Salem City will be closed on Monday, February 16th for President's Day. Garbage will be picked on Tuesday the 17th as usual. Please have garbage cans out by 7:00 a.m.

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL OFFICES (ELECTIONS)

To be voted on in the Salem City Municipal General Election on Nov. 3, 2015. There are 3 City Council Member positions available—all are 4 year terms.

Candidate filing period begins June 1, 2015 and ends June 8, 2015.

Declaration of Candidacy Forms or Nomination Petition must be filed in person with the Salem City Recorder at 30 West 100 South, Salem, Utah during the filing period, between the hours of 7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. Monday—Thursday and 7:30 a.m.—5:00 on Friday, June 5.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Citizens,

I would like to address an important issue that involves the most precious resource that we have, our children. As your Mayor, I see a number of challenges that our children and especially our teenagers face on a day to day basis. It is a different world that we live in today, with modern technology, social media access and society as a whole. Our children are exposed to a number of challenges, many that are damaging and negative. Because of this, some of our teenagers face depression and suicidal thoughts. Our religious leaders, school leaders and community leader’s work together to ensure our children are protected and that they know they are loved and cared about. As Mayor of this wonderful community, I would hope that each citizen can reach out to the youth in your lives, and let them know how important they are, and that you are there for them no matter what the situation may be.

I would like to thank some exceptional teenagers in our community that are part of our Salem Youth Council. They do a tremendous job in our city! I would also like to thank Marte & Marcie McKee who provide great leadership to our Youth Council.

A few months ago we welcomed a new business to town. At that time the “Tractor Supply Co.” was remodeling and now they have set a target date of February 6, 2015 to open their doors to the public. I would like to invite all of you to support this store and check out the many products they have to offer. It has been a great year for our local merchants thanks to you shopping locally. It helps our businesses be successful and that in turn makes our community successful with the increase revenue from sales tax.

We are completing a major water line project. We are replacing about 4000 feet of the line that comes from our main well, the Maple Canyon well, through the Davis’ ranch. The old line kept breaking and causing problems. The new line will be a larger line that will improve the delivery of the culinary water to you the citizens of Salem. Just a reminder, in a few months we will turn on the pressurized irrigation system and encourage all of us to determine how we are going to conserve water for the up and coming year. Water is another precious resource we have in our community and it is up to all of us to be “water wise” and conserve. We did a lot better last summer but we still have areas where we can improve. I hope you will take this seriously during the summer months. We will now be requiring, by new ordinance, all new developments coming into our city install a meter on each pressurized irrigation connection. It was put in place last year that anyone who is issued a 3rd water violation will also have a meter installed on their pressurized irrigation system and will pay a metered rate for the water they use.

I want to sincerely thank everyone who helps make Salem the City of Peace and brings unity to all of us.

Sincerely,

Mayor Randy Brailsford
Licensing & Low Cost Rabies Clinic
Sponsored by the Salem City Police Department and the South Utah Valley Animal Shelter

February 28th 10a.m. – 12p.m.
Location – SALEM CITY FIRE STATION
30 W 100 S

Local Veterinarian will provide rabies shots for $12 and other vaccinations for $10-25
Animal Licenses - $15 for Altered (Spayed or Neutered) and $35 for Unaltered
(A license is your pet's phone call home)
For more info call 801-851-4080 or visit www.suvas.org

Preparations are underway for another great Salem City Easter Egg Hunt. As in the past, local businesses will help cover the cost, however after last year’s successful turnout several private citizens asked if they could help with donations. The answer is YES! Private citizens will be included amongst the businesses on the thank you cards passed out to all parents, and will also have their name on a "sponsored by" tag which is attached to prizes given. Donations may be turned in at the Salem City Office or the Recreation Office, if you have any questions please contact Jen Wright (801) 319-1430.

Help keep pollution out of storm drains,
Storm drains in the street lead to our lakes and streams. So, any oil, pet waste, fertilizer, gasoline or chemicals on the pavement can enter a storm drain and contaminate our water resources. With millions of people over the entire state, we all need to be aware of what ends up in our storm drains. Remember, only rain in the drain!

