



OCTOBER 2025

# WEST POINT CITY

*Official City Newsletter*

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

This is my favorite time of the year! I love the fall and am looking forward to the cooler nights and crisp autumn mornings. As great as this time of year is, the past month's events have weighed heavily on me. I have struggled with what occurred, and have been even more troubled by the way some have responded afterward. I have reflected on how easy it can be to forget the simple values that hold a community together, at both the local and national levels. It is natural to have different opinions, but those differences should never come at the cost of respect for one another. In the rush of everyday life, we sometimes jump to conclusions, assume the worst, or share information without knowing if it is true. What makes West Point strong is when we pause long enough to listen, to give one another the benefit of the doubt, and to show kindness even when we do not see things the same way. We do not all have to think alike to work together. These small efforts build trust and create the kind of community where people want to stay, raise families, and lend a hand to a neighbor in need.

In our local government, being involved in the process matters, but so does the way we engage. As the General Election approaches on November 4<sup>th</sup>, I encourage everyone to take part. Voting is a privilege and one of the most meaningful ways we contribute to the direction of our community. I hope we can all strive to focus on facts, ask questions with genuine curiosity, and avoid the temptation to spread rumors or let disagreements turn personal. The way we treat one another while navigating differences will say more about who we are as a community than the outcome of any single issue.

Another small but meaningful way we can show respect is in how we share the spaces around us. With school in full swing, we have noticed more kids riding electric bikes and scooters to school than ever before. For many families, these are definitely a practical and fun way to get around! At the same time, our sidewalks and trail system are used by joggers, parents with strollers, and neighbors out for a walk. As a friendly reminder, a little courtesy goes a long way. This includes slowing down and announcing when passing, giving space, and remembering that these paths belong to all of us. These are habits that keep everyone safe, but they also help teach our children what it means to be thoughtful citizens. I encourage everyone to take a moment to talk with your children about these habits and remind them to be safe and courteous. Thank you!

We also have opportunities this month to come together in other fun ways. Our annual Fall Clean-Up is happening October 24-25, with dumpsters placed at our city parks. It is a good opportunity to tidy up before winter and even to lend a hand to a neighbor who may need extra help with heavy lifting or hauling. We are also holding our first Fall Festival at Loy Blake Park. This outdoor event will have activities, food, and fun for every age group. Check the newsletter for dates and times. It will be a wonderful celebration that reminds us of the joy of belonging to a close-knit community. I hope to see you there!

I continue to be grateful for the privilege of serving as your mayor. The kindness, patience, and care I see from so many of you inspire me daily. If you ever want to talk or have questions, please feel free to reach out by phone, text, email, or stop by City Hall. I look forward to connecting with you soon!

*-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
O C T				01	02 Cemetery Cleaning	03	04
	05	06	07 City Council 6 PM	08	09 Planning Commission 6 PM	10	11 Fall Festival Noon- 4 PM Loy Blake Park
O B E R	12	13 Columbus Day Closed	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21 Senior Lunch 11:30 AM City Hall City Council 6 PM	22	23 Planning Commission 6 PM	24	25 -Fall Clean Up-
2 O 2 5	26	27	28	29	30	31  Halloween	

## COMING UP IN NOVEMBER...

4: General Election Day  
11: Veterans Day - Closed  
13: Planning Commission - 6 PM

18: Senior Lunch - 11:30 City Hall  
18 City Council - 6 PM  
27-28: Thanksgiving - Closed

## CODE ENFORCEMENT MESSAGE

### WINTER PARKING & SNOW REMOVAL:

With winter just around the corner, our Public Works employees are preparing to keep our roads clear of snow and ice to help make our commutes easier and keep our streets safer. We also need your help to make sure snow removal can be accomplished in the safest and most efficient manner. West Point City Code 10.05.50 (H)(3) prohibits the parking of any vehicle, trailer, recreational vehicle, etc, on streets between the hours of 1 AM -6 AM beginning November 15th and continuing until March 1st. Because of the obstruction that vehicles parked on the road cause for plowing, vehicles can even be towed at the owner's expense. Please also be aware that pushing or blowing snow onto public streets is strictly prohibited. As you clear snow, please ensure that it stays on your property. Your cooperation in helping the City handle another winter is greatly appreciated.

Please help do your part and keep West Point a beautiful and safe place to live. Contact Bruce Dopp, Code Enforcement Officer, at 801-776-0970 or [bdopp@westpointutah.gov](mailto:bdopp@westpointutah.gov)  
 Complaints may also be submitted online at [www.westpointutah.gov](http://www.westpointutah.gov)



## FALL CLEAN-UP OCTOBER 24TH-25TH

DUMPSTERS WILL BE AT EACH CITY PARK ON  
**FRIDAY, OCT. 24TH - SATURDAY, OCT 25TH**

\*LOY BLAKE PARK\*BINGHAM PARK\*EAST PARK\*  
**DO NOT PILE GARBAGE OUTSIDE OF THE DUMPSTERS!**

IF DUMPSTERS ARE FULL, PLEASE TRY ANOTHER LOCATION.  
 DUMPSTERS WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY EMPTIED. DROP OFF  
 AVAILABLE STARTING AT 7:00 AM ON FRIDAY AND WILL END  
 ON SATURDAY AT 2:00 PM.



