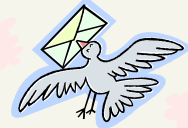


The Mill City Messenger



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FOR WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES CALL US *FIRST*

- Monday - Friday
7:30AM-4:30PM
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- Public Works Supervisor
John Dickinson

(503) 930-8256
- Public Works Maintenance
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(503) 897-2565

SECOND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING EVENT SET FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2013

The City of Mill City will be hosting its second annual Christmas Tree Lighting Event on Sunday, December 8, 2013 at 5:00p.m.

Once again the City will be partnering with local community groups and businesses to bring this wonderful event to our citizens. We will be working to have Santa stop in for a visit and will once again have the Santiam Community Choir singing songs of the season.

So mark your calendars and be sure to bring your canned food to be entered into the drawing.

We look forward to celebrating the season with friends and family.



A new addition to the event this year will be a canned food drive benefitting our local Mill City Food Bank. For every non-perishable food item donated the bearer will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of many prizes donated by local artisans!

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CITY HALL HOLIDAY CLOSURES / CANCELLATIONS

The December 24, 2013 City Council meeting has been cancelled to allow Council and Staff the opportunity to enjoy the holidays. The next meeting will take place Tuesday, January 14, 2014. City Hall will be closed Wednesday, December 25,

2013 in observance of the Christmas holiday. City Hall will reopen for regular business hours on Thursday, December 26, 2013. In addition, City Hall will be closed New Year's Day; Wednesday, January 1, 2014 and will reopen for regular

business hours on Thursday, January 2, 2014.

City Staff and Council wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season.

For emergencies during closures call:

John 503-930-7230 or
Jerry 503-897-2565

STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S HOME HEATING AND SAFETY TIPS

Oregon State Fire Marshall offers home heating and safety tips for winter with the following information:

Portable Space Heaters

*When using, make sure they come with an automatic tip-over switch and a high-temperature limit switch. The tip-over switch turns the heater off if it is knocked over. The high-temperature limit switch prevents the heater from overheating.

*Give heaters space. Keep at least three feet of space between the heater and combustibles such as furniture, curtains, blankets, papers and people.

*Check heater electrical cords. Inspect for cracked or damaged cords, broken plugs, or loose connections. Replace before using space heater.

*Never allow children to play with or around the heater.

*Unplug heaters when not in use, before going to bed or when leaving a room.

Electric Baseboard and Wall Heaters.

*Be aware if electric baseboard and wall heaters. These heaters are thermostatically controlled and may turn on without warning when temperatures drop.

*Give heaters space. Just as with portable space heaters, keep at least three feet of space between your baseboard/wall heater and combustibles items such as furniture, curtains, blankets, papers and people.

Fuel Burning Space Heaters

*If using a fuel burning space heater, make sure it is designed for indoor use. Read all manufacturer instruc-

tions and ensure it is properly vented.

*Allow the heater to cool before refueling. Refuel outside or in a well-ventilated area.

*If you smell gas, do not operate any switches, appliances, or thermostats. Leave the building and call 9-1-1, the fire department or the gas company.

Fireplaces and Woodstoves

*Have chimney and woodstove flues and vents inspected and cleaned every year by a qualified chimney specialist. Ask them to check for creosote deposits, soot build-up or physical damage.

*Always use a fireplace screen. Make sure the screen is made of sturdy metal or heat-tempered glass to prevent sparks from escaping.

*keep a clutter-free environment. Clear the area around the hearth of debris, decorations and flammable materials.

*Store kindling, fire logs and wood at least three feet from any heat source.

*Install stovepipe thermometers to help monitor flue and chimney temperatures.

*Use proper fire starters. Proper fire starters include newspaper, kindling or specially manufactured starters designed for indoor use. Never use flammable liquid such as lighter fluid, kerosene or gasoline to start a fire.

*Never burn charcoal indoors. Burning charcoal can release lethal amounts of carbon monoxide.

*Use fire-resistant materials on walls around woodstoves.

*Allow fireplace and woodstove ashes to cool before disposing of them.

*Dispose of ashes in a tightly covered metal container and place the container outdoors at least ten feet from the home and any other nearby buildings. Ashes may retain heat for days after they appear out.

Smoke Alarms and Home Escape Plans

*Make sure you have working smoke alarms on every level of your home, outside each sleeping area and in each bedroom.

*Push the test button to be sure the battery is working.

*Follow manufacturer's instructions on regularly cleaning your alarms of dust and cobwebs.

*Replace any smoke alarm that is ten years old or older.

*Make a home escape plan and practice it with your family at least twice a year.

