

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

December 2011

WEST POINT CITY



Mayor's Message



Merry Christmas

The landscape decorations have changed from election signs to Christmas lights, and this is a great time of year. It is nice to reflect on the Christmas memories and lessons learned from our past, the good and the not so good. I remember my first Christmas together with my wife Jil... she insisted on getting a real Christmas tree so our apartment would have the "Christmas tree smell". Therefore, being the good and obedient husband that I am, we went out and bought one. A week or so into December, I noticed our tree didn't really smell anymore, not only that, it wasn't even green anymore. By the time Christmas Day rolled around, we were the proud owners of a brown Christmas tree that was more than likely harvested in August. With all the dead needles lying around it was truly a fire hazard to be proud of. We have had an artificial tree ever since, and a pine scented candle seems to do the trick.

For some, the best part of the holiday season is when it is over; and for others it is a much-anticipated opportunity to spend time with family and friends. For those of you who are having a hard time enjoying the Christmas season let me give you a few suggestions that might help:

- *Watch a few hours of the Hallmark channel. There is always a sappy Christmas show on; but make sure you have some tissues close by (even though they always seem to have a happy ending).
- *Make sure you stay away from the gifts that require a large amount of assembly time, and for all the guys out there...read the instructions, it will make your life a lot easier.
- *Avoid waiting until the last minute to do your shopping. For those habitual procrastinators....I will see you at the mall on Christmas Eve.
- *In the future, avoid listening to Christmas music right after Halloween.

On a more serious note, I love this time of year. I can think of no better time to reach out to our neighbors and friends in need. It is a great time of year to forgive and forget, and let the true meaning of Christmas come into all our lives. Even though the economy is still sputtering, we are blessed to live in this country where we can celebrate holidays as we see fit. I encourage you to visit your neighbors... especially those you haven't met yet! This is a great time to visit the elderly, they are grateful for a visit any time of the year. Celebrate long-standing traditions with your family and start a new one or two, for that is what makes Christmas memorable and magical. The Craythorne family wishes you and yours a very Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years!

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

December 5 City Hall Lighting
Ceremony 6pm

Cemetery Luminary
December 16th @ 4pm
West Point Cemetery

Senior Luncheon
December 12th - 11:30 am

West Point City Hall will be
closed December 26 & 27 for
Christmas.

It will also be closed on
January 2nd for New Years Day.

Municipal Election

Congratulations to the winners of the 2011 Municipal Election! Councilman Gary Petersen, Councilman Jerry Chatterton, and Councilman Roger Woodward will serve 4 more years on the City Council. Thank you to the residents who took the time to vote! We had a larger than expected turnout. It is great to see so many using this wonderful freedom.

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.

WEST DAVIS CORRIDOR UPDATE

The project team has been meeting and will continue to meet with residents, farmers, city councils, resource agencies and other stakeholders as they begin preparing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Through spring 2012, the team will continue to perform a thoroughly detailed analysis on the alternatives. The results of this analysis will be reflected in the DEIS, which will be made available for public comment and presented at public hearings in summer 2012. After the formal comment period next summer, any resulting changes will be included in a Final EIS which will be made available to the public in spring 2013. A final decision on a preferred alternative is not expected until 2013.

As always, we encourage you to share your thoughts and ask questions. If you would like to meet with a study representative or hold a neighborhood meeting, please call or email us. Our project hotline is 877-298-1991, or email us at westdavis@utah.gov.



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!

North Davis Preparatory Academy

Proudly Presents Our 2nd Annual
POLAR BEAR PLUNGE
"FREEZIN' FOR A REASON"

When: Saturday, January 21, 2012
Location: Fort Buenaventura State Park, Ogden, UT

9:00 am Kick off, Registration and Check In
9:45 am Speaker and Announcements
10:00 am Plunge Time - In the Water!!

The REASON?
Funding for 2011-12 Student Immersion
Trip to Salamanca Spain

Holiday Gift Donations
Sought For
Senior Citizens

Davis County Health
Department's Senior Services
is holding a gift drive to help
senior citizens who may be
isolated or do not have the
financial resources to
celebrate this year. The
deadline to turn in gifts is
Friday, Dec 16th by 5pm to
the Davis County Health Dept.
For more details or to receive
a gift request contact
Jessica Hardcastle at
801-525-5087 or email her at
jhardcastle@daviscountyutah.gov



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.



"Why I Love My City"
Essay Contest

All essays and applications are due to City Hall by 5pm
February 10th.

One winner will be chosen from each division:
Elementary
Jr. High
High School/Adult

Winners will be announced at City Council
February 21st @ 7pm.

Applications can be picked up at City Hall or found on the
city's web site www.westpointcity.org

Merry Christmas!!

Senior Lunch
Monday December
12th @11:30am
Join us for ham,
au gratin
potatoes, veggies, roll
and pumpkin pie.
To reserve your spot
call
801-776-0970
by December 9th

Join us for the
Cemetery Luminary
December 16th
4pm
West Point Cemetery

Doughnuts & Hot Chocolate
will be served
to all those who
participate.

Youth Council Corner

This months theme is...
"GENEROSITY"
"What we do for ourselves dies with
us. What we do for others and the
world remains and is immortal."
-Albert Pine

For Veterans Day the YC put flags on
all the Veterans graves and held a
Veterans Day program at City Hall.
They are also working on promoting
anti-tobacco awareness in the
city's youth.

Toys for Tots Eagle Scout Project
New unwrapped toys for any age may be
donated at City Hall or to Brandon @
697 N. 2150 W. West Point
Accepting donations until December 10th.
Contact Brandon with any questions
801-779-1966