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# NEWSLETTER

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# the BOARD WANT

By Mary Delamater, President, KCCA Board of Directors

As you may know, it's budget season. We had an Open Forum meeting on Saturday, November 13, to present a preliminary draft of the Operating and Reserve budgets to the community, answer questions, and listen to feedback. The meeting had a good turnout and it went well - a wide range of opinions were expressed, and the board did our best to answer the questions that came up. Then, we had a board meeting on Tuesday, November 16, where we agreed on final numbers for both the Operating and Reserve budaets.

As I write this, we are putting the finishing touches on both budgets, so I can't give you specific numbers here. However, the letter notifying you of the 2022 budget should be about to arrive – maybe you've even received it already. That letter will give you specific information about how to pay your annual assessment. You can also contact the office with any questions you may have.

### **Operating Budget**

The 2022 annual assessment will be about a 14% increase over 2021. There are two main reasons for the increase. One, there's been a rise in operation

costs due to inflation and changes in the labor market. And two, we've increased the budgeted amount for the "Contribution to Reserves" line item in the Operating budget from \$34,000 last year to \$70,000 this year (more on that next).

### **Reserve Budget**

The reserve budget is broken into two sections, Discretionary and Non-Discretionary. The difference between the two is that non-discretionary items have already had bids presented to the Finance committee and/or have already been approved by the board. Discretionary items, by contrast, have not yet had bids presented to the Finance committee or the board.



One thing the board spent a lot of time discussing during this year's budget process is how to improve the Percent Funded of our reserve fund. As you probably know, over the years we've funded our reserves almost exclusively via transfer fees from the sale of homes. However, we're finding that, in order to get our Percent Funded to where it needs to be (70% or higher is considered strong), we need to augment those transfer fees with income collected from the annual assessment. That's why there's been an item called "Contribution to Reserves" in the Operating budget the last two years. Moving forward, we'll continue to have discussions on ways to repair our reserves.



# From Our Nest to Yours, Happy Holidays!

All of us here at the King City Civic Association are delighted to be spending another holiday season with good friends and neighbors like all of you. We really do appreciate your friendship and kind support, and we wish you and yours a blessed and joy-filled holiday.

### KCCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2021-2022

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The KCCA Board of Directors meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.

Board meetings are currently being held in-person at the KCCA clubhouse, but may return to being held virtually as needed. Please check the mykcca.com for latest information.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

CLUBS & AMENITIES, Chair: Laurie Petrie
Date & time: 1st Tuesday at 10am
Location: Virtual for now. Email Laurie Petrie for link.

GREENS, Chair: Joe Wilson
Date & time: 1st Thursday at 1pm
Location: Pro Shop

HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL, Chair: Sherry Smith Date & time: 1st Friday at 10am Location: Clubhouse Multi-Purpose room

LANDSCAPING, ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE (LARC), Chair: Jim Minor Date & time: 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10am Location: Clubhouse Multi-Purpose room

HOUSE, Chair: Laurie Petrie
Date & time: 3rd Monday at 11am
Location: Virtual for now. Email Laurie Petrie for link.

FINANCE, Chair: Faramarz Khozouiee Date & time: 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 4pm Location: Crown Center & Virtual. Email Faramarz Khozouiee for link.

POOL, Chair: Mary Delamater Date & time: 4th Sunday at 5pm Location: Virtual for now. Email Mary Delamater for link.

### **KCCA TEAM**

KCCA HOA • 15245 SW 116th Ave, King City, OR 97224 • 503.639.6565

Open Window Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Tuesday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Club House & Office:

Administrator: (To be determined)

Administrative Assistant: Deborah Dornberg

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Joy Olmstead, Pro Shop Manager golf@mykcca.com

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### **Hello Neighbors Committee**

Submitted by Sherry Smith



The Hello Neighbors Committee is looking for volunteers to join our merry band of volunteers as we begin a new season in 2022. Hello Neighbors Committee welcomes all new members who move into our KCCA community either in person or at our quarterly New Members Orientation meetings held at the Clubhouse.

We also plan and host all the

social events here in King City. Volunteers help plan these events, help with set-up and take down.

