

**WHAT PET PROBLEMS?**

I'm going to go against my better judgment and try to be brave here as I take a chance at upsetting some people, because I have learned that you simply don't want to mess with people and their pets. As many of you know, animal control violations are a real issue that we deal with in town and people have such emotional responses to their animals that we have a real problem. It seems that you can arrest someone's child for an offense and the otherwise rational parent will bail them out and maybe give you a crusty look. When you impound Spot or Fluffy and they come to get them, they'll often make comments that question your moral's... and your mother's.

Probably the number one animal problem we are called to involves animals which are "Running at Large". That's a fancy way of saying that they're loose and causing a problem. Most of the time there is no actual threat to anyone because they are vicious or mean and a little property damage, tipped over garbage cans or what I will delicately refer to as "Dog Piles" are the biggest threats. Sometimes however, there are vicious animals which are capable of causing serious injury to a child or even an adult which accidentally or on purpose are allowed to run loose.

Many times your furry friend, whom you would never see or believe to be a threat to anyone, is seen by someone else out there to be a fearsome beast. Someone very close to me is scared to death of big dogs. That's because she carries the scars on her leg of a dog attack from childhood. She can never get that fear completely out of her mind. But dogs aren't the only problem, cats also cause problems as they tend to have loud midnight dating rituals, dig holes and mark territory in smelly ways. They also tend to manufacture their own brand of modeling clay that small children find and play with in the sand box.

Because of the vast number of animal problems we get involved in, 833 in the last year, animal issues are dealt with very seriously. No, we're not going to send out dog sweeps and round up all of the Lassies out there, and we try to use discretion and have empathy as we encounter these issues. We do however have full time employees assigned to handle these incidents and if you receive a citation for your pet, or if Rover or Tinker Bell go to animal jail, be prepared to pay a hefty fine or "bail".

I'll run down a brief list of animal requirements that are covered in City Code:

- All animals, including Dogs and Cats must be restrained or confined at all times.
- There is a maximum allowed number of pets that is set at 2 Dogs or 2 Cats.
- Premises where animals are kept must be kept clean and not pose a public hazard or create offensive conditions or smells.
- Both Dogs and Cats over 6 months of age are required to be licensed.
- Vicious animals are prohibited.
- Dogs are prohibited from attacking or chasing any person, domestic animal or wildlife.
- Both Dogs and Cats are required to be vaccinated for rabies.
- Animal Control Officers are allowed to enter private property when in pursuit of a violating animal or to abate a public nuisance.

There are many more ordinances dealing with exotic or wild animals, noise ordinances (barking complaints rank #2 in number) and livestock. If one of these categories apply to you please contact the Police Department for clarification regarding your rights.

This time of year we normally receive a lot of animal complaints. Good weather prompts owners to let their pets run, biologically "love is in the air" for many animals and females in heat attract potential suitors from far and wide, in addition many baby farm animals such as calves, lambs and baby goats are born at this time and can become easy prey for marauding "pets". I should note that our policy when dealing with ani-

mals attacking livestock is that if we can't catch the suspect animals to stop them, we are backed by state law to destroy them to protect the livestock.

Please do your part to control your animals and to be a good neighbor. This issue is very polarized. It seems that people either love pets or have extremely negative feelings toward them. We may never bridge this gap, but we can all live together with our animal friends if we all think of others feelings.

Captain Cody Cullimore, Pleasant Grove Police Department

**2007 Concerts in the Park**

*Concerts on east side of Rec. Center at 7:30 p.m.*

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| June 3    | .....Pleasant Grove Orchestra         |
| June 10   | .....Utah Children's Choir            |
| June 17   | .....Rob Honey                        |
| June 24   | .....Skyline Chorus                   |
| July 1    | .....Buzztones                        |
| July 8    | .....Stevens Party                    |
| July 15   | .....Biff n Kadie                     |
| July 22   | .....Seventh String                   |
| July 29   | .....Bluegrass Thunder                |
| August 5  | .....6th Ward Funeral Potatoes Review |
| August 12 | .....Harold Newman                    |
| August 19 | .....Jerri Warnick                    |

