



MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Citizens,

Do you know someone who goes above and beyond in making our community a better place to live? We often observe these unselfish individuals freely dedicating their time and talents giving back to our community. Their service takes place with little or no fan fare, rarely making television, radio, or newspaper coverage and oftentimes goes unthanked. In fact, payment is received only in the satisfaction and knowledge that they've hopefully made a positive difference. These volunteers exemplify the definition of an "Everyday Hero."

Beginning in our summer newsletter and each newsletter thereafter, we will be honoring a team and an individual as: "Everyday Heroe(s)." Perhaps this individual quietly serves others unselfishly. Other examples might include a team member who discovers ways to motivate a group to accomplish a goal. This may be an individual or a group of individuals who perceive a need, determine a plan, and work to implement the solution. The City Council and I will review the nominations and choose one team and one individual to be recognized each quarter. We will look forward to reading about the good that is happening in our community and know that choosing the recipients will be difficult.

All segments of our community are eligible, not just those serving on boards, commissions and task forces for Brigham City. Nominees could include, but are not limited to: schools, non profit organizations, medical and mental health organizations, churches, youth groups, and businesses. The common theme recognized in this award is that the team or individual(s) involved are working to make our community (Brigham City) a better place to live.

I believe that Brigham City is unusual in the service oriented caliber of individuals in our area. It is evident in the over 800 individuals who are serving on our mayor appointed boards, commissions and task forces. This number does not include all those volunteers who are delivering Meals on Wheels for our home bound seniors, those helping at the library, individuals involved in our Communities That Care program, or steering committee members for the Academy Square project.

"Everyday Hero(s)" chosen each quarter will be our small way of recognizing the great deeds that are taking place daily in our community. Please find the **nomination form on page 2** of this newsletter, follow the instructions on the form and return by 5 p.m. on May 25, 2006. We look forward to giving a little recognition each quarter to those who give so much of themselves to Brigham City through their service.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lou Ann Christensen



I continue to be impressed with our City employees and our various boards, commissions and task forces that advise and guide Brigham City's direction. As I sit at the Council table listening to presentations and attending meetings, I know that our City is in well-trained hands and moving forward with a pro-active vision. Preparedness meetings are on-going as we approach the spring run-off season. All City personnel continue to attend, teach, and participate in training to further their abilities to serve you.

We are at the beginning of the City budget process for the upcoming year. The Mayor has presented her detailed budget and the City Council will study it, make changes and recommendations, and finalize it towards the end of May. Do you have a voice in this process? By all means –YES! Come to the scheduled work sessions and see what is planned for the budget and then attend the public hearings to voice your opinion. We are a City Council that feels strongly that your input is a vital part of the process.

City reorganization has taken place recently and we are already seeing cost savings and duplication of efforts reduced. Economic development continues to move forward with plans and strategic decisions.

A new calendar has been published with recreational activities for all ages. The Senior Center staff and programs continue to take care of our senior citizen's needs and creates opportunities for activities. The Library is conducting a study to determine if it meets our needs better by locating in the middle of town or possibly merging with USU Brigham City Campus and creating a joint use library. A task force working directly with UTA is studying transportation needs of our citizens.

So much is going on behind the scenes. I have only skimmed the surface. Consider attending some of your City Council meetings. Meetings are held every 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of each month at 7 pm and are open to the public. Be a part of what is going on in your City – understand the why's, where's and who's!



COUNCIL MEMBER
Holly Bell

BRIGHAM CITY HIRES NEW PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR



On March 27, Blake Fonnesbeck, Public Works Director, began his employment with Brigham City Corporation. He started his career in the public works field with the City of Logan in 1992. After graduating from USU with a degree in Public Health he worked as the Sanitation Superintendent in Rock Island Illinois and has been the Public Works Director in Spencer, Iowa for the last 5 years. Blake said, "My total 14 years in public service with 3 other communities will greatly enhance my ability to bring excellent quality services to the citizens of Brigham City. I am excited for this opportunity to be a part of the City team as your new Public Works Director. Public Works no matter where you live has many challenges but I am confident that together with an excellent staff those challenges can be overcome."

Brigham City Citizen Comment Card

We would appreciate your comments (good or bad) relating to services provided by the City and/or information you would like to know in future newsletters. Also, please let us know if we've done something you liked. If you have concerns or questions about City services please feel free to contact us at 734-2001 or complete the following questionnaire and return it to City Hall. Note: We take all your comments seriously. Please give us your name, address, and telephone number so we can follow-up and answer your concerns. See us at: www.brighamcity.utah.gov.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Question or Area of Concern: _____

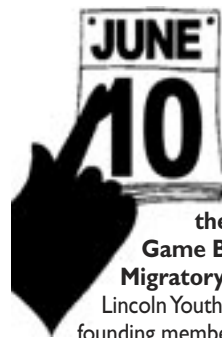
Suggestions for improvement: _____



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THIRD ANNUAL BRIGHAM CITY HERITAGE ARTS FESTIVAL

The third annual Brigham City Heritage Arts Festival will be held Saturday, June 10 on the Bill of Rights Plaza adjacent to City Hall. **The theme for 2006 is "...the World's Greatest Game Bird Sanctuary...History of the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge."** Performances will include the Lincoln Youth Symphony, Ridin' the Fault Line, John McEuen, a founding member of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, and many more.

