

November 2011

WEST POINT CITY



West Point Officials

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

Gary Hill, City Manager

Mayor's Message



West Point Black Knights

I would be very remiss if I didn't acknowledge the great accomplishment of one of our football teams. Our Bantam football team is playing (by the time this newsletter comes out they will have played) in the Mini Bowl; this is the championship game for the football league our city participates in. Regardless of the outcome, I would like to congratulate the players and the coaches for their hard work, dedication and for the outstanding manner in which they represented the city of West Point. The interesting fact about this team is that they might have been considered the underdog, because they just barely had enough players at the beginning of the season to form a team. I know many of the players and the coaches and they exemplify hard work, execution, and doing things just a little bit better than their opponents. Congratulations to the Black Knights Bantam Team on a great season!

Spirit of Thanksgiving

With our daylight hours diminishing, it brings us to a great time of year that ushers in the Holiday Season. Thanksgiving is approaching at the end of this month and it made it very easy to decide on my topic. A quote I found says, "A thankless person rarely does a thankful deed". I have to say that I agree a thankful person is more apt to do "more thankful deeds". It is easy for all of us to get into the rut of focusing on what we don't have rather than what we do have. This month, and for the Thanksgiving Holiday, may we all be grateful for what we do have. Let us be grateful for the armed forces around the world, for it is their efforts that make our world a safer place; protecting us against individuals and organizations whose sole purpose is to impose harm against Americans wherever and whenever they can. We can also be thankful for the election process that is this month. Whether we are happy with the outcome or not, we should all be grateful we have the opportunity to vote for our leaders. Recently, I was in a city not too far from West Point. I happened to be there fairly late at night and I was in a part of town where I didn't feel too terribly safe. The thought occurred to me then, how grateful I am to live and raise my family in a very safe community. A few weeks ago, a dear neighbor of mine lost his battle with cancer. After the funeral, I felt an overwhelming sense of gratitude for living in a neighborhood where we help lighten the burdens of others, where we lift and support through the tough times and celebrate and cheer the good times. I would encourage all of us to take some time this month to recognize what we have and be thankful for what matters most. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve the community of West Point. Please feel free to contact me anytime with any questions, concerns or comments.

Erik Craythorne

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

West Point City Hall will be closed November 11, 2011 in honor of Veteran's Day. It will also be closed on November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving.

Veteran AARP class
 November 9th - 9am to 1pm

Youth Council
 Veterans Day Program at the West Point City Cemetery
 November 5th - 9:00 am

Senior Luncheon
 November 14th - 11:30 am

Jr. Jazz drafts
 November 15, 16, & 17

Green Waste Recycling Notice

Remember you can use your green waste can for general garbage between December and March. Green waste is not collected for those 4 months. The dates for green waste collection are printed on your can lid, so if you forget...check the top of your green can.

Municipal Election—November 8, 2011

West Point City will have a Municipal Election this year. We have 3 City Council seats up for election. Early voting will run from Nov. 1st to Nov. 4th between 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm at City Hall. Please call Recorder Amy Jensen with any questions at 801-776-6704 or visit the City website at www.westpointcity.org.

GENERAL RECYCLING IS COMING!!

For the last year, City Council has been discussing the possibility of a general curbside recycling program. Although green waste was the first phase, there was a lot of interest in when general recycling would be available. With the success of the green waste program, the City Council has now decided to move forward with general recycling this next spring. More information (i.e. list of recyclables, cost, exact dates, etc.) will follow so please stay tuned!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please be aware of an email scam that appears to represent Xpress Bill Pay. Do not send your personal information in response to any email that appears to be from Xpress. The real company will not ask for information this way. If you receive an email and have questions contact Xpress Bill Pay directly using the phone number on the City's website.





Youth Council Corner

This months theme is...

SERVICE

"The surprise discovery-service breeds success-coincided with another: Service reconciles confidence and humility." -Jason Despain

Last month the YC assisted with the Fire Prevention Night. They also took part in the City Halloween Carnival. The YC is still collecting uniforms for a recycling project, donations can be made @ City Hall.



2011-2012 West Point City Youth Council

Mayor- Sarah Zvonkovic, **Mayor Pro-Tem-TJ** Pehrson, **City Manager-**Austin Morris, **City Recorder-**Sierra Hart, **Treasurer-**Katelyn Davidson, **Head Chair Person-**Michael Russell, **Historian-**Melanie Huckaby

Allie Leerskov, Valerie Hart, Noelle Olsen, Chenille Morris, Shaylee Mahoney, Kyle Irvin, Aaron Stanger, Sarah Penner, Caleb Davidson, Kylie Bouwmeester, Gracie Bingham, Brianna Irvin, Julianne Orton, Rachel Penner, Kelsey Perkes, Zoe Miyawaki, Charlie Cutler, Megan Miyawaki, Sarah Wayment, Jennifer Naegle, Sami Zvonkovic, Avin Checketts, Brayden Bowmeester, Marissa Mayer, Jessica Davidson, Logan Kelley, Hannah Steed, Nathan Seffker, Jared Seffker, Caitlin Steed, Brandon Davidson, Brandon Swenson, Jenna Hill, Courtney Christensen, Anika Hansen



Veterans Day Program
November 5th
9:00 am
West Point Cemetery
Presented by
WPYC



Holiday Gift Donations Sought For Senior Citizens

Davis County Health Department's Senior Services is holding a gift drive to help senior citizens in need. Donations due Dec. 16th. More information to come.

Don't miss the BYU Young Ambassadors

Coming to Syracuse High School auditorium
Saturday, November 12
at 7:30 p.m.

This internationally renowned singing and dancing group will present their show, "Harmony," an entertaining musical revue of great hits from the past and present. Tickets are \$10 online and \$12 at the door. Reserve your seat and save money and time in line by purchasing your tickets now at www.ezticketlive.com.



Join us for West Point City's 5th Annual Christmas Lighting Ceremony!

Monday, December 5th @ 6pm at City Hall.

Bring your children to see Mr. and Mrs. Claus, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate, and listen to the Christmas music.

Don't forget to support our Miss West Point Royalty by bringing a canned food item to help them with Sub-for-Santa.

We look forward to seeing you as we kick off the Holiday Season!

Happy Thanksgiving

Join us for the Senior Lunch
Monday, November 14th

Call City Hall to reserve your spot no later than November 10th.

801-776-0970



Snow Removal & Parking

West Point City's Code Enforcement Office wants to ask all residents that live on corner lots with trees that hang into the street to please make sure their trees are trimmed for the upcoming snow plow season. The plows need to have a 10 foot clearance.

Also, there is no overnight on-street parking starting November 1st until March 1, 2012.



AARP is offering a Free driver safety class to all Veterans and their spouses. This class will take place on Wednesday, November 9th from 9-11 @ West Point City Hall 3200 W. 300 N. Contact City Hall to sign up 801-776-0970.

