

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS UPON US, WHICH IS ALWAYS CAUSE FOR REFLECTION ON THE PAST YEAR. THIS HAS BEEN A VERY GOOD YEAR FOR EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO 2011.

We are already preparing for Pony Express Days 2011. Our theme will be, "I Found Myself in Eagle Mountain Serving Others," with a focus on community members with disabilities. Proceeds from several events will go toward funding a city sports program for youth and adults with disabilities.

Our annual Pony Express Days Community Hero Award will be given to an Eagle Mountain family that has a family member or members with disabilities. If you'd like to nominate someone you know, please follow the nomination procedures on pg. 2.

Other plans include our 2nd annual Pony Express Days PRCA Rodeo. I visited the PRCA convention in Las Vegas last month to begin drumming up support. We had such positive feedback for our first year, we are excited to partner with the PRCA again.

Of course, we will continue to offer a variety of fun, affordable events throughout the 10-day celebration, including the carnival,



Photo: Donna Milakovic—Lehi Area Chamber of Commerce

Miss Eagle Mountain, Hartley Lojik, assisted Mayor Jackson with cutting the ribbon at the opening of two new businesses in our city—Nord Orthodontics and Kids Dental Barn (pediatric dentistry), located at 3688 E. Campus Drive.

parade, 5K, baby contest, movie in the park, family fun night, and many more. We are thrilled to have Clint Black as our concert headliner this year (see pg. 8).

Also, I'd like to welcome our two newest businesses—Nord Orthodontics and Kids Dental Barn. Economic development remains a high priority to the City, and we hope to see even more businesses locating here next year.

Finally, I hope you all have a wonderful, safe, and happy holiday season. I look forward to continuing to serve you in the new year.

Mayor Heather Jackson



Sergeant First Class Mike Jones, of the Utah National Guard, was welcomed home last month from his fourth deployment in the War on Terror. Hundreds of residents, including school children, lined the procession route to wave and cheer.

SFC Jones and his family were greeted at City Hall by Col. Robert Dunton (top, left) of the Utah National Guard, citizens, and members of the media. He was injured when an IED hit the vehicle he was traveling in. He is now continuing his recovery at home.

Nominate a Community Hero

We are now accepting nominations for the Pony Express Days 2011 Community Hero Award. This award will be given in May 2011 to a family in our city who has a family member or members with disabilities. The specifics of the award will be tailored to the recipient and their particular needs.

Nominees should demonstrate courage, perseverance, a positive attitude, and be a great example of living life to the fullest.

To nominate someone, please submit a letter of 250 words or less to Angie Ferre, via email at angief@emcity.org or by mail to 1650 E. Stagecoach Run, Eagle Mountain, UT 84005.



EM CITY NEWS TRIVIA CONTEST

Between what hours is parking on city streets prohibited after two or more inches of snowfall?



SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Winter Preparedness — With winter weather here, make sure you're prepared. Give yourself extra time as you travel and allow plenty of room between yourself and the vehicle in front of you. Have emergency plans in place. Many of us have experienced being cut off from our families and not being able to return home because of bad weather. Make sure you have food and water in your vehicles. Also, have alternate plans in place to care for all family members in the event you are unable to return home when expected.

Snow Plows — Remember that by city ordinance, to assist with snow removal, you cannot park vehicles or trailers on city streets between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. whenever it snows two or more inches.

Safe Disposal of Medications — Do you have old prescription medications hanging around that you don't know what to do with? Flushing them is no longer the preferred way to dispose of medications. Bring them to the Public Safety building during city business hours or call 789-6701, we have a drop box here and they will be disposed of safely.

Community Safety Program — If you are interested in taking part in keeping your neighborhood safe, now is the time to get involved. The Sheriff's Office is working hard to get all of our city actively participating in our Community Safety Program. If you'd like more information, or you'd like to volunteer, call the Public Safety Office at 789-6712.

If you can correctly answer this city news trivia question, you may win a certificate for **\$50** off your utility bill.

