

### WE ARE IN CHARGE

Safety is defined by Webster's as "freedom from danger, hurt or loss." It is arguably the most basic freedom that we have. The freedom to live and go about our lives each and every day and to not worry that we are about to be hurt or killed, knowing that our family is all right and that our property will be left alone. I can't imagine living in a place where I didn't feel safe walking around the park behind my home or letting my children go down to the store on their bikes for a slushy. I'm glad that I've always been able to know and trust my neighbors as friends. I'm thankful that I can feel that our entire community really is one big neighborhood and that we live in a place where everyone wants the same good things. Places in this world where that feeling isn't possible don't sound like very fun places to live. I know that those places are out there, but thankfully that's not "how we roll" around here. Safety is what we do at the police department. It's the reason that you pay us to spend long nights driving through dark neighborhoods as you sleep. It's why we work nights and weekends and insert ourselves into dangerous situations to protect the underdog, the victim, and the average citizen. Most of you will never need our services first-hand. If we're both lucky we'll see each other in the store and say "Hello", I'll never have to be at your home at 3:00am. But if you need us, please never hesitate to call us for help.

I've recently met with several groups of people to discuss different long-term issues that they've been dealing with in their neighborhoods, at their homes and around their businesses. All of these situations started small, but some of these situations have now been happening for months. Each of them have now escalated to the point that the "good guys" no longer feel safe in their neighborhood, at their home, or on a city street. In almost every situation the people haven't called the police until the problem grew large enough that they were actually afraid for themselves, their families or their property. I was struck that each of these people stated that they didn't want to call about a minor problem because they didn't want to bother the police. They each also said that they didn't want the offenders (sometimes the neighbors) to hate them or to retaliate against them for calling the cops.

Which do you think is easier to put out, a campfire or a forest fire? I'm not a fireman, but personally I'll take the little one every time. It's the same idea with community public safety issues. Get us involved before it's a raging battleground and we can probably stunt it's growth fairly quickly and easily. Remember that personal safety is one of the biggest reasons that we live here in America and that you have an absolute right to enjoy this feeling. Remember that together, we are in charge of our community and that we can control a lot of these societal problems before they become dangerous. Whether the issues involve a drug house, a fledgling gang in training, out of control kids or simply some citizens who feel that the minor laws don't apply to them, we can take it on. But we have to know about it first. That's where you come in.

Captain Cody Cullimore, Pleasant Grove Police Department

### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

You are invited to attend the groundbreaking of the new Recreation Center on Friday, August 3, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. on location south of Pleasant Grove High School and Veterans Memorial Pool. This event is sponsored by Pleasant Grove City and Alpine School District.

Guests will include: Elected and appointed local officials from Pleasant Grove City and Alpine School District, PGHS staff, and the citizens of Utah's City of Trees. You bonded for it and now it's time to build it!

You are also invited to experience the groundbreaking of the Embassy Suites Hotel and Convention Center on Friday, August 24, 2007 at 10:00am on location at "The Grove" (by the freeway off ramp). This event is sponsored by John Q. Hammons, Dennis M. Baker and Pleasant Grove City.

Guests will include: Elected and appointed officials from the national, state, county, and local levels of government; Business owners from around the state who use hotel and convention center facilities; The R/UDAT Implementation Committee and the former R/UDAT team; Heads of colleges and universities from Salt Lake and Utah counties; Planners from the travel and tourism industry; Major national, regional, and local television, radio, newspaper and print media; And especially all residents, businesses, employees, land owners, and investors associated with Utah's City of Trees. You've seen the pictures and heard the talk, now it's time to build it!

We anticipate a ribbon cutting on the 2000 West project, a groundbreaking on Grove Creek Center One, and several other "significant" announcements in the months to come. Watch this newsletter for more "earth moving" events in September, October, November and December.

If you haven't already, take a scenic drive through the freshly landscaped areas in the BMW quadrant. This is just the beginning of the added value Dennis Baker is bringing to our city. I want to thank those on the Council, Staff, and Community who have supported us in making these dreams a reality. Pleasant Grove is on the move with job creation, shopping, dining, and recreation. This is what you asked for. Now it is happening.

Thanks again for all you do as citizens to make Pleasant Grove such a great place to live. Because of you, many good things are happening. Keep your comments and questions coming to Mayor@PGCity.Org.

