

Back From Vacation



Portland Area Ice Storm Threatens Flights From North Pole



Mom begs Rudolph to cancel the trip

You may or may not believe in flying reindeer, but **the ice storm that's scheduled to arrive in our area tomorrow (Thursday Dec 22) is to be taken seriously.**

From the National Weather Service website: **WINTER STORM WATCH IN EFFECT FROM THURSDAY AFTERNOON THROUGH FRIDAY AFTERNOON..... Below freezing temperatures will hang on longest across the east Portland/Vancouver metro area and the top of the West Hills."**

Be prepared for treacherous conditions around the property beginning Thursday afternoon/evening – the open air corridors, parking lots, sidewalks – your balcony – might be icy, slick and potentially dangerous. Salt will be applied, but please be alert for icy, hazardous conditions!

Leave faucets running with a water stream the size of a pencil lead.

Ice storms often result in downed power lines – we should all be prepared for a loss of electricity!

The natural hazard most likely to endanger a Washington County resident is not an earthquake or fire, but *a severe winter storm.*

For help in preparing for one, visit this Washington Co website

<https://www.ready.gov/winter-weather>

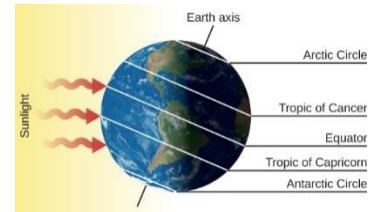
This will be our first storm of the season.

Are you prepared?



New owners enjoying the lovely lawn below Maplewood during the February 2021 winter storm

Ice Storm heralds arrival of Winter Solstice



If our Science editor is to be believed, the Winter Solstice will occur at 1:48 p.m. today.

Which means the days will now start getting longer – by June, over 7 hours of daylight will be added to our day...

Parade of Planets Across the Southern Sky

A “planet parade” can be seen for the next two weeks across the southern sky - on a clear night Saturn, Jupiter and Venus will be visible from many Quintet balconies.

Kudos to the Social

Committee for a great Holiday party - Italian food was complemented by the Quintet Choral singers – a good time was had by all!



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