

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The City's fiscal year begins July 1, 2009. We are in the process of reviewing the budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. A special Council meeting will be held on Saturday, May 16th at 9am in the Council chambers. During this session, the Council will review the budget submission, ask questions and direct any changes.

With the national recession upon us, sales tax revenues have fallen behind previous years by about 4%. This prompted staff to trim the current budget spending in January to meet forecasted revenues. As a result, the City is on track to stay within revenue and expense projections without compromising essential services to the citizens and businesses.

Why is Pleasant Grove in stable financial condition during this recession? In 2007, the City was informed by Lindon that they would not be contracting for public safety with Pleasant Grove in 2008-2009. This amounted to a \$1.8M reduction in revenue. The staff and Council set out over the remainder of 2007 and the beginning of 2008 to adjust its spending to match the reduced revenue. It achieved the new targets by July 1, 2008 in time for the current fiscal year. In addition, the City has maintained a conservative approach to budgeting and savings for the past 10 years.

When the recession hit during the latter part of 2008, the City was still in an ultra-conservative spending mode. This allowed the City to continue to operate and provide all essential functions and services without affecting staff, residents and businesses. We plan to continue this approach with the 2009-2010 budget to safe-guard the City from this economic downturn.

No single individual is credited with this financial good fortune. The entire staff and the Council worked together over the course of a year to tighten up, repair, reuse and conserve. The citizens understood the financial condition of the economy and were patient with the City by not requesting expanded services during this time. As a result, we are all benefiting from a conservative budget policy.

Please join us during our special budget session to observe how staff and Council work together to manage your resources. Please let the Council know of your approval and concerns about the 2009-2010 budget. Your comments are always encouraged and welcome.

Mayor@PGCity.Org.
Michael W. Daniels, Mayor

2009 CONCERTS IN THE PARK

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

- June 7Pleasant Grove Orchestra
- June 14Utah Children's Choir
- June 21Skyline Chorus
- June 28Walker Brothers

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

Pleasant Grove Firefighters
announce the annual
Fireman's Breakfast
Please come join us for breakfast at the fire station,
110 South 100 East, Pleasant Grove.
Saturday, May 30, 2009, 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Good Food, Good Friends, Good Fun
Be There or Be Hungry!!!
Tickets are available at the station
or at the door the morning of the breakfast.

**TRANSPORTATION
MASTER PLAN OPEN HOUSE**

On Wednesday May 13, 2009 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Representatives from the City and Horrocks Engineers will present updates to the

Transportation Master Plan and take comments from the public. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers at 86 East 100 South.

A draft copy of the plan will also be available on the City Website.

UTAH COUNTY FAIR TIME:
Now is the time to begin planning and perfecting projects for the Utah County Fair. Check out the website for Open Class entry information. The Open Class contestants will include: gardeners, quilters, Dutch Oven enthusiasts, photographers, cooks and canners. For the first time, the Utah County Fair hosts a Dutch Oven cook-off, judged by the Dutch Oven National Champion.
As always, there is plenty of family friendly fare at the Fair: Carnival, animals, kids events and entertainment every day of the Fair.
Keep checking on the County Fair website.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. The Pleasant Grove Kiwanis Club is a active group of men and women working together to make a difference in individual lives and community programs. Current opportunities to serve include: Hope of America awards, Strawberry Days events and rebuilding Kiwanis Park at the mouth of Battle Creek Canyon. We welcome your suggestions for the park and involvement in our organization. Learn more at <http://www.pgkiwanis.org/> or call Mike Chamberlain at (801) 830-5585.

