



CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

From Allied Waste

WHAT CAN YOU RECYCLE?

- Plastic soft drink bottles (#1's) and milk jugs (#2's) - Recycle rinsed Plastic soft drink bottles and plastic milk containers. Caps and lids left on the bottles are ok. Please rinse, or at a minimum, completely empty all containers.
- Aluminum Beverage Cans - Recycle ALL ALUMINUMCANS. Crushing cans will help to conserve space in your cart. Completely empty, and preferably rinsed, to keep your cart from getting sticky and/or contaminating other items.
- Newspapers - Recycle NEWSPAPERS. Stack them and place them in your recycling cart. Inserts from your newspaper are acceptable to include as well.
- Corrugated Cardboard - Cardboard boxes must be broken down or cut to fit inside your recycling cart. Waxed cardboard, as is commonly used for fruit, is not acceptable.
- Magazines, junk mail, etc. - Almost every item that comes in your newspaper or mailbox can be placed in your cart.
- Tin Cans - Recycle tin cans. Please be sure to rinse your cans. Crushing cans will help provide more space in your cart. Labels left on the cans are acceptable.
- Brown paper bags, phone books, office paper, notebook paper, all plastics #1-7 (look for symbol on container), plastic grocery bags (be sure to tie a knot in these—they have a tendency to create a litter nuisance with any wind).
- Paperboard
- Cereal boxes, paper towel and toilet paper rolls and shoe boxes

ITEMS TO DISCARD OR RECYCLE THROUGH OTHER MEANS

- Green Waste - While tree and bush trimmings and grass clippings work well in composting, they do not work well with our single stream system. Placing these types of material in your recycle cart not only contaminates materials in your cart, but also many others. This forces all the material to end up in a landfill.
- Glass - Glass is a recyclable item that has several drawbacks to a single stream system. Glass tends to break during the loading and unloading processes. This broken glass provides a significant safety hazard to personnel working on the sort lines. It is problematic to the conveyors and belts used in the sorting process. Also, its marketability is less stable than other materials.
- Styrofoam - All peanuts and other packing materials are items that our processing company is unable to sort and bale properly. Please remove these items from the cardboard boxes that you may be recycling.
- Food contaminated items - Pizza boxes, paper towels, napkins, etc. These food contaminated items, like green waste, not only contaminate your materials, but others, as well.
- Other items - Small appliances, wax coated cardboard, aluminum foil, clothing, household hazardous waste, paint, scrap metal etc, also need to either be discarded or recycled through other means.

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF

I love the smell of pine and the festive sights as I enter a home adorned with a Christmas Tree in the corner and decorations strategically placed thither and yon. I even like the pine smell artificially produced to take the place of an "organic" tree.

With dusk arriving earlier now, as I drive home, I like to see all the homes slung with lights, some indicating certain commitment levels or spousal subservience, others depict pure dedication to the art of the season. The chill in the air adds calm to the sidewalks and other foot paths. Even with the stressors of the day lingering, on my drive home, things slow down and the colorful distractions seem to gnaw away at the day's carry-over rush.

It seems to look a lot like Christmas sooner this year. Probably a result of the mild November weather we enjoyed.

"The Holidays," as it is called by so many, brings a few more sweets, contemplative reflections, a portion of goodwill, a dose of religion, and romance. Everyone that read the previous sentence can come to grips with the sweets, the reflections, the goodwill, and hopefully the dose of religion (which if honesty and frankness were apropos at this juncture and within this medium, one might simply say this single, but sometimes elusive element in our lives, might prove to be curative to the ills we endure or at least it would change the treatment and prognosis), but the romance? If the romance of Christmas escapes you, maybe it's time to check out the old movie, "White Christmas." Now that's romance! I know, I probably seem like the wrong generation for a movie of that age, but under this seemingly impervious and hardened outer shell, is just what you'd expect – a fire chief that has had enough of all this fluffy softness. It's time to talk tough about Christmas safety!

For those that have not had a chance to string those luminous, blinkling, tungsten-centered glass bulbs yet, be careful on that ladder! Don't lean out and reach beyond what you can touch standing straight up. Enjoying the season in a cast, healing from a long bone fracture, leaves little room for romance.

Don't overload your circuits! Spread things out and use different outlets. Use protected power strips and make sure they are appropriate for the usage – both indoors and out.

Be careful with candles!