Wade Reynolds
Storm Drain Coordinator/Safety Coordinator

Music from the Heart for our veterans
The third annual “Music from the Heart—Veterans helping Veterans” fund raiser will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Spanish Fork Arena, Ponderosa Building, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be music from local musicians, vendors will be selling crafts or offering information for Veterans on education, benefits, mental health and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Sloppy Joes & Hot Dogs and drinks will be on sale for lunch. All Veterans eat free. Proceeds go to help with PTSD support and suicide prevention programs.

If you need to contact the police department after hours or in a non-emergency situation, call Utah Valley Dispatch at 801-794-3970.
Celebrate our 3rd annual Take Your Child to the Library Day on Saturday, February 7th starting at 10:00 am. Join us for crafts, and special storytimes with the famous Suzie Safari and hands-on interaction with “wild animals” form Wild Wonders. Goody bags available while supplies last. No registration required.

**Salem Reads – One Book, One Community**

Have you read the book Wonder, yet? Check one out from the library today!

Our February “Choose Kind” challenge from the book Wonder is to: Write a thank-you note to someone who has something nice for you.

Something to talk about is: Stereotyping. What examples of stereotyping caught your attention in Wonder? What examples of labels and stereotypes do you witness in school or at work? What examples of stereotypes do you witness in literature and media?

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**Senior Spotlight**

If you haven’t met Joan Hahn, you need to. She is known nationally and internationally. She was born on May 9, 1933 in Kemmerer, Wyoming to Bernice Pringle and Roy Wainwright. She has a younger brother, Arlyn. She graduated from Kemmerer High School in 1951 and attended BYU on an academic scholarship. She graduated from BYU with a BS Degree in Speech and Drama and a minor in English in 1965. She taught speech, drama and technical theatre at Payson High School for 6 ½ years then went to Cottonwood High School and taught there for 24 years. The theatre at Cottonwood was named for her in 1996. She holds the record for the most first place wins in Utah State Drama Meets with 8 first place state titles and 6 second place. She won region every year that she taught at Cottonwood. She speaks at gatherings and judges commercial as well as high school theatre both nationally and internationally. She has been president of the International Thespian Society which is represented from all over the world. She has directed 125 productions in her years of teaching. Many of her students have started on Broadway and been nominated for a Tony Award. With her drama program she has had many students in politics. She says drama teaches you how to present yourself. She was nominated by Rep. Frank Pignanelli, one of her students, and named Outstanding Educator by the Utah House of Representatives in 1995.

She was awarded Best Actress in the State of Wyoming her senior year. She said she knew in high school that she wanted to go out in speech, drama and theatre. She plays the flute and was in the Marching Band and Symphony Orchestra at B.Y.U.

In her late teens and early twenties, she did professional ballroom dancing for 8 years until she suffered a knee injury. After surgery she continued to do choreography professionally and to teach ballroom dancing.

She married Milton A. Christensen, from Salem, on Dec. 29, 1952. They moved to Salem in 1956. They were divorced after 19 years of marriage. They had two children: Randall M. Christen and Carla J. Teasdale both living in Spanish Fork. She has 8 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. On November 15, 1972 she married Charles H. Hahn. He passed away on October 15, 1988.

She started selling travel part time in 1970 and ran 9 consecutive summer performing tours in Europe taking 250 high school students each year. They performed in 5 countries and were overseas for 6 weeks each year. In 1992 she opened her own travel agency, Travel Passport, which she continues to run today. She has traveled to 97 countries and all 50 states. She loves running tours and taking groups, individuals, family vacations, cruises, and employee vacations to new and exciting places.

She endowed a scholarship in her name at Cottonwood H.S. after she retired. She served as president of Elder Quest for 5 ½ years and helped establish the Elder Quest Scholarship for non-traditional students at Utah Valley University in 2002. She contributes to a “Presidents Scholarship” with the Educational Theatre Association. She strongly believes that education is an ongoing process and belongs to organizations that encourage people to continue learning throughout their lives.

