



# Salem City Newsletter



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Salem City will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2015 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Garbage will be picked up on Tuesday as usual this week.

Dear Citizens

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



On behalf of the City Council and myself, we wish you a Happy New Year. There is only one very important item that I would like to address in this newsletter. Over the past 6 or 7 weeks there has been a lot of discussion throughout our nation about law enforcement officers. I would like to give you my true feelings about Salem City's police officers. They are very dedicated men who protect and serve this city 24/7 every day of the year. They protect our schools, our parks, our homes, our business, and our roadways. As these men respond to a call at a home or they pull someone over on our roadways, they never know what they are going to encounter. For over 19 years, I have been very proud to be over our local police department. I have never been more proud than I am today, to say that they are servants of you, the citizens of Salem. They do serve and protect all of our needs here in our community. Our officers have love and dedication to all of us here in Salem. I salute them and I thank them for the service that they do daily. As they leave every day for their shifts, their loved ones hope and pray that they return home safely. If you don't think that our officers are in harm's way every day, I suggest that you talk to the families of the two Utah County Sheriff's Deputies Cory Wride and Greg Sherwood. As a civic leader, I hope you join with me in saying that we support our local police department and thank them for their service and our prayers go with them as they go on shift daily. My motto is going to be "hand up and high 5!" to our Salem police officers and the other police departments of the communities around us. Payson City just selected Salem City's Sergeant Brad Bishop to be their new Police Chief. As the police chief of Payson, I hope that Brad can take with him what he has learned from Chief Brad James and his fellow officers and carry the success of Salem to the citizens of Payson. Our thanks and prayers go with him as he starts this new journey. Our department will remain strong and when you see an officer, please let them know how much you appreciate them and join with me in "high 5's" to Salem Police Department and all of our public safety divisions.

Sincerely,

*Mayor Randy Brailsford*

**If you need to contact the police department after hours or in a non-emergency situation, call Utah Valley Dispatch at 801-794-3970.**



The Salem City Calendars have been mailed out, please note that there is also an emergency guide in the back of the calendar. If there is an emergency, these sheets will help our public safety people determine the needs in our community more affectively. Please help us help you and keep these pages where they are easily accessible. Additional calendars can be purchased at the City Office for \$10 each.

In the month of December the Salem Youth Council was able to spread plenty of Christmas cheer. Due to the generous donations by our community members, we were able to help three families in Salem have Christmas. Also, the council was able to line the drives of the cemetery with luminaries decorated by the elementary children. Even though the holidays are over, the city of Salem can still give to those in need. We are holding a food drive during the upcoming months and citizens can donate food at the City offices, or at the library. Once again, I would like to thank the city of Salem for having such giving hearts this Christmas season.

Youth Mayor,  
*Adam Boden*



**The Salem Library has over 50 works of art and works of poetry created by students at Salem Hills High School on display. Stop by and check them out!**

**What is storm water runoff and why should we care?**

When it rains, storm water runs off roads, parking lots, driveways, roofs, and yards. As it flows across these surfaces, storm water picks up contaminants such as oils, salts, sediments, fertilizers, pesticides, and household chemicals. Contaminated storm water flows into storm drains, ditches, and gutters, and eventually into streams and wetlands. Contaminants in storm water runoff impair water quality in streams and wetlands, and they can lead to fish kills, loss of wildlife habitat, and public health risks. Uncontrolled storm water runoff is one of the largest remaining sources of water quality impairment in the United States.

*Wade Reynolds*

Storm Drain Coordinator/Safety Coordinator

**Please remove all basketball standards, garbage cans and other obstacles from the roadways to help with snow removal.**

**Salem City will be picking up Christmas trees the week of January 12th–16th. Please have your trees curbside by 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 12th—once they come by your house, they will not come back. There will be a truck at the recreation office parking lot, 60 N. 100 E., if you want to take your tree there.**



## SALEM LIBRARY

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

What if everyone in Salem read the same book? We would get our community talking about something we all share. Friends, family, & neighbors will be compelled to share their experiences while reading the same book. It's also great conversation starter. This year, we challenge everyone to read the book, *WONDER* by R. J. Palacio. This year's selection has been on the New York Times Best Seller list for middle grades for 58 consecutive weeks and will appeal to community members of all ages.

We chose this year's title for a number of reason, the top one being that *WONDER* inspires compassion and urges us to "choose kind" – to consider how one act of kindness can affect another person and our community as a whole. While the book is targeted for students it has been a very poplar read for adults as well. We see this as an opportunity to engage a larger portion of our community in discussions about bullying, and accepting that other people are different. We hope that families will read and discuss the book together,

**Teen Tech Tutors**

Are you an adult who needs some help with computer basics such as how to make an email account, how to get on Facebook, how to do a Google search or help with the new gadget you got for Christmas? We are putting tech savvy students together with adults who want to learn how to operate in this tech savvy world! Bring in your new device, and/or just yourself and a tech savvy teen will be here from 4-5 on Tuesdays.

