



Issues Brief

City of Yakima e-Newsletter

Multiple Sports Camps for Girls and Boys Available This Year

Two City of Yakima parks will play to host to a variety of sports camps and clinics this spring and summer that will offer girls and boys the opportunity to learn and to have fun. Skyhawks Sports, a national organization which, since 1979, has provided athletic instruction to kids of all ages and ability levels, will run the Yakima camps and clinics again this year.

Chesterly Park (40th Avenue and River Road) will be the site of the **Itty Bitty Intro to Soccer** clinic for 4-year-old girls and boys from May 23rd through June 13th. Clinic sessions will take place on Tuesdays from 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm. The cost of the clinic is \$48 for non-city residents, \$40 for city residents and includes a t-shirt and soccer ball.

Franklin Park (2101 Tieton Drive) will host two sessions of a **Multi-Sport/Swim Camp** for boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 12. The first session will be from June 26th to June 30th, and the second session will be from July 17th to July 21st. The cost for the **Multi-Sport/Swim Camp** is \$139.

Franklin Park will also host three other camps this summer.

The **Mini-Hawk Sports Camp**, which is designed for kids between the ages of 4 and 7 years old, will take place daily at Franklin Park from July 10th through July 14th and from August 7th to August 11th. Camp sessions will run from 9:00 am to noon each day and will focus on the essentials of baseball, basketball, and soccer. Camp activities are designed to allow campers to explore balance, movement, hand-eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace. The cost of the camp is \$125.

Girls and boys between the ages of 6 and 12 years old are invited to a **Volleyball Camp** at Franklin Park from July 24th through July 28th. Sessions of the **Volleyball Camp** will take place daily from July 24th through July 28th from 9:00 am to noon. The camp will include daily drills that focus on passing, setting, hitting, and serving, as well as daily scrimmages. The camp cost is \$125.

From July 31st through August 4th, Franklin Park will play host to the Skyhawks Sports **Flag Football/Swim Camp**. Kids between the ages of 6 and 12 years old will learn skills on both sides of the ball, including the core components of passing, catching, de-flagging, and defensive positioning. The camp will take place daily from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and include swimming at Franklin Pool during afternoons. The cost of the **Volleyball Camp** is \$139.

Registering for any of the camps mentioned in this article can be accomplished online by visiting skyhawks.com.



Chesterly Park will be the site of soccer camps and clinics for girls and boys this spring and summer.

Yakima Airport Director Wins Prestigious State Award

The City of Yakima's Airport Director for the Yakima Air Terminal-McAllister Field, Rob Peterson, was recently honored for his contributions to the airport manager profession by being named the 2017 Management Member of the Year by the Washington Airport Management Association ("WAMA").

Peterson was formally recognized and presented the award during WAMA's annual spring conference, which was held in Blaine, Washington in early May.

"Rob is an outstanding representative of the airport manager profession and the City of Yakima is fortunate to have him as our Airport Director," said Yakima City Manager Cliff Moore. "It's wonderful that Rob's colleagues throughout Washington State appreciate the top-notch professional that he is and have recognized him with this prestigious award."



Yakima Airport Director Rob Peterson poses with his 2017 Washington Airport Management Association Management Member of the Year Award.

Peterson began his career in the airport industry in 2001 after having graduated from Southern Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in aviation management. His first job in the industry was as a Flight Operations Supervisor for Atlantic Coast Airlines, which operated as a regional connector airline from 1989 through 2006 under several corporate names.

In 2007, after having earned a master's degree in public administration in aviation from Southern Illinois University, Peterson was hired as an Aviation Operations Representative at Denver International Airport.

Two years later, Peterson went to work as Airport Operations/Maintenance Supervisor for the Dayton (Ohio) International Airport. About a year after that, he went to Meacham International Airport in Fort Worth, Texas to serve as the Airport Operations Officer.

In 2011, Peterson was hired to be the Assistant Airport Manager in Yakima. About two years later, he was promoted to Airport Manager. Earlier this year,

Peterson was again promoted, this time to Airport Director.

Peterson has been actively involved in organizations that support the airport industry. He currently serves as the WAMA secretary. Peterson is also an adjunct instructor in the Aviation Department at Central Washington University.

WAMA was founded in 1970 to promote improvement of airport management in Washington State. WAMA serves as the voice of its members, promoting and protecting the interests of Washington's airports and the public, pilots, and passengers it serves.



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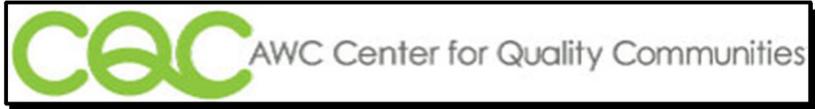
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Scholarship Winners Named by State Organization

The Association of Washington Cities ("AWC"), a non-profit organization that provides a variety of services to Washington State's 281 cities and towns, has announced the six high school seniors from across the state that will each be receiving a \$1,000 scholarship from the AWC's Center for Quality Communities. The City of Yakima's nominee, Kaitlyn Wolterstorff, was not one of the six seniors selected for a scholarship this year.

The six winners of the AWC Center for Quality Communities scholarship this year are Amber Torell from Longview, Claudia Penney from Lakewood, Rosalyn Goveia from Ellensburg, Kristina Dorris of Soap Lake, Uyne (Cathy) Dao from Sequim, and Abigail Brandt of Mill Creek. The scholarship winners will be formally introduced at the AWC's annual conference in Vancouver in mid-June.

The AWC Center for Quality Communities has been providing scholarships to high school seniors since 2011. Each city



and town in the state can nominate one senior from its area each year. Scholarships are awarded to high school seniors who are actively engaged with their community and/or city government and want to pursue post-secondary education. The scholarship fund is supported by people who are passionate about cultivating Washington's future local leaders.

This year, the City of Yakima nominated Davis High School senior Kaitlyn Wolterstorff, in part, because of her volunteer involvement in Yakima Music en Acción and her academic achievements.

In addition to the annual scholarship program, the AWC Center for Quality Communities works to build partnerships among public, private and nonprofit organizations to help empower communities. A key goal of the center is to build a strong network in order to create strong and healthy communities.

The AWC Center for Quality Communities is working with partners from higher education, the public and private sectors, non-governmental organizations, and community groups to explore the possibilities of creating an economic green corridor in Washington State. The center also helped launch Western Washington University's Sustainable Communities Partnership and the University of Washington's Livable City Year project.

Additionally, the center has partnered with Washington State University Extension to work directly with interested communities, typically working with a community champion, a group, or organization, to create Local Investment Networks. And, the center is working with three Washington communities in a pilot project helping diverse groups come together around difficult local discussions on housing and homelessness.

To find out more about the AWC Center for Quality Communities, click on the following link - <https://www.cfqc.org/>



Come and be part of a celebration of Americana, Roots, and Bluegrass music and enjoy craft beverages made in Yakima.

*Saturday, May 20th - 4:00 pm to 10 pm
Historic North Front Street*

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