Michael W. Daniels, Mayor

**PARKING ON THE STREET:** There are still many vehicles left parked on the street. It is illegal to park boats, camping trailers and other vehicles on the roadway for more than 48 hours, without moving them. Please remove them and recognize the 48 hour parking ordinance.

**WEED ABATEMENT:** *Please keep yards and vacant lots free of weeds. These create fire hazards and also spread the seeds to neighboring residences.*

## YARDS OF THE MONTH

The Pleasant Grove City Beautification/Shade Tree Commission have again picked the Yards of the Month. Winners of this honor receive a beautiful, one-of-a-kind hand cast pottery vase with an inscription! Commission Member Dennis Zupan is the talented potter.

Here are the awards for the Yard of The Month –

**Little Denmark** – The Hoopes family on 100 North  
**Big Springs** – Debbie and Scott Eldredge on 730 East  
**Old Fort** – Doris & Frank Wattleworth on 100 South  
**Monkey Town** – Katherine Adams on 200 North  
**String Town** – Michael & Jamie Melzer on Applegrove Lane  
**Manila** – John & Lori Durfee on N. East Mill Creek  
**Battle Creek** – Bruce & Carolyn Gross on 480 South  
**Scratch Gravel** – Darold & Bell Henry on 800 East  
**North Fields** – will be announced next month

**LANDSCAPING:** *City codes require that landscaping be completed in the whole front yards of residences. If you have sections which are not completed, please bring them up to code and complete the landscaping. Full front yard landscaping is required within two growing season of the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy of the home.*

## LION'S CLUB

The Lion's Club members are gearing up for breakfast for Heritage Days September 8. Our Lions Club needs all paws on grill! Please come and help with tickets, wiping tables, pouring orange juice and milk, and smiling! We will have tickets ready to sell by August 1, so we can have a roaring turning out for this traditional, yummy breakfast.

Plan to attend our August family picnic-----it will be our awards dinner.

We are looking for new ideas in everything. We accomplish what we set our minds to do. There is no limit to what our club can accomplish. The only thing that is small in our club is the vision of what we want to accomplish.

We welcome and embrace change!

**TREES GROWING OVER STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:**  
*City codes require the homeowners to keep trees and shrubs pruned to 8 feet above the sidewalk and 16 feet above the roadways.*

## OLD BELL SCHOOL MUSEUM

The end of August is coming too fast for the Museum. The Museum is now the caretaker of the original manual Organ from the old Third Ward Chapel. As of September, the Museum will be closed for another nine months. Of course, there are exceptions such as The Heritage Day festival on September 8. We have enjoyed greeting all of you this summer. Have a happy vacation if you have not already gone....

B. Edvalson, Director

**SIGNS:** *City code requires all signs to have permits. Illegal signs will be removed and the owner will be billed \$47.00 for each one taken down. Contact Community Development for permits.*

## PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD FOR COUNCIL SEATS

The following candidates have met the qualifications to be a candidate in the Pleasant Grove Municipal Primary Election to be held on September 11, 2007.

### COUNCIL MEMBER (4-YEAR TERM)

*Richard W. Ables*

*Peter Bowen*

*Cindy Boyd*

*Bruce Call*

*George Church*

*Erin Daniel*

*Barbara J. Wells*

*Jeffrey D. Wilson*

## MOSQUITO ABATEMENT EFFORTS UP

PROVO, Utah (June 28, 2007) - - The Utah County Health Department (UCHD) is once again warning residents to protect themselves and their families from West Nile virus, a potentially deadly disease carried by mosquitoes in the summer months. Bob Mower, Mosquito Abatement director, explained that with the recent heat there has been an increase in the number of mosquito that carries WNV. Mower said the UCHD has increased spraying efforts (mainly from 9pm to around midnight), but suggests that residents can help protect themselves by covering up and wearing mosquito repellent with DEET when outside from dusk to dawn. He also suggested repairing screens on homes, removing standing water and treating ponds or fountains. For questions regarding Utah County mosquito control efforts, please call Mosquito Abatement at 851-7637.