Some of Joan’s other awards are: Speech Educator of the Year, 1990; Teacher of the year, 1990; Pres. of Educational Theatre Assoc. 1982-84; Eight times named “Outstanding Director in Salt Lake City”; Pres. Utah High School Speech Arts Assoc.; Drama Rep., Utah High School Activities Assoc.; Pres. Performing Arts Awards for Salt Lake City; Pres. American Assoc. of University Women; BYU Emeriti Alumni Board, two 4-year-terms.

She directed the Salem Days Pageant for 20 years. She has traveled to many places including London, Russia, Vienna, and New York. She said she loves what the cities have to offer, but when it’s done it is renewing to come back to a calm place, Salem. It has been a “fun life” but the best things you can have are a good family and good friends. It’s people that enrich our lives.

Joan, thanks for all your contributions to education.

Sponsored By: Stokes Fresh Food Market
Hunters Safety - Dates will be: Feb. 3rd, 5th, 10th, 12th, 17th, and 19th. The shooting test will be on February 21st. Classes will be from 6-8p.m. at the Salem Civic Center. Space is limited to the first 35 registrants. Sign up early. Registration Fee: $10.00, no non-resident fee. Participants must attend every class to complete the course. Instructor: Dale Herbert. *Participants will be required to purchase a Hunter Safety Voucher/License prior to the first class. Licenses can be purchased at any location that sells hunting licenses. *THIS WILL BE THE LAST HUNTERS SAFETY COURSE OFFERED UNTIL FALL!!!

Catchers Camp - Salem Parks and Recreation is excited to offer a one day catcher skill development and drill camp on Saturday, Feb., 21st. The camp will be instructed by former BYU catcher Casey Cloward. The camp will be 1 hour 30 minutes. Focus will cover drills that the youth can take back to practice as they work to become a more complete catcher. Cost for the clinic is $15.00. Space is limited. This clinic will be held at the Utah’s Perfect Game Indoor Hitting Facility (Old Sequoia Building), from 9:00a.m. to 10:30a.m. There is NOT a non-resident fee associated with this program.

Spring Soccer - Once the weather breaks, it's soccer season. Recreation youth spring soccer will be a 5 week season beginning April 14th & 15th (weather pending). Early registration begins now, and goes through March 20th. The Pre-K league will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays, for a cost of $25.00, Kindergarten - 2nd Grade will play on Wednesdays and Fridays, for a cost of $25.00. 3rd - 7th Grades will also play on Wednesdays and Fridays, for a cost of $30.00. There is a $5.00 non resident fee for this program. All players will need a game jersey. Jerseys may be re-used from year to year. If your child does not already have a jersey they are sold at the Recreation Office for $10.00.

Urban Fishing - The Youth Fishing Program is open to youth, 1st to 6th grades. This program is a joint venture between Salem Recreation and the Division of Wildlife Resource. The program focuses on educating youth about fishing and aquatic resources. The first class will be held at the Veterans Memorial Ballpark (downtown). All other classes will be held at Salem Pond. First session will be April 1st. Registration for this program will be $15.00 if paid before the early deadline. Each participant should provide their own pole. This is a 6 week program. All participants will receive a Salem Fishing Club t-shirt. There is NOT a non-residents fee associated with this program.

Registration for Youth Fishing Program: Before March 19th at the Salem Recreation office. An adult instructor will work with and supervise participants. The first 30 minutes will be spent learning fishing techniques and habitat needs. The remaining time will be spent FISHING!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ADULTS THAT WOULD LIKE TO HELP INSTRUCT AND TEACH KIDS HOW TO FISH. PLEASE CALL IF YOU WOULD ENJOY HELPING 423-1035.

Salem Recreation will be offering both a Coed and Women's softball league this spring. Coed will be played on Wednesday nights and Women's will be played on Thursday nights. Both leagues have a team fee of $365.00 with $5.00 non-resident fee for each player that is not a Salem resident, the non-resident fee will have a $25.00 team cap. Early registration on or before April 6th.

Little girls dance will be starting in February—please watch our website for details.