If you have never served on a committee this is the one to signup for. Its fun, rewarding and very interesting. You actually have input into what we

Interested? Contact Sherry Smith at 503-789-2079 or smithjs6@comcast.net.

### **Your KCCA Music Club Chorus is Back!**



Submitted by Jerry Larsen

After 20 months of enforced silence, our first performance was December 2nd in the Clubhouse. The skipping of the November Newsletter meant we couldn't announce it beforehand, but we will be performing again on Thursday afternoon, January 6th, 2022, at 2:00 PM in the Clubhouse Banquet Room. Our performances will regularly be on the first Thursday of the month.

We have several new members, and are bigger and better than before!

We hope to see you there to enjoy the choral works, and the solos and duets in the same format that you enjoyed before.

We can always use new singers, so if you are interested please contact Jerry Larsen, Club President and Co-Director, on (503) 336-0000. No requirement to read sheet music - if you can carry a tune, you'll be welcome!



Dec. 19 • 10:30am-1:30pm

**Kansas City Rhythm Kings** Friday, Dec. 24 • 2-3pm

**New Year's Eve Party** Friday, Dec. 31 • 6-9pm

Reservations Required. Please RSVP to 503-684-1008.

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### **King City Women's Golf**

Submitted by Sue Wihtol

The Annual King City Women's Golf for Charity Tournament played on September 15, raised \$1,866.00 for the BACK PACK PROGRAM. The women also donated 500 pounds of food.
All proceeds go to help provide nourishing food for children in the Tigard-Tualatin School District who don't have enough food to eat over the week ends.

October 6, golfers played the PINK BALL in Waltz format. Winning teams:

**First Place**: Wendy Marchant, Ipo Cole, Cheryl Carrier & Anita Schuler.

**Second Place**: Diana Pliler, Julie Michels, Jackie Davidson & Judy Outright.

Every year the club announces the Most Improved Player of the year. KCWG 2021 Most Improved Player was Loke Cole. On May 1, Loke's handicap was 31.2. As of mid-October it was 22.6. AWESOME!!

Our final golf event of the year was October 27. After a round of golf-in or out of Halloween Costumes, the ladies enjoyed a Halloween party provided by the Halloween Committee. Due to COVID restrictions, our December luncheon has been cancelled.

Traditionally we have collected clothing items and cash donations for the CARING CLOSET at the December event. This year items for the Caring Closet were brought to the Halloween Luncheon. We took two

carloads of gently used clothing to the Caring Closet. Mary Turner donated 32 scarves and 42 hats she knit.

This golf season was a wonderful success with many new members, great weather, lots of fun team play and a hard working Golf Board. A special thank you to Ellen Lee who was Team Captain and provided fun games weekly for the golf teams. Cindy Wallace, President, went above and beyond her duties as she sent out weekly notices keeping our group informed of golf happenings and warmly welcomed new members. And Julie Michels kept us up to date on golf rules as our Handicap Chairwoman.

Thanks to all the golfers who supported KC Women's Golf Club and support our community.



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# Please Join Us For our upcoming King City Christmas Party! Sat., December 18 from 6 pm - 8 pm

### Join us for a fun evening of Holiday festivities!

- Cake Walk
- Door Prizes
- > 50/50 Raffle
- Guessing Game
- Holiday Music
- Assorted Christmas Treats & Dessert Bar
- Table Decorating Contest Please call Rosemary
- Or Sherry to participate.
- Coffee,tea and water provided
- Bring Your Drink of Choice
- ➢ Bring cash for 50/50 tickets





For more info or to RSVP - CONTACT...
Rosemary 925.786.5822 or Sherry 503.789.2079

Sponsored by: KCCA Hello Neighbors Social Committee

### **King City TOPS**

Submitted by Chris Walbridge

With the Holiday season on us again, we all have the same question popping up again. How do we keep the added weight off? Can I handle this alone? Who can help?

This last two years have been very trying on all of us. Not enough exercise, too much couch and TV time, and our get up and go, got up and went!

Did you know King City has a TOPS group? TOPS stands for "Take Off Pounds Sensibly." We have about 20 members. We are not a diet group. We don't advocate diets. We recommend healthy sensible eating and exercise if possible. We have

weekly programs that promote understanding our bodies and how to control unhealthy urges.

