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Happy Holidays from PLG

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The holidays are upon us! It's the time of year to gather together with food, fun and presents. Whether you are celebrating with your family or just trying to get through an awkward dinner, sometimes the holidays can get a little out of hand. This year, though, if you don't check your cheer it could cost you—in a ticket!

It's never a good idea to drive after you've been drinking, but this year Washington State police are making sure you'll think twice before getting behind the wheel. Agencies from across the state will be joining forces to basically saturate the highways with patrol cars from Thanksgiving to January to catch drunk drivers.

All this might seem like an overreaction, but last year in King County alone 876 people were arrested for DUI during this time of the year. The truth is, the amount of drunk driving is particularly high during the holidays. The idea is not to arrest more people—but to deter people from driving drunk in the first place with the threat of extra cops on the road.

In Washington State, DUI offenders have their car impounded in addition to the tickets and fines they may incur. So, make sure that you and your family are celebrating safely this holiday season, and that the only thing you have to spend money on this year is presents.

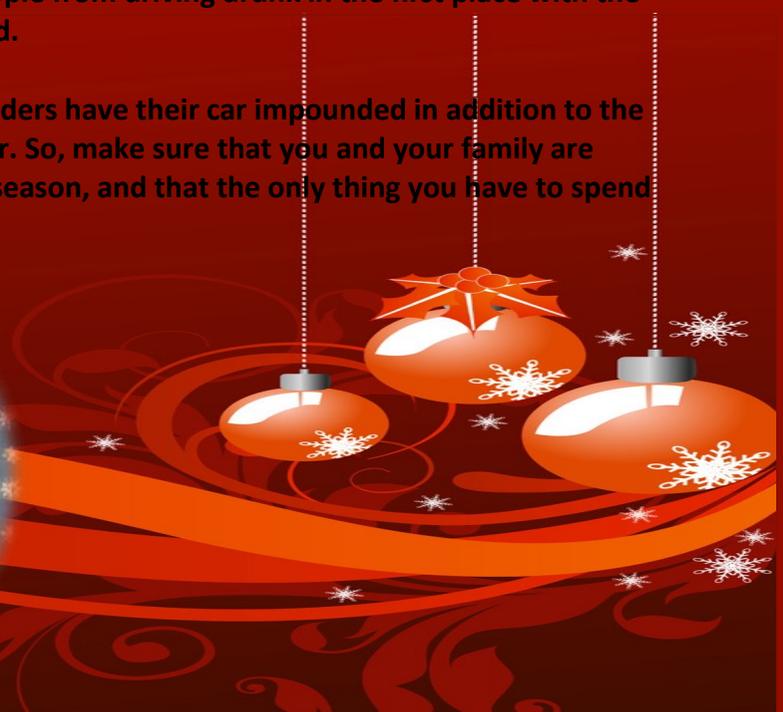
Calendar

- ◆ Hanukkah 12/21-12/28
- ◆ Christmas 12/25
- ◆ Kwanzaa 12/26-1/1
- ◆ New Year's Day 1/1

Driving to work in the dark?

Want some free Starbucks?!

See Back for Details



What to do if you get Stuck...

1. Do not spin your wheels. This will only dig you in deeper!
2. Turn your wheels from side to side a few times to push snow out of the way.
3. Use a light touch on the gas to ease your car out.
4. Use a shovel to clear snow away from the wheels and the underside of the car.
5. Pour sand, kitty litter, gravel or salt in the path of the wheels to help get traction.
6. Try rocking the vehicle. Shift from forward to reverse and back again. Each time you're in gear, give a light touch on the gas until the vehicle gets going.
7. Ask someone to push the vehicle while you slowly push the gas pedal. Be sure not accelerate too much, it will heat the snow and turn it to ice!
8. If all else fails and you're not able to walk to safety, make sure your lights and tailpipe are clear and stay in the car.
(Don't forget to buckle up, you can still get hit by another vehicle!)

The world's largest menorah was 32 feet high and weighed over 4,000 pounds.



Holiday Contest



Jason needs help picking out gifts for his two young boys this holiday season.

