



# Syracuse City Newsletter



## Mayor's Message

It is exciting to see the tenants coming to our Town Center. We are in the approval process for the theaters behind Wal-Mart. It has been drawn as a six-plex, and the architecture is beautiful. The interest from high-quality restaurants continues to build. Wingers made application to locate adjacent to the theaters, and a high-end pasta restaurant, yet to be named, is negotiating with developers right now. Theaters and restaurants have a symbiotic relationship and want to locate near each other. Syracuse City carefully planned this Town Center to ensure quality retail growth. When we examine the components of successful high-end retail developments, the common denominator is quality restaurants. This becomes evident when assessing the success of developments like Jordan Landings, Gateway, and the revitalization of Salt Lake's downtown area. Syracuse City currently has several fast-food restaurants. Sit-down restaurants will offer additional options for our community. They become gathering places for families and businesses. Syracuse City places higher demands on home builders than surrounding communities, and we will continue to do the same with retailers in order to bring quality development to our community.

Several residents have asked about the Alcohol Ordinance recently passed by City Council. Let me take a minute to clarify this Ordinance. There are two parts: one deals with off-site consumption, which regulates businesses like Smith's, and has not changed. Wal-Mart may not sell beer under this Ordinance. The second part of an alcohol ordinance deals with on-site consumption. City staff carefully crafted this Ordinance to only allow restaurants whose primary business is food. Restaurants like Macaroni Grill, Chili's, Applebee's, Mimi's, Red Robin, Outback, Wingers, and Marie Calendars can now locate in Syracuse under this Ordinance.

I am pleased to report that the lengthy discussions with UDOT over a traffic light at the corner of 700 South and 2000 West (the corner where the high school is located) ended favorably. The light will be in place before school opens. We were very concerned about

that intersection, and it is a great relief to know it will have a light.

I have some more good news! Syracuse City was recently notified that we were awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to help purchase vans for the Community Center. These vans, much like the ones at the Salt Lake Airport, will be a great addition to our Senior programs.

I recently drove down Bluff Road on a Saturday and was pleased to see the parking lot at Jensen Park full of cars with many citizens using the trail. Spring is here, and it looks like we are more than ready!

~ Fred ~

## Public Hearings

On Tuesday, April 3, 2007, at 6:30 p.m., the Syracuse City Planning Commission will hold two Public Hearings: The first is a request for a Conditional Use Permit to construct a cluster subdivision in an A-1 Agriculture Zone, at 1350 South 4500 West, along with sketch plan approval. The second is a request for Preliminary Plan Approval of the Dundee Subdivision Phase 4, located at approximately 3450 West 1100 South.

## Recreation

### Easter Egg Hunt

The Annual Syracuse City Easter Egg Hunt will be April 7, 2007, at 9 a.m., in Founder's Park. Children 11 years of age and younger. The Easter Bunny will be there for those who want pictures of him with their children. Bring your own camera or use ours. Pictures are only \$1. Accommodations for special needs children will be available.

For more information, contact the Community Center at 614-9660.

### Syracuse Arts Academy Learning Through the Arts Arts Festival Week: April 23-27, 2007

Local artists are welcome to display their artwork along with the students. We will have art activities throughout the week, as well.

### The Weather Show: April 26, 2007

The Weather Show is a play, performed at 2:30 and 6:00 p.m., by our 4th graders

For more information,  
call 779-2066

## Community Center

### **Davis County Senior Services Presents Caregiver Educational Classes**

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Location: Syracuse Community Center  
Dates: April 5-May 24, 2007 (every Thursday)

April 5	Home Safety
April 12	Caregiver Skills
April 19	Personal Care
April 26	Healthy Eating
May 3	Caring for the Caregiver
May 10	Community Resources
May 17	Legal and Financial Issues
May 24	Alzheimer's and Dementia

This is a free service to the public. Classes are independent of one another so feel free to attend the ones applicable to you. For more information, contact Megan Forbush at 451-3506.

