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# FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

WE MET WITH ALPINE SCHOOL DISTRICT (ASD) RECENTLY AND WERE INFORMED THAT THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL IS PROGRESSING WELL AND IS ON SCHEDULE.

The school district told us that the usual timetable for naming and boundaries will be accelerated. We expected this process to be finished by January but the district is hoping to have the process completed in November. There is an urgency to accomplishing these goals since there will also be changes that affect Westlake High School. When the new middle school opens next fall, seventh, eighth, and ninth grades will be attending the middle schools while Westlake will only house tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades. If you are interested in being involved in the process, i.e. naming, school community council, etc., please watch for information to be posted on ASD's website (alpineschools.org) or sent home with students in the other schools.

We also got some news regarding changes to the express bus route in Eagle Mountain. UTA will be opening the Frontrunner train in December. It will run south to Provo, and north all the way to Ogden with several stops along the way. In light of this new transit option, UTA will discontinue the express bus service that is currently offered from Eagle Mountain to downtown Salt Lake. They will provide bus service to the Frontrunner station. For more information about routes and times please visit UTA's website at www.rideuta.com. We are excited about the change in service as now our residents will have



The future middle school in the Mid-Valley Park area on Pony Express Parkway is scheduled to open for the 2013-2014 school year.

transit options for destinations other than downtown Salt Lake City. The changes will not take effect until December.

Another change is the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has closed several areas of Lake Mountain for target shooting (see story on pg. 4). For many years people have been able to shoot without any specific area designations. Now, because of people firing too close to homes and, frankly, other people, BLM has determined to designate the use of firearms in very specific areas. Please remember that the discharge of a firearm within Eagle Mountain City limits is illegal. If you are wishing to go into the unincorporated county areas to shoot, please check for the restrictions. There is a link to the information from BLM on the City website.

I hope you all are enjoying this back to school time of year. Please watch out for children on their way to and from school.

MAYOR HEATHER JACKSON



City Council Actions

#### AUGUST.....

Approved the following capital projects for the 2012-13 fiscal year: Library, \$14,914; records management, \$13,875; Pioneer Addition Park, \$30,000; Porter's Crossing Park, \$7,000 (with the condition that both park projects have a 50% match up to the allocated amount and that both projects be completed); tree replacement, \$15,000; water softener, \$2,000; community theater, \$2,000; Public Safety Building parking, \$5,000; with the remaining amount to go to a box trailer & skidsteer cab.

Adopted a Resolution terminating the interlocal cooperation agreement establishing the Intermountain Municipal Gas Agency (IMGA) and distributing the remaining funds.

Ratified a professional service agreement with Widdison Well Turbines for repairs to the golf course well and installation of a new submersible pump and motor purchased from Nickerson Company in the amount of \$47,200.

Awarded a bid to Specialty Electrics, Inc. for the purchase of control and relay panels

for the South Substation in the amount of \$117,054 for the purchase of control and relay panels for the South Substation.

Awarded a bid to Bennett Paving, Inc. for the 2012 Eagle Mountain road patch improvement project in the amount of \$64,555.

Awarded a bid to Holbrook Asphalt Company for the 2012 Eagle Mountain Asphalt Surface Treatment Project in the amount of \$78,676.79.

### Stay Connected to EM City

Main Number: 801-789-6600

City Services Hotline: 801-789-5959

Utility Billing: 801-789-6609

NEW Sheriff/Fire Dispatch: 801-794-3970

NEW Street Lights Out: 801-789-6681 or email streetlights@emcity.org (if a light has been hit or wires exposed, call hotline)

Code Enforcement: 801-789-6636

Library: 801-789-6623

Building Department: 801-789-6642

Eagle Mountain City free mobile app (Apple or Android markets)



Don't miss out on timely news and emergency notifications!



## CITY NEWS Trivia Contest

What are the three common code violations mentioned on pg. 3?



Fire Prevention Week

October 7-13 is Fire Prevention Week. This year's message is "Have Two Ways Out." We as the fire department want to invite our neighbors to come visit the fire station closest to your home, either Station #1 in City Center or Station #2 in The Ranches. We will be open throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. to allow you to come see your fire department. We would love to answer questions regarding fire safety or first aid. Please come visit and see your fire trucks and equipment.

Babysitter Safety, First Aid, & CERT Classes

A Babysitter Safety class will be offered on September 15 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Fire Station #2 in The Ranches. This class is free but pre-registration is required.

A Basic First Aid class will be offered on October 3 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Fire Station #2 in The Ranches. Pre-registration is required.

The next series of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes will be offered starting September 20 and run every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. for eight weeks. The culminating disaster drill will be held Saturday, November 10.

To register for fire department classes, please email Capt. Steve Conger at sconger@emcity.org.

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

E-mail an answer with your name, address, and phone **no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 14** to news@emcity.org. All correct entries will be included in a drawing for the certificate. Winners will be notified by the end of the month.