**GREETINGS FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF**

First, let me apologize. In my last news letter, I failed to encourage you to change the battery in your smoke detector when you changed your clocks for day light savings. I blame my staff! They should have known and reminded me. I'm just having fun with my staff, they do pretty well - most of the time. But, in all seriousness, please take time to check your Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Detectors. Change those batteries! Remember too, smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide Detectors should themselves be replaced about every 10 years. If you need 9- volt batteries for your detectors, stop by the fire station the week-end of Strawberry Days, and we will give you replacement batteries. Also, if you have difficulty changing your batteries, call us and we will have the fire fighters stop by to give you a hand.

As the sun shines brighter and longer and pushes the temperature up into short sleeve days, I begin to look forward to the times I can get away with the family, and spend some time in the great out-of-doors or escape on some great family adventure. It is my hope that as you prepare for your first trip of the season, you would also remember to prepare the ol' faithful family motor coach as well. Check the tire pressure, and have it serviced so you can travel safely and without incident. Take frequent breaks so you do not become too drowsy. Also, if you're taking out the RV, check it out first. Develop a check list: tires, hitch, lights etc. Have it serviced and checked for propane leaks. We'll miss you while you're gone, but we really want you to have an enjoyable and safe time while you're away. So, take your time going, but hurry back and be safe!

Chief Marc Sanderson, Pleasant Grove Fire Department

Learn more about the future of I-15 and Commuter Rail on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at Barratt Elementary, 168 North 900 East, American Fork, Utah. The meeting will be from 6 to 8:30 p.m. with a formal presentation at 7 p.m. for more information, please visit [www.udot.utah.gov/i15utahcounty](http://www.udot.utah.gov/i15utahcounty). Mountainland Association of governments will also be in attendance to discuss their Regional Transportation Plan.

### **AARP "DRIVER SAFETY"**

An AARP "Driver Safety" class for those 50 and older will be taught at the Jacobs Senior Center (242 W. 200 S., Pleasant Grove) May 16th & 17th from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. each day. To register, call the Senior Center (785-2818) or Don Gover (785-0379). A fee of \$10.00 will be charged. Completion of the class may qualify participant for a discount on their automobile insurance.

### **Community Emergency Response Team C.E.R.T**

The Pleasant Grove/Lindon Fire Department will be sponsoring a CERT training course on the below listed dates. Sessions will be held over three nights and one Saturday morning. All classes are held at the Pleasant Grove Police Department, 87 East 100 South. Participants must pre-register by the listed deadline. Registration fee is \$35.00. You may register at the Pleasant Grove Police Department Mon – Fri 9:00 – 5:00 P.M.

#### **Session I**

May 16 - May 19 (Registration deadline May 9)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday held from 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

Saturday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

#### **Session II**

July 11 – 14 (Registration deadline July 3)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday held from 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

Saturday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

#### **Session III**

Sept 12 – 15 (Registration deadline Sept 5)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday held from 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

Saturday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

#### **C.E.R.T. Refresher Training**

For CERT team members who have previously gone through the CERT training, mark these important dates for refresher training: You must pre-register one week prior to the refresher training date by calling Sherri at 785-3506 or email [sherri@pg911.org](mailto:sherri@pg911.org).

Saturday, June 16 7:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

Triage – First Aid – Power Safety

Tues, August 28 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Lifts & Carries – Natural Gas Safety

We look forward to seeing you at C.E.R.T.

### **FIREMEN'S BREAKFAST**

Pleasant Grove Fire Fighters present their annual Fireman's Breakfast. They invite everyone to come and participate on Saturday, May 5, 2007 between 6 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the fire station on 100 East. Tickets can be purchased from any fire fighter up to May 4, 2007. The price is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Ham, Eggs and pancakes for all that come!

