

MOVIE IN THE PARK

Grab your blankets and join us for a movie under the stars!



August 27 - Toy Story 3

The movie starts at dusk and will be held at the Bluffdale City Park - 14350 South 2200 West.

CERT CLASSES STARTING SOON!

Prepare to help yourself, family, neighbors and community in a disaster! Knowing what to do in a disaster is a vital part in disaster preparedness. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class starts September 1st.

Go to CERT page on www.bluffdale.com for more information or stop by the City offices at the Fire Station. Previously trained are always welcome to attend any of the classes for a refresher.

If there is any Current CERT trained individuals that would like to help with CERT class, please contact David Rasmussen for more information.

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LUSH AND LOVELY JANA'S TIPS FOR MORE GARDENING JOY

Hey fellow gardeners! I hope you are all wallowing in the lovely green chlorophyll, the results of your gardening efforts bursting into glorious manifestations of flora and fauna!

This month's tip is about "morning glory" (actually not morning glory, but field bindweed. True morning glory looks similar but has a bigger, more colorful flower and is not so invasive). Morning glory spreads a seed every single day, and the seeds can wait up to 50 years to germinate. Morning glory tests the best of us with its tenacity, and to think someone imported it into this country because they thought it was pretty!

If you are struggling with morning glory, I'm sure you've found that pulling it just seems to make it worse, as the roots go all the way to the Asian continent. The most effective way to eradicate bindweed is to cover the end of your Round-up spray nozzle with the top end of a 2 liter soda bottle, the bottom having been cut off. Gather up the bindweed until it is all inside the pop bottle and spray it to death. Leave the pop bottle for a while until the Round-up dries out a little, then let it do its magic. Round-up will take the root as well. Good luck!

By Jana Christensen, Tree Board President



BLUFFDALE CITY FOURTH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Bluffdale City 4th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on September 17, 2011 at the Riverbend Golf Course. The fee will be \$250 per four member team. To register visit our website www.bluffdale.com.

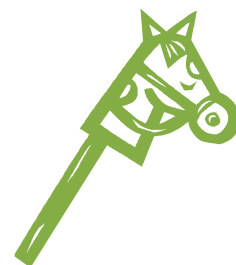


Don't miss out on the Little Buckaroo Rodeo during Old West Days on August 13th.

The fun begins at 6 pm at the Bluffdale Arena - 14350 South 2200 West

Events will include:

- Mutton Bustin**
- Money Cow**
- Stick Horse Barrell Racing**
- Barrells**
- Poles**
- Key Hole**



To register for events visit our website - www.bluffdale.com

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Aug 9 City Council
- Aug 12-13 Town Days
- Aug 16 Planning Commission
- Aug 23 City Council
- Sep 6 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

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

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

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The city receives revenue in different ways. One of those ways is through property tax. The property tax paid to Bluffdale City is one of the lower percentages of the total property taxes you pay. However, it is also one of the more important taxes which affect each of us who live in Bluffdale City. It helps pay for police protection, emergency response, administration of the city, new infrastructure as well as maintenance and operation of existing facilities such as roads.

It is very expensive to keep roads in good condition. It is even more expensive to let roads become so deteriorated they need to be removed and replaced. If the city doesn't keep roads in a certain level of condition referred to as Road Service Life (RSL) it becomes more expensive in the long run. One of our current City Council members has stated, "We are borrowing from the future if we don't maintain our roads." I believe this is true. What we don't pay today in maintaining our roads we will pay 10 times or more in the future.

The current City Council understands the importance of the RSL and with the advice or our City Engineer, Michael Fazio, we now have a 5-6 year plan to get our roads in a condition enabling the most effective use of tax dollars.

Other long term plans which relate to safety, economic development, transportation, and administration have been put into place by the current City Council, which I believe benefit us all. I bring this up because three of the City Council seats are being decided in the election this fall. In my opinion there is no elected official that has more to do with your everyday life than members of the City Council. The actions of the City Council affect you locally so it is important to have the best people on the City Council.

To have the best City Council it is important for every eligible voter to be knowledgeable about city issues, be registered to vote, become educated on those who are being considered, and then to go vote.

Remember to vote during the Primary election on September 13th and during the General election on November 8th.

