



MAY 7-13 IS OBSERVED NATIONALLY AS PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK.

Public Service Recognition week honors those who serve as federal, state, county and local government employees. In Eagle Mountain City that includes our city employees, law enforcement, firefighters/EMS, teachers, military personnel, and more. If we think about what our community would be like without these employees we can see the profound impact they have.

From a public safety perspective, our law enforcement, military personnel, and firefighters/EMS willingly put their physical and mental health at risk to protect and care for us. Those of us who have had a reason to call 911 may recall the stress of that occasion or occasions, but these public employees carry that stress every day they go to work, often multiple times a day.

Many times I have been debriefed on particularly traumatic or volatile emergencies, some of which have not ended ideally. Often our firefighters, EMS, and law enforcement officers carry around memories and images that most of us will never fully grasp the reality of. Sometimes our simple "thank you" hardly seems fair compensation. Nevertheless, they have our gratitude.

Dedicated teachers spend countless hours beyond their school schedule to provide a good education for our children, including support for special needs. School administrators are involved in the community and maintain good relationships with the City. In Eagle Mountain, I have come to know so many of our amazing school administrators and teachers who are investing in our children. Here again, how do we thank those investing in our children when thank you just doesn't seem enough?

I see first-hand the efforts of our city employees, who consistently and proactively work hard to further the progress of Eagle Mountain. When I look at what we



Cub Scout Pack 1083 were "caught" doing good in the community - picking up trash. Great job guys! If you catch someone doing good, please email a photo (with subject's permission) to news@emcity.org.

have accomplished over the last four years I can hardly believe my own eyes. To the city employees, I hope you understand how much I have been personally inspired and blessed by your desire to serve the people of Eagle Mountain. I know that I have asked a lot of you over the years. Not only have you met my expectations, but you have shown yourselves to be dedicated, talented, and selfless. Again, my gratitude feels trivial compared to the efforts you have given.

Sometimes, especially with the ease and abundance of online forums, our focus can become centered on what we disagree with, many times without truly understanding or allowing for the complexity of a given situation or event. My hope for our public employees is that they will continue to strive for excellence in all that they do, and that their spirit of service will be acknowledged and appreciated by the public they serve.

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2017 Election

In the 2017 election, Eagle Mountain voters will elect a Mayor and two Councilmembers. Terms will run from 2018 through 2022. The filing period for declarations of candidacy runs from June 1 through June 7, ending at 5:00 p.m. on June 7.

An IMPORTANT CHANGE for this election is Eagle Mountain City will be joining 17 other municipalities in Utah County to Vote by Mail. All active, registered voters will receive a ballot mailed by the Utah County Elections Office three weeks before the election.

Are you registered? Register, or update your registration, at vote.utah.gov. Registration is required online or in-person at the Utah County Clerk's Office by August 8 to vote in the Primary election, if needed, or by October 31 to vote in the General election. Mail-in registrations must be received by July 17 to vote in the Primary election and by October 10 for the General election. If you have changed addresses, even within Eagle Mountain City, your registration will need to be updated.

How do I Vote by Mail? Follow the instructions on the ballot to select the candidate you are voting for. Once you have marked your ballot, follow the instructions for returning your ballot. Envelopes must be postmarked no later than the day before the election to be counted. Voter information pamphlets will be mailed separately from the ballot. If desired, ballots can be dropped off in-person to the Utah County Clerk's Office or the City Recorder's Office at City Hall prior to Election Day. Votes may also be cast in person by provisional ballot at City Hall on Election Day. Please be aware that it will take longer if you choose to vote provisionally on Election Day.

Questions? We expect some of you may have additional questions. Please visit www.emcity.org/election for more details on Vote by Mail or contact the City Recorder's Office at 801-789-6610 or fkofloed@emcity.org.

NEWS BRIEFS

Seniors Activities

All are held at City Hall unless stated otherwise. Details and updates are posted on the [website calendar](#). Seniors activities are open to those who are ages 55+.

- May 15 Bingo, 5 p.m. Bring a potluck dish.
- May 29 Pony Express Rodeo
- May 31 PED Family Fun Night
- June 1-3 PED Carnival Booth

Questions? Email: seniorcouncil@emcity.org

Blood Donors Needed

Eagle Mountain City, in cooperation with the American Red Cross, will hold a community blood drive on Monday, May 15 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1650 E. Stagecoach Run, Eagle Mountain.

There is a friendly competition among North Utah County cities sponsored by Horrocks Engineers. The city with the greater number of blood donations will be the ultimate winner.

Make your appointment today: visit www.redcrossblood.org and use Sponsor Code: Eagle Mountain

Youth Council

Students in grades 8-12 who reside or attend school in Eagle Mountain, Cedar Fort or Fairfield are eligible to participate in the Youth Council. Students must be in 9th grade to run for a position and vote. Congratulations to the 2017-18 Youth Mayor - Hannah Nearman, and Council Members Davis Butcher, Jordan Noyes, and Hannah Clark.

