

MAYOR CALL

We recently held a city council meeting that was so well attended by our residents that we had to move our location from council chambers to the junior high school auditorium. Around 200 citizens showed up to express their opinions and to show support for some of our city employees. It was really a wonderful thing to see so many get involved, and I deeply appreciate the willingness of our residents to let us know what's on their minds.

The truth is that we elected officials are here to serve you. You have chosen us, through the election process, not only to represent you, but to use all of our faculties—our experience, our intelligence, our wisdom—to make decisions and take actions that are in the best interest of the city. You have given us your trust, and we recognize that and value it very highly. We are accountable to you and are here to serve you.

During that recent meeting, one council member pointed out that while it was good to see so many citizens involved, it was a shame that so many turned out simply because of a baseless rumor. His point was this: Oftentimes our residents only come to city meetings when they're upset about something, and some of those times it turns out that the source of their displeasure was misinformation, exaggeration, or rumor. That's not the way it is in every instance, but it does happen some of the time.

And that got me thinking: I wonder if our citizens know that they don't have to wait for a city council meeting to express their concerns and voice their opinions. We have a mayor and five extremely capable council members who can be reached by phone or by email. We are here to serve you. When you hear a rumor or some other bit of information that bothers you, don't wait for a big city meeting at the junior high. Pick up the phone and call one of us; sit down at the computer and send us all an email. Express your concerns, ask for clarification, let us know what's on your mind. Open communication is the best disinfectant against rumor.

Speaking for the council, we always appreciate hearing from our citizens. We know that we won't always make everyone happy, but we never shy away from honest input. Please continue to make your voice heard by communicating with us often.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Musical performances are now being scheduled for the 2010 Concerts in the Park season for Pleasant Grove. Concerts are every Sunday evening from June through August. If you would like to perform, please contact Jeralyn at 801-785-4721.

MARCH SENIOR NEWS

2nd, 3rd and 17th Health Clinics
Free Tax Preparation for Seniors March 12th and 19th
Appointment only call 801-785-2818
March 19th Pot luck Dinner, Live Music and Dancing
5.30 to 9.00 P.M.
Lunch Daily at 12.00 Noon Call for reservations
801-785-2818

MISS PLEASANT GROVE PAGEANT

Miss Pleasant Grove Pageant will take place on March 20, 2010 at 7 p.m. at Pleasant Grove High School auditorium. There are 11 contestants this year. You can buy tickets for the pageant from any of the contestants for \$7. Tickets at the door are \$8. This is always a fun time for all that attend.

OUR NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Please Note: The following are short biographical sketches regarding the two new City Council Members in Pleasant Grove. The new Mayor, Bruce Call, has his second column in the newsletter this month.

Kimberly Robinson was born and raised in Pleasant Grove. Her father, the late Eustace Kelley, was a local plumber, who with her mother Margret, raised 12 children in our community. Kim married her high-school sweetheart Kurt, 33 years ago. Kurt's parents Bill and JoAnn, raised their family in nearby Manila. Together Kurt and Kim have enjoyed the joys and challenges of raising 4 children and are now enjoying their role as grandparents to their 4 beautiful grandchildren.

Val Danklef was born and raised in Pleasant Grove and loves being part of and living in this community. He was a Neighborhood Chairman from 1995-1996. He was also involved in planning and building the Discovery Park in 1996 as the site coordinator. He has worked for the State of Utah for more than 25 years as a certified real estate appraiser for the State Tax Commission and as a Technical Support Specialist for the Department of Technological Service and understands how government works. He and his wife Laurie have lived at their present address since 1997.

RECREATION NEWS

BOYS YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUES - Registration: March 1 - 20. A try-out/draft will be held for all new players in the Mustang thru Pony leagues, all returning players playing in same division will remain on same team. Colt participants will all be drafted on to a new team.