## **LIONS' NEWS**

Lion's club yard sale May 19th at the Lion's Club building. Come help to support Sarah Arnesen, a graduate of Pleasant Grove High School. She is currently pursuing a degree in music performance on the cello at Brigham Young University Idaho. She has recently been given the opportunity to go to Europe on a twenty-three day tour with a talented college and advance high school orchestra conducted by one of the professors at BYU-Idaho. This trip explores many cultural and musical centers in Europe including Prague, Venice and Paris. The focus of the trip is two fold. 1) To educate student musicians about music history and style, and 2) to perform as a chamber group. Come to the yard Sale and help support Sarah accomplish her goals. She is 2006 Lions scholarship recipients and need your support.

A special thanks from Sarah for all your support.

Mark Nelson will be the guest speaker for the April 21 Lions' dinner. He plans on showing the DVD presentation on transition and transform.

Anne has lined up three dates and three high schools to do the photo screening on April 25 at Pleasant Grove High School, May 1 and 2 at Timpview High School and May 25 at Mt. View High School.

### **STRAWBERRY DAYS CHILDREN'S PARADE PLANNED**

All children are invited to participate in the annual Pleasant Grove Strawberry Days Children's Parade which will be held on Wednesday, June 20, 2007, beginning at 5:00 p.m. with the lineup being northeast of Pleasant Grove Jr. High School track area located near 300 East.

Children should be there by 4:30 p.m. for judging of their costumes and so that the children can be lined up properly. The theme for Strawberry Days is An All American Celebration and costumes can be based around that subject. Although for ease in lining up the children for the parade, they are usually placed in the geographic area they live in based on LDS Church ward boundaries, it is specifically noted that all children, regardless of religion are invited and urged to join in the parade.

For safety reasons children can not ride on vehicles such as bikes, trikes, scooters, etc. and they should not wear anything over their eyes. The parade is an easy walk, and parents or teachers can march with the children if they want to.

All children who participate in the parade will receive a Popsicle, carnival ride ticket, and their hand will be stamped to give them free admission to the Strawberry Days Rodeo that evening.

**TREES OVER ROADWAYS:** All trees along roadway must be pruned sixteen (16) feet above the pavement. They must also be pruned to not block the sidewalk and to a height of eight (8) feet above the sidewalk.

**DOG LICENSES:** All dogs in Pleasant Grove, are required to have current rabies vaccinations and current licenses. The license is obtained at the North Utah County Shelter, 193 North 2000 West, Lindon (North of the Landfill), and the rabies is obtained from your local veterinarian.

**ANIMALS:** Without a kennel license, two dogs and two cats are allowed at a residence.

**YARD AND GARAGE SALE SIGNS:** Permits are required for yard and garage sale signs. There is no charge, but they must be obtained from Community Development, prior to placing the signs. Signs without permits will be removed and the owner can be billed \$47.00 for each illegal sign.

**WEEDS:** Now is a good time to get ahead of the weeds in your yards.

**PARKING VEHICLES/TRAILERS/BOATS ON STREETS:** It is illegal to park vehicles on roadways in the City, for more than two days (48 hours).

**PARKING OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES:** It is illegal to park any vehicle over 18,000 pounds in a residential zone. Either on or off the roadway. Questions? Contact the Community Development Office.

**LANDSCAPING OF RESIDENCE:** Landscaping must be installed in front yards of homes within two growing seasons of occupancy.

## BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION NEWS

Pleasant Grove City has been recognized for their eleventh year as a Tree City USA.

Recognition for Yard of the Month will be given out June, July and August again this year.

Any yards you would like to have recognized, be sure to let us know. Additionally, well designed Water Wise Yards will be recognized.

IHC's 'Hidden Garden Tour' will be in North Utah County on June 1st and 2nd.

Benefits go to Women and Children's Center at American Fork Hospital.

Yellow Star thistle Search will be on July 9, 2007 at 8:30am at Battle Creek Trailhead (Kiwanis Park) at the top of 200 South.

PG High Key Club will be Hosting "Fall Garden Tour" with gardens in PG.

Contact Paula Harline 221-9391 to help or nominate a garden.