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF

WOW! – How about those 4th of July fireworks? Mayor Daniels congratulated us on a great show, saying that Provo's "Stadium of Fire" didn't have anything on our "Stadium on Fire." We had a few big ones that became a little impatient and blew off before reaching their assigned altitude. The Fire Department set off almost a thousand fireworks. To finish up, we sent over 125 fireworks into the sky in less than one minute. That was a great ending, but I was very nervous as a fire chief setting off fireworks in the middle of a large crowd! We had a great 4th. We didn't have any large fires caused by fireworks or any injuries related to fireworks. Thank you! (This is being written before the 24th of July, so I am hopeful and optimistic that this streak of good luck will continue.)

As summer winds down, I hope everyone enjoyed a nice break and was able to ward off the effects of the heat. It has been a HOT one! Please continue to be watchful of your family members and neighbors that might be very young or elderly or in anyway more susceptible to the effects of the heat. Stay well hydrated as you work outside and remember to take time to give yourself a break and cool down during the hottest hours of the day.

Please take care and be safe.

Marc Sanderson, Fire Chief

## LIBRARY

WOW-This year's summer reading library program was a great success. Everyone loved the theme, 'Get a Clue at the Library!' Over 1100 children registered and read all summer. The total number of minutes read by 'Pleasant Grove Reading Agents' was 1,157,328. All agent's pictures are on the 'Super Sleuth' wall and everyone earned items necessary to be a good agent. Many even earned a cool detective hat.

The Pleasant Grove Library is looking forward to offering exciting fall programs:

- **Fall registration** for Story Time and Wee Read begins August 20th. You may register online, by phone, or in person.
- **A.S.A.P.** begins September 26, "Fancy Nancy," for girls only. September 27, for boys only, "NASCAR."
- **R.E.A.D. Book Group** meets on September 13 at 10:00 a.m. to start the season.

Check out the Library website for more information, or stop by the library for a flyer of the events happening at the library.

## AARP "DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM"

An AARP "Driver Safety Program" class for those 50 and older will be taught at the Jacobs Senior Center (242 W. 200 S., Pleasant Grove) on August 16 and 17 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.

## OPENING ON PLANNING COMMISSION

Pleasant Grove City has an opening on the Planning Commission. Please contact Community Development at 785-6057 for more details.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S "RESTORE"

What is the definition of ReStore? Big Savings!

Habitat for Humanity of Utah County has recently opened its new ReStore. ReStore is a retail outlet store designed to sell new and used donated items, and then use the proceeds to help build more homes for those in need in our community. ReStore sells building material, hardware, tools, furniture, and appliances at hugely discounted prices; usually 50%-70% off retail prices! If you are a bargain hunter at heart then the ReStore is your place to shop.

Come and see us at 626 N. Freedom Blvd. in Provo or call us at 3Re-Store (373-7867).

## CERT TRAINING

The Pleasant Grove/Lindon Department of Public Safety will be sponsoring a C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) training program. . The Fall 2007 CERT session will begin on Wednesday, Sept 12, 2007 from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m; Thursday, Sept 13, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m; Friday Sept 14 , 6:00 – 10:00 p.m and Saturday Sept 15, 2007 9:00 a.m – 1:00 p.m. Classes will be held at the Pleasant Grove Public Safety Building, 87 East 100 South, Pleasant Grove, UT. The following topics will be taught over the three day training sessions: 1) Disaster Preparedness; 2) Disaster Fire Suppression; 3) Disaster Medical Operations Part I; 4) Disaster Medical Operations Part II; 5) Light Search & Rescue; 6) Disaster Psychology and Team Organization; 7) Disaster Training Exercise.

You will be required to attend all four scheduled sessions and complete all seven modules to complete the C.E.R.T certification. 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.

Registration forms are available at the Pleasant Grove Police Department, 87 East 100 South. Please fill it out and return it along with the \$35.00 registration fee before Sept 5, 2007 to the Pleasant Grove Department of Public Safety. (Make checks payable to Pleasant Grove Police Department). The registration fee will include the costs for safety equipment and training materials. You will receive a CERT student manual upon receipt of your \$35.00 payment and completed application. Please read the information in the manual prior to the beginning of the first training session on Wednesday, Sept 12th.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the people listed below:

Sherri Atwood - Communications Administrator/ C.E.R.T. Program Manager 785-3506

Marc Sanderson – Fire Chief /C.E.R.T. Program Manager 785-3506.

