



Elk Ridge Bugle

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Message from Mayor Hal Shelley

Here we are mid-summer with fall just a few short weeks away. The cooler temperatures of spring gave way to much hotter summer weather. We have used a lot more water this summer than last. Careful use of that precious resource is of constant concern. Adjustments to the city's own water usage have been made with further improvements still needed and planned. Please monitor your own usage closely and be as efficient as possible.

Our volunteer "Citizen Patrol" has been working very well. So far, three neighborhood groups have patrolled the city from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Three more groups will continue their turn patrolling for the next three weeks. At that time a neighborhood watch program will be in place with further information about that to follow. We are looking for a volunteer to chair and coordinate that program. **If you would be interested in that opportunity to serve your city and neighbors, please contact the city offices (801-423-2300).** An organizing and information meeting for any and all citizens, conducted by County Sheriff Deputy Butters, will be held on August 13th at 6:00 p.m. at the city building.

During the patrols, volunteers have reported several things that are worth noting. Each night many **open garage doors** have been seen. Please be cautious about the "invitation" for crime and mischief. Cars were observed in various places of concern that were noted and described which allowed for potential follow-up. Groups of our younger citizens were also noted in various parts of the city beyond the 11:00 p.m. curfew hour. A broken water main was identified and the early reporting allowed a repair to be made before most were awake to know of it. The patrol logs are being reviewed

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Public Works Director

City of Elk Ridge, Utah

The City of Elk Ridge is looking for an experienced Public Works Director. Reporting to the Mayor, the Director will be responsible for all public works programs including, water, power, sewer, streets, storm drains, parks, garbage, snow removal and operation and maintenance of city equipment. Will manage a small staff of public works employees along with the activities of outside contractors. The successful candidate will possess a minimum of two years experience in a similar role including the management and development of staff, preferably for a municipality of at least 2,000 citizens.

The ability to prioritize and manage large projects is essential. In depth knowledge of building inspections, CDL and water certification is required. Sewer certification is a plus. It is expected that the incumbent will be hands on and may be required to operate heavy equipment when necessary.

We offer a competitive salary with a comprehensive benefits package including retirement and health care. To apply, email resume including salary history to brianb130@hotmail.com.

Elk Ridge City is an equal employment opportunity employer.

The City is Looking for Persons with Building Inspection Experience and Certifications. Contact Mayor Hal Shelley at: mayor@elkridgecity.org



SHERIFFS CORNER

Barking Dog Problems

5-2-13: Animal Public Nuisance:

A. Any animal which does any of the following shall be deemed a nuisance:

Barks, whines, or howls, or makes other disturbing noises in an excessive, continuous or untimely fashion.

Violation; Penalty: Any person violating any provision of this Title, shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor, and shall be subject to a warning or a fine in the amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) or imprisonment for a period not to exceed (6) six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The County may also order the animal associated with a violation of this Title either destroyed or removed from the County. Each day a violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such.

For suggestions for solving the problems of barking dogs you can pick up a very informative pamphlet at the City offices.

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MAYORS MESSAGE

each week to alert the city to concerns that we feel might be addressed. The long-over-due completion of Escalante Drive has arrived. Thanks to all of you for your patience. We trust that it will all be worth the wait and efforts given.

The excellent “**Disaster Preparedness Program**” for the city needs review and reactivation. A new director is working to do that at this time. We need a great deal of help to bring this together. Those who have helped in the past who would like to continue, along with those who would like to begin assisting in this important community effort, please let us know. **Fire, earthquakes, heavy snow, regional and local power outages and microburst winds** are among the various disasters that could afflict our community. Please be ready to respond to requests to serve in planning and implementing this vital program!

Are you ready for some fun? Be ready to register your children for **Fall and Spring Soccer, Spring T-Ball, and Coach Pitch baseball**. Also, **Horseshoe Pitching** will begin this fall. Come sign up and “*Pitch with the Mayor*”. A flier and signup sheets will be available at the city offices.

Finally, come share Root Beer Floats and sing with the Mayor on Thursday, August 30. I’ll have my guitar there so bring your guitar, your voice, and your “tin ear” or perfect pitch for an hour or so. I would love to meet and get to know you better. We’ll meet in my back yard (560 E. Park Dr. or Lewis Way) and begin at 6:30 p.m. R.S.V.P. so I know how much root beer and ice cream to have on hand.

Thanks for all you do to make our great city better!

Mayor Hal Shelley

CITY WATCH

A big thanks to all the citizens for their participation in our City Watch. There will be a city Neighborhood Watch information and training at the city office building August 13th at 6:00 p.m. We would like to invite anyone interested in volunteering.



Volunteer at your local food bank

Community Action Services and Food Bank is looking for summer volunteers to help out in the food bank Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Those wishing to participate can make a reservation by calling the volunteer coordinator at (801) 691-5247 or by email at VC@communityactionuc.org

Emergency Information

With the help of the citizens of Elk Ridge, we can be better prepared to handle the emergencies that might develop due to the present HIGH FIRE DANGER. Suspicious Activity: Contact Dispatch at 801-794-3970
Tips concerning Past Event: Leave a Message at 801-851-4013.
Life Threatening Incidents: Dial 911

*****Homeless animals need your bike/car!!***

The South Utah Valley Animal Shelter and a local animal control officer Blair Kerby with Salem City are teaming up to hold an event on September 29th to raise money for vaccines, spays, and neuters for shelter animals in need. SUVAS's goal is to vaccinate every animal to come through its doors. This helps to prevent diseases from spreading and keeps the animals at their healthiest. This increases their likelihood of being adopted and finding new homes. By spaying/neutering the animals prior to adoption, the adoption fees are reduced, which in turn increases that animal's chances of being adopted.