Mayor Timothy



NOTICE OF VACANCY ON CITY COUNCIL

At a recent City Council meeting, Councilmember Rod Flanigan informed the Mayor and Council that he needs to resign from the City Council because he is moving out of state. His resignation is effective August 1. We wish him and his family the best.

Vacancies on the City Council are filled according to state law. Any registered voter may apply to be appointed to fill the remainder of Councilmember Flanigan's term (through January 3, 2012). The appointee must meet the requirements for candidacy for municipal office. The City will accept names of persons interested in filling the position until Thursday, August 18, 2011, at 5 pm. The vacancy will be filled by the City Council on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, at its regularly scheduled meeting, which begins at 7 pm at the Fire Station located at 14350 South 2200 West. State law requires those who have submitted names for consideration to be present at the City Council meeting on August 23, 2011, where the vacancy will be filled. Persons interested in filling the position shall submit their name for consideration to the City Recorder, Teddie Bell, at 14350 South 2200 West.

**THE CITY OF BLUFFDALE, UTAH
2011 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES**

The following individuals have filed their candidacy for the office in the 2011 Bluffdale City Municipal Election:

City Council - At Large - (4 year term - 3 seats)

C. Nick Berry	1677 West Gunstock Drive	801-674-4345	cnickb@gmail.com
Craig L. Briggs	14719 S. Oak Point Drive	801-254-7606	craiglbriggs1@gmail.com
Troy E. Chisholm	3013 West 14865 South	801-253-6744	troyechisholm@hotmail.com
Bruce M. Kartchner	14078 South Deer Haven Cove	801-446-7492	bruce4bluffdale@yahoo.com
Don Mortimer	2008 West Aspen Ave.	801-254-1710	dwmortimer@gmail.com
Ty Nielsen	14989 South 2200 West	801-440-9790	tnielsen@herriman.org
Heather Pehrson	14212 Stone Fly Drive	801-201-3744	heather4bluffdale@gmail.com
Jewel K. Skousen	14638 South 2700 West	801-808-7896	jewelskousen@gmail.com

MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT

The Lion's Club will be sponsoring a Meet the Candidates Night before the Primary Election (September 13th, 2011) Date and time for the Meet the Candidates Night will be announced. Please check our website for election dates, candidates and percent maps. Or contact Bluffdale City at 801.254.2200

ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

August 30 - September 9 - Early Voting - 14350 South 2200 West
September 13, 2011 - Primary Election
October 25 - November 4 - Early Voting - 14350 South 2200 West
November 8 - General Election

**BLUFFDALE BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT
Bullfrog Spas**

Bullfrog International was established in 1996. The company sprung up from an idea for a new way to build a better hot tub. That concept has since been patented and named the JetPak System. Bullfrog Spas are the only hot tubs powered by JetPaks, which create a totally customizable spa with more powerful massages and better energy savings. Bullfrog Spas has grown into a major hot tub brand with worldwide influence and are now sold across the US and Canada. Bullfrog Spas are also shipped to Europe and the patented technology is licensed in Asia and Australia. Bullfrog moved to their current location on 14600 South in Bluffdale in 2003. Bullfrog Spas are produced right at this facility, which also houses the corporate offices and a retail showroom. Visitors are welcomed to stop by for a factory tour and explanation of Bullfrog Spas and the JetPak System any time.



**BLUFFDALE OLD WEST DAYS
2012 LOGO CONTEST
Put your "brand" on OLD WEST DAYS!**

Put your creativity to work! Go to Old West Days and get a feel for the theme, come up with a logo and submit it by September 15th, 2011. Winning logos may be used for posters, banners, letterhead, advertising, shirts, and any other items needed for the promotion and production of Bluffdale Old West Days. The winning entry or entries will become the property of Bluffdale City. All work needs to be your original and not contain any copyrighted items. Contest is open to all Bluffdale residents.

Please submit to the city offices:
 Entry Form
 Full Color Copy
 Black & White Copy
 Color Separations
 Digital Files (jpeg preferred) for each of the above.



Check at the Trading Post during Old West Days (Aug. 13th) for entry forms and Prize to be awarded. Or at the city office after the 13th.
GOOD LUCK!

