



Medical Lake Fall/Winter 2009 Updates

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Fire Department: (509) 565-5022 Parks and Recreation Department: (509) 565-5007
Building Department: (509) 565-5024 Maintenance Department: (509) 299-7715

Thank you!

The City thanks you for your continuing water conservation efforts. The City's water consumption was approximately 10 million gallons less than last year. The City hopes to begin irrigating Shepard Field with reclaimed water in the summer of 2010.

Police Department Update

The City is now contracting its police services through the Spokane County Sheriff's Department. The County Sheriff will continue providing the City 24 hour coverage, seven days per week. The City is also a participant in Spokane County Crime Check, which handles non-emergency crime reporting. To learn more about Crime Check, visit www.spokanecounty.org/CrimeCheck. Concealed weapons permits and fingerprint services will be handled down at the Spokane County Public Safety Building until further notice.

Senior Meals Needs Cooks

The Senior Nutrition Program provides lunch on Thursdays in the auditorium of City Hall. For a small donation, anyone can come and enjoy a "home cooked" meal. The program is in need of cooks in order to continue, however. If interested in donating time to the Senior Meals Program, please call City Administrator Doug Ross at (509) 565-5050 for contact information.

More Senior News...

The Golden Agers play cards every Tuesday afternoon in the Council Chambers of City Hall. If you are a senior and enjoy good cards and good company, join in!

Medical Lake Community Outreach

The Medical Lake Community Outreach Program is available to those in need within Medical Lake. If you are of low income and need assistance with utility bills, food, etc. please call 299-3819.

Recreation Information

Many of the City's fall recreation activities are underway, but a few are still to come. The Community Tree Lighting is scheduled for December 4th at 7 p.m. Festivities include hot apple cider, singing and a showing of the Polar Express at the City Hall

Auditorium. The Youth Basketball registration deadline is Friday, December 4th with league play beginning in January. The program is open to all children ages five through twelve. The MAC Adult Coed Volleyball registration deadline is Friday, January 8th. For more information on any recreation activities, call 565-5007. Volunteer coaches are always needed and welcomed!

Snow Plowing Ordinance Now in Effect

The City Council has added Section 8.20.050 Parking Restricted for Snow Removal to the Medical Lake Municipal Code, effective September 1, 2007. Section 8.20.050 is as follows

SECTION 1. There is hereby added to the Medical Lake Municipal Code Section 8.20.050 Parking Restricted for Snow Removal to read as follows: Section 8.20.050 Parking Restricted for Snow Removal. The following shall only apply to those streets that are curbed and located in a right of way that is 60 feet or less in width: Each time two or more inches of snow accumulates upon the public streets, and so long as that snow remains uncleared, no vehicle shall be parked or left standing upon any such street or city right of way between midnight and six a.m., except in the central business district wherein no vehicle shall be parked or left standing between the hours of three a.m. and six a.m. For the purpose of this chapter the “central business district” is defined as that area bounded on the west by Jefferson Street, on the north by Ladd Street, on the east by Brower Street and on the south by Herb Street.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect September 1, 2007.

Snow Season Reminders

Snow removal crews will begin plowing when a minimum of two inches of snow has accumulated on arterials, and four inches of snow has accumulated on residential streets.

Please...

- Do not blow or shovel snow onto streets that have already been plowed;
- Do remove snow from that portion of sidewalk adjacent to your property;
- Do install flags on both sides of your driveway so snow removal crews can clearly see where to drop the snow gate.

Also, it is each property owners responsibility to remove snow in front of their mailboxes to ensure uninterrupted home delivery.

Volunteer Firefighters Wanted

The City Fire Department is always in need and welcomes volunteer firefighters. If interested, please contact Fire Chief Jeff Estes at 565-5022.

Questions?

If you have any questions about what's going on in the City, please call City Administrator Doug Ross at 565-5050.

Finally...

ICE AND SNOW, TAKE IT SLOW. Always drive for conditions. Have a safe and fun winter!

