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SERGEANT JUSTIN STEVENSON

"Thank you Sergeant Justin Stevenson for your 29 years of dedicated service in Law Enforcement including your outstanding service to the citizens of Scappoose, Oregon since 2019. It was an honor working with you and you wore your badge well!"

Plaque presented by City of Scappoose Interim Police Chief Fluellen and Mayor Backus at the November 18, 2024 City Council meeting.

Happy New Year!



Scappoose City Council and staff would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year!

On Saturday, November 16, we wrapped up the Mike Sheehan Memorial Chess Tournament which was held at Scappoose High School. Twenty-five players were registered. There were three categories: advanced, intermediate and beginners. Plus, a "for fun only" Friends-and-Family division, which included City of Scappoose representatives Mayor Backus and Scappoose Police Officer Barnes. Including the parents, Friends and Family participants and sponsors, we had over fifty people involved. The unique awards, free T-shirts and pizza were all big hits.

The event started off with some comments from Mayor Backus, then a five-minute video about Scappoose and followed by information about Mike Sheehan who passed away in 2018. Mike was a highly regarded local economist, environmental attorney, mentor to many and an avid chess player whose services to the community are greatly missed. Four rounds of competition were played. The awards were presented by Maddie Sheehan, Mike's widow. The winners are listed below:

Advanced:

Lucas Maokhampio - Beaverton
Arlo Martin – West Linn

Intermediate:

Olivia Maokhampio - Beaverton
Rihaan Rahul - Beaverton

Beginners:

Aabha Khanolkar - Portland
Corina Maokhampio - Beaverton

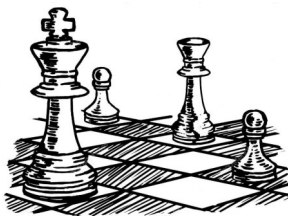
Sportsmanship Award: Vihaan Rahul - Beaverton



Chess 1 ... Mike Sheehan's widow Maddie with the Maokhampio siblings, Olivia, Lucas and Corine, from Beaverton who were among the highest scoring participants in the tournament.

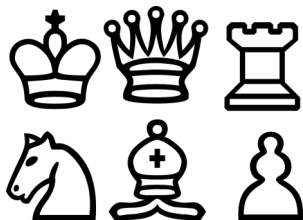


Chess 2 ... Scappoose Police Officer S. Barnes plays a tight match against Aditya Khanolkar from Portland in the Friends-and-Family Division.



Chess 3 ... Mayor Backus plays an exhibition game against Portland's four-year-old Rihaan Rahul, the youngest player in the tournament. Despite his age, Rihaan was one of the top performers in his division and was voted to receive the Sportsmanship Award.

Congrats!



ODOT Know before you go information can be found online at
<https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/Documents/winter-driving-guide.pdf>

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

Before you go, visit www.TripCheck.com or call the numbers below for the latest in road conditions, weather forecast, chain requirements, and incident information.

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TAKE YOUR TIME . . .

- Check Oregon's road conditions and weather forecasts at www.TripCheck.com before you leave, or call 5-1-1 for valuable travel information, updated continuously.
- Choose main routes and be rested and alert.
- Make someone aware of your routes, and if plans change, let someone know. Check in when you've reached your destination.
- Remember, cell phone coverage is not available in many remote areas.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full.
- Clear any snow, ice or frost from windows, lights, hood, heater and air inlet vents (don't forget mirrors and wipers).
- Do not drive with heater in recirculation mode; it can increase humidity.
- Drive with your lights on and reduce your speed.



USE THESE TIPS TO PREVENT SLIPS

Adjust your driving for the conditions; if there is ice or snow on the road, you must take extra care.

- Don't use cruise control in wet, icy or snowy weather.
- Position your hands on the steering wheel at 9 o'clock and 3 o'clock, or lower.
- If you lose traction, gradually slow down – don't slam on the brakes!
- Steering, braking and accelerating smoothly are key to maximum vehicle control on slippery surfaces. Steer just enough to follow the path you intend (most people steer too much or too fast).
- Be ready to handle potentially dangerous situations by thinking "15 seconds" ahead about your options, such as controlling your speed, changing lanes or communicating with others on the road.
- Use extra caution when driving on bridges or concrete highways; ice forms first on these surfaces.
- Avoid driving through snowdrifts; they may cause you to lose control of your vehicle.
- Slow down in advance of shaded areas (especially curves) where ice and snow are the last to melt.
- Chain up early.



