

## HALLOWEEN FUN VS. NOT FUN

Fun is defined as "Sport, amusement, or merriment". We all know fun when we see it. Halloween is by its nature one of the "funnest" holidays that we have. What could be more fun for kids or adults than costumes, tricks and treats? I believe that I can remember each and every Halloween growing up, even the night I fell off the bridge into the full irrigation ditch dressed as Casper the friendly ghost. If done safely and with good intentions Halloween is a blast. Halloween however can be very "not fun". We also all know un-fun when we see it. This usually happens when people aren't being safe, or when kids (of any age) cause injury or real fear to smaller kids or commit intentional damage to property. Now I know that we don't have any of those kids in our community, they're only in other towns. But just in case you realize that I'm being sarcastic, we should protect our belongings and children from the few rogues.

Some easy tips to protect your kids are: Know the route your kids will be taking if you aren't going with them. The best bet is to make sure that an adult is going with them. If you can't take them, see if another parent or a teen aged sibling can go along. Know what other activities a child may be attending, such as parties, trunk-or-treat, school or mall gatherings. Make sure you set a time that they should be home. Make sure they know how important it is for them to be home on time. Talk to them about stranger danger. Explain to children the difference between tricks and vandalism. Throwing eggs at a house may seem like fun but they need to know the other side of the coin as well, clean up and damages can ruin Halloween. If they are caught vandalizing, they'll also get arrested and You may be liable for the damages that they cause. Even if only you catch them, make them clean up the mess they've made.

To protect your property you can use good lighting. If you're one of these weird people (kidding) who set up elaborate displays in your yard. Plan on being there all evening. If you leave it alone, it's pretty much a given that it will get damaged. Park your cars off the street. Don't use heavy display items that can be thrown and cause damage. Ever seen what a 10 pound pumpkin thrown from a moving car will do to the side of a brand new truck? It's not pretty.

As always, remember that many Halloween parties involve alcohol. There is no other night in the year when more of our kids are running around on the streets. Use common sense, both as a party goer and as a parent. There will be absolutely no tolerance or breaks for alcohol violators endangering our kids.

Captain Cody Cullimore, Pleasant Grove Police

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

It was a great September with the ground breaking of Central Bank, Grove Centre One (anchored by Horrock's Engineering), and the University of Phoenix. These are solid businesses joining Pleasant Grove. We welcome them.

We invite you to additional ground breakings on October 17th, 18th, and 19th in our City. Please mark your calendars and participate in this wonderful time of economic growth in Utah's City of Trees.

On Wednesday, October 17 at 10 a.m; Copper Lefe Commercial will break ground on an 89,000 sq. ft. commercial development of which 42,000 sq. ft. is retail. It will also contain a 180-unit residential complex at approximately 1300 W. State Street.

On Thursday, October 18 at 10 a.m; The Mayfield Gateway office building will break ground at approximately 402 S. 2500 W. This will be a 28,249 sq. ft. office building.

On Friday, October 19 at 10 a.m; The Gateway Plaza will break ground on a three building complex totaling 70,000 sq. ft. at the same site as The Mayfield Gateway.

By now, you should be able to drive on the newly completed 2000 West (Lindon's 700 North) road from State Street in Lindon to Pleasant Grove Blvd near I-15. It will take a little while to remember the changes to Sam White's Lane and the pathway to the landfill, but the morning and evening commute to the freeway will be much smoother.

Thank you for showing up to vote in this year's early primary election. Pleasant Grove had just fewer than 10% of registered voters turn out for the primary. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 6th and vote during the General Election. There are three city council seats open. We have six wonderful and qualified candidates to select from. Make your vote count.

I've had the privilege of meeting with many citizens during the past month. The subjects have ranged from yard sales to secondary water. Some are interested in high speed internet (Utopia) while others would like mandatory recycling. As varied as the subjects are, it's satisfying to know that the people of our city are interested and involved in their local affairs.

I appreciate the letters, emails, visits, and meetings where the citizens make their desires known. It makes it easier to focus on what the majority feel is important to their community. Keep your comments and questions coming to [Mayor@PGCity.Org](mailto:Mayor@PGCity.Org).

Michael W. Daniels, Mayor

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Pleasant Grove City Economic Director Richard Bradford has announced the ground breaking ceremonies for October. They are;

- October 17, 10:00 a.m.; Copper Lefe Commercial, 1300 W State Street, 89,000 sf Commercial, 180 residential living units, and 42,000 sf of retail. My contact is Steve Maddox at Affiliated Realty, 602-9839.
- October 18, 10 a.m.; Mayfield Gateway office building, 402 S 2500 W, 28,249 sf. My contact is Dr Kelly Thueson, 360-2909.
- October 19, 10 a.m.; Gateway Plaza, 400 S 2500 W, three office buildings total 70,000 sf. My contact is Adam Lankford, 885-9110.

He said the total is nearly a quarter of a million square feet of commercial (plus 180 residential condos); with an estimated market value for just the commercial space totaling \$75M. The condo's will add another estimated \$36M, making the total \$101M.