The Youth Council was created to provide an opportunity for the youth in our community to learn about and participate in local government. The Youth Council organizes and takes part in service projects and community events.

Youth Council meetings are generally held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. All who are interested are welcome to attend at any time. Please check the events calendar to confirm meeting information.

City Offices and Library Closure

The City offices and library will be closed on Monday, May 29 for the Memorial Day holiday. The library will also be closed on Saturday, May 27 and Saturday, June 3.

RUNNERS WANTED



Register \$15

KIDS RUN \$5

PONY EXPRESS DAYS 5K

June 3, 2017 • 7:00 am

CASH PRIZES

raceentry.com -Pony Express 5K

Pony Express Days
1st Annual Float Contest
June 3rd 2017
Parade Registration: emcity.org/ped

Eagle Mountain seeking entries for Pony Express Days
1st Annual Float Contest.

Entries open to: organizations, groups, clubs, churches, businesses, residents and schools

Prizes will be awarded for the winner of each category:
\$500.00—Originality/Creativity
\$500.00—Workmanship/Use of Materials
\$700.00—Overall Appearance and Neatness
Plaque—Best overall Corporate Entry
Plaque—Best overall Municipality Entry

***Municipalities and corporate entries not eligible for cash prizes.*

PONY EXPRESS DAYS 2017
MAY 29-JUNE 3

We are still accepting registrations for the following at Pony Express Days 2017.

Vendor Booths (food vendors full):
www.emcity.org/vendors
June 1, 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; June 2 and 3; Noon to 11:00 p.m.
Vendors are required to attend all three days.
Vendors are required to stay until at least 8:00 p.m. all three days.

Grand Parade Entries/Float Contest:
<http://www.emcity.org/parade>
June 3, Grand Parade starts at 10:00 a.m.

We are accepting parade entries through May 19, 2017. Entries must be registered to be eligible for the float contest. Specialty acts also wanted (jugglers, unicycle riders, magicians, etc.).

For more information please contact Dawn Hancock 801-789-6635 or dhancock@emcity.org.

Pony Express Events
Eagle Mountain
TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Pony Express Rodeo May 26th, 27th, & 29th
Pony Express Demolition Derby June 3rd
Mascot Miracle stick horse rodeo May 27th
Pony Express Extreme Enduro July 15th

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Unlimited rides for 3 months. FrontRunner, TRAX, bus and streetcar. June 1 through August 31.

To learn more or to purchase online, visit rideuta.com/summer

*After June 15, price is \$99. Person using the Rider's License must be between the ages of 6-18 years.

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Utah County Sheriff's Office Eagle Mountain Division

The Eagle Mountain Sheriff's Office - Eagle Mountain Division is located in the City Hall building at 1650 E. Stagecoach Run.

Requests for police assistance or domesticated animal control issues should be reported to Utah Valley Dispatch at 801-794-3970. Life-threatening emergencies or crimes in progress should be reported by calling 911.

Wild animals such as raccoons, squirrels, skunks, snakes and mountain lions fall under the Utah Division of Wild Life. Please contact them at 801-491-5678 for assistance.

To make an appointment for fingerprints or to get information about the Community Safety Program, RAD Kids, RAD Women, or D.A.R.E. programs, you may call the Eagle Mountain office Monday-Thursday at 801-789-6701.

Safely dispose of old or unused medications by bringing them to the drop box in the sheriff's office at City Hall. It is accessible during business hours. The drop is anonymous.

If you have lost an item and wish to check to see if it has been turned in or if you have found an item and wish to turn it in, please contact the Eagle Mountain office at 801-789-6701.

To obtain a copy of a police report, call the Eagle Mountain office during business hours to make sure a deputy is available. It is \$5 (exact cash or check only) per report and will usually take about 10 business days to receive it.

Please be aware that sheriff's office personnel may be called away from the office at any time. If you are at the building and find the office closed, please call dispatch to check on the availability of a deputy.



Q&A with Chief Deputy McDowell

Eric McDowell is a 20 year veteran of the Utah County Sheriff's Office. He has been assigned to the Eagle Mountain Division since 2007 and was promoted to Chief Deputy last year.

Q: Can you give us a little info on your background and how you got started in law enforcement?

A: I am originally from California and moved to Utah after receiving a baseball scholarship to Brigham Young University. I graduated from BYU, with a Bachelors of Science Degree(Sociology-Deviance emphasis) in 1996. While attending BYU, I met my wife and have been married for nearly 22 years. We have three children.

I have worked in the Corrections, Administration, Judicial, and Patrol Divisions. I have been assigned to the "Contract Cities" for nearly 11.5 years, with the past 10 years serving in Eagle Mountain City.