Tracy Aviary will present three shows, including a "Harry Potter" themed owl show. Lectures will include the history of the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge, the importance of the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge and Great Salt Lake to western bird populations, and landscaping your yard for wildlife. Judy Niemeyer Quilting will present a quilt trunk show. The festival has received generous donations from WalMart Supercenter, Autoliv, Sahara Construction, the Sportsman's Warehouse, the Utah Arts Council, and Box Elder County. We wish to thank these donors for their support. Detailed information about the festival can be found on the City's website at www.brighamcity.utah.gov.

WHAT'S A DETENTION BASIN AND WHY DO WE HAVE THEM?

Over the past several years and as funding allows the City has been upgrading their Storm Drainage System. New detention basins have been constructed in City parks and other areas to prevent flooding. Sites for detention basins are determined by analyzing storm flows in drainage areas throughout the City. The basins are designed according to the 100 year storm projection. Their primary function is to collect peak storm flows and release them at slower rates when storms have subsided.

Many times the basins will fill to capacity attracting curious on-lookers and water enthusiasts. This can create a hazard for those who inappropriately use them. **The City would ask you NOT TO USE detention basins for water related activities especially during MAJOR STORM events, let them function as designed and PLEASE notify the City dispatch at 734-3800 if you observe prolonged standing water in the basin.**

EVERYDAY HERO NOMINATION FORM SPRING 2006

For details, see "Mayor's Message" on front page. **To nominate an individual or team, please complete this form along with a single page essay telling why you are nominating this individual or team. Nomination Due Date: 25 May 2006 by 5:00 pm**

Nominee Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

To be eligible for this award, the individual or team must be a resident(s) of Brigham City and working to make our community a better place to live.

Name of Individual Submitting Nomination: _____

Telephone #: _____

Return Form and essay to:
Sharon Brailsford, Mayor's Office,
20 No. Main, Brigham City UT 84302
Email sbrailsford@brighamcity.utah.gov

FLEET DEPARTMENT PREPARES FOR A BUSY SPRING SEASON

The coming of summer is heralded by increased activities in all departments within the City. The Parks Department, Golf Course, and Cemetery have mowers, tractors, and utility equipment that must be made ready by being serviced and properly inspected. The Street Department has an extensive variety of road maintenance equipment and vehicles that must be maintained and serviced. The Electric Department must perform their scheduled maintenance with new services, and the Water Department must be able to complete water line maintenance. Besides maintenance, appropriate certification and testing must be completed to ensure employee safety and productivity. Our shop mechanics are, as always, up to the challenge.

UTOPIA UPDATE

UTOPIA is in the final stages of a complex financing arrangement for its second phase of construction, which will include Brigham City, Perry, and Tremonton. The financing will include federal money. UTOPIA has obtained easements from Brigham City for a community "hub" and six neighborhood cabinets. These are the first pieces of UTOPIA infrastructure that will be constructed and will be the "nodes" for telecommunication traffic on the UTOPIA network. We anticipate substantial completion of the network in Brigham City by the end of 2006. There are currently six service providers on the UTOPIA network. These include MSTAR, Xmission, Sinsa, AT&T, Veracity, and Trillion. Additional service providers are currently negotiating contracts with UTOPIA.



DO YOU NEED HELP BUYING OR REPAIRING YOUR HOME?



On May 3rd at the Brigham City Community Center (24 North 300 West) from 6:30pm-8:30 pm join us for an open discussion on programs available for Box Elder County residents. Learn how to access funding for major, minor or emergency home repairs or home weatherization. Information on heat assistance and obtaining funds to help buy a new home will be available. Representatives from Bear River Association of Governments, Neighborhood Nonprofit, Options for Independence, and Habitat for Humanity are scheduled to participate in this event. We hope you will take advantage of this great opportunity! If you have questions regarding this please contact us at 435-734-6615 or visit our web site at www.brighamcity.utah.gov.

FIND FY 2006-07 BUDGET INFORMATION ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT: www.brighamcity.utah.gov

Mayor Christensen presented her FY 2006-07 Budget on March 30. The City Council will review the Mayor's Budget and hold work sessions and if necessary make changes to the Mayor's budget. The work sessions will be open to the public; however, no public input is taken during the council's work sessions. The council has not at this time scheduled the work sessions but public notification will be made in the News Journal and on the City's website. The City Council will present their 2006-07 budget on May 18, however, if necessary the council can postpone their presentation from May 18 until mid-June, 2006. There will be public hearings on the 2006-07 budget on June 1 and potentially on June 15, which will provide the citizen's of Brigham City a chance to give their input on the Council's budget. Public hearing(s) will be noticed in the News Journal and on the City's web page. The Council's 2006-07 budget will be adopted on June 15, 2006. For additional budget information, contact Dennis Sheffield at 734-6620.

