



NOVEMBER 2024

# WEST POINT CITY

Official City Newsletter

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Hello West Point friends! What a crazy autumn we've had this year. I hope the warmer weather has been enjoyable for everyone. With cooler nights upon us, we'll soon start to see the landscape change as the leaves begin falling on our lawns and landscape areas. Fallen leaves can quickly clog our storm drains, affecting the system's ability to work properly. Our dedicated crews work hard to keep gutters and drains clear, but during this season, a little extra help from each of us goes a long way. By raking and properly disposing of leaves on our properties, we can keep sidewalks safer and our drainage systems working smoothly. Thank you for your assistance with this!

November brings Veterans Day, a time to honor all who have served in our armed forces, including those who gave everything for the freedoms we enjoy. To our veterans, those currently serving, and their families, I extend my heartfelt thanks. Our gratitude goes beyond words, and I encourage everyone to show appreciation this month, whether by attending our local Veteran's Day Ceremony, reaching out to a veteran, or simply pausing to remember their sacrifices.

I also want to express my gratitude for the opportunity to serve in what I truly believe is the greatest city in the state! West Point stands out for its friendliness, hospitality, and community spirit. In my daily interactions, I hear only positive comments about our city, confirming what we all know: West Point is special. Many residents don't know my role when I ask about their experience here, but the responses I hear—love for the city and appreciation for its people—reflect the warm, welcoming nature of each of you. Thank you for being such exceptional neighbors and friends.

One of the qualities I admire most about our community is the kindness and respect shared among neighbors. I've seen people helping one another, families supporting families, and friends coming to each other's aid. These values are woven into the fabric of West Point and are part of our legacy to future generations. Recently, I heard of a few situations where respect for property could have been better upheld. Let's encourage each other, and especially our children, to remember the importance of respect for people and property. It's part of what makes our community thrive and what will continue to set us apart.

This past month, my family and I visited the Olympic and Paralympic Museum in Colorado Springs. The experience was truly inspiring. Many of these athletes came from humble beginnings and reached greatness through hard work and dedication. They didn't wait for success to come to them; they went out and achieved it. Each of us has that same potential within us, and as we move into the season of thanksgiving and giving, let's channel that spirit to make a difference in our community, whether in big or small ways.

Happy Thanksgiving to all. May this season be filled with joy, gratitude, and time with family and friends. Thank you for making our city such a remarkable place, and stay safe out there!

*-Mayor Brian Vincent*

### Elected Officials:

Brian Vincent  
MAYOR

Jerry Chatterton  
COUNCIL MEMBER

Annette Judd  
COUNCIL MEMBER

Brad Lee  
COUNCIL MEMBER

Michele Swenson  
COUNCIL MEMBER

Trent Yarbrough  
COUNCIL MEMBER

Kyle Laws  
CITY MANAGER

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS  
1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS  
ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION - 6 PM  
GENERAL SESSION - 7 PM

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS  
2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS  
ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION - 6 PM  
GENERAL SESSION - 7 PM



# CITY CALENDAR

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
N O V E M B E R						01	02
	03 	04	05 General Election Day	06 WPAC Christmas Caroling Group 8 PM	07	08	09
	10	11 Veterans Day - Closed Commemoration Ceremony 10:45 AM	12 Senior Lunch 11:30 AM City Hall	13 WPAC Christmas Caroling Group 8 PM	14 Planning Commission 6 PM	15	16
	17	18	19 City Council 6 PM	20 WPAC Christmas Caroling Group 8 PM	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving - Closed -----	29	30

## COMING UP IN DECEMBER...

- 2: City Hall Lighting - 6PM
- 10: Senior Lunch - 11:30AM
- 20: Cemetery Luminary - 4PM
- 3: City Council - 6PM
- 12: Planning Commission - 6PM
- 25/26: Christmas Holiday - Closed
- 6: Child Remembrance - 7PM
- 17: City Council - 6PM
- 1: New Year's - Closed

## CODE ENFORCEMENT MESSAGE WINTER PARKING

Winter Parking Regulations Now in Effect! (November 1st to March 1st).

