

It's For You



**SCTC**

*The People You Trust*

December 2008



## Money-saving tips

Everyone is feeling the pinch of the current economic situation and SCTC would like to help our members during these difficult times. To that end, here are some ideas that you might consider:

- 1) Where SCTC can help
  - a) Ask an SCTC Customer Service Representative if you can save money by reducing your cell plan minutes and using our Unlimited Calling plan instead.
  - b) Watch movies on TV instead of going to the theater. SCTC can provide you with access to thousands of movies with DIRECTV's On Demand service. Make it an event for the family with popcorn and favorite treats.
  - c) Enroll in SCTC online billing (EZ Billing) and Auto Pay. Save money, time and Go Green.

### 2) Other Suggestions

- a) Find a bank that pays you interest on the money in all your accounts and doesn't charge outrageous fees for every service.
- b) Sign up for every free customer awards program you can find.
- c) Write a list before you go shopping and stick to the list.
- d) Spend time with friends at home instead of going out.
- e) Call your credit card company and ask for a rate reduction. Tell them you are ready to cancel and move to another provider if they don't cooperate.
- f) Go to your web browser and put in "money saving tips." You'll find dozens of websites that have hundreds of suggestions.

*Happy Holidays*



## SCTC Unlimited Long Distance Plan is a Hit!

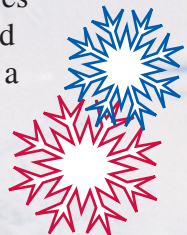
SCTC launched a new Unlimited Calling Plan in May of 2008 and the response has been great. Many of our customers have saved money by getting the Unlimited Plan and they love the convenience of only having to pay one price that includes all those great features plus long distance.

Some have saved even more money by reducing their cell phone minutes and calling on the clear, dependable SCTC line when they are at home.

The Unlimited plan includes:

- Clear, dependable local service.
- 13 features (including voice mail and caller ID) and
- UNLIMITED calling anywhere within the United States.

The plan gives you the peace of mind of knowing that you always have enough minutes to call long distance and the convenience of being able to talk as long as you want. You can also try out those great calling features you've heard about, like Automatic Recall and Call Block, without worrying about spending a lot of money. Call 503-769-2121 today and find out why so many people are thrilled with the new Plan.





## Stayton High Is On the Web

Miss the big game last weekend? Didn't get to hear the concert or Talent Show at the High School? No problem! You can find great videos of almost every SHS event on line at <http://valiant.wvi.com/>

SCTC and the SHS Video classes under instructor Chris Shields have teamed up to bring you dozens of videos of school events and activities. Just go to the website and click on the event you want to view. These are videos that you can't get anywhere else. If you don't have a high-speed Internet connection, find a friend who does or call the experts at SCTC/WVI to get set up.

## Don't Get Scammed

Reports have surfaced about two recent scams in our area. First, one of our neighbors got phone calls and a letter stating that he had won a Canadian Sweepstakes. A check was included "...to assist you to pay for the Non Resident Government Service Tax (GST)." In order to claim the \$450,000 prize, the winner had to send back a check for the GST in the amount of \$3925. The second scam involves an organization that hires "Secret Shoppers." The Shoppers receive a list of stores and items to purchase and then are required to send in their receipts for payment. A check for \$5000 more than the receipts is sent back "in error" and the recipient is instructed to send the hiring company a personal check for the overpayment.

In both cases, the check sent to the victims is a fake and the organizations steal whatever money is sent back to them. Here's the rule: Do not, ever, send money

### Here's a "Green" Ideal!



You can team up with SCTC and reduce paper waste and make your life easier when you enroll in the convenient EZ Billing online billing service, eliminate your paper bill, pay online or enroll in Auto Pay, the handy way to pay your bills automatically each month. Talk to one of our friendly Customer Service Representatives about enrollment. Help the environment and make your life easier.



## ACT NOW! Limited Time Offer!



Sign up for service before December 31, 2008.

Offer applies to new wireless customers only.

Two year agreement required.

Free Activation (Primary number).

3 Months FREE only on Primary number.\*



Some restrictions apply. Some charges not included. \*Includes Family Shared Plans.

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to someone or some organization you don't know, especially if it's to correct a bookkeeping error on their part. Legitimate people don't do this. If you suspect that something is wrong check at [www.snopes.com](http://www.snopes.com) or your local law enforcement agency.

### FREE INTERNET CLASSES FROM WVI

WVI offers free introductory Internet classes on Tuesdays at Sprague High School in Salem. The December classes schedule is as follows:

**December 2**

**Introduction to the Internet**

**December 9**

**Introduction to E-mail**

**December 15**

**Your PC and Internet**

Class size is limited.

Please contact WVI Customer Service at 503-769-1984 or email us at [www.wvi.com](http://www.wvi.com) to sign up. Classes are two hours long and start promptly at 6:30 PM.

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