E-mail an answer with your name, address, and phone **after 8:00 AM on December 13 and before 5:00 PM on December 14** to news@emcity.org. The first correct entry received wins!

Congratulations to last month's winner, Linda McFate!

Winners and family not eligible again for one year. City employees and immediate family not eligible.



Arianne Brown and Zach Case were the first female and male finishers at the City's third annual Turkey Trot Run/Walk on Thanksgiving morning. In spite of frigid temperatures, about 90 people participated in the event. Brown and Case earned a turkey and a pumpkin pie, respectively, for their effort.

Free Community Education Seminar

Do you need accurate and timely information regarding distressed properties in today's market? Do you want to know how a short sale might affect your credit? What happens if you still owe money after your home is sold? Do you qualify for a loan modification and a lower payment? What about HAFA and other federal "bail out" programs? If you owe more than your home is worth, do you keep making your payments? Are you in the "process" and want to know what's taking so long or how to speed things up? Are there other options available?

If any of these questions are on your mind, then this free community education class is for you.

Sponsored in part by Eagle Mountain City, Rich Davis - Utah County Manager for Bank of America Home Loans, and Scot Hazard - President of The Real Estate Group, will present and lead the discussion on these matters. There is no charge or obligation associated with this seminar.



Join us at the Eagle Mountain City Council Chambers on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 7 p.m. for a one hour class, with time for a Q&A afterwards. Capacity is limited, and attendance is expected to be high, so be sure to arrive early. Informacion disponible en espanol.

NEWS BRIEFS

Haunted House Thanks — Thanks to all the volunteers that worked to help make our Haunted House fundraiser a success, especially Rick and Loretta Brower for their countless hours. We'd also like to thank Dr. Scott Nord of Nord Orthodontics and Dr. Eric E. Martin of Kids Dental Barn for their much appreciated donations.

Miss Eagle Mountain 2011 Orientation — We cordially invite you to participate in the Miss Eagle Mountain Scholarship Pageant next year. We are official franchise members to the Miss America organization. This is our seventh year being part of this wonderful program for young women.

The Miss Eagle Mountain Mission Statement

To create respect in our community, to ourselves and others, by being loyal, honest and passionately embracing our platforms. To radiate beauty from within by allowing others to see the gifts we have to share. To be a positive representative of the pageant at all times and be a leader in the community. To serve as a role model for all; always displaying a positive uplifting attitude and a desire to create unity throughout the community and compassion for mankind.

We will have an orientation meeting Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. If you are between the ages of 17-24 and live in Eagle Mountain or the White Hills area, we would love to have you be a part of our pageant this year. For any questions, please call Melissa Smith at 801-769-9484 or email: mnmsmith2001@yahoo.com.

Turkey Trot Thanks — We'd like to thank the following businesses for donating prizes for the City's Turkey Trot event:

Aimie's Aprons
 American Fork Hospital
 Amy Johnson
 Family First Dentistry & Spa
 Ginny Lynn Jewelry
 Gotta Dance Performing Arts Studio
 Lehi Country Bakery
 Little Caesars
 MaryAnne's Salon & Massage
 One Man Band Diner
 Sassy Chic Jewelry
 Sheena's Dance Studio
 Sizzler



Students at Pony Express Elementary lined up for the "Shake a Soldier's Hand" event during Patriotic Week. Soldiers not only accepted handshakes, but obliged requests to sign autographs, even on students' arms. The event was the culmination of the school's annual celebration of veterans during the week of Veteran's Day.

LIBRARY NOOK



Library Cards Mandatory —

Beginning January 2011, all patrons MUST have their library card with them when they come to the library to check out. We will no longer be able to check out items without a library card. If a patron has lost/ misplaced their card, a replacement card can be purchased for \$3. There will be NO exceptions to the new rule. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in this matter.

FYI: All Parents — Children under the age of 8 years old may not be in ANY area of the library unattended. While parents are using library resources such as computers, copiers, or just browsing for books, children under the age of 8 MUST be next to their parent at ALL times. This is for the safety of your child. The library staff is not able to watch your child in the event they move away from you. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Summer Reading Program — If you are interested in helping with the planning and coordination of our 12th annual Summer Reading Program, please contact Lori at the library.

