In May 19th contractors began installing 1,900 linear feet of ductile iron water main on 84th Street E (from 182nd to Locust). Other miscellaneous items included installing 10 new service connections; installing 550 linear feet of corrugated polyethylene storm sewer pipe; installing 5 new storm structures. The city also backfilled and compacted an existing stormwater pond, and overlayed 800 tons of asphalt on 84th Street East from 182nd Avenue East to Locust Avenue East. When completed, the improvement will enhance water pressure and fire protection in the area, as well as improve storm water drainage.

On 1889, Daniel Orcutt lived on the Bonney Lake Plateau near what is currently Lake Tapps. His family and their neighbors had no local cemetery at the time, so he donated one acre of his land to Pierce County to be used as “a public burying ground only ... forever”. The site was named the Lake Tapps Cemetery. While it is suspected that as many as 70 persons may be buried in the cemetery, there are only 14 known interments (remaining name markers), mostly the Lappenbusch and Fadola families. Over time, the cemetery was neglected, then forgotten. It became overgrown with brush and blackberries, and the stone markers became invisible.

In 2008, a hiker traipsing through the brush discovered some of the headstones and posted the coordinates on the internet website Waymarking.com. He erroneously named it the Dieringer Cemetery. A few years later a Boy Scout troop adopted the site as one of their community projects and cleaned it up and erected a sign naming it the “Dieringer Pioneer Cemetery”. In 2012, Roger Hunt, the great-great-great grandson of Daniel Orcutt began the mission of restoring the name of the cemetery as the Lake Tapps Pioneer Cemetery that was donated to the county 125 years ago. Hunt noted that the Dieringers were no friends of the Orcuts. On June 4, 2014, the Bonney Lake Historical Society held a renaming ceremony. Roger Hunter attended and told some of the history he has discovered while researching his ancestors.

The Bonney Lake Kiwanis Club, in conjunction with the Bonney Lake Senior Center, is holding a rummage sale to raise funds for Relay for Life. The sale will be held in the senior center parking lot on Saturday, June 21st from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Donations are being accepted during senior center business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are looking for good useable items; no clothes or shoes please. During the rummage sale the Kiwanis Club will also be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. Included with your lunch item will be chips and a cold drink. Come by on the 21st for some fun shopping and a bite to eat. It is for a good cause.

Shop Bonney Lake is a City initiative to promote local businesses to area residents and visitors. The service provides all local businesses in the City with a link on the City’s website that directs residents and visitors to new webpages designed and updated by each local business. Many businesses have already updated their pages. Visit citybonneylake.org for more information (look for the shopping cart logo on the home page).
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Unleashed Dogs Attack Citizen

Kids Club Kicks Off July 7th

The Bonney Lake Kids Club kicks off July 7th at Allan Yorke Park. Times are Monday evenings @ 6:30pm, and Tuesday mornings @ 11:00am. July events include:

- Monday July 7th: Recess Monkey
- Tuesday July 8th: Son of Reptileman
- Monday July 14th: Eric Ode
- Tuesday July 15th: Cowboy Buck
- Monday July 21st: Last Leaf Theater
- Tuesday July 22nd: Nate Jester
- Monday July 28th: The Gothard Sisters
- Tuesday July 29th: Cap’n Arrr

Tunes at Tapps Takes Off July 9th

The Bonney Lake free summer concert series “Tunes @ Tapps” begins another performance season Wednesday July 9th, at 6:30pm. This year program at Allan Yorke Park will again feature a Farmer’s Market and food booths to go along with the concert. The summer’s performers include:

- July 9th: 56th Army Band
- July 16th: Raucous
- July 23: The Coats
- July 30: Spike and The Impalers

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City Council Meeting
5:30 pm - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East

Finance Committee / Committee of the Whole
5:30 pm - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
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Economic Development Committee
4:00 pm - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
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Community Development Committee
4:00 pm - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
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Planning Commission
5:30 pm - 1st & 3rd Wednesday
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Park Board
6:00 pm - 2nd Monday
Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East

Design Commission
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