



THE BREEZE

South Weber City Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

Hello again, Good Residents of South Weber!

I hope you have enjoyed this Fall as much as I have. It has been wonderful to receive the much-needed rain and snow. Not only will it help replenish our water supply in this severe drought, but it has really helped to control the blowing dust that has been extra hard on our citizens this year. I want to give a huge shout out to Councilman Quin Soderquist, our gravel pit liaison, who has worked tirelessly to try to find solutions to help with dust control in a year when the gravel pits have had 70% less water to reduce "fugitive dust". Quin has placed dust collection boxes in areas around the eastern part of the City affected by dust, monitored, and collected data weekly to find locations where dust concentrations were the largest. This information, combined with many meetings with Parson's and Geneva Gravel Pits, have prompted supportive and cooperative actions by both pits to work toward mitigating the dust. Thanks so much, Quin.



Mayor Jo Sjoblom

Folks, we have a new library! It is situated on Main Street in Clearfield but it is the Davis County branch library assigned to our City, and it is amazing! Not only does it have a hefty supply of books, but it has a 3-D printer, videoing studios and green screens, laptops and GoPros that residents can check out, and other technological devices. It is a beautiful facility, so please take your family and go check it out.

And speaking of new, I am excited to introduce you all to a couple of new City staff members. Trevor Cahoon is our Community Services Director. He manages the HR department, the planning and zoning department, code enforcement, and is heavily involved in public relations. He has been with us since late July and has done an incredible job. He also lightens the mood at City Hall with his creativity and practical jokes. He is a wonderful asset to the community.

Alicia Springmeyer is our new City Treasurer. She started working for the City in May as a Management Intern while completing her Master of Public Administration degree and has been a great fit with the organization. We have already been able to experience her enthusiasm, high quality of work, efficiency and desire to learn. We are excited to have her as a permanent member of the team.

Finally, I would like to give a shout out to the Youth City Council, Highmark Charter School, Angie Petty, and Hayley Alberts for a great Trick or Treat activity! It was a rainy day, so we had to take the party inside (at Highmark), but it was well-attended and great fun for everyone who participated. Thanks for all your efforts in making it a spooky night to remember.

Hope you all stay safe and warm and have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with your families.

-Mayor Jo Sjoblom



Winter Parking Reminder

We would like to remind you that starting November 1st, parking on streets will not be permitted. This creates a safety hazard for our snow plows as well as traveling vehicles.

On this note, we ask that you please trim your trees and bushes along the street while the weather is still warm to make it easier for snow plows to clear the roads.

Cooking Safety

Did you know that Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires? We want to avoid having one of these fires here in South Weber this upcoming holiday, so let's go over some safety tips for the day!

- Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stove top so you can keep an eye on the food.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey - On that note...make sure you're checking on your turkey frequently!
- Keep children at least 3 feet away from any hot appliances - stove, oven, etc.
- Keep children away from hot food and liquids as they can cause serious burns.
- Keep electrical cords for kitchen appliances out of arms reach of children.
- Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, purses, etc.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working.
- Make sure your turkey is COMPLETELY thawed out if you are planning on deep frying it.

If you have a small grease cooking fire and decide to fight the fire:

- If on the Stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- If in the oven, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

If you have ANY doubts about fighting a small fire, get out of the house, close the door behind you, and call 911.

Turn Up the HEAT!

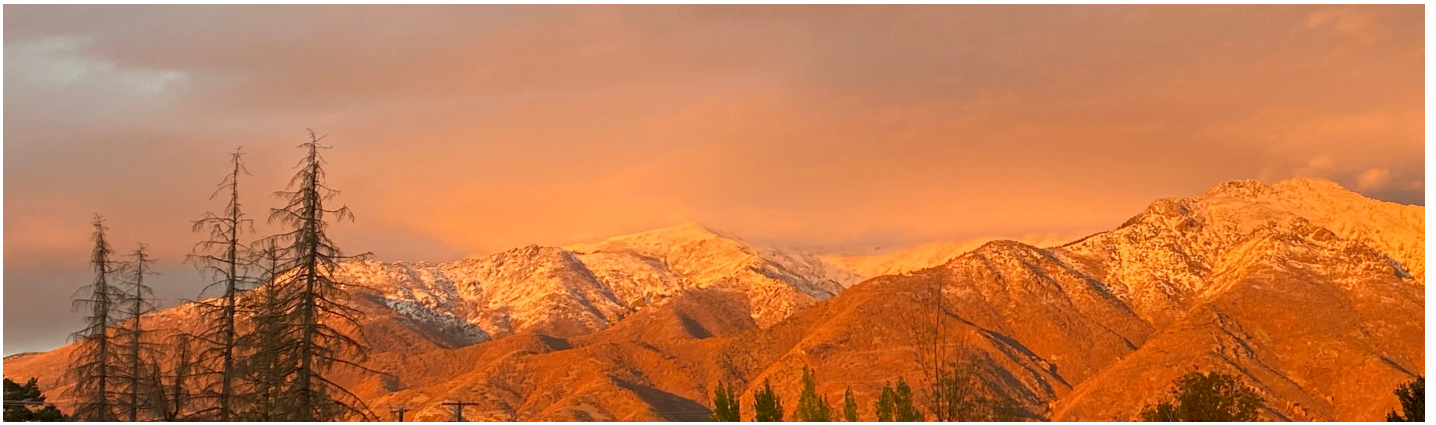
It's getting c-c-cooolllldd outside! Is it time to turn up the heat yet?

