

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Happy 233rd Birthday to the United States of America!

Since July 4th 1776, we have celebrated the birth of our nation and its independence from Great Britain. With that birth came the establishment and recognition of freedoms and rights for our citizens. These rights and freedoms are embodied in the Constitution of the United States and have been expanded in our laws and court rulings since then.

One of the great freedoms we enjoy is the right to self-rule. We are neither a monarchy nor a dictatorship. Our leaders are periodically elected by the voice of the people as a democratic republic. They remain in office for a specific period of time, after which they are either retained or replaced by another vote of the people. This year we will exercise our right to choose our local leaders in an election.

A couple of months ago I announced that I am not running again for mayor. This means that the mayor's position will be open for you to fill. Also, there will be two city council positions whose terms are up. As citizens, we will have the right and responsibility to select new leadership for our city government. The time to apply for candidacy is July 1st thru July 15th with the City Recorder at City Hall. Depending on the number of candidates, we may hold a primary election and general election in the fall.

Qualifications: The basic qualifications for candidacy are simple.

- you must be a US citizen
- you must be a resident of Pleasant Grove for one year

Qualities: The qualities we look for in our elected officials are not so simple. They are customized to the individual preferences of each and every voter. We also tend to rely on name recognition and advice from those we trust. Here are some of the qualities I look for when selecting a candidate to fill an office.

- Is the person honest?
- Does the person generally represent my point of view?
- Is the candidate open minded to look at all the facts before making a decision?
- Does the individual have any personal conflicts of interest that would bias them in decisions?
- Is the individual broad minded or are they hung up on a single issue?
- Does the candidate lay out their own qualities or do they tear down someone else to build themselves up?
- Can the person represent our City in the media, in front of groups, as members of boards, with businesses, to other government leaders and to our general public?
- Will they remain objective even during periods of personal criticism, attack or public clamor?
- Are they fiscally minded and will they keep the government operating in the black?
- Will they uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of the State of Utah?

We have over 32,000 people living in Pleasant Grove. About 12,000 are registered to vote. Only about 3,500 exercise their right and responsibility to vote. That means that generally our leaders are placed into office by less than 10% of the voice of the people.

When you consider the number of men and women who have given their lives in defending this great freedom, don't you think voting is one of the basic things you can do to show your appreciation? I do.

Please take the time to register to vote. Please take the time to run for public office. Please take the time to get informed about the candidates and exercise your right to vote.

I have enjoyed serving you during the past six years as a mayor and city councilor. I appreciate the many people who have taken time to participate in our local government. We have so many people who are willing to volunteer they time to make our City great. As always, please keep your comments coming.

Please continue to send those emails to Mayor@PGCity.org.

**Just a reminder —
Possession or discharge of fireworks, not approved
by the State Fire Marshal's office, is a
Class "B" misdemeanor, and may be cited.**

4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS SHOW

Presented by Pleasant Grove Fire Department

When: Saturday, July 4, 2009 at Dusk (around 9:40 pm)

Where: Pleasant Grove Junior High School
(Note the change in location)

Thousands of fireworks!!!

See you there.

SECONDARY WATER

Lynn Walker, Director of Public Works, reminds residents that once a green box is installed in their yard for the secondary system, it is mandatory they pay \$100 to the City within 30 days. Any payments after the initial 30 days maybe subject to a \$100 dollar fine.

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELP WITH STRAWBERRY DAYS

Many, many hands, volunteering service, have given Pleasant Grove another successful Strawberry Days celebration. Service is seldom convenient, and things get done by people busy with their own affairs, who put aside their own needs to accomplish the larger purposes. We have all benefited by their efforts. Strawberry Days were great!

The "kids" from the Pleasant Grove Youth Court, along with other young friends, are especially to be praised for their dedication and endurance. They cleaned strawberries, washed and dished them up, and served them to seemingly thousands of people at the concert, the park and the rodeo. They were diligent and thorough with the cleanup, always the least pleasant part of the job. They hauled cases of strawberries to and from each venue. They helped with the parade. Leaders encouraged and worked along with them. When did they have time for themselves during the whole week? As they rest from their labors, may they feel satisfaction and joy in a job well done. With young people like this, we know the future of our community is in good hands. When we serve the community, we increase our love for this great town!