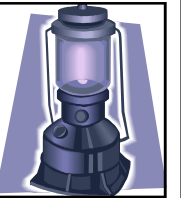
**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
SIGN UP, BLUFFDALE!**

We will be scheduling Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training in September. This will be your opportunity to join the many others in Bluffdale who are CERT trained already and who will play a very important role in an emergency. It not only helps you know your responsibilities to your neighborhood, but it also teaches you how to better prepare your home and family. I truly hope this class fills up. The more people who are CERT trained, the better will be our response in an emergency. **So.....get ready to sign up, Bluffdale.** We need you! (More information next month.)

Thank you to all of you who worked on emergency preparedness this month. The winners for our July 31 drawing are:

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| 1. Ashlee Yardley --- 3 mo. food supply & water | Prize: 100-hour candle |
| 2. Kathy Ashcroft --- purchased a water filter | Prize: leather work gloves |
| 3. Georgia & Louis Chadwick --- food storage | Prize: emergency multi-tool |

Our last drawing will be at Old West Days on August 13. It is for anyone who has finished an emergency preparedness project between May 1 and August 13, and who has not already won a prize. If you haven't turned your name in yet, call me at 801-419-6278 or email me at curlyconnie@gmail.com with your name, phone, and what project you completed. I have some great prizes, so I hope to hear from you! Thank you!



Connie Jones
 Emergency Manager

**BLUFFDALE CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT
Rod Flanigan**

As one chapter comes to a close, another begins. It has been a wonderful experience to serve on the Bluffdale City Council, however, my time has come to an end. As this particular chapter in my life comes to a close, I was asked to take a moment to reflect on my experience on the city council.

When I was elected to the city council, it was a tumultuous time. The city had just lost thousands of acres of land (now in Herriman), and there were several ongoing, or imminent lawsuits facing the city. We spent many, many long nights in city council meetings deliberating these difficult issues. Amidst all of this, the economy started to falter, and we faced some serious financial decisions. Fortunately, through the hard work and effort of our city staff, we have been able to get through these tough times without any property tax increase. Today, most Bluffdale residents I talk to agree that there is far less tension in the city, and that people are once again proud to call Bluffdale home.

Bluffdale is blessed to have some very talented and capable city employees. Mark Reid, our City Manager, has brought a new level of professionalism and dedication to this city that we had not seen before. When we first hired Mark, he did not live in the city, but it did not take long for him to see the value of owning a home in Bluffdale and soon moved his family here. Mark represents Bluffdale in many local, county, regional, and state level meetings; he is, on many occasions the face of Bluffdale. While his work and dedication often goes unnoticed, just one example of his effort is worth noting. The monumental contract Bluffdale was awarded with the NSA to supply water for their entire facility was due, in large part, to the efforts of Mark Reid and his staff. Mark represents the city very well; we should be proud to have such a great city manager.

Mayor Timothy is yet another example of what is good in Bluffdale. Mayor Timothy works tirelessly for this city. He spends countless hours, on his own time, going to meetings, reviewing documents, answering phone calls, and attending to all manner of city business. He is always well-read and prepared for meetings, and he is not afraid to stand up for what he believes in. Mayor Timothy has been instrumental in keeping the Porter Rockwell Blvd. on the "front burner" of the master transportation plan of the state. When this road is finally built, it will be a great financial boost for the city. Mayor Timothy has done an incredible job of keeping this city visible to state lawmakers, which will pay dividends in years to come.

It really has been a privilege to work with all the people on the city council and city staff. It has been an incredible learning experience. I encourage others to get involved in city government. It is a great way to meet others from Bluffdale and neighboring cities. Bluffdale has been blessed to have many wonderful "pioneers" who gave of their own time, talents, equipment, and money to build this city. I hope that we do not lose that sense of pride that these founding father's of Bluffdale had for our city.

I have been honored to serve the community. So, as I move on and someone else steps in, I hope that I have done some good. I hope that I have not disappointed those who voted for me (and even those who did not!). I hope that, in the end, we can all do a little something to help make Bluffdale a better place to live. I hope and pray that future Bluffdale legislative and administrative bodies will guide and direct this city with wisdom, foresight, and fiscal constraint.

Thank you.