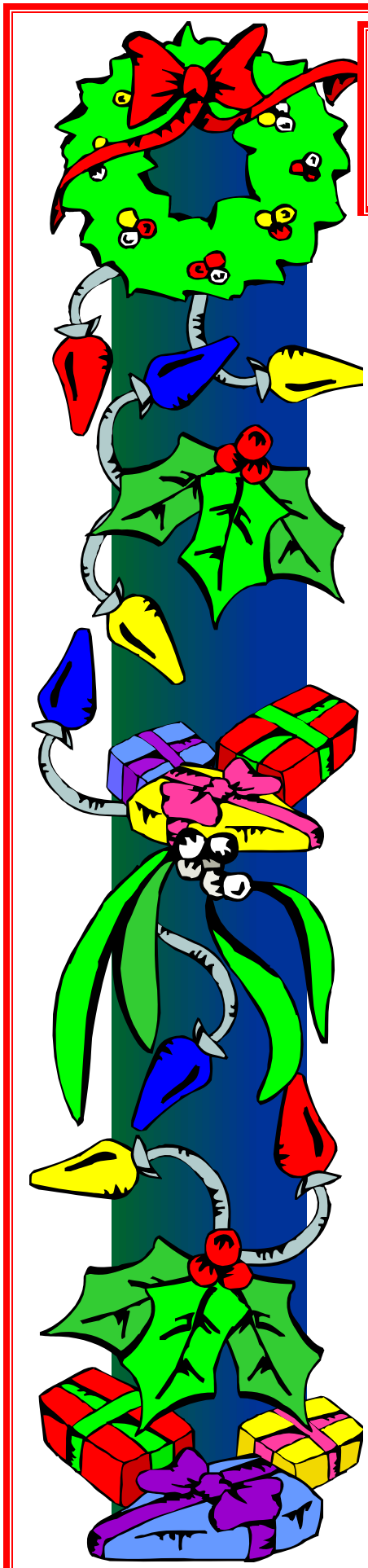

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SNOW REMOVAL

As we begin to see winter's presence, your Public Works Department is doing all they can to keep the streets plowed and sanded. We have one truck setup for plowing snow and sanding streets and we use a snow bucket on the front of the backhoe. When we get hit by a big snow storm, it can take most of a day to plow all the streets in town. Some of our streets are narrower than others and it does help if vehicles can be removed from the side of the streets or from city right-of-ways to allow our plows to clear a better path.

HOLIDAY HOURS & CLOSURES

City Hall will be closed on Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th for Christmas Eve & Christmas. City Hall will also be closed on Thursday, December 31st and Friday, January 1st for New Year's Eve & New Year's Day.

LIBRARY NEWS

Under the latest state mandates, the Library will thankfully remain open. Masks continue to be required and there are limitations on the number of people able to enter the Library at one time. Curbside Service is always available. Watch our FB page and website for continual updates and information about our services. We hope you will join us for the following fun in Oakesdale this month: ***GRAB & GO MONDAY***: Every Monday there will be new Holiday themed craft projects outside of the Library. Best suited for ages 5-12 but anyone welcome. While supplies last. ***DECEMBER COLORING CONTEST***: Starting the first week of Dec., download pictures from FB or Website and return by Dec. 30. Pictures will be displayed in the Library and winners of each age category will be announced first week of January. Teens, Adults & Kids. (Thank you to those who participated last month!) ***STORY-TIME-TO-GO***: Ages 2-5. Alphabet themed packets with worksheets and activities are available for pick up at the Library. New packets available every week. NEW WEDNESDAY HOURS: As of November, the Library is now open from 11 AM - 4 PM on Wednesdays. Thank you Palouse Wind Farm and Novatus Energy for making this possible. Contact us at 509-285-4310, on FB under Oakesdale Branch, and at www.whitco.lib.wa.us.

NEW WATER RATES FOR 2021

Effective January 1, 2021 the basic monthly water rate will be increased to $44.80 for 4,125 gallons or 550 cubic feet depending on the type of water meter you have. This increase will show on the January 29, 2021 billing due by February 20, 2021.

TOWN LEVIES

We appreciate all the support our Town levies received during the General Elections! Prop#1 (Public Safety Levy) for fire protection and emergency medical services received 87.45% approval, Prop#2 (Street Levy) for street lights and maintaining our streets received 74.69% and Prop#3 (Street Levy) for crack sealing and chip sealing some of our streets received 68.85%. Thank you to all of you who supported our propositions!

DOG LICENSES

Just a friendly reminder, that dog tags are due in January 2021. We must have your dog's rabies information to purchase a license. The cost is $7.50 for spayed/neutered dogs and $10 for non spayed/neutered dogs. You must pay the dog tag fees in a separate payment from your water/sewer bill. Thank you!