



FYI Pleasant Grove



January 2012 City Newsletter

Utah's City of Trees

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PG 2012 GET UP AND MOVE!

A new fitness challenge called "**Get Up and Move!**" begins in January, aimed at getting people exercising and having fun at the same time.

Registration for the program is at the PG Community Center, 547 S. Locust Ave. For \$130, participants will receive a water bottle, T-shirt, workout log, four-month membership and a personal trainer to coach them through the 16-week program.

The deadline is Jan. 7th.

The challenge will involve two teams that will compete against each other for 16 weeks. Teams will be judged on the percent of body fat lost during those weeks. Participants may also earn points throughout the competition. A personal trainer will be assigned to each team, and there will be monthly prize drawings.

For more information, call 801-785-6172

Mayor Call: "2012 to be Outstanding"

2012 promises to be an outstanding year for Pleasant Grove. We have **two new members of the City Council** who you voted into office last November, and we expect remarkable service from them and the rest of the Council as we work to make every facet of life in our community even better than before.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to our prior Council. Thanks to their commitment to fiscal responsibility, **Pleasant Grove City is on solid financial footing**, operating on a balanced budget without dipping into reserves.

Beyond the outgoing council, there are two additional reasons for our current financial stability: **the first is the extraordinary work by our employees**, from the crews working our streets and parks to our amazing office staff and department directors. These people dedicate untold hours in service to our citizens, squeezing every dollar and leveraging every resource to maintain the highest level of service. I regularly receive notes of thanks and commendation from our residents who recognize the contribution of our employees.

The other reason for our solid fiscal position is the new business we've seen come to Pleasant Grove. Quietly but consistently, new enterprises have been joining our community and adding to our economic base. We have more businesses on Main Street than we've seen in decades. The Grove area near the freeway has continued to bring in new companies, adding 2,000 jobs in the past few years. As a council member said recently, "*While other communities are cutting jobs, Pleasant Grove is cutting ribbons.*"

As we begin this new year of 2012, **we fully expect to continue this path** of welcoming more and more business neighbors into our community, strengthening our financial foundation and having a positive impact on our city.

Mayor Bruce Call



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Fancy Nancy Party!

The Pleasant Grove City Library wishes to invite all girls 4 to 10 years old to a very special party on *Sat., February 4th, at 11 am or 1 pm.*

Registration begins on Wednesday, January 25th with a current library card. The party is free but a small registration fee of \$5.00 will be charged to hold your place. The fee is refunded when you attend the party or if you cancel before Friday, February 3rd. Tickets will be given when you register and you must have a ticket in hand to be admitted.

Parents are invited to stay. Chairs will be provided around the room. We encourage you to dress up in fancy clothes and take pictures!



PG Library Literacy Center Now Accepting New Students

It's not too late to get reading/writing help for your child. Volunteer tutors are available to give individual tutoring sessions. We have openings Mon- Thurs afternoons between 3 and 5 pm. Our curriculum focuses on essential reading and writing skills to help children reach their grade level. Tutoring sessions last approx 50 mins. We also welcome volunteer tutors. For more information contact Linda Butler at 785-3950 or at pgliteracycenter@gmail.com.

Registration packets for students and tutors available at Library front desk.

At The Library

READ Book Club: 10 am on the first Thursday of the Month. Everyone who is interested is invited. January is "*Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*" reviewed by Eloise Fugal.

BookEnders: 7 pm on the last Wednesday of the month. An adult discussion and reading book group. January is "*A River Runs Through It*" by Norman Maclean.

Book Bash for Boys: Boys ages 8-16 with Dad or other caring adult. 2nd Tuesday of every other month at 7:00 pm. Join us for lively discussions, activities, friendship and fun! The book for the month of January is "*Al Capone Does My Shirts*" by Gennifer Choldenko. Check out the book of the month at the front desk.

Teens: 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 4:00 pm. The Teen group is for those in 7th grade and up.

Winter Registration Now Ongoing

Check online or call library for availability of classes. Hurry classes start January 9th!

Story time: Starts 1/10/12 ends 2/15/12. Tuesday & Wednesday at 10am, 11am, or 1pm. Ages 3-6. This is a 6 week session of Stories, rhymes, songs, crafts and fun. No fee but registration required. Theme is "*All About Me*".

Music & Movement: Starts 1/09/12 ends 2/13/12. Monday at 10am, 11am, or 12noon. Six week session. Registration required, Class limited to 12 students. Must sign up in person. Ages 3½ - 6.

Wee Read: Starts 1/12/12 ends 2/16/12. Thursday at 10am, 11am, 12pm. Six week session. Registration required. Ages 18-36 mos. Learn how to encourage your baby's language development.

A.S.A.P.: Elementary school children join together for an after school activity. Free registration required, tickets available at the desk 2 weeks before the event. This month is "*Snowflake Bentley*."

Introduction to the Internet - January 13th, 7:00 p.m. Learn how to search the Internet, find specific documents, images and much more! This class is for the beginning computer user and gives users basic skills needed for Internet use. Sign up at the desk.

The Pleasant Grove Orchestra will resume rehearsals on Jan 7th, 8-10 am in the library lower level.

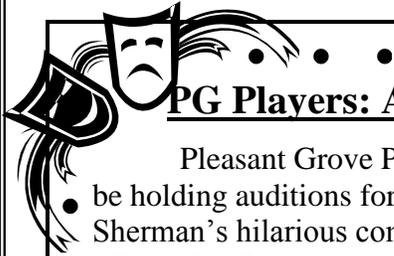


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PG Players: Auditions

Pleasant Grove Players will

- be holding auditions for James Sherman's hilarious comedy
- **"Beau Jest"** on Tues. and Wed., *January 10-11 from 7:00 - 9:00pm*
- in the Keith Christeson Theater on the first floor of the PG Library Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. No appt. is needed. Howard and Kathryn Little will direct this production.

