

West Point City

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE

DECEMBER 2013

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 801-776-0970
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COMMUNITY CALANDAR

City Council Meetings:

1st & 3rd Tuesday

6:00pm Administrative Session

7:00pm General Session

Planning Commission

Meetings:

2nd & 4th Thursday

6:00pm Administrative Session

7:00pm General Session

Meeting subject to cancellation

December 2
City Hall Lighting Ceremony

December 16
Senior Lunch

December 20
Cemetery Luminary

December 25-26
City Hall Closed
Christmas

January 1
City Hall Closed
New Years Day

Winter Parking

No on-street parking is permitted beginning November 1, 2013 thru March 1, 2014.

Vehicles left on the street can be ticketed.

West Point Code

Enforcement would also like to remind you that if you have trees that hang into the street to please make sure they are trimmed for the up coming snow plow season.

Mayor's Message



Tis The Season

It's hard to believe that Christmas is in a few weeks and 2013 is almost history. I love this time of year when I start hearing Christmas music on the radio and at department stores (as long as they are after Thanksgiving), seeing all the lights on the houses and all the Christmas decorations. Opinions on the holiday season can vary from people who hate it, to people who turn their Christmas lights on right after Halloween. I hope we all can agree that the spirit of the season, giving and serving one another is the best part of the season and it can resonate with all of us. Without regard to all of our religious affiliations, this time of year should be one where we look out for one another, help our neighbors, and enjoy the spirit of giving. Each year I drive by houses of individuals who live in our community who could use some extra help, a quick visit or help clearing snow off their driveways. If you are like me and have willing and able kids put a snow shovel in their hands after a snow storm and have them go clear some driveways of those neighbors who might have a difficult time due to their current circumstance. Your kids might not be super excited to go out and shovel in the cold but I can guarantee when they get done they will feel pretty darn good about what they did. For those of you who need a little extra help please let your neighbors and friends help out. Too many times we get caught up in the commercialization of the Christmas season. All too often we are all so busy with Christmas parties, shopping, and life in general that we don't have time to look outward. One of my favorite quotes from *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, "And the Grinch, with his Grinch-feet ice cold in the snow stood puzzling and puzzling, how could it be so? It came without ribbons. It came without tags. It came without packages, boxes or bags. And he puzzled and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before. What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas perhaps, means a little bit more."

I hear from a lot of people around the 4th of July celebration that say "West Point is different, and we enjoy a way of life with a small town feel that other communities don't." I have lived here my whole life and haven't lived in another city to compare with but I agree West Point is different and in a good way. We are still a small enough community to be able to look out for one another and help those in need.

During this winter season, please be courteous to the city employees who are trying to keep our streets safe. More often than not our public works department are plowing during the night and early in the mornings away from their families so if you see them give them a quick wave and if you get a chance to talk to them let them know you appreciate what they do. We are now in the time of the year where we have overnight parking restrictions to allow for our streets to be plowed. Please observe these restrictions or be prepared to get an early Christmas present from the Davis County Sheriff. I know in some cases it is hard to find room for the snow in our yards but please do not blow your snow back out on the road.

If you have any questions comments or concerns please contact me by calling City Hall.

From my family to yours, Merry Christmas and have a safe and prosperous New Year.



Snow Removal

Just a few reminders as the snow season comes upon us.

*Trees that overhang must be cut back in order for the plows to make it up and down the streets.

*All sidewalks must be shoveled within 12 hours of snow fall.

*Do not shovel or snow blow the snow from driveways and sidewalks into the street.

*If a fire hydrant is adjacent to your property please make sure to keep it clear of snow and accessible if needed.

Thank you for your help this winter in keeping the snow off the streets, the fire hydrants clear and our sidewalks safe.
If you have any questions on snow removal or would like to make a comment
Please feel free to call City Hall at 801-776-0970.