WPCG 10.05(H)(1)&(3) states:

"No person shall park a vehicle on any street for any period of time between the hours of 1:00AM and 6:00AM of any day, commencing the first of November of each year and up to and including the last day of February of the following year."

This regulation is designed to keep streets free of vehicles so that snow plows can efficiently clear the roads without obstructions.

Code Enforcement and the Davis County Sheriff's Office will be patrolling the City and issuing compliance notices and citations for violations.

Please be aware that pushing or blowing snow onto public streets is prohibited. As you clear snow, please ensure that the snow stays on your property and is not blown or plowed into the street.

Your cooperation in helping the City handle another winter is greatly appreciated.

Please contact Bruce Dopp, Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or [bdopp@westpointcity.org](mailto:bdopp@westpointcity.org).

Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at [www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org).



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**SENIOR LUNCH**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH @ 11:30 AM**  
**CITY HALL**

**SENIORS 55+. COST IS \$2/PERSON.**  
**RESIDENTS & NON RESIDENTS WELCOME!**

**MENU:**  
**TURKEY, MASHED POTATOES, STUFFING, CORN, ROLLS & DESSERT**

**RSVP EARLY - SPACE IS LIMITED!! CALL CITY HALL 801-776-0970**

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**GREEN WASTE CAN**  
 Beginning Dec. 1st,  
 you may use your Green Can for  
 regular trash.  
 Green Waste collection will resume  
 April 1st



**WEST POINT ARTS COUNCIL**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**NOVEMBER** WPAC Christmas Caroling Group - Ages 15+ welcome to join. Rehearsals held every Wednesday from 8-9pm at City Hall. We will be performing at the Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 2nd and other community events!

**11/8 Paint Night!** 6pm at City Hall  
 Ages 14+, \$20 per person includes supplies and guided instruction. Register online.

**Native Flute Group** -  
 Meet every 1st & 3rd Thurs, 6:30-8pm at City Hall.

Visit [www.westpointcity.org/wpac](http://www.westpointcity.org/wpac) for more info and to register for an event. Follow us on social media.



Join Us Thanksgiving Morning  
 November 28th, 2024. 8:00 a.m.  
 for the  
**Turkey Trot**  
 at Loy Blake Park

**WEST POINT ARTS COUNCIL**  
**CHRISTMAS CAROLERS**

Come join our NEW singing group! For ages 15+  
 Performances include the Tree Lighting Ceremony in  
 December and other community events.  
**Practices will be held every Wednesday in October and  
 November from 8pm-9pm at the City Hall.**

JOIN WPAC BAND APP  
 FOR MORE INFO!

**City Hall Lighting Ceremony**

**MONDAY, DEC. 2**

**5:30 PM**

KICK OFF THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH HOT CHOCOLATE AND CHRISTMAS CAROLS WHILE WAITING FOR THE BIG MAN IN RED.  
 WATCH THE FIREWORKS BLAST OFF AS SANTA ARRIVES AT **6:00 PM SHARP!**

**ANGEL OF HOPE**  
**Child Remembrance Ceremony**

HELD EACH YEAR ON  
**DECEMBER 6**  
**@ 7 PM**

WEST POINT CITY CEMETERY - ANGEL OF HOPE MONUMENT

# CITY HALL IS EXCITED TO HOST AN ANGEL TREE AGAIN THIS UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SEASON!

Your response last year was amazing, and we hope that even more of our community will take this wonderful opportunity to help families in need and spread joy during the holidays. Beginning **November 15th**, visit City Hall to select a tag from our Angel Tree. Each tag represents a specific child, detailing their gender, age and holiday wishes. Shop for your gifts of new toys & clothing based on the tag information and then drop off your unwrapped new treasures to City Hall by **Wednesday, December 11th**. The City will ensure the gifts are delivered to the Salvation Army Center where they will distribute your generous donations to those in need. We are truly blessed to live in West Point City, and we hope you will join us in bringing joy to the lives of others.



