



# Uintah News

## November 2011



### MAYOR'S MESSAGE



I want to thank everyone that voted, it was a good turn out. I congratulate those that were elected. I wish you and your family a very happy Thanksgiving! I hope you all have an awesome holiday, with many thanks and tons of delicious food.

**Winter** - There's no getting around it. Winter and snow go hand-in-hand. Every snowfall is unique, so response time varies. The City helps people get through it, literally, with snow plowing services.

Residents are asked to be patient. Jeff along with others when needed will complete the job, but it may take two to three hours, depending on weather conditions.

The strategy used to plow streets and other City facilities depends on the interaction of several factors: Time the snow began, duration of snowfall, type of snow - light/dry or wet/heavy, temperature before and after snowfall, high winds - drifting, snow accumulation, available equipment - breakdowns, and available staff.

Despite what can seem like a complex process, the goal of the City's plowing efforts is simple: to maintain safe travel by pedestrians and vehicles throughout Uintah.

**Adopt a fire hydrant - Keep it clear of snow - Do a good deed for your community** - Clear snow away from fire hydrants. This provides quick access for firefighters and water maintenance workers in case of an emergency.

**Snow Removal** - Please remember if you remove snow from your own driveways with tractors, ATV, etc., please do not push the snow into or across the streets. When snow is pushed it becomes very compacted and crusted, it builds up and becomes a traffic hazard and limits the road space needed for cars to travel on. Please keep the snow within the boundaries of your own property.

**Why do we need to restrict parking during snow removal?** - Restricting parking allows plow drivers to clear away more snow, widening the area available for cars and trucks, and generally improving drivability for motorists. The Sheriff's Department monitors street conditions and enforce snow-related ordinances. Penalties for failing to comply with parking restrictions do apply and towing of cars does occur.

**Water Leaks** - The water department seems to be going well. We are hoping for a good snowfall to fill our reservoirs next spring, but the cold weather brings challenges of its own. Please report any water leaks that you may notice in the roads or right-of-way so we can check them out as soon as possible.

**Floodplain Development Permit Requirements** - Before you build, add fill, or make changes to your property and structures, be sure to contact the City to determine if any permits or approvals are necessary. The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Insurance Industry make frequent changes in the interpretation of floodplain standards, and you need to be sure you are using the most current information for any construction project.

Contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

## LEE WOHLGEMUTH, CITY COUNCIL



I thank all residents who voted in the recent elections. I hope all people will continue to make suggestions regarding the direction which our city takes. I congratulate those who won seats in the election: Sue Bybee as mayor, Dave Boothe as a council member for a 4-year term, and Heidi Flitton as a council member for a 2-year term.

I have attended several meetings recently to learn about the impact on Uintah of ongoing projects in the state and in the county. I have learned more about these things:

- 1) Emergency Preparedness and the direction we should take to be prepared for future events, when the unexpected occurs;
- 2) The Weber Pathways program for current and future trails and walking areas;
- 3) Recycling and waste removal;
- 4) Status of the stoplight installation at US-89 and 6600 South;
- 5) Status of other state road projects which will affect Uintah;
- 6) Application procedures for state and federal grants;
- 7) Rules which affect the conduct of elected officials.

I welcome the opportunity to work with city residents on these and other issues. I am still learning, and welcome input, suggestions, and questions from all.

## DAVE BOOTHE, FIRE CHIEF

As you begin to "Deck the Halls" this holiday season, we encourage you to be fire smart with your live Christmas Trees. Remember, a very small fire that spreads to a live Christmas tree can triple in size in less than 25 seconds.

Here are some tips for safety if you use a live Christmas tree.

Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.

Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 1-2" from the base of the trunk.

Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fire places, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.

Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.

Add water to the tree stand and be sure to add water daily.

Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.

Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini string sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of LED strands to connect.

Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.

Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.

Please keep these facts in mind:

ONE of every three home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.

Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they have a higher chance to be deadly.

A heat source too close to the tree causes one in every five of the fires.

For additional safety tips, visit [www.nfpa.org/education](http://www.nfpa.org/education)



# DON PEARSON, CITY COUNCIL

Congratulations Sue, Lee, Dave, and Heidi!! All the best to you, Dean. It will be good to have five elected officials in the City.



There has been a great deal of discussion the last few months about City affairs. From what I have heard and read, there is agreement that discussion is a good thing. I think there are a number of points in which most, if not all, agree. Tell me if I am wrong, but I feel the following items fall into this category:

- 1) Uintah is a great place to live. We want to preserve the rural atmosphere and the "hometown" feeling.
- 2) No illegal closed door meetings.
- 3) City leaders should do everything possible to assure that the affairs of the City are open to residents.
- 4) An involved and informed community is highly desirable and should be pursued by all interested parties.
- 5) Residents of the City have the responsibility to: 1. Learn what is happening in the City differentiating between fact and rumor. Investigate in any way possible to insure you have the complete and accurate picture. 2. Encourage others to be informed. 3. Respond appropriately to improper actions by City leaders or others in the City.
- 6) Facts and complete truth are vital in decision making and discussions.
- 7) It is important for everyone to have the right to express their viewpoint.