Want help keeping your News's Year resolution? Davis County Health Department and Clearfield Aquatic Center are offering a free community workshop called **Living Well with Chronic Conditions**. Which can help you achieve your goals to manage your ongoing health conditions by teaching you different self management tools that can guide you to take your life back and control your health again. Workshops begin Tuesday, January 7th at 2:00pm at the Clearfield Aquatics Center (825 S State Street, Clearfield). Call Jessica Hardcastle at 801-525-5087 to register today!

Holiday Gift Donations Sought For Senior Citizens

Davis County Health Department's Senior Services is holding a gift drive to help make the holidays a little brighter for senior citizens who may be isolated or not have the financial resources to celebrate this year. The deadline to turn in gifts is Friday, Dec. 13, by 5 p.m. to the Davis County Health Department. For more details or to receive your gift request contact Jessica @ 801-525-5087 or email her @ jhardcastle@daviscountyutah.gov. Gift request will not exceed \$50.



GREENWASTE CANS

Remember beginning December 1st thru March 31st you can use your greenwaste can for general garbage.

The dates for greenwaste collection are printed on your can lid, so if you forget check the top of your green can.



YOUTH COUNCIL ESSAY CONTEST!



Get your pen and paper out and start working on this years ESSAY contest "Why I Love My City" The essay contest will run from

January 1st - February 28th and is open to ages from 5-105. Return your essay with the application to City Hall. Applications can be found on the website www.westpointcity.org under the community affairs page or stop in City Hall to pick one up. This years contest winners will receive a \$100/\$50/\$25 gift card. Be sure to start writing today!!!

JUST FOR SENIORS..

Merry Christmas!!
Join us for this month's Senior Lunch
Monday, December 16th.
@11:30

This month menu will be Chicken Cordon Blue, potatoes and gravy, roll, veggies and a special Christmas desert.

Please RSVP by December 13th to reserve your spot!
801-776-0970

SPORTS CENTER

JR JAZZ DRAFT INFORMATION

GIRLS

(3rd & 4th) December 12 @ 6:30
(5th & 6th) December 12th @ 7:30
(1st & 2nd/ 7th-9th) NO DRAFT

BOYS

(3rd) December 9th @ 6:30
(4th) December 9th @ 7:30
(5th & 6th) December 10th @ 6:30
(7th & 8th) December 10th @ 7:30
(1st & 2nd/9th-12th) NO DRAFT



Cemetery Luminary

Friday, December 20th @ 4pm at the West Point Cemetery
After the lighting of the candles we will have donuts and hot chocolate for all those who participate.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help with this event please contact Jolene Kap @ 801-776-0970



AARP Driver Safety Class
Saturday,
February 22nd
From 10-2

Please call City Hall to sign up
801-776-0970



West Point Military Memorial

On November 11th a ground-breaking ceremony for the city's new Military Memorial was held at the Loy Blake Park.

The Memorial will be built east of the tennis courts, and will be a spot where people can come and reflect on the freedoms that we have and honor those who have served our country. The committee hopes to have the memorial completed within three years. If you would like to be involved or would like more information on the memorial please contact Arlene Ross at 801-825-1426

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Municipal Election Results

As of November 5th, Davis County reported West Point City had 4,782 registered voters. Of those 4,782 voters, a total of 1,165 ballots were cast, which is a 24.36% turnout.

The results for the West Point City Municipal Election held November 5, 2013 are as follows:

Erik Craythorne – unopposed, and reelected as the West Point City Mayor.

Kent Henderson – 769 votes (elected)

Andy Dawson – 584 votes (elected)

Brogan Fullmer – 525 votes

John Detamore – 315 votes



Youth Council Corner

This months theme is
"Generosity"

"To the generous mind the heaviest debt is that of gratitude, when it is not in our power to repay it."
-Benjamin Franklin

Last month the Youth Council were involved with a Veterans Program at the City Cemetery. Following the program they placed flags on all the veterans graves.

They also held a retreat to plan for the upcoming year.

