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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS,

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE who came out to Frontier Middle School to welcome the Pace family home.

Congratulations again to Noelle and her family for winning the silver medal in Skeleton for the 2014 Olympics! We are proud of you for setting a wonderful example of what a family should be. I also want to thank the MANY volunteers and City staff who worked so hard to put that event together.

From my perspective, this is the exact reason why Eagle Mountain is such a wonderful community to live in. We are good at coming together to support one another. Whether that support be a time of celebration or a time of need, we can count on our neighbors to lift one another up. How many other cities really have that? I have lived in Salt Lake, Midvale, Heber, Park City, Okinawa Japan, and the list keeps going. Eagle Mountain is the only place I have seen that is so ready and willing to support one another. I guess what I am saying is "Keep being awesome Eagle Mountain!"

I know many of you have been wondering what Pony Express Days will look like this year. Pony Express Days will be smaller than in years past. This is both a function of economics and of logistics. Pony Express Days operated at a net expense of \$129,807.73 last year. Our events department has been cut back to one full time employee and one part time employee. This means that Pony Express Days must be reduced in scale to make the events manageable for two employees to handle (along with many volunteers) and fit a more reasonable budget for our City.

We reviewed the Pony Express Days survey taken by residents in 2013 to focus on the most popular events with the greatest participation. Keeping those events, we have decreased the budget to \$25,000 (excluding employee wages and benefits). We have eliminated the concert and demolition derby from the budget at this time. The City is contractually obligated to pay



Olympian Noelle Pikus-Pace leads the crowd in "the wave" after arriving at Frontier Middle School for her welcome home pep rally event.

the PRCA rodeo stock contractor the amount of \$61,400 this year. Because of this obligation and our desire to cut expenses, the City has been in discussions with a committee of residents who want to form an LLC and ultimately a 501c3 and take over ownership of the rodeo. To date, the City Council has agreed to pay \$15,250 this year in addition to the required stock contract to cover half the purse, and the PRCA and WPRA dues. There will be a public hearing regarding an agreement between the City and the committee at the March 18 City Council meeting.

Aside from the larger, ticketed events mentioned previously, most of the traditional Pony Express Days events remain on the schedule, with a few planned for later in the summer. The celebration will be June 3-7 this year. More details will be forthcoming.

We appreciate the feedback we've received from residents in helping us to make these adjustments, while keeping the spirit of Pony Express Days - an event that brings our community together.

Mayor Chris Pengra



CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS*

February.....

Approved the final plat for Evans Ranch B-2.

Approved a declaration of surplus property, including vehicles, miscellaneous pumps and fans, and miscellaneous sprinkler parts.

Approved a motion that City staff work with the LLC entity to be determined, to put on the 2014 rodeo and write a contract for the Council to consider at a future meeting, which limits the City's financial liability to \$76,650 for half the purse, the PRCA and WPRA dues and payment of the stock contract. Vote was 4:1 with Council Member Bradley voting no.

Adopted a resolution adopting the Eagle Mountain City Storm Water Management Program.

Approved an agreement with Rocky Mountain Power for electric service to existing customers as of June 15, 2013, within a municipal boundary.

*Please note, for a more detailed explanation, all approved minutes for City Council meetings are available on the Agendas and Minutes section of the City website. Audio and video recordings of the City Council meetings are also available.

Next City Council Meetings:

March 18, April 1, 15



CITY NEWS Trivia Contest

What dates will spring clean-up dumpsters be available and where?

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Main Number: 801-789-6600

Utility Emergency Hotline: 801-789-5959

Utility Billing: 801-789-6609

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Street Lights Out: 801-789-6684 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

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Email notifications: Click on the "Email Notifications" tab on the City website

Text notifications: Text "follow eaglemtncity" to 40404 to receive Tweets as text messages

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

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 March 21** 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 Jeff Pead. Winners and family not eligible again for one year. City employees and immediate family not eligible.



The toddler set enjoys Music and Movement story time with Kids on the Move, offiered through the Library each Wednesday from 10:30-11:15 a.m. through April 23 (except April 9). Books, instrument exploration, songs, finger plays and dance will encourage the development of skills such as gestural imitation, vocalizing, self & peer awareness, literacy, gross motor development and sensory integration. Class is designed for children ages 18 months to 3 years and their parents. *Preschool aged children may attend with their sibling and parent.

EM to get cemetery

The City Council has approved a location for a cemetery in Eagle Mountain. A portion of Pony Express Park in City Center will be used for the cemetery, to be known as the Pony Express Memorial Cemetery. The approved plat is the first phase of the cemetery and will contain approximately 1,300 plots. Several locations were considered, including private property. Using City-owned land will keep the start-up cost down. In this year's budget, just under \$300,000 was allocated for the cemetery.