Facebook — Become a "fan" of the library page on Facebook. Search for "Eagle Mountain Public Library."

SENIORS' CORNER

Christmas Dinner & Holiday Music Program Monday, December 27 at 5 PM

Call Eutona at 789-3181 to RSVP & choose chicken or steak.
(admission is free)

Monthly Activities:

Dominoes — first Wednesday at 1:30 PM; more info, contact Lee at 789-6326

Lunch Bunch — first Thursday; meet at Chevron in The Ranches at 11:00 AM to carpool to a restaurant; more info, contact Pat at 801-623-2214.

Craft Class — second Monday at 1 PM; basement training room at City Hall; more info, contact Joye at 789-7544

Bunco — second Thursday at 1 PM (bring \$5 prize)

Bingo — third Monday at 5 PM

Book Club — third Tuesday at 5 PM, meet at Dragons & Fairytales Bookstore; contact Diane at 801-623-2214

Mahjongg — third Thursday at Noon; bring a sack lunch and drink

Canasta — fourth Thursday at Noon; bring a sack lunch and drink ; more info, contact Pat at 801-623-2214.

All activities are held in the city council chambers unless specified. Check the city website for updates. Questions? Call Carroll at 801-318-1595.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Donate to the Holiday Food Drive — Did you know that there are over 77,000 people living in poverty in Utah County? This holiday season you can make a difference for a family in need right here in your community. Donate non-perishable items to the Community Action Food Bank by dropping off food at Smith's and Jiffy Lube locations, or at other participating grocery stores in your neighborhood.

The food bank needs canned meats, peanut butter, cereals, pasta, spaghetti sauce, diapers, toilet paper, and other hygiene items.

You can find out more or donate online at www.CommunityActionUC.org. The Community Action Food Bank is the only food bank that serves Utah County.



EM FIRE DEPARTMENT

Free Babysitter CPR Class — A Babysitter CPR and Safety class will be held January 8, from 9 a.m. until Noon in the City Council Chambers. This class is free. To register for the class, please contact Captain Steve Conger at sconger@emcity.org, or call 801-420-2897.

Ham Radio Operators and Trainees Wanted — Under the direction of the City of Eagle Mountain and Fire Chief Andrus, a new emergency communications resource is being developed to aid the City and its residents during an emergency. The Eagle Mountain Emergency Communications Team (EMECT) will provide critical communications support to the Fire Department and the City during *some* minor and *all* major emergencies.

The EMECT will utilize amateur (ham) radio with the aid of licensed amateur radio operators who live within the city limits. Two amateur radio repeaters have already been put on the air and can be utilized for excellent coverage of both the City Center and The Ranches. Additionally, those who sign up for the EMECT will be trained in simplex (radio-to-radio) communications, repeater(radio-to-repeater-to radio) or duplex operations during an emergency, message handling, and other related subjects. Training will be provided by the Eagle Mountain Fire Department.

Individuals who volunteer to participate in EMECT will be assigned to critical responsibilities throughout the city. Some of those assignments will involve the city's key personnel, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), the City's Fire Stations, and other locations as required.



Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T) members would be a great asset to the team. We'll also be training new amateur radio operators, for anyone who is interested in learning. If you'd like to volunteer for the EMECT please contact Matt Moody, WD7N, the EMECT Team Leader, at WD7N@msn.com or phone him at (801) 473-6729. You may also contact Captain Steve Conger with the Eagle Mountain Fire Department at sconger@emcity.org or (801) 420-2897.



Obituary—Ric Thompson

One of the greatest reunions imaginable occurred on November 11, 2010. Ric is spending time with his two daughters, Meagan and Alex.

Ric was the second son of Keith David and Wilda Beaves Thompson, born on January 16, 1960. He and his wife Angie Black Thompson are the parents of Meagan, Tyson, Abbey, Alex, and Dominic and grandparents to Trey, Aliyah, Ric, Victoria and Silas.