If it has been a long time since the last fire in your fireplace, have it checked before you torch that log to induce that romantic ambiance. Nothing locks up the brakes on a quiet evening at home like a chimney fire.

My final safety tip is an easy one. Plan your decorations with the audience in mind. In other words, if you will have little elves running about, make sure they are not endangered by the type or placement of your ornamentations.

No other time of year instills this level of emotion, good and bad. So, take a deep breath and be a little more patient, a little more friendly, a little more mindful of others, and a little more romantic. Lie down on the floor with your children or your grandkids and watch that train go around the tree. Dim the lights, put on your favorite holiday song, and have a slow dance with that special person that does more for you than you really notice. Clean the snow off your walk – clean the snow off your neighbor's walk. Don't just give gifts, give of yourself too. Oh, and please be safe!

Merry Christmas!

Marc Sanderson, Fire Chief

RECREATION NEWS

Playtime Toddler – Mom & Tot class - Ages 2 to 4yrs./ 1 hour class includes- tot cooking, craft projects, stories, games & activities, field-trips and holiday parties. Class days Still open: Mon 10 am and Thurs 10:30 Classes started But we still have openings.

Playtime Kids – No mom's required(Must be Potty trained) Ages 3 ½ to 5 yrs 1 ½ hour Class includes all of the above Plus Gym Time. Will open new class on Tuesdays 1:00pm- Class will start as soon as we have enough registration.

Elf Cooking – Ages 5 and up Saturday - Dec 5 / We will be making – Dipped Goodies Kabobs, Cheese Dip, Cinnamon roll Tree

Cookies and More – Ages 5 and up Saturday - Dec 19 / We will be making –Eagle Brand Bar cookies, Chocolate chip cookie bites, Surprise Cupcake cones

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- second session started- there are still openings

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 – Nov 4 to Dec 16

Sitters TLC - Training Camp- Join Us for an all day Learning camp – You will learn: Ins and Outs of Babysitting, Child care, Safety & Emergencies, Games and Fun and Make a sitters kit. Lunch will be provided. Class is offered Saturday January 16 from 9 am to 2:30pm/ Ages 11 to 16yrs (Gift certificate available as a fun stocking stuffer)

Build a party - Let us help you build a party. Party fee Includes room, Balloons, party bags and Fun activities or try one of our themed party packages. Cost depends on type of party and theme.

Sub for Santa Jr. High Age Stomp – December 11th Time: 7:00 to 9:30 pm

Itty Bitty Ball (Ages 3 & 4) - Learn pre sport skills such as catching, kicking, throwing and dribbling in a fun atmosphere. Each class will focus on one sampler sport which includes: football, basketball, baseball and soccer. Registration Dates: January 2 and goes until filled. Class Time: 4:00 pm. Class Dates: Feb. 2, 4, 9 and 11

Little Hoopsters Clinic (Kinder-1st Grade) Registration: February 1 – 20. Clinic Dates: March 6, 13, 20, & 27

For fees and Registration Info. Call Pleasant Grove Community Center – 801-785-6172 or pick up Flyer at center -547 S Locust Ave

MESSIAH CONCERT

A Messiah Concert will be presented at the Pleasant Grove High School auditorium on December 4, 2009 at 7 p.m. The concert is free. The PG Orchestra and Choir will present the concert. If you are interested in participating, there will be choir rehearsals in the choir room at the high school every Sunday night at 7 p.m. from November 8 through 29th.

Please remember to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks:

The City ordinance states the following about snow/ice removal: **“It is unlawful for any owner, tenant or occupant, or the agent of any owner of any property abutting or adjoining any public sidewalk within the city to fail to clean and remove all snow, ice, weeds, litter and obstructions from such public sidewalks” (Ord. 7-1-13). Keeping the snow/ice removed from the sidewalks creates free passage for all pedestrians walking on the sidewalks.**

DECEMBER SENIOR NEWS

P.G. Jacobs Senior Center 801-785-2818
242 W. 200 S. P.G. UT

Meals served to seniors each week day, promptly at noon.
Meals funded by State of Utah Dept. of Human Services, Mountain Land Association of Government, & P.G. City,
Suggested Donation for Meals \$2.00
Call the day before, for reservations

Bingo @ Tuesday 10.30 A.M.

Movie @ Thursday 1.00 P.M.