### Special Events for Seniors:

- Free Tax Preparation
- "Walk to Las Vegas"
- Foot Clinic & Blood Pressure Clinics

**Daily meals are served at the Community Center at 12:30 p.m. Monday - Friday (except holidays) PLEASE JOIN US!!!!!!**

**Volunteers are needed to help serve these meals. If you volunteer, your meal is free!**

For a complete list of senior activities, visit the website or call Tiffany Vigil at 614-9660 ext. 658

### Healthy Pregnancy Class

This fun and informative class, will teach about normal changes, being comfortable, and taking responsibility for your pregnancy. It will also cover good nutrition, exercise, education, and relaxation. This FREE class is offered every fourth Saturday beginning April 28 from 10 a.m.-noon at the Syracuse Community Center with free samples, coupons, and door prizes. Registration is not required. For questions, please call Amy Ihrig at 773-2503.

### Conserving Water Tip:

If your shower can fill a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds, replace it with a water efficient showerhead.



## **What's Burning?**

### **- EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY -**

Due to the impact on air quality, local fire departments, in agreement with the Davis County Fire Board of Appeals consisting of city fire chiefs and the County Fire Marshall, have decided **NO** time period will be set aside for open burning in Davis County for the year 2007. Exemptions to this are as follows: Farm and horticultural operations may burn as established under current law and air quality rules. In Davis County, a farm or horticultural operation is defined as: (1) fruit orchards of 25 or more fruit trees on a single parcel of property, or (2) agricultural activities of two or more cultivated acres on single or contiguous parcels of property. They may only burn products incidental to horticultural or agricultural operations, defined as: prunings, diseased plants, stubble, and irrigation ditch banks. Before burning, farmers must notify the local fire department. Such fires must be contained and monitored at all times.

Homeowners may not burn anything in their yards including prunings, rubbish, or garbage. Such items should be shredded for mulch or hauled to the local landfill.

Recreational fires may be permitted by local ordinance with prior authorization from the local fire department. The Ordinance is as follows: The fire must be contained in a fire pit and flames cannot exceed two feet in height. The fire pit must be 25 feet from any structure. If you have a fire pit, the Syracuse Fire Department recommends you call them on the days/nights you plan to have a recreational fire to find out the burn index for the day.

Keep in mind, it is also illegal to have a campfire on the east bench of Davis County in unincorporated areas within a half mile of any residential structure from February 12 to October 31, 2007. Fires are prohibited east of Bountiful Boulevard. If you have questions about open burning, contact the Syracuse Fire Department at 825-4400.

### **The Big Fix on Tour Mobile Spay/Neuter Clinic**

Monday, April 16, 2007  
1726 Heritage Lane  
Museum Parking Lot

For information on prices and pre-operative procedures, call 1-866-PETS FIX or log on to [www.utahpets.org](http://www.utahpets.org)

## **Celebrating Arbor Day!**

Trees not only beautify the communities in which we live, they help protect our environment and teach us to appreciate trees. Syracuse City will be celebrating Arbor Day by planting trees at Bluff Ridge Park on Friday, April 27, 2007. This is a great opportunity to come and learn how to properly plant trees. If a tree is planted correctly, it will grow twice as fast and live at least twice as long as one incorrectly planted.



1: Unpack tree and soak in water 3-6 hours. Do not plant with packing materials attached to roots and do not allow roots to dry out.



2: Dig hole wider than necessary so roots can spread without crowding. Remove grass within a 3' circular area. To aid root growth, turn soil in area up to 3' in diameter.



3: Plant tree at same depth it stood in the nursery, without overcrowding roots. Partially fill hole, firming soil around lower roots. Do not add soil amendments.



4: Shovel in remaining soil firmly, but not tightly, with heel. Construct a water-holding basin around tree and give plenty of water.



5: After water has soaked in, place a 2-inch deep protective mulch area, 3 feet in diameter, around base of tree (but not touching trunk).



6: Water tree generously every week or 10 days during first year.

### **Employment Opportunities**

Seasonal Maintenance positions are currently available. To view a complete job description, visit the City website. Applications are available at City Hall or online.

Applicants needing further information regarding the position, or assistance due to a disability, should contact Cherissa Alldredge, HR Director, at 825-1477 ext. 632.

