

Friday Five

Your weekly Thurston County update



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#1 - Uniting for Green Change: An Eagle Scout and IvyBeGone Team Tackle Invasive Ivy at Burfoot Park



In Thurston County, a collaborative effort between an Eagle Scout and the IvyBeGone team is tackling the invasive English ivy at Burfoot Park. What started as an initiative with the Boston Harbor Association has led to significant environmental improvements, including clearing an acre of land and saving fifty trees. Supported by Thurston County Parks and Trails, this partnership exemplifies community-driven environmental conservation, inviting locals to join in the efforts to preserve and restore the park's natural beauty.

Read the article about [Uniting for Green Change](#).

#2 - Warning! Jury Scam in Thurston County



Be aware! Individuals are calling citizens and stating they missed jury duty, and a warrant has now been issued. The callers are identifying themselves as Thurston County Sheriff Deputy and have the citizen's name, address, and phone number. The caller is providing a number they claim is associated with the missed jury service. Name, address, and phone numbers are available via public records not associated with jury duty. The numbers being provided are not associated with the court's official jury management system.

These callers are not court staff or from the Sheriff's Office. Court staff will never ask potential jurors for money or confidential information like Social Security numbers, birth dates, or bank account information over the phone, email, or mail. If you receive a phone call, hang up, and put away your wallet. Anyone who responded to these scams should report the incident to the police. Visit the [Jury Service webpage](#) for more information.

#3 - Thurston County Emergency Management to Give Presentations on Personal Preparedness



Community Preparedness Presentations

THURSTON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CAN PROVIDE OR ARRANGE SPEAKERS ON PERSONAL PREPAREDNESS AND NEIGHBORHOOD PREPAREDNESS TOPICS.



Did you know? Thurston County Emergency Management can provide or arrange speakers on personal preparedness and neighborhood preparedness topics. The All Hazards Personal Preparedness presentation shares information on real hazards in Thurston County, how to make an effective evacuation and communication plan in the event of an emergency, and how to build a Go-Kit.

To request a presentation for your community, neighborhood, or workplace, complete the [online form](#).

#4 - Public Hearing on Forest Land Conversion Code Updates on February 6, 2024

**Thurston County
Board of County Commissioners
Public Hearing**



**Public Hearing on Forest Land
Conversion Code Updates**

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.
Room 110, 3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia
98501

The Thurston County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 3:30 p.m., or soon thereafter, to accept public comment on proposed changes to the Thurston County Code to update regulations for forest land conversion and standards for tree protection. View more detailed information about the proposal at: www.thurstonforests.org.

For more information on meetings and public hearings, visit:
<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/board-county-commissioners/meetings-public-hearings-and-work-session-agendas>

**#5 - Learn CPR! Sign Up for an Upcoming CPR Class
with Medic One**



Do you need CPR training? Medic One provides ADULT compression-only CPR with AED training. These 1 - 1.5 hour classes meet nationally recognized criteria for CPR training in the workplace. Classes are FREE to those who live or work in Thurston County.

Medic One does not provide First Aid training or Health Care Provider classes.

To register for a class, [select a class on the webpage](#), then scroll down and select the date on the calendar to complete the registration. If you wish to schedule a private Compression Only CPR class for a group of 6 or more, please call 360-704-2790 or email erin.burgman@co.thurston.wa.us to make your request.

Before you go...

Due to limited staffing, we will not be sending the Friday Five on February 9 and 16. The Friday Five will return to your inbox on February 23!

In the meantime, stay up-to-date on county news, updates, and events by following Thurston County on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), and [X \(formerly known as Twitter\)](#).



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