

Winter plant maintenance begins

Two positions open at utility

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Promotions earned by several staff

Several staff members earned promotions that took effect on Dec. 4.

Mike Bailey is now a water distribution supervisor I in the distribution division.

Grainne Meaderis is now an accountant III in the finance section of the business division.

Paul Scott is now a chemical feed system repairer in the production division.

Joe Tronson is now the meter operations supervisor in the business division.

Please congratulate Mike, Grainne, Paul, and Joe on their new positions.



Mike Bailey



Paul Scott



Grainne Meaderis



Joe Tronson

'Tis the season for giving to others

The water utility is supporting Second Harvest Heartland food shelf and Gifts for Seniors this year.

A bin is in the lobby to collect non-perishable food by Tuesday, Dec. 21. Online giving can be done directly at www.2harvest.org.

A Christmas gift can let seniors know that they are not alone.

Drop off locations, donations via registries at Target, Amazon, and Best Buy, as well as monetary donations can all be found at online at giftsforseniors.org/donate.

Thank you for giving!

Celebrate the holidays with metro area activities

Get out and celebrate the holidays this year, now that we can attend events and activities together.

Here are some ideas for a variety of things to do this holiday season.

Sledding. Free if you own a sled or even a large piece of cardboard. For sledding around Saint Paul, find a map of the best locations at www.visitsaintpaul. com/sledding.

Holiday Flower Show. Marjorie McNeely Conservatory, Como Park. Open daily 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through early January. Free; donations appreciated. Reservations required (make online), as are masks.

https://comozooconservatory.org/como/sunkengarden-2.

Holiday lights. View the holiday lights at a multitude of locations around the Twin Cities metro area.

Find the latest at www.familyfuntwincities.com/minnesota-holiday-light-displays. Some displays are

free, some take food donations, others charge. More specific to Saint Paul: https://www.visitsaintpaul.com/blog/best-places-to-see-holiday-lights-in-saint-paul.

St. Paul Cathedral Festival of Lights. Free outdoor show, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17; 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 18 - 19. Tickets to indoor *Starry Night* \$15 person/\$40 group of 5 or fewer. Same times and dates. https://www.visitsaint-paul.com/events-calendar/cathedral-festival-of-lights.

Holidazzle. Friday through Sunday, Dec. 17 - 19. Loring Park, Minneapolis. See Yeti, the illuminated art installation and take part in amusement park rides, including a Ferris wheel, carousel, and giant slide.

Fireworks at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Check hours for musical performances, visits with Santa Claus, and Santa story time at www.holidazzle.com.

Reindeer Cam. Watch the reindeer at Como Zoo. comozooconservatory.org/reindeer-cam.

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has built up in the area over the last year. Both Bougie and Lopez transferred from distribution to the water treatment plant for the winter season to assist with maintenance duties and other work in the production division.

IS information/tech analyst IV sought; job closes Dec. 27

The utility is looking to fill an IS information/technical analyst IV position. Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 27.

This position is responsible for database creation, organization, installation, data migration, maintenance, support, backup and restoration of the database environments and its applications.

The requirements for this classification may be met by various combinations of education and experience. Please see the posting at stpaul.gov/jobs for full details.

Must possess and maintain a valid Minnesota class D driver's license or equivalent out-of-state driver's license.

For more information, contact Chrissy Hauge at 651-266-6512 or at jobs@stpaul.gov.

Celebrate the holidays

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Holiday Music Festival. Free. Now through Dec. 23 in the Huntington Bank rotunda in the Mall of America. Mondays and Wednesdays through Saturdays: every two hours starting at 11 a.m. On Tuesdays, every two hours starting at 3 p.m. The last concert for those days is at 7 p.m. On Sundays, concerts are every two hours starting at 11 a.m.; last concert is at 5 p.m. www.mallofamerica.com/hmf.

Holiday Concerts. For a list of holiday concerts at surrounding private colleges, go to mnprivatecolleges. org/events-news/upcoming-events/holiday-concerts.

Minnesota Boys Choir. Bring the Sing Winter Solstice Event, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19, Union Depot. Virtual Concert, 4 p.m Sunday, Dec. 19. Winter Concert 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Jan. 9, 2022. Landmark Center. Freewill donation requested. For more information on any of these events, go to https://boychoir.org/support/attend-a-concert.html

European Christmas Market at the Union Depot runs Friday - Sunday through Dec. 19.

Frozen II at movie night at the Union Depot. Free. Saturday, Dec. 18. Meet Elsa and Anna at 3 p.m., autographs from Miss Minnesota, dance, play games. 5 p.m. movie starts. Seating first come, first served.

Water dist. supervisor II sought

The utility is looking to fill one full time certified water distribution supervisor II position on the distribution team. The position will be primarily office based and will be overseeing construction scheduling and coordination.

This position will frequently coordinate with water distribution field supervisors and reports to the assistant division manager, with overall guidance by the distribution division manager.

If you are interested in being considered for this position and are not already on the eligible list, contact Kate Moen for a competency exam.

Complete the exam and send it to Kate along with proof of education by Dec. 30 at Kate.Moen@ci.stpaul.mn.us or drop off at Kate's office in the admin building.

The competency review board will meet in early January and interviews will be conducted after that.