The City has received requests over the years for a cemetery from residents who have lost loved ones and wanted them to be buried close to home. These requests provided the impetus for the cemetery board, which was established in 2006. The current board first presented the approved location to the City Council on January 7, 2014. When Eagle Mountain resident LaVar Thompson passed away in

mid-February, his family members approached the City about the possibility of having the burial for Mr. Thompson at the proposed site. City staff worked with the cemetery board to finalize details and obtained Council approval for the site on March 4.

Next steps are to record the plat with Utah County, do the initial groundwork, and mark the first area for plots. Once these steps are completed, the City will be able to give permission for the Thompson family to make the burial arrangements for Mr. Thompson, whose body is being held by Wing Mortuary free of charge in a sealed casket until the site is ready.

The rest of the process is expected to be complete by the end of March.

NEWS BRIEFS

Seedling trees and shrubs available

The Timp-Nebo Alpine Conservation Districts are offering seedling trees and shrubs for \$1.50-\$3.50 per seedling sold in bundles of four depending on the species. They have many species to chose from and all are water-wise plants adapted to our area. Visit uacd.org and click on the icon that says "Timp-Nebo-Alpine Seedling Tree Sale" or you can call 801-377-5580 ext. 121. The seedlings will be available on April 18 and 19 in two Utah County locations.

Student Health and Risk Prevention

Do you know what risks the youth in our community are facing? Do you know what protective factors are in place to shield them from these risks? Do you want to learn more about the prevention needs in our community? Join Communities That Care on Thursday, March 13 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Saratoga Springs City Council Chambers for answers to these questions and to learn how you can be a part of efforts to protect and strengthen our youth. For more information, please contact Caryn Nielsen at 801-888-9147.

HEAT program-utilities assistance

The Mountainland HEAT program provides one-time utility assistance to low-income families and individuals. This program can provide a benefit of up to \$400, for those who qualify, depending on household income. We are accepting new applicants through April 30, 2014. To qualify, at least one member of your household must be a U.S. Citizen or gualified alien, you must be responsible to pay your utility bills either directly (the bill is in your name), or indirectly (you pay utilities as part of your rent), and you must meet income guidelines. You may also qualify for an added target group credit if you have a child under 6, or if you or a member of your household is disabled or over 60 years of age. This benefit provides assistance with gas and/or electric bills. If you think you may gualify, call 801-229-3855 for more info.



Library Nook

North Utah County Library Cooperative

Don't forget, those with an Eagle Mountain library card in good standing may also check out materials from the libraries in American Fork, Lehi, Pleasant Grove, and Highland, due to the North Utah County Library Cooperative reciprocal borrowing system. All policies and procedures of the lending library are valid and materials must be returned to the lending library according to the due date. Holds can only be placed at your home library. If you have any questions about the system, please contact our library at 801-789-6623, or libraryeaglemtn@gmail.com.

We will be closing the first Monday of every other month. For the rest of 2014 that includes May, July, September, and November.

SENIORS' Corner

Gardening Presentation Monday, March 24, 5:00 p.m.

March Activities:

Game Night — first Mon. at 5 p.m

Dominos — first Wed. at 1 p.m.

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

Craft Day — second Mon. at 1 p.m.

Bunco — second Thurs. at 1 p.m.

Bingo — third Mon. at 5 p.m.

Mahjongg — third Thurs. at 12 p.m.

Canasta — fourth Thurs. at Noon

Activities held in City Council chambers unless specified. Check the City website, Events page for more details and updates.

New Senior Council: Joye Roberts (Chair): 801-995-0520 or jjrob12@dcdi.net; Sandy Ring (Vice-Chair): 801-372-4659; Eutona Dixon (Secretary): 801-789-3181; Mary Kaufman (Historian): 801-636-5697; Marilyn Sanford (Food Chairman): 801-331-8137



Mayor Pengra (second from left) joined Lehi Mayor Bert Wilson, Saratoga Springs Mayor Jim Miller, and company representatives at the groundbreaking for the lasis Healthcare Mountain Point Medical Center in Lehi. The new facility will provide another hospital option for our region.

Eagle Mountain Named Number Two Place for Homeownership in Utah

NerdWallet considers availability, affordability, and growth

San Francisco, CA (March 5, 2014) – NerdWallet, a consumer advocacy website, recently conducted a study to find the best places for homeownership in Utah – and Eagle Mountain is in the top 10.

As renting becomes less affordable, NerdWallet wanted to give potential homebuyers a look at the current housing market. NerdWallet based its rankings on the following criteria:

- Homeownership rate
- Selected monthly homeowner costs
- Monthly household income
- Population growth

NerdWallet ranked Eagle Mountain as the second best place in Utah for homeownership. The area has a homeownership rate of 87.6 percent, and median monthly homeowner costs are \$1,514. Eagle Mountain grew by 18 percent between 2010 and 2012.

