

AUGUST 2026 NEWSLETTER

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August 6 – EMS & EMT Training
6:30 P.M. – Ambulance Barn
August 7 – Whitman Co. Hosp. Dist.
6:30 P.M. – City Hall
August 9 – Empire Theatre Board
5:30 P.M. Empire Theatre
August– Chamber of Commerce
(No meeting this month)
August – Healthy Tekoa Coalition
(No meeting this month)

August 17 – City Council Meeting
6:00 P.M. – City Hall
August 21 - Parks & Rec
6:00 P.M. – City Hall
August 27- Food Distribution
8:00 – 11:00 – City Hall
August 27 - Tekoa EMT (Board meeting)
6:30 P.M. - Ambulance Barn

Message from the Mayor

Hello everyone. I trust you are well. I am currently in a doctor's waiting room, so I am trying to utilize my time wisely. We have recently had a nice run of weather, and I hope it continues as harvest is just about to start.

On or about August 17, a contractor will begin to do work on city streets. I believe the process is called slurry seal. A large portion of town will be done, and the city will be prepping the streets for the project. Residents will be notified before the work begins. Everything needs to be off the streets for 24 hours. The workers will be working long hours to get the job done quickly; that includes sweeping the streets after dark. I apologize for any inconvenience, but the more hours they can work, the sooner they get done. Once again, we will make every attempt to give you ample notice, so please be patient. After garbage day, it would be helpful if residents would return their can to their property from the street curb. This allows cars to park and for the streets to be cleaned when necessary.

My compliments on following the guidelines for fireworks on the 4th. It was pretty crazy that evening, but when midnight hit, everyone shut down. Thanks, and I'm sure your neighbors appreciate that.

I mentioned harvest earlier; please be patient and aware of the added traffic on the roads. Long days and the urgency of getting the crops in can create a recipe for accidents. Be careful out there.

I don't say this enough, but I want to emphasize the importance of continuing to buy local. The money you spend in town circulates several times within our community, providing services, creating jobs, and helping keep us a vibrant place to live. Thanks for your time; we will talk in September. ~Roy

"Don't get hung up on criticism from people you wouldn't go to for advice."

For all of your pet needs – North Palouse Veterinary Clinic will be at City Hall August 19 from 9:30 – 1:00. Please call to schedule an appointment: 208-875-1096.

Tekoa Food Pantry

Tekoa Food Pantry will distribute commodities on August 27 from 8:00 – 11:00 A.M.



Empire Theatre

The Empire Theatre would like to thank Joel Doupe for sponsoring the annual classic car show and the movie Cars. We also would like to thank Jim Gordon for donating 4 beautiful chairs. On August 16 at 5:30 P.M., the Library will be sponsoring the movie The Good Dragon. Mark your calendars. On a very important note: **BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED — URGENT!** The Tekoa Empire Theater is urgently looking for dedicated community members to join our Board of Directors! We are looking for individuals who are willing to share their time, ideas, talents, and passion to help keep this important part of our community thriving. No theater experience is necessary, just a willingness to get involved and make a difference! We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month for about an hour at the theatre; please feel free to join us.

Tekoa Parks & Rec.

Need a fun summer activity for family and friends? Consider renting the pool. Rates are \$30 per hour for 1-16 people and \$50 per hour for 17-40 people. Inquire at the pool or on Facebook at Tekoa Parks and Rec. New trash cans have been installed at our parks. Please use these cans for your time in the parks and not for your personal trash. Thank you.

We welcome our new parks and recreation commissioner, Haleigh Davis. We thank her for her interest in making Tekoa a better place through our parks and pool.

Tekoa Library

- Crafter's Circle August 11, 18, 25 at 4 P.M.
- For kids: Professor Universe is coming Thursday, August 13, at 10 A.M.; this is going to be a really fun event.
- Our last Dino-Mite Thursday is on August 13 at 11:30 A.M.
- End of Summer Reading Celebration is on Friday, August 14, at 5:30, with movie at 6 P.M.
- Finally, Book Club on August 19 at 6:30 P.M.
- Kids' Club on August 20 at 11:30 A.M.

Healthy Tekoa News!

August's free Community & Family Event, National Night Out, is on Tuesday, August 4, at 7 P.M., at Gymkhana Park. Please join our first responders and Banner Bank Grill Masters for burgers, hot dogs, sides, and plenty of water, sponsored by Tekoa Community Heart & Soul and Seeds, Inc.

School Supplies for "Stuff the Bus" can be brought to National Night Out on August 4, OR to Rosauers in Colfax, August 6-8. Monetary donations are also accepted. Check out our website for more details: <https://healthytekoa.org/schools/>

Please join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, September 8, at 9 A.M., in the School District Board Room.

Chamber of Commerce

Because of Harvest and the Fair, August is a busy time in Tekoa! So, the Chamber will NOT have a meeting in August. Rebekah Huber from The Port of Whitman will offer a free Social Media Class sometime in the middle of this month; more to come. Start thinking about creating your scarecrow for display in front of your business and/or home. We hope to leave them up in September and October. It's a fun way to welcome fall. Thank you for your continued support, Susie. Our Next Meeting will be on Friday, September 4, at 7:30 A.M., at Trestle Coffee