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths. Here are a few heating safety tips to help keep your home safe.

- Have your furnace cleaned every year
- Have your chimney cleaned every year.
- Keep space heaters at least 3 feet from anything that can burn.
- Turn space heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Have a sturdy screen on your fireplace to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Put fires out BEFORE you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a 3-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.
- Install and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If you smell gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.

Carbon Monoxide

Carbon Monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels burn incompletely. CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes, or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO Alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound!



Family Activity Center

Boys Rec Basketball Online Registration is open until November 19. Teams are filling up fast, so please do not wait to register until the last day.

Breakfast with Santa is still under consideration. We will update you as dates get closer.

Follow us on Social Media!
Facebook - South Weber Family Activity Center

Instagram - @Southweberrec_fac



What a Library!

Located at 1 N Main Street in Clearfield, this library is FULL of books and awesome technology including GoPros, a 3D Printer, a Podcasting Room, Videoing Studios supplied with Green Screens, etc....all available to the public.

And good news - this is the official library assigned to South Weber City, so head over there and check it out!

Recycling Bins

Last year we received many complaints about the recycling bins located at South Weber Elementary school overflowing with boxes and other garbage. With South Weber's infamous windstorms, this garbage was blown all around the area.

With Christmas coming soon, we wanted to send a friendly reminder to all of our residents to please be mindful of how full the bins are before trying to throw other things away.

Overflowing cardboard and garbage can become very problematic very quickly. If the bins are full and you are not able to shut the lids, please come back after they have been emptied.

If they are already full, DO NOT place your cardboard on top or around the bins.

Thank you so much!!



South Weber Citizen Spotlight

James and Sara Perry were both born and raised in Seattle, Washington. A few years after being married, they moved their little family to Vashon Island which is in Puget Sound and is only accessible by a ferry.

The Seven Perry children enjoyed living on Vashon, roaming their ten acres, romping through the woods, picking blackberries and playing at the beach. After twelve years on Vashon, James accepted a job in Central Washington and they moved to the Yakima area where the family spent several years building a house, doing much of the work themselves.

After six years in Yakima, James was called to serve as a mission president for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Richmond, Virginia, where they spent three great years serving with many, many amazing missionaries. At the end of their mission eight years ago, they moved to South Weber because Sara was captured by the spell of the old rock house on 475 East. Little did they know they were moving into the finest community in Utah!



James and Sara Perry

James, who has spent his business career in different areas of finance and money management, now runs a commercial finance company in Farmington, Utah which caters to the needs of small businesses. His hobbies are church service and walking/hiking, but his greatest delights are his seven children and six (soon to be seven) grandchildren.

Sara's life's work has been as a mother and grandmother. Along the way she fit in some church callings, gardening, horses, farm animals, spinning, weaving, painting, reading, jewelry making and other sundry interests.

The old rock house where the Perry's live is the oldest home in South Weber. It was built in 1863 by the Bowman family. It has been owned by several different families and has become something of an icon. The rock portion is the original 158 year old home. Rumor has it that the house was built out of the rocks taken from the Kinston (Kingston) fort that was being dismantled. This is not confirmed history, so if anyone knows different, the Perry's would love to hear about it.

A two story addition was added about fifteen years ago. There is an old root cellar in the backyard, also built of rock. An old barn used to stand where the current garage is located. Since the home was built before the current road configuration, the side of the house that faces the street is actually the side of the early home with the original front facing north.

There is a lot of history in the old rock house. It was built by a pioneer family and it has been cared for by many others, perhaps most significantly by the Brent and Diane Winchester family when they made the decision to repair it rather than tear it down. The Perry's hope to continue to preserve its historical nature and significance in the community.

NOMINATE someone to be in the community spotlight!!

Send an email to ycc@southwebercity.com with their name and information to be featured.

Want to see updates to what the YCC is doing? Follow us on social media!

Instagram: @southweberycc

Facebook: South Weber Youth City Council