Mustang 3rd & 4th Grade / Resident \$70 / Non Resident \$105 / March 27-tryout/draft April 24

Pinto 5th & 6th Grade / Resident \$70 / Non-Resident \$105 / March 27-tryout/draft April 24

Pony 7th & 8th Grade / Resident \$90 / Non-Resident \$135 / March 27-tryout/draft April 27

Colt 9th thru 12th Grade / Resident \$90 / Non-Resident \$135 / Week of April 12 / May

GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUES - Registration: March 1 - 27. After March 27 a late registration fee of \$5.00 will be added and registration will only be accepted on a space available basis.

10 & Under (3/4 Grade) / Resident \$32 / Non-Resident \$48 / Practice Begins week of April 19 / Games Begin May 18

12 & Under (5/6 Grade) / Resident \$50 / Non-Resident \$75 / Practice Begins week of April 12 / Games Begin May 11

14 & Under (7/8 Grade) / Resident \$50 / Non-Resident \$75 / Practice Begins week of April 12 / Games Begin May 10

17 & Under (9-12 Grade) / Resident \$50 / Non-Resident \$75 / Practice Begins week of April 12 / Games Begin May 10

AQUAFINA MAJOR LEAGUE PITCH, HIT & RUN - This is a FREE skills competition that provides boys and girls, ages 7 to 14, the opportunity to show their pitching, hitting and running abilities. Winners can advance through four levels of competition.. Age is determined as of July 17, 2010. Girls Softball Division: Saturday, April 24 at 11:00 am Shannon Fields (200 S. State) and Boys Baseball Division: Saturday, April 24 at 5:00 pm Manila Ball Park (1550 N. 100 E.) Age: 7-14 yr olds (age is determined as of July 17, 2010)

WE ARE CURRENTLY TAKING REGISTRATION for Men's softball, Men's Fast Pitch and Women's spring volleyball until all slots are filled. Online registration: www.plgrove.org

REGISTRATION BEGINNING IN APRIL:

• April 1 - 24: T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Machine Pitch and 3rd-6th Grade Youth Lacrosse

• April 1 - 19 Track Club

• April 1 - Until filled – Women's & Youth Tennis, Golf Program, Soccer Camp, Volleyball Camp, Basketball Camp, Itty Bitty Ball

EASTER COOKING & EGG HUNT- Saturday, March 27- From 10 to Noon we will be making: Tweety bird nest, Rainbow flower cookies, Egg decorating and go on an Easter egg hunt. Reg. by March 22th

CHEF CLASS - 4 week cooking class for Kids ages 7 and up / March 4 to March 25 see flyer for meals we will be cooking.

AFTER SCHOOL CHESS CLUB - Classes are held on Thursdays for 1 hour from 4 to 5 pm –Beginning and Advanced Can sign up for 1 or all 8 weeks- session 3 started Jan 21 and goes to Mar 11- there are still openings/ session 4- March 18 - May 3

TODDLER GYM – Mom & Tot Gym Activities – Toddlers will have fun playing and exercising. Class is 1 hour on Wed at 10:30 each session is 6 weeks. Can pro -rate class if sign up late. Next session – Feb 17- Mar 24 / Last session Mar 31- May 12

SCRAPBOOK OVERNIGHTER - Friday and Saturday March 12 & 13 From 4:00pm on Friday to 9:00 pm on Saturday - Cost \$20 for both days and \$12 for 1 day. Cost Includes Dinner and Brunch on Saturday our theme is "Lot's O' Green" Reg. by Mar 6 and get your name in a drawing for the Ultimate scrapbook basket! Register 5 friends and get your registration "Free"!

SITTERS TLC - Training Camp- Join Us for an all day Learning camp – You will learn: Ins and Outs of Babysitting, Child care, Safety & Emergencies, Game ideas and activities to do with the children. Make a sitters kit. Lunch will be provided. Class is offered Saturday April 24 from 9 am to 2:30pm/ Ages 10 - 16yrs

BUILD A PARTY - Let us help you build a party. Party fee Includes 12 children plus the birthday child, room, Balloons, party bags, 3 games and 1 worker or try one of our themed party packages. Cost depends on type of party and theme.

