

## Events & Announcements



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### 10th Annual Ethiopian Sports Festival

The Red Seam an Eritrean team, played Dashen, an Ethiopian team, in the final game of the annual Ethiopian Sports Festival May 27 on the fields at Jane Addams Middle School and Nathan Hale High School. Kids 13 and under up to young adults played 9 games during the tournament. The Red Sea prevailed 6 to 3 over Dashen in the championship game.

## Community Calendar 2018

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### SATURDAY, JUNE 2

**CANOE FAMILIES HOST FOURTH ANNUAL CELEBRATION AT MILL-SYLVANIA STATE PARK:** The celebration will feature free canoe rides, along with native singers, drummers and storytellers, artists from tribes, children's activities, a salmon and fry bread lunch will be served for \$10. Free hot dogs & s'mores will be available also. Noon - 4 p.m., Deep Lake, 12245 Tilley Rd. S., Olympia.

**SIMPLY FUN AT FAWCETT PTA SPRING FLING:** This event features arts and crafts, vendors, sports, food trucks, door prizes and more. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. A.V. Fawcett Elementary School, 126 E. 60th St., Tacoma.

### SATURDAY - SUNDAY, JUNE 2 - 3

**DOZER DAYS SEATTLE 2018:** Dozer Day is like going to the fair, only the rides are heavy construction equipment. Kids hop in the driver's seat and actually drive dozers, excavators, and other heavy equipment. Admission at the gate. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. both days. Washington State Fair Events Center, 110 9th Ave. SW, Puyallup.

**DUVALL DAYS FESTIVAL 2018:** Duvall Days is a fun-filled family festival celebrating the small town. Real-life community. The two-day festival kicks off with a big parade Saturday morning. Then the festival continues all day long with fun activities for all ages. Free. 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sunday. 15535 Main St. NE. Duvall, WA 98019.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 5

**FARMERS MARKET AT CROSSROADS:** Shoppers can enjoy fresh Washington produce, flowers and food. Live music fills the air and a local nonprofit community organization is featured each market day. There are contests, recipes and more all season long. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Crossroads Bellevue, 15600 NE 8th St., Bellevue.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 8

**SPRING MUSEUM FUN DAYS - BEST FRIENDS DAY:** Have a play-date at the museum with your best friend or make a new friend during your visit. Pay as you will. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Children's Museum of Tacoma, 1501 Pacific Ave., Tacoma.

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97030. For more information, contact School Board Secretary Sarah Avery at 503-261-4555.

## Seattle News Briefs

### Following Extensive Community Engagement Process, City of Seattle Announces Three Finalists for Chief of Police



Interim Seattle Police Chief Carmen Best takes a selfie with a parade attendee in 2015.

After extensive community outreach and a thorough review of many highly qualified applicants, the Police Search Committee and process forwarded to Seattle Mayor Jenny A. Durkan three candidates who best meet the community's requirements for Seattle's next Chief of Police. Mayor Durkan received the list of finalists for the next Chief of the Seattle Police Department this afternoon. In the coming weeks, she will interview each finalist and then nominate one for the position. The three finalists are: Eddie Frizell, Inspector, Minneapolis Police Department; Cameron S. McLay, Former Chief of Police, City of Pittsburgh; and Ely Reyes, Assistant Chief, Austin Police Department.

"Our Police Search Committee, who has deep experience in criminal justice reform and policing, has worked relentlessly to ensure the voice of the community is a vital and powerful part of this selection process. The strong national interest in this position has led to several great candidates but tough decisions about how the City can best move forward to continue reform and accountability. As I begin the interview process, our next chief must be committed to public safety while continuing to build an accountable, diverse police department focused on meaningful and lasting reforms," said Mayor Durkan. "I'm incredibly grateful for the work that Interim Chief Carmen Best has done and will continue to do as part of the Seattle

Police Department. I have known Chief Best for years and her work has been invaluable to me as Mayor - she has been a strong leader as Interim Chief."

The City of Seattle and the Police Search Committee hosted 14 community meetings and events and partnering with 50 community organizations. More than 2,600 community members completed the Community Input Survey, up from 191 in 2014. The survey and workshops were open to all Seattle community members and businesses and provided opportunities for people to share their thoughts about the characteristics and experience necessary for the next police chief.

The results of the survey show that Seattle residents want a Chief of Police who understands the importance of community, and is committed to developing lasting relationships and trust, particularly with communities of color. A majority of responders agreed that the next police chief should be a courageous leader dedicated to reform, especially in improving relationships with the public and training officers more rigorously in de-escalation and cultural sensitivity. The survey indicated that the next police chief should demonstrate an ability to set high standards within the department, understand the history of policing in the United States, build confidence with diverse communities, and make all Seattle neighborhoods safer. You can read the full Community Input Survey and Engagement Report at <http://durkan.seattle.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Community-Input-Survey-Engagement-Report.pdf>.

The 25 members of the Police Search Committee, many of whom have extensive experience in criminal justice reform, collaborated with a national search firm to attract many qualified applicants from across the country. At the end of the community input process in late March, the Committee worked together to narrow the field of applicants.

#### The three finalists are:

- Eddie Frizell, Inspector, Minneapolis Police Department. Eddie Frizell is an Inspector with the Minneapolis Police Department, which he has served for 25 years. Inspector Frizell also holds the rank of Colonel in the Minnesota Army National Guard, which he served for 28 years, including a deployment to Iraq.
- Cameron S. McLay, Former Chief of Police, City of Pittsburgh. Cameron S. McLay is the former Chief of Police for the City of Pittsburgh. Prior to his service to Pittsburgh, Chief McLay spent 29 years at the City of Madison Police Department.
- Ely Reyes, Assistant Chief, Austin Police Department. Ely Reyes is an Assistant Chief with the Austin Police Department, which he has served for 22 years. He also served in the United States Army and performed six years of overseas service. He is a recipient of the Purple Heart, Lifesaving Medal, and three Meritorious Service Medals.

The Mayor will review the qualifications of the

three finalists, interview each, and nominate one individual for the position of Chief of Police in the coming weeks.

### Mayor Durkan Transmits New Legislation to City Council to Reduce Gun Violence in Seattle

Following the release of a new University of Washington study showing that nearly two in three gun-owning households in Washington State do not safely store their firearms and ahead of National Gun Violence Awareness Day on June 1, Mayor Jenny A. Durkan announced the transmission of legislation to the City Council that requires safe storage of firearms unless carried by or under the control of an owner or lawfully authorized user. This legislation also increases civil penalties and legal responsibility for failure to report unsecured firearms that are lost, stolen, or improperly used by an unauthorized user.

The new legislation was developed in collaboration with Councilmember M. Lorena González (Position 9, Citywide) and based on input from stakeholders including gun owners, safety advocates, community members, public health experts, and others. The legislation will be considered by the City Council in the coming weeks.

Nearly 1,300 children die from gunshot wounds each year. In 2015, an estimated 150,000 adults in King County reported storing a firearm unlocked. In Seattle, 250 stolen guns were reported in 2017, according to the Seattle Police Department.

In 2013, Seattle became the first American city to fund and conduct research into gun violence as a public health issue, gun violence prevention, and gun safety.

The City Council-funded research led to a report from The Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center that established that safe storage of guns decreased the risk of accidental firearm injuries and suicides by 73 percent.