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### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

On October 28<sup>th</sup> the City Council and Bluffdale citizens congratulated the Bluffdale Fire Department for their heroic actions in response to the Machine Gun Fire. According to Bluffdale Fire Chief John Roberts, the Unified Fire Authority (UFA) called upon the Bluffdale Fire Department to supply one of its auxiliary units (Aux) to help protect homes in Herriman. He said within a very short time the UFA called upon our second aux unit to provide additional protection to homes in Herriman. The deployment of the two auxiliary units deployed all five firemen on duty to assist the UFA in Herriman, which could have left our residents unprotected. Thankfully, Bluffdale is a member of the Metro Fire Agency (MFA) which includes Bluffdale, Midvale, Murray, Sandy, South Jordan, South Salt Lake, West Jordan, and West Valley cities, which allowed Chief Roberts to call on our partners in the MFA. Chief Stephen Higgs and Battalion Chief Warren James of Midvale sent EMT's to operate our ambulance and Chief John Evans of West Valley City sent an engine crew to operate our fire engine to enable continuous protection to life and property in our city.



Our aux units have double the capacity of water as those belonging other cities therefore our crews provided very valuable protection to homes in Herriman. Our crews were deployed very high on the mountain in the Rose Canyon area. Chief Roberts attributed our crews in helping save at least twenty homes from burning to the ground, although the homes did sustain fire damage such as melted siding. At one point the fire was so close to our crews that it was rolling around their evacuation route. Our crews had to drive up the steep terrain toward the fire to get out of the way of disaster, only to return to their post to continue protecting the homes that would have burned without their heroic efforts.

On behalf of the citizens of Bluffdale I thank all firemen that protect our city for their willingness to perform heroic actions such as those performed recently in Herriman City.

The Bluffdale City Police Department is equally heroic in their actions. Police Chief Gary Hicken presented officers Shane Taylor and Kevin Flinton with commendations during the City Council meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

According to Chief Hicken, Officer Shane Taylor noticed a truck which matched the description of a vehicle involved in prior thefts. Officer Taylor stopped the driver of the truck. He was able to identify the driver and obtain a confession to prior thefts and also identification of the intended theft that night. Officer Taylor's proactive patrolling and keen observations resulted in the arrest of a habitual thief and solved three theft cases involving over \$20,000 in stolen property.

According to Chief Hicken, Officer Kevin Flinton, while on active patrol, found a young man who had been involved in a serious bicycle crash in a remote area of the city. The young man had suffered a serious head injury and had lost consciousness. Officer Flinton called for medical assistance and the young man was transported to the hospital. Officer Flinton went the extra mile by staying at the scene until the young man's mother arrived and visited the young man and his family in the hospital later that day. The young man's father, who was out of town during the accident, later thanked officer Flinton for helping his family. Officer Flinton displayed a high level of kindness and care to the family during their dramatic event.

Thanks to these two fine officers for representing the city so well in their duties by going above and beyond the call of duty.

As a resident of Bluffdale City I feel very comfortable, safe, and protected knowing we have such professional fire and police departments serving the city.

Mayor Timothy



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Oct 11 Columbus Day - Bluffdale City Offices Closed
- Oct 12 City Council
- Oct 19 Planning Commission
- Oct 26 City Council
- Oct 30 Trunk or Treat
- Nov 5 Planning Commission

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BLUFFDALE?**

City Council & Planning Commission agendas are posted at the City Hall, Fire Station, Bluff's Apartments, the public meeting notice website <http://pmn.utah.gov> along with our website [www.bluffdale.com](http://www.bluffdale.com)

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Planning Commission meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday each month in the Fire Station at 14350 South 2200 West.

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City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday each month in the Fire Station at 14350 South 2200 West.

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Visit our website [www.bluffdale.com](http://www.bluffdale.com) for news on upcoming events and meetings, past issues of the Bluffdale Times, forms, maps and much more!

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

Come join us for Bluffdale's Annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the Bluffdale City Park - 14350 South 2200 West. The fun begins at 6:00 pm and will go until 7:30 pm. There will be hot chocolate and cookies along with prizes for the best decorated car.



**BLUFFDALE CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT SHAYLEE THACKER**

Shaylee Thacker is a sophomore at Riverton High School and an honor roll student. It surprises many of her peers when they find out she competes competitively in high school rodeo. Shaylee started out participating in jr. rodeos and found along with her success she really loved competing. She moved on to high school rodeo, and with a lot of practice and determination has enjoyed the success from her hard work.

This past summer Shaylee earned the State High School girls All-Around title where she placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Pole Bending and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Breakaway roping events. Shaylee went on to represent the State of Utah at the High School National Finals competition held in Gillette, Wyoming where she was Reserve Champion in the Breakaway roping and helped the girls team win the National Title beating out Texas.

Shaylee enjoys living in Bluffdale and plans to continue competing in high school rodeo competitions and hopes by next summer she might be ready to compete at the Bluffdale rodeo!

**NEW JUDGE SWORN IN**

On September 28th Darwin Poulsen was sworn in as the Bluffdale City Judge. Judge Poulsen replaces Judge Reed Parkin who has accepted a full time position with Orem City. Judge Poulsen previously served as the Bluffdale City Judge from 2004 to 2005 when he left to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. We are excited to welcome Judge Poulsen to our staff.



**EFFLUENT WATER**

There will be an effluent water public hearing during the City Council meeting held on October 26, 2010. It will begin at 7 pm. Please come voice your opinions and/or questions.

**BLUFFDALE CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT PRIME SANDWICHES**

Jerry Allen has recently purchased PRIME SANDWICHES, "Home of the Hemi", located at 14587 South 790 West Bldg."C", Suite 100, Bluffdale. The fresh soup and specialty sandwich shop is open 10-5 Mon-Fri. and prides itself on fast, friendly service using only the finest quality foods, custom made to their guests' satisfaction. New to the menu is the "Spark Plug Special", a barbecue pulled pork sandwich that is described by patrons in one word, "WOW."



Orders can be called in to 801-527-4364 or faxed to 801-523-5864. Catering and special orders are available for large groups. Call for details. Stop by, say hi to Jerry and check out their daily specials and offers.