YOU CAN AFFECT THE QUALITY OF THE WATER YOU DRINK!

Many public drinking water systems are contaminated each year by pollutants or contaminants that backflow into the water system through unprotected cross-connections. Identifying and eliminating or protecting cross connections is a matter of public health! We at Brigham City have a Cross Connection Control program in place which helps protect our customers from potentially harmful cross connections. Part of our Cross Connection Control program is public awareness. Our hope is that by reading this you our valued customers will become educated and aware of illegal cross connections along with their adverse health effects.

WHAT IS A CROSS-CONNECTION?

A cross-connection is a physical connection (piping configuration) between the public drinking water system and anything else, including another water supply that can allow pollutants or contaminants to backflow into the public drinking water system.

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR HOME DRINKING WATER



Would you knowingly drink water that is contaminated with the chemicals used on your lawns and gardens? We all know pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers, along with strong cleaning chemicals, are toxic and possibly fatal if ingested. What you may not know is that you could put these chemicals into your drinking water accidentally.

Normally, water flows to your home from the public drinking water system. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow in a reverse direction. This is known as backflow! This can be caused by back-pressure, from a boiler or a non potable lawn irrigation system (example, using water from an irrigation ditch). It may be a back siphonage that is caused when there is a loss of pressure in the water distribution system caused by a high withdrawal of water. Examples are: a shutdown of the water main lines or plumbing system, or a high water demand, as in the use of fire hydrants. This reduction of water pressure can create a vacuum in the piping, causing a garden hose or other water outlet to siphon dirty or contaminated water back into the public water system. This backflow can cause health problems if ingested.

Brigham City inspects documents and runs annual tests on the entire city backflow assemblies; however, making sure the water in your home is protected and safe should be of great importance to you and your family. To help protect your drinking water from backflow, remember these simple tips:

- Keep the end of all your hoses clear from any contaminations.
- Don't submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks, ponds, etc.
- Don't use lawn or garden spray attachments without a backflow prevention device or assembly.
- Don't connect drain lines from water softeners or other treatment systems directly into the sewer drains.
- Don't use a hose to unplug a toilet or blocked sewer line, etc.
- Install hose bib type vacuum breakers on all threaded faucets in your home. Some homes may already be equipped with built-in vacuum breakers; all newer washing machines already have one built in.
- Install approved backflow prevention assemblies on all under ground lawn irrigation systems.

For your questions about backflow or how backflow devices and assemblies can protect your home and drinking water system, contact Brigham City Water Department at 723-1482. We at Brigham City are happy to help in any way possible.

MEMORIAL DAY PREPARATIONS ARE UNDERWAY AT THE CEMETERY

Patrons are asked to remember that during the Memorial Day holiday, from the weekend before Memorial Day through June 4th, shepherd hooks are allowed. By Brigham City Ordinance, any such items will be picked up on June 5th by cemetery staff and will be disposed of.

SPRING IS THE TIME TO CLEAN AND SPRUCE UP YOUR HOMES, YARDS AND NEIGHBORHOODS

Curb side Spring cleanup began on Monday, March 27, with that day being the first extra pickup for residents whose regular pickup day is Friday. **The last pickup will be Friday, April 21**, with that day being the last pickup for residents whose regular pickup day is Thursday.

Monday, April 3 marks the beginning of green waste collection for the year. The green refuse container may no longer be used for regular household waste from that day until it will remain in effect through the end of December.

City Pride Cleanup Week is Monday, April 29, to Saturday, May 7. This project which allows city residents to dispose of items that may be too large to put in their residential containers is coordinated by the Neighborhood Pride Council. Large bins will be located in parking lots at:

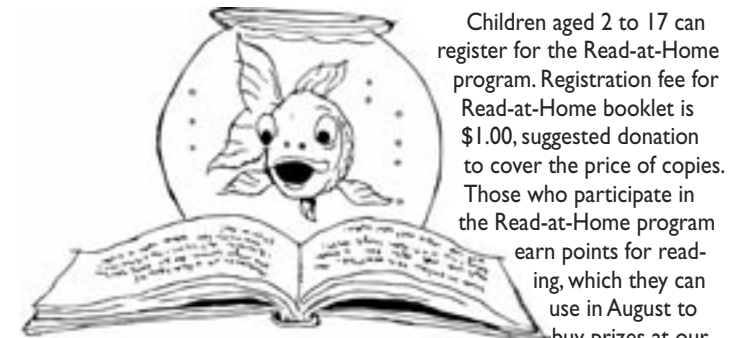
- Brigham City West Stake Center (southwest corner - 895 North 625 West)
- John Adams Park - 570 East 100 North
- Eagle Mountain Golf Course (Lot across the street) - 967 East 700 South
- Old Fire Station Lot - 100 West and Forest Street
- Compost site - 1650 West Forest Street
- Adele C. Young Intermediate School (vacant lot behind the school on west side) - 850 South 800 West

