



# INSIDE THE CITY October 2021



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#### Welcome to the City of Yelm

The City of Yelm welcomed three new employees and we couldn't be happier to have them join the City of Yelm Police Department.







From left to right: Police Officer Brian Mooney, Police Officer Christopher Seymour & Police Officer Joseph Murphy

#### Public Works Employee of the Month

Congratulations to the September 2021 Public Services Employee of the Month, Ryan Edwards!

"Ryan is one of Yelm's greatest assets. He is one of the longest serving employees at the city and consistently comes to work with a smile on his face



and an infectious outlook. Everyday he makes the city a better place to be for employees and citizens with his work ethic and positive attitude. His positive customer interactions and joy he brings to the team on a daily basis are why he was selected for the Employee of the Month." - Cody Colt, Public Services Director

### BIRTHDAYS NOVEMBER

Lori Lucas Chief Stancil Stephanie Calton Tony Edwards Tobie Stevens Officer Moody Aaron Green Mayor Foster





#### Happy Halloween!

From the ghosts and ghouls at City Hall, we hope you have a spooktacular Halloween!



#### **Education & Innovation Center**



On October 13th and 14th the City of Yelm hosted an open house for the Education & Innovation Center. The public was able to provide input and feedback on the project and have the unique opportunity to make suggestions of what they would like to see featured in the future building.

The idea for this building is to have a space in Yelm that will serve as a

creative, educational and social space for people of all ages.

If you missed out on the chance to attend one of our open houses you can still make comments by filling out the survey which an be found on our website or Facebook page.

## IN THE NEWS

#### Historic Yelm Water Tower Renovation To Be a Beacon of Light

By Heidi Smith, Thurston Talk

After five years and a significant community effort, the Yelm Water Tower renovation is nearing completion. The newly restored 125-foot structure has several fresh coats of paint, improved anchoring, a computerized lighting system, and an enthusiastic fan base who has been working tirelessly since 2016. A ribbon-cutting and lighting ceremony will take place on November 23 along with a public presentation of appreciation at the Yelm City Council meeting for all the community members involved.



Thanks to local business owner Steve Craig, the catalyst and driving force behind the project, and the nonprofit board of Save the Historic Yelm Water Tower for their hard work and dedication to this project. Craig credits his nonprofit board members—Barrie Wilcox, Beverly Vines-Haines, Margaret Clapp and EJ Curry—for their unwavering support of the renovation, calling their support nothing short of incredible.

Join us November 23 from 4:30 - 7:00 for the ribbon cutting ceremony!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER

- City Council Study Session November 2 at 6:00
- City Council Meeting November 9 & 23 at 6:00
- CITY HALL CLOSED November 11 for Veterans Day
- Smokey Mountain Christmas November 13 & 14 at the YCC
- COVID Testing Clinic at the YCC November 8 & 22 from 10:00 1:00
- Planning Commission Meeting November 22 at 4:00
- Water Tower Ribbon Cutting Ceremony November 23 at 4:30 7:00
- CITY HALL CLOSED November 25 & 26 for Thanksgiving