



DECEMBER 2024

# WEST POINT CITY

*Official City Newsletter*

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

In a short and sweet message this month, I want to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season! This truly is an amazing time of year—a season filled with joy, music, gatherings with loved ones, and celebrating the birth of Jesus and the spirit of Christmas.

While the holidays bring happiness to many, I also recognize that not everyone shares the same good fortune. This season gives us the perfect opportunity to lend a hand, reach out to others, and bring a little extra light to those in need.

Once again, City Hall is hosting an Angel Tree in our lobby. Last year, our West Point community showed incredible generosity in supporting those in need, and I know we can do it again. I would invite you and your family to stop by, choose a tag on the tree, and help make a child's wish come true this Christmas. There's no greater joy than knowing you've brightened someone else's holiday.

Let's make this season meaningful for all. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season!

*-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 |
|---|-----|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----|
| D | 01  | 02                           | 03                                    | 04                                  | 05                          | 06                       | 07  |
| E |     | City Hall Lighting<br>5:30PM | City Council<br>6 PM                  |                                     |                             | Child Remembrance<br>7PM |     |
| C | 08  | 09                           | 10                                    | 11                                  | 12                          | 13                       | 14  |
| E |     |                              | Senior Lunch<br>11:30 AM<br>City Hall |                                     | Planning Commission<br>6 PM |                          |     |
| M | 15  | 16                           | 17                                    | 18                                  | 19                          | 20                       | 21  |
| B |     |                              | City Council<br>6 PM                  |                                     |                             | Cemetery Luminary<br>4PM |     |
| E | 22  | 23                           | 24                                    | 25                                  | 26                          | 27                       | 28  |
| R |     |                              |                                       | Christmas Holiday -<br>Closed ----- |                             |                          |     |
| 2 | 29  | 30                           | 31                                    | 01                                  |                             |                          |     |
| 0 |     |                              |                                       | New Year's -<br>Closed              |                             |                          |     |
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## COMING UP IN JANUARY...

- 1: New Year's - Closed
- 7: City Council - 6 PM
- 9: Planning Commission - 6 PM

- 14: Senior Lunch - 11:30AM
- 21: City Council - 6 PM
- 23: Planning Commission - 6 PM

## CODE ENFORCEMENT MESSAGE

### WINTER REMINDERS

Last month our Code Enforcement Officer posted many courtesy notices on vehicles, trailers, and boats parked overnight on City streets to give notice that winter parking restrictions are now in place. WPC 10.05.50(H)(3) prohibits the parking of any vehicles, trailers, recreational vehicles, etc., on the street between the hours of 1:00 AM and 6:00 AM from Nov 1st until March 1st.

However, many are still parking on the streets during these hours.

The Davis County Sheriff's Office will now be issuing citations and/or towing vehicles in violation.

Please follow this ordinance to help us to ensure that this winter season is a safe one, especially for our Public Works employees plowing snow throughout the night and on cold winter mornings.

You are also reminded to keep trees trimmed to at least 13.5 ft above the road and to ensure sidewalks are cleared. Also, 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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SENIORS

**SENIOR LUNCH**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH @ 11:30 AM**  
**CITY HALL**

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

**MENU:**  
**HAM, CHEESEY POTATOES, GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE, JELLO SALAD & DESSERT**

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

**ANGEL OF HOPE**  
*Child Remembrance Ceremony*  
 HELD EACH YEAR ON  
**DECEMBER 6**  
**@ 7 PM**  
 WEST POINT CITY CEMETERY - ANGEL OF HOPE MONUMENT

We hope you'll join in our community efforts to support the Angel Tree here at City Hall. Come and pick a tag or two. Each tag represents a child in need listing a few needs and a couple of wants for Christmas. Shop, then bring the unwrapped gifts back to City Hall by Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army where they will be distributed in time for Christmas morning. What better way to make your own holidays wonderful? Merry Christmas to all of you, from us here at City Hall!




