



Elk Ridge Bugle

July 2009

Mayor's Message

We have had a very wet spring this year. The rain has made things greener, but as a result has perpetuated growth on all of the trees and weeds. The City has cut the weeds on all of their easements in order to be prepared for the FIRE season that is coming within the next couple of weeks. Remember to cut the weeds on your property. If they are over twelve inches tall, they are considered a nuisance and you will need to cut them down. Plus, cutting them down helps the community to be more attractive.

What a storm we had on the 20th of June. According to two of our residents that have rain gauges, an average of 1.5" inches of rain fell in a short time. That amount of rain overwhelmed some areas of town. At least six homes had water enter the basements and in many parts of town, the roads were left with dirt and debris carried there by the rain water. We will be looking at all of the issues in order to determine what can be done and if anything can be done to remedy the problem. This will take some time and in some cases could require money that the City does not have. Thank goodness those types and intensity of storms do not come except once every 25 to 50 years.

Thanks to the volunteers that have put time into cleaning and beautifying the community. Roads were swept, weeds removed from the park flowers, weeds cut from roadsides and clutter picked up along

the roads. It looks very nice and has brought a more pleasant visual beauty to the community. The remaining volunteer Saturdays are July 11th and August 8th. A list of needs will be posted on the city window and if you desire to help, you can pick and choose an item by looking at the list. We would like to track the hours that are donated to the City and encourage you to call the office during business hours and let us know what you or your group has done. Thanks again for helping make your community a more beautiful place to be.

July 1st thru July 15th is the window to file for the two Council positions and the Mayor position. If you want to be a part of the active body that looks after this City, then come into the City office and file for one of the jobs. There is no filing fee. Good luck to those of you who accept the wonderful challenge to do something and be active in municipal government. It is worth it and rewarding to be a part of things in these challenging times.

The qualifications to be a candidate are:

1. *Be a United States citizen at time of filing.*
2. *Be a registered voter of the municipality.*
3. *Be a resident of the municipality or a resident of the recently annexed area for 12 consecutive months.*
4. *If elected from a council district, the person must be a resident of the council district.*
5. *To not be a convicted felon*

Election Judges needed for the upcoming fall election.

There will be a paid training class to help you be prepared. If you are interested, please contact the city office for more information.

Business License Reminder

If you are currently conducting any kind of business from your home, you are required to have a business license from the City. A possible inspection by the fire chief may be required, depending on the type of business.

According to the Elk Ridge City Code Title 3-1-3: BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIRED; PENALTY:

It shall be a class B misdemeanor, subject to penalty as provided in section [1-4-1](#) of this code, for any person to transact, engage in or carry on any business, trade, profession, calling or to operate a vending, pinball or coin operated machine without first receiving the class or type of license required by the city. (Ord. 91-5-22-11, 5-22-1991, eff. 5-22-1991; amd. 2003 Code)

A Business License Application is available at the City office, and can be picked up during regular business hours. There is a \$45.00 yearly charge for your license. If you should begin your business after July 1st, you will only be required to pay half the fee.



Sheriff's Corner

Summer is now in full swing with activities happening everywhere.

Last week we had several children graduate from the **Summer Radkids Program** which was offered over the past few weeks. Some of you might have notice the yelling in the city park in the early mornings, but they all learned valuable safety skills which can last a life time. If you see some of these children around your city please congratulate them for a job well done. They all seemed to have a good time, and of course the pizza party is always a hit.

Thanks to the Elk Ridge City Council and Fire Department for their support, Julie Haskell and Joann Bigler, who read short stories. It is the quality of people like this, and their contributions, no matter how big or small, that change lives forever. **Thank You so much!!**



FRAUD!!!!

As I have mentioned in the past, it seems we continue to have several people to respond to letters, emails, and phone calls requesting interaction about money being exchanged. I have not heard of one success story from any of these types of letters. Please do not respond to them you will loose your money and you then will end up owing your bank the money because of the check or money order not being valid.

Again, DO NOT RESPOND TO THESE!!!!

