

# PAYSON CITY NEWSLETTER

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# In observance of the Christmas Holiday

Payson City offices will be closed December 22nd & 25th Holiday schedule for garbage pickup please go to:

www.paysonutah.org

### **Snow Removal Guide**

Payson City Street Department strives to maintain adequate snow removal to minimize hazardous driving conditions. The following information will help residents better understand what to expect during the winter months for snow removal.

Payson 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



### Winter Parking Reminder

# Ordinance for parking will be in effect regardless of snow!

As a reminder, in order to facilitate the speedy and safe removal of snow from city streets, it is unlawful for the owner or driver of any vehicle to park, cause to be parked, or allowed to be parked, said vehicle upon any city street or right-of-way of a city street between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. December 1st - March 1st of the following year. "Vehicle" shall be defined to include, but not limited to, automobiles, trucks, trailers, mobile homes, travel trailers, boats, motorcycles, buses, snowmobiles, and other transportation vehicles, whether for the transportation for humans, animals, or freight of any kind.

#### Snow and Ice Removal

Property owners are responsible for removal of all snow and ice from sidewalks in order to prevent slipping. Additionally, property owners are responsible to remove snow and ice from the curb and gutter when the accumulation of snow and ice may result in the lack of free flow of water and could produce flooding of adjacent properties. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any snow or ice from any private property and place the same on any public street, sidewalk, driveway, or right-of-way, or any part thereof. Violation of this ordinance is an infraction. Each day said violation continues will be considered a separate offense.



The RV dump station will be **CLOSED** during construction. There are plans for a new RV dump station to be built. Date is to be determined at a later time.



# The wastewater treatment plant has seen an increase of oil and grease in the sewer system. THIS IS A REMINDER PLEASE DISPOSE IN THE GARBAGE AND NOT INTO THE SEWER.

Winter will be here soon!! Please get your fall leaves cleaned up before they end up in the storm drain. Also, clean up any piles of construction or landscaping material in the road. This is a tremendous problem for snowplows.



# Home Energy Assistance Target Program (HEAT)

The Utah Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) program helps low-income households with their heating bills. This program provides winter utility assistance to 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.



I would like to thank the citizens of Payson for their support through the last 8 years. I was proud to represent Payson.

Linda Carter



I would like to thank the citizens of Payson for their support through the 1 1/2 years that I served on City Council.

Kirk Beecher



I would like to thank all the friends, neighbors, and citizens of Payson for the amazing opportunity I have had to serve as a Payson City Councilmember. It has been and honor and privilege to represent our Community. I am so excited for the future of Payson. I want to thank our entire City staff for the manner they serve and meet the needs of we the citizens. I am confident with their expertise, Mayor Wright and Council, Payson City is prepared for the needs of its Citizens while keeping the "Home Town" atmosphere.

Thank you again for your support, Bob Provstgaard

#### **Book Club**

The Book Club for the month of December is going to be held on the 3rd Tuesday
(December 19th) instead of the 4th Tuesday. (Due to the Holiday)

The book to be discussed is, "Through the Snow Globe", by Annie Rains.

Dress festive and bring a potluck goodie to share! There will be a craft to make as well!



### **Library Happenings**

- **Heroes Hangout (ages 12–18)** is on December 5th at 7:30pm. We will be discussing the book "Graceling" by Kristin Cashore.
- \*\*Totally Tweens (ages 9-12) is on December 8th at 6:30pm.
  The theme is "Elf School."
- **My First Book Club (ages 5–8)** is on December 11th at 4:30pm. We will be doing activities related to the A to Z Mysteries books.
- **Mother & Daughter Book Club (ages 8+)** is on December 14th at 7:00pm. We will be discussing the book "Catherine, Called Birdy" by Karen Cushman.
- \*\*Teen Night (ages 13-18) is on December 15th at 6:30pm.
  We'll be celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the movie Elf.
- **Game Day Saturday (all ages)** is on December 16th at 6:30pm. The theme is "Christmas with Disney."
- \*\* Love on Pages Book Club (ages 18+) is on December 29th at 6:30pm.