The West Point Arts Council is bringing back **COUPLES DANCE LESSONS!**



Four lessons on:  
 January 10, 17, 31  
 February 7th

Swing and Foxtrot  
 taught by Rebecca Laws

\$40 registration fee  
**PER COUPLE**

We'll practice our new skills to a **LIVE jazz band** at a

*Valentine's Dance*  
**ON FEB 15TH**

Register at [www.westpointcity.org/wpac](http://www.westpointcity.org/wpac)

**CEMETERY LUMINARY**

Volunteers Welcome!  
 Join us at the cemetery on Friday  
 December 20th at 4:00 PM to help place the  
 luminaires on all of the graves.



WEST POINT CITY CEMETERY  
 80 N 4000 W

**.gov**

In response to new state legislation, West Point City will be transitioning from our ".org" domain to a ".gov" domain.

**Starting in early 2025, our official website will be [www.westpointutah.gov](http://www.westpointutah.gov) and our email addresses will change to [@westpointutah.gov](mailto:@westpointutah.gov)**

More information will be shared as we near an official transition date. We appreciate your understanding as we make this important change to better serve our community!

# YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE

For Veteran's Day, the Youth Council Members placed flags on the resting places of all the veterans in our West Point City Cemetery. While there, Lieutenant Colonel Ryan Mendenhall spoke to us about his own experience serving. Many people have sacrificed, some with their lives, for us and our country. It is important to remember them and everything they have done for us and our country.



THANK YOU to everyone who has served or who is currently serving our country!



Thank you for your support of the West Point City Youth Council!



## RECREATION



Contact Karly Norwood, Jen Brown, or Kelli Hughes @ 801-776-0970 for questions regarding Recreation.



Register for all activities online @ [www.westpointcity.org](http://www.westpointcity.org)

## WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL



We will once again witness the inauguration of the President of the United States of America on January 20, 2025. The President will repeat the Oath of Office as stipulated by Article II, Section I of the U. S. Constitution which reads: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States." This Oath of Office is usually administered by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The individual may then, at his option, invoke the prayer "So help me God!"

When I first enlisted in the U. S. Navy I was administered an Oath of Allegiance by the recruiter. This was repeated the next day as we were processed through Fort Douglas. This oath is as follows: "I, (state name of enlistee) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice (So help me God)." This same oath was repeated when I was sworn in as a Naval Aviation Cadet.

Following the completion of flight training, when I was commissioned, I was again sworn in, but this time the Oath of Office was a little different. It went: "I (name), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God." This oath is the same as administered to members of Congress and other federal employees. The above two oaths are the same for members entering into the Reserve Components of the Military, but the oath repeated by National Guardsmen includes a statement of loyalty to the State to which the Guard is assigned.

I took these oaths with full faith and a feeling of dedication, as did each you who have also repeated your oath of office. It is a solemn moment of dedication and though I am retired, I still hold sacred that special oath. It is a privilege to have done so. - Marv Drake, Committee Chair

LOY BLAKE PARK 3500 W 550N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE 801-825-5321



### HEALTHY WEST POINT TIP OF THE MONTH...Managing Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)

As daylight hours grow shorter, some people experience seasonal affective disorder (SAD), a type of depression triggered by seasonal changes. If you're feeling low energy, experiencing mood changes, or struggling to focus, SAD might be at play.

Here are a few tips to help brighten your days:

- **Maximize sunlight exposure:** Spend time outside during daylight hours, even on cloudy days. A short walk can do wonders.
- **Consider light therapy:** A light therapy box mimics natural sunlight and can be a powerful tool for combating winter blues.
- **Stay active and connected:** Exercise releases feel-good endorphins, and connecting with friends or joining community events can lift your mood.



Let's also remember to support each other. If you notice someone in our community who may be struggling, reach out with kindness or help them find the resources they need. Together, we can make this season easier for everyone!