



NOVEMBER 2014

# "A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY" CITY NEWSLETTER

## Mayor

Jeff Acerson

## City Center Offices

100 North State St./Upper Level  
785-5043

## Community Development

100 North State St./Lower Level  
785-7687

## Public Works

946 West Center Street  
796-7954

## Justice Court

100 North State Street  
Upper Level  
785-1971

## Police

100 North State Street  
Lower Level  
Emergency - 911  
Non-emergency Dispatch  
229-7070  
Police Department Offices  
769-8600

## Fire/EMS

Emergency - 911  
Non-emergency Dispatch  
229-7070  
Other Fire Services  
229-7327

## Aquatics Center

60 West 60 North  
610-4160

## Community/Senior Center

25 North Main  
769-8637/769-8625

## City Website

[www.lindoncity.org](http://www.lindoncity.org)  
[www.facebook.com/lindoncity](https://www.facebook.com/lindoncity)

The General Election  
will be held

Tuesday, November 4,  
2014. **Polls open at 7  
a.m. and close at 8  
p.m. on Election Day.**

[Click here](#) to find your  
precinct and voting  
location.

## We Versus They

"We the people", and "they the government" are two, it seems to me at times, contrasting terms. In the preamble of The Constitution of the United States we find the inspiring and inspired words of: "**We the People** of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union..."

In the constitution of the State of Utah preamble we similarly find, "Grateful to Almighty God for life and liberty, **we, the people of Utah**, in order to secure and perpetuate the principles of free government, do ordain and establish this CONSTITUTION."

I believe the United States is the greatest country on earth. Not because the people are any better than any other nation, but because the constitution protects us from the intrusion of government into our lives and maintains our personal liberty and freedom. Our style of government is based upon the consent of the governed, or "we the people".

When referring to government I usually think, "**they**." When I learn of legislation bringing new laws that I perceive as limiting freedom, I sometimes say, "What are **they** thinking?" When a new tax is introduced, I hear some say, "Why did **they** do that?"

How do we, as a society, go from "We the people" to "They the government"? Part of the answer may be in our view of personal rights versus personal responsibility. Dallin H Oaks recently said, "At a time when most of our public discourse concerns rights, it may seem strange to speak of responsibilities. But a democratic republic needs patriotic citizens who are fulfilling their responsibilities as well as claiming their rights. No society is so secure that it can withstand continued demands for increases in citizen rights without producing corresponding increases in the fulfillment of citizen responsibilities. Responsibilities like honesty, respect for personal and property rights, self-reliance, and willingness to sacrifice for the common good are basic to the governance and preservation of our nation."

I choose to live in Lindon; it is a great place to live, and it is because of the people who live here. Our friends and neighbors here in Lindon are patriotic citizens that fulfill their responsibilities of honesty and integrity. I see respect for others and their property, and those who provide so much service one to another. When volunteers are needed, so many come forward to help in whatever capacity they are able. We live among law abiding citizens. The fulfillment of our personal responsibilities is voluntary. Neal A. Maxwell said in an address at the Freedom Festival, "Our whole society really rests on the capacity of its citizens to give 'obedience to the unenforceable.'"

As a member of the Lindon City Council, I earnestly strive to remember a prayer of John Adams in the early days of our country when our founding fathers were shaping our great nation: "God almighty grant us wisdom and virtue sufficient for the high trust that is devolved upon us."

Van Broderick, Councilmember

## LINDON COMMUNITY CENTER



## Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

The Annual Lindon City Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Lindon Community Center. Come and enjoy hot chocolate and candy canes as you hear messages from the Mayor and other community members. This is a fun, family oriented Lindon Tradition sponsored by the Lindon Historic Preservation Commission. This event makes a great start to the Holiday Season! Hope to see you all there!

## Lindon City's Food Drive

It's time to open your hearts and brighten the holiday season for a family in need! Lindon City will be collecting food donations through November 21<sup>st</sup> for our City's annual food drive. Citizens that wish to participate can drop off food item donations at the Lindon Community Center (25 N Main St), Monday-Friday from 8 am-7 pm. Following is a list of current needs at the food bank: Canned Meats, Spaghetti's, Corn, Canned Fruit, Stews, Beans, Jelly, Bottled Salad Dressing, Peanut Butter and Chili or any non-perishable food item.

## Youth Programs

### Boys and Girls Basketball

Compete in a winter basketball league where the focus is learning the rules and fundamentals of basketball in a fun, low-pressure environment. The league will teach passing, shooting, and dribbling through weekly practices followed by Saturday games. Boys and girls will be placed in separate leagues. Man-to-man defense will be implemented in all age groups and in both leagues. Games will be held at Oak Canyon Jr. High School on Saturdays starting January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. For more information visit [www.lindoncity.org](http://www.lindoncity.org) or call (801) 769-8625. **Registration Deadline: November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Grades: 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**

**Fee: \$45** (\$5 late fee after Nov. 21 if space is available)

## THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY HOURS

City Offices will be closed Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the Thanksgiving Holiday. Offices will re-open Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Have a Happy and safe Thanksgiving!