REGISTRATION FOR THESE SUMMER PROGRAMS START MARCH 1: Park It, Summer Cooking, Tot Cooking, Mom and Tot Park it, Summer Chess, Kids Late Night Wilderness Camp, Wild West Family Night. For fees and Registration Info. Call Pleasant Grove Community Center – 801-785-6172 or pick up Flyer at center -547 S Locust Ave .

COUNTY FAIR

Spring is coming along with the opportunity to start new projects and plant new gardens. Now is the time to plan on participating in the 2010 Utah County Fair! This year's fair will be held Aug. 18 through 21 at the Spanish Fork Fairgrounds. Like last year's exciting fair, this year's event will include a wide variety of open class competition categories and 4- H exhibits. From tomatoes, canned peaches and other home-grown edibles to quilting, painting and crocheting, fair organizers will be looking to highlight the best Utah County residents have to offer. The schedule for this year's fair includes traditional events like the popular demolition derby and headliner concerts, but organizers are also planning new events and exhibits like the Teen Center, which will offer activities for teens such as texting contest. August isn't that far away – put the 2010 Utah County Fair on your calendar today!

GREETINGS FROM THE FIRE MARSHAL

Notice of Burn Window

The Fire Chief's in Utah County, along with the county Fire Marshal, have set the burn window for this year. The burn window will be from March 15th to April 12th.

The following restrictions apply to open burns:

- Only natural materials may be burned, such as branches and weeds. All other materials may not be burned.
- Petroleum products may not be used to start the fire, such as gasoline or diesel fuel.
- Burns may only be conducted 25 feet away from structures, fences and combustible materials (weeds and tree's, etc.) if it is 3 feet or less in diameter. Burns greater than 3 feet in diameter requires a 50 foot separation.
- The Fire Department may require any open burn that causes a hazardous or objectionable situation to be extinguished.
- All open burns are required to be constantly attended and to have a sufficient means of putting out the fire should it get out of control.
- All burns must be out by sunset.
- You must call 800-228-5434 prior to burning and confirm it is a GREEN burn day.

This is your only chance during the year to get rid of unwanted branches and weeds! Please be safe and remember that these are laws, not suggestions.

No Dumping:

Ordinance 7:1:1 of the City Code prohibits the dumping or raking of any rock, mulch, dirt, leaves etc. onto the City streets. It limits free passage of pedestrians/vehicles and dirties both the streets/sidewalks and storm drains. Please place all of the above materials on your own property. Please do not rake leaves into the City streets as these clog the storm drains.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Agencies across the county will come together again on April 10th to take your old or unused household chemicals and properly dispose of them so they don't pollute our environment. The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will take place Saturday, April 10th from 9 am to 3 pm at the Utah Valley University Northwest Parking Area (about 1200 West and 800 South, in Orem). Details can be found at www.UtahCountyHealth.org/hhw or by calling 801-851-7525. Please - household waste only in containers less than 5 gallons -- no commercial waste.

STREETS DEPARTMENT

As February winds down, we will find ourselves outside cleaning up from the aftermath of snow storms that have crossed the path to our fair city. As the snow turns to rain, please be mindful of what lives down stream in the path of our storm water. Storm water (the water in the gutter) flows down to Utah Lake through various pipes and open ditches. The aquatic life along open ditches and in the lake itself can be damaged through our careless behavior. More importantly, this same contaminated storm water soaks through the ground and into the aquifers that supply some of the wells that Pleasant Grove City uses for our drinking water. It is important that each of us keep the litter, oil and fuel or other chemicals cleaned up in our yards and in and around our homes out of the street and gutter and the area in front of our homes. Remember, what comes around goes around, so please help us keep our water clean.

John Goodman, Street/Storm Water Supt.

WINTER PARKING

The new overnight winter parking Ordinance that was adopted by The Pleasant Grove City Council, February 2, 2010, now contains the following information:

It states that in order to help make the clearing of snow from City streets easier, no one can park any vehicle on any City street where the pavement runs from curb to curb. Additionally, this includes the area within 5 feet of any paved public street surface where the full improvements are not completed. This is designed to ensure that there is no obstruction to the City snowplows which could possibly cause health, safety and welfare concerns.

