

ELK RIDGE BUGLE

JULY 2010



MEETINGS

City Council

July 13 & 27 6 pm

Planning Commission

July 8 Cancelled

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CITY CELEBRATION

The City Celebration was very successful. It was well attended, and all had fun. Some highlights were the parade, the mayor's dinner, and the helicopter rides and ping pong ball drop. Our sincere thanks to Council Member Derrek Johnson and his wife, Sandy, who planned, organized, and provided this outstanding activity for all of our citizens. Few of us realize the work involved to put it all together. Many volunteers assisted the Johnsons—Council Member Erin Clawson was heavily involved, Connie Reece organized the parade, and numerous others made it all possible. Special thanks go to the Fire Department for hosting yet another wonderful breakfast. A hearty THANK YOU to everyone who participated in giving us this celebration to remember and to all who attended.

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NEW ELK RIDGE SIGN

A Welcome to Elk Ridge City sign is being installed on Loafer Canyon Road. It is beautiful and similar to the sign at Elk Ridge Drive and Goosenest. Landscaping around the base will be completed soon. We appreciate the workmanship and the effort to construct it. Our thanks and congratulations to Chase Wilson for his Eagle Scout project. It will serve the community well for many years.



CATCH THE SPIRIT

Catch the Spirit of Elk Ridge is manifesting itself as citizens continue to come forward to help with various activities. One huge project was to clean up the City flower beds and plant some new plants. Council Member Erin Clawson orchestrated and worked very hard on this project; please note the beautiful results in front of the office and around the park. There is much yet to be done; please let us know how you could help.

Fire Hazard

Many citizens are in the process of mowing the tall grass and weeds on their property to alleviate the impending fire hazard they will present. We are grateful for your keeping the vegetation cut to 4 inches within 30 feet of structures. We encourage everyone to take care of their responsibilities to help prevent fire hazards during this very dry season. Please report anything that needs our attention at 801.423.2300. Thanks to everyone for working together for the good of our city.

Look, Listen, and Report

Help Stop Vandalism in your neighborhood! Report all vandalism to the Utah County Sheriff at 801.851.4100. If you see or hear anything that does not seem right, make the call!! Get to know your neighbors and their children. Offer to watch their home while they are away. Let us make Elk Ridge a safer place to live. Join us and start a Neighborhood Watch. Sign up today!

—June Christensen 801.798.9490

Curfew

If you see anything irregular or anyone around the City office, playground, pavilion, or park after 11 pm, please call Dispatch at 801.851.4100 to have an officer check it out—those areas are closed from 11pm to 5 am. If you know of break-ins, thefts, or other vandalism, please call Dispatch; unreported events lead to more. We are already having positive results from alert citizen reports. (Please see the last page of this *Bugle* about a sizable cash reward for information regarding the playground fire.)

Adopt a Piece of the Park



Please consider adopting a section of the City park to keep neat and free of weeds. Council Member Erin Clawson is dividing the park flower beds into small areas that

can be maintained by one or more persons as a contribution to the City. Please contact her through the City office for details.

FROM THE SHERIFF

Fireworks

Reminder, with the Fourth of July approaching, all illegal fireworks will be confiscated and violators may be cited. Legal fireworks will only be allowed July 1–7. **No fireworks at all will be allowed in Elk Ridge City after July 7.**

General Fireworks Guidelines

Specifically Permitted: Cylindrical and cone fountains (effects no higher than 15'), wheels with no more than 6 drivers, ground spinners, flitter sparklers, smoke devices, wire sparklers under 12' in length, party poppers, trick noisemakers, ground chasers that do not travel more than 10' laterally, snakes, and glow worms. Samples must be tested by the State Fire Marshal and be listed on a published list of approved fireworks.

Specifically Prohibited: Firecrackers, cannon crackers, salutes, cherry bombs, bottle rockets, roman candles, aerial fireworks that have effects higher than 15', and chasers, whistlers, or other devices that travel more than 10' laterally on a smooth surface or exceed 15' in height when discharged. For specific questions please refer to Utah Code Annotated, Sections 53-7-201 through 53-7-226.

Safe Driving

Congratulations to those residents of Elk Ridge that diligently pay attention while driving, observe posted speed limit signs, and make full and complete stops at all posted stop signs. You are keeping the road safe for all pedestrians and other drivers. Please know that due to recent enforcement, speeding and stop sign violations have decreased. We **thank you all** for driving safely.

\$50 Reward . . .

for the safe return of 11 mission style lights taken from our yard on June 4th

—Ken and June Christensen 801.798.9490

Lost and Found

Several items, including a camera and car keys, were found at the City Celebration. Please check with the City office.



Float Winners

Thanks to all those who helped to make the 2010 Elk Ridge Parade a success! The winners of this year's float contest:

First Place

Davis, Christensen, and Kendall
Family Recycling Float

Second Place

Apple Tree Preschool Float

Third Place

Cheyne Gunnerson, DMD, Patriotic Float

Plan on making a float for next year's parade. Our sponsors contribute to the success of the parade and make prizes available to the winners and participants. Here are this year's parade sponsors:

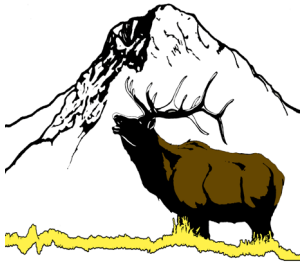
- Mountain View Family Pharmacy
- Freeway Fencing/ Freeway Propane
- Abbott Insurance
- Kevin J. Reece, DDS
- Kneadin' Bread
- Olson's Garden Shoppe
- Karen's Calligraphy and Art
- Domino's Pizza
- Penrod's Car Wash
- Fat Jack's Pizza
- Gladstan Golf Course
- Wash-n-Wag
- Papa Murphy's Pizza

A special thanks goes to the Utah County Sheriff's Office for traffic control.

—Connie Reece



REWARD



Elk Ridge City is offering a **cash reward** for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual(s) involved in the vandalism of the Elk Ridge City park. If you have any information, please contact the Utah County Sheriff's Office at 801.851.4100.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

We want to thank everyone that supported the Fire Department breakfast and the entire City Celebration. It is great to get out and rub shoulders with everyone living here.

With the wet spring, the grass is high and the fire danger will be extremely high during the remainder of the summer. Fireworks will be allowed for the July 4th holiday but NOT for July 24. Remember that they are only permitted from three days before until three days after the holiday. There is an approved fireworks list at the City office; the rule of thumb is that fireworks sold in Utah are the only ones approved. Using fireworks properly is also a key point, as fireworks used in an inappropriate manner are also illegal. Here are a few tips to make things much safer when you use fireworks:

1. Have a water hose and nozzle ready and turned on just in case.
2. Use your fireworks on a non-flammable surface, driveway, or street (never in the grass or wooded areas).
3. When you are finished, take all of your used fireworks and place them in a bucket of water to fully extinguish any hot embers.
4. Pick up the entire residue to help keep the streets clean.

As many have noticed, we have new Fire Danger signs. We will keep these updated with the fire danger level posted as a reminder to always be careful with fire. There will be fireworks notices posted there as well.

Please have a safe July and the rest of the summer.

—Seth Waite, Fire Chief, ERFD