The Strength of a Community

From time to time, it is nice to just sit back and focus on how good things actually are and how fortunate we are to live where we do; enjoying the associations we have with our neighbors and friends. So often it is easy to focus on the bad things going on around us that in the grand scheme of things aren’t that big of deal, but they really seem to get to us at the time. Isn’t it nice to go to bed each night and not have to worry about the violence and crime that takes place in other parts of the country or even other parts of this state? We live in an area with strong schools, dedicated parents and volunteers that allow our children to be raised in a strong value based community. It seems at any given time there are residents of our community who are dealing with some very serious illnesses and trials that might seem unimaginable to bear. It is usually concerned neighbors and friends who step in and help those who are struggling, helping them endure their trial. In West Point, I see random acts of kindness all the time, neighbors reaching out and helping those in need and others forms of community service. I see a community who comes out to help for the Take Pride in West Point, and others who donate their time to serve in our community garden. Every year I look forward to our 4th of July celebration, where we can join together as residents, neighbors, family and friends to celebrate the freedoms we enjoy and the great land in which we live. In these times, we clearly see the value and strength of a strong community. I encourage all of you to get involved, reach out to your neighbors, be a friend to someone in need; working together we can make this place we call West Point even better.

A few years ago city leaders made, in my opinion, a wise decision to join the North Davis Fire District. At the time there were some concerned residents who were worried about the increased cost of this service. But isn’t it a comfort to know that we have a full time fire department in our city, 24 hours a day 7 days a week and just a few miles away from any place in the city? There is great peace of mind that comes with having emergency personnel just a few minutes away. Above and beyond the Fire District, we are fortunate to have the presence of the Davis County Sheriff, with the equipment for all of the paramedic needs in the Northern part of Davis County, as well as patrolling the streets and keeping them safe. Next time you are driving down the road and see a Davis County Sheriff’s SUV make sure you and your children’s seatbelts are fastened, stop texting on your cell phone and give them a friendly wave, many of these officers live in West Point or in one of our neighboring communities. In West Point City, the Fire District and Davis County Sheriff’s Department are a big part of the “Strength of a Community”. I hope all of you have an enjoyable and safe summer with your family and friends. The sounds of kids out of school, the smell of a barbeque, camping, fishing and boating……you gotta love summertime in Utah. I know I say this almost every month but I mean it; if you ever have any questions or concerns about what is going on in our city please feel free to contact me. If it is something you are really concerned and mad about you better call one of our city councilmen!!! Just Joking!

Have a great summer!!

West Davis Corridor Info.

We are continuing to study both Alternatives A and B as part of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). At this time, there is not a preferred alternative and no final decisions have been made. Over the next few months, we will perform a detailed impact analysis to compare these alternatives further. The results of this in-depth analysis will be reflected in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, which will be presented for public comment at a series of opening houses in late summer 2012.

If you have any questions or would like to meet with a project team member to discuss the alternatives and potential impacts in further detail, please feel free to contact us at 877-298-1991 or westdavis@utah.gov.

Sign up now for West Point’s 4th of July Celebration!!

Stop by City Hall to sign up for this year’s 4th of July activities. You can also find the forms online at www.westpointcity.org

Vendor booths are still available, if you are interested please contact Jolene Kap @ 801-614-5347.
**Miss West Point Pageant**

**Princess for a Day!**

Come and be a Princess for the day as we play games, do a craft and learn a routine you will perform on June 23rd at the Miss West Point Pageant.

**Girls ages 4-10**

Wed June 20th from 10-12
@ the West Point Fire Station
381 N 3150 W
$10.00

Questions contact
801-614-5347

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**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

Starting on May 22, Questar Gas along with sub contractor Neils Fugal Sons Company will begin a project to replace and upsize the natural gas lines in our area. This will involve the main gas lines located in the streets, as well as individual lines to homes and businesses.

Questar is committed to minimizing the impact.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments please contact Project Coordinator, Troy Hulse @ 801-710-2152

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**“Make it Shine” Miss West Point Scholarship Pageant**

Saturday, June 18, 2012
7:00 pm
Syracuse High School Auditorium
$3.00

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**Youth Council Corner**

“Compassion”

“The whole idea of compassion is based on keen awareness of the interdependence of all these living beings, which are all part of one another, and all involved in one another.”

- Thomas Merton

The Youth Council spent time pulling weeds for the “Take Pride in West Point Day”. And also had the chance to make many new friends at a refugee soccer game where they were able to play soccer with kids from Congo, Somalia, Ethiopia, Burma and Turkey.

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**RECREATION INFORMATION**

**Basketball Camp**
June 4-6
Registration May 21st-June 4th
$30.00

**Football Registration**
June 25 - July 20
$105.00 + $50.00 equipment deposit

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**Spotted wing drosophila** is an invasive vinegar fly that attacks unripe and ripe fruit. Since its introduction to the US in 2008, it has been detected in 22 states. It was found in Kaysville in 2010 and in Fruit Heights in 2011. Residents are urged to monitor for this pest, because the establishment of large populations would seriously impact Utah’s fruit industries. More information is available from Utah State University’s Cooperative Extension or by contacting Cory Stanley (cory.stanley@usu.edu). Or visit our website at: [https://utahpests.usu.edu/caps/htm/spotted-wing-drosophila/](https://utahpests.usu.edu/caps/htm/spotted-wing-drosophila/)

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**West Point Seniors**

**Senior Lunch**
Monday June 18, 2012 @ 11:30

Join us this month for Pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw and beans.

Be sure to call City Hall by June 15th to reserve your spot!
801-776-0970

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**THANK YOU!**

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