

# West Point City

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

APRIL 2014



## Mayor's Message

### Secondary Water

All winter long I have been keeping my fingers crossed that we would get enough snow up in the mountains to fill up the reservoirs and eliminate some of our water concerns for the coming year. As of March 18<sup>th</sup> it looks like the Weber/Ogden area has received 101% of normal snow pack for this past winter. What does that mean for West Point? From what I have been told it is likely we will have some sort of restrictions once again on our secondary water use. Things that are considered and calculated are the capacity of the reservoir system that supplies water to our area, ground saturation from the previous year, and percentage of the water that makes it to the river. If any of you have been up to East Canyon reservoir you will quickly realize that our reservoirs took a beating last year and they are drawn way down so it is going to take quite a bit of water to get those levels back up to normal. The lack of moisture we received last year is also going to effect the amount of water that makes it to the river once the ground soaks up the moisture that it normally receives. The long and short of it is last year took its toll and it is going to take a couple of normal or above normal years to pull us out of last year's water mess. Nobody likes water restrictions including me. Everybody's sprinkling systems are different and some put out more gallons per minute than others and that is what makes it hard when we try and put a time limit and also restrict the watering to specific days. Some yards will be green and look nice and can look that way only watering a couple of times a week and then others like mine really show how insufficient my sprinkling system is and dry spots just keep popping up as the summer wears on. So what can we do to make sure our systems can handle the upcoming restrictions? First of all Weber Basin Water has a complimentary service where they will come and do an assessment of your sprinkling system and give you the proper water times and give you suggestions to change your system to make sure our yards are efficient and can handle only watering a couple times a week. The second suggestion I have heard that will work is more related to water pressure issues and sprinkling system coverage issues due to the lack of pressure. Pressure boosters can be installed on your individual systems that will allow your system to work at maximum efficiency and help with coverage. This does not affect your neighbor's pressure it just takes what you currently have and increases it. I am personally going to look into this and see if it will help out with coverage and dry spots once the summer heat gets here.

*If we are using less water shouldn't our secondary rates decrease?*

This is a question I have heard and thought I would explain why the rates stay the same even when our lawns are dying from the lack of water. Most of the secondary water rate we pay is to go towards the maintenance and operation of the system as well as debt owed for secondary related infrastructure. These cost do not change as the water we use decrease. For example West Point has a relatively new water reservoir at 200 South just east of 4500 West and these fixed costs don't fluctuate with water usage.

*So what can we do as responsible residents?*

If your secondary system needs some help, call Weber Basin Water and have a free water audit done. Water will be in the system the middle of April. Please don't water unless it is necessary in order to conserve as much as we can while our lawns don't need the water. Stay tuned for more information as we learn more from Davis Weber Canal Company on the details on the restrictions for summer. Contact me with any questions comments or concerns by calling the city office and leaving me a message.

### West Point Officials

Erik Craythorne, Mayor  
Gary Petersen, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Jerry Chatterton, Councilman  
Andy Dawson, Councilman  
Kent Henderson, Councilman  
Jeff Turner, Councilman

Kyle Laws, City Manager

City Hall 801-776-0970  
3200 W 300 N

### COMMUNITY CALANDAR

April 19  
Easter Egg Hunt  
April 21  
Senior Lunch  
May 1  
Complete Cemetery Cleaning  
May 3

### Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company Irrigation and Secondary Water Users

The Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company will begin to pressurize the secondary water system beginning April 15, and secondary water service will begin approximately April 20, weather permitting. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that their systems are secure and ready to receive water by April 15. Additional time may be needed to repair leaks and charge all the lines in our service area.

**All residents should make sure their secondary water valves are closed before April 15.**

It is the responsibility of each water user to maintain their own isolation valve and replace it if necessary. Owners are responsible for any damage caused by their system failures.

Customers who have a two-inch or larger connection and are using the pressurized irrigation water must follow the large users watering schedule. To request a large-users schedule or in case of an emergency with your secondary water system, call the Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company at (801)774-6373 or (801)698-6374 on weekends, holidays or after regular office hours.

**To minimize evapo-transpiration, we also ask that you continue to observe the daily no-watering period between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.** Irrigation Users: Please make sure your gate or siphon is ready to accept water by April 15.

## JUST FOR SENIORS

Happy Easter Seniors!