The greater the participation, the more animals that can be helped!

If you are unable to join us that day, but would still like to help, donations are always greatly appreciated. Our website (suvas.org) has a list of items that we are in need of. Items may also be donated for the raffle taking place on the day of the cruise.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We greatly appreciate all your help and hope to see you Saturday September 29th!

Elk Ridge City CERT Class

The Elk Ridge City sponsored Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training course will be held on **Saturday, September 22, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. AND on Saturday, September 29, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Classes will be held at the upper Elk Ridge Chapel, at 259 Alpine Drive.

Take the opportunity to prepare yourself and your family to respond to potential emergency situations through training on disaster preparedness and response techniques, basic firefighting, emergency medical treatment and search and rescue techniques. In a real natural disaster or emergency situation, YOU may be the only help you and your family or neighbors will get for days as emergency response is overwhelmed. **BE PREPARED!**

You must attend both classes to be CERT certified. There is a mandatory \$45 equipment charge for each participant, which includes training materials on book and CD, a hard hat, jacket, gloves, goggles, and a mask.

If you have already been CERT certified and would like to retake the class to refresh your skills, you are welcome and encouraged to participate at no charge. Please bring your equipment with you to class.

- Boy Scouts (11 years old plus) can fulfill requirements for 3 merit badges through CERT certification. Youth MUST attend with an adult.
- Young Women may use CERT certification for personal progress goals.
- **You must sign up in advance!** Email your name, address, neighborhood # and phone number and Y/N for equipment required to: elkridgecert@gmail.com, sign up at the city office, or call the city CERT Director, D.J. Heap, at (801) 423-1827 no later than **Wednesday night Sept 19 to enroll!**

The Utah County Health Department is your local health authority. The UCHD's goal is to promote health, and prevent avoidable disease and injury by monitoring the health of our community, and assuring conditions in which people can be healthy. For a list of services and programs please see our web site at www.UtahCountyHealth.org . Our latest [Annual Report, hours and locations, and other information all available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can also follow us at .](#)



www.Twitter.com/uchdwww, [Facebook.com/uchdwww](https://www.facebook.com/uchdwww) or www.UtahCountyHealth.org

Meals on Wheels

One hour once a week is all it takes to make a difference! Meals-on-Wheels needs volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors. Volunteers use their own vehicles to deliver lunchtime meals once a week to homebound seniors. Along with each meal, volunteers provide a special touch of comfort and a daily safety check enabling seniors to stay in their own homes. Meals will be picked up and delivered to seniors in a five mile radius. Delivering meals takes approximately one hour to complete. Children are more than welcome to accompany parents to deliver meals.

For more information about delivering Meals-on-Wheels, contact Stephanie Benson at 801-229-3821 or sbenson@mountainland.org, or register online at www.mountainland.org/volunteer.

Fire Department

Seth Waite: Fire Chief ERFD

I first want to thank everyone that supported our fire Department Breakfast. It was a success for another year. Next, thanks for the compliance with the “no Fire Works” ban. Everything was quiet and there were absolutely no issues over the two holidays. I hope that next year conditions will be more favorable to allow fireworks as many families use this time to get together and celebrate.

The month of July started off pretty rough for the fire Department and other departments as well. I want to take a moment and thank everyone for the support during this difficult time for fires. I know this has not shed the best light on Fire Fighters and from the lessons learned we have made some necessary changes to how we accept volunteers for our emergency services.

From all of us on the Fire Department for both fire and EMS, our commitment is still to the life safety of our citizens, the protection of property and the education about emergencies to all our residence. We will continue to do our best to provide the best service to our community that we are able. Your continued support of cleaning up your property and being vigilant about odd circumstances around your homes are what makes our jobs easier.

Have the rest of a safe summer and please refrain from having open fires for recreation until fall. The fire

potential is still high and only a spark can start a fire that would not only take your house, but the neighbor’s as well.

Increasing Recycling Participation by Understanding Human Behavior

When implementing a recycling program in Utah, Republic Services used to focus solely on education to increase recycling program participation. However, our experience leads us to believe that human behavior is one of the largest contributing factors to the success of a recycling program.

Education and information alone do not address the motives behind whether an individual decides to participate in recycling. Studies by Bryan Staley, P.E., Ph. D., and president of the Environmental Research and Education Foundation identified these four motivational factors associated with the level of participation of recycling: 1) Benefits of recycling; 2) Personal inconvenience; 3) External pressure; and 4) Financial.

Here is how Republic Services has helped with each of these factors. We work with the best recycling facilities in the state to ensure the highest quantity of recycled materials is reused. Our goal is to prolong the life of Utah’s landfills and to save as many natural resources as possible. In order to make recycling more convenient for you we provide commingled recycling programs, eliminating the need to personally sort your recycled materials. It is our hope that you are motivated to recycle and we can only encourage you to place more emphasis on recycling in your home and work place. We ask that you motivate those around you to recycle. Last, we work hard to provide cost effective recycling programs for you, your family and place of business. As a company we help you recycle over 3 million tons annually through our services. We pride ourselves on providing the most affordable service rates possible.

Republic Services is committed to helping increase recycling rates nationwide, starting with you. Please go to www.alliedwasteutah.com for more information on recycling in your area.

Fall Soccer

Fall soccer registration has begun; you can pick up registration at the city office. Games will start September 4th and will run for 6 weeks. If you have any questions you can call Lindsey at 801-687-6628



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