---Anne Fisher

**PARKING VEHICLES ON FRONT LANDSCAPING
AREA OF RESIDENCE: City Code does not allow
for parking of vehicles on the
front landscape portion of residences.
This includes cars, trucks, boats, trailers, sheds, etc.**

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

After a very wet, chilly June, it's finally started to feel like summer. What a crazy weather year! The Beautification committee has chosen a yard from each neighborhood and awarded them "Yard of the Month" to honor their hard work. Be sure to drive by for some inspiring ideas.

Yard and garden tasks for July can be summed up in about 2 words: weeds and water. Keep up on the weeding and don't let them go to seed, or you'll get lots more years of pulling that particular weed. Water is especially important. It's much better for your lawn and your vegetable garden to water less frequently but more deeply. Drip irrigation can really be beneficial to your veggies and flower beds and is water-wise as well.

*Snapdragons should be pinched back after blooming to promote a second flush of growth.

*Cutting flowers is best done with sharp shears or a knife which will help avoid injury to the growing plant. A slanting cut will expose a larger absorbing surface to water and will prevent the base of the stem from resting on the bottom of the vase. Carry a bucket of water to the garden for collecting flowers, rather than a cutting basket.

* Check the soil moisture of container grown vegetables and flowers daily. As the temperature rises, some plants may need water twice a day.

* Divide and transplant bearded iris.

* Tall flowers should be staked to prevent damage by wind. Use stakes which are large enough to support the plant but are not too conspicuous. Use soft twine or twist ties to secure.

* A brown or grayish cast over a lawn can be caused by a dull or improperly adjusted mower blades that shred grass rather than cut it. Make sure your blades are sharp and raise their height for best results.

* A garden needs one inch of rain or water each week. Early morning is the best time to water. Evening watering is less desirable because plant leaves that remain wet through the night are more susceptible to fungus diseases. Mulch plants to reduce water losses and improve yields.

* For fall harvest of lettuce, radish, carrots, beets, turnips, kale and spinach, sow weeds in late July to early August.

* Continue to make successive plantings of crops like beans and sweet corn to provide a continuous harvest until fall. A small garden will produce a large quantity of vegetables if replanting is done throughout the summer.

* Stake, cage or otherwise support tomato plants if you have not done so already.

* Remove suckers between the main stem and branches of those same tomatoes. It encourages bushier growth. While you're at it, pinch back tops of plants that have become leggy.

* Water tomatoes from below to prevent fungal infections. Cultivate and remove weeds from base of plants.

* Continue attracting insect eating birds to the garden area by providing them with a fresh water source.

* If you are leaving on vacation, ask a neighbor or friend to do minimal maintenance on your garden. Even if you have a sprinkler system and a timer, it's a good idea to have someone make sure it's working properly as well as lightly deadheading and trimming to keep your garden looking neat. Also, an unkempt garden with flyers on the door is a sign that nobody's home...a sure temptation to thieves. Happy gardening!

JUNE yards of the Month from Beautification Commission

Big Springs - Craig & Linda Smith, 1690 N 100 E; Little Denmark - Russ & Heidi Mann, 292 W 900 N; Manila - Kent & Jill Walker, 3865 N 900 W; Monkey Town - Dave & Angie Niarcis Family, 695 E 300 N; Mud Hole - Thomas & Roshan Richards 822 N 1570 W; North Fields - Kaylee & Andrew Johns, 2419 N. Verona Lane; Old Fort-Carson & Kellie Mellot, 397 E 300 S; Scratch Gravel, Robert and Jane Walter - 364 South Murdock Drive.

RECREATION INFO

UPCOMING YOUTH SPORTS REGISTRATION DATES:

Youth Volleyball 3rd -12th Grade: Registration: Aug. 1-29 / Begins Mid Sept.
Flag Football 1st - 12th Grade: Registration: Aug 1-29 / Begins Mid Sept.
2nd Grade Basketball: Registration: Aug 1-29 / Begins Sept 26
Jr. Viking Cheer: Registration: Aug 1- Sept 8 / Begins Sept 8

Adult Coed Softball – Currently taking registration and will go until filled. Fee: \$400 a team. Half of fees will be due at time of registration in order to hold a spot. Teams will play four preseason games to determine division. Regular season games will begin with division play on Monday or Wednesday having 2 games per night. Season will start Monday, August 3rd.

