West Point City

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

DECEMBER 2016

MAYOR’S MESSAGE

West Point Military Memorial

A few years ago, I met with a couple of residents who had an idea. Arlene and Royce Ross wanted to build a Military Memorial somewhere in our city. This idea gained support from some very passionate residents, and before we knew it, they had a well-organized committee. This committee had one goal in mind, and no one was going to get in their way of their desire to raise the needed funds to build the memorial. Fast forward four years, as I and many other members of our community on November 11, 2016 witnessed and were fortunate to attend the dedication of the West Point Military Memorial. On the morning of November 11th as I drove up to the Loy Blake Park to attend this dedication I quickly was taken back by the amount of cars in the parking lot and the number of people who had already gathered. As the ceremony started there was a very impressive amount of people who were there to watch and participate in the dedication. The program was amazing. We were fortunate enough to hear from Senator Orrin Hatch, and Representative Rob Bishop, who I could listen to all day as US History and historical facts just seem to roll off his tongue. I really didn’t know what to expect that day but everything turned out great. The feeling of gratitude for the men and woman who have served and continue to serve in our armed forces from community who attended was palpable. After the dedication it was nice to catch up with people who I haven’t seen or talked to in years. Watching everyone taking pictures after the dedication really made me appreciate how lucky we are to live in West Point and it certainly has nothing to do with a geographical area or the city itself. It is the people who live here that makes this city so great. Representative Rob Bishop impressed me as he started helping put chairs away after the dedication was over and was still helping the committee when I left. I would like to thank all those who are on the West Point Military Memorial Committee. You guys did it! And now we have a great memorial to show for all your hard work. If you have not seen the memorial I would hope you would stop by and take a look and see the efforts of a few that will remind us all that our freedom is not free.

Merry Christmas

I hope all of you enjoy the Holidays. What a great time of year to spend time with loved ones and reach out and help those in need. Please be aware of those around you both neighbors and friends who need some help this time of year. Shoveling snow, sharing holiday treats or even just visiting those who might not have family around. Please be aware of the parking restrictions and be courteous to our city employees who are out, sometimes all hours of the night, removing snow off our roads. From my family to yours I wish you all the best and hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Social Media

Do me a favor and for you who have Facebook and Twitter accounts and aren’t following us please look up West Point City and “Like” and follow our city feed. Our staff does a great job of putting very worthwhile information on these social media outlets.

Erik Craythorne
West Point City Mayor

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
3200 W 300 N
801-776-0970
www.westpointcity.org
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City Council Meetings:
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
6:00pm Administrative Session
7:00pm General Session

Planning Commission Meetings:
2nd & 4th Thursdays
6:00pm Administrative Session
7:00pm General Session

Meetings subject to cancellation
The youth council are excited as they get the new year under way. They have been very busy the last few weeks with many things.

They started off with helping at the Halloween Carnival, they put flags on the veterans graves, held their first retreat and helped with the flyers for the upcoming turkey trot.

The past two weeks they also have been busy doing a food drive for the Utah Foodbank. The first week of the food drive they collected 1,408 lbs of food!

For the month of December they will have a food collection box at City Hall, so please bring in any canned or boxed food by December 21st.

If you would still like to be part of this year’s Youth Council contact Jolene @ 801-614-5357.

"You have two hands. One to help yourself, the second to help others."

Senior Lunch

Each month West Point holds a lunch for Seniors 55 and older. The cost is $2.00 per person and both residents and non-residents are welcome! This month’s lunch will be held Monday, December 19th.

This month’s menu is: Baked Potato Bar and bundt cake. YOU MUST RSVP TO RESERVE A SPOT please call by December 16th 801-776-0970.

CITY CALENDAR

December 2016

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Christmas City Hall Closed
**COMMUNITY INFORMATION & EVENTS**

*Be sure to view the City website for up-to-date information and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.*

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**CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER**

**WINTER REMINDERS**

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(Community Christmas Sing-Along)

Enjoy hundreds of nativities and beautiful musical talent, everyone is invited and admission is free.