## ST. DAYS RECREATION ACTIVITIES

The Baby Contest will be on Wednesday, June 20 at 10 a.m. at the Royal Victorian Rose Garden (across the street from the Fire Station on 100 East). 0 to 18 months ages only; children will be split into groups within that age group. Categories will be: All American, Mr. & Miss Viking, Strawberry Days baby, multiple babies. Register at the event—no pre-registration. \$10 per baby registration fee.

Huck Finn Days will be held on Friday, June 22 at Battle Creek Park from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. THIS IS A TOTALLY FREE EVENT!!!! Children can bring their own fishing poles and bait. Free donuts as long as they last. Face painting, free pony rides, entertainment and games. Come and have a great time!

Pie Eating Contest will be held on Friday, June 22 at 6 p.m. outside of the north-east doors of the Recreation Center. All ages—this is FREE! The Pleasant Grove Royalty will start the contest off for everyone.

## STRAWBERRY. DAYS BATTLE OF THE BANDS & CONCERT

Strawberry Days Battle of the Bands will be held June 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Rec. Center. This is open to bands with members between the ages of 15 to 25 years old. The band needs to perform an original song, and each band will have 20 minutes to perform--this includes set-up and take down. The sound system will be provided. There will be a first and second prize. Space is limited so sign up now. Call Jeralyn at 785-4721 to enter.

Strawberry Days concert will be Tuesday, June 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the soccer field next to the swimming pool. This year Joshua Creek will be performing which is comprised of singer-song writers Jeff Hinton and Quint Randle. They have a unique blend of country-esque music and are Pearl Award Finalist.

## NEW CHANGES IN THE LIBRARY

Investigate the new Website!! There are many changes, additions and great new links.

The HORIZON library software is now in operation. This new system will allow each resident to renew books, search the catalog and manage library accounts with many other advantages.

## NEW RULES FOR PLEASANT GROVE CITY CEMETERY

*These new rules were approved by the City Council on April 10, 2007*

### HEAD STONE AND MONUMENTS

Head stones and monuments may not be wider than forty (40) inches for a single grave or eighty (80) inches for a double grave. All markers will need to have a concrete boarder of four (4) to six (6) inches around the stone and must be flush with the lawn. All markers, which are not in the head stone row, shall be flush with the level of the lawn.

### DECORATIONS / FLOWERS ON GRAVES

Properly displayed flowers add to the beauty and character of the Cemetery, Flowers are allowed throughout the year. Pleasant Grove City Corporation will not be responsible for flowers or other personal property left in the Cemetery.

Be aware that on occasion uncaring individuals have removed expensive flower arrangements without the patron or staff knowledge or consent.

The Cemetery staff will remove decorations of flowers on new graves after seven (7) days. Special flower mementos should be removed at the conclusion of services by the family.

Any object placed in the grass area of the Cemetery during mowing season will be immediately removed. All flowers, real or artificial must be placed in a container in the monument or attached to the monument. Flowers in movable containers must be placed on the head stone or base to ensure easy access for grass cutting. NO glass containers are permitted. Any objects, such as wires, irons, sticks, pegs, flags, toys, air socks, balloons, outdoor lighting, pin wheels, etc. driven into the ground are not permitted. Any object or decoration not in compliance will be removed immediately upon discovery. Flowers on monuments between designated rows are not permitted except on Memorial Day.

The use of Shepherd's Hooks in Pleasant Grove Cemetery shall be restricted to Memorial Day through the following Monday, and also during the month of December. Use of Shepherd's Hooks at any other time will result in their removal by Cemetery staff.

### GENERAL CLEAN UP

All flowers and decorations that are not in permanent containers (and those that are wilted or damaged in permanent containers) will be removed during the last week of March and the first week in April each year. Any Faded artificial flowers will be removed and disposed of. Those who bring in decorations intended for use during the entire year are encouraged to wait until spring clean up is completed before freshening up their displays. Throughout the summer unsightly or wilted decorations will be removed to maintain the beauty of the Cemetery.