Mens Fall Softball – Registration will begin Wednesday, July 1st and go until filled. Fee: \$450 a team. Half of fees will be due at time of registration in order to hold a spot. Teams will play 14 season games with a double elimination tournament at the end of the season. Games will be on Tuesday and Thursday nights with a double header format. Season will start Tuesday, August 4th.

2009 MUNICIPAL ELECTION INFORMATION

There are two (2) City Council positions and one (1) Mayor position to be voted on in this year's municipal election. They are all four (4) year terms. There is a \$35.00 filing fee for candidates. The filing period for candidates begins on July 1, 2009 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on July 15, 2009.

PRIMARY ELECTION – September 15, 2009 (if needed)
Early voting will be from Tuesday, September 1st through Friday, September 11th, 2009.

GENERAL ELECTION – November 3, 2009
Early voting will be from Tuesday, October 20th through Friday, October 30th, 2009.

2009 ELECTION LAW CHANGE FOR VOTERS

- House Bill 126 Voter Identification for Elections
- Requires voters to present valid voter identification when voting at the polls on Election Day.
 - Changes the list of documents that are acceptable forms of identification and provides a list of forms that can validate identity and residency.
 - Permits voters who do not have identification with them to cast a provisional ballot and then present valid voter identification to the county clerk within five business days after the election.
 - Makes it possible for indigent persons to obtain a state identification card without paying a fee.
 - Voters who vote absentee are not required to send a copy of their identification with their absentee ballot unless they are voting for the first time in Utah and did not present or submit identification when registering to vote.

If you have any questions, please call the City Recorder's Office at (801)785-5045.

**48 HOUR PARKING ON STREETS: Please be reminded
of the City parking ordinance, which does not allow for
more than 48 hour parking on the street. Be sure to have
all cars off the street for snow removal.**

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

The Senior citizen center schedule for July is as follows:

Tuesdays at 10:30am Free Bingo

Wednesdays at 1:00pm Shopping

Thursdays at 1:00pm Free Movie

Fridays at 11:00 - 11:30am Thai chi

Wednesday, July 1, 10:30am – 12:00pm Blood Pressure and Blood

Sugar Clinic sponsored by Gentle Home Health Care

Wednesday, July 1, 12:30pm – 1:30pm Bingo Sponsored by Orchard Park

Tuesday, July 21, 5:30pm – 6:30pm Monthly Potluck Dinner

BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED FOR ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: Please remember to obtain building permits for all accessory buildings larger than 120 square feet in size. Also, before building any accessory building, check with Community Development for the proper setbacks, so you don't have to move your buildings after they are constructed or installed.

SWIMMING POOL INFO

Public Swim Hours

Monday – Friday: 1:30 pm-7:55 pm
Saturday: 12:30 pm - 7:55 pm

Daily Admissions

0-3 years old: Free
4 years and up: \$4.00
Seniors (55 & up): \$1.50

Swim Lessons (2 Week Sessions)

Session 4: Session Starts July 13 / Registration Starts July 1
Session 5: Session Starts July 27 / Registration Starts July 15
Resident: \$25 / Non Resident: \$30

Water Aerobics Class Schedule :

Monday-Friday Morning
6:10 am-7:00 am / 7:10am-8:00am / 8:10am-9:00 am
Monday - Thursday Evening
7:00 pm-7:50 p.m.

Adult Swim Classes

Adult Swimming Classes are held each Tuesday & Thursday from 5:50 a.m. to 6:50 a.m.
Call the pool at 801-785-9660 for more information

Triathlon Training

Triathlon Training Classes are held each Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.
Call the pool at 801-785-9660 for more information

ALOHA SUMMER FILM SERIES

Come beat the heat while watching FREE movies about or filmed in Hawaii at the Pleasant Grove Library Little Theatre.
Weekday movies start at 7 pm
Saturday movies at start at 11 am
Schedule:

- Wed. July 1 Jurassic Park (w/ Sam Neill)
- Wed. July 8 From Here to Eternity (Classic Drama)
- Wed. July 15 Hawaii (w/ Julie Andrews)
- Sat. July 18 George of the Jungle (Disney)
- Wed. July 22 Blue Hawaii (w/ Elvis Presley)
- Wed. July 28 Pearl Harbor (w/ Ben Affleck)
- Thur. Aug 6 Paradise, Hawaiian Style (w/ Elvis)
- Wed. Aug 12 6 Days, 7 Nights (w/ Harrison Ford)

2009 CONCERTS IN THE PARK

*East Side of the new Community Center
Every Sunday at 7:30 pm*

- July 5 Bluegrass Thunder
- July 12 Walker Brothers
- July 19 Dyer Highway
- July 26 Jared & Cali

Pleasant Grove



Promenade

What do you call a place that includes a farmers market, a boutique, live music and kid's entertainment? Where there's something of interest for everyone? We call it the Pleasant Grove Promenade.