Papa Ric was loved so much by Trey and Aliyah, they spent every minute of every day together. They loved building, taking care of his animals, fishing, and "Papa's" house in the mountains.

Ric was an outstanding wrestler, incredible teacher, coach and a proud Brighton Bengal. He was a general contractor and master builder. Ric belonged to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He had a strong abiding love of His Savior Jesus Christ and found comfort in the Gospel.

Survived by his wife; children, Tyson (Shantell) their children, Trey and Aliyah, Abbey (Jason) Chamberlain and their expected daughter, Dominic, Grady (Michelle) Massey, their children, Ric, Victoria and Silas; son-in-law, Brian Robbins; mother; siblings, Randy (D'on), Rebecca Heddon and Bryce (Jenni) Thompson and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by father, Keith.

Online condolences may be shared at www.cannonmortuary.com.

EM CITY 2010—THE YEAR IN PHOTOS





Choose Energy-efficient Gifts This Holiday Season

South Utah Valley Electric Service District, Central Utah Water Conservancy District and the Cities of Payson, Lehi, Springville and Eagle Mountain Suggest Some Ideas

Holiday gift giving may warm hearts, but it also generates a million tons of waste between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve.

Ray Loveless, a South Utah Valley Electric Service District Board of Director offers some ideas for great holiday gifts that help you save energy:

- Stuff your family's stockings with energy-efficient small appliances like grooming devices.
- Look for the Energy Star label on TVs, DVD players, cordless phones and computers-- it guarantees that the appliance you're buying is energy-efficient.
- The newest compact fluorescent light bulbs are small enough to slip into a holiday stocking. The bulbs outperform older versions of fluorescent lamps, and they save tons of energy over their long lifetime.
- If you're buying a battery-powered present, include rechargeable batteries. If the gift requires standard batteries, let the recipient know where to recycle them.
- Give your time instead of purchasing a store-bought gift. Offer to babysit, work in the yard or cook dinner. Loved ones will be touched by your consideration, and the gift will save money and energy.
- Wrap your gifts in reusable bags and yesterday's newspaper. Glam them up a bit with hand-drawn greetings. The paper can later be used as packing material.

South Utah Valley Electric Service District, Central Utah Water Conservancy District and the Cities of Payson, Lehi, Springville and Eagle Mountain are your hometown, not-for-profit, community-owned power system.

COUNTRY MUSIC SUPERSTAR CLINT BLACK TO HEADLINE PONY EXPRESS DAYS 2011 CONCERT

Country music superstar Clint Black will headline the annual Pony Express Days Concert and Fireworks at SilverLake Amphitheater in Eagle Mountain City on Saturday, June 4, 2011. Tickets are on sale now online at www.eaglemountaincity.com. Ticket prices are \$15. Children ages 2 and under are free. Tickets will also be available for purchase in person at City Hall starting in January.

Clint Black has sold over 20 million albums worldwide since his 1989 debut "Killin' Time" spawned an unprecedented five #1 hits and went triple platinum. Since then, Black has had nearly two dozen #1 hit singles, including "Like the Rain" and "A Better Man," and almost as many Top 5 and Top 10 hits – all of them his original compositions.

Beyond his musical career, Black has appeared as an actor in several films, including "Maverick" with Mel Gibson and Jodie Foster, and the upcoming "Flicka 2." He recently appeared on Donald Trump's hit reality TV series "Celebrity Apprentice." He is also involved with various charity foundations, including serving as Honorary Chair of the International Rett Syndrome Foundation's (IRSF) "Research to Reality: Funding Progress" campaign, which helps to accelerate treatments and research to find a cure for the developmental disorder.



The concert is the culminating event of Pony Express Days, Eagle Mountain City's annual 10-day celebration. The theme for the 2011 celebration is "I Found Myself in Eagle Mountain Serving Others," with proceeds from many of the events going toward forming a sports program for community members with disabilities.