UTAH CO. BEEKEEPERS

The Utah County Beekeepers Association (UCBA) would like to offer the citizens of your area the service of honey bee swarm removal (at no charge). Honeybees swarm from March to July and the event, although relatively harmless, can create quite a stir to the uninitiated. To facilitate the removal of swarms, your contact people can either call me directly or instruct the citizen(s) to do so utilizing the information below. (phone, email or web visit). Once the call is received, they will call the beekeepers on our list to retrieve the swarm. Alternately, a copy of local beekeepers is also available on our website, if you prefer to call the beekeeper for your area directly. If you have any questions, please Call Neil Shelley at 801-822-4114, or visit the website at utahcounty-beekeepers.org.

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.

DEAR RESIDENT OR HOME OWNER

This letter is help you better understand the process of the Pressurized Irrigation Water System (secondary water).

Spring: The City is starting to pressurize the secondary water system at this time, please check your valve to make sure that it has been turned off from the winter months. About April 15th we start supplementing the lines to the system from the aqueduct; even though there is water in the system we ask that you wait until May 1st to start watering. You should open your valve slowly to check for leaks and broken pipes. If you have a broken pipe it is most likely to have been frozen throughout the winter months. The broken line could be from a low spot in the pipe where the water couldn't drain properly and froze. We suggest that you put a drain in where the pipe was broken when you fix your pipe.

In order for us to operate the system more efficiently, until the final tank is completed in mid august, we are asking you to help balance the system by following a watering schedule. This requires watering during the day as well as at night. We recognize that watering during the day is less efficient, but it is necessary to better balance water use with supply. We ask that if you have an even house number to water during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and those with odd house numbers water during the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Please remember that we only water 6 days a week, Monday through Saturday and no watering on Sunday.

Fall: The watering period is normally complete in October. Typically the water to the aqueduct is turned off about October 10th. We will begin draining the system at this point. You can drain your lines and shut off the valves to your system anytime after this date. Failure to do this may cause damage to your system come next spring. The cities responsibility ends at the city valve.

If you have any questions please call the Public Works Office at 801-785-2941.

Thank you
Pleasant Grove City Public Works

GUTTER CLEAN UP: Now is a good time to make sure your gutters and storm drains are cleaned to prevent flooding.

PGBA GOLF TOURNAMENT!

Spring's in full swing! Dust off your golf clubs and gather your teams for the annual *Pleasant Grove Business Alliance Golf Tournament!* Thursday, June 4, 2009. Registration at 7:30 am, Scramble Format start at 9:00 am. Cost is \$400 per team or \$100 per person. Price includes green fees, breakfast, lunch, snacks, gift bags. Prizes will be awarded. Registration deadline is May 20, 2009. For more information, or to register your team, call 801-380-3179 or visit the PGBA website *www.pbgaut.com.*

Please join the Pleasant Grove Business Alliance the second Friday of each month for our *Monthly Member Meeting.* May's meeting features Representative Craig Frank speaking about recent legislative changes that may affect your business. Come prepared with questions or concerns. Meeting is free to attend and is open to all businesses and citizens. A \$9 lunch is available for purchase. You must RSVP to reserve a lunch. Call 801-380-3179 or visit the PGBA website, *www.pbgaut.com.

FOX HOLLOW GOLF CLUB

We were so excited about the number of families that took advantage of the special last month that we decided to run it again in May. This is the time to work out all the kinks in your swing on the driving range.

Please bring a copy of your newsletter into the Pro Shop for this special offer.

*Buy one small bucket of Balls and get the second one free!
Offer good until the end May 2009*

Watch for future specials throughout the year.

We are also looking for a few volunteers to help throughout the year at the golf course. If you are interested or have questions please call Judy at 801-319-2291 and leave you name and number.

CENSUS TO BEGIN ADDRESS CANVASSING OPERATIONS

Beginning in late March 2009 the Census Bureau will be sending out address canvassers as a part of early operations. This workforce will walk or drive through neighborhoods to check that all addresses are in our database when the questionnaire is delivered in March 2010. This early operation is vital to ensuring a complete and accurate count. Each address canvasser will be equipped with a laptop or a hand held computer.

Census workers wear an official identification badge. Many address canvassers carry U.S. Census Bureau bags, making them easier to identify.