### MEMORIAL DAY

Cemetery staff begins preparation for Memorial Day one month prior to the holiday. Preparations including mowing, trimming and weeding usually take the month to complete. Sprinkler irrigation is stopped from Friday afternoon through the end of Memorial Day to allow for placement of decorations. Flower regulations listed above will be strictly enforced. The Cemetery offices will be staffed Saturday, Sunday and Memorial Day 7a.m. – 8p.m. to assist in finding graves and help as needed. Clean up of the Cemetery will begin the Monday following Memorial Day at 6a.m. Anyone desirous of picking up their decorations should do so prior to Monday. Any person or persons picking up decorations that are not their own property will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

### PLANTING OF FLOWERS, SHRUBS AND TREES

City ordinance prohibits the planting of any trees, shrubs or flowers in the Cemetery without the permission of the Sexton. The Sexton will designate an appropriate area for such donations or gift.

### SECONDARY WATER

Pleasant Grove City Cemetery is in the process of Converting from culinary water to non-potable water. PLEASE NOTE: PURPLE TAPS ARE NON-POTABLE WATER AND SHOULD NOT BE USED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

## RECREATION NEWS

**Soccer Registration** (4 yrs old to 8th Grade) – Registration is May 22 thru June 18. League season will start on Saturday, July 28 and will go to mid/end September. 4 yrs to 4th Grade leagues will play games on Saturdays with game times ranging from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. 5th thru 8th Grade leagues will play two games per week with some weeknight games as well as Saturday games. Registration fees are listed below:

4 & 5 yr olds - FEE: \$20 (child must be 4 by September 1st to be eligible to play in this league.) Non-Resident: \$30  
1st – 4th Grade: \$30 • Non-Resident: \$45  
5th – 8th Grade: \$35 • Non-Resident: \$52.50

**Jr. High Age Dance** – School's Out For Summer Stomp – Friday, May 4th from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Cost: With ID \$3, Without ID \$4. SCHOOL DRESS CODE REQUIRED! Parents are welcome.

**Adult Coed Softball** – (16 yrs & older) Registration will begin Tues, May 1st and 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 pre-season games to determine division. Regular season games will begin with division play on Monday or Wednesday, having 2 games per night. Season will start August 6th.

We have some openings still available in the following camps and clinics. Call the Recreation Department for details.

**Itty Bitty Ball** (3 & 4 yr olds) – June 25, 26, 27 & 28

**Soccer Camp Session I** (6 to 12 yrs) - June 4th -7th

**Soccer Camp Session II** (6 to 12 yrs) – June 11th-14th

**Golf Club** (7 to 18 yrs) - Month of June

**Volleyball Camp** (7 yrs & older) – Aug 6th-9th

**Basketball Camp** (1st to 6th Grades) – July 30th-Aug 2nd

**Toddler Cooking** - 6 week class – Ages 2 to 4 yrs old. Choose the classes you would like to attend. Classes held Monday at 10:00 am or 11:30 am. (Must have an adult or older sibling attend with child). Register early—Classes fill up fast. Cost is \$30 or \$6 per class (resident) and \$45 or \$ 9 per class (non-resident). Pick up a detailed list of cooking projects at the recreation center.

**Kids Summer Cooking** - 8 week class- Ages 5 and up. Choose the classes you would like to attend. Classes held Tues, Wed, or Thurs at 10:00 am or 11:30 am. Ages 5 and up. Register early—classes fill up fast! Cost: \$7 per class (resident) and \$10.50 (non-resident). \*Discount: Register for 5 or more classes and pay only \$6 per class (Non resident \$ 9.50). Pick up a detailed list of cooking projects at the recreation center.

**\*\*New Summer Toddler Gym** - 6 week class – Ages 2 to 4 yrs old. Themed play and exercise activities and some cooking projects. Adult or older sibling must attend with child. Cost is \$25 (resident) and \$37.50 (non-resident). Classes held on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30. Session runs from June 7 – July 19. For a list of planned activities, pick up a flyer at the recreation center.

**“Park It Program”** - Four 2-week sessions to choose from. Sessions run Monday – Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be themed play and activities at the Downtown Park, Discovery Park, and Anderson Park. Tuesday is Movie Day at Water Gardens. Cost for a 2-week session is \$80 (resident) and \$120 (non-resident). Register early and get \$10 off. For a calendar of sessions and activities, pick up a flyer at the recreation center.

