



EAGLE MOUNTAIN UPDATE

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

You may have read articles in the *Deseret News*, *Pony Express* and *Daily Herald* regarding Eagle Mountain's recent emphasis on commercial development. As a city government, we are concerned with the quality of life in Eagle Mountain and are actively pursuing improvements to that quality of life. Having a tax base to draw upon correlates directly with the moneys the city has available for city improvements and enhancements.

I recently met with Senators Hatch and Bennett in Washington D.C., as well as Congressman Cannon. Councilman Vincent Liddiard, who was in Washington D.C. on business, took the day off to accompany me to these meetings. We communicated with them concerning the rapid growth of our city and the need for federal moneys.

We asked for federal moneys to assist in road construction to help alleviate our transportation issues. We also asked for funds to help develop a planned 60 acre park. The land has been donated by SITLA. The park will be located between the Ranches and City Center and will include walking trails, baseball diamonds, soccer fields, a water feature, and other recreation facilities. A park of this size should increase home values and attract economic development around the area as well.

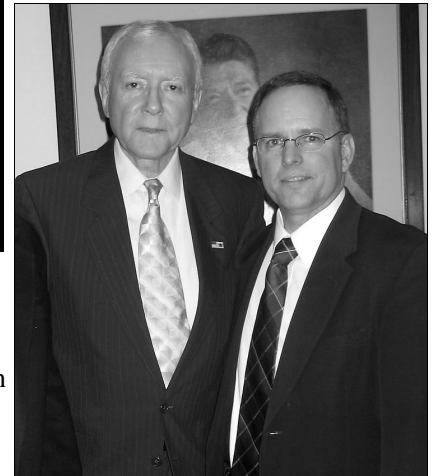
Additionally, we have begun the process of a CDA (Community Development Area) approval for the city. A CDA status will allow the city to use city sales tax revenues as a negotiating tool with businesses that are looking at Eagle Mountain – thereby increasing their incentives to locate here.

Finally, the city receives tax moneys from the state based upon our recorded city population. We have discovered that the state's census records indicate that Eagle Mountain has a population of approximately 10,343 – and this is the number they have been using as a basis for dispersing some tax revenue. In actuality, our population is approximately 20,000 – a significant difference in numbers. Consequently, we will request (along with three other cities which are facing the same issue) a formal review of the census records for Eagle Mountain. This census correction will not only benefit the City in sales tax revenues but the increased population will also help with the qualifications for grants and government funding.

While so many of these issues are a work in progress and require time to realize the results we are seeking – putting considerable effort into Eagle Mountain's economic development, transportation and quality of life will certainly pay off. I would ask that all of our residents help in these efforts by making your voice heard at the transportation open houses presented by UDOT and MAG and by letting people know what a great place Eagle Mountain is to live and do business in.

Sincerely,

Mayor Don D. Richardson



Mayor Richardson with Senator Orrin Hatch during his recent trip to D.C.



Mayor Richardson and Councilman Vincent Liddiard met with Senator Bob Bennett.

Q&A: If you have a question for Mayor Richardson to answer in this section of the Update, please send it to news@emcity.org.



The city's newest planning commissioner Ryan Ireland was sworn in at the March 6 City Council meeting.

UDOT SR73 PUBLIC MEETING

In order to better understand future transportation needs along the state Route 73 corridor, the Utah Department of Transportation will host a public open house for area citizens Wednesday, April 18, from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM at the Eagle Mountain City Council chambers located at 1650 East Stagecoach Run.

The meeting will be conducted in an open-house format. Project team members will be available to meet one-on-one with area residents, commuters, and business owners to discuss their opinions and solutions regarding the S.R. 73 corridor. As part of the corridor study, UDOT is looking at several aspects such as safety, sidewalks, maintenance, road width, alignment, and traffic.

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*City Employee
 Spotlight*



To look at Jeff Thompson one would never guess he once tipped the scales at 230 pounds. When his son was born with some lung problems six years ago, Jeff made a commitment to make himself healthier and shed 90 pounds.

