

WEST POINT CITY

NEWSLETTER

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Council Member

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City Manager

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Administrative Session - 6 PM

General Session - 7 PM

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

2nd and 4th Thursdays

Administrative Session - 6 PM

General Session - 7 PM

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Summer! The longer days, warm summer nights, BBQ's with friends and family, baseball games at the park, family vacations, and all the other wonderful activities make this a great time of year. I hope you all have fun plans and have a great time doing them.

A special CONGRATULATIONS to all of our Seniors that graduated this year - what an accomplishment and achievement! You are well on your way to bigger and better things. I hope you were able to enjoy your time in high school and will take those life lessons we all learned during that time to help make the very best of your adult lives going forward. We anticipate great things from you.

As summer ramps up, so does the heat. (*I'm already longing for the cool autumn weather, which is where my wife and I differ - she so loves the heat, and I'm the lover of cooler temperatures.*) As the temperatures increase, our secondary watering efficiency will need to improve. I know I have talked about the drought situation plenty and I don't want to beat a dead horse, however, I have received a handful of emails and City Hall has fielded multiple calls about the "Flip Your Strip" rebate program and I'd like to share some information about it with all of you this month.

The Weber Basin Water Conservatory District ("Weber Basin") has started a program they are calling "Flip Your Strip." The basic premise of the program is that they are offering a monetary rebate to incentivize residents to remove the grass in their park strips and replace it with water-wise vegetation .

As park strips are generally not areas that are watered very efficiently, as sprinklers often overspray onto the road or sidewalk, replacing the grass is a great method to help with water conservation. While there are different types of irrigation systems that can water more efficiently, a lot of study and research has gone into the issue and the simple conclusion is that a lot of water is wasted on maintaining grass park strips. This seems to be commonly agreed upon, and many residents have questioned if West Point is participating in this program.

In order for a resident to participate, one of the caveats of the program is that their city is required to formally adopt the program. Adopting the program requires the city to amend its code to include specific ordinances dictated by Weber Basin. Wanting to learn more about the program and its potential benefits to residents, last year our City Council toured Weber Basin's facility, including the "learning gardens" where they were taught about water-wise plants and vegetation, and attended a presentation and Q&A session to educate themselves on the program and its requirements. City Staff also met with Weber Basin officials to make sure they understood the program.

After an in-depth discussion at a subsequent City Council meeting, the Council ultimately decided that the requirements (or honestly, more like the restrictions) of the program were just too heavy and burdensome - there was too much "exactness" to qualify for the full rebate. Further, it would require a change to City Code to restrict the park strip options for incoming residents and also place (expensive) requirements on the types of plumbing fixtures for new homes, remodels, additions, etc.

Now FYI, our current Code does NOT require park strips to be landscaped in a particular way. We hope it is done in a well-planned and attractive manner, but property owners have the right to landscape their park strip as they see fit; you are more than welcome to install water-wise plants, decorative rocks, concrete, or whatever you would like - even grass if you desire - and a drip irrigation system. Trees can also be planted, but City Code does only allow certain types in order to help preserve sidewalks, curb and gutters, and prevent safety issues from branches that hang out too far.

In summary, there are definitely options to 'flip your strip' yourself, but it will not be a part of any program or rebate incentive. I understand and respect the Council's decision and reason for choosing not to participate and I hope I was able to explain and/or clarify why we are not doing so. However, we encourage anyone that is wanting to change the landscaping of their park strip in an effort to conserve water to do so and commend you for your desire to be a part of the solution.

On a quick closing note, I would feel remiss if I didn't give a big thank you to all those who participated in Take Pride in West Point Day last month - both residents and our awesome City Staff. Bingham and East Parks were well-benefitted and not only look amazing, but are safer places to play because of the work done. Thank you again!

Please feel free to email or call if you have any questions or concerns.

I hope to see you on July 4th at our Party at the Point Celebration!

- Mayor Brian Vincent

CITY CALENDAR

COMING UP IN JULY ...

- 2** • Party at the Point! 3v3 B-Ball @ 5PM-12AM
- 4** • **PARTY AT THE POINT!!**
- 5** • CITY HALL CLOSED
- 11** • SENIOR LUNCH - 11:30 AM
- 14** • PLANNING COMMISSION - 6 PM
- 16** • MOVIE IN THE PARK/FOOD TRUCKS
- 19** • CITY COUNCIL - 6 PM
- 25** • PIONEER DAY HOLIDAY - CITY HALL CLOSED
- 28** • PLANNING COMMISSION - 6 PM

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 MISS WEST POINT PAGEANT! SHS @ 7 PM
5	6 SENIOR LUNCH 11:30 AM	7 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	8	9 PLANNING COMMISSION 6 PM	10 MOVIE IN THE PARK! 7:30	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 JUNETEENTH	20 JUNETEENTH OBSERVED CITY HALL CLOSED	21 CITY COUNCIL 6 PM	22	23 PLANNING COMMISSION 6 PM	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2 PARTY AT THE POINT: 3v3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

SENIOR LUNCH

JUNE 6TH @ 11:30 AM

RSVP by 11:30 AM on June 3rd

Meet us at Loy Blake Park for a Hawaiian Cookout!