## RECREATION NEWS:

PROGRAM REGISTRATION BEGINNING IN AUGUST:  
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### YOUTH VOLLEYBALL

**3rd – 6th Grade** • Registration: Aug. 1 – 31 • Starts: September 15 • Fees: Resident \$30 Non Resident \$45

**7th – 9th Grade** • Registration: Aug. 1 – 31 • Starts: September 12 (tryout) • Fees: Resident \$35 Non Resident \$52.50

### FLAG FOOTBALL

**3rd – 4th Grade** • Registration: Aug. 1 – 31 • Starts: Mid September • Fees: Resident \$32 Non Resident \$48

**5th & 6th Grade** • Registration: Aug. 1 – 31 • Starts: Mid September • Fees: Resident \$37 Non Resident \$55.50

### JR VIKING CHEER

**3rd & 4th / 5th & 5th Grades** • Registration: Aug. 1 – Sept. 3 • Starts: September 4 • Fees: Resident \$37 Non Resident \$55.50

### 2ND GRADE BASKETBALL

**2nd Grade Boys & Girls** • Registration: Aug. 1 – 31 • Starts: September 22 • Fees: Resident \$28 Non Resident \$42

**JR. HIGH AGE DANCE** – Back to School Stomp • Friday, August 24th from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. • Cost: With ID \$3.00, Without ID \$4.00 **SCHOOL DRESS CODE REQUIRED!** Parents are welcome.

### JUNK AND REFUSE:

*Please remove junk and refuse  
from yards, per the city code.*

## UTAH CHILDREN'S CHOIR TWENTY-FOURTH SEASON

The Utah Children's Choir finished their twenty-third season with a 'Concert in the Park' for Pleasant Grove on June 10. The concert featured many American folk songs.

We are currently holding auditions for our new season, which begins in September. Also the Utah Children's Choir Camp will be held on August 6, 7 and 8. It is a day camp held at the Scera Center in Orem. The hours for the camp are from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., and the children will bring a sack lunch. Featured at the camp will be rehearsals, voice classes, singing games, crafts and swimming. Any child between the ages of 8 to 16 can attend the camp. You do not have to be a member of the choir to attend. For more information and registration call 756-6450 or 785-7416. If you would like to set up an audition appointment call the same numbers. The choir is planning an exciting new season and would like you to share it with us! The training and education that your child will receive will bring them lifetime skills and wonderful memories.

## HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Come and enjoy the Past, Present and Future of Pleasant Grove by attending the annual celebration of The Pleasant Grove Heritage Festival. It will be held on Saturday, September 8, 2007 in the Historic Downtown Park. It will again begin this year with the Lion's Club preparing a wonderful breakfast. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Scones can be purchased for only \$1! Tickets for the breakfast will be available at Smith's Drug, City Hall, the Library and the Community Development office. The breakfast will begin at 8 a.m. and will go until 10 a.m. A flag raising ceremony with a 21 gun salute will also take place at 8 a.m. in the park.

From 10 a.m. to noon there will be The Annual Fire Department Competition in the Historic Downtown Park, also. From 3 to 6 p.m, also in the Historic Downtown Park, there will be Pioneer Games and Activities as well as Mountain Man demonstrations. There will also be a hands-on pottery demonstration as well as Historic Walking Tours. The DUP Tour will take place at the Old Bell School; also during the 3 to 6 p.m. period of time.

The Kiwanis Club will hold their popular "Hog Heaven" cook-off and dinner again this year. Please call Doug Thompson at 836-9906 for ticket prices and where they can be purchased. This even will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Historic Downtown Park. Community Service Awards will be given out at this time, also.

Volunteers for the Festival are needed. Please call Cindy at 785-4354 and leave a message to volunteer.

## TAX COMMISSION OFFERS FREE CLASS

Utah Association of Counties and the Utah State Tax Commission are pleased to invite you to attend a FREE class that will help you understand administrative processes of Utah's property tax system. The class will be offered in the evening to accommodate work schedules and will be held in four locations (Parowan, Richfield, Nephi, and Farmington) across the state in August.

It's a great class and will help answer many of the questions you are faced with as you deal with property taxes.

For more details you can review the attached flyer or go to our website, following this link: <http://www.uacnet.org/calendar/event.php?id=133>

Doug Perry

Communications Director

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**ILLEGAL BURNING:** *No burning of weeds or refuse is allowed in the city. This is a Federal law and only small, recreational fires are allowed. If you have questions, contact the Fire, Police, or Community Development office.*