



Elk Ridge Bugle

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Message from Mayor Hal Shelley

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Welcome to the New Year and thank you for your efforts and support for 2012! So very much has happened during the past year and so much will take place as we move into this coming year. I want so very much to make this a very positive year for the city and its great residents. As always, it will require the help of all. On Saturday, Dec. 22, a water issue occurred that caused water pressure to drop dramatically for a large part of the city. For the most part our "automated" system of monitoring and controlling water delivery for the city works very well. However, on this day, a mechanical failure sent false information that did not let us know that a problem existed. That is where your help came to play in a very positive way. Your numerous calls and texts allowed us to, 1st be aware of the problem and 2nd, to isolate the affected areas and locate the source of the problem. Within an hour of the call, the problem was identified and corrected. Thank you for your help!

Your input and insights have been taken seriously and, though all of you have not been satisfied with all the results, many positive adjustments and changes have been addressed and implemented. Many concerns continue to be carefully evaluated with the intent to make correct decisions. Some will be solved easily and quickly while others will take much more thought, planning and time and in some cases more cost. Our storm drain system is such a situation. Please attend our council meeting on Jan. 8th, at 6:00 p.m. to obtain more information and share your input.

Ongoing concerns that need reminders and your assistance include:

(1). **Animals running at large.** If these pets are **yours**, please properly control them and respect the negative impact they may have on your neighbors. Please call the

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Christmas Tree Dumpster...

The Dumpster will be in the parking lot east of the fire station from January 8th thru January 15th. Please remember **Christmas trees only**. If you miss the dumpster, you may take trees to the Payson City dump at no charge.

Meetings

City Council: January 8th and January 22nd @ 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission: January 17 @ 7:00 p.m.

Elk Ridge City Offices will be closed:

January 21st – Martin Luther King Day

Public Meeting / Storm Drain

On January 8th @ 6:00 pm a presentation by LEI Engineering will precede a public meeting to receive input concerning our storm drain system and proposed storm drain fee increase.

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Sheriff's Corner

From 11/15/12 thru 12/15/12 Utah County Sheriff Deputies responded to 37 calls for service in the city of Elk Ridge. These calls included:

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| 10 Animal Problems | 5 Abandon 911 | 10 Suspicious |
| 2 Vehicle Burglaries | 1 Missing/Found Person | 6 Alarms |
| 1 Theft | 1 Traffic Accidents | 1 Fraud |
| 1 Juvenile Problem | 3 Citizen Contact | |
| 8 Medical | 2 Extra Patrols | |

Reminder that the City of Elk Ridge does not allow street side parking during the winter months. This is very important for snow removal. If your car/trailer is parked in violation it could be ticketed and/or towed. Please make sure that you do not have any vehicles or trailers parked street side. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Please continue to report all crimes and suspicious activity. For Emergencies please dial 911. For all other incidents please contact Utah Valley Dispatch at 801-794-3970.

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CODES! CODES! CODES!

Beginning immediately, Caleb Skaggs has been hired to assist the Mayor and City Council with code enforcement. Mr. Skaggs will work closely with the City administration to properly understand and apply the various codes that are in place. He will also work closely with residents to help identify concerns and address remedies that will help our city to become the best that it might be.

It Snow Removal Time Again

The winter parking code prohibits street parking allowed from November 1st to March 1st for proper snow removal when snow is falling or is present on streets. If vehicles are parked on the street, the snow plows cannot plow that street. Please be patient, the drivers are doing their best.

Community spirit is needed to help one another out when possible. The city is hiring snow plow drivers. Contact Cody Black at the Elk Ridge City, if you are interested. 801-423-2300

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Utah County Animal Control officers at the **Utah County Dispatch, (801) 794-3970**, if problems persist. (2) **Snow removal**. Please park vehicles and other obstructions off streets and continue your patience as our workers try to address this important service as quickly and efficiently as they can. Don't return snow from your walks and driveways back into the street. Please assist your neighbors. (3) Times are hard for many! Please stay in touch with the city offices concerning city **utility bills** that may require special payment arrangements to assist you. (4) Please **respect the personal and public property** within the city and adjoining lands. (5) As spring arrives, begin plans to care for your **yards** as city code requires and respect for your neighbors and their property. Please be good neighbors and friends and have patience and kindness for each other. (6) **SLOW DOWN!** The safety of our citizens, children especially, are far more important than trying to get somewhere quickly. Leave earlier, be attentive and very cautious!

Thank you again for helping to make a positive difference in the city. Please continue your great efforts for our great city and great residents!



Front Runner South Opens Dec. 10, 2012

UTA has re-designed its local bus service to create a fully integrated bus/rail transit system for our customers.

Beginning Dec. 10, 2012, UTA bus routes #805 and #821 will begin servicing South Utah County residents with a connection to the Provo FrontRunner station. Bus route #822 will also be available traveling directly to BYU and UVU (with no stops in between BYU and UVU.)

For detailed route and schedule information please go to www.rideuta.com Thank you for riding UTA. You may also contact us at 1-888-RIDE-UTA (1-888-743-3882).

Health Department Disaster Preparedness Survey

Residents encouraged to participate

PROVO, UTAH (UPDATED November 16, 2012) -- Utah County is one of the youngest counties in the United States. Utah County Health Department (UCHD) is very interested in protecting the health and well being of our children in the event of a disaster and for this reason we are conducting a survey to determine the level of understanding and readiness of its local families. Utah County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) will conduct and analyze the survey to identify specific preparedness gaps within the community. Information gathered will be used to improve planning and training for responders and to create educational materials for the public to help increase their level of understanding and preparedness.

The UCHD has been surveying schools in the county, but is also reaching out to anyone interested in participating. The survey is available online by going to www.tinyurl.com/uchdsurvey and can be completed in about 10 minutes. The survey has two sections: one for the parent to complete, and one for the parent to complete with their student(s). **Survey deadline has been extended to December 15th.**

We appreciate everyone's cooperation in helping us better prepare for our children's health and safety during and after emergency events. For more information on personal and family preparedness, please see www.UtahCountyHealth.org and click on "Emergency Preparedness."

The Utah County Health Department is committed to promote the health of our community preventing avoidable disease and injury by monitoring the health of our community and assuring conditions in which people can be healthy. For information on UCHD programs or services, please visit www.UtahCountyHealth.org or call 801-851-7000. You can also now follow the UCHD at www.pinterest.com/uchd, www.FaceBook.com/uchd, or www.twitter.com/uchd.