Join us this month for lunch  
Monday, April 21 @ 11:30am

This month menu is  
ham, au gratin potatoes, green  
beans, roll and ice cream.  
We will also have the staff from  
Apothecary Point Pharmacy  
here to check blood pressure  
and share important health in-  
formation with us.

Be sure to call City Hall to sign  
up no later than April 18th.  
801-776-0970

## SPORTS CENTER

Baseball/Softball registration  
ends Friday, April 4th.  
Register online or stop in  
City Hall to fill out a  
registration form.

Pre K/Kindergarten \$35.00  
1st/2nd grade \$35.00  
3rd/4th grade \$45.00  
5th/6th grade \$45.00  
Jr High \$45.00

Practices will begin the week of  
April 28th, Games the week of  
May 19th.

The recreation dept. is hiring  
recreation aides to officiate  
baseball. Please see the City  
website for more information  
[www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org)

## YOUTH COUNCIL CORNER

"Nothing great was ever  
achieved without enthusiasm"  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Last month the YC worked on  
filling the Easter Eggs for the  
Easter Egg Hunt. They also  
held a retreat to learn more  
about leadership skills.  
Also, a few YC members at-  
tend the USU leadership  
Conference with over 450  
YC members from all over  
the state.

## Miss West Point



The annual Miss West Point  
Scholarship Pageant will be held  
at Syracuse High School on Saturday, June  
14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Contestants will be judged  
on talent, poise and presentation, interview,  
and impromptu questions. All West Point  
ladies between the ages of 14 and 21 are  
welcome to register. Mandatory  
Orientation will be held at the West Point  
City Building on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
Registration packets are available at  
West Point City Hall between  
April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup>.

## GREENWASTE CANS

Just a reminder that  
beginning April 1st  
Green Waste Trash Cans  
may only be used for  
greenwaste.



Also note that the Davis  
Landfill has new summer  
hours. They will be open  
Monday-Saturday from 7am to 6pm.

## AARP Driver Safety Class

Saturday May 3rd  
10am-2pm

The cost is \$15 for  
AARP members and  
\$20 for non members.  
Please call City Hall  
to register  
801-776-0970



## 5K COLOR FUNdraising run

Sat. April 12 @ 9:00 a.m.  
Loy Blake Park (550 N. 3500 W.)  
West Point/Layton Rotaries  
for Humanitarian Projects  
Register [www.davisfunrun.com](http://www.davisfunrun.com)  
\$30 pre-register, \$35 same day  
Groups of 5 or more \$25  
(includes t-shirt and one color packet)

Join us for this years Easter Egg Hunt!!



Saturday, April 19th  
@ the Loy Blake Park  
*The hunt will begin  
promptly 10am,*

so be sure to be there 10-15 minutes  
early to find your spot.

Following the hunt the Easter Bunny  
will be available for a free picture.

The West Point Building Department would like to  
remind you that any basement finishes require a  
permit. Please contact the Building  
Department for more information or stop in  
City Hall to pick up a building permit.  
801-776-0970



Lakeside & West Point Elementary are gathering  
names for the 2014-2015 Kindergarten classes. If  
you have a child that is or will be 5 years old on or  
before September 1, 2014, please contact your  
school for further information.

Lakeside Elementary 801-402-2900  
West Point Elementary 801-402-2750

Join other West Point Residents for this years  
8th annual community service day  
"Take Pride in West Point"  
Saturday, May 3rd @ 8am

## RAIN OR SHINE

Be sure to bring your gloves, shovels, rakes and  
wheelbarrows.  
Questions?  
Contact Jolene 801-614-5347

## CEMETARY CLEANING

The Public Works Department will do  
a complete cleaning of the cemetery on  
Thursday, May 1st.  
Weather permitting.

All items must be removed  
by Wednesday,  
April 30th



Team Piggy 5K Hog Jog Fun Run/Walk  
for Breast Cancer

Date: Saturday, 26 April 2014  
Time: 8 am - 11 pm  
(sign in 8-9/Event begins at 9 am)  
Place: 1300 N. 3000 W. West Point  
Register at [http://](http://www.teampiggyfunrun.blogspot.com)  
[www.teampiggyfunrun.blogspot.com](http://www.teampiggyfunrun.blogspot.com)