TUNE UP YOUR VEHICLE

- Make sure your antifreeze is good to -23°F; check and fill washer and other fluids and make sure hoses aren't loose or brittle.
- Keep wipers clean and in good condition.
- Make sure your heater and defroster are working.
- Make certain your battery is fully charged (also check battery age and make sure cables are not loose or corroded).
- Ensure your tires are in good condition and properly inflated.
- Carry chains or use traction tires.

WATCH OUT FOR PLOWS!


In Oregon's winters, you will encounter snowplows and sanding trucks.

- Following a plow or sander too closely can be dangerous – give them (and yourself) room.
- Don't pass the plow or sander; be patient!
- Be aware that sometimes plows work side-by-side to clear the road faster.



FOLLOW OREGON CHAIN LAWS

Oregon's chain laws apply to all roads and highways.

- Look for signs indicating when chains or traction tires are required. When required, pull over to the right of the highway as far as possible or pull into a "chain up" area.
- Chains include link and cable chains and other devices that attach to the vehicle, wheel, or outside of the tire that are designed to increase traction in ice or snow.
- A traction tire is a studded tire or a tire that meets the tire industry's definition as suitable for use in severe snow conditions, marked with .
- Studded tires can only be used between Nov. 1 and April 1.
- Under some conditions, four-wheel and all-wheel drive vehicles may be exempt from the requirement to use chains.
- Find out more about chain requirements at www.TripCheck.com.



TIPS TO PREVENT OR THAW

FROZEN PIPES:



Each winter, many water customers experience the inconvenience of frozen pipes, which can result in expensive plumbing repairs and water damage. The CITY OF SCAPPOOSE offers these tips to help

minimize damages caused by frozen pipes.

LOCATE THE SHUTOFF VALVE:



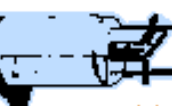
Knowing the exact location of the shut-off valve to your water supply may be the most important precaution that you can take. If a pipe bursts somewhere in your home or business – either in the kitchen, bath, basement, or crawl space – this valve turns off the flow of water. It is usually located outside near the point where the water line enters your home/business. In some homes the shut-off valve may be in the basement, garage, or in the crawl space under the home although older homes might not have a shut-off valve. Another option in the case of an emergency is to turn off the water at the meter gate-valve which will be located on your side of the water meter. If you are on City Water, the meter is usually in a ground level box near your property line abutting the street curb in front of your home/business. Use extreme caution, as any damage to the valves in the meter box will be at the homeowner's expense to repair.



The CITY OF SCAPPOOSE will respond to your emergency water shut off situations.

METER PROTECTION: Check the meter box to ensure the cover is not broken, missing or out of place. Such conditions will allow cold air to enter. Report broken or missing covers to the City of Scappoose Public Works.

HOT WATER HEATER



PRECAUTION: If you have an emergency and need to turn off the water supply to your home or building, be sure to turn off the electric breaker to your hot water heater. This precaution applies only to hot water heaters that operate on electricity, to prevent damage to your hot water unit.

ELIMINATE DRAFTS: Keep basement, garage doors and windows tightly closed in the winter. Close crawl space vents & doors. Seal cracks in the walls of the basement or crawl space. **AND OPEN CABINET DOORS BELOW SINKS:** If a sink is located against an outside wall, open the vanity or cabinet doors to allow warm air to reach the water pipes.



LEAVE A FAUCET RUNNING: When temperatures are predicted to stay below freezing, leave a very thin stream of water running continuously from at least one tap in your home or business.



OUTSIDE FAUCET PROTECTION: Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses. Detaching the hose allows water to drain from the pipe. Otherwise, freezing temperatures can cause the faucet or its pipe to burst. Inexpensive faucet covers provide insulation, can be found at local hardware stores or contact your plumber for information on frost proof faucets, which may be the answer for outside wall outlets that tend to freeze easily. If you have a sprinkler system, follow the manufacturer's instructions for winter preparedness.

Have your plumber's phone number handy just in case.



PIPE INSULATION

INSULATION: Insulate pipes or faucets in unheated areas. If you have pipes in an unheated garage or crawl space under the house or building, wrap the water pipes before winter. Hardware/building supply stores will have pipe insulation materials available.



BE SAFE & USE A HAIRDRYER: Never thaw a frozen pipe with an open flame. Instead, use a hair dryer, heat tape or a light bulb to slowly warm it.