**Senior Spotlight**

Your turn to spin – no it's not "spin the bottle" but "spin the wool". This is a talent of Lillie Francom. Lillie was born in Payson on July 8, 1926, she is 88 years old. She has lived in Salem for 43 years. She met her husband, Arthur Francom, at her brother's missionary farewell. Not knowing it, she had tended his brother's children when she was 10. She comes from a family with two brothers and three sisters. She is second to the oldest. Her parents were Reed and Erma Garner Schramm.

Arthur served in the Air Force in North Africa and Italy during World War II. Just out of high school Lillie went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad as a telegrapher during World War II. She worked there for a year and a half. She worked on the line from Salt Lake City to Caliente, Nevada. She ran the Western Union portion, did train orders, sold tickets and handled baggage. She had to get the milk cans on the trains, and handled dispatch. She was working in Delta, Utah when the war ended and the Japanese were released from Topaz. They were all trying to buy tickets to go home. She said she was swamped with trying to get their tickets booked through all the stops they would have to make. Finally the Salt Lake office called and said just to book them to Salt Lake and they would take care of the rest. She also worked at Christensen's Department Store in Payson during the Christmas rush. After she was married she worked for Fritzi Sewing Plant in Spanish Fork, and she and her husband ran a farm.

After their children were older she thought she would like to be a secretary, but after taking an aptitude test, it indicated she would make a good nurse. So at the age of 46 and after her daughter, Paula, graduated from Spanish Fork High School, she graduated from Utah Trade Technical College with her nursing degree. She worked in labor and delivery at Mtn. View Hospital in Payson and retired after 17 years of nursing.

Her husband passed away August 15, 2006, six weeks after their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. They have one boy, Stewart who lives in Payson, three daughters: Ivy DeHart, Boise, Idaho; Paula Francom, Brea, California; and Michele Roth, Lee's Summit, Missouri. They have 1 granddaughter, 12 grandsons and 15 great grandchildren. When Arthur was in high school, he would attend band concerts held by the head of Salem Pond. He looked at the hill, which is now Tower Subdivision, and said some day he wanted a home there. He got his dream because in 1971 they moved to Salem in their home on the hill.

Lillie taught herself how to cord and spin wool into yarn. It is fascinating to watch her. She loves to knit using the yarn she has spun. She is an excellent seamstress, making clothes for herself and her children. She took a tailoring class and has made several tailored outfits. She likes to garden, especially her flower garden, read and do genealogy. She compiled histories of both her and her husband's families and had them published.

She has volunteered at the Salem City Library since it started but had to quit in September because of health issues. She donated the tapestry that is in the children's section. She spun the silk and wove it into the tapestry.

One of her favorite foods is asparagus roulade. When asked what she liked about Salem she said when they first moved here it was a small town with a friendly atmosphere. She loves this plus the view she has of the pond. She would like everyone to know of her love for Salem and the citizens.

Lillie, we wish you many more days of spinning.

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Mon—Thur 7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m.—12:00 noon

City Office 801-423-2770  
Recreation 801-423-1035  
Library 801-423-2622  
Police (daytime) 801-423-2312  
(after hours) 801-794-3970  
Emergencies 911

City Council  
Jan 7th 7:00 p.m.  
Jan. 21st 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning  
Jan. 14th 7:00 p.m.

**Hunters Safety-** Dates will be: Jan. 6th, 8th, 13th, 15th, 20th and 22nd. The shooting test will be on January 17th. 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: Duane Hill \*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.

**Vipers Wrestling - This is a competitive wrestling team for grades 1st-6th, that will work to improve skills while competing against top wrestlers throughout the state. The team will travel throughout Utah County as well as host two or three home duals. Wrestlers who desires to wrestle in weekend tournaments will need to purchase their own USA Wrestling cards. The teams will be coached by Phillip Sorensen. This is a great place for kids that are excited about wrestling. Practice will be held twice a week starting January 6th. Cost to register is \$35.00 if paid by January 5th. After January 5th there will be a \$5.00 late fee, \$5.00 non resident fee does apply for this program.**

*Winter Hoopsters* – Open to 1st & 2nd Graders ONLY. This is a clinic style, introductory program using fun activities to teach proper mechanics and skills. Players will be assigned to teams and there will be games! This program helps young players progress in their basketball development. There will be two sessions 6:00–7:00 and 7:00–8:00pm. Registration fee is \$30.00 and includes a team shirt. Early registration deadline is January 2nd, after this date a \$5.00 late fee will be charged. The \$5.00 non resident fee does apply to this program. The program will begin on January 6th, and be held every Tuesday and Thursday thereafter.

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★ **Bizzy Buddizs Winter 2015** – Kids burnin’ enrgy, that’s what Bizzy Buddizs is all about. This class is for kids 3-5 years old. It will be held at the Salem Community Center on Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00. There will be a different theme each week for us to explore and celebrate through music, super fun obstacle courses and interactive play. Bizzy Buddizs will help your child in developing listening skills, the ability to follow instructions and interact with other children. We are excited to offer this fun program for younger kids. If you are interested in a Wednesday class let us know, we’ll start a list and if there is enough interest we will have one! Sessions will last six weeks for a cost of \$20.00 (\$5.00 non-resident fee does apply). Space per class is limited. Class dates are January 22nd, & 29th, February 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th.  
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**Catchers Camp** - Salem Parks and Recreation is excited to offer a one day catcher skill development and drill camp. 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.