We are a fun group that share ideas, have contests and play games. But first of all, we are there to support one another. Let's get the Holiday season weight control kick started before it's too late.

We meet every Thursday at the Crown Center. Weigh in starts at 9AM until 10:45. Our meetings go from 10 AM until 11. Our weigh in is private. Only our Weight Recorder and Assistant know that information.



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If you need any information please call Daphne Bailey our leader at 503-590-8566, Linda Johnson our Treasure or Chris Walbridge our Secretary at 541-379-3153. We would all love for you to join us.





### Let's Not Forget our Pets this Winter



Submitted by Chris Walbridge

With winter creeping up on us, let's not forget our pet's. Whether they are inside or outside pets.

Cats and dogs should be inside during wintry weather. It's a common belief that dogs and cats are more resistant than people to wintry weather because of their fur, but it's untrue. Like people, cats and dogs are susceptible to frostbite and hypothermia and should be kept inside.

Make sure your pet had their preventive care exam. Wintry weather may worsen medical conditions such as arthritis.

Be sure you know your pet's tolerance to cold. Our elderly pets can't tolerate the cold as much as a younger pet. Short hair pets can't tolerate the cold as well as a long hair pet. Limit the time your long hair pet is out in the snow, as

the longer fur holds on to the snow, causing matting and can cause frostbit.

You should make sure your pet has a warm dry shelter out of the elements if they are outdoors. You should also make sure they have fresh water daily and make sure it is ice free.

Let's not forget our fine feathered friends.

Try to keep the feeders full and where mice rats and squirrels don't have access.

I hope this information helps our fur ever friends.

### **Holiday Spirit**

As we transition from jack-o-lanterns and turkey dinners, the season will be marked with holiday parties, events and activities. We will admire the time and effort of homeowners throughout our KCCA community and beyond who have decorated their homes and yards for our enjoyment. Folks will shop (sometimes at the last minute!) for special gifts to wrap for friends and family and even their furry friends. Recipes will be researched for special dishes to delight the appetites around holiday tables. We sing or hum along to holiday music as we get ready for the festivities to begin. And, life will finally feel normal again.

May your hearts and homes be filled with all the joys of the holiday season.

And, may peace and good health follow you throughout the New Year.





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### **Room Codes:**

AC = Arts & Crafts Building

AQ = Aquatic Center

CC = Crown Center

CH = Clubhouse Banquet Rm.

CR = Computer Room

GR = Lawn Bowling/Croquet Green

LG = Lounge

MP = Multi-Purpose MR = Meeting Room

PS = ProShop

SC = Shuffleboard Court

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If you have an Aquatic Center key card, it will provide you access to all the facilities. If you don't, please fill out an application for the KCCA Amenities Key Card. The form is online at mykcca.com, or you can get a form in the holder by the Clubhouse entrance. Please return your application to the office drop box.

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9:30am **Table Tennis** 

9:30am MR Lions Board Meeting 10:00am Shuffleboard

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1:00pm CR Poker

1:20pm MR Mexican Train CH Music Club Practice

2:00pm 5:00pm CH Bingo

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12:00pm CH Yoga 6:00pm Hello Neighbors New Years Eve Party



### **King City Travel Club Annual Meeting**

The King City Travel Club Annual Meeting will be held January 8 at 10 a.m. in the clubhouse ballroom.

Everyone is welcome to attend. You will meet the new board members, hear about upcoming trips, and discuss other business as necessary. This is a great time to share trip ideas with your board members. We will also be collecting the \$5 yearly membership dues before and after the meeting along with updating your emergency information. We are looking forward to seeing you at our annual meeting.

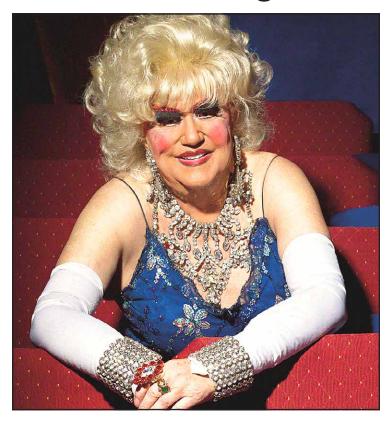
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### First Trip of the Year

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Our first trip of the year is scheduled for January 15, 2022. Trip includes dinner at The Old Spaghetti Factory followed by *That's no Lady! That's Darcelle XV and Company!* Trip cost: \$75.00

Reservations call: Nicky 503-530-0530. Last day to make a reservation and payment is January 1, 2022.



