



PAYSON CITY NEWSLETTER

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Holiday Schedule

In Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day,
Payson City Offices will be Closed
Monday, January 16, 2023

If your garbage pick up day falls on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, garbage pickup will be delayed by one day.

There will be no change for garbage pickup on Thursday or Friday.

Snow Removal Guide

Payson City Street Department strives to maintain adequate snow removal for driving conditions. The following information will help residents better understand what to expect during the winter months for snow removal. The City has established the following priorities for snow removal based on street classification and usage:



Priority 1: All Main Arterial and Collector Streets

Priority 2: Arterial and Collector Roads Leading to or from School Zones.

Priority 3: Secondary and Residential Streets.

Priority 4: Cul-de-sacs, Roads with No Outlets.

State Roads within Payson City Limits Maintained by UDOT

- SR 198 (100 N & 100 W to City Boundary)
- 800 S from SR 198 to I-15
- Main Street from 100 N to I-15

Payson Fire & Rescue in conjunction with Be Ready Utah, will be hosting free monthly Emergency Preparedness Trainings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm. These will be held at the Payson Fire Station 45 East 100 South. January's meeting topic will be a basic introduction, all are welcome to attend.

Payson Fire & Rescue CPR/First Aid Class

Thursday February 23rd @ 7:00 pm

Cost is \$10 per person

Sign up at the Payson City Office

More info @ paysonutah.org/fire





LIBRARY HAPPENINGS



"Game Day Saturdays" (all ages) will take place every Saturday at 6:30 pm

After School Programs:

Library Club (grades K-6) is held every Tuesday at 4 pm.

STEAMworks (grades K-6) is held every Thursday at 4 pm.

Storytimes:

- Baby Lap time (ages 0-24 months) will be held Mondays at 10:30 am.
- Tot Tales (ages 2-3) will be held Tuesdays at 10:30 am and Wednesdays at 11:30 am.
- Preschool Pals (ages 4-5) will be held Tuesdays at 11:30 am and Wednesdays at 10:30 am.
- Cantos y Cuentos (todas las edades) es cada miércoles a las 6:30 pm. Spanish Storytime (all ages) is on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.
- Guess Who? Storytime (ages 0-5) will be held Thursdays at 10:30 am. Join us for a different special guest each week.
- Teen Night (ages 13-18) will be on January 20th at 6:30 pm. The theme is game night!
- Book Club (ages 16+) will be on January 24th at 8 pm.
- Books & Boys, a book club for boys ages 8+ with a parent/caregiver, will be meeting January 26th at 7 pm. We will be discussing the book "Swindle" by Gordon Korman.
- Library Night Out (ages 18+) will be on January 27th at 6:30 pm. We will be providing dance instruction.
- Family Movie Night (all ages) will be on February 3rd at 6:30 pm.
- Totally Tweens (ages 9-12) will be on February 10th at 6:30 pm.
- Mother & Daughter Book Club, a book club for girls ages 8+ with their mom/female caregiver, will be meeting February 23rd at 7 pm. We will be discussing the book "Emily's Runaway Imagination" by Beverly Cleary.

To view all of our upcoming events go to our event calendar at

paysonlibrary.org/upcoming-events

Book Club

January's Book Club will be held on Tuesday, January 24th @ 8 pm. We will be discussing the book, "The Lazy Genius Way" by Kendra Adachi. Please come Tuesday night with some of your favorite tips listed from the book on how to become a genius! Also, bring ideas on what books you would like to discuss during the coming year.





PAYSON CITY JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

LANDFILL LABORER

OPENING DATE: DECEMBER 21, 2022

CLOSING DATE: OPEN UNTIL FILLED



APPLICATIONS: Those interested in applying should go to <https://paysonut.applicantpro.com/jobs/2699490.html> to apply.

QUESTIONS: If you have additional questions, please contact the Human Resources Office at 801-465-5202



2022 Ted Bates Employee of the Year Kelly Christensen

Congratulations to Kelly Christensen who received the 2022 Ted Bates Employee of the Year Award! Mr. Christensen was nominated for this award for his exceptional contributions to Payson City. He continually goes above and beyond his typical duties in the Payson Power Department. Mr. Christensen used his exceptional talents at fabrication to create a way to hang the beautiful hanging flower baskets along Payson Main Street. He also created a way to hang several new scoreboards at Hillman Recreation Complex and helped installed new batting cages. Mr. Christensen also fabricated light and sound bars to hang stage lights and speakers at the Peteetneet Amphitheater.

He has worked for Payson City Power for 12 years, Mr. Christensen is such a positive force in the City. He is a team player, good listener and helps anyone.

Payson City wants to recognize and thank Mr. Christensen for all his contributions to the community. Payson City is fortunate to have such an outstanding employee as Kelly.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!



Home Energy Assistance Target Program (HEAT)

The Utah Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) program helps low-income households targeting those who are truly vulnerable the lowest-income households, disabled elderly, and families with preschool-age children. For an appointment call 801-229-3855.

Utility Bill Payments are due on January 31st (The last business day of the month). If you haven't yet paid your past due bill, please take care of it by January 25th to avoid shut off and an additional service fee. Payments made after 5:00pm will be credited on the next business day.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas with friends and family and enjoyed a fun and safe New Year celebration. I wish all of you the very best in 2023.

During 2022, there were many changes in Payson. Here are a few:

- Mountainland's Technical College (MTECH) Payson campus was funded by the Utah State Legislature. MTECH received funding to build the first building on the 13.5-acre Payson campus and will break ground on the approximately 86,000-square-foot building in April or May 2023.
- The Red Bridge Development to be built around the MTECH Payson campus continues to make progress.
- Several new businesses came to Payson: Big O Tires, Sherwin-Williams, Dutch Brothers Coffee, ERA Brokers Consolidated, Better Bowls, Riley's Taste of Sunshine, and Popeye' Chicken. Several existing businesses made or plan to make changes: Eli's Ice Cream is under new ownership, Papa Murphy's and Sip N Spot moved to new locations, and America First Credit Union is building a new branch office off of Turf Farm Rd. Jones Paint and Glass is planning to build a retail store and a new manufacturing facility in Payson soon.

Here is a sample of the retail growth we are experiencing. We are excited to welcome these businesses and look forward to additional retail development in our community.

Payson has a rich and extensive equestrian connection. I have been working to bring the connection back into focus for the past five years. Utah Valley University (UVU) purchased 38.9 acres in Payson to build a future satellite campus. They have a rodeo program that needs a home, I have let President Tuminez and her staff know that we would love to be that home.

On November 5, 2022, at the Cowboy Re-ride Reunion, during the Wilderness Circuit Finals, Governor Cox officially declared November 5th as Rodeo Pioneer Day. He honored two past Payson City residents: Raymond Knight and Earl Bascom. They are Champion Rodeo Cowboys and International Contributors to the sport of rodeo. Earl Bascom is known as the "Father of Modern Rodeo: and Raymond Knight, who coined the word "Stampede," is known as the "Father of Canadian Stampede." Both men have too many rodeo accomplishments to detail in this article.

I believe this is the right time, and Payson is the right place to establish an Equestrian Park that will provide high school, collegiate, and professional cowboys and cowgirls a place to practice and compete in rodeo events. I am excited about the possibility of reconnecting with our equestrian roots.

I would like to wish all of you a safe and happy New Year.

May we all prosper during the coming year!

Sincerely,
Mayor Bill Wright