For Questions?? Contact Judy Loveland at 734-6617

There will be pallets for tires and batteries near the dumpsters. **No hazardous waste will be accepted.** This includes, but is not limited to paints, solvents, household chemicals, pesticides, herbicides, and unidentified materials. Refrigerators, air conditioners or appliances may not be dumped at these locations (deliver to Bell-X 101, 625 East 100 South, Phone 723-1162). We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to improve your homes and neighborhoods!

JOIN BRIGHAM CITY LIBRARY 2006 SUMMER PROGRAM

Registration begins Tuesday, June 6, 2006. To register, visit the library during regular business hours: Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday-Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Children aged 2 to 17 can register for the Read-at-Home program. Registration fee for Read-at-Home booklet is \$1.00, suggested donation to cover the price of copies. Those who participate in the Read-at-Home program earn points for reading, which they can use in August to buy prizes at our special Read-at-Home store. The library welcomes children of all abilities. New this year is a program just for Teens! Come in and check it out!

Children ages 3 to 9 can register for the Story Time program. Classes will be held Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. The 6 week session of Story time is \$1.00, suggested donation, to cover the price of craft supplies. Story time includes stories, games, treats, songs and crafts. Story time space is limited so sign up early. Classes will begin on June 13 and 14, 2006. No classes will be held the week of July 4th and 5th.

For more information contact the Children's Librarian, Michele Schumann, at 723-5850, or visit our library website at www.bcpl.lib.ut.us



SPOTLIGHT DEPARTMENTS

The Street Department, managed by Street Superintendent Darin McFarland, includes the following departments: Streets, Waste Collection, Recycling and Parks

Streets - Daily activities of the Street Department vary according to the time of year and the weather. The prime objective is, of course, street maintenance and repair. It may surprise people to know that the Street Department consists of only 9 employees including a superintendent, foreman, sign and mapping person, inspector, three equipment operators, and a temporary worker. The scope of work covered by these 9 people is amazing. They not only do much of the street repair work, sidewalk and street sign maintenance, but they have also spearheaded the Box Elder Creek cleanup project, demolition of the Parsons salvage yard, helped with the extensive tree trimming project recently completed, inspected work done in the public right-of-way by other contractors, and helped contractors who do major street reconstruction and street repairs. They are called upon to help in any emergency, inter-department cooperation projects, and they help run the recycling site. They drive large trucks pulling trailers, operate equipment from pickup trucks to wheel loaders and a road grader, and in their spare time, they plow snow. A map showing the work planned for Brigham City streets can be found on the Street Department web page at www.brighamcity.utah.gov.

Back Row: Eldon Thompson, Buck Goforth, Wayne Kotter, Darin McFarland, Mike Kilburn. Front Row: Robert Neville, Boyd Cook, Richard Ricks, Lynn Chugg



Mike Baker, Gerald Dunn, Wes Wilcox

Waste Collection -

Brigham City Waste Collection Department takes great pride in providing a vital service to the citizens of Brigham City. In 2003, Dan Jones took a poll of customer satisfaction for waste collection services in Brigham City and they were rated highest of City services. The service today has not diminished

since that time. The highest priority for the department is to provide friendly, courteous customer service in collecting household and green waste, providing new containers as requested by homeowners, and repairing or replacing broken containers. Great care is taken in keeping the trucks clean and in good working order to exhibit the pride the Waste Collection employees take in their jobs. Any questions or problems can be discussed with each of the drivers. They stand ready to help.



Paul Jensen, Jason Christensen (missing Shane Bradford)

Parks Department-

The Brigham City Parks Department has been tasked to perform a multitude of jobs year round. With a full time crew of three, and a seasonal crew of approximately 12, they manage to provide some of the best park facilities in the state. They also plow snow from sidewalks and parking lots, including downtown. Brigham

City has nine parks and three commons areas, totaling approximately 90 acres. There are more than six miles of park strips which are watered, trimmed, fertilized, mowed, and sprayed for weeds. The Parks crews work seven days a week during the summer months from sunup until after dark. They clean restrooms and boweries and prepare softball, baseball, soccer, and football fields for play. The Parks Department is a major player in providing logistical support for special events such as Peach Days and the 4th of July. Christmas decorations and Christmas Village setup are handled by the Parks Department. Banners and flag displays are also Parks' duties, as well as assisting with downtown flower beds and Concert in the Park preparations.