Celebrate the birth of the Savior with your family and friends. Everyone is welcome!

Clinton Utah West Stake Center
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Clinton, UT
Contact Steve Warner 801-866-5204
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**WEST POINT CITY HALL LIGHTING CEREMONY!**

Join us Monday, December 5th for this years lighting ceremony. The Ceremony begins at 6:00pm sharp, so be sure to be here around 5:45.

We will have hot chocolate and caroling followed by the lighting of City Hall, fireworks, and a special visit by Santa Clause.

We look forward to seeing you as we kick off the holiday season!

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**CEMETERY LUMINARY**

This years annual Cemetery Luminary will be held on Friday, December 23rd @ 4:00pm.

The Lighting of Luminaries gives families and friends and opportunity to remember loved ones during the Christmas Season. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Jolene @ 801-776-0970 with questions or if you have a big group who would like to help with this event.

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**GREENWASTE CAN**

Just a reminder that November 29th will be the last day for greenwaste pick up. Beginning December 1st you will be able to use your green can as a regular trash can and it will be collected by the same truck as your black can.

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**Demolition Continues on 2000 West**

Crews continue to clear and remove homes on 2000 West acquired by UDOT for the widening of the roadway. The project team reminds citizens no public entry is permitted on these properties. Habitat for Humanity is authorized to enter the property for removal of items.

Questions? Call 801-712-3030.

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Thank you to all who attended the dedication of the Military Memorial. It was a fantastic turnout and we sincerely appreciate the support. This is an outstanding monument and the feedback we received was highly complementary. A special thanks to the Committee for their dedication and efforts in bringing to fruition this great Memorial to our loved ones who served and, for some, paid the ultimate price for our freedom.

We are grateful to Senator Hatch, Congressman Bishop, and Colonel Lyons for attending the event. We particularly enjoyed the keynote address from BGen Bleymaier, and the cadets from the Utah Military Academy and students from our two elementary schools who did a great job presenting the Colors and National Anthem.

There are many people that richly deserve our gratitude, but unfortunately, some were missed thanking publicly at the Dedication. A sincere apology is in order to those who were unwittingly slighted: Andy Dawson and Kent Henderson of the West Point City Council who were also members of the Committee, Val Lewis, who sculpted the statue and was present at the meeting, and Jerry Anderson and his staff at Nationwide Monument who physically built the Monument.

Collecting names for the Military walls will be an ongoing project. It was brought to our attention that there was an individual present at the Dedication who was understandably upset that he could not find his name on the wall. We would like to apologize, and need more information to rectify the situation. We do not have the resources to search national archives, and instead relied upon gleaning the names from personal contact with City residents. This was more than a seven year effort, and we are still accumulating names. Since the original engraving, we have more than twenty additional names to add to the walls. National Monument Company will come to the Memorial in March of each year to update the walls. The deadline each year to submit names will be January 31, beginning in 2017. So please, if you have any names for the walls, or feel that there were names missed in the original engraving, let us know and we will get them added!

Thank you all again for your support in this project; we are honored to bring such a beautiful Memorial to West Point.

Howard, Chair 801-825-7221/801-695-2637
Marv, Co-Chair 801-825-5321
Cindy 801-825-9886
Patricia 801-725-1247
Karen 801-773-2776
Royce 801-825-1426

Recreation

Recreation sign-ups can be done online at www.westpointcity.org or stop by City Hall to fill out a registration form. Contact Kelly Ross @ 801-776-0970 for more information on recreation activities and sign ups.

Jr Jazz -

Schedules are posted on the City website under the recreation page.

Jr Jazz practices will begin the 1st week in December.
If you signed up and have not heard from a coach, please check the City Website or contact Kelly 801-776-0970 or 801-529-3352.

Jr Jazz games will begin the first week in January.
All games and practices will be held at West Point Jr High.