Jeff has worked in the building department for two years, following two years with the city's telecommunications department. He has been a building inspector and is now also a plans examiner. His duties include checking residential building plans to make sure they are up to code.

Married for almost 13 years to Penny, who works in the city's finance department, the Thompson's renewed their wedding vows on a Caribbean cruise in January. Their son is now a healthy kindergartner and they have a daughter who is eight.

In his free time Jeff is an avid hunter and "wannabe world champion poker player". He has been a volunteer firefighter for the city of Goshen since 2001. Fond of travel, he would like to visit Fiji someday.

News Notes

Burn Permits Available – The fire department is currently issuing burn permits. A one day permit for residences is \$10 and agricultural permits are \$25 for one year. An agricultural permit is required for areas at least two acres or larger and/or areas that generate income from the land.

An ordinance was passed this year allowing burn permits to be issued on site after the fire department approves the site and what is to be burned. NO Hazardous materials or rubbish is to be burned. You may burn weeds, yard waste, trees, tree limbs or trunks.

For residences, the homeowner must have some means to extinguish the fire if it gets out of control and still maintains all legal liabilities related to receiving a burn permit.

There is no permit required for cooking fires or barbecues. However even permitted fires can be put out if the fires are considered nuisances.

Burn permits will not be issued for property that is not owned or leased to the occupant.

To request a burn permit inspection, contact Roberta at 789-6701 or Fire Station 1 at 789-5010. Weather conditions must be good for the inspection.

SR68 Improvements Public Hearing — A meeting will be held Thursday, April 26 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM at Harvest Elementary in Saratoga Springs (2105 N. Providence Dr.) to allow area residents to respond to UDOT's improvement plans for SR68 from Bangerter Hwy to Pony Express (7200 N.) in Saratoga Springs. For more info., contact Pam Murray at 801-288-3250 or visit the website at www.udot.utah.gov/sr68south.

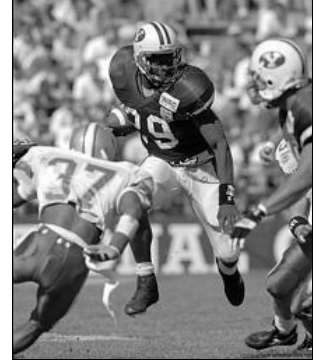
Gas Rates — The city's summer gas rates will take effect on April 1, 2007.

Spring Clean-Up Coming Soon — The city will be providing dumpsters for residents' use as part of Spring Clean-Up from April 16-30. The dumpsters will be located inside the gates of the Public Works Building, 2545 N. Sweetwater Rd., and will be available Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM and Saturday from 8:00 AM to Noon.

The city will have six dumpsters available during the clean-up period. Once those six dumpsters are full, we will not be able to accept any more garbage. We are also not able to accept appliances or other large items that do not fit in the dumpster. Please be sure you can lift your items into the dumpster before bringing them down to the Public Works Building.

For additional questions, call Zac at 789-6677.

Summer Youth Sports Camps and Tackle Football Coming to Eagle Mountain



Jamal Willis played football for BYU from 1991-1994.

Former Brigham Young University and NFL football player Jamal Willis is partnering with Eagle Mountain City to provide additional sports opportunities for young people in our community. Registration begins April 7 for sports camps to be held in Eagle Mountain this summer that offer training in football, baseball, basketball, soccer, and cheerleading. For those interested in playing in a tackle football league or cheerleading for tackle football, registration also begins April 7.

Willis, an Eagle Mountain resident since 2001, and his staff of experienced athletes from the Fast Sports Training Program design the sports camps to help youth from ages 3-14 develop athletic skills while having fun. The staff includes former and current college and professional players.

The tackle football program is part of the National Youth Football League, which started 10 years ago in Las Vegas and was brought to Utah by Willis four years ago. The NYFL is modeled after the NFL, with professional looking uniforms and team names taken from NFL teams. The NYFL games are against teams from other cities in Utah County.

Experienced with the NFL from his four years of post-college experience with the San Francisco 49ers and Denver Broncos, Willis started playing football at age six and is now an academic counselor for the BYU football team. He says athletics are important beyond just being good exercise.