Safe parks are a priority. There are new playground facilities in all the parks, with an ongoing inspection and maintenance program for those facilities. This program has resulted in being rated one of the safest parks systems in the state. Brigham City has been awarded Tree City USA for 19 consecutive years, and those responsible for meeting the requirements for that honor fall under the auspices of the Parks Department. They manage approximately 10,000 trees on City property. Parks employees do a lot of other little things on a routine basis - too many to list here. With more than 50 years combined experience at the full time level, they are prepared to meet any challenges that Brigham City Parks may face, and they promise to continue to strive for excellence.

TEAM ORGANIZED TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO ORANGE BURG PIPE CONCERNS

The City's Orange Burg Pipe Committee consists of Brigham City resident Patti Ellis, Councilmember Jon Adams, Acting Waste Treatment Superintendent Raymond Poulson and City Administrator Bruce Leonard. This group merged with the Utah Certified Public Managers (CPM) Team from the University of Utah to address the problem of failing orange burg pipe sanitary sewer laterals. It is estimated that 50% of Brigham City's sewer laterals are comprised of orange burg sewer pipe. The challenge of the CPM Team is to provide solutions and recommendations to address the problem of homeowners affording the replacement costs of failing laterals. A presentation was made in February by the team to the City Council and it is the Council's goal to create a financial program in the FY 2006-07 budget that may help residents acquire loans for replacement costs. More information will be available in July 2006. In the interim, homeowners may contact the Bear River Association of Governments at 1-877-772-7242 about emergency housing programs that may provide assistance for sewer lateral replacements.

Recycling Department



Matt Johnson

West Forest recycling hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. These are the hours when someone will be present to help with sales of recycled products. The area has been fenced in a way that will allow green waste dumping at any time. We are asking citizens to operate on an honor system and dump only green waste. We need your help to continue to make it succeed. We are proud of our facility and of the quality of our products.

Products available and costs per cubic yard are:

Compost	\$20.00
Slag chip	\$10.00
River rock	\$50.00
Unprocessed topsoil	\$15.00
Course wood chip	\$10.00
Fine wood chip	\$10.00
Topsoil/compost mix	\$20.00
Dairy Compost	\$20.00
Unscreened fill dirt	\$ 5.00
Sand	\$ 7.00
Leaf mulch	\$20.00

THE BED OF A REGULAR SIZED PICKUP TRUCK WILL NORMALLY HOLD APPROXIMATELY TWO CUBIC YARDS.

LOCAL ECONOMY IS ON THE INCREASE

With 2005 coming to an end it was time to close the books for the year. Once again Brigham City is able to report an increase in the number of permits issued for new homes and a substantial increase in the valuation of the projects being built within the City. **In 2005 there was a 23% increase in the number of permits issued for new single family dwellings over 2004. The increase in valuation for all building permits issued was 78%.** Keep in mind the valuation of a project is the cost to build the project not the fees collected by the City. This valuation increase is due to more commercial projects locating within the City. As 2006 begins we are anticipating a busy year again with new homes and commercial projects being proposed. These numbers are encouraging because they help us to pinpoint areas of interest within the city and show us that the local economy is on the increase.



LOCAL TRANSIT SERVICE IS RETURNING TO BRIGHAM CITY WITH A TWIST

The UTA Transit Task Force has been working with the Utah Transit Authority (UTA) to improve local transit service within Brigham City. This work has led to the implementation of a new local transit route within the City. UTA will be holding public hearings in April to allow the public an opportunity to comment on the new proposed route. They include:

- Wednesday, April 5, at noon - Brigham City Senior Center, 24 North 300 West
- Wednesday, April 19 at 7 p.m. - Willard City Municipal Building (hearing will serve Willard and Perry), 80 West 50 South
- Tuesday, April 25 at 7 p.m. - Brigham City Municipal Building, 20 North Main

This new route is a fixed "On Demand" Route and is a unique effort by the Utah Transit Authority to provide a more innovative and responsive transit route. This type of route is new for UTA but has been used effectively in other transit systems around the Country. **An individual may call into UTA 24-hours in advance and request a pickup.** This pickup will be registered with the driver. At the requested time the driver will deviate from the fixed route and pickup the individual then return to the fixed route. If an individual needs to be dropped off at a unique location not on the normal route, this can also be accommodated by an advance request to UTA. This new route will provide more local transit coverage within Brigham City and with the new route option of being "on demand" will allow for more people to use the flexibility of routes. This will be extremely beneficial to the elderly and handicapped population of our community who have limited mobility. Having the opportunity to call UTA and schedule a bus, gives more options and freedom to transit users.

We appreciate the many volunteer hours donated by our UTA Task Force. Members include: Rex Yarger (Chair), Perry Mayor Jerry Nelson, Willard Mayor Ryan Tingey, Willard Councilmember Judy Loveland, Carol Griffin, Sharon Ross, Andy Shinkle, Susan Thackeray, Ann Henderson, Commissioner Scott Hansen, City Council Member Reese Jensen, and City Staff Paul Larsen, Mark Teuscher, Eliza Wood, and Nancy Green.