## RECREATION

**Congratulations to the West Point Titans Football teams that made it to the 2024 WFFL Mini Bowl!!!**



**Jr Bantam**



**CHAMPIONS!**

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## WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

### IN FLANDERS FIELDS

IN FLANDERS FIELDS THE POPPIES BLOW  
BETWEEN THE CROSSES, ROW ON ROW,  
THAT MARK OUR PLACE; AND IN THE SKY  
THE LARKS, STILL BRAVELY SINGING, FLY  
SCARCE HEARD AMID THE GUNS BELOW.

WE ARE THE DEAD. SHORT DAYS AGO  
WE LIVED, FELT DAWN, SAW SUNSET GLOW,  
LOVED AND WERE LOVED, AND NOW WE LIE,  
IN FLANDERS FIELDS.

TAKE UP OUR QUARREL WITH THE FOE;  
TO YOU FROM FAILING HANDS WE THROW  
THE TORCH; BE YOURS TO HOLD IT HIGH.  
IF YE BREAK FAITH WITH US WHO DIE  
WE SHALL NOT SLEEP, THOUGH POPPIES GROW  
IN FLANDERS FIELDS.

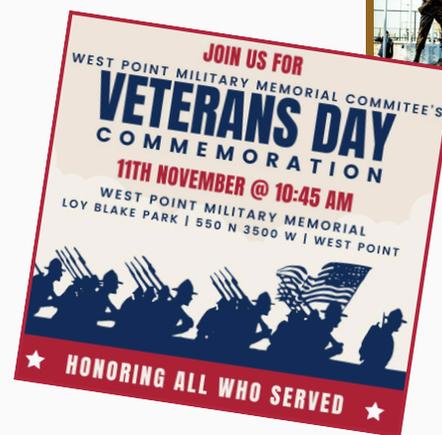


The "In Flanders Field" poem was written 1915 by a Canadian doctor, LCol John McCrae, to honor a friend, Lt Alexis Helmer who was killed in the Battle of Ypres. The poem is said to be one of the most quoted poems from the Great War but has come to epitomize the tragedies of not only the First World War but all such conflicts. Flanders, in Holland, could as easily be said to represent Normandy, Dien Bien Phu, Gettysburg, Pearl Harbor, Afghanistan, or even the Little Bighorn.

For years the VFW has endeavored to keep alive the memories of loved ones lost in battle by selling small "buttonhole" poppies, a memorial triggered by the beautiful poem. Much older than any of us, the poem is, still, one of my favorites.

- Marv Drake, Committee Chair

**Be sure to join us on November 11th for our Veterans Day Commemoration Ceremony!**



LOY BLAKE PARK 3500 W 550N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE 801-825-5321

## HEALTHY WEST POINT TIP OF THE MONTH...National Gratitude Month

National Gratitude Month in November encourages us to embrace the power of gratitude. Gratitude is more than simply saying "thank you". Gratitude's amazing powers have the ability to shift us from focusing on the negative to appreciating what is positive in our lives. Practicing daily gratitude gives us deeper connection to ourselves and the world around us.

Everything in our lives has the ability to improve when we are grateful. Research has shown that gratitude can enhance our moods, decrease stress, and drastically improve our overall level of health and wellbeing. On average, grateful people tend to have fewer stress-related illnesses & experience less depression & lowered blood pressure, they are more physically fit, they are happier, have a higher income, and enjoy more satisfying personal and professional relationships. Grateful kids are even more likely to get A's in school.

If everyone practiced daily gratitude, we could change ourselves and the planet for the better. Everyone would be much happier. Love would grow and hate would decrease. And the world would know true peace.

♥ What are you waiting for? Give gratitude a try! You'll be happier you did.