This regulation will be enforced between the hours of twelve o'clock (12 a.m.) Midnight and eight o'clock (8 a.m.); from the period of November 1st through March 15th; OR ANYTIME WHILE SNOW IS ACTIVELY FALLING, and for 24 hours after the snowfall ceases.

Vehicles parked on city streets, are subject to immediate towing at the discretion of the Public Works Director or designee. Violations of this section shall constitute an infraction. The standard fine for a violation of this section is \$47. Multiple violations may result in the Court assessing increased fine amounts. Striped parking spaces within the public right-of-way that is used for commercial, civic or similar-type uses, will be exempt from this restriction.

IMMUNIZATION SATELLITE CLINICS

The Utah County Health Department offers immunizations at not only their Provo offices (151 S. University Ave), but also at satellite clinics in American Fork (120 N 1220 E #10) and Payson (City Center, 439 West Utah Ave). The satellite clinics are open afternoon/evening hours by appointment only, but provide most of the vaccine options available at the Provo clinic. For more information or to make an appointment, please call 801-851-7025, or visit www.UtahCountyHealth.org/immunizations.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIME CHANGE

On February 16, 2010 the Pleasant Grove City Council passed a Resolution to change the City Council meeting and Work Session meeting time from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Neighborhood Board meeting time from 6:00 pm to 5:30 pm, starting March 2, 2010. If you have any questions about the meeting time change please contact Scott Darrington City Administrator or the City Recorder at 801-785-5045.

PG PLAYERS TO PRESENT "NUNSENSE"

Catholics Totally Rule in Dan Goggin's hilarious musical, "Nunsense," which will be performed by the Pleasant Grove Players on March 5 - 22 (Friday, Saturday & Monday evenings as well as a single Saturday matinee on March 20) in the Keith Christeson Little Theater on the first floor of the PG City Library, 30 E. Center St. The evening shows will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Saturday matinee will begin at 3:00 p.m.

Howard Little, who is co-directing this production with his wife Kathryn, stated, "Nunsense is a perfect musical for our intimate setting. We are thrilled to find such incredible talent to bring these delightful characters to life."

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors (\$1 less for the matinee.) Tickets can be purchased at the door for current and future shows from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on performance nights. And for the first time ever, tickets can now be purchased ONLINE at pgplayers.com. Due to online availability, tickets will not be sold at City Hall. This production is supported by a grant from the Pleasant Grove Arts Commission.

For more information, call 801-922-4524, visit us on the web at pgplayers.com or email us at pgplayers@pgplayers.com.

RESIDENT'S COUPON

"Nunsense"

*In appreciation of PG City's Support of PG Players /
Bring in this Coupon and receive*

\$2 OFF PER TICKET

Or purchase online with the

Promotion code "PGNEWS" at pgplayers.com

March 5 - 22 (Fri, Sat & Mon Evenings) at 7:30PM

March 20 (Sat Afternoon) at 3:00PM

Keith Christeson Little Theater • PG City Library, 30 E. Center

FOX HOLLOW GOLF COURSE

Fox Hollow will be offering specials through out the years to the citizens of Pleasant Grove. We are excited to announce that this year we will be opening our new lighted driving range. This will extend the Range hours for everyone that can't practice during daylight hours.

We will be opening the Golf Course as soon as the snow is gone!! Our goal is to make 2010 a great golf year for you.

Rick Roberts, PGA professional and staff will be offering free instruction one Monday a month, The first will be April 12, 2010 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.. You purchase a bucket of balls and bring this flyer to take advantage of this great opportunity to learn from the professionals.

Our special for March is 18 holes of golf with a cart Sunday through Thursday (excluding holidays) from 11:00 to 3:00 for \$25.00.