Visit Brigham City's Website at www.brighamcity.utah.gov

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN HELP TO LOWER YOUR ENERGY BILLS?

Home Energy Spending	
Heating/Cooling	42%
Lighting/Appliances	35%
Water Heating	14%
Refrigeration	9%

When it comes to energy consumption, the United States uses a million dollars worth, 24 hours a day, every day of the year. With less than 5% of the world's population the United States consumes about one-fourth of the world's energy resources. The average American consumes six times more energy than the world average. Households use about one-fifth of the total energy consumed in the United States each year. The typical U.S. family spends almost \$1,500 a year on utility bills. About 60 percent is in the form of electricity. Energy efficient improvements can make a home more comfortable and save you money. Did you know that...

- **Heating and Cooling** systems account for 42 percent of an average family's energy bills. You can save up to 4 percent by adjusting your thermostat setting by two degrees lower in the winter and higher in the summer.
- **Appliances** account for 20 percent of household's energy use, with refrigerators, clothes washers and dryers topping that list. Buy more energy efficient appliances. Look at the energy guide to determine the most efficient ones.
- **Lighting** - As a nation we spend about one-fourth toward lighting, at the cost of more than \$37 billion annually. Much of this energy is wasted using incandescent light bulbs. Only 10 percent of energy is used for light and the rest is given off as heat.
- **Water Heating** is the third largest energy expense in your home. Savings can be achieved by taking showers instead of baths, fixing leaks in faucets, and lowering the temperature setting on the clothes washer.
- **Refrigeration** - You can save by using energy efficient models and keeping the coils clean from dust build up.

BRIGHAM CITY LIGHT & POWER OFFERS THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:

- Free energy audits.
- CFL (compact fluorescent light) give-a-way, a one time offer to Brigham City residents. We have given 2,492 CFLs away.
- Refrigeration Recycling - There have been almost 100 participants who received \$20 for recycling their old but usable refrigerators. This has saved Brigham City thousands of kWh.
- We offer to groups, short presentations on energy conservation.

Energy Conservation Specialist Tom Ammons has been instrumental in the oversight of these programs. **If you have upgraded an appliance or increased CFL (compact fluorescent light) in your home, give Tom a call and he can document the savings to the Western Area Power Administration which keeps our energy rates lower.** This is all volunteered information from you, which makes gathering it very difficult. If you have information to share you can contact Tom by calling 734-6625 or email tammons@brighamcity.utah.gov.

ANYONE OVER THE AGE OF 13 NEEDS A LICENSE TO FISH AT PIONEER PARK POND



Brigham City Recreation would like to invite our citizens to fish at Pioneer Park Pond. Before you grab your pole and tackle box and head to the park, we would like to remind you that Pioneer Pond is regulated by the DWR. **Licenses are required for anyone over 13 years of age and there is a 4 fish limit.** The pond will be stocked with rainbow trout every week through April. Beginning in May, the DWR will begin stocking channel catfish. Please keep in mind that the pond is patrolled by Fish & Wildlife officers.

REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR SUMMER SEASON RECREATION PROGRAMS

Brigham City Recreation is preparing for a busy spring and summer season. There are numerous opportunities for all age groups including:

- **T-Ball** for kids 5 to 7 years old and played on Mondays beginning June 5 for 6 weeks. The registration fee is \$15.00 plus \$12.00 for a reversible jersey. Registration deadline is April 28th.
- **Youth Fishing** for boys and girls 6 to 12 years old. Class is held on Thursdays beginning April 20th through May 26th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Park Pond. Registration fee is \$10.00. Deadline for registration is April 14.
- **Awesome Adventures** is a summer youth program for youth ages 6 to 12. This program has limited enrollment and fills very quickly. The deadline for registering is April 28th. The fee is \$65.00 for the full five-week session
- **Tennis Lessons** are given to students 6 years and up. There are three separate sessions, Monday through Friday for nine days. The age groups are split into three start times. The fee is \$30.00 and registrations will be taken through the end of April.
- **Coach Pitch Softball** is for girls 8 to 10 years old. These games are played on Thursdays beginning June 1st. The cost for the league is \$25.00 plus \$12.00 for the reversible jersey. Registration will be taken through April 28th.
- **Coach Pitch Baseball** is for boys 7 to 9 years old. The league begins Tuesday June 6th. Cost is \$25.00 plus \$12.00 for the reversible jersey. Registration runs through April.
- **Softball Camp** is for girls 4th through 9th grade. This 3-day camp is run by the Box Elder High School girl's softball team on June 5th, 6th & 7th. The cost is \$30.00 with registration being taken from April 17th to May 19th.
- **Ponytail Softball** leagues are for girls 11 to 16 and played on Thursdays beginning June 1st. The cost is \$35.00. Registration deadline is April 28th.
- **Minor League Baseball** is for boys ages 9 to 11. This league plays 2 nights a week on Monday and Wednesday beginning June 5th. Cost is \$30.00. Participants need to register by April 28th.
- **Prep "Colt" League Baseball** is for guys 15 to 17 years. This league will be played beginning in June to avoid conflicts with High School sports. The cost for the league is \$65.00. Come in and register by April 28th.
- **Adult Softball** is for adults and youth 16 and over. Registrations are being taken now through May 22nd for both the upper and lower divisions in Men's and Co-Rec leagues. Cost is \$275.00 for the league which begins May 30th and 31st.
- **Fly Fishing Casting Class** is for all ages 11 and over. This class is taught by the DWR. Any adult that pays the \$15.00 registration fee can register a youth ages 11 to 17 for free. This 4 week class will begin on June 1st from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Pioneer Park. Registration will be taken May 1st through 24th.
- **Teens T-Ball** is a great 4th of July activity for teens 13 to 17 years old. The cost is \$5.00 per player, which include a T-Shirt. Get your team together and come in and register during May and June.