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### **Tuesday Cards Group**

Submitted by Sherry Smith

Looking for women who want to have fun and play various card games. Our group has been meeting every Tuesday at 1:30 in the Crown Center for the last couple of years. We play Hand and Foot, Canasta, and Kings in the



Corner. We also try other card games to see if we want to play them.

You do not have to know how to play these games because we will teach you.

For more information, please contact Sherry Smith at 503-789-2079 or email me at **smithjs6@comcast.net**.

# Movie Time

Hosted by Terri Johnson and Dennis Williams

- Experience "Movie Time" at the KCCA Clubhouse.
- Every third Friday of the month.
- Snacks at all Movies.
- You'll laugh, you'll cry, you might even be on the edge of your seat... but it'll be fun.







# Showing Friday, December 17th at 2 pm **Disney's Jungle Cruise**

PG-13/2021/2 HRS. 7 MINS/ADVENTURE

Based on Disneyland's theme park ride where a small riverboat takes a group of travelers through a jungle filled with dangerous animals and reptiles but with a supernatural element. Starring Dwayne Johnson, Emily Blunt and Edgar Ramirez

# Showing Friday, January 21st at 2 pm **Knives Out**

**PG-13/2019/2 HRS. 11 MINS/COMEDY, CRIME** 

On his 85th birthday, acclaimed crime novelist Harlan Thrombey (Christopher Plummer) is found dead in his room. Just as authorities are about to dismiss the tragedy as suicide due to the lack of evidence to prove otherwise, Detective Benoit Blanc (Daniel Craig) arrives at the scene to conduct his own investigation. Soon, it is revealed that all of Thrombey's family have a reason to murder the family's patriarch.



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### **Tualatin Valley Quilt Guild**

Submitted by Carol Springer

TVQG holds monthly meetings at the KCCA Clubhouse on the 3rdTuesday of each month, except December. starting at 7:00pm. Meetings feature a guest speaker or a

quilt-**QUILT GUILD** ing-re-

lated program, include a Show & Tell segment, door prizes, a Block of the Month presentation, and a Fat Quarter drawing.

Quilters of all experience levels are invited to attend our meetings or join our guild. Yearly dues are \$35.00. Guests are welcomed at all TVQG events. Our guest

fee is \$5.00 per meeting.

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TVQG. ContactUs@

gmail.com or visit their website at tvqq. wordpress.com. We would love to see you at our next meeting.



Gingerbread House - by longtime member, Nancy Duthie

### King City Ceramics

Submitted by Elaine Gelfand, President

The Ceramics Club, currently meeting under Covid safety protocols with established, vaccinated, masked members only, would like to remind our KCCA neighbors that we are looking forward to welcoming back visitors and new members once it is safe to do so. It is incumbent upon us to keep our existing members and new members safe.

If you enjoy the art of ceramics and are interested in joining us in the future, please send your name and contact information to: KCCA.ceramics@gmail. com. For now, a club member will be in touch with you to address any questions you may have and to add your name to the member waitlist. Keep in mind, membership is limited to current residents of KCCA and to the number of available workspaces.

We look forward to the ending of pandemic restrictions and to sharing with others the quiet enjoyment of ceramics in a safe, friendly, social setting. We hope you enjoy the seasonal presentation of member artwork on display in the entry hallway of the Arts and Crafts Building.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

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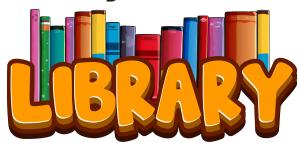


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**UNITED HOMECARE** SERVICES

### **Library News: Calling All Residents**



Submitted by Linda Gourde, Lead Volunteer

The rainy season is upon us and what better time to come in and check out one of our new mystery or fiction hardbacks which are displayed on the front counter.