RESIDENTIAL SOLICITATION REGULATIONS

We are entering the time of year when solicitors will be visiting our community. All residents are urged to exercise caution with solicitors who may be canvassing the city. As you may be aware, the City Council has passed an ordinance regulating solicitors which protect the rights of the residents and solicitors. Under the provisions of this ordinance, a company is required to obtain a solicitor's license from Pleasant Grove City to work in the city. Solicitors are also required to provide a recent criminal background check. Each solicitor has an ID badge to wear that is issued by the City. If a solicitor comes to your door they should display the identification badge. If the badge is not presented, the Police Department recommends you decline to do business and call them at 801-785-3506.

Ensuring that you see the City-issued solicitor identification before engaging in conversation will help with safety issues. To prohibit door-to-door sales at your residence, please 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)

In the same regard, it is unlawful to distribute or post any handbills or circulars without first obtaining a permit. A license will then be issued and an identification badge should be displayed by those distributing. To prohibit the posting of materials at your residence, a resident would want to post in a conspicuous position near the entrance a sign bearing the words: "No Trespassing", "No Peddlers or Agents", "No Advertisements", or any similar notice indicating in any manner that the occupants of the premise do not desire to have their right of privacy disturbed, or to have any such handbills left upon such premises. (Chap. 3-8-8)

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

FREE ESL CLASSES

(English as a Second Language) continues

You are invited to learn English! Beginning, intermediate and advanced classes available. The classes run on Tuesdays, from September to May. The hours are from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Free child care is provided. Classes held at Pleasant Grove Junior High School at 810 North 100 East in Pleasant Grove. Please enter through the downstairs gym entrance on the northwest door area.

ESL CLASE GRATIS

(ESL: INGLES COMO Segunda Idioma) Continuar

Uds. Son invitdos a aprender ingles Principio, Intermedio & Superior Clases. Martes Septiembre a Mayo, 7-8:30 p.m.

Cuidado do los Ninos disponsible y gratis
Pleasant Grove Junior High School, 810 Norte 100 Este
(Entren por la puerta norocaste por gimnasio)

CERT

The Pleasant Grove Emergency Services will be sponsoring a CERT training course on the below listed dates. Sessions will be four hours each on two nights (Tuesday, Wednesday) for two weeks. 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 which includes a student manual and safety equipment. You may register at the Pleasant Grove Police Department Mon – Fri 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M prior to the registration deadlines.

Session I

March 30-31, April 6,7 (Registration deadline March 15, 2010)
Tuesday, Wednesday 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

Session II

November 2-3, 9-10 (Registration deadline October 18, 2010)
Tuesday, Wednesday 6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

The C.E.R.T. program is two-fold. It is designed to prepare for and respond to the needs of yourself, your family and your neighbors in a catastrophic disaster situation and will also act as an extension of emergency services in such an event.

The C.E.R.T. training is an excellent program and we are excited to offer it to our citizens. Thank you for your interest in the Community Emergency Response Team and please mark these dates for 2010. Information on C.E.R.T. may also be found at www.pgcity.org.

COME JOIN US FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL RENAISSANCE FAIR.

Fund Raiser for Maeser Prep school

Food, vendors, Live entertainment,

May 1, 2010 10am-4pm

Lindon city Park

For mor info call 801 785 1398 ask for Lisa

"WE CAN'T MOVE FORWARD UNTIL YOU MAIL IT BACK!"

The 2010 Census

What does it mean?

The 2010 Census themes and tag lines "It's In Our Hands" and "We Can't Move Forward Until You Mail It Back" reflect a public attitude that "It's our census, it's up to me and my community to make sure the we have a complete and accurate count."

The 2010 Census will help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal funds is dispersed each year for things like hospitals, job training centers, schools, senior centers, emergency services, bridges, and public works projects. The data collected by the census also help determine the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives. The census provides valuable information that can be used in diverse local applications like grant writing, eligibility for housing, and social actions.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE MAKES GIVING EASY

Once again, the Scouts in your community are out to serve. On the morning of Saturday, March 27, they will collect non-perishable food items in their neighborhoods. Leave your food out on your doorstep before 8 a.m. and they will come to pick it up. All donations will go to the Community Action Food Bank in Provo and will feed families in need right here in your own community. Don't miss out on this chance to make a difference. Find out more by visiting www.CommunityActionUC.org.