Other cities that made the top ten include Saratoga Springs and Lehi. Read the full study online at <u>www.nerdwallet.com</u>.

Spring Clean Up



Dumpsters for yard and general waste will be available April 1- April 20, 2014

Tuesday, April 1
Friday, April 4
Friday, April 11
Friday, April 18
Monday, April 21

Four dumpsters will be delivered. The dumpsters are scheduled to be dumped. The dumpsters are scheduled to be dumped. The dumpsters are scheduled to be dumped. All dumpsters will be removed.

The dumpsters will be located near the Public Works building at 2545 N. Pony Express Parkway in front of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (2 miles south of City Hall). When the dumpsters are full, Ace Disposal will change them out as soon as possible. Please do not leave items overflowing on top or next to the dumpsters. Eagle Mountain City residents get two free dump passes per year, available in our utility billing office, if dumpsters are full and you need an alernative.

The following items **CANNOT** be put in the dumpsters: Appliances, Tires, Electronics, Batteries, Chemicals, Paint. Utah County is offering the following:

April 12 9:00 A.M. — 3:00 P.M. Provo Towne Centre West Parking Lot		
	What <u>TO</u> bring: Medications	What <u>NOT</u> to bring: • Containers over 5
•	Gasoline / fuels / motor oil / lubricants Antifreeze Solvents / paint thinners Aerosol cans / paints / stains Pesticides / herbicides Glues / adhesives Fluorescent light bulbs Mercury thermometers Photographic chemicals Electronics (limit 2 sets per vehicle) Paper for Shredding Glass bottles and jars	gallons in size • Ammunition / explosives • Compressed gas tanks / propane tanks • Asbestos materials • PCB- related materials • Medical / biological waste • Radioactive waste • Fire extinguishers • Business / commercial / construction waste • Tires

Thank you!

We have so many great partners in our City and our extended community who provide support for community events.

We'd like to thank the following for their contributions to recent City events:

Sgt. Cory Wride Candlelight Vigil

Rockwell Charter High School Dunkin' Donuts - South Jordan Hobby Lobby - American Fork Krispy Kreme - Orem Ridley's Market Holiday Oil Nate Ochsenhirt EM Youth Council Utah Co. Sheriff's Office - EM Division Unified Fire Authority of EM Lori Rodabaugh EM City Employee Volunteers

Welcome Home-Noelle Pikus-Pace

Frontier Middle School EM Youth Council Utah Co. Sheriff's Office - EM Division Unified Fire Authority of EM Westlake High School Zach Byrd - Lifetouch Photography Lisa's Embroidery **EM City Employee Volunteers** Brande Juber Janelle Fuhriman, Summer Endsley and The Eagle Mountain East LDS Stake Janson and Noelle Pace Mountain Crane Walgreens **Ridley's Market** American Crafts Utah Preparation Mountain Trails Elementary Eagle Valley Elementary Hidden Hollow Elementary Pony Express Elementary Ranches Academy Lakeview Academy

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RUN FOR THE FALLEN 5K/FUN RUN

The **Run for the Fallen** will benefit the family of the officer killed in Eagle Mountain on Thursday, January 30th, 2014. Sergeant Wride put his life on the line every day for average, every day citizens, and gave the ultimate sacrifice to keep the community safe. The **Run For the Fallen** is a way for the community to give back for his amazing sacrifice.

The 5k Run/fun run will begin at 9 AM on Saturday, March 15th 2014 at 4506 E. Pony Express Pkwy., located in The Ranches, Eagle Mountain, UT.

Busses will transport participants to the start line, with the last bus leaving at 8:40 AM on the $15^{\rm th}.$

Check in time and walk/up registration will be available on Saturday, March 15th from 7:00 AM to 8:15AM.

EVENT DATE & TIME March 15, 2014 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

EVENT LOCATION & MAP 4506 E. Pony Express Pkwy Eagle Mountain, UT 84005



https://registermyrace.com/register/run-for-the-fallen/41

https://www.facebook.com/groups/626931910706033/

Donations can also be made at any Mountain America Credit Union: Sergeant Cory Wride Memorial Run











Tuesday, April 8 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. at City Hall

Donate much needed blood to the Red Cross and help Eagle Mountain win the Blood Battle competition with other North Utah County cities for the third consecutive year! The city that donates the most units of blood will receive a day of

service from Horrocks Engineers. Donation jars will also be on site for Sgt. Cory Wride's family. Register at: http://projects.horrocks.com/blooddrive