Many people don't realize that the Address Canvassing operation occurs as much as a year ahead of the official Census day on April 1, 2010. Address Canvassing is the first large field operation for the 2010 Census and it is designed to identify all housing units and other living quarters. Listers will use hand held computers with maps on them to verify and list structures, including the collection of GPS coordinates for each location. All information collected by Address Canvassers and other Census employees is kept strictly confidential and cannot be shared with any other persons, institutions, or agencies.

If you have questions or concerns please contact your local census office at 801-736-5040. For more information about the 2010 Census visit www.census.gov.

GREETINGS FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF

April's showers have brought us May's flowers. No, we didn't plant a garden. We did begin another renovation project in the fire station. This one began as a small April sprinkle and ended in a deluge. Our small project, that began with moving just one little wall, exploded into a thunder storm demolition and re-building.

If you are familiar with the station, you will notice a big change. If you're not too familiar with this building, things may not seem extraordinary to you, but they are.

The changes we have made will help us serve you better and provide better facilities for the fire fighters.

I owe a bucket full of thanks to the fire fighters. Every crew worked tirelessly to accomplish this change. Plus, each crew has been somewhat displaced for the better part of the month. I appreciate their patience.

However, there are two local companies that stepped up and really made a difference. These companies participated in different facets of this project and generously supplied materials and labor. It is impossible for me to even calculate the value of their work, because it goes far and away beyond any assigned dollar figure. Because of them, this project turned out so well. Muddy Boys Full-Service Drywall generously donated much of the materials and labor for this project and Jespersen Painting provided the finish work. I would like to publically thank Mr. Ray Taylor, aka Muddy Boys Inc., and Mr. Brett Jespersen, for the donation of the quality work, and materials. In these times of economic difficulties, I understand the significance and impact of their generous donation. Their donation truly optimizes community service. Thank you!

We hope to see ya'll at the Fireman's Breakfast on May 30th, 6:00 am to 11:00 am. If you can't make it to the breakfast, drop by any time for a quick tour of the station, we would love to show you around.

TIMPANOGOS SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT GREENWASTE/COMPOST

Please be advised that the greenwaste/compost facility has changed the hours of operation. This change is effective April 20, 2009. Greenwaste may be dropped off Monday - Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Compost may be picked up Wednesday - Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The facility will be open on Memorial Day and Labor Day but will be closed for the other major holidays.

STRAWBERRY DAYS CONCERT

Strawberry Days Concert is June 16 starting at 7:30 in Veterans Park. The concert will feature Flashback Brothers with free strawberries and cream--

The Flashback Brothers will take you back to the days when bands played for dances and events.

They are a group of seasoned musicians who grew up playing and dancing to live music.

You will hear classic rock hits from the 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's; everyone a guaranteed crowd pleaser.

SENIOR NEWS

Senior Citizen News for May
Every Tues @ 10.30 AM Free Bingo
Every Thur @ 1.00 PM Free Movie
Friday, May 1, 12 noon. Presentation on upcoming tour to Hawaii
Wed, May 6th Free Blood Pressure / Blood Sugar Clinic
Fri, May 8th Life Screening Pre-registration Call 1-800-679-5192
Wed, May 20th Wendover Out-N-Back \$20.00 Call for reservations 801-785-2818

PG BEAUTIFICATION/ SHADE TREE COMMISSION

It's a good time to make sure your sprinklers are watering effectively. For a FREE sprinkler check, call Julia Tuck at 801-851-8467 and leave your name, phone number, address and city, or send her an email at juliatuck@usu.edu The fine folks do these checks will come to your home or business, check the roots of your grass, your soil type, your water pressure and will set our cups to see how evenly your water is distributed. Optimize your water usage by setting an appointment today.

To receive a weekly email advisory informing you of potential problems and recommended solutions regarding fruit and ornamental tree problems, send an email to Marion Murray at marion.murray@usu.edu and ask to be put on the "Integrated Pest Management Tree Fruit Advisory" email list.

