County Executive Aaron Reardon on Wednesday dedicated the newly constructed playground at Kayak Point Regional Park.

A 690–acre property that supports camping and recreational vehicle camping, a Yurt Village, salt-water beach access, a boat launch, picnic shelters, hiking and the 270-acre Kayak Point Golf Course; the new playground includes a space net climbing unit, swing sets, see-saws, slides, bouncing toys, a moving sidewalk, bridges, other climbing units and equipment that serves children in the 2-to-12 year old age range.

The enhancements broaden the appeal of Kayak Point as an outdoor family recreational destination. Families with young children can now come to the park for the beach, camping, boating, its playground and to experience the popular Yurt Village.

Kayak Point Regional Park is located at 15610 Marine Drive, Stanwood. For information regarding camping, park reservations, or the golf course, visit our web site www.snoco.org, and search “Kayak Point.”

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Snohomish County participates in National Night Out Against Crime

Tuesday evening hundreds of residents gathered at parks and homes throughout Snohomish County to make a stand against crime. Although gray skies led to somewhat dampened attendance, thousands of families participated in the more than 50 events held countywide.

At McCollum Park, the Sheriff’s Office Search and Rescue team put on a dazzling display as deputies were lifted into their Huey helicopter flying high above the crowd of onlookers. Executive Reardon, and representatives from the County Fire Marshal, SNOCOM, Emergency Management, Human Services and Sheriff’s Office were all active participants in this year’s activities.

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Executive Reardon signs ordinance creating 15th judge in Snohomish County

On Monday, Executive Reardon signed an ordinance that adds a 15th judge to the Snohomish County superior court.

“We are a growing community,” said Executive Reardon. “The addition of this judicial officer will ensure that the Snohomish County bench can continue to serve Snohomish County by resolving cases fairly, expeditiously, and efficiently.”

The addition of a judge will ensure that the superior court is able to keep up with increasing case loads, and ensure access to justice for all citizens in the county. The 15th judge will enable the court to handle not just an additional quantity of cases, but will add quality to the court. With an additional judge, the court will be able to expand innovative and successful programs like drug court, which reduce recidivism and enhance the community’s quality of life.

The Executive was joined at the signing by the Honorable Thomas J. Wynne, Presiding Judge of the Snohomish County Superior Court.

For more information, please click here

(Executive Reardon signs agreement for a 15th Superior Court Judge, accompanied by Presiding Justice Thomas J. Wynne)
Music on the Plaza: featuring the Tim Koss Quintet

Everett bassist, singer, composer, and recording artist Tim Koss has performed since the early 70’s with a variety of Jazz, Rock and Classical groups, specializing in the classic Jazz styles of the 50’s and 60’s.

The quintet will perform live Wednesday, August 8th from 11:30a.m.–1:30p.m. as part of Snohomish County’s Music on the Plaza summer concert series.

The lunchtime concerts will run through August 30 at the Snohomish County campus amphitheater located at Rockefeller Avenue and Wall Street in Downtown Everett.

Movie nights in Willis Tucker Community Park

There are only two more chances to catch a free movie under the stars as the Movies in the Park series wraps up in two weeks. On August 2, nearly 700 people dropped-by Willis Tucker Park to see the uplifting animated story “Happy Feet.” On Thursday, August 16, the classic comedy "The Princess Bride," promises a great evening for the whole family.

Open seating begins at 7:30, movie start times will vary depending on daylight. Seating is on grass ~ bring low-back lawn chairs and blankets for comfort. Admission is free and popcorn and soda will be available for purchase. For more information visit the Snohomish County Parks Department website. Go to www.snoco.org and search for “parks.”

Bring your blankets and spend a night under the stars with your family!

Movie line-up:

August 16, 8:54p.m. - The Princess Bride, PG
August 23, 8:45p.m. - Charlotte’s Web, G
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