“Playing sports helped instill a good work ethic in me,” Willis said. “It also helps young people to learn how to deal with the challenges of life. When times are tough you can use your experiences from sports to get stronger and be able to overcome those things.” (See box below left. For additional questions, you may visit www.nyflutah.com for tackle football or www.2fastfootball.com for sports camps. You may also call 361-2655 for both programs.)

Summer Sports Camps

Registration: April 7, 21,28 & May 12,26; 1-3 PM

Where: The Ranches Professional Building

Cost: \$50 for each camp

Sports: Football (Ages 6-14); July 9th-11th
9:00 to 11:00 AM

Cheerleading/Tumbling (Ages 5-14); July 9th-11th
9:00 to 11:00 AM

Soccer (Ages 6-14); July 9th-11th
5:00 to 7:00 PM

Baseball (Ages 6-14); July 12-14th
9:00 to 11:00 AM

Basketball (Ages 6-14); July 12th-14th
1:00 to 3:00 PM

Little All-Sports (Ages 3-5; sports fundamentals); June 25-30, 10:00 to 11:00 AM
All camps are open to both genders. Football is non-contact.

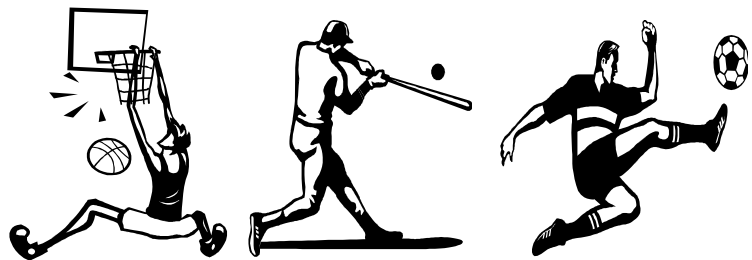
Tackle Football /Cheerleading (Ages 6-13)

Registration: April 7, 21,28 & May 12,26; 1-3 PM

Where: The Ranches Professional Building

Cost: \$125 (by 4/28) \$135 (after 4/28) for football
\$170 for cheerleading

Bring a copy of birth certificate and utility bill.



Eagle Mountain City Soccer Coordinator Needed

The city is looking for a soccer coordinator for the fall season. For more information, please contact Jeff Weber at 789-6679.

Baseball Tryouts Postponed

For those who have registered for city baseball teams, tryouts have been rescheduled from April 7 to April 14 due to the Easter holiday.

COMMUNITY CLIPBOARD



Toddlers listen to stories and sing during story time at the library.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ROAD CLOSURE ALERT — Beginning in mid-April, road work will be underway on the southbound lane of Ranches Parkway. Traffic will be redirected to the northbound lane. The work is expected to take approximately five weeks.

City Council Meetings — City Council meetings will be held on April 17 and May 1 with work sessions starting at 4:00 p.m. and public sessions starting at 7:00 p.m.

Under the Radar – The Sheriff's Department reminds us the speed limit has changed on SR 73 from Saratoga Springs to Canyon Wash Drive from 65 MPH to 55 MPH approaching the traffic light. Please drive safely.

Tree Trimming — As we enter Spring, please remember to trim low hanging branches from trees that border sidewalks and trim bushes that protrude into sidewalks to provide safe passage for pedestrians. This is especially important to prevent injuries to our blind or visually impaired residents.

SEASONAL PARKS AND RECREATION MAINTENANCE

LABORERS WANTED – Eagle Mountain City is accepting applications for Parks and Recreation Maintenance Laborers. These are seasonal positions beginning April 15, 2007, and ending October 13, 2007; starting wage \$10.00 per hour. Applicants who are hired and complete the full season will receive a \$1000 bonus. Position does not require any special training or schooling.

Applications are available online at www.eaglemountaincity.com or may be picked up from 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM, Monday through Thursday, at the Eagle Mountain City Office, 1650 E. Stagecoach Run. Applications may be mailed or delivered to Jeff Weber, Assistant Public Works Director, 1650 E. Stagecoach Run, Eagle Mountain, UT 84005.