The Pleasant Grove Promenade is a place where families and friends can stroll through a quaint historic park and be introduced to fresh produce, unique gifts and distinctive foods -- all in conjunction with live entertainment and kids' activities.

The Promenade will appeal to people who want more fresh air in their lives and an excuse to get out and mingle with others in a relaxing atmosphere. Come enjoy a serene, hassle-free shopping and entertainment experience.

Learn more at PGpromenade.com.

FOX HOLLOW GOLF CLUB

We thank you for your support of Fox Hollow Golf Club this spring. We want to give a special thanks the management and staff at Fox Hollow for all they do for our citizens to make your golfing experience a great one. If you haven't taken an opportunity to visit Fox Hollow now is a great time, come out and play at your golf course, schedule parties, weddings, class reunions and other functions. Stop by the front desk for a list of prices and availability.

The Fox Den is under new management and the food is excellent, so plan your next golf outing with a stop for food before after or during your round.

Thank you for your response to our request for volunteers. We still have openings so if you are interested stop by the Club house and pick up an application.

SUMMER HOURS: 6:00 A.M. to Dark 7 Days a week.
Call 801-756-3594 for a tee time

RANGE HOURS: Monday through Saturday 6:00 A.M. to Dark
Sunday 6:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

UTAH STATE PARKS PASSES AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT!

Pleasant Grove City Library is pleased to announce that three Utah State Parks passes are now available for checkout. These passes have been made possible by the Utah Department of Natural Resources in conjunction with their Reach Out and Connect Kids In Nature program (Rockin Utah). The goal is to provide opportunities for and encourage children and families to explore the natural world.

Checking out a pass will allow you and up to seven guests in the same private vehicle day-use entrance to all Utah State Parks (excluding This Is The Place Heritage Park and the Davis County Causeway fee at Antelope Island; this pass is accepted at Utah State Parks only and cannot be used at National Parks such as Zion, Bryce, or Arches). For more information and a list of state parks you can visit and discover, visit our web site.

Throughout 2009 a pass will also give you \$2 off camping fees, 7 days a week, excluding holidays and holiday weekends. This discount will be honored through the reservation call center and at state park campgrounds on a first-come, first-served basis (not available on the online reservation system). Discount applies to one campsite per night.

To maximize the opportunity to use these passes, PGCL has decided to create a reservation process for their use. This process will allow people to plan a trip and have a pass available at the time they want to use it.

If you are interested in using a State Parks pass, please fill out the request form linked to our web page. www.plgrove.org/library.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMITS REQUIRED:

All home occupation businesses are required to have permits. Please check with City Hall, for the applications and requirements

NEWS FROM ANIMAL CONTROL

As summer and warm weather approaches, it is enjoyable for both pet owners and pets to take walks. It is important at this time, to remember to keep your pets on leashes while you are out enjoying the weather.

Not only must our pets be on a leash while walking them but it is also against Pleasant Grove City ordinances to allow any pet to be unrestrained while not on your own property.

I'm sure most people know that it is unlawful to allow a dog to run at large, but not many people know that the same laws apply to cats.

A cat that is allowed to roam off of its own property can do damage to people's yards and property, and can also cause traffic hazards. The cat's health can also be affected by allowing it to roam, as the probability of it being hit by a car or getting into a fight with either another cat or when it enters the yard where there is a dog, greatly increases.

Pet owners also need to be aware that it is required by law that all dogs over the age of six months must have a current rabies vaccination and a current license. Cats over the age of four months must have a current rabies vaccination and current license also. Licenses can be obtained at the North Utah Valley Animal Shelter, located at 182 N. 2000 W., Lindon.

Keeping a collar on your pets with the license on it also greatly increases the chances of your pet returning to you if it does accidentally get loose from your property.

