

# WEST POINT CITY

## NEWSLETTER

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

**BRIAN VINCENT**  
Mayor

**GARY PETERSEN**  
Council Member

**JERRY CHATTERTON**  
Council Member

**ANNETTE JUDD**  
Council Member

**MICHELE SWENSON**  
Council Member

**BRAD LEE**  
Council Member

**KYLE LAWS**  
City Manager

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

Administrative Session - 6 PM

General Session - 7 PM

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays

Administrative Session - 6 PM

General Session - 7 PM

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As I'm sure most everyone is aware, the Winter Olympics Games were held in Beijing, China last month. It was a fun time at our house as we cheered on the athletes and watched in amazement at their abilities. I have always loved watching the Olympics and the athletes participate in their discipline. In a time of worldly turmoil with general distrust and fighting rampant, it is refreshing to have a short reprieve to champion camaradery and patriotism. I had the most incredible opportunity working the 2002 Olympic Games held in Salt Lake. One of the coolest things I remember was the sense of national pride and patriotism. Not just from Team USA, but from every team representing their country. I loved the feelings of inclusion and companionship that was palpable. Seeing opposing competitors congratulate each other on their wins is something I think we all can learn a little from.

Another thing that stood out to me was the massive amount of support each athlete had, in the form of teammates, coaches, trainers, family members, friends, etc. It was an impressive sight and inspiring feeling to see this in action. No one athlete or team won the event by themselves – they had an amazing ‘team’ behind them, pushing them to be their best. This teamwork is something I feel is present within West Point! We have assembled an all-star team at the city level with all our City Staff, at the volunteer level with people that put in countless hours of their valuable time to make the city and city events what they are, and at the elected officials’ level, who have chosen to dedicate themselves to leading our city. I feel very blessed to be allowed to rub shoulders with

all these groups. I feel it is important to recognize the ones that put in hard work, make sacrifices, and fulfill their duties with excellence to continue to make West Point the greatest city. Now, I'm sure many of you know these individuals pretty well, but I would like to take some time to “reintroduce” our newly elected City Council Members. It is important that we feel connected to them, as they are our voice and representatives we have elected.

**BRAD LEE:** My wife Kelli and I have made West Point our home for the last 20 years. We have raised our 4 kids here and our 3 grandchildren are also growing up in this wonderful city. I am honored and humbled to continue serving the amazing citizens of West Point City as a member of our City Council and pledge to represent you to the best of my ability.

For the past 13 years, I have served on the West Point City Planning Commission. That opportunity has deepened my appreciation for those who serve in our behalf and give so unselfishly to make our community better. I have been a part of some amazing changes to our city and community. My wife and I currently serve on the Party at The Point Committee for West Point's 4th of July celebration and have been for 13 years. We oversee setting up and organizing the parade, but many of you hear me each year being the voice of BINGO as we play in the park during our celebration. I have had the opportunity to get to know many of you and appreciate all you do for our city. To those who are serving, have served, or will serve in our city, I say thank you for all your efforts and sacrifice. West Point can only remain the greatest place to live if we all get involved in keeping it that way. If we each find our own little way to contribute, we will only get better.

**MICHELE SWENSON:** My family and I moved to West Point in 2007 to escape the traffic and overcrowding of East Layton. I grew up in Weber County, and am a graduate of Weber High and

Weber State. I have a degree in Political Science and History, a Secondary Education degree, a Master's in Education, and have a passion for community work and service. I work for Davis School District as a History teacher and Civics teacher. I coach Mock Trial and volunteer for the Salt Lake Arts Council as an usher. I am also a mother of five, with my youngest a Junior in high school, and a grandmother to five grandchildren. I enjoy traveling the world, game nights with friends, trying new things, learning, and music. I play the piano, enjoy the theatre, binge shows on Netflix, and love watching sports!

My goal is to work hard to keep the small town feel of West Point as I serve on the City Council, and I am excited to have been appointed as the City Council representative to the Planning Commission. I was hoping to have this assignment as I have a great interest in the zoning and future development of West Point. Some of the key issues I am concerned about is the infrastructure in our city (such as transportation and the water system), the impact of development on our schools, safety concerns with traffic and our “country” roads, our trails, and how we go forward with our city planning and development. All of these reasons pushed me to run for City Council and I am eager to serve.

Again, I feel everyone needs a voice in the city and we have a wonderful City Council that we elected to help lead us into the future. Challenges will arise, disagreements are inevitable, and hard choices will be made, but together – as a team – we will be successful!

Should you have any concern or questions, please, please reach out to me or any of the Council Members to make sure your voice is heard. Thank you for all you do to make this City great!

- Mayor Brian Vincent

# SENIOR LUNCH

Each month West Point City holds a lunch for Seniors 55 and older. The cost is \$2.00 per person and both residents and non-residents are welcome to join!



**MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
**@ 11:30 AM**

**RSVP by 11:30 AM on March 18<sup>th</sup>**

You must RSVP to reserve your spot!  
 Call City Hall at 801-776-0970  
 to let us know you are coming!

**MENU**  
 Beef Stew  
 Bread  
 Pistachio Salad  
 Dessert

# CITY CALENDAR

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
<b>M</b>			1 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	2	3	4	5	
	6	7	8	9	10 PLANNING COMMISSION 6 PM	11	12	
	13 DAYLIGHT SAVING SET YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD!	14	15 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	16	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY!	18	19	
	20	21 SENIOR LUNCH 11:30 AM	22	23	24 PLANNING COMMISSION 6 PM	25	26	
	27	28	29	30	31			
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# YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE

This past month, the West Point City Youth Council celebrated Valentine's Day by making cards for the residents at Family Tree Assisted Living. The YC enjoyed putting smiles on the residents' faces! Some Youth Council members are also preparing to go on a leadership retreat at Utah State University in March!

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

- Lydia Merrill  
 Youth Council City Recorder



## COMING UP IN APRIL...

- 1** • APRIL FOOL'S DAY
- 5** • CITY COUNCIL - 6 PM
- 11** • SENIOR LUNCH - 11:30 AM
- 14** • PLANNING COMMISSION - 6 PM
- 16** • EASTER EGG HUNT - 10 AM SHARP!
- 17** • EASTER SUNDAY
- 19** • CITY COUNCIL - 6 PM
- 22** • EARTH DAY
- 28** • PLANNING COMMISSION - 6PM

# RESIDENT NEWS

## JULY 4TH PARTY AT THE POINT

Apply to be a vendor, parade participant or stage entertainer for our July 4th celebration!

Registrations open at 10:00 A.M. on March 1st at [www.westpointcity.org/register!](http://www.westpointcity.org/register!)

If you have questions, please contact Community Events Specialist, Emily Miller: [emiller@westpointcity.org](mailto:emiller@westpointcity.org) or 801-614-5347.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

## INOPERABLE VEHICLE ORDINANCE

West Point City Ordinance 8.15.030(B) (22) is intended to prevent the accumulation or inoperable and/or unregistered vehicles, boats, trailers, recreational vehicles and/or vehicle parts in residents' yards, driveways, side yards or City streets. Inoperable vehicles are defined as "unregistered vehicles for operation on public roads by the State of Utah or any other state that has expired over a period of four months, or vehicles that are wrecked, damaged, or otherwise lacking in essential parts or equipment for safe and lawful travel on public roads." Any inoperable or unlicensed vehicle must be removed from your property, or stored in a completely enclosed structure or behind a six-foot opaque fence.

Please call or email 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)

## SECONDARY WATER UPDATE

The past two water seasons have been challenging to say the least, with extreme/exceptional drought designations. The current water year has been a mixed bag in the sense of some good storms one month, then very little the next. The current snowpack is near average, but we need more due to the low reservoir storage. We hope Mother Nature will bring much more snow and precipitation to the mountains and the valley as we gear up for another water season.

Remember to ensure your system is secure and ready for service by March 28<sup>th</sup> prior to us pressurizing the system (we may delay pressurizing depending on water supply). **HOWEVER - THERE IS OFTEN NO NEED TO WATER UNTIL MAY! PLEASE STRIVE TO ONLY WATER YOUR YARD BASED ON "NEED."** Visit [www.davisweber.org](http://www.davisweber.org) for more updates and information on how you can help conserve water!

## Apply to be a Miss West Point Pageant Participant

Registration runs  
March 1st - April 14th.

Orientation is Thursday, April 6th.  
MWP Pageant is June 4th.

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



## LOCAL BUSINESSES

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN DONATING COUPONS OR IN-KIND ITEMS FOR OUR CITY'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT?

PLEASE CONTACT EMILY MILLER AT [EMILLER@WESTPOINTCITY.ORG](mailto:EMILLER@WESTPOINTCITY.ORG) IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE OR WANT MORE INFORMATION. THANK YOU!

## Parks, Recreation & Trails Master Plan

The time has come for West Point City to develop its first Parks, Recreation & Trails Master Plan!

Check out [westpointparks.org](http://westpointparks.org) for more information on the planning process.

Please take our survey to give us your input!

# RECREATION

## CO-ED SPRING SOCCER

REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 5<sup>th</sup>!



COST:  
\$40

AGE:  
Pre-K - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

REGISTER ONLINE AT  
[www.westpointcity.org/recreation](http://www.westpointcity.org/recreation)

Contact Kelly Ross at  
801-529-3352 or  
Karly Norwood at  
801-564-7701  
for more information on  
recreation activities!