Eagle Mountain is an equal opportunity employer.

Spring Watering Reminder



Eagle Mountain City Ordinance No. 0-09-2005
Requires:

ODD ADDRESSES WATER
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

EVEN ADDRESSES WATER
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY

No Watering On Sunday

1st offense = written warning
2nd offense = termination of water service
and \$100 fine

(Please check sprinkler clock settings)

**For helpful watering tips, please read the watering guide included with your city utility bills this month.

Elementary School Events

Eagle Valley

18-20 Spring Break
27 Midterm
30 No TV week

Pony Express

6 Trading Post
10 Health & Safety Fair
18-20 Spring Break

Ranches Academy

4 Band/Orchestra/Guitar Concert
@6:30 PM
6 Accelerated Reader Award Party
16 FSO Meeting @1:30 PM
18-20 Spring Break
30 Mini Soccer Tournament begins
3:00-4:30 PM through May 4

Harvest Hills

6 Book Trader (last of the year)
11 PM Kindergarten Reading Date
11 Harvest Hoedown Rehearsal
12 Harvest Hoedown
18-20 Spring Break
23-29 TV Turnoff Week

PONY EXPRESS DAYS 2007 SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

The preliminary schedule for Eagle Mountain City's 10th Anniversary Pony Express Days celebration has been announced. The annual event will be held this year from Thursday, May 31 through Tuesday, June 5.

"We wanted to make it extra special this year to commemorate our 10th anniversary," said Angie Ferre, special events coordinator.

In addition to traditional events such as a carnival, baby contest, parade, and golf tournament, new activities have been added this year. This includes a Battle of the Bands where groups in the country-western genre will compete to be the opening act at the Sawyer Brown concert Saturday night. Also on Saturday there will be dune buggy tours and helicopter rides available for those looking for a little adventure. Monday offers a picnic in the park featuring a performance by the West Desert Symphony. The closing day has a public safety fair hosted by the fire and sheriff's departments.



Of historical significance will be a monument dedication for the Pony Express Trail following the parade on Saturday. The National Pony Express Association and local dignitaries will help us commemorate this site.

"Please join us in making this celebration the best we've had in 10 years," Mayor Don Richardson said.



The following is an outline of events for the 2007 Pony Express Days. A schedule with times and more details will be included in the next issue of the Update. Residents will also be receiving a brochure with more information in the mail.

Thursday, May 31:

Baby Contest
Carnival and Vendor Booths
Battle of the Bands
Movie in the Park at Nolan Park (Night at the Museum and Ice Age 2)

Friday, June 1:

Carnival and Vendor Booths
Battle of the Bands (Finals)
Youth Concert to Benefit the Skate Park -
(This is still being negotiated)

Saturday, June 2:

Golf Tournament
5K Run
Parade
Pony Express Trail Monument Dedication Ceremony
Carnival and Vendor Booths
Local Entertainment
Dune Buggy Tours
Helicopter Rides
Dutch Oven Cook-Off
Sawyer Brown Concert with Fireworks

Monday, June 4:

West Desert Symphony Performance – Picnic in the Park

Tuesday, June 5:

Public Safety Fair by the Eagle Mountain Fire Department and Sheriff's Department --
Petting Zoo
Games & Demos

Events Application and Contact Information

Baby Contest — See application on pg. 7

Vendor Booths — Contact Angela Cox, 789-6601

Battle of the Bands — See application information at www.eaglemountaincity.com under "Living in Eagle Mountain" and "Events". For additional questions, contact Lori Cole at 420-2111.

Golf Tournament — Four person teams are needed. Contact Jodie Neff, 789-8100

5K Run, Parade Entry, Local Entertainment, and Dutch Oven Cook-Off — Contact Angie Ferre, 789-6603

April Special Events

- 7 Easter Egg Hunt – 10:30 AM sharp, Nolan Park
- 7 Miss Eagle Mountain Pageant – 7:00 PM, Eagle Valley Elementary, Tickets \$7

The following events are fundraisers to help Miss Eagle Mountain Celeste Lojik raise money for the Miss Utah pageant. For more information, call 789-6603.