*Syracuse City Corporation is an equal opportunity employer and affords equal opportunity to all applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, or any other status protected under local, state, or federal laws.*

## **Police Beat**

In light of recent arrests, the Police Department is reminding parents about the importance of internet safety. The Internet is a great source for information. It is also a place where more predators are disguising themselves to take advantage of innocent victims. The Department encourages parents to closely monitor the websites their children visit. It only takes a matter of minutes for a child predator to obtain personal information.

The City has also had a string of incidences involving vehicles with shattered windows. Most vehicles were parked on the roadway. Residents are encouraged to park their vehicles in their driveways. The Department is also asking residents to be vigilant in observing and reporting suspicious activities. Contact the Police Department ASAP!

### **Syracuse Community Choir**

"Feel the Rhythm of Life" with the Syracuse Community Choir. This event will be held at Syracuse Jr. High School. Come enjoy the new tradition of Choral Arts in Syracuse with special guest Mr. Derek Furch and the Syracuse Jr. High Choir.

Thursday, April 26, 2007, @ 7 p.m.

**Wasatch Peak Physical Therapy** is holding an educational class for the community on treating and preventing low back pain. This class is free to the public and will be held Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

2019 West 1900 South, Syracuse  
Call 773-4737 for more information

### **Bluff Ridge Elementary 5th Annual Community 5K Bison Run/Walk**

Get ready for the Bluff Ridge 5th Annual Community 5K Bison Run/Walk Friday, May 18, 2007, at 5 p.m. Bluff Ridge is in need of sponsors for school supplies. If you are interested, contact Amy Shephard or Jen Watson at 402-2850.

Bluff Ridge Elementary is also starting a new program to get adults, parents, and grandparents ready for the race. This is a free program starting April 3, 2007, from 6:30-7:15 a.m., every Tuesday and Thursday at the Bluff Ridge track. It's a great way to train for the race and get in shape with friends and neighbors. Contact the school for registration and prices at 402-2850.

# SGVA

The Syracuse Guild for Visual Arts is looking for artists in the area to become participating members. The SGVA meets at the Community Center (Arts/Crafts Room) the first Saturday of each month at 10:30 a.m.

The SGVA Arts Gala is May 19, 2007. If interested in participating, contact Rose Brontmire at 825-1729 or email [rbrontmire@msn.com](mailto:rbrontmire@msn.com).

**Court is held every Monday at 2 p.m., except on major holidays. Traffic School is held the second Thursday of each month from 6-8 p.m.  
Contact City Hall for more information at 825-1477**

## UDOT

The Utah Department of Transportation is conducting an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to look at possible alternatives to reduce congestion/improve safety along S.R. 108 (2000 West) from 1900 South in West Haven to Antelope Drive in Syracuse. information about the status of this study is available at [www.udot.utah.gov/sr108study](http://www.udot.utah.gov/sr108study)

## Library

**Book Bites - We've Started an All New Storytime!** Book Bites is still here! March 21, we began reading, "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe." Come find out what great books we've been nibbling on!  
P.S. If you need a little more incentive, both books are likely on your school's AR list!

**Summer Reading - It's almost time to Get a Clue!** This year, Summer Reading is a mystery to everybody! Our theme is "Get a Clue!" Keep your eyes peeled for more information coming soon.

**National Library Week - April 15-21!** These characters are escaping! Come catch them while they read stories at the Davis County Library Storytimes, (Wednesdays only at the Syracuse/Northwest Branch).

**For more information, call 825-7080 or visit the website at [www.syracuseut.com](http://www.syracuseut.com)**

## Public Works

The Public Works Dept will be filling the secondary water lines the week of April 15. Pressure should be noticeable by April 20.

Each year, the Department receives calls from residents whose basements become flooded from spigots and system drains left open after winterizing. Please inspect your systems and make sure all drains, hose bibs, and filters are closed and ready for water.

These steps will allow the Department to concentrate their efforts in charging the lines quickly to reduce the chance of damage to homes and property.

If your system does not have water pressure by April 20, call 825-7235, and they will respond as quickly as possible.