You must RSVP! Call City Hall at 801-776-0970

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

JUNE'S MENU:

Grilled Hawaiian Chicken | Rice | Pineapple | Dessert

DATE CHANGE!
LOCATION CHANGE!



YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE



For the Youth Council's May activity, we got together for a Movie Night at City Hall, where we ate treats and watched The Greatest Showman. We have also started to prepare for the Party at the Point Celebration on July 4th and are excited to serve and participate in this awesome event!

We are now accepting applications to join the 2022-2023 Youth Council! If you are interested, you can find the Application online at www.westpointcity.org or at City Hall

Thank you for your support of the West Point City Youth Council!
- Lydia Merrill, Youth Council City Recorder

CODE ENFORCEMENT MESSAGE

WEEDS = FIRE HAZARD

Weeds are not only unattractive, but they pose a definite fire hazard as well! Weeds growing in front and side yards are commonly reported to the City and are dealt with under Code Enforcement procedures. But some weeds, especially those in the back yard, are not quite as visible and can go unnoticed during normal Code Enforcement patrol. Unfortunately, many residents ignore their backyard weeds. These weeds not only encourage rodent and insect populations, but are a fire hazard to the residence and surrounding neighbors. This is especially true during the fireworks season. Please help us to keep West Point a safe and beautiful place to live by keeping your weeds cut down and maintaining your yard.

DROUGHT & WATERING RESTRICTIONS

PLEASE SEE THE BACK PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE **WATER RESTRICTIONS** THAT ARE IN PLACE & INFORMATION REGARDING **LANDSCAPING**. Thank you for your cooperation as we deal with these difficult times! Please call or email Bruce Dopp, Code Enforcement Officer at 801-776-0970 or bdopp@westpointcity.org. Complaints may also be submitted via the City website at www.westpointcity.org

CITY EVENTS & RESIDENT NEWS

STAY
UP-TO-DATE
ON ALL THINGS
WEST POINT!



ART CONTEST

OPEN TO ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.
THE WINNING PIECE WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE PARTY AT THE POINT CELEBRATION - 1ST, 2ND & 3RD PLACE IN BOTH AGE GROUPS. THE 1ST PLACE PIECES WILL BE DISPLAYED AT CITY HALL FOR 1 YEAR. ALL OTHER PIECES CAN BE PICKED UP AT CITY HALL AFTER JULY 7TH.

- Work restricted to 2-dimensional, any medium.
 - Artwork must have been created since July 4, 2021.
 - Entries must not exceed 16x20.
 - No portraits will be accepted.
 - No names or any identifying marks may appear on the front of the piece.
- All entries must be submitted with an application attached to the back. Applications can be found at www.westpointcity.org.
- Only the first 20 entries will be accepted.
 - Artwork must be turned in by 5pm on June 23rd.

If you have any questions, please contact Emily Miller at emiller@westpointcity.org.



JULY 4TH EVENT REGISTRATIONS

- Horseshoe Tournament
- 4v4 Volleyball Tournament
- 3v3 Basketball Tournament
- Golf Tournament
- 5K Run/2-mile Walk
- Parade
- Vendor Booths
- Baby Contest

westpointcity.org/register



June 10th at Loy Blake Park
Movie Begins at Dusk.
Come early for FOOD TRUCKS and FUN!

Miss West Point
Scholarship Pageant
SATURDAY
JUNE 4
7:00 PM
Syracuse High School
Auditorium
Tickets are \$3.00 each & are available from any contestant

Party at the POINT

Our Annual Independence Day Celebration will be held on Monday, July 4th!
Check out the Party at the Point Event Flyer included with your utility bill!

JUNE 28
PRIMARY ELECTION
In a Primary Election, Party Affiliation Matters!
If you want to vote in the Democratic Primary you must be registered Democratic or registered as Unaffiliated and request a Democratic ballot.
If you want to vote in the Republican Primary you must be registered Republican.
Learn about the Candidates & Check your Voter Registration @ www.DavisVotes.com
Vote and return your ballot when it arrives the week of June 7, 2022 or at a Polling Location On June 28th!

MARCHING MUSKRATS

Are you interested in being a member of West Point's marching band that participates in the July 4th Parade?
If you are interested, please email marchingmuskrats@westpointcity.org and include the instrument you play, years played, your name and phone number.

Please call 801-791-2110 for more information.

