



February 2011

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 Kent Henderson, Councilman
 Roger Woodward, Councilman

Gary Hill, City Manager

WEST POINT CITY

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Green Waste Recycling....continued

I thought I would use this month's newsletter to give you some additional information on our Green Waste Recycling Program.

Who: The City Council has voted to move forward with a Green Waste Recycling Program. They have also decided to make this an "opt out" program. Opt out means that our residents will be automatically included in the program, unless you let us know you don't want to participate. In other words...if you do nothing...you will be included. This was chosen to ensure a high participation rate so the program can be viable. Our research shows in cities that have done an "opt in" (residents have to sign up), they have had a difficult time getting the 20% participation needed. However, after the program starts, the participation doubles because residents begin to realize the benefits.

What: Green Waste Recycling provides a second trash receptacle that is used 8 months out of the year for grass clippings and yard waste. In the winter months, it may be used as an additional trash can for regular trash. Currently, half of our residents are using two trash receptacles. Our goal is to offer a green waste can for less money than you are currently paying for an additional can.

When: As of this time, we do not have a firm implementation date, but are estimating sometime in June or July.

Why: There is a very high percentage of green waste in our regular waste. This program allows our green waste to be recycled into compost and mulch at the Waste Management Facility. In the summer months, up to 40% is of our waste is "green waste" and is going to the Waste to Energy Facility (aka burn plant). Green waste is a challenge to burn because they have to burn it at a higher temperature. This take a toll on the burn plant...not to mention the environment.

How: Good question...we are still very early in this process! More information will be forthcoming such as dates, opt out information, pricing etc. Please pay close attention to the newsletter, website and any other correspondence you may see on this program. We are fortunate to have other cities in the county that have already implemented this program. We are trying to learn from them so we can make this program a success in our city.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact me by calling City Hall.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

City Council meetings:
 1st & 3rd Tuesday
 7:00 pm at City Hall

Planning Commission meetings:
 2nd & 4th Thursday
 7:00 pm at City Hall

Meetings subject to cancellation

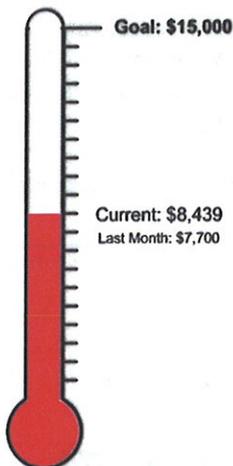
Senior Lunch February 14
 11:30 am

Presidents Day February 21
 City Hall closed

Soccer registration February 1
 until February 28



4th of July Fireworks Fundraiser



West Davis Corridor Update

The results of the Level 2 Screening process will be available in early February! The first round of screening eliminated 32 of the 46 alternatives. The remaining 14 were then evaluated for potential community and environmental impacts and the options have been narrowed again. The results of Level 2 Screening will be posted online and presented at a series of open houses in February.

February 8, 2011

ONLINE via our website (live chat and interactive presentation)
 or in person at West Point City Hall
 3200 West 300 North, West Point
 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



We encourage you to participate in the open houses and comment on the study!
 For more information, to see other dates, or to comment on the study visit

Web: www.udot.utah.gov/westdavis

Phone: 877-298-1991

E-mail: westdavis@utah.gov (send us an email to sign up for monthly e-mail updates)

Mail: 466 North 900 West, Kaysville UT 84037



Visit West Point's new and improved website. www.westpointcity.org



West Point Youth Council

Last month West Point's Youth Council enjoyed a sledding day at Syracuse High School.

On the 26th they also participated in the Local Officials Day at the Legislature, where they learned more about the roles of state and local government, listened to relevant speakers and practiced their "lobbying skills" with other youth councils from all over the state.

February's word for the month is INTEGRITY

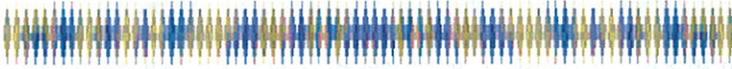
"Have the courage to say no.

Have the courage to face the truth.

Do the right thing because it is right.

These are the magic keys to living your life with integrity."

-Mark Twain



Annual Essay Contest

Be sure to enter your essay on "Why I Love My City" for the Youth Council annual essay contest.

There will be 3 winners chosen from each of the following age groups:

Elementary - Jr. High - High School/Adult

Due to City Hall by February 14



Now Hiring: Soccer Program Coordinator/Rec Aide II

The Recreation Department is accepting applications for a seasonal employee to help organize and coordinate the City's Spring and Fall Soccer Programs. The application deadline is February 3rd. Call (801) 776-0970 or visit City Hall for more information.

Fire Safety Information from North Davis Fire District



Safe Kids Davis County and North Davis Fire District have come together to remind families to take active measures to prevent fires in the home. Approximately 80 percent of all fire-related deaths and injuries occur in the home, and young children are at a particularly high risk because they don't perceive danger as readily and can lack the ability to escape a life-threatening fire situation.

"As part of this initiative, upon request and qualification families that live in the North Davis Fire District, which includes Clearfield and West Point, can receive a smoke/CO detector and have firefighters help install it in their home," reported Chris Tremea, Captain with the N. Davis Fire District. "We will also be out in the schools reminding students about fire safety including what to do in a fire and how to escape." For smoke/CO detector qualification information contact Captain Tremea at 801-525-2850.

There are a variety of precautions you can take to prevent injuries from a fire. "Having a working smoke alarm reduces a person's chances of dying in a fire by nearly half," said Teresa Smith Safe Kids Davis County Coordinator. "We recommend that all parents and caregivers make sure they have working smoke alarms in the home and that kids know what to do when they hear the alarm. Installing these important safety devices could save the life of a loved one in case of an emergency."

For more information on keeping your home safe from fire go to www.westpointcity.org and look under community, then community links.



Love is in the air!

Senior Luncheon—February 14, 2011 11:30 am

Come and enjoy a spaghetti dinner with your sweetie or your good friends.

We will have dancing and a fun guessing game.

Be sure to call the city by February 11th to reserve your spot. 801-776-0970