For those of you who are new to KCCA, we are a small community library serving KCCA residents only. We are not associated with any of the public libraries. All of our library staff are unpaid volunteers who graciously give of

their time. We operate on an annual budget that allows us to purchase supplies, audio books and hardback books. We rely on your donations of paperbacks, DVD's, and puzzles to complement

our offerings and we are especially appreciative of everyone who has generously donated books and puzzles this year.

As a lot of you know, this is the time of year we start working on our budget. Over the years it has been observed that a large portion of our readership are regular print mystery fans, closely followed by large print mystery/fiction, regular print fiction, and last but not least non-fiction. We have a great selection of the most sought-

after authors and we would really appreciate everyone's input as to what additions you would like to see this coming year. Our goal is to get "something for everyone" if possible.

If you would like to share your "DESIRED BOOK TITLES" with us:

\*\*You may give your suggestions to a volunteer

\*\*You may drop your suggestions in the designated container at the front of the library

\*\*You may call 503-639-4978 and leave us a message on voice mail

From all of us here at the library, we wish you a safe and happy holiday season!!!

### **Artists' Guild News**

Submitted by Diane Tyhurst

The King City Artists' Guild (KCAG) continues to meet at the Clubhouse every Thursday afternoon. Many of us feel that painting/creating is one way to help keep oneself sane in a crazy world.

Many of our members have been especially creative during the last couple of years. Kathryn Amrani continues to paint two small paintings per day and shares them with us in weekly emails.

Debbi Estes invited us into her world during the Washington County Studio Tours in October where she shared her amazing studio and a wide variety of art in different modalities.

Laurie Svec led a workshop in painting clouds using watercolor paints. She taught us a variety of techniques to use to paint different kinds of clouds. After the first of the year, Laurie will again instruct us in painting animal fur. Laurie will also be showing her work at Bethany Frame Central in the near future.

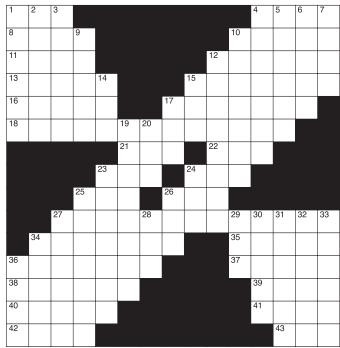
Laurie and Diane Tyhurst continue to teach a very successful watercolor class at King City Senior Village (KCSV) at 3:00 on Thursdays. There are so many talented people in that class, including a gentleman who is painting portraits of his whole family. Diane has also been commissioned to paint a few portraits for the KCSV residents as Christmas presents for their families.



We are all motivated to have nice Christmases with our families after a year and a half of being unable to mingle. We welcome all folks with a creative spirit to come and paint with us and to meet folks with similar gifts.

The KCAG meets every
Thursday at 1:00 in the KC
Clubhouse from 1:00 - 4:00.
We hope everyone had a warm
Thanksgiving and we wish
everyone a very Merry Christmas
and happiness in the new year.

# CROSSWORD Look for answers in next month's newsletter



### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. You fry food in it
- 4. Pesky insect
- 8. Gets older
- 10. \_\_ Dern, actress
- 11. Uncouth man
- 12. One who sulks
- 13. Napoleon's king of Naples
- 15. One who swims underwater
- 16. Make amends
- 17. Expressions
- 18. Document format
- 21. What a beaver makes
- 22. Limb
- 23. Photograph

- 24. Golf score
- 25. Moroccan mountain range
- 26. Wrinkled dog breed: Shar \_\_\_
- 27. 20th century sex symbol
- 34. Remedy for all diseases
- 35. Bluish greens
- 36. Moved swiftly
- 37. Type of units
- 38. Madames
- 39. Indian religious god
- 40. Potentially hazardous asteroids
- 41. Leak slowly through
- 42. An association of criminals
- 43. A way to push content (abbr.)