Congratulations to last month's winner Josh Morton. Winners and family not eligible again for one year. City employees and immediate family not eligible.



Code enforcement officer Jeff Thompson records contact information for a bank-owned property with a weed-ridden front yard.

## Survey Says: Code Enforcement

According to the 2012 Eagle Mountain citizen satisfaction survey, code enforcement remains an area of concern for a number of residents. City Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Thompson encourages residents to be involved by being familiar with the code to make sure you are in compliance (available on the City website, main page under City Code tab), and by reporting violations.

Thompson has been the City code enforcement officer since September of 2011. He is also an inspector and plans reviewer in the building department. He relies on reports for areas of focus in code enforcement, as his time to patrol through the city is limited. When he is contacted about a problem, Thompson emphasizes awareness at first contact, rather than punishment. Most of the time he is able to resolve the issue by working with residents or property owners.

Following are some of the most common code violations:

- Parking RV or commercial vehicles on City streets (cannot park on street for longer than two hours within a 24 hour period and can't park in front yard area)
- Weeds over 6" tall
- Signs (Garage or yard sales must be registered with the City to post signs and need to follow guidelines for where signs can be posted. See the Living in EM section of the City website for more info)

The purpose of the City Code is to help maintain a high quality of life for residents of Eagle Mountain. The City is currently looking into a volunteer group that would help determine areas of focus for code enforcement. We ask for everyone's cooperation in keeping our city beautiful and comfortable for all of our residents.

To contact Jeff Thompson, you may submit an online form via our City website on the City Code or City Departments-Code Enforcement pages, email jthompson@ emcity.org or call 801-789-6636 or 801-420-2305.

# NEWS BRIEFS

### Got your flu shots?

The Utah Co. Health Department will hold a flu shot and immunization clinic at City Hall in the Council Chambers on Thursday, September 13 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. UCHD accepts most insurance plans. Visit www.utahcountyhealth. org/immunizations for a complete list. For those who are uninsured or have Medicaid, the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program provides vaccines at a low-cost.

#### Day of Caring

Eagle Mountain City would like to invite you to join us in a Day of Caring within our community. In conjunction with the United Way of Utah County, on Thursday September 13, employees will be performing needed service projects, including painting, cleanup, and landscaping. We invite any residents who are interested to work with us on these projects to contact kkast@emcity. org to get registered as a volunteer.

#### Family Planning and Well Child Checks

The Utah County Health Department provides basic, low cost clinic exams for well child, scouts, school, etc. Initial exam, with a general physical, is provided by appointment at the Health and Justice Center (151 S. University Ave, Provo) for children up to age 18. Fluoride prescriptions are also provided. Family planning, including initial exam, pap smear, and birth control are available for women over 18 or teenagers when accompanied by an adult. For an appointment or for questions, please call 801-851-7031 or 801-851-7038.

#### Upcoming City Council Meetings

September 4 and 18; October 2 and 16

Work sessions begin at 4 p.m. Policy sessions begin at 7 p.m. A public comment period of three minutes per person is offered during the policy session. If you are part of a group speaking on the same topic, please select a spokesperson to comment for the group to conserve meeting time.



## Library nook

Did you know that your library card gives you access to over 500 online continuing education courses? Patrons of EM City library can utilize Universal Class.

Available subjects include: computer training, personal finance, GED training, business, pet care, professional development, health services training, music and painting, and MUCH more!

Program features: remote, 24/7 access via the internet, real instructors, and Continuing Education Units on select courses.

Visit the Library page of the City website for more info.

# SENIORS' Corner

Preparing for Winter (Safety) Monday, September 24 5 p.m.

### **Monthly Activities:**

Game Night — first Mon. at 5 p.m

Dominoes — first Wed. at 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Bunch — first Thurs. at a restaurant (check website for info)

Craft Class — second Mon. at 1 p.m.

**Bunco** — second Thurs. at 1 p.m. (bring a \$5 prize)

**Bingo** — third Mon. at 5 p.m.

Game Day — third Tues. at noon

**Book Club** — third Tues. at 5 p.m. contact Diane Shukla at 801-623-2214

Mahjongg — third Thurs.

Canasta — fourth Thurs. at Noon

Activities held in City Council chambers unless specified. Questions? Contact Carroll at 801-318-1595 or check the website.

## Lake Mountain target shooting closure

Eagle Mountain City received the following information from BLM:

Salt Lake City, UT---The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Salt Lake Field Office (SLFO) is issuing a temporary shooting closure of approximately 900 acres within the Lake Mountain area for public health and safety. The closure will take effect on August 17, 2012 and remain in effect for a period of at least two years with possible extension.

Recreational shooters are engaging in target practice within the relatively flat terrain of the Lake Mountains, near homes and private property. This lower-elevation shooting is causing stray bullets to land near homes, automobiles and citizens, creating a serious safety hazard.

