



# Elk Ridge Bugle

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## Message from Mayor Hal Shelley

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Fall is officially here. What a beautiful time of year! It is now time to prepare for winter and a great time to prepare for the promise of spring. To help make our great city better, let's help each other with our yards and cleanup from the harvest and plantings from summer. There is much that could yet be done to beautify our city and contribute to the peace and tranquility for which Elk Ridge is known!

It has become necessary to get back to "code enforcement" in our city. We hope that each of you will look at the various aspects of the master plan and the different codes (available on the city website) and do your part to effect the necessary changes described therein. An enforcement officer will be brought into service to assist the residents to find effective ways to put those codes into place as needed. Letters will initially be sent, as needed, to identify violations that need to be addressed. Since landscaping is a major issue, Fall is a great time to begin a program to correct and improve those circumstances. Councilman Paul Squires is very willing to offer great insights as to ways to assist in this regard.

In answer to the many questions concerning the apparent "gravel pit" on Goosenest, the general answer is this. The city owns that property, about 8 acres. The plan for that property is to create more open space filled with ball fields, playgrounds etc. and, one day, a new City Center. Because the topography needs a great deal of leveling to accommodate this, we are trading that grading and leveling for some of the product that currently exists there, with Mr. Robert Nelson from Salem. It will take some time for all this to be complete but feel that it will be a huge savings to the city in the long run. To offset the costs for Mr. Nelson, he is selling much of the product.

### WARNING

**Do not place any debris or landscape materials (dirt, rocks, cuttings, leaves, branches) in the street.**

**This washes down into the storm drains and plugs them up. We need them to work properly for run off storm water. It also creates a traffic hazard.**

### Request for Bids

The City is interested in receiving Bids from local contractors in the area for the completion of the new Public Works Building. If anyone is interested contact the City Offices at 801-423-2300.

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## Mayor Message *(continued from page 1)*

The new swings and slide will be replaced soon and we request that all citizens will help with the appropriate use and care of our parks. Two new drinking fountains (Eagle Scout Projects) have been installed in our parks. One is at Ingram Field and one is near the Elk Ridge Meadows playground. We hope these will be welcome additions. A big thanks to our Scouts for these and other past and upcoming projects! If you would be willing to assist in reactivating our **Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness** program or in the creation of **Neighborhood Watch**, please contact us at the city (801) 423-2300. Both of these programs require a great deal of help and cooperation from all citizens.

Thanks again for all that you do to make our great city of Elk Ridge a better community! I appreciate your help, questions, comments and friendly assistance to one another. Have a beautiful Autumn Season!

Mayor Hal Shelley

## Cold Turkey 5K run for the Great American Smokeout

**BRIEF:** Join the Cold Turkey 5K Run for the Great American Smokeout on Saturday, November 17th starting at 9am. The Hobble Creek Canyon run is sponsored by the Utah County Health Department to show support for those who have quit smoking, want to quit, and those who plan to never start smoking. For more information and to register, please visit [www.coldturkeyrun.pbworks.com](http://www.coldturkeyrun.pbworks.com) or call 801-851-7099.

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 17th, 9 a.m.

**WHERE:** Springville's Hobble Creek Canyon

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## Salem Jr. High PTA

Salem Jr. High School is now a part of our community! It's a beautiful school. It's wonderful to have our students from Salem, Woodland Hills, Elk Ridge, and Payson learn and grow together in this great new school!

This year in March, Salem Jr. High PTA accepted the project of raising funds for a marquee sign for the school. Thanks to the right connections, a beautiful LED marquee was generously donated to Salem Jr. High by Utah Community Credit Union! (continued)

Thanks UCCU and UCCU's President Jeff Sermon! Thank you also to Kirk and Angela Rogers for their help!

The task of refurbishing and installing the sign began this summer. The marquee was personalized with school logos and colors, and was installed just in time for the school's Ribbon Cutting in August. The expense for this portion of the marquee project remains.

Salem Jr. High PTA's goal this year is to raise \$5,000 to pay for the marquee's refurbishment and installation. We are almost half way there! Thank you! We hope our community can support our marquee project by donating any amount they can. Donations are accepted at Salem Jr. High's front office, by mail; Salem Jr. High, c/o Salem Jr. PTA marquee, 598 N. Main, Salem, or on-line at [salemjrpta.com](http://salemjrpta.com). For more information, please contact Laurine Jack (801)423-1548. Thanks so much for your help and Spartan Service!

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## Vaccination Clinics

Vaccination is the number one way to prevent the spread of disease. In our efforts to help protect the community, the Utah County Health Department will be bringing vaccination opportunities for residents to many local communities.

The Utah County Health Department vaccinations are offered every Tuesday (5-7 pm) at the Payson City Center (439 W Utah Ave). See [or call 801-851-7025](http://www.UtahCountyHealth.org).

A vaccine clinic is offered every Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Payson City Center (439 W Utah Ave) by the Utah County Health Department. Clinics offer school vaccines as well as vaccines for all ages. Immunizations are given in the Senior Citizen's Library (enter through the south door). Additional vaccine clinics will also be offered through the fall at city senior centers, schools, etc. (see the County website or social media channels for updates).

The UCHD accepts a variety of insurance plans (see [www.UtahCountyHealth.org/immunizations](http://www.UtahCountyHealth.org/immunizations) for a complete list -- see your own insurance for coverage benefits). For those who are uninsured or have Medicaid, the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program provides vaccines at a low-cost.

Appointments are encouraged by calling 801-851-7025, but walk-in's are also welcome. Please bring vaccination records with you whenever possible. For details, please see [www.UtahCountyHealth.org](http://www.UtahCountyHealth.org), call 801-851-7025.