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Town in central Brazil
- 2. Large burrowing rodent
- 3. Nerve cell
- 4. Estimating
- 5. Bakers use it
- 6. Regions
- 7. Small lake
- 9. Environmentalist nun
- 10. More kookie
- 12. Announce officially
- 14. Israeli city \_\_\_ Aviv
- 15. Title given to friar
- 17. Inches per minute (abbr.)
- 19. Buildings

- 20. Pouch
- 23. They steal on the high seas
- 24. It's mightier than the sword
- 25. Going off on a tangent
- 26. Monetary unit
- 27. Young woman
- 28. Type of bulb
- 29. Type of drug (abbr.)
- 30. City opposite Dusseldorf
- 31. Animal disease
- 32. Martini necessities
- 33. Elude
- 34. La : Buenos Aires capital
- 36. An oft-enduring symbol

# Warm and Wow Guests with Hot Mulled Apple Cider



When hosting friends and family at home, it's understandable that hosts direct so much of their focus to the foods they plan to serve. The main course is often the focal point and most memorable

aspect of a dinner party, and that's true whether the get-together is a backyard barbecue, a holiday meal with the family or a formal affair with colleagues.

Food might be a focal point, but guests also will need something to drink. Traditional spirits like wine and cocktails are the standard, but hosts who want to get a little creative should not hesitate to do so. When choosing a special beverage, timing is everything. Guests will want to cool down on warm summer evenings, so something cold and refreshing can make for the perfect signature cocktail. When hosting on nights when the mercury has dropped, a warm beverage can heat up guests in a matter of minutes. On such nights, hosts can serve this version of "Hot Mulled (Sherried) Apple Cider" courtesy of Laurey Masterton's "The Fresh Honey Cookbook" (Storey). One added benefit to Masterton's recipe is it can produce a welcoming winter aroma, helping hosts establish a warm ambiance for the festivities.

### Hot Mulled (Sherried) Apple Cider Serves 16

- 1 gallon apple cider
- 1 orange, unpeeled, cut into slices
- 1/4 cup whole cloves
- 4 sticks cinnamon
- 1/4 cup honey, preferably cranberry honey
- 1 cup sherry (optional)
- 1. Combine the cider, orange slices, cloves, cinnamon, and honey in a large pot over medium heat. If you are picky about things floating in your cider, make a little bundle out of cheesecloth and place the cinnamon and cloves inside before adding to the cider. I like to chew on cloves, so I just toss everything in. Bring to a boil, and then reduce to a simmer over low heat for an hour or so to spread these lovely winter aromas around your home.
- 2. If you're serving it to adults, add the sherry. It might make everyone want to go sledding!

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# CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to winter.

Each number corresponds to a letter.

(Hint: 21 = E)

A. 25 16 24 4 10 7 20 5 21

Clue: Individual piece of snow

B. 17 9 23 7 7 26

Clue: Slightly cold

C. 25 4 21 20 22 21 13

Clue: Warm, knitted shirt

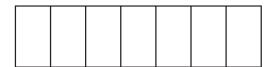
D. 25 22 24 13 11

Clue: Bad weather

### **WORD SCRAMBLE**

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to winter.

**FDERTOS** 



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### Guess Who?

Answers: A. snowflake

 $\mathcal{B}$ 

cihlly C.

D.

I am a singer born in Ohio on December 28, 1978. I was the musical director for an a capella group at the University of Pennsylvania. I scored my first big hit in 2005, and I've won many music awards, including being the first black man to win an EGOT.

Answer: John Legend

### **WINTER SCENES WORD SEARCH**

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

### WORDS

**ANORAK** ARCTIC **BALACLAVA** BITING **BITTER BLIZZARD BLUSTERY CHILLS** CHIMNEY COLD **DECEMBER** DRAFTY DREARY DUVET **EARMUFFS EVERGREEN** FIREWOOD FLANNEL FLEECE **FLURRIES GALE GLOVES** H0CKEY ICICLE

### **Portable Amplifier Available for Committees & Clubs**

Submitted by Jerry Larsen

The Association now has a portable, battery-powered PA amplifier for small group meetings or events that will be held in a location other than the clubhouse banquet room, where the installed audio system is available.

It is lightweight, with a retractable handle and wheels (like modern luggage). It includes a wireless microphone, and wired microphone connectivity, and has been used successfully by the chorus, and committee meetings, and since it does not need a 110V electric outlet, is extremely convenient. It's easy to use, and has written instructions and the necessary mics and cables in a separate case. It operates for a long time between charges. Training on its use is available. If you have a need, contact the office during working hours to reserve it.







"Good, fast, efficient, very tidy, extremely punctual. I would recommend him." Patty, KCCA Resident

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