



MEMBER NEWSLETTER

WALLA WALLA YMCA

Congrats Grads!

From preschool to college students, the Y celebrates its own graduates and those in the community who have worked to accomplish this important life milestone in 2026.

On Friday we celebrate the advance of our Walla Walla and Milton-Freewater Early Learning Center preschoolers who will head off to kindergarten in the Fall. And 14 of the Y's staff are graduating from area high schools and colleges in June.

Gyms 1-3 are reserved as the graduation party venue for both Walla Walla (June 5) and College Place (June 6) high schools during the following times:

- June 5 | 11:00AM - 9:00PM
- June 6 | 6:30AM - 6:30PM
- June 7 | 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Gyms 1-3 will be reserved all weekend June 5-7 to allow time for set up and cleanup.



Fire Station Visit

This week, YMCA preschool kiddos enjoyed a field trip to a fire station where they met firefighters Lopez and Baney. They got to see the ambulance and the fire truck and tried their hands at using the fire hose. Most importantly, the kids learned a lot about fire safety.

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Journey of Hope

This weekend, the Y is hosting the Journey of Hope cyclists.

Riders are current members or alumni of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity with participants from numerous U.S. colleges. Since 1987, more than 2,400 of these men have cycled across the country, raising awareness and funds for people with disabilities. The teams ride more than 8,000 combined miles each summer.

Thirty-some cyclists will bunk overnight in the Y's Multipurpose room on Saturday evening, June 6, on their cross-country cycling trip that culminates in Washington D.C.



Roller Derby Returns

On Saturday June 13, the Y is hosting a roller derby bout with the Walla Walla Sweets Roller Girls facing off against the Rolling Hills from Pullman.

Doors open at 6:30pm with the bout starting at 7:30pm in the main gym. Online tickets are \$10 (\$12 at the door).

Derby Tickets



Action Zone Programs

With school out, there will be plenty of fun to be had in our Action Zone. Week-long summer programs for youth ages 6-12 will be held various weeks throughout the summer.

Minecraft: Combines exploration, creativity, and adventure in the classic videogame (8:00AM-9:00AM).

Art: Kids can explore their creativity, learn new art techniques, and discover the joy of self expression through hands-on art projects (9:15AM-10:00AM)

Chess: Learn to think three moves ahead! Youth will learn the rules, strategy, and sportsmanship found in the classic game. (9:15AM-10:00AM)

Programs are Monday-Friday, beginning June 8 (Chess begins June 15).

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WALLA WALLA CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

June Concert at the Y

Join us **June 24 at 1:15 pm** to enjoy a free and fantastic concert for youth. The Walla Walla Chamber Music Festival kicks off its 19th June Festival season with Kids Concerts at a number of local venues including our Y. All ages are welcome to come enjoy this 45-minute musical event featuring a quartet of nationally and internationally acclaimed musicians.

Preventing Forest Fires

Hot summer days brings an increased chance of forest fires, and the possible power outages that come with them. Pacific Power has outlined a few tips for you to be prepared in case of such emergencies:

- Prepare an outage kit, create defensible space and plan for medical needs.
- Consider a backup power source to meet the needs of your family or business. Keep backup power sources fueled or charged.
- Sign up for emergency notifications on your local emergency management or public safety website and learn about local resources to help with preparedness.



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