DRAIN PIPES BEFORE VACATIONS:



When leaving your home/business for extended periods consider draining the lines or leaving the heat the heat on, set no lower than 55° F. Also beware of sagging water lines which may not completely drain.

USE A LICENSED CONTRACTOR:

If you decide to hire a contractor, ensure they are licensed and bonded for your protection. Check licenses on-line.

<https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/licensing/Pages/search.aspx>

Additional info can be found on our website:

<https://www.ci.scappoose.or.us/building>

KEEP IMPORTANT #'S WITH YOU:

If broken pipes damage your home or business, have your insurance company's phone number as well as your emergency contacts, contractors. These suggestions are provided to you

by

THE CITY OF SCAPPOOSE

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After hours call dispatch: (503) 397-1521.

www.ci.scappoose.or.us



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www.redcross.org/get-help



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STATEMENT OF NON-LEAD INITIAL SERVICE LINE INVENTORY

November 2024

The City of Scappoose has completed the initial lead service line inventory required by the State of Oregon for compliance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions. The City of Scappoose Public Works Department is pleased to announce that no lead service lines were detected in our assessment of the Scappoose Water Distribution System.

In making this determination, City employees used various sources of information, including:

- Construction permits and existing records that indicate which service materials were used
- Water system records, including distribution system maps, historical records for service connections and meter installation records
- Inspection and records of the distribution system conducted during routine repair and maintenance
- County parcel year-built data which indicates non-lead lines on properties built after January 1, 1986
- Inspections specific to the inventory of the lead and copper survey

In addition to the sources above, the City of Scappoose Public Works department conducted inspections of hundreds of customer service connections and verified that they contained no lead at the inspection points. Therefore, no replacement water connections are required.

The City of Scappoose will continue to document service line material information obtained during normal business operations and will update the initial inventory as necessary. Please call the Public Works Department at (503) 543-8404 with any questions.

Thank you,

Doug Nassimbene

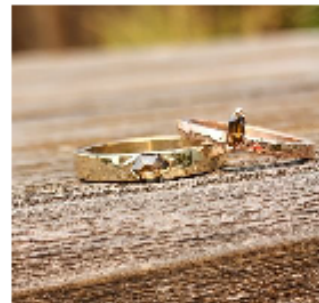
Utility Supervisor

Small Business Spotlight



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Hours: Wednesday-Friday 11 am - 5 pm, Saturday 11 am - 3 pm



New location, same great quality! Columbia River Jewelers has been in business for the last 6 years offering local goldsmith, repair, restyle, retail, and custom jewelry services right here in Scappoose. Have stones from a loved one that you'd like to mount into a ring? Columbia River Jewelers can create the perfect piece for you. Want a fine jewelry necklace that has a classic or modern look and feel to it?

They'll have something for you in their store. Interested in purchasing or having your rare gemstone cut by a professional? Yeah, they do that too.

Columbia River Jewelers is owned by Erika Czerniejewski, a longtime Oregonian who was inspired to pursue jewelry craftsmanship by her travels in Japan, Turkey, China, Israel, Mexico, and England. After years working as a wax carver and stone setter, she decided to open her own design and repair shop. In her years as a small business owner, Erika has loved helping clients connect with her pieces and help them express themselves through her jewelry. So stop by if you have any jewelry product, service, or repair needs or if you just want to check out some of her cool pieces!



Anyone who brings in or mentions the Small Business Spotlight edition at Columbia River Jewelers will receive a 10% discount on any repair job!

Highlights from Whoville



On January 29, 2025, at 7:00pm the Historical Society will present another talk in our series of “History Connections”.

Our topic will be the Watts & Price store. This event will be held at the St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, located at 51555 Old Portland Road, Scappoose.

The Watts & Price Store was a fixture in Scappoose for many decades in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Not only did it provide all manner of goods needed for home and farm, but it was also the center of community activity. This presentation will share the story of the store and owners, Mr. Watts and Mr. Price.



City Meetings Calendar

- **City Council work session ~ January 6 & 21, at 6:00pm**
- **City Council Meetings ~ January 6 & 21, at 7:00pm**
- **Planning Commission Meetings ~ No meetings scheduled**
- **Economic Development Committee ~ January 16, at Noon**
- **Parks & Recreation Committee meeting ~ January 16, 6:00pm**



Verify meetings, get virtual meeting details, and get more meeting information on our website: <https://www.scappoose.gov> or call City Hall at 503-543-7146.