The Pleasant Grove Beautification Commission members will be giving out "Yard of the Month" awards again this year in June, July and August. Have fun creating in your yard and you just may be the recipient of this coveted award!

More article is available at www.plgrove.org.

RECREATION NEWS

For more detailed information please visit the Pleasant Grove Website at www.pgcity.org and click on recreation.

Soccer Registration (4 yrs old to 8th Grade) – Registration is May 22nd thru June 20th. League season will start on Saturday, July 27.

Jr. High Age Dance – School's Out For Summer Stomp – Friday, May 22nd 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 Friday, May 1st and go until filled.

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 9, 11, 16, and 18

Soccer Camp Session I (6 to 12 yrs) - June 1 - 4

Soccer Camp Session II (6 to 12 yrs) – June 8-11

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

Volleyball Camp (7 yrs & older) – July 13 - 16

Basketball Camp (1st to 6th Grades) – July 20 – 23

SUMMER GYMNASTICS - This 6-week program (AM classes) begins June 22nd and goes through July 31st. To register call Kim Christensen at 492-3961.

The Jr. Olympic Skills Competition is a FREE skills competition that provides both, boys and girls ages 8 to 13, the opportunity to showcase their athletic abilities in four sports. Age groups consist of 8/9, 10/11, 12/13. Age is determined as of Aug. 31, 2009. Saturday, May 9th, 9:00am to 11:30am at the Pleasant Grove Community Center and PGHS Track & Field

Swimming Lessons - Lessons begin Monday, June 1st. New sessions will begin every other Monday through the summer.

Swim Team - Registration April 27-30 3:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Pleasant Grove Resident Passes

Swimming Pool - You MUST bring your city bill for proof of residence. (This is for the benefit of the P.G. taxpayer) Non-resident prices will be charged unless presented. Driver's Licenses and addresses on checks are not acceptable.

Early Sign-ups for lessons, passes, and parties

Registrations for lessons, passes & parties will be at the swimming pool on the following days from 3:30 until 6:00 p.m.

April 27- 30 Pleasant Grove Residents Only

May 4-7 and 11-14 All Others

Regular sign ups will begin Mon, May 18th

More programs are listed at the city website visit www.pgcity.org and click on recreation

PG ARTS COMMISSION

The Pleasant Grove Arts Commission is seeking volunteers to help with a variety of programs. Discover the rewards of serving your community by offering your hands, skills, knowledge, great ideas, talents and most of all, your willing heart. Lily Tomlin said, "I always wondered why somebody didn't do something about that. Then I realized I was somebody". Get involved! For more information, please visit the library to pick up an application, or download it from our website at <http://www.pgcity.org/pgarts>. You may also contact Wendy Vincent at utahwendy@gmail.com for more information.

UNITED WAY SUMMER OF SERVICE

United Way of Utah County is excited to announce its Summer of Service Program. The program consists of weekly service projects organized for youth volunteers throughout the county during the months of May-August.

We feel strongly that the Jr.High and High School-aged students of Utah County will benefit greatly as they become involved in meaningful and edifying service events. Not only will their participation provide a wholesome alternative to summer boredom, anxiety, loneliness or mischief, it will also open their hearts and minds--giving them a greater vision of their personal future. If you want more information, please contact Raquel Lopez, United Way of Utah County at 801-691-5330.

WATERING/IRRIGATION GUIDE--

Division of Water Resources ~ North Central Utah

March - No irrigation recommended; April - No irrigation recommended; May - 21 minutes every 4 days; June - 21 minutes every 3 days; July - 21 minutes every 3 days; August - 21 minutes every 3 days; September - 21 minutes every 6 days.

Minutes shown are to spray heads, double time zones for rotor heads.

If you have a poor-draining soil type like clay, water 3 separate times for 7 to 9 minutes.