## WEED ABATEMENT:

**Please keep yards and vacant lots free of weeds. These create fire hazards and also spread the seeds to neighboring residences.**

## COMMUNITY ACTION SERVICES AND FOOD BANK OFFERS FREE HOME BUYER EDUCATION CLASSES!

The Home Buyer Class includes budget and money management, credit issues, loan and down payment programs, shopping for financing and a home, closing documents, when to refinance, and much more.

Come and learn what you need to know to have a home of your own.

For more information call 373-8200 ext. 242 or ext. 243. You can register by phone or online ([www.CommunityActionUC.org](http://www.CommunityActionUC.org)).

## SIGNS:

**City code requires all signs (including garage sale signs) to have permits. Illegal signs will be removed and the owner will be billed \$47 for each one taken down. Contact Community Development for free permits.**

## HOUSE NUMBERS:

**Please install house numbers on your home. It is difficult for Emergency Services to locate residences that do not have numbers posted on their homes.**

**MAKE THEM AS VISABLE AS POSSIBLE**

## WATER NEWS

Public Works Director Lynn Walker wants to remind everyone that as of October 1, 2007, the culinary and secondary restrictions will no longer be in effect. Also, residents who have not paid their \$100 sign-up fee for secondary, need to pay (at city hall) if they have secondary now.

## ILLEGAL BURNING:

**No burning of weeds or refuse is allowed in the city. This is a Federal law, and only small, recreational fires are allowed. If you have questions, contact the Fire, Police or Community Development office.**

## STREET CHANGES IN THE GROVE AREA CONTINUE

A new street connecting Pleasant Grove Boulevard Lindon's 700 North is now open. This provides a higher speed route from the freeway eastward through Lindon to Geneva Road and State Street by Walmart. Finally ending at Locust Avenue as 1000 South (800 North Lindon). Driving from the freeway, the new road will be signed as 2000 WEST to the left and 700 North to the right. The intersection on Pleasant Grove Boulevard will be controlled by a new traffic signal.

The route of the new street did not allow for Proctor Lane (1300 West) to continue south across it. Vehicles traveling south on 1300 West will be required to turn right onto the new street heading toward Pleasant Grove Boulevard. Future development in the area may provide for a connection of 1300 West to an intersection either to the east at the Noah's facility or to the west at another planned intersection for the hotel / convention center development. This change will require some residents to alter the route used to get to the waste transfer facility or the small boat harbor in Lindon.

Additionally, the current traffic signal on Pleasant Grove Boulevard at Sam White Lane (700 South) will be removed and left turns from or onto Sam White Lane will be restricted.

## STORM DRAIN AND GUTTER CLEANING:

Please remove all leaves from gutters and storm drains which are located in front of your homes.

## UTAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. NEWS

### CELEBRATION OF LIGHT

**WHAT:** Celebration of Light offers Free/Low Cost Women's Clinics

**WHO:** Women ages 40 to 64

**WHERE:** Utah County Health and Justice Building  
151 S. University Ave, Provo

**WHEN:** October 10th and 11th, from 8:30 A.M. to noon

**BRIEF:** In honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Utah County Health Department (UCHD) will sponsor a health fair called "The Celebration of Light" for women ages 40-64 on October 10th and 11th from 8 A.M. to noon each day. Free or low cost screenings, breast exams, and pap smears, along with mammogram vouchers, will be available for women who meet program guidelines and make an appointment for their yearly cancer screening. Fasting cholesterol tests will be available by appointment at the reduce price of \$21.00. Prizes, food and incentives will be available for participants. Bilingual staff and female nurses will be available. All activities will take place in the UCHD Clinic on the first floor of the Utah County Health and Justice Building at 151 S. University Ave. #1709, Provo. For information, see [www.UtahCountyHealth.org](http://www.UtahCountyHealth.org) or call 851-7031.

## UNREGISTERED/ABANDONED VEHICLES AND TRAILERS:

Pleasant Grove has a 48-hour parking limit for vehicles and trailers parked on the streets.

Unregistered or expired vehicles cannot be parked on the street. Contact Community Development or The Police Department for questions.

*"The greatest discovery of my generation is that a human being can alter his life by altering his attitude."*

~ William James ~

## PLEASANT GROVE PLAYERS TO PRESENT "STEEL MAGNOLIAS"

The Pleasant Grove Players will present performances of the comedy/drama, "Steel Magnolias," by Robert Harling from October 19 to November 5, 2007. The play will be held on Friday, Saturday and Monday evening as well as Saturday matinees on October 27 and November 3 in the Keith Christenson Little Theater on the first floor (basement) of the Library at 30 E. Center St. The evening show will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Saturday matinee will begin at 3 p.m.

"Steel Magnolias" examines the bonds of friendship among a group of six southern women in northwest Louisiana. The play is set in Truvy's Beauty Salon. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle (who is not sure whether or not she is still married), the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser, who exclaims, "I'm not crazy, I've just been in a bad mood for forty years!" Truvy also advises Miss Clairee, an eccentric millionaire with a raging sweet tooth and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby (the prettiest girl in town) is about to marry a "good ole' boy."

