

PERRY CITY NEWS BRIEF

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Nature Park Carvings

If you have been to the Dale Young Nature Park lately, you've probably noticed that old, diseased cottonwood trees have been cut down. City officials made the decision after public works employees reported that branches had been falling, and the trees had become a hazard. But where some people saw the loss of trees, one Perry City employee saw an opportunity to create art. Three of the stumps have already been transformed into an owl, an eagle and a bear.

Adam Fiske has been working for the city's public works department for over two years, and once he knew the trees were coming down he pitched the idea of utilizing the stumps as an art project to Perry Mayor Kevin Jeppsen. There was enough money in the budget to cut down 11 of those trees, said Fiske. Before we did that, though I had to seek approval from the Mayor, and I gave him a plan as to what we could do with those stumps if we left three or four feet above the ground. Fiske explained that the city didn't have the budget to hire for removal of the root systems, which would have involved probable damage to the park's sprinkler system, so instead he proposed leaving the stumps exposed, and using his self-taught skills with a chainsaw to carve the stumps into animals native to the area.

"I mean, it's a nature park, right?" asked Fiske. "So why not have little critters there?"

After seeing pictures of what Fiske proposed, Mayor Jeppsen agreed to the project, and the trees were cut down. Fiske's original plan was to have five or six of the animals carved before the Fourth of July, but as each carving takes approximately six hours to complete, he's running a little behind schedule.

Fiske said that he developed his chainsaw skills while working with his father's construction company back east.

"We were working in the woods with that kind of equipment, and I kind of dabbled in making some small animals out of large trees that were cut down. This is the first time I've worked with a stump still in the ground" he said.

While carving the first two animals, Fiske said many local residents crowded around to watch him work, which he does in his spare time.

"They just rave about it," he said, "and that makes it worthwhile." Fiske hasn't named any of his carvings, but is fairly sure that local residents will take care of that.

The Dale Young Nature Park is located at 1200 West & 2250 South, and is open dawn to dusk every day.

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Notable dates

- 11/1-Planning Commission
- 11/4- Daylight Savings (Set Clocks Back)
- 11/6- General Election 7am to 8 pm
- 11/8-City Council
- 11/12-City Closed for Veterans Day
- 11/13-Recycle
- 11/22-23- Thanksgiving. (City Closed)
- 11/27- Recycle
- 12/1- Christmas Movie

ANNUAL PERRY CITY HOLIDAY MOVIE:

This year's movie will be "The Star". It will be followed by a special visit from Santa.

DATE: Saturday, December 1st

MOVIE TIMES: 10:00 am

PLACE: Walker Cinemas

Seats will be available first come first serve.



GENERAL ELECTION

When: November 6, 2017
Time: 7:00 am to 8:00 pm
Where: USU Brigham City

SNOW REMOVAL

Landowners are responsible to keep sidewalks adjacent to their property accessible and cleared of debris, vegetation, and snow in order to be compliant with Perry City ordinances and reduce their personal liability. Also as winter approaches, in order to allow for snow removal.

Vehicles and trailers are not allowed to be parked on public streets within 48 hours immediately following any snowfall.

GREEN WASTE

The last day the Perry City Green Waste will be open is Saturday, October 27. It will open again in the spring. Watch for updates in this publication.



**COME VOTE
NOVEMBER
6TH AT
USU BRIG-
HAM CITY
7AM- 8PM
(REMEMBER TO BRING
PHOTO I.D.)**

HEAT Program 2018-2019 Season

The HEAT (Home Energy Assistance Target) Program will begin November 1, 2017 and be open through April 30, 2018 or until federal funds are exhausted.

The HEAT Program is a federally funded assistance program designed to help low-income, elderly and disabled households with home energy costs. The benefit amount is based on household income, household size, type of fuel used and energy burden. HEAT benefits are a one-time payment and will help pay a portion of your fuel bills over the cold winter months.

Beginning November 1, 2018 Box Elder residents can call 1-435-723-1116 to schedule an appointment. If you are elderly or disabled and unable to come into our office we have someone who will come to your home. Please mention this when you call to schedule your appointment.

The Box Elder County HEAT office is located at the BRAG Office (Bear River Association of Governments) at 2535 US-89, Perry.



Please take time to nominate yourself or someone else for the **Outdoor Light Display Award**. Nominations are due Monday, Dec. 12th by 12 Noon. Awards will be announced in the January Newsletter.



**OUTDOOR HOLIDAY LIGHT
DISPLAY CONTEST
NOMINATION FORM**

Name:

Address:

Prizes for Winners!