1st place - The same gifts or \$50 Melting Pot gift card

2nd place - \$25 Starbucks Gift card

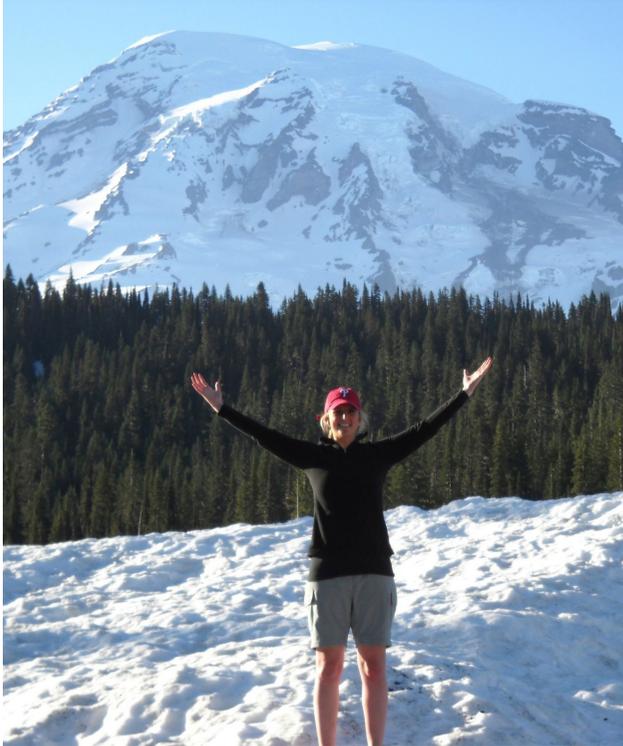
3rd place - \$15 Starbucks Gift Card

Kelly is 3

Quinn is 7



PLG Welcomes 2 New Faces!



Hailing from Mountain Top, Pennsylvania **Therese Price** comes from a rather large Irish family in which she is one of 22 grandchildren. After getting her B.S. in Elementary and Special Education at Temple University Therese decided to go to law school and moved to Minneapolis to attend the University of St. Thomas.

Therese moved to Washington this past summer after her husband, a member of the Navy JAG Corps, was assigned to Navel Station in Everett. Avid campers, they immediately took advantage of our beautiful surroundings and headed out to Mt. Rainer for a little bit of snowy summer camping.

When she's not working, Therese enjoys reading historical fiction novels, camping, playing basketball or volleyball, and watching football. Therese happens to be an Eagles fan, but don't judge her yet, she's new to the area.

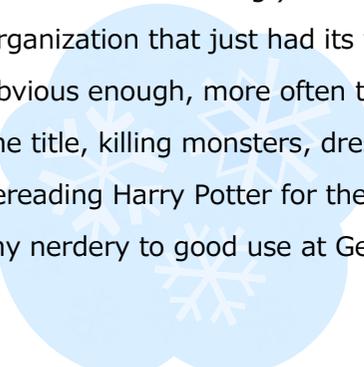


Kwanzaa was first celebrated in 1966.



Did you know? The image of Santa Claus as we know him was invented by Thomas Nast in the 19th Century.

My name is **Julia Santo** and I am the new Client Intake Specialist at PLG. I graduated from Seattle University in June 2011, where I learned how to avoid clouds of cigarette smoke and fight with philosophy majors about the meaning of The Matrix (and get my BA in Creative Writing.) I am also a staff member of GeekGirlCon-- a non-profit organization that just had its first annual convention in October. If that didn't make it obvious enough, more often than not you will find me: watching things with 'star' in the title, killing monsters, dressing as Doctor Who characters at conventions or rereading Harry Potter for the millionth time. In the future I hope to continue to put my nerdery to good use at GeekGirlCon and to write some truly geeky fiction.



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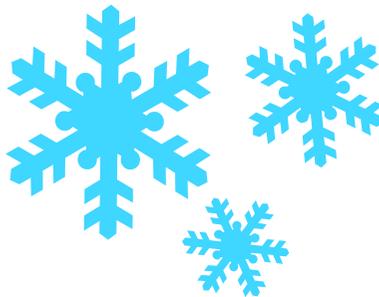
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Trivia Question of the Month

What are the:

- 5 Traditional Christmas Colors
- 3 Traditional Hanukkah Colors
- 3 Traditional Colors of Kwanzaa

Reply with ALL answers to win!

Be the first person to e-mail the correct answer to Dlee@plg-llc.com and win a Starbucks gift card!!



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