### *Syracuse City welcomes the following new businesses:*

- Art/Photography - Wildlife/Western.....Back in the Woods
- Design - Home.....J & K Design, LLC
- Fast Food - Pizza.....Godfather's Pizza
- Fast Food - Pizza.....Papa Murphy's Pizza
- Handmade Handbags.....Liz Leigh Handbags
- Handmade Soap.....My Clean Soap Company
- Health Care Facility.....Aspen Institute for Behavioral Assessment
- Insurance.....Farmer's Insurance
- Judgment Recovery Service.....Professional Judgment Recovery
- Lawn Care.....Lush Lawn and Sprinklers
- Massage Therapy.....Global Touch Massage
- Property Management.....TNC Investments
- Skate Shop.....No Affiliation LP
- Smoothies.....Island Smoothies
- Wall Art/Wall Painting.....Bit-O-Whimsy

### **The 2007 Miss Syracuse and Miss Syracuse Outstanding Teen Scholarship Pageants:**

We have had great success in the application process for the Miss Syracuse and Miss Syracuse Outstanding Teen Scholarship Pageants. We thank all those contestants competing in the pageants this year. We know they will have an amazing opportunity to learn more about themselves and improve their talents and skills. Best of luck to all of them!

We invite the community of Syracuse to support the contestants and pageants by attending our exciting production entitled, "What A Feeling!" This year, both pageants will be held at the Davis High School auditorium on June 16, 2007. The Miss Syracuse Outstanding Teen Pageant will be 4-6 p.m. The Miss Syracuse Pageant will be 7-9 p.m. We encourage your support to our wonderful contestants and know you will enjoy a fun and entertaining evening!

We have had tremendous growth in our city over the last several years and would like to see this Scholarship Pageant continue to be supported by our great community with some generous sponsorships. Please open your hearts, as we need your help to ensure our scholarships and awards for these hard working, talented, and intelligent young women are worth their time and effort. We want them to be proud to represent a successful and supporting community. For this reason, we are seeking local individuals and/or businesses interested in sponsoring the ladies. You may ADVERTISE in the Miss Syracuse Program with a spacious full color ad. Your business will also be broadcasted before, during, and after each pageant. For pricing and information, please notify our Sponsorship Chairman, Heather Giacalone at 775-0304 or Debbie Widdison at 698-5007.

What a bright future our Miss Syracuse

and Miss Syracuse Outstanding Teen will have this coming year! Let's make it the most respected and supported Scholarship Pageant in Davis County! We'll see you there!

To keep informed about the pageant log on to [www.syracuseut.com](http://www.syracuseut.com) and click on the "Miss Syracuse and Miss Syracuse Outstanding Teen Pageants."

*Miss Syracuse Pageant Committee 2007*

### **JENSEN NATURE PARK**

The restrooms and fish-cleaning station at Jensen Nature Park are now available.

Kindergarten registration is now due for the 2007-2008 school year. Contact your school for more information.

### **Museum Tidbits**

Did you know the Syracuse Museum has "Brownies?" If you thought brownies were chocolate bar cookies, or young Girl Scouts, think again! Come to the Museum and see our "Brownies." There is also a Syracuse Sea Monster lurking about and a two-headed calf in the Farm & Home Museum. No, these are not things to fear, but to come and explore! The Museum is a great place to bring your children for an "off track" field trip.

Remember us when planning your family reunion. If you have Syracuse roots, or just want to learn about your new City, the Museum is a great place to start.

Tues-Thurs: 2-5 p.m. and Fri: 1-4 p.m.  
Appointments can be made for other times. For more information  
Call 825-3633

### **Farmer's Market**

Farmer's Market is scheduled for end of July through end of September. Call now to sign up and be part of our own Farmer's Market. It's great fun too!!

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1	2	3 Planning Commission Meeting @ 6 p.m. Public Hearing @ 6:30 p.m.	4	5 Caregiver Educational Class @ 1 p.m.	6	7 Syracuse City Annual Easter Egg Hunt @ 9 a.m. SGVA Meeting @ 10:30 a.m.
8 Happy Easter Wishes!	9 Court @ 2 p.m.	10 Quilt Guild @ 1 p.m. City Council Meeting @ 7 p.m.	11	12 Traffic School 6-8 p.m. Caregiver Educational	13	14
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