**“Colonial Kids” Wilderness Camp** – Ages 6 & Up. Three Wednesdays and one Saturday evening class. Dates: June 6 to June 23 from 10:30 to 1:00. Class meets at Anderson Park. We will play games, do craft projects, and some outdoor cooking from the colonial time period. Family night will be a Thanksgiving Festival. Cost is \$50 (resident) and \$75 (non-resident). Register no later than May 12.

**Chess Club**- 8 week class – \*\* New\*\* Choose Beginning class (Ages 7- 12 yrs) on Thursday from 10 to 11:30 or Advanced class (Ages 10 to 15 yrs) on Thursday from 11 to 12:30. Cost is \$36 (resident) and \$54 (non-resident). Register no later than May 12. Club runs from

June 7 to July 19 and class ends with a Saturday tournament and pizza party.

Pick up information on all classes at the Pleasant Grove Recreation Center 785-6172.

### **Jobs available at Pleasant Grove Recreation:**

We are looking for Class Aids for summer classes. Must enjoy working with children, be able to take charge and execute activities, have some cooking experience, set up and take down, and enjoy working outside. We are looking for teen aids – ages 14 and up, and 1 adult aid – age 18 or older. If interested, apply at the recreation center. We are accepting applications from April 1 to April 21.

We are also looking for an adult to teach late morning Chess Club in the summer, and possibly a class during the school season. Must have knowledge of chess, work well with children, and be able to organize and run a tournament. Apply at the recreation center. We are accepting applications from April 1 to April 21.

**SUMMER GYMNASTICS** – 6-week program – June 26 to August 3. To register, call Kim at 492-3961. Learn balance and skills in a non-competitive environment. Participants are taught to have fun and try new things. Classes will teach different gymnastics apparatus such as uneven and parallel bars, balance beam, vaulting horse and tumbling. Children are worked at their own ability level to build coordination and confidence. Classes fill up quickly and class size is limited. Classes are held in the main gym of the Community Center. A waiting list is available for full classes. Prices listed are the full cost for six weeks. (Ask about non-resident fees if you are not a Pleasant Grove resident).

#### LEVELS:

Preschool (Ages 3-4) \$30 - 1 hour/week • Non-Resident: \$45

Beginning (Ages 5-8) \$40 - 1 hour/week • Non-Resident: \$60

Beginning (Ages 9-up) \$45 - 1 hour/week • Non-Resident: \$67.50

Intermediate \$70 - 1 hour/2 times a week • Non-Resident: \$105

Intermediate \$110 - 2 hours/2 times a week • Non-Resident: \$165

## STRAWBERRY DAYS CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

Come join us at the Pleasant Grove Strawberry Days Boutique from 12:00pm -9:00pm, Thursday through Saturday, June 21st -23rd. The boutique is held at the same time as the carnival at the Pleasant Grove Recreation Center and features many of the same crafters and vendors seen at other local boutiques and craft fairs, as well as many new exciting product lines. This year, Macey's grocery store will be sponsoring a free shopping spree as well drawings throughout the day. There will be free balloons for the kids! Please go to the City's website at [www.plgrove.org](http://www.plgrove.org) to download an application. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy at 225-0185.

## 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 come into city hall and pay \$100 to the city within 30 days after the box is installed. The hook-up is fairly simple and requires about \$55 in parts. ONCE IT IS INSTALLED IT IS MANDATORY that the installation is inspected by the city. To make an appointment for the inspection, please call Public Works at 785-2941.

## OLD BELL SCHOOL

From the Museum: It will shortly be June again! The Museum will be open every Thursday and Saturday afternoons from 1 to 5 PM. Please come and visit. We have sun bonnets to wear on your Trek (of course) the bonnets will cost \$10. We also have "Tell My Story Too" of the handcart pioneers caught in the snow. We have several books of pioneer stories. See you there. B. Edvalson.