Carbon Monoxide Dangers

*Make sure your home has a working carbon monoxide alarm in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.

*Home heating and cooking equipment that burn fuels such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil and methane are sources of carbon monoxide.

*Carbon monoxide poisoning can be fatal if not detected early.

*Test and maintain your carbon monoxide alarms according to the manufacturer's instructions.

More winter safety information can be found at:

www.oregon.gov/osp/sfm

CITY OF MILL CITY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Meter Reader – Part-Time. City of Mill City. Meter Reader. Performs monthly water meter reading. Minimum high school or equivalent education preferred. Must have valid ODL and reliable transportation. 40-45 hr/month, Salary \$9.25 – \$12.17 DOQ. Preference given to citizens of Mill City.
Closing date: Open until filled.
Application and job description available at:

www.ci.mill-city.or.us or by calling City Hall at 503-897-2302.
Application to:
City of Mill City
P.O. Box 256
Mill City, OR 97360
The City of Mill City is a drug free workplace and an equal opportunity employer and provider. Individuals are considered for employment according to their abilities and performance. Employment decisions are made without regard

to race, age, religion, color, sex, national origin, physical or mental disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation, or any other classification protected by law. All employment requirements mandated by state and federal regulations will be observed.



SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT SETS STRATEGIC PLANNING FORUMS

Santiam Canyon School District Superintendent Todd Miller has released an announcement concerning the setting of strategic planning forums over the next few months.
Mr. Miller states that the meetings have been scheduled as follows and asks the community to mark your calendars for this important process.

Friday, January 10, 2014

TBD

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

6:30p.m.

Superintendent Miller says that this will be a comprehensive process and cover all areas of the district including:

The School District welcomes and encourages staff, parents, students and community members to attend the sessions and become a part of the process. The final document will become the District’s guide for budgeting, planning, professional development and decision-making.

If you have any questions concerning the upcoming forums, contact the Santiam Canyon School District at 503-897-2321.

Strategic Planning Forum Dates

Monday, December 2, 2013

6:30p.m.

Student Success; Staff Development & Recruitment; Program Options & Supports, Infrastructure (including facilities and technology); and

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

6:30p.m.

Governance & Communication.

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

6:30p.m.



LOCAL MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

12-2 PTO/Strategic Planning Forum 6:30p.m. SES	Mill City City Hall	City City Hall	8:00a.m. Mill City City Hall
12-2 Santiam Community Chorus 7:00p.m. MC Christian Church	12-9 MCRFPD 7:00p.m. Mill City Fire Hall	12-12 Skate Park Committee 6:30p.m. Mill City City Hall	12-23 Santiam Community Chorus 7:00p.m. MC Christian Church
12-4 4th of July 6:30p.m. Mill City City Hall	12-10 City Council 6:30p.m. Mill City City Hall	12-13 Mill City Planning Commission 9:00a.m. Mill City City Hall	12-26 Chamber of Commerce 8:30a.m.
12-5 Historical Society 7:00p.m. Gates Fire Hall	12-11 Lions Club 6:30p.m. Mtn Edge Café	12-16 Santiam Community Chorus 7:00p.m. MC Christian Church	12-27 Planning Workshop 9:00a.m. Mill City City Hall
12-7 Hearts2Arts 9:30a.m.	12-11 SCSO School Board 6:30p.m. SCSO District Office	12-20 Community Roundtable	12-30 Santiam Community Chorus 7:00p.m. MC Christian Church
	12-12 MCGRA 6:00p.m. Mill		

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Council Meetings, Second and Fourth Tuesday of
 Each Month, 6:30PM

Planning Meetings, Second Friday of Each Month,
 9AM

4th of July Meetings, First Wednesday of Each
 Month, 7PM, Beginning November

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G O A L S E T T I N G S E S S I O N S T O B E S E T

At the regular City Council meeting of November 26, 2013 City Recorder Stacie Cook provided Council Goals from 2006 and 2010 to the City Council. Included was a short outline of the status of each of the items listed.

Mrs. Cook advised the Council that it is staff's recommendation to schedule an open house goal setting session to obtain public input on existing, uncompleted goals as well as what the public sees as priorities at this time.

It was decided by a consensus of the Council to direct staff to move forward with scheduling one or potentially, a series of, goal setting sessions for the City of Mill City. More information will be made available as dates and times are set.

CHRISTMAS



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The City of Mill City Council and Staff wish each and every one of you and yours the Merriest of Christmases, Happiest of Hanukkahs and a very Merry Kwanzaa



*And
The Best New Year!*



Here's to 2014!!

