCCA HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd from page 3)

will train middle-school students on "How to Help a Friend" (recognizing signs of crisis) in Snoqualmie and Carnation.

FALL CITY SUSTAINABLE GROWTH. *Mike Suelzle, President.*

Although the outcome of the Oct. 3 King County Council appeal hearing was not what the group hoped for, the group is glad to report that a title amendment passed by the council requires that the LOSS systems for proposed projects be feasible before work can begin. The group has created a great deal of community awareness about the proposed developments. The group has ten days to decide whether to appeal the council's decision.

OTHER TOPICS. Anji Donaldson shared concern about broken road signs on 202 from 372nd into Fall City. John Taylor said he would pass her concerns onto WSDOT.