Reservations are ongoing for exclusive use of the **Brigham City Swimming Pool** from 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. on Saturdays. The cost for this use is \$350.00 which includes up to 200 people. These reservations are taken on a first come, first served basis. **Registration for swim lessons will be taken at the Leisure Services Office from May 1st through June 2nd.** The cost for Mom & Tot swim lessons is \$20.00 for residents and \$25.00 for non-residents. All other lessons are \$30.00 for residents and \$35.00 for non-residents.

SENIOR CENTER SPRING HAPPENINGS

- April 18 -- Trip to Senator Hatch's 19th Annual Conference on Aging.**
 - April 20 -- Tulip Festival at Thanksgiving Point.**
 - April 21 from 2-7 pm -- Red Cross Blood Drive.**
 - April 22 from 8-4 at the Senior Center -- AARP Safe driving class.**
 - April 26 -- Annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner.**
 - May is Older American's Month.**
 - May 5 -- Beehive Statesmen Barbershop Chorus**
 - May 6 -- Health Fair with approximately 30 booths.**
 - May 12 -- Evening with Nelson Phillips and his karaoke.**
 - June 9 -- Annual Picnic in the Park.**
 - June 12 - 14 -- Tuacahn Theater in St. George.**
- For more information on these events please contact the Senior Center at 723-3303.

Special Event to be held on May 31 -- First National Senior Health Day. This event takes place on the same day across the U.S. where 150,000 senior adults participate in health promotion events. "Older adults at all levels of physical fitness are encouraged to participate in National Senior Health & Fitness day," says Tina Godin, NSHFD program manager. Our Center's goal for Senior Day is to make exercise fun, to increase awareness of the benefits of regular exercise programs for older adults, and to encourage all older adults to take advantage of many health and fitness programs offered in the community. **The theme for this year is "Get Moving...It's a Step in the right Direction!"** Senior Centers as far north as Kaysville and as far south as Smithfield have been invited. We are hoping to have over 500 seniors participating. There will also be local gym information booths and health fair booths. Pioneer Park, including the bowery and swimming pool has been reserved. Events include: ladder golf, bocce ball, volleyball, archery, water aerobics, croquet, cooking demos, Tai Chi, hula dancing, self-defense with Scott Cosgrove, and line dancing. The pond at Pioneer Park will be stocked with catfish and fishing will be held in the afternoon. Entertainment will be held throughout the day. That evening at 5:30 P.M. there will be a Dutch Oven Dinner with Hal Holiday entertaining everyone under the bowery.

Registration is \$10.00 per person and that includes lunch, dinner, lanyard and pin. Come join us for a fun day.



MAIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT BEGINS APRIL 10

Main Street's scope of work will include reconstruction of the road pavement section on South Main from 200 South to 700 South including replacement of culinary water lines and sanitary sewer mains.

The project will also include reconstructing and widening the road section on North Main from 100 North to approx. 600 North to include new curb and gutter, storm drain infrastructure and culinary water and sewer main replacements. The section on Main Street from 200 South to 100 North has been omitted from this project. In the near future information meetings on alternative truck routes and other pertinent information will be provided in an open house (date and time not yet scheduled). Please watch the newspaper and the City's web site for more information. The Department of Transportation's Main Street re-construction project has been awarded to Staker Parson Companies.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BRIGHAM CITY OFFERS AFTER-SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH IN GRADES K-12.

The Club provides more than a safe and positive place for kids, it provides programs with content. Club programming covers 5 core areas including art, leadership, life skills, recreation and education. Open year round, the Club serves hundreds of kids a year and has expanded to offer multiple programs on school sites within the district. The Club House site is located at 271 North 100 West, in the historic Lincoln Elementary Schoolhouse. Membership fees are \$10 per year. Programs run from after school until 6:00 p.m. daily. Summer programs are offered from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday with an additional early drop off program for school aged youth from 8:00-11:00 a.m. This year the Club is also offering recreation and arts programs in neighborhood parks, twice a week from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. For more information, to sign up a youth, or to help out, call the Club at 723-6224.