## Baseball, Softball & T-Ball Registration is OPEN!

Register online at

[www.westpointcity.org/recreation](http://www.westpointcity.org/recreation)



# WATER CONSERVATION

The West Point City Water Conservation Plan has recently been updated. To view the plan go to this website: <https://www.westpointcity.org/engineering>. Thanks for doing your part to conserve water. Here's to hoping for a good winter!

# STORM WATER POLLUTION

The Davis County Storm Water Coalition is a group of city representatives, companies, and citizens collaborating together to improve the storm water quality in Davis County. The Coalition aims to improve and maintain Davis County's storm water quality because it directly impacts important bodies of water, such as the Great Salt Lake.

Together, the Coalition hopes to achieve mutual goals by sharing information and resources, educating the public, and coordinating activities in Davis County. The Coalition addresses all pollutants but focuses on pollution involving silt & sediment, construction waste, fertilizers, pesticides, oils & fuels, and trash & debris.

For more information about storm water, household hazardous waste, or pollution prevention, or to find contact information for your city storm water representative, follow this QR code or go to the following website: <http://www.co.davis.ut.us/publicworks/storm-water-coalition>

Thank you for doing your part to keep our water as sanitary as possible!

## BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD POLY PLATFORM!

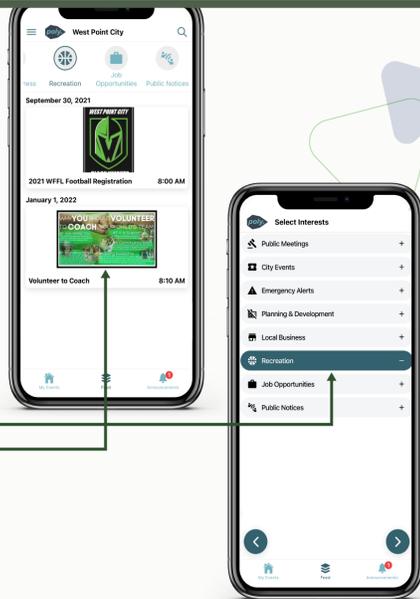
Add the PolyPlatform App for all recreation updates and information!  
Follow the directions below to download!

### How to Download Poly Platform

1. Go to <https://getpolyplatform.com/download-poly>
2. If you have an iPhone, click on "iOS" navigate to the App Store.
3. If you have an android, click on "Android" to navigate to the Google Play Store.
4. Download Poly Platform
5. Create an account using your email address
6. Verify your email

### How to Navigate the Poly Platform Mobile App

1. Select the West Point City logo
2. Select your interests
3. Click on an activity
4. Click "Add to My Events"
5. On the right-hand side of the graphic, include the wire-frames attached below.



# WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

The song of the United States Coast Guard is the only one incorporating the service's motto. The words for the song, "Semper Paratus" (Always Ready), were written by Coast Guard Captain Francis Saltus van Boskerck in 1922. He composed the tune in 1927 and the song was registered with the Library of Congress-by the Captain-in 1928. The version now used was adopted in 1943. With five verses, it is the longest of the six service songs. Mid lead lines in stanzas two, four, and five are the words which many think are those with which the song actually begins, "Semper Paratus is our guide." And each of those verses ends with the words: "Aye! Coast Guard, we are for you."

The Air Force song is older than the Force itself, since its origin goes back to before WWII when the U.S. Air Force was the Army Air Corps. It was first introduced at the Cleveland Air Races in 1939. Originally titled, "Army Air Corps," when the Air Corps was renamed the Army Air Force in early 1941, the song title was changed accordingly. Then, in 1947 when the Army Air Force became a separate service the title again changed and is now, "The U.S. Air Force."

The United States Space Force, which first saw the light of day as a separate service in 2018, has no official song. A group of young performers in Southern Florida recently submitted an "anthem" they had written, which could well become that Space Force song. Its first two lines are: *"To the Moon, to Mars, Into space, Far beyond,"*

Only time will tell if that is to be their official song. Next month we will discuss the services mottos.

On a different note, the company that did the original granite work on the memorial and added new veteran names each year has gone out of business. Requests for bids from other companies have led to costs ranging from five times to ten times what we were paying. We presently have 20 names to add. These names will be added, however, at \$25.00 per name-the old cost-that would be \$500.00. The lowest bid we received was for \$125.00 per name. At that rate, we would have to pay \$2,500.00 to add these names. We have limited funds left from the construction, and, unfortunately, we must also maintain the flags at the memorial, which can cost over \$200 per year. We may one day have to charge to add names.

We appreciate your support. Thanks!



**LOY BLAKE PARK**  
550 N 3500 W  
**COMMITTEE CHAIR:**  
**MARV DRAKE**