ILLEGAL FIREWORKS!

The use of illegal fireworks will be enforced this year. It is your responsibility to know the law. Here is a short preview. Three days before a legal holiday and three days after. This year NO Fireworks allowed on or around the 24th of July. They will be illegal in Elk Ridge. The fine for possession or using illegal fireworks is about \$600.00, it's your decision.

Voice your proactive concerns directly to me at: jt195@yahoo.com. Just include location of the concern. All others please call dispatch at 851-4100, and report the incident there. I will return your email as soon as possible and you will remain anonymous. Thank You!

The 2009 Elk Ridge City Parade was the best ever!

We are grateful that the storm ended in time. Thanks to those who made floats to share with everyone. The winners this year were:

**First Place – the Harvey Family
Second Place – the Barton Family
Third Place – the Brown – Hiatt Family**

Our sponsors contribute to the success of the parade and make prizes available for the float winners. Thanks to these wonderful sponsors:

Fat Jack's Pizza	Cheyne Gunnerson DMD
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Gladstan Golf Course	Freeway Fencing
Wal-mart	Mountain View Fam.
Olson's Garden	Pharmacy
Shoppe	Nebo Agency
Wash-n-Wag	

Special thanks go to the SHHS Drum Line and the Utah County Sheriff's Office.

ELK RIDGE RECREATION:

Thanks to all the coaches that made spring soccer and T-ball possible!! We really appreciate your sacrifice. Thanks to all of you that supported our snack shack. Last year we raised enough money to buy the new kindergarten goalie nets. The money raised this spring will be used to purchase storage containers for the sports equipment.

FALL SOCCER

It is time again for fall soccer registration. Games will be starting the end of August. You can sign up at the city office or at Kara Cook's house (91 West Hudson Lane.) Sign-up forms are also on the Elk Ridge Recreation blog. (Please don't print them directly from your computer screen, cut and paste them into another program first.) Early registration will be until July 31st. After July, you will have to pay the regular fee.

Fall Soccer Fees

Fee		
Kindergarten	\$20	\$25
1st-6th grade	\$25	\$30
	Early Fee	Regular

If you need a reversible jersey, they can be purchased for \$10 (\$11 for adult sizes). E-mail Kara Cook at wkcook@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Daughters of Utah Pioneers are forming a "camp" here in Elk Ridge. If you are interested in joining, come to our first meeting, Wednesday, July 15 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Sandy Osburn's home 370 N Loafer Drive. If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Crawford (801) 465-0323 or

Sandy Osburn (801) 423-2613. DUP was organized in 1901 by Annie Taylor Hyde because she "...felt deeply impressed with the importance and desirability of the children of pioneers becoming associated together, in some kind of organization which would have for its object the cementing together in bonds of friendship and love the descendants" of the early pioneers.

County Fair is Car Crazy

Utah County Fair will feature two wildly different car events. Custom paint, well appointed interiors and shiny chrome will be on exhibit at the car and motorcycle cruise-in and show. Stripped down, reinforced, banged-up behemoths will battle it out at the Demolition Derby.

In addition to the Demolition Derby, the Utah County Fair will host a cruise-in plus a car and motorcycle show, August 14 at 5 p.m. and will continue until 9 p.m. on the grassy area to the east of the open class display building. JC Hackett, master of ceremonies will give out awards, dash plaques and trophies. There is no registration fee and no admission fee.

Tickets for the Demolition Derby are on sale at all Utah County Maceys stores. All seats are reserved. Early purchase tickets are Adults \$10 and Kids \$7; day of the event Adults \$12, kids 9. For people who like to "drive it like a rental" registration is open to compete in the Demolition Derby online at www.utcdemoderby.com. Entry fee \$40 ; \$25 Powder Puff entry fee. For questions about the derby send email to info@utcdemoderby.com

The Utah County Fair opens August 12 through 15 at the Spanish Fork Fairgrounds. Free parking. Free admission. Many free family events, entertainment and demonstrations. For more information go to www.utahcountyonline.org/Dept/CountyFair/

