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SEQUIM NEWS

March 2008

City Council Regular Meeting Transit Center	2 nd & 4 th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Transit Center	1 st & 3 rd Monday 9:00 a.m.
Park Advisory Board PW - 615 North 5 th Ave.	2 nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Passport Services

To better serve the community, the City's Clerk's Office is a Passport Acceptance Agency. Forms are available at City Hall, 152 W. Cedar Street, or on-line at travel.state.gov. Please call for an appointment to apply for your passport – 683-4139.

City Website: www.ci.sequim.wa.us
City Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ROUNDABOUTS

Approaching a roundabout: Reduce your speed. Always keep to the right of the splitter island (either painted or raised) on the approach to the roundabout. **Watch for pedestrians** – they have the right-of-way.

Entering the roundabout: Upon reaching the roundabout yield line, yield to traffic circulating from the left. Do not enter the roundabout beside a vehicle already circulating within the roundabout, as a vehicle near the central island may be exiting at the next exit. Watch out for traffic already on the roundabout, especially cyclists and motorcyclists. Do not enter a roundabout when an emergency vehicle is approaching on another leg; allow queues to clear in front of the emergency vehicle.

Within the roundabout: Within a roundabout, do not stop except to avoid a collision; you have the right-of-way over entering traffic. Always keep to the right of the central island and travel in a counterclockwise direction. The center lane area is not a driving lane, and you could face fines up to \$412 for improper lane usage. When an emergency vehicle is approaching, in order to provide it a clear path to turn through the roundabout, proceed past the splitter island of your exit before pulling over. **Watch for pedestrians.**

Exiting the roundabout: Maintain a slow speed upon exiting the roundabout. Always indicate your exit using your right-turn signal. Watch for and yield to pedestrians waiting to cross, or crossing the exit leg. Watch out for and be particularly considerate of people with disabilities, children, and elderly pedestrians. Do not accelerate until you are beyond the pedestrian crossing point on the exit. **Watch for pedestrians** – they have the right-of-way.

Turning at roundabouts: When turning right or exiting at the first exit around the roundabout, turn on your right-turn signal on the approach.

Motorcyclists and bicyclists: Watch out for motorcyclists and bicyclists. Give them plenty of room and show due consideration. Bicyclists will often keep to the right on the roundabout; they may also indicate left to show they are continuing around the roundabout. It is best to treat bicyclists as other vehicles and not pass them while in the roundabout portion of the roadway.

Large vehicles: When car drivers approach a roundabout, do not overtake large vehicles. Large vehicles (for example, trucks and buses) may have to swing wide on the approach or within the roundabout. Watch for their turn signals and give them plenty of room.

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Sequim Police Department Wins State Award for Efforts to Improve Traffic Safety

The Washington Traffic Safety Commission announced the Sequim Police Department is one of 23 agencies/individuals selected by a multi-disciplinary team of judges to receive a **Target ZERO Award: Achievements in Traffic Safety**. This year the Traffic Safety Awards Program mirrors Washington's Strategic Highway Safety Plan: Target Zero, which was approved by Governor Gregoire in 2007. There were 23 winners in five categories. The Sequim Police Department is receiving an award for outstanding work in the category of Impaired Driving. Sequim Police Department is the only agency on the Olympic Peninsula to receive this state level recognition. **Congratulations** to the Police Department!!!

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS - AUDIO AVAILABLE ON-LINE

Starting in 2008, the audio recording of City Council Meetings now will be available on our website the day after the meeting at the following address:
<http://www.ci.sequim.wa.us/council/minutes.cfm>.

The audio streams like a radio station through Microsoft's Windows Media Player. The stream supports dial-up, DSL, and cable internet connections. Downloading the audio to your hard drive for later use is not available. Note that you cannot skip ahead until enough of the minutes have streamed to your player. The blue progress bar within the media player indicates the percentage of the minutes that have streamed so far.

In addition, our minutes are now formatted so that they, too, can be heard on-line. The audio makes our City Council meetings more accessible to our citizens who cannot attend or have special needs.

SPRING CLEANUP – April 17-19, 2008

Mark your calendars!!! It is Spring Cleanup time again. Residents of the incorporated Sequim City Limits may dispose of unwanted trash such as appliances, furniture, tires, TVs, brush and lawn clippings, at no charge at the Sequim City Shop, 169 W. Hemlock, April 17-19, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sorry, but no refrigerators, freezers, paints or hazardous materials. For further information, please contact Public Works, 683-4908.

Call 2-1-1 for Help with Essential Services

Every hour of every day, someone in the United States needs essential services - from finding an after-school program to securing adequate care for a child or an aging parent. Faced with a dramatic increase in the number of agencies and help-lines, people often don't know where to turn. In many cases, people end up going without these necessary services because they do not know where to start. **2-1-1** helps people find and give help.

2-1-1 is an easy to remember telephone number that, where available, connects people with important community services and volunteer opportunities. The implementation of **2-1-1** is being spearheaded by United Way and comprehensive and specialized information and referral agencies in states and local communities. United Way of America (UWA) and the Alliance for Information and Referral Systems (AIRS) strongly support federal funding so that every American has access to this essential service.

Sequim History – 1944

This was another quiet year in Sequim.

In January the Mayor appointed the following officers: Rita Devine as Clerk; Max Church as City Attorney; Roy Schumacher as Police Judge; Chas. Knapman as Water Superintendent and A.C. Moore as Town Marshall. In March, A.C. Moore resigned and was replaced by Guy Holmes who was later replaced by O.A. Risdon. Loyd Fisher was appointed as Fire Chief. In November, Mr. Knapman resigned as Water Superintendent and was replaced by V.A. Grant. In December, O.A. Risdon resigned as Town Marshall and was replaced by Joe Priest.

A dog pound was built due to problems with people allowing their dogs to run at large.