  We will be discussing the book "Christmas by Accident" by Camron Wright.
- \*\* Family Movie Night (all ages) will be on January 5th at 6:30pm. The movie is TBD.

  To view all of our upcoming storytimes, weekly programs, and book clubs for all ages, visit our website at catalog.paysonlibrary.org/events

### **Payson Recreation Programs**

## Registration Opening in December

- Winter Session Recreation Gymnastics
- Winter Session Centennial Dance
- WInter Session Extreme Tumbling/Parkour





We have a new recreation software.To register for activities, go to paysoncityrec.activityreg.com









Tell us what you think about road safety. Use the link to complete the survey by Dec. 20th

Tickets are available now for our annual Chamber Gala. City officials, business leaders, award winners, and our special

keynote speaker/entertainer, Nathan Osmond, will make this year's event the best one yet.

PAYSON SANTAQUIN AREA

Go to the Chamber website for more information, sponsorship packages, and to register:

www.PaysonSantaquinArea.com



# MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

It is December already! It does not seem possible, but it is. Time goes by too fast for me, and I'll bet it's the same for many of you. I hope all of you enjoyed Thanksgiving with family and friends. Recently, we all had the opportunity and privilege of voting for new City Council members. Thank you to those of you who took advantage of that responsibility. Those who did not, please consider voting in the next election. We need to have your involvement in the election process.

I would like to publicly express my undying thanks to the outgoing council members; Bob Provstgarrd, Linda Carter, and Kirk Beecher. I know they were and are still dedicated to ensuring that Payson remains a great place to live, work, and raise families. The hard decisions that they have made will help ensure that Payson continues to have a bright future. It has been my honor and pleasure to have worked with them. Please join me when you can to express your heartfelt thanks to them for their time and dedication to our city's future.

I also want to thank and publicly support the newly elected council members; Brian Hulet, Ryan Rowley, and Anne Moss. I am excited to work with you as we continue to ensure that Payson will be a great place to live. Thank you for being willing to address the challenges and opportunities our city will face as we continue growing.

December is my favorite time of year, primarily due to Christmas. There have already been fun activities for you as citizens of Payson and the surrounding area to enjoy. Here are a few of them.

The Santa Dash at the Peteetneet occurred on November 24th. This family activity started nine years ago and allows participants to dress up as Santa or close to it. With the help of our Police Department, they run a mile, then return to the Peteeneet for hot chocolate and the official lighting of the Christmas lights.

December 1st & 2nd, we had a Christmas Boutique at the Peteetneet. This event started seven years ago and continues to be very popular. The Boutique provides an opportunity for hometown vendors to sell their products. During the Boutique, dance groups and choirs are performing for everyone to enjoy. And, of course, Santa is there for the kids and adults alike to enjoy.

Occurring at the same time as the Boutique for the last three years is the Christmas Creche held at Memorial Park. In connection with the Payson City Mayor's Interfaith Council and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, it provides an opportunity to walk through the park to see Christmas displays. The Christmas Creche also includes a live manger display at the Hope Baptist Church. The Christmas Creche is a beautiful event.

Dutch Brothers provided the hot chocolate during this event.

Thank you to Payson City's Events Coordinator Janeen Dean, the Interfaith Council, the Hope Baptist Church, and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for these family-oriented Christmas activities.

I sincerely hope and wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas! Unfortunately, the Christmas season is not always happy for everyone. Please always treat each other with kindness and look for opportunities to help those in need.

Merry Christmas, Mayor Bill Wright

Utility Bill Payments are due on December 28, 2023 (The last business day of the month).

If you haven't yet paid your past due bill, please take care of it by December 27, 2023 to avoid shut off and an additional service fee. Payments made after 5:00pm will be credited on the next business day.