The cast for "Steel Magnolias" features Luone Ingram as Truvy, Charlie Little as Annelle, Debora Escalante as Clairee, Hailey Nebeker as Shelby, Kathryn Laycock Little as M'Lynn and Jan Williams as Ouiser. Dennis Purdie will provide the voice of the radio DJ. Howard and Kathryn Little are directing this production. Verlena Jackman is the production assistant.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$6 for students and seniors. A family ticket is also available for \$25 (immediate family members only). Individual tickets are \$1 less for matinees. Family tickets are \$20 for matinees. Once again, we will be offering reserved seating and advance ticket sales through City Hall. Advance tickets can be purchased in person at City Hall at 70 South 100 East in Pleasant Grove, or by calling 801-785-5045. Tickets can be pre-purchased until 5 p.m. Thursday prior to each weekend of the show. Remaining tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

For more information, please call Verdon Walker at 785-0222.

~ Resident's Coupon ~

## "Steel Magnolias"

In appreciation of PG City's Support of PG Players

Please bring in this coupon and receive **\$2 off** per ticket

**Oct. 19 – Nov. 5**

Fri, Sat. & Mon. Evenings at 7:30 p.m.

**Oct. 27 & Nov. 3**

(Sat. Afternoons) at 3 p.m.

Keith Christeson Little Theatre, PG Library, 30 E. Center

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR FIRE CHIEF

Fire prevention week is October 7-13, 2007. Rather than spending a lot of time trying to convince you to check the functionality of your smoke detectors and change the batteries, I think I will allow this subtle reminder to suffice.

In the last days of August, a wonderful Lindon family experienced the profound devastation of fire. This family has a beautiful neighborhood and community oriented property. As part of the many facilities on the property, there was a large barn-shaped work shop. This work shop contained what we in the fire service call a very high fire load. In other words, there were a significant amount of materials inside the building that would allow for very rapid fire growth with very high temperatures. The building and it's contents were a total loss. But, the owner had several things favoring a complete recovery of this loss. One, his wonderful and genuine sense of appreciation, and a willingness to accept and overcome the loss. Second, he has been prudent and diligent in maintaining his insurance policies.

Anyone, regardless of social or economic abilities, is subject to the devastation of fire. We should be aggressive in preparing for a safe escape from a fire in our homes. It's critical! This simple, but life saving plan, must be practiced to be effective. Remember, fire doubles in size every 9 seconds. Again, to be prepared, you must have an escape plan with two ways out, and it must be practiced by everyone in the family on a regular basis. Important reminder: No one goes back into a burning building - for any reason!

Finally, I recommend that you take time, using a video camera or still photography, and document and inventory all of your belongings. This will stream-line your recovery through the insurance company, and will allow for a more complete, rapid and smooth return to your new normal.

If you would like more information with some fun ideas for children go to: [www.usfa.dhs.gov/kids](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/kids).

Remember, you and your family are important to us. We want you to be safe. So, please adopt strong fire prevention practices now, and make them part of your every day life.

Marc Sanderson, Fire Chief

## RECREATION NEWS

### *Classes:*

***Playtime Toddler***- Fun class for mom and tot. Each class they will do tot cooking, art project, and class activities. Mondays 12:30pm to 1:30pm class is still open. Season Runs from Sept. to April

***Toddler Gym*** – Mom and tot class, ages 2 to 4yrs. Themed play and exercise activities. 2nd Session starts Oct 17. Classes are on Wed. from 10:30am to 11:30am

***After school chess club*** – There are still spots open. Ages 8 and up. Class runs on Thursdays from 4 to 5pm Goes until Oct 25

***Halloween Cooking Class*** – Sat 27th from 10am to noon. Ages 5 and up. Come make some goulash foods!

***Pleasant Grove Recreation*** –“ Great Pumpkin Fest” Oct 30 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Join us for dinner, Games & Fun! Costume contest and Pumpkin Carving contest ( Bring pumpkin carved) Cost is \$3.50 per. Person( 3 and under are free)Please Pick up tickets no later than the Oct25th so we can get a food count.

***Competitive Jr. Wrestling Club*** (5th – 9th Grade) – Continue to increase your fundamentals and wrestling moves. Practices will be held Monday – Thursdays from 3:00 to 5:00 at Pleasant Grove Jr. High starting November 5. Matches will be held throughout the season with other communities and schools. The season will end with a state tournament at the end of January. Participants will be placed on teams according to age, size and weight.

Registration Dates: October 1 thru November 1

Pleasant Grove City/Lindon Resident Fee: \$90 (Includes t-shirt & shorts) there will be additional fees for tournament costs and optional sweat shirt/pant orders.

Non-Resident Fee: \$135 (Includes t-shirt & shorts) there will be additional fees for tournament costs and optional sweat shirt/pant orders.

***Men's & Women's Basketball*** - Registration will begin October 1st and go until filled. Full or half of fees will be due at time of registration in order to hold a spot. Games will be played at the Community Center. Men's league will begin on December 4th and the women's league will begin on January 2nd. Teams will have league play games and end with a double elimination tournament. Men's league fees: \$475 a team. Women's league Fees: \$425 a team.