14,21,28 Cheer Camp — 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Learn cheerleading, tumbling, dancing, and stunting from former college cheerleaders; cost is \$30 and includes a t-shirt; pre-register at City Hall, 1650 E. Stagecoach Run

28 Luau – 4:00 PM at Nolan Park; adult tickets \$15 at the door, \$13 with pre-registration at City Hall; Kids 5 and older are \$10 at the door, \$8 pre-registered; kids under 5 free; a live Polynesian band and dance groups Voice of Polynesia, Maohi Brothers, and Kamau Productions will perform.



Bring Your Little Hero to Eagle Mountain's 5th Annual Pony Express Days Baby Contest!



May 31st, at Eagle Mountain City Offices

Babies must be between the ages of 0-30 months the day of the contest.

*Dress your baby in your favorite outfit OR to enter the costume contest, follow the theme of "American Heroes". *

*Photographer will be on hand to take pictures! *

Babies will be judged on responsiveness to judges, special characteristics, and personality.

Winners posted at the Eagle Mountain Council Chambers by 3:00 PM.

Door prizes will be given away!

* 1st place Baby Contest winners and a parent ride in Pony Express Days Parade! *

To pre-register, entry forms must be postmarked by **May 1st, 2007**.

Pre-registration fee is \$5.00. Late registration at the door is \$8.00.

One entry fee per registered child.

One entry form per child (this form may be copied).

Make Checks or Money Orders Payable to Eagle Mountain City.

Entry fee is non-refundable.

BABY'S NAME:

Circle One:

Male Female

ADDRESS:

Parent or guardian's name:

Phone number:

Baby's age on May 31st: _____ months

Categories are - Boys: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-16, 17-23, 24-30, and Costume

Girls: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-16, 17-23, 24-30, and Costume

One Multiples category.

Please arrive at the time designated for the first letter of your baby's last name:

**A-E 9:30, F-J 10:15, K-O 11:00,
P-T 11:45, U-Z 12:15.**

NO JUDGING AFTER 1:00 PM

Questions? Please call
Angie Ferre 789-6600

Mail Entry Form to:
Eagle Mountain City
C/O PED Baby Contest
1650 East Stagecoach Run
Eagle Mountain, Utah 84045

BUSINESS

THE RANCHES GOLF CLUB

The Eagle Mountain Update debuts a new business section this month that will profile local businesses. This section is not intended to be interpreted as an endorsement or advertisement for these businesses by the city. It is to inform residents about businesses located in our city and the services they provide. We will begin with free-standing businesses and then feature home-based businesses.

One of the city's longest standing businesses, The Ranches Golf Club with its 18 hole championship course broke ground in 2001 and opened to the public in 2003.



The course spans 220 acres and provides golfers with a Scottish Links-style experience. Designed by Steve McFarland, of the Ron Garl de-

sign group, the course was created to play a challenging 7,085 yards from the back tees, yet offer multiple tee boxes to cater to players of all skill levels.

Other features at the Golf Club include a new driving range that will open April 9, 2007, a practice green, a retail shop with everything from accessories to golf clubs, a variety of equipment for different skill levels, and lessons with the golf pro.

Also provided is a fine dining option at the Three Peaks Grille restaurant. The 65 seat restaurant offers a cozy eating experience and has a big screen TV. A 175 seat banquet pavilion is also available.

This year, along with the new driving range, the course is offering a new Hole 9. William Neff, of Salt Lake City, designed it to complement and enhance the course. It is a challenging hole where the sand bunkers are as large as a water feature.

If you're looking for a cost-saving option for your golf game, the Golf Club is offering season ticket specials this year that will help you get more golf for your money.

Another new special is a Monday family night offer that includes 15 minutes of free instruction from Golf Pro Chris Jones prior to the family playing nine holes.

For more information on The Ranches Golf club, visit www.theranchesgolfclub.com or call 789-8100.