Health Clinic Dec 2nd

Christmas Potluck Dinner Dec 8th Call for reservations

Foot Doctor Dec 9th

Dec 17th Bus Trip SPONSORED by HUMANA to see the Christmas Lights, \$5.00 Includes Dinner 5.00 P.M. at Senior Center, call for reservations

We have baby Quilts for sale at the Senior Center.

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.

“Christmas in the Grove” - December 13

“Christmas in the Grove,” a joyous musical celebration of the Christmas season, will be presented on Sunday, December 13, in the Alpine Tabernacle, 110 East Main, in American Fork. The concert, featuring adult, youth, and children's choirs comprised of members and friends of the Grove Creek Stake, begins at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free. Families and friends from all communities and of all faiths are invited to attend. Musical ensembles will perform 30 minutes prior to the concert in a "pre-program." Everyone is invited to arrive early to enjoy the additional performances before the concert begins. A nursery will be provided for children ages 18 months to six years old, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs overflow room of the Tabernacle. Look for the special seating area for families with young children. For more information, contact Mike Carson at 801-796-6293.

ARTS NEWS

Pleasant Grove Orchestra and Choir are pleased to present Handel's "Messiah" Dec. 4, 7:00 p.m. at Pleasant Grove High School Auditorium. This performance is free to the public.

February 19--Family Concert

April 23-- Young Artist Concert

All begin at 7:00 p.m. at Pleasant Grove High Auditorium.

PG POLICE NEWS

During the past few months many of you may have noticed some of the streets of Pleasant Grove have become a race track for skateboarders. The benches of Pleasant Grove offer roads with long steep grades that are tempting to long board enthusiasts both near and far. Unfortunately for these long board enthusiasts, this type of activity is in violation of Pleasant Grove City Ordinance 6-1-9 titled Toy Vehicles. It reads as follows:

6-1-9 Toy Vehicles: No person upon roller skates, a skateboard or riding in or by means of any coaster, toy vehicle, or similar device shall go upon any roadway except while crossing a street on a cross walk, and when so crossing such person shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to pedestrians. This section shall not apply to any street while set aside as a play street as authorized by ordinance of the city.

I hope you believe me when I say the truth behind this ordinance is safety. Throughout the years we have responded to numerous incidents involving skateboard type vehicles involved in accidents. The results of these accidents have ranged from bumps and bruises to death. These skateboard type vehicles are not designed or equipped with the proper safety devices to make them legal to be operated on public streets.

We have received reports that individuals on long boards have been going as fast as 35mph down some of the east bench roads. Some of you who have been fortunate enough to attend our traffic school may have a better understanding of how safety becomes a key factor when we talk about speed and distance. When an average automobile is traveling upon a good dry road at 25mph it takes that vehicle 38 feet to stop once the brakes are applied. When you start adding road conditions and reaction time into the equation the stopping distance increases drastically. If there is a hazard or obstacle closer to you than what the combination of your speed + road condition + reaction time equals for stopping distance, then you are going to hit the obstacle.

Now let's talk about a long board traveling at 35mph with no means of breaking. My understanding of the breaking procedure for a long board is to drag a foot on the ground to slow down. If that doesn't work, jump off and hope for the best. If you are lucky you can stay on your feet, if not the best advice is to tuck and roll. If an obstacle or any other need to make a sudden stop occurs, there is no safe way to stop. The odds are it will result in a crash with some degree of injury.

The City of Pleasant Grove and the Pleasant Grove Police Department is kindly asking in the interest of safety, that you obey the rules and keep the skateboards and long boards off of public streets.

No overnight parking on the city streets:

The ordinance states: "No person shall park any vehicle on any city street where the pavement runs from curb to curb, or within five feet (5') of any paved street surface where there is no constructed curb, between the hours of two o'clock (2:00) A.M. and six o'clock (6:00) A.M. from the period of November 1 through March 15" (Ord. 6-5-3). This ordinance facilitates the snow plowers' abilities to remove the snow from the roads.

Please do not park overnight on the streets.

LIBRARY NEWS FOR DECEMBER

Happy Holidays from the PGCL Staff!

Take time out of your schedule and come see the new painting hanging in the library. Lynde Mott, a local artist, has graced our walls with some of her beautiful art work over the past years and has now finished a painting just for the library!

December programs are:

R.E.A.D. Book Group on the 10th at 10:00 am. Joyce Fife will be presenting "Christmas time Favorites"

A.S.A.P. will be on the 17th at 4:30 pm. They will be watching a Christmas Movie!