"This temporary closure is necessary to protect the public and local residents from errant recreational gunfire on the lower slopes of the Lake Mountains," said Field Manager Jill Silvey.

The lands designated for this closure are also adjacent to State Highway 68, which increases the potential for injury to motorists. "The BLM is closing an area that is close to the highway and not the best place for the public to go shooting," said James O. Tracy, Utah County Sheriff.



Signs notifying the public that the area is closed to target shooting will be posted along Highway 68 and at all road intersections. The closure will not affect legal hunting that takes place during established hunting seasons. The area remains open to motor vehicle use and other forms of recreation such as hiking, biking, and sightseeing.

The Salt Lake Field Office manages 3.2 million acres of public land in western Utah and the majority of it remains open to shooting. "We are working closely with the BLM to develop more areas where the public can enjoy target shooting safely," said Utah County Comissioner Doug Witney.

Anyone violating the closure may be fined up to \$1,000, imprisoned for up to 12 months, or both. Violators may also be subject to additional fines.

A map of the temporary closure area is located here: http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/salt\_lake.html

The BLM encourages the public to safely engage in target shooting activities and to follow Leave No Trace (http://lnt.org/) and Tread Lightly! (http://www.treadlightly. org/) principles while enjoying their public lands.

For more information, contact: Kevin Oliver (801) 977-4300.



Jr. Jazz Basketball registration begins September 24 eaglemountaincity.com/sports

### Help keep storm drains clear with Bag the Leaf

Eagle Mountain City is offering a new Bag the Leaf program for fall. Residents are encouraged to clear leaves and other debris from the tops of catch basins abutting their property during the fall leaf collection period to help prevent localized flooding conditions during the fall and winter months.

The success of the City's leaf bag collection program depends on the cooperation of our residents. Without your contributions, the City would not be able to provide an efficient and cost effective leaf collection program. This is an opportunity for all of us to keep Eagle Mountain City clean, safe, and beautiful.

Following are details about the program and how you can participate:

- City will provide 5 bags per household with ID or coupon (below)
- Pick up bags at Public Works or Fire Station #2 Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Bags available October 1 November 16 while supplies last
- Curbside pick-up every Friday from October 26 November 23

Program guidelines:

• City provided bags as well as other small to large plastic garbage bags may be used to collect your leaves.

• Bags shall not exceed 40 pounds and must contain leaves only. Heavier bags will not be collected.

• The City will not collect any bag(s) that contain household waste, green waste, branches, limbs, rocks, animal waste, dirt, sod or other restricted bulky waste. If a bag contains any unacceptable materials, crews will place a notice on your bag(s) and leave them for you to remove.

• Place your bag(s) curbside. Bags should not be placed in the street, gutter, ditches, or any drainage way. This would obstruct the flow of storm water runoff when it rains.

• Leaves shall not be raked into the street. Leaves raked into the street will not be picked up by the City and homeowners/renters will be subject to fines for placing debris in the roadways.

• Questions? Contact Public Works at 801-789-6670 or Larry Diamond with the Storm Water Department at 801-404-6630.



Redeem October 1-November 16 while supplies last

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### Summer Fun!



Miss Eagle Mountain McKilee Brunger helps two little princesses make bracelets at the annual Princess Tea event.



Children enjoy carnival games at the Exceptional Kids Club BBQ.



Practice is underway for a new flag football program in EM, offered by Youth Sports Utah.



Kids observe visiting critters at the annual Creepy Crawly event.



# Video Game Exhibit & Tournament

Rockwell High School 3435 E. Stonebridge Ln. Friday, September 21, 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 22, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Want to pay the latest electronic games - for FREE? The high energy Interactive Game Experience Exhibit (IGX) features 17 game ports with high definition flat screen technology and two 42" monitor ports. Game platforms include Nintendo® Wii™, PlayStation®2, PlayStation®3, and Xbox 360™, with games for children of all ages. Gamers can sign up each day for tournaments and winners will receive a variety of prizes. See Events section of the City website for more details.







Farmer's Market Saturdays, 9 a.m. - Noon City Hall Parking Lot Through Sept. 29

More info and vendor application on City website under Events.



# Youth Duathlon

Saturday, September 29 Nolan Park

Check-in: 11:30 a.m. Race start: 12:00 p.m.

## Ages-15 and Under FREE to enter

Co-sponsored by Addicts to Athletes

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Clean Out the Cabinet Prescription drug take-back event 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nolan Park

Utah has one of the highest prescription drug abuse rates in the nation and 70% of youth abusing pain relievers say they get them from friends or relatives, typically without their knowledge. By participating in this event, you can help reduce the availability of medications for abuse by properly disposing of unused medications. So clean out those cabinets! For more information, please see www.CleanOutTheCabinet.org or call 801-851-7181.

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