



# HARRINGTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWSLETTER

## Businesses Opening Back Up

"There is tremendous potential when a group of people who share similar interests work together toward those goals."

Lincoln County did just that during these irregular times of COVID-19, and because of this, the County was granted a variance into Phase 3 (effective June 5<sup>th</sup>). This allowed most businesses to open back up to the public, albeit with restrictions. For more information on Lincoln County and current guidelines related to Coronavirus, you can visit the website located here <https://www.co.lincoln.wa.us/>

Here in Harrington we are trying to get back to some normalcy. While that doesn't happen overnight, our businesses are doing their best to serve the community they love once again. We've missed you, please stop in to say hello and visit when you get a chance.

## Cruizin' Harrington & Fall Festival Postponed

Unfortunately many events throughout our region have been postponed this year. With so much uncertainty and the safety of our communities being the biggest concern, tough decisions had to be made. On the positive side of things, it gives us all something to look forward to and plan for 2021.

The Chamber cancelled Cruizin' Harrington back in the Spring and just recently the Harrington Lions Club did the same for this year's Fall Festival. We hope our community members understand these were not easy decisions and plenty of discussion was put into them by both organizations. Here is to both events next year being amazing!

## Thank You Chamber Members

To all of our members past and present.....THANK YOU for your support over the years!

Half of the year is gone and it has been so difficult to not have regular meetings in person. The remainder of 2020 is an opportunity for our organization to show the true heart and soul of our community! Let us keep focus on why we are part of the Chamber of Commerce. We can set an example by our actions and leadership. Now is the time for all of us to support one another with the betterment of the community always in mind. We are going to get through this year and do our best in continuing to make Harrington a special place to call home.

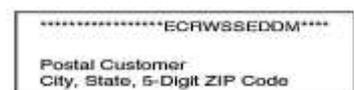
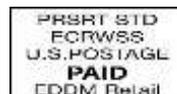
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## Inspiration Is Something We Can Share Together – Food For Thought

"I invite you to be gentle with yourself. Sometimes we are so hard on ourselves trying to become something. When we stop struggling so much with who we are, we create some peace and can be more present. Not having to fool anyone we can be genuine and true right here...open and available to life. When we are open and available, magic happens."

Dr. David Laughray

"Success is not a sprint or a marathon, but a baton race that never ends. Long-term success requires that you work as hard as you can for your allotted time, with the realization you must pass off the baton to someone else when your leg of the race is done."

Doug Griffiths

## Harrington Town Square Project - Update

Our community came together in support of this project to end the year of 2019. The push to meet our \$30,000 goal as part of the challenge grant with Innovia Foundation was surpassed by \$20,000 for a total of \$50,000 raised! That total with the \$30,000 matched by Innovia gives us a current total of \$80,000 to complete the Town Square plans.

The Fall 2019 season saw the project site get excavated and the template for the paver walkway all carved out. The 7 trees were planted and the remnant brick wall was restored to protect further damage and then winter set in. This Spring the Harrington Lions Club moved the donated grain bin/silo from Odessa to the site here in Harrington. Huge thanks again to those guys and every single person who has contributed to the project.

We are trying to continue moving forward with the rest of the project while still practicing "social distancing" and that has proved to be a new challenge unto itself. Follow along with the progress via Facebook and Instagram @HarringtonTownSquare. There you can get information on volunteering your time, making a donation or getting a form to purchase an engraved paver brick. Forms are also located at The Post & Office and the Harrington Golf & Country Club.

## Monthly Meetings

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 12pm. We usually meet at The Post & Office coffee shop downtown. \*\* Do to current restrictions with COVID-19 we have tried Zoom meetings starting in June. Watch for details on possible meeting locations moving forward as restrictions let up. \*\*

Anyone is welcome to attend and we encourage it. Feel free to stop by sometime and see what being involved in your local Chamber of Commerce is all about.

## A Simple Way to Support Your Chamber