# Fall Festival

Family Fun

October 11 | 12:00-4:00pm

At Loy Blake Park

Car Show • Food Trucks  
Trunk-or-Treat • Carnival Games  
Farmers Market with Vendors

WEST POINT ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS...



## CREEPY CANDY CREATIONS

10. 11. 25 | Noon-4pm

Loy Blake Park at the Fall Festival

- Create Halloween or Fall themed art using edible materials (candy, graham crackers, frosting, pretzels, cereal, etc.). Entries are for display only.

Whether it's a creepy cookie castle, a candy graveyard, or a marshmallow monster, we can't wait to see your frightfully fun creations!

Drop off entries between 10 AM and Noon at the West Point Arts Council booth for display—award ribbons given for originality and best use of materials.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
FOR WEST POINT'S FIRST-EVER  
**FALL FESTIVAL!**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 | 12PM - 4PM  
LOY BLAKE PARK

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY FOR A FREE DAY OF FUN:  
TRUNK-OR-TREAT AT THE CAR SHOW  
(SPONSORED BY JOHN WARNER W/ EQUITY REAL ESTATE),  
SHOP THE FARMERS MARKET, PLAY CARNIVAL GAMES  
HOSTED BY OUR MISS WEST POINT ROYALTY & YOUTH  
COUNCIL, AND ENJOY TASTY BITES FROM THE FOOD  
TRUCKS.

DON'T MISS THE CREEPY CANDY CREATIONS DISPLAY  
HOSTED BY THE ARTS COUNCIL AND BE SURE TO  
TAKE A WALK THROUGH THE STRAW MAZE  
(SPONSORED BY JOHNSTON FARMS, HAWG LAWN AND  
PUMPKIN PASSIONS).

GRAB YOUR COSTUME AND COME JOIN THE FUN!



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- Grading

# RECREATION

## JR JAZZ BASKETBALL

Registration:

**OCT 1<sup>st</sup> - NOV 15<sup>th</sup>**

Cost: \$60-\$70

(1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls)

(1<sup>st</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade boys)

Register for all activities online @  
[www.westpointutah.gov](http://www.westpointutah.gov)



## 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.**

First practice begins  
 October 22nd



JOIN WPAC BAND APP  
 FOR MORE INFO!



# WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

In 1865 the Southern States lost the last battle of the Civil War. That same year in a totally unrelated event, the French historian and abolitionist, Edouard de Laboulaye, suggested that France should present to the United States a statue commemorating the Centennial of the Declaration of Independence. They had 12 years to get it ready for the Centennial celebrations. Funding was to be by public contributions.

The statue was designed by the French sculptor Bartoldi and was made of copper sheathing and attached to a steel framework designed by Gustave Eiffel, the designer of the Paris Eiffel Tower. The Franco-Prussian War delayed progress until 1875 when final approval and planning became reality. The structure was far from complete by the 1876 Chicago Centennial Exposition, but the torch arm was on display. (This arm was not part of the final statue. That torch is on display in the Statue Museum on Liberty Island)

The statue is a figure of a classically draped woman. She holds above her head in her right hand a torch and in her left arm is a tablet inscribed, in Roman numerals, July 4th, 1776. The sculptor proposed that the French should pay for the statue (\$250,000) and the United States would select the site and build the pedestal (\$300,000). Dedication was October 28th, 1886.

At the base of the pedestal are engraved the final lines of Emma Lazarus' poem, The New Colossus, written as part of the American public fund drive:

*Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,  
 The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,  
 I lift my lamp beside the golden door.*



LOY BLAKE PARK 3500 W 550 N

COMMITTEE CHAIR: MARV DRAKE 801-825-5321

# HEALTHY WEST POINT FAMILIES



**October Theme:** Home Health & Safety

**Challenge:** Complete a home safety checklist and fill out a Family Home Emergency Plan. It's a simple but powerful way to protect your loved ones and be prepared for the unexpected.

- Walk through your home and inspect key areas like smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, first aid kits, and secure storage for hazardous items. Check that everything is in working order and up to date.
- Discuss & document important emergency details like:
  - Emergency contact numbers, meeting locations, evacuations routes, location of emergency supplies and special needs for family members.

**Resources:**

Family Emergency Plan Template (FEMA) @ [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)

**SENIOR LUNCH  
 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>  
 11:30 AM @ CITY HALL**

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

**MENU:  
 BEEF POT ROAST, POTATOES,  
 GLAZED CARROTS, BREAD AND  
 DESSERT**

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

## NOTICE: RATE INCREASE

The Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company is implementing a fee increase to the monthly secondary water rates, effective **October 1<sup>st</sup>**.

The new fees are as follows:

Property Size	Current	NEW
Up to 1/3 acre:	\$26.33	\$26.33 (same)
1/3 acre to 1/2 acre:	\$28.33	<b>\$30.33</b>
1/2 acre to 3/4 acre:	\$33.75	<b>\$37.08</b>
3/4 acre to 1 acre:	\$37.50	<b>\$41.25</b>
1 acre to 1.25 acres:	\$41.25	<b>\$45.33</b>

Thank you for your understanding! - DWCCC