RECREATION

Contact Kelly Ross @ 801-529-3352 or Karly Norwood @ 801-564-7701 for questions regarding Recreation Programs

BASKETBALL CAMP

GIRLS: JUNE 13, 14, 15
BOYS: JUNE 20, 21, 22

WHO: 2ND-5TH GRADERS (2021-2022 school year)
COST: \$20
REGISTRATION: MAY 9TH-JUNE 5TH

Register at www.westpointcity.org/register



WFFL Football

2nd Grade - 9th Grade
(2022/2023 school year)
Registration Dates: May 31 - July 1
Season Dates: August 1 - October 28
Cost: \$130.00

Register at www.westpointcity.org/register



SOCCER CAMP

LOY BLAKE PARK

- REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 6TH
- CAMP DATES: JUNE 27, 28, 29
- COST: \$20 PER CHILD
- GRADES K-5

REGISTER AT WWW.WESTPOINTCITY.ORG/REGISTER



WATER CONDITIONS: SEVERE DROUGHT DESIGNATION!

The Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company ("DWCC") owns the secondary/irrigation water system and provides this service to several cities in northern Davis County,

WATER RESTRICTION INFORMATION

WATERING DAYS

House Numbers Ending In:	Designated Water Day(s):
0, 1, 2, 3	MONDAY and THURSDAY
4, 5, 6	TUESDAY and FRIDAY
7, 8, 9	WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY

WATER USAGE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT WATER BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10 AM - 6 PM • WATER ONLY ONCE (ONE CYCLE) ON YOUR SCHEDULED DAY* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WATER ONLY TWICE PER WEEK FROM MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY • WATER ONLY ONCE PER WEEK FROM LABOR DAY TO OCTOBER 1ST • CYCLE DURATION: 20 MIN. FOR POP-UP HEADS
40 MIN. FOR ROTOR HEADS |
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ONLY WATER BASED ON ACTUAL NEED!

PLEASE CALL DAVIS & WEBER COUNTIES CANAL COMPANY DIRECTLY FOR ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING SECONDARY WATER @: 801-774-6373

A MESSAGE FROM DWCC:

As we all know, we are in a **SEVERE DROUGHT DESIGNATION**. Further, we will most likely become in extreme status if the current climate continues!

Please reduce your secondary water use and limit watering to the following restrictions:

Memorial Day to Labor Day: 2 times/week

Labor Day - *October 1st: 1 time/week

PLEASE REFER TO THE INSET SCHEDULE FOR

YOUR DESIGNATED WATERING DAYS

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE only water based on actual need and do all you can to reduce your water use.

LANDSCAPING:

Due to watering restrictions, new residential landscaping which includes sod and live plants is highly discouraged for 2022, and such landscaping is still subject

to all watering restrictions. City ordinances requiring such landscaping will NOT be enforced for 2022. If residents desire to install Xeriscaping using rock and other acceptable ground cover a landscaping permit is required. Such permit is available online or at the City office.

Thank you for your efforts in conserving this precious resource!

Visit www.conservewater.utah.gov for some great conservation tips and information!

WEST POINT MILITARY MEMORIAL

LOY BLAKE PARK

3500 W 550 N
COMMITTEE CHAIR
MARV DRAKE - 801.825.5321

In June last year, I shared some details of the events of D-Day, 1944. This year, I would like to go back to two years previously in 1942, when two battles took place in the Pacific which had major impacts in the war against Japan: the Coral Sea Battle in May and the Battle for Midway Island in June. These events would culminate in what is generally considered the turning point of the War in the Pacific.

The Coral Sea engagement was for us a tactical defeat as we lost more ships than Japan, but was also a strategic victory because a planned Japanese invasion of Port Moresby in New Guinea was turned back. The Battle for Midway Island would turn out to be a total debacle for the Japanese. Of the six Japanese carriers involved in the December raid on Pearl Harbor, one had limped back to Japan for repairs following the Coral Sea Battle, one was part of the diversionary raid against the Aleutian Islands, and the remaining four formed the strike force against Midway and would be lost.

But in the minds of the Japanese planners this would be a slam dunk. They thought the USS Yorktown had been sunk in the Coral Sea and the only two other known carriers were thought to be anchored in Pearl Harbor. Accordingly, they sent a squadron of 12 submarines to form a cordon across the route

from Hawaii to Midway. Unfortunately, their intelligence of our position was limited while our knowledge of their plans was really quite complete. The damaged Yorktown had limped back to Pearl Harbor from the Coral Sea and received emergency repairs. All three carriers sortied early and were already in a defensive position North of Midway, and on the morning of June 5th, both sides set out, but we saw them first. A detailed blow-by-blow description of the exchange is not possible here, but suffice it to say that when the dust cleared, Japan was short four carriers, a large cruiser, a destroyer, and a submarine. Gone with the carriers were over 250 aircraft and most of their crews, as well as several thousand sailors, a loss from which they would never fully recover.

An important detail is the fact that these two battles constitute the first time in history that two major fleets engaged each other without the combatant ships ever actually seeing each other. All contact was between aircraft. And for us it was **both** a tactical and a strategic victory.

CALLING ALL VETERANS!

If you have served in any service, Active, Guard, or Reserve, we need you on the Veterans Float in the July 4th Parade! Meet us at the Stake Center @ 2300 W 550 N at 7:45 AM!