DRIVER SAFETY CLASS

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 4th from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. This is a new 4 hour course. To register, call the Senior Center (785-2818). Fees for taking the class are as follows. AARP members with their membership card \$12.00. Those who don't present their card and others' \$14.00. Checks made out to AARP are preferred. Completion of the class may qualify participant for a discount on their automobile insurance.

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.

WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Pleasant Grove Water Department is pleased to present the 2008 Water Quality Report. A copy of the report may be viewed online at www.pgcity.org. You may also pick up a copy of the report at City Hall, 70 South 100 East or Public Works, 323 West 700 South. Our goal is to provide you with safe and dependable drinking water by continually improving the water treatment process and protecting our water resources.

LIBRARY NEWS

Children's Book Week - May 11th to 15th. All activities begin each evening at 7:00 pm downstairs of the library.

- Monday- Mad Science. Spark Children interest in science with this presentation. Designed to amaze and delight children of all ages.
- Tuesday- Twilight Tales Enjoy madness with Miss Kammi!
- Wednesday- "Rockin Utah." Discover what families can do in Utah State Parks from the Rockin' Utah (Reaching Out Connecting Kids in Nature) Program representatives
- Thursday- Read with Great Reads! The book review will be "Sarah Plain and Tall" with games and crafts. Everyone invited!
- Friday-Pajamas and a movie night. Come enjoy "Bedtime Stories" starring Adam Sandler.

Great Reads for Girls: A Mother Daughter Book Club: Girls ages 8-16 with Mom or other caring adult. Join us for lively discussions, activities, friendship and fun! Sign up and Pick up a "Great Reads" booklist at the front desk. This month's book is "Sarah Plain and Tall" by Patricia MacLachlan.

ITeens: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 4:30 pm. The Teen Book group is for 7th grade and up. Games, crafts, book reviews. Also hear about many other great books from other teen readers!

R.E.A.D. Book Group: 10:00 am. Second Thursday of the month. Everyone who is interested is invited. This month will be "Home" by Marilynne Robinson. Reviewed by Tammra Salisbury.

BookEnders: 7:00 pm on the last Thursday of the month. Adults. BookEnders is a new discussion and reading book group. This month's book is "Pope Joan" by Donna Cross.

Summer Reading "Be Creative @ Your Library"

Registration starts May 12th.

Classes are limited in size.

Online registration, phone calls or in person.

Cost \$5.00 for 8 weeks of Creativity!

Check it out on line!

DOOR TO DOOR SALES

With warmer weather coming residents of Pleasant Grove will probably notice an increase in solicitation by door-to-door solicitors. We would like to remind you that it is illegal to solicit door-to-door in Pleasant Grove without an approved Solicitor's License. Solicitors are required to apply for a city license and obtain a BCI background investigation. Each solicitor will be issued a solicitors identification badge to be carried on their person. Company information and solicitor's photo identification will be included on this badge. These requirements and procedures are set in place for the welfare and safety of all residents of Pleasant Grove City.

As a reminder, a majority of solicitors knocking on your door have not contacted the city, or followed city requirements, and will not have a solicitor's license. What can you do to protect yourself from having a stranger come to your door trying to sell something? First, you should always ask the individual, "Can I see your Pleasant Grove City Solicitor's Badge?" If the solicitor cannot produce this badge, it is recommended that you decline to do business with them and contact the police department at 801-785-3506.

Another procedure that can be done is to post a "No Soliciting" sign at the door. Per City code, by displaying this sign which 'shall be posted on or near the main entrance door or on or near the property line adjacent to the sidewalk leading to the residence, constitutes to any solicitor that the inhabitant of the residence does not desire to receive and/or does not invite solicitors.' If such a sign is posted, it is a violation of the ordinance for any solicitor to engage or attempt to engage in door-to-door solicitation. (Chap. 3-15-17, 18)

For more questions about the City's solicitation ordinance please contact the Business Licensing Office at 801-785-5045.