PHASE II AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN

Brigham City has received an \$8 mil. grant from the Federal Aviation Administration for the construction of Phase II of the runway extension and safety area grading project. The total project will be \$8,421,052,000 with the City's match of \$210,526. The project was advertised and bid in February 2006. The low bidder for the project is Staker Parson Companies. It is anticipated that construction will start when conditions allow and will be completed 130 working days from the issuance of a notice to proceed except for the runway rehabilitation portion which must be completed before Sept. 1, 2006. This is Phase II of the 3 phased project. When all three phases are completed, Brigham City will have a regional facility that will accommodate a larger and more demanding fleet of aircraft.

CITY WORKING WITH NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TO BECOME BETTER PREPARED FOR POTENTIAL FLOODING

Brigham City has been meeting over the past several months with members of the National Weather Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. These meetings were to develop partnerships in becoming better prepared for potential flooding and advanced notification of potential flooding.

Randy Julander with the NRCS is assisting Brigham City in the development of a Mantua Reservoir Plan. This plan will assist Brigham City in managing the water levels within the reservoir. Part of this plan calls for monitoring of the moisture within the snow pack and the anticipated run off. By knowing this type of information, the level of the reservoir can be lowered to hopefully handle the run off. Monitoring instrumentation will allow Brigham City to monitor water flows in and out of the reservoir.

Brian McInerney, with the NOAA is working with Brigham City to provide more advanced notification of storm events that can cause potential flooding. A weather monitoring plan is being developed which will include the placement of weather monitoring instrumentation to measure rain and be able to alert Brigham City emergency management personnel of the potential for flooding. With this advanced notice, residents living near the Box Elder Creek can be notified of the potential for flooding.

Kevin Barjenbruch with NOAA is assisting Brigham City Emergency Management personnel in becoming a Storm Ready Community. With this recognition a series of assets will be put in place to assist in monitoring the weather, alerting the residents and becoming better prepared to handle storm related events.

For more information on flooding, please check out the following web site (www.floodsafety.noaa.gov)

CITY IS ACTIVELY PREPARING FOR POTENTIAL SPRING FLOODING

Brigham City personnel have been working over the past several months to become better prepared for the potential spring flooding. The Box Elder Creek has been inspected and debris that could possibly cause problems has been removed.

Since receiving monies from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Brigham City has repaired the damage done by the April 28, 2005 flooding. Much of this repair/ replacement work has been done with the anticipation of future flooding events. Larger culverts have been placed where others were destroyed by last year's flood and cleaning of both the Box Elder Creek and the Mayor's Pond has been accomplished.

Sand bags have been inventoried and Brigham City has 30,000 bags available. Planning is under way to identify locations within the city that were flooded last year and pre-filled sand bags will be placed in these locations. This will allow for a faster response to flooding should it happen. Sand bags are available to residents who wish to place them along their property where it joins the creek. Please contact Jim Buchanan at 723-4071 for more information.

A pre-flooding preparedness meeting has been held with surrounding communities and city staff to identify resources that are available. Resources in the surrounding counties have been identified and procedures on how to obtain them are in place.

The City's Emergency Operation Center is ready to be activated if needed. Telephones and radios have been tested. Emergency Operations stations have been established and equipped. Procedures have been developed to request and track volunteers. The city's public safety volunteer organizations have been trained and are ready to assist if flooding does happen.

The city has begun daily monitoring of the Mantua Reservoir, the streams/springs that enter the reservoir, the creek from the mouth of the canyon to the freeway and the retention ponds within the city. Several steep hill sides are being monitored for possible movements.

Brigham City has obtained a **telephone system called City Watch** which allows mass dialing of telephones to notify city residents of public announcements. City Watch has the capability in case of an emergency to notify citizens living along the Box Elder Creek of impending flooding and evacuation notices. Lists are currently being prepared by Jim Buchanan, Emergency Services Director. **If you have an unlisted telephone number and want your name on the list, please call Jim Buchanan at 723-4071.**

CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL NEEDS REGISTRY

Brigham City is partnering with the Northern Utah United Way and the American Red Cross to release a new resource available to emergency management personnel in the event of a disaster/emergency event. A web site is being developed that will allow residents with special needs an opportunity to provide information to emergency response agencies so those agencies can better plan to serve them in a disaster or other emergencies. As information is available, a link will be provided on the city's web site. Residents having special needs may require electrical power for medical devices. They may be homebound or have some type of a medical condition that requires special attention. Personal information can be entered over the internet or can be accomplished over the phone. The information collected will not be available to the public. It will only be shared with emergency response agencies to improve their ability to serve. The information will be stored on a secure file server located at the American Red Cross office in Ogden.

Remember there is no substitute for personal preparation! In a disaster, government and other agencies may not be able to meet your needs. It is important for all residents to make individual plans and preparations for their care and safety in an emergency. If you would like more information please contact Brigham City Emergency Services 723-4071.