As a teenager and even through college, I always had an interest in law enforcement. It seemed like every vocational/personality test I had taken, always directed me towards law enforcement. Approximately a year after graduating from college, the Utah County Sheriff's Office was opening a new correctional facility in Spanish Fork and were hiring a large number of correctional deputies. I was hired in March of 1997 and the rest is history.

Q: What appealed to you about working in Eagle Mountain?

A: Prior to being assigned to Eagle Mountain, I was assigned to Saratoga Springs City, where I worked for a year and a half, up until they started their own police department. In July of 2007, Eagle Mountain City expanded their contractual needs for law enforcement services, which lead to me being assigned here.

One reason I have stayed in Eagle Mountain, is that I enjoy the aspects of Community Oriented Policing. Which, I know sounds cliché, but I love the sense of community and taking ownership of a particular area. The main reason I have stayed or what appeals to me the most, is the great amount of support we receive from the City's administration and from the residents of Eagle Mountain. It makes a hard job easier, when you know the

vast majority of the residents (whom we serve) support what we do.

Q: What are some of the most significant changes within the sheriff's office in EM from the time you started working here to today? Any unique challenges?

A: There haven't been a lot of significant changes, other than to the staffing plan. Obviously with growth (population/calls for service), the need for more personnel has been a natural progression. The most unique challenge, is trying to forge relationships with new residents, who may have had negative interactions with their previous law enforcement authority.

Q: With such a large youth population, what are some things parents and other residents can do to help keep kids safe?

A: One thing I think we as parents can do to keep our kids safe, is to be more involved. Talk with your child about known dangers (sexting, addiction, stranger danger, suicidal thoughts, etc.), establish set expectations/rules at a young age, and teach them right from wrong.

In general, residents can look out for each other more. Recognize and report suspicious/criminal behavior as it arises throughout the various neighborhoods, in which they reside. Essentially be active and involved in your community. Fortunately, I feel Eagle Mountain residents do really well in this category.

Q: As the city continues to grow rapidly and the teen and young adult population increases are you seeing more crimes committed by this demographic? If so, what can the community do to help?

A: Our crime statistics involving juveniles has remained status quo, the past number of years. We usually see an increase of said calls, when school is out for the summer. As a community, we can continue being vigilant in recognizing suspicious behavior, reporting said behavior to Utah Valley Dispatch and making sure residences/vehicles are always secured. This will help in discouraging crimes of opportunity, such as, thefts and burglaries.

Q: What do you consider to be the greatest accomplishment to date in your career?

A: I feel my greatest accomplishment has been, forging a long lasting relationship with Eagle Mountain City. Even though the Utah County Sheriff's Office is a separate entity from Eagle Mountain City, those of us assigned out here, believe we are your police department. This level of ownership and philosophy is what I have taken pride in.

Q: What is the most difficult thing you've ever had to do related to your job?

A: There have been many incidents over the years, which have been difficult to deal with, but obviously the loss of Sergeant Cory Wride on January 30, 2014, will stay with me forever. This lone event has greatly impacted many of us throughout the Utah County Sheriff's Office. What has helped with the healing process, has been the amount of love and support we have received from the residents of Eagle Mountain City.

Q: Anything else you would like EM residents to know?

A: I have enjoyed my time serving the residents of Eagle Mountain City, during my tenure and look forward to many more years.

Pop Quiz - Favorites

Food: Mexican
Sports Team: San Francisco Giants
Movie: The Departed
Book: The Road
TV show: The Office

COMMUNITY CLEANUP DUMPSTERS

AVAILABLE SATURDAY MAY 13TH, 8 AM - 6 PM

Collection of some e-waste available, see website for details.

WHERE

Mid Valley Road & Pony Express Pkwy

WHAT

No appliances, large furniture, tires, haz mat, etc. If you have items the dumpsters cannot accommodate, the City offers two free dump passes per household per year. Pick them up at City Hall reception desk.

COMMUNITY CLEANUP
MAY 13TH 8:30 - 12:30
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED • EMCITY.ORG/CLEANUP



Congratulations to Miss Eagle Mountain 2017 Sara Hafen! (L-R: 2nd Attendant Bri Taylor, Miss EM 2016 Kaylie Blacka, Pageant Director Jessica Bodily, Miss EM 2017 Sara Hafen, 1st Attendant Stasia Whiting) Jamie Adams received the Woman of the Year award for her community involvement.



Congratulations to the 2017 Pony Express Rodeo Royalty: Queen Alli Johansen, 1st Attendant Charley Milne, and 2nd Attendant Kodie Pratt

2017

Pony Express Days

www.emcity.org/ped

Rodeo
May 26, 27 & 29

Bike Ride and Pancake Dinner
May 30

Family Fun Night & Movie in the Park (Moana)
May 31

Carnival, Vendor Booths & Entertainment Stage
June 1, 2 & 3

5K Charity Run, Grand Parade, Demolition Derby, Fireworks
June 3