## LINDON SENIOR CENTER NEWS

### Things to watch for in November!

- ✚ Special Bus Trip: Celebration of Veterans at the Scera Center for the Arts. Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, Bus Leaves at 10:15. Sign up at Front Desk.
- ✚ Center Closed Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veteran's Day.
- ✚ Ogden Utah Temple Trip—Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup>. Bus will leave at 9:00 am for the 11:00 am session. Lunch provided. Sign up at Front Desk.
- ✚ Special Thanksgiving Lunch, November 21<sup>st</sup> at noon. Call to sign up.
- ✚ Center Closed November 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving Holiday.
- ✚ Thanksgiving Dinner - November 27<sup>th</sup> (Thanksgiving Day) at Community Center.
- ✚ HEAT program open for application November 1<sup>st</sup>

For more information see senior newsletter or contact the Senior Center Front Desk  
801-769-8625

[Senior Center November Newsletter](#)

[Senior Center November Lunch Menu](#)

The Lindon Senior Center is starting a new computer class for residents 60+. For the months of November and December, we will be holding a Facebook and Social Media lab on Friday mornings from 10:30am-11:30am. Call the Senior Center if you would like to sign up for the class and learn more about how to connect with friends and family on Facebook and other internet sites. 801-769-8625.



### Reminder of FREE Senior Center Amenities

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|---------------------|----------------|
| *Exercise Equipment | *Library       |
| *Pool Table         | *Bus Service   |
| *Computer Lab       | *Lunch Service |



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Lindon Senior Center is seeking volunteers to help patrons with Family History work in the computer lab. The lab is reserved for the Family History Class/Lab on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:30am-11:30am. If you or someone you know has experience with FamilySearch.org, Ancestry.com and RootsMagic.com and would be willing to give of their time for an hour or two per week, please contact Rachel Draper at the Senior Center. 801-769-8627.



## Mayor's Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner



Don't forget that it's that time of year again to be thinking about the Annual Lindon City Thanksgiving Dinner to be held on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at the Lindon

Community Center! Watch for your chance to volunteer and be a part of this Lindon Tradition! Cash and food donations are now being accepted at the City Center and the Community Center. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! To volunteer or donate please contact Kathy Moosman, City Recorder at 801-785-5043 or [kmoosman@lindoncity.org](mailto:kmoosman@lindoncity.org) [Thanksgiving flyer](#)



Just a reminder of the Lindon City Lindon Leaf Away Program. Help us keep the storm drains clean! Bag your leaves and set them behind the sidewalks in front of your home (please no landscaping materials or garden waste; crews will not collect bags containing these items). City crews will collect bagged leaves during November. Call the Public Works Dept. at (801) 796-7954 with any questions. [Click here](#) for more information.



## HEALTHY LINDON

Looking forward to the Holidays, but NOT looking forward to those extra pounds that sneak up on you?

Come join our

**Healthy Lindon Challenge**  
It's A

"MAINTAIN DON'T GAIN"  
Maintain Your Weight Challenge

Starting on Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ending on Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> Register online NOW and print off your tracking sheet. In addition there will be **Healthy Lindon**

## Education Classes

held the first Wednesday of November, December and January. Go to [www.lindoncity.org](http://www.lindoncity.org) and click on Healthy Lindon for more information. Any questions or comments contact Valarie Diehl @801-785-3540.

Did you know that 20% of third graders in Utah County are not currently reading at grade level? This means that they are four times as likely to drop out of high school—increasing their odds

**United Way of Utah County**  
**everyday learners**

of unemployment, low income jobs, and even criminal activity. That's why United Way of Utah County launched the EveryDay Learners

movement. As EveryDay Learners, we are committed to improving the odds for our kids by taking advantage of everyday opportunities to read and learn together. You can help us prepare our kids for their future by reading with your children every day, including neighborhood friends in your trips to the library, or even starting a book club in your neighborhood. We can work together to keep our community vibrant through advocating for education. To join the movement or to learn more, please visit [www.everydaylearners.org](http://www.everydaylearners.org) or call 801-691-5371. [Click here](#) to view the flyer.

## LINDON CITY'S MONTHLY RECYCLE CORNER



## November: Where do my recyclables actually go?

One of the biggest concerns about recycling is "Are my recyclables actually getting recycled?" The answer is **YES**. Republic Services is dedicated to keeping trash and recycling separated. While the trucks that pick up your garbage and recycling may look the same, garbage and recycling loads are never mixed in the same truck. If your garbage truck does empty your recycling container with your trash container it is due to contamination in your recycling can. After Republic Services picks up your recycling it is taken to a local recycling facility. Check out the video link below to learn about the life cycle of your recyclable items.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_EpTIP9TbDo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_EpTIP9TbDo)

## Happy Recycling!

If you are interested in ordering a recycling can please contact the Lindon City Utilities Clerk at 801-785-5043 or by email at [slaidler@lindoncity.org](mailto:slaidler@lindoncity.org)