We would like you to know that your Pleasant Grove Animal Control Officers do our very best to make sure that your pets return home to you safe and sound. If your pet is missing, please call the Pleasant Grove Police Department at 801-785-3506 to inform us, so we can be on the lookout for your missing pet.

Sandy Sargent, Pleasant Grove Animal Control

You must come and register with Community Development prior to putting signs out for your garage sale. Please remember to come to 86 E. 100 S. to register for a permit. The permit is free. The Ordinance No. is 10-19-4 (signs) and 4-3-3-A21 (Nuisance of improper signs). If you do not obtain a permit, you will be fined \$47 per sign.

REGISTER NOW

for Any of these Classes at the Community Center
547 s locust ave. / 801-785-6172

Summer Park it Program for kids! (Boys and girls ages 5 to 11 years) A calendar of activities can be picked up at the community center.

Kids Summer Cooking - Ages 5 and up Classes Run from June 9th to July 30th

Toddler Cooking - Age 2 to 4years (Mom or older sibling -8 and up, must attend with child)

Chess Club - Class runs for 8 week with a tournament, awards and pizza party on the last day.

Free Movie in the Park! Join us in the park - July, Aug, Sep. Bring your blankets, chairs.

Register For fall Playtime Toddler and Play time Kids

Pick up more info at the Community center.

KEEP YOUR WATER METER ACCESSIBLE

Our staff reads your water meter on a monthly basis. Please keep your meter accessible so our staff can quickly read your meter resulting in an accurate charge on your bill. If a meter reader can quickly collect a reading from your meter on the first visit to your property, it helps keep utility costs down, which benefits all customers in helping to keep rates stable.

Trees, bushes and plantings - Trim bushes, trees, and grass that block the way or cover the meter. During the growing season, plants can cover a water meter box very quickly. Please minimize plants in the area which meter readers must travel to get to your meter. We would like to avoid any accidental damage to your plantings.

Pets - Keep pets away from the path that leads to your meter. If you have a guard dog for security, please let us know so that we can make sure that our meter readers and other utility personnel are aware of this. We may ask that you arrange to confine the dog during the day that your meter will be read.

Objects that cover or block your meter - Please make sure that no objects are placed so that they cover or block access to the meter box. Items we have found blocking water meters include cars, trailers, garbage cans and recycling bins, construction equipment or supplies, landscape bark or gravel.

Your address - Please ensure your house address is clearly displayed on your residence. This also assists emergency personnel who may need to find your home in a hurry.

HERITAGE FESTIVAL

The Pleasant Grove Heritage Festival will be coming up soon. It will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2009 in the Downtown Park. There will be a Lion's Club breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. There will be craft booths, pioneer games and the Quick Draw contest; and more fun for all. In the evening, there will be the very popular "Hog Heaven" BBQ contest. There will be more information to come.

GREETINGS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

First off, let me introduce myself. My name is Mary Beth and I will be working as an Administrative Assistant for the summer at the Pleasant Grove Fire Department. I moved to Utah Valley about five years ago from Montana, and it has been an enjoyable experience becoming part of the community here.

I have enjoyed working at the fire department and getting to know all of our firefighters. Working on 48-hour shifts, these guys are required to spend every waking (and sleeping) hour with their fellow crewmembers. The amount of time that they spend together has formed a brotherly (and in some cases, sisterly) bond between each of the firefighters. There is a strong camaraderie here that is unlike any that I have ever seen. Working here is more than just a job; it is more like spending time with a large family.

Each of these men and women have a great love for their profession. They enjoy being able to go out on their calls, and to be in the service of others. Watching them work is amazing! They are able to go from laughing and joking to turning their full attention to a patient and being the best EMTs and paramedics that Pleasant Grove could ever ask for. They are not only fun to be around, but are very skilled in what they do. They are proud to represent and to be a vital part of this community and they take pride in their work.

Being part of this community is very important to them. And, as the Fourth of July looms closer, an excitement is beginning to take over the station as they all prepare to host the annual Pleasant Grove firework display. For, what could be more exciting than fire to a fireman? We all look forward to seeing you there, but also, we wish to remind you to be safe as you celebrate with your own fireworks...or else you may be seeing more of them than you want to.

Please be safe.

Mary Beth Allsop, Administrative Assistant
Pleasant Grove Fire Department