Do we all agree? Could we practice these in our pursuit of Uintah unity?

## DID YOU KNOW?

- 1) The Uintah City website is: <http://www.uintahcity.com> and is actively updated for you.
- 2) Agendas for City Council, City Council Work meetings, Planning Commission meetings, and notices for Public Hearings are posted on the Uintah City website on the HOME page at least one week before the meetings. Talk to council members, investigate the issues then attend.
- 3) There is a list of some of the Ordinances available on the Uintah City website. All the ordinances are in the processes of being organized and will be available on the Uintah City website when the process is completed.
- 4) The current Newsletter and some previous issues are available on the Uintah City website.
- 5) A calendar of events including meetings and garbage and recycling days is on the Uintah City website.
- 6) Your suggestions for the Uintah City website, together with anything else we can do to help make Uintah an informed community, are always welcome!
- 7) All legal notices are posted on the State of Utah Public Notice website: <http://pmn.utah.gov>



## HIGHMARK CHARTER SCHOOL GROUNDBREAKING & OPEN HOUSES

HighMark Charter School (HMCS), opening August 2012, is a FREE public charter school that will serve 580 students in grades K-9. HMCS is located in South Weber and all Utah resident students are invited to apply. Please join HMCS at one of the following events to learn more:

November 19th: Groundbreaking Ceremony at 1:00 PM (on South Weber Drive)  
November 29th: Pleasant Valley Open House  
December 6th: South Weber Open House  
December 13th: Mountain Green Open House  
January 17th: Riverdale Open House

All Open Houses are from 6-8 PM with presentations at 7:30 PM. For additional details visit the school website at <http://www.hmcharterschool.org/>.

"Please mark your calendars  
/ All are welcome :"

On April 28th, 2012 the Pleasant Valley Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will be hosting a Saturday "Emergency Preparedness" day-long seminar at the Stake Location in South Ogden. ... on tap will be emergency equipment / exhibition booths / a live seminar by experts / look for many other items in the next Uintah City newslet-

# PHONE BOOK CHANGES

Moved out:  
Kenny & Wendy Chapman

Move-in:  
Kevin & Pamela Richins  
1643 E. 6700 S.  
801-820-6197

Tim Chavez  
2188 E. 6550 S.  
801-643-4039

# UINTAH'S CRIME CLOCK

## SEPTEMBER

### THEFT

ONE THEFT OCCURRED WITH UNKNOWN TIME FRAME OR DATE RANGE

### BURGLARY

ONE BURGLARY OCCURRED ON A FRIDAY WITH A TIME FRAME OF 12:30 PM

### ASSAULTS

ZERO ASSAULTS OCCURRED



## OCTOBER

### THEFT

ZERO THEFTS OCCURRED

### BURGLARY

ONE BURGLARY OCCURRED ON AN UNKNOWN DAY WITH A TIME FRAME OF 2:00 AM

### ASSAULTS

ZERO ASSAULTS OCCURRED

# CITY DIRECTORY

<u>Mayor/City Council</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>Cell</u>	<u>email</u>
Mayor Bybee.....	801-648-7628.....	801-391-1447.....	uintahbybee@gmail.com
Dave Boothe.....	801-479-4595.....	801-540-9474.....	uintahfire@aol.com
Heidi Flitton.....	801-476-4125.....	801-458-5707.....	hidflitton@gmail.com
Don Pearson.....	801-479-8766.....	801-624-9670.....	depearso@yahoo.com
Lee Wohlgemuth.....	801-475-7334.....	801-648-2508.....	lee_uintah@yahoo.com

City Office.....801-479-4130.....uintahcity@qwestoffice.net

City Recorder.....Darinda Wardell

Court Clerk.....Amanda Shipley

Treasurer.....Nichole Venz

### Planning Commission

Glenn Woolsey.....801-621-6257.....801-528-2363.....wool\_z@comcast.net

### Board Of Adjustment

Dave Shurtleff.....801-479-8402.....david.a.shurtleff@l-3com.com

### Maintenance

Jeff Holden.....801-391-2804.....jdm\_uintah@msn.com

### Fire Chief

Dave Boothe.....801-479-4595.....801-540-9474.....uintahfire@aol.com

### Cemetery Sexton

Gordon Pringle.....801-479-5965 or 801-479-4130.....uintahcity@qwestoffice.net

### Community Resource Officer

Andy Allen.....801-629-8221

Animal Control - Weber County Animal Control and Shelter.....801-399-8244..... Hours - Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am - Noon. Keep current identification tags on your pets and get a microchip. Identification saves lives!!