Iteens will be meeting on the 1st and the 15th at 4:30 pm.

Dec. 1st, Join in helping the library prepare for Mrs. Santa!

Dec. 15th, Come make a Gingerbread house!

Twilight Tales will be telling Christmas Stories all month on every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

Spanish Story Time will be held on Friday at 10:30 am.

REGISTRATION FOR WINTER SESSION BEGINS DECEMBER 14TH WITH CLASSES STARTING JANUARY 4TH.

Check out the Library website for more information!
www.plgrove.org/library

Are you running out of ideas for stocking stuffers? Are you tired of having to dig in your pocket or the bottom of your purse for change to pay your library fine? If so, then stop by the Pleasant Grove City Library and purchase a pre-paid fine card. The card has a \$5.50 value, and you pay only \$5.00. This is a limited offer, so pick up your pre-paid fine card today while supplies last!

CHRISTMAS TREE REMOVAL SCHEDULE 2010

Christmas trees will be picked up from January 11th-19th. All trees must be out to the road no later than January 11th to ensure prompt pick up. As always, the number of trees we will remove is limited to one per household. We are unable to remove flocked trees. If you have further questions regarding tree removal, please contact us at 801-785-5935. We appreciate your business in 2009, and look forward to serving you in the upcoming year!

PUBLIC WORKS

City ordinance requires citizens to keep the street and gutter bordering on their property clean. If this is not done, leaves and trash clog the storm drains, causing flooding and property damage.

The city's monthly street cleaning program helps keep drains clear, and storm drain personnel canvas the city unplugging storm drains. Even with the preventative measures, crews still must respond to emergency calls during rainstorms at all hours of the day and night. It is a fact that the city's best efforts are not as effective as residents keeping streets and gutters clean in the first place.

Remember everyone lives downstream.....

PROTECTING YOUR DRINKING WATER

By John Schiess, P.E., City Utility Engineer

Pleasant Grove obtains its culinary water supply from high quality wells and springs. These sources are fed from snow-melt and rainwater infiltration into the ground up-gradient from the source. The ground acts as a filter to natural surface contaminants in the management area contributing to the wells. Water quality tests have shown this water to be of high quality, not requiring treatment other than chlorination of the springs before usage. Ground water is susceptible to contamination from accidental or intentional contamination at the ground surface. Therefore, the City has developed a Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for its water sources to protect these sources from contamination. As part of the City's drinking water source protection program, the City will periodically include information about protecting the ground water in its monthly mailings. Pleasant Grove City is dedicated to provide safe, clean, and reliable drinking water to its users and requests the public's health in protecting their water supplies.

The Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for Pleasant Grove City is available for your review. It contains information about source protection zones, potential contamination sources, and management strategies to protect our drinking water. Potential contamination sources common in our protection area are residential, municipal, and educational landscaping chemicals, commercial fuel, oil, paint, resins, and other chemicals. Additionally, our wells have a medium susceptibility to potential contamination. We have also developed management strategies to further protect our sources from contamination. Please contact us at 785-5045 if you have any questions or concerns about our source protection plan.

What is Household Hazardous Waste?

By Utah Dept. of Environmental Quality

Many hazardous products and chemicals such as cleaners, oils, and pesticides are used in the home every day. When discarded, these products are called household hazardous waste (HHW). HHWs are discarded materials and products that are ignitable, corrosive, reactive, toxic, or otherwise listed as hazardous by the EPA. Products used and disposed of by a typical residence may contain more than 100 hazardous substances including batteries, cleaners, cosmetics, fluorescent light bulbs, glues, heating oil, insecticides and pesticides, ink, medicines, motor oil and automotive supplies, paints, thinners, stains and varnishes, polishes, swimming pool chemicals, smoke detectors, thermometers, and fuel.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates the average American household generates 20 pounds of HHW each year. As much as 100 pounds of HHW can accumulate in the home and remain there until the resident moves or undertakes a thorough "spring cleaning." Since the chemicals found in the HHW can cause soil and groundwater contamination, generate hazardous emissions at landfills, and disrupt water treatment; facilities are currently required to screen for HHW to avoid cooperating under restrictive hazardous waste laws. Furthermore, many communities may be required to establish a HHW collection program in order to qualify for permits to manage storm water.

