



**KITTITAS
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EVENT
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KVEC

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Welcome to the KVEC Monthly Newsletter

In order to keep our neighborhood and community more informed about the happenings at the Kittitas Valley Event Center (KVEC) and to promote attendance at events that are open to the public, KVEC has decided to start a monthly newsletter.

In this newsletter, you will find information about public events happening in the coming month, a message from our director, and a spotlight on an employee or upcoming activity at the event center. We hope you enjoy learning more about KVEC and hope to see you soon!

About Us

The mission of KVEC is to serve the Central Washington area with a premier facility that provides the perfect solution for meetings, family gatherings, equestrian and agricultural events, trade shows, and other special celebrations.

We are guided by the principle that our clients are *forever* and we strive to exceed expectations for quality service, event coordination, and facility management.

We strive to have a safe and exceptional work environment for our staff, to have a positive influence on the economy, and to provide a service to our community, all while providing a clean, accessible, and affordable facility to the public.



A Note from the Director...

My first month as the Director of the Event Center has flown by! When I first moved to Ellensburg in 1999 I lived next to the fairgrounds. When labor day weekend rolled around, my little neighborhood changed and I had no inkling of what was happening. It was a surprise to suddenly see horses, carnival rides, and thousands of people moving past my house.

Now that I am the Director of the facility, which has changed so much since those early days, my goal is to make sure that our neighbors are informed, involved, and engaged in our work as we welcome 1,500 annual events, meetings, and gatherings. I am excited to share the growth and evolution of the Event Center as our team works to make improvements, welcome more diverse events and groups, and implement the master plan.



Jill Scheffer



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EVENTS IN JUNE

2-4	Yakima Valley Kennel Club Dog Show 8:00AM-11:00 PM
16-18	Luke Mezich Memorial Roping 8:00 AM-10:00 PM
22-25	Cowboy Traditions Ranch Roping 8:00 AM-10:00 PM
24	Horse Days of Summer Horse Auction 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
29-July 3	Cascade Cow Cutters 8:00 AM-10:00 PM

In addition to these larger events, KVEC will be hosting **80** smaller meetings, gatherings, and agricultural events in June.



Sarah Maes

Spotlight On: Sarah Maes

Sarah Maes is the Program Assistant at KVEC. For the last 9 years, Sarah has made this place hum. She is the first face you see when you walk in the office and the voice you'll most often hear answering the phone.

Sarah's job at KVEC includes managing the calendar for all meetings, horse and ag events, weddings, parties, trade shows, and other events that take place at the Event Center. She is also responsible for making sure our guests are taken care of, coordinating all of the contracts, and coordinating set-up staff for each event. Her favorite part about this job is that she gets to do something different everyday; the huge variety of events and people offer endless opportunities for interaction.

When she is not at work, Sarah enjoys all types of music and art. She loves to go to concerts and gallery openings, and also enjoys reading, gardening, and cooking. Sarah wants our neighbors to know that KVEC is a great place to work for and a great asset to our county. She loves Ellensburg and Kittitas County and feels lucky to be able to be a part of supporting and promoting this wonderful community!

KVEC Motto:

Our guests are our first priority. What is important to them is important to us.