"Beau Jest" is the story of Sarah Goldman, a Jewish kindergarten teacher, who is eager to please her parents who are very anxious to see her marry a nice Jewish boy.

Unfortunately, Sarah is dating a gentile named Chris Kringle. To please her parents, she invents a beau named Dr. David Steinberg. All proceeds smoothly until Mom and Dad insist upon meeting her new boyfriend.

Sarah hires Bob Schroeder, an aspiring actor, to play Dr. Steinberg at a dinner party. Her parents fall for Bob, and so does Sarah. To complicate matters even more, Bob isn't Jewish either!

Needed are 4 adult men and 2 adult women. Some will need to be able to speak with a Jewish accent.

Performance dates are March 2-19th on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday evenings. There will also be a Saturday matinee on March 17th.

Please call Kathryn Little at 801-836-8104 for more information.



I-15 CORE Winter Driving Tips

Construction activities on Utah County's

I-15 Corridor Expansion (I-15 CORE) are still in full swing throughout winter. Whether you're commuting a short distance to work or heading out of town for the holidays, please use extra caution while driving through the work zone this winter. Remember these winter driving tips:

Plan ahead: Give yourself plenty of time to reach your destination safely. Check traffic conditions before, leaving by visiting UDOT's home page, www.udot.utah.gov.

Be prepared: Make sure your vehicle is ready for winter driving. Avoid trouble by inspecting your tires, wiper blades, fluids, lights, belts and hoses.

See and Be Seen: Take the time to clear ice and snow from your vehicle's windows, lights, and signals.

Slow down and use caution: When accelerating, merging, and traveling in winter conditions, slow down to avoid sliding. The faster you go, the longer it will take you to stop, so leave plenty of space between you and the vehicle in front of you. Use extra caution when driving on off-ramps, bridges, and roadways near water; these areas are the most vulnerable to black ice.

Know your brakes: Never slam on the brakes; doing so can cause your vehicle to slide. If you have anti-lock brakes, press the pedal down firmly and hold it.

Otherwise, gently pump the pedal. Remember to brake early and slowly, and give yourself plenty of room to stop.

Give snowplows room to work: When following behind a snowplow, leave at least 300 feet between your vehicle and the plow; be patient and don't try to pass the plow.

Never drive through the cloud of snow that a plow throws. *For more information, see udot.utah.gov/i15core.*

Christmas Tree Pick-up

Christmas trees will be picked up from January 16-20th.

Please have your tree (without any decorations or tinsel) out on the curb before 7 am on January 16th and we will be around sometime that week to pick up your tree. If you have any questions, contact Allied Waste at 801-785-5935.



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Community Events

- Jan 2** New Years Day Holiday
City offices closed
- Jan 3** City Council Meeting
6 pm
- Jan 12** Planning Commission
7 pm
- Jan 13** Chamber of Commerce
Noon - PG Rec Center
- Jan 17** City Council Meeting
6 pm

Seniors Calendar Information:

Call 801-785-2818

Recreation News

Toddler Class: Come join us for the last half of the season. Class is 1 hr. Adult must attend with child. Ages: 2-4yrs. Class includes cooking, craft project, stories, games, fieldtrips and activities. Spots still open in Monday 10:00 am, Tuesday 10:30 am and Thursday 10:30 am class.

Kids Class: Class is 1½ hr. Must be potty trained. Ages: 3-5 years. Class includes above activities plus gym activities. No moms required. Tuesdays 12:30 to 2:00 pm. Starts Jan 3rd.

Toddler Gym: Theme Play & Exercise Activities-6 week session / ages 20 mos.- 4yrs / Class held Wed, 10:30 - 11:30 am.

After School Chess Club: Ages: 5 & up. Beginners & Advanced. Thursday from 4-5pm. Session starts Jan 5th.

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: January 2nd - until filled. Time & Dates: 4-5 pm, Feb. 2, 9, 16, & 23rd.

Little Hoopsters Clinic (Kinder-1st Grade)

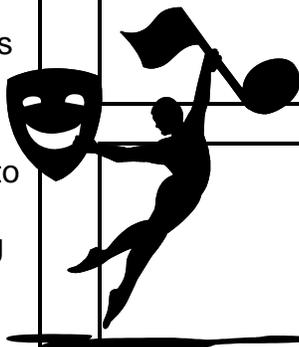
Registration: February 1-19

Clinic Dates: March 10, 17, 24, 31

UCC: Auditions for Spring

The Utah Children's Choir had some joyous Christmas Concerts in December with a wide variety of audience attendance.

The UCC is now looking ahead to its spring season, holding auditions for openings beginning in January. The **auditions will be held on January 7th** at the Pleasant Grove Jacobs Senior Center between 10:00 am-12:00 noon. For those interested, you need to have a little song to sing. The auditions take about ten minutes. Please call for an appointment or for more information, 801-756-6450.



"Labyrinth" Story Ballet at Library

On **Thurs., January 12th at 4:30 pm**, there will be a free performance of the **Life in a Labyrinth**. This is a magical story ballet that the whole family will enjoy. Presented by Wasatch Ballet Conservatory, *Life in a Labyrinth* is the story of a young girl's adventure through an ever-changing labyrinth where she comes across hip hopping rocks, an evil queen, dancing doors and goblins.

Boys and girls of all ages will enjoy this evening of dance where anything is possible and a valuable lesson about the power of love and family.



Happy New Year from Pleasant Grove City!