The best way to handle household hazardous materials is to completely use the product before disposing of the container. If this is not possible, then the next alternative is to return unused portions to your community household hazardous waste clean-up day. Keep products in their original package with all labels intact. If the container is leaking, place it in a thick plastic bag. Pack the products in a plastic-lined cardboard box to prevent leaks and breakage. Household waste clean-up days are for household wastes only. No industrial or commercial wastes and no containers larger than five gallons are accepted. Explosives, radioactive material, and medical wastes are also unacceptable.

HHWs can be dangerous to people and pets who come in contact with them. HHWs can endanger water supplies, damage sewage treatment systems, and cause other environmental damage. Only use the products as directed. DO NOT: Flush HHWs down the toilet or pour them down the sink or storm drain or on the ground. Contact your local health department or the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste to determine whether your community has a household hazardous waste collection program.

Identify HHWs to reduce the amount of potentially hazardous products in your home and eliminate what you throw away by following these easy steps: 1. Before you buy, read the labels and be aware of what they mean. Also, look for these words on labels; they tell you what products may need special handling or disposal - "Caution, combustible, corrosive, danger, explosive, flammable, poison, toxic, volatile, and warning." Select a product best suited for the job and buy only what you can use entirely.

After you buy, read label precautions and follow directions for safer use, recycle/dispose of empty containers properly, share what you can't use with friends or neighbors, store properly, use recommended amounts (more is not necessarily better), and use the child-resistant closures and keep them on tightly.

For more information, please call Division of Solids and Hazardous Waste at 801-538-6170, Division of Drinking Water Source Protection Program at 801-536-4200, Environmental Hotline at 1-800-458-0145, or Sonja Wallace, Pollution Prevention Coordinator at 801-536-4477.

WATCH FOR THE UTAH CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

The Utah Children's Choir is very busy preparing for Christmas Concerts. Their first appearance will be the day after Thanksgiving at the Grand America Hotel in Salt Lake City to help SLC celebrate the first annual "Grand Holiday Festival" and support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. There will be a gala tree lighting ceremony, Santa Claus, a Gingerbread Village and a Teddy Bear Town/Museum. It is a great complimentary family affair hosted by this Grand Hotel. The Utah Children's Choir will sing at 7:30 pm.

The UCC's own Christmas Concert will be held Dec. 3, at the Alpine Art Center, 450 S. Alpine Highway, Alpine, at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature traditional carols from America and around the world. We will also be singing a special piece written for us by former choir member, Erica Glenn, called a "Child's Song of Christmas." Another favorite will be John Rutter's "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day," and will be sung by the Concert Choir. The Choristers will sing one of the very first American carols from the Huron Indians called "Twain in the Moon of Wintertime." We always do our traditional "Song of the Littlest Angel" featuring one of our youngest Choristers as soloist. This concert will certainly get you in the mood for Christmas! Admission is \$5 per person with special rates for families.

The Concert Choir has been invited to sing with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir on their Christmas Concerts Dec. 10-13th. We are very excited about this and we are working hard to be prepared! The concerts will feature singer Natalie Cole and writer David McCullough. We hope that you will all want to hear the Children's Choir this season and We wish you the very merriest wishes of the holidays.

UTAH VALLEY SKYLINE CHORUS

Utah Valley Skyline Barbershop Chorus presents a Christmas concert on December 8th at 7 PM in the Northampton House in American Fork at 198 West 300 North.

PLEASANT GROVE BUSINESS ALLIANCE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Come spend an hour with the Pleasant Grove Business Alliance during our Holiday Social! Friday, December 11, 2009 from 12:00 - 1:15 p.m. at the Pleasant Grove Community Center Multi Purpose Room, 547 South Locust Ave, Pleasant Grove. Entertainment provided by Pleasant Grove High School Chamber Choir. A \$9 lunch is available for purchase. Please RSVP www.pgbaut.com or by calling 801-380-3179. Lunch provided by EJ Catering.

The Pleasant Grove Business Alliance is a member driven organization designed to assist local businesses through networking, education and partnership with city officials. Come join us, learn the latest business trends and network your business.

The PGBA meets the second Friday of each month. Meetings feature a professional lecture of various topics as well as valuable networking opportunities.

Meetings are free to attend. All employees of local businesses and interested citizens may attend. A \$10 lunch is available for purchase. Please RSVP by the Thursday before each meeting by calling the PGBA at 801-380-3179. For more information, visit the Pleasant Grove Business Alliance website at www.pgbaut.com.