

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

City of Lawton

January 2013

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Water meter readings are taken around the 20th day of each month.
Invoices for water, sewer, garbage and landfill are sent on the 1st of each month.
These invoices are delinquent if not paid by the 20th of that same month.
A 10% Late Fee will be assessed on all delinquent accounts.

**Do you currently receive
City Notifications via email?
If not, let me add you to my list:**

lawtonia@wiatel.net



**City Hall will be
CLOSED**

January 1

Home Repair and/or Rehabilitation Open House—January 19 1:00—3:00 pm

All residents within the Lawton city limits may be eligible to receive up to \$24,999 in repairs or rehabilitation for your home. Your home must be within the city limits and you must own AND occupy it. There are some income eligibility criteria that must be met, also.

Some items that will be considered are replacement of your roof, furnace, windows, adding insulation, etc. Many others will also be considered...this is just a very brief list to give you ideas of the type of assistance that you might want to consider.

The program will be administered through SIMPCO (Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council), and all applications will be processed through their organization.

An Open House will be held at the Friendship Center on Saturday, January 19, from 1:00-3:00 pm in order to get more information from our SIMPCO representative, Judi Meyer-Ogden.

★ January 2013 Recycling ★

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 City Offices CLOSED	2	3	4 Garbage	5
6	7 ★	8 5:00 pm City Council meeting	9	10 Garbage	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Garbage	18	19 1:00-3:00 pm Home Repair Open House
20	21 ★	22	23	24 Garbage	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Garbage		



CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

**WHAT BEAUTIFUL LIGHTS WE HAVE IN
LAWTON THIS YEAR!!!!**

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT PARTICIPATED!

1st Place: 426 E Main St

2nd Place: 501 E Oak St

3rd Place: (tie) 432 E Main St

301 E Maple St

Honorable Mention: 416 E Main St

401 E Maple St

Learn from yesterday, Live for today, Hope for tomorrow

~ Albert Einstein

Winter Reminders: With winter setting in, here are some reminders that need to be shared with all of you.

- * **As much as we'd rather not think about snow, it's here! The street crews come out early in the morning to try to get streets opened prior to most of our residents having to go to work. They generally start clearing streets by 3:00 a.m.**
- * **When the city crew clears snow, streets will be attended to first. There are no exceptions unless you are in a life and death situation and need an ambulance or fire truck at your house. Otherwise, streets are cleared first, and alleys will be tended to as time allows.**
- * **Cedar Street (the main drag downtown) will be tended to before all others. School routes will be taken care of next. After that, all streets will be made "passable". As time allows, the city crew will widen and clear streets and follow up with alleys.**
- * **Please do not call the city and ask for special favors in getting your street or alley cleared first. The guys have a route they follow that seems to work very well.**
- * **PLEASE...if we have snow in the forecast, do not park your cars in the streets. Having cars in the street slows the street-cleaning process down. Although Lawton isn't very big, we have a lot of area to cover and only two men to do the work. They need your cooperation!**
- * **Also, please DO NOT put your snow onto the street or onto your neighbor's property! The city crew doesn't appreciate it and neither will your neighbor...**

DISPOSAL OF YOUR REAL CHRISTMAS TREES



As we do every year, the Public Works guys will be picking up your discarded "real" Christmas trees if you set them out by the curb no later than January 7. Please remove all lights and decorations prior to placing trees at the curb.

No artificial trees will be taken. If you prefer disposing of your "real" trees yourself, please take them down to the tree pile located just west of the Maintenance Shop on West Main Street.

Remember to watch the electronic sign in the Veterans' Memorial Park as well as your email Inbox for special notifications from the City.

Any changes in a "normal" schedule will be posted on the sign and will also be emailed to our residents. Be sure City Hall has your email address on file if you would like to be included on these notifications.

GARBAGE REMINDERS

It never seems to fail that we get snow the night before garbage pickup.

Please set your cans just inside the end of your driveway rather than out on the street if we have snow in the forecast or already on the ground. The garbage hauler will still be able to pick it up, and the snow plows will be able to push snow without running the risk of hitting your can.

You are also asked to bag the garbage you place in your can. Garbage tends to blow out of the cans on windy days if it is not contained inside of bags...and we all know how windy it can get here in Lawton!!

Also, remember that all garbage must be inside garbage cans. Bags on the ground will not be picked up. If you need an additional can, please contact City Hall. The cost will be an additional \$15/month.

**Thanks for your cooperation.
It is very much appreciated!!**