

PAYSON CITY NEWSLETTER

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Payson City Spring Clean Up April 1st - 8th

Free Dumping at the Landfill for Payson City residents. All commercial vehicles will still be weighed and charged.

National Police Week 2023 May 14th - May 20th

Please take the opportunity to let our Payson City Police
Officers know how much they are appreciated in our community!

Equal Pay

If you would like to participate in equal pay, please fill out the equal pay authorization form included in your bill. Equal payment applications are only accepted during the months of September and March



Your account MUST be current & have 12 months payment history.

No bunny does an Easter Egg Hunt like Payson City!

Grab you baskets and help celebrate the spring season at this favorite city event.

Children will have an egg-cellent time gathering filled eggs.

Date: April 8th Time: 10:00 am

Place: Hillman Fields 955 South Main

Cost: FREE

2023 Payson Easter Sunrise

Concert

Date: April 9th

Time: 6:30 am

Place: Peteetneet Auditorium

10 North 600 East

Utility Bill Payments are due on March 31st (The last business day of the month).

If you haven't yet paid your past due bill, please take care of it by March 22nd to avoid shut off and an additional service fee.

Payments made after 5:00pm will be credited on the next business day.



Springtime and Commercial Business



It's going to be spring soon and the snow will be gone. It will leave us with a mess to clean up after all of the ice melt products we

have used this winter. This can cause a problem with storm runoff that will find it's way into our storm system and in some cases our rivers and lakes. We need to be aware of this issue and take all of the precautions we can to mitigate this problem before we reach springtime by sweeping up the debris after it is dry. We also need to be aware of our grease traps and water/oil separators, so when weather permits, we can make sure they are working efficiently. If we take these few simple steps every spring, your business and the City's sewer and storm systems will run as efficiently as possible. This will benefit the whole community. Thank you.

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Payson Sr. Citizen's Weekly Agenda:

Mondays:

Wood Carving 8:00 am-2:00 pm Chair Exercises 11:00 am

Sing 11:20 am

Tuesdays:

Wood Carving 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Painting with Russ: 8:00 am -4:00 pm

Wall Exercises 11:00 am

Wednesdays:

Wood Carving 8:00 am-2:00 pm

Ceramics 8:00 am -4:00 pm

TOPS 9:00 am

Live Drum Exercises 11:00 am

Thursdays:

Painting with Katherine 9:00 am-4:00 pm Arthritis Exercises 11:00 am

Fridays:

Tai Chi Relaxation 11:00 am Bingo after lunch.

Helping Hands Dinner

Please join us Friday, March 24th @ 6:00 pm in the Banquet Hall, 439 W Utah Ave. for the Interfaith Council Fundraiser

Please feel free to bring a dessert to be auctioned off.

Minimum donation for dinner will be \$5.00



ONLINE SURVEY

UTA and Payson City are developing a new community plan around the future FrontRunner Station in northern Payson.

Help shape the Payson Station Area Plan by sharing your thoughts through this online survey! Open from March 3 to 24

Complete survey here:



https://www.menti.com/al3fqert9443

Visit PaysonStationAreaPlan.com for more information



Book Club

The March Book Club will be held on Tuesday, March 28th @ 8pm. The book to be discussed is, "The Things We Cannot Say." by Kelly Rimmer.



Employee of the Month



Debbie Bushnell is an Administrative Assistant for Payson City Public Works and Parks. She helps keep things moving forward at the City. Debbie goes out of her way to help contractors and residents. She also follows up all questions or requests from Payson City residents.

Debbie takes the time to get to know her co-workers and treats other employees like they are family. She goes above and beyond to help other employees when they need help.

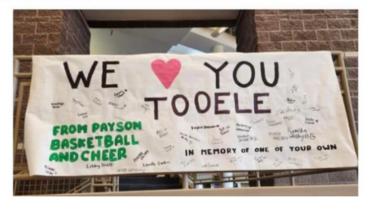
Debbie is amazing at communicating and de-escalating complaints.

Thank you, Debbie for your contributions to Payson City and for being such an outstanding employee. We are fortunate to have you as part of the Payson City team, we appreciate your talents and abilities and willingness to help serve our customers, as well as other employees. CONGRATUALATIONS!!!

Kudos to Payson High School Students



Sometimes its the little things that have the biggest impact. Tonight we were supposed to play against Payson on their turf. Instead, we are hurting, consoling, and grieving. Nonetheless, PHS drove 3.5 hours round trip to drop off a simple gift. This small gesture has already cultivated a huge impact. Thank you PHS cheer and basketball. You are a cut above!





FREE Concert



Everyone is invited to a Free Concert. The Payson Civic Chorale, now in it's 42nd year and under the direction of David C. Dahlquist, joins the Nebo Philharmonic Orchestra, under the direction of Paul Wells, in another collaborative effort. The concert is scheduled for Thursday, March 23rd, at Salem Hills High School beginning at 7:00 p.m.

There is no charge, So come and enjoy.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



It is March already, and it is still snowing! I don't know about you, but I'm more than ready for winter to end. I am prepared to enjoy the warmer weather just around the corner.

We don't have any control over how spring comes, but we hope it will stop snowing soon and begin warming up slowly. That's the key to a spring that doesn't include flooding.

As I mentioned in February's Newsletter, we are taking the possibility of flooding very seriously. We have met with Strawberry Water, High Line Canal, Salem, Spanish Fork, and Mapleton. We know Utah County Public Works has a plan to avert potential flooding and is aggressively implementing its strategy. The South Utah County cities have a history of working well together; this year will be no exception. While each municipality will care for its own needs, we will be ready to assist other cities if necessary.

Chief Scott Spencer is planning for an extensive clean—up of Dry Creek, scheduled for Saturday, March 18th. We need your help if we are to be successful in preventing flooding. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

We are well on our way to planning the Station Area Plan in northern Payson for a Frontrunner station in the not-too-distant future.

Many of you may have seen the sign UVU recently installed on the property they purchased from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The property is just east of the UAMPS Mt. Nebo Power Plant on the north side of I-15.

The Red Bridge Development continues to progress and has finalized the donation of 13 ½ acres to MTECH. The Groundbreaking for MTECH college will be in September 2023. If the construction stays on schedule, they anticipate the building will be ready for fall 2025 classes.

A lot of progress has been made on the construction of the new Payson High School. They expect a completion date in the summer of 2025. If construction stays on schedule, the school will be ready for the 2025-26 school year.

Housing construction has slowed down, but we continue to have businesses interested in locating in Payson.

The engineering of the Payson Main Street project is nearing completion. We have received \$5,000,000.00 from the State of Utah to replace the aging underground utilities and to rebuild Main Street. Unfortunately, due to post-Covid 19 supply chain problems, the project cost has more than doubled. We initially intended to go from 100 North Main to 700 South Main, but have had to scale back. The project scope will go from 100 North Main to 100 South Main. When engineering is complete, we will better understand the total cost.

While rebuilding Main Street, in the Historic Downtown business area, the City Council has voted to provide an additional \$3,400,000.00 to update the streetscape. We are continuing to work closely with the downtown businesses.

These are just a few of the many ongoing projects. I would need more room to address all of them. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me, members of the City Council, or our city manager at comments@payson.org

Payson City and its citizens have a bright future ahead of us. There will be challenges, but with your help, we will overcome them

Thank you for being so supportive!

Mayor Bill Wright

