Salem City will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2017 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Garbage service will not be affected with this holiday; it will be picked up on Tuesday January 17th as usual.

Salem City will be picking up Christmas trees between January 3–13, 2017. Please put your trees curbside but not in the road. After the 13th, you will be responsible to dispose of your own tree. The greenwaste will not be opened to take your trees.

SALEM RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Salem City Council has elected to start an opt-out curbside All-in-One recycling program. The opt-out period is from December 15th through January 31st.

After January 31, 2017, all residents who have not opted out will be automatically enrolled in the recycling program. Just like your trash, the city will own, deliver/replace, and maintain your recycling containers.

It is anticipated that collection for this service will start in March. The pick up will be every other week. Depending on your location, it will be either Monday or Tuesday. A map and schedule will be sent out later.

The opt-out form can be found on the city web page www.salemcity.org or you may come to the City Office and complete the form.

RATES:
If we get 60% participation, the approximate rate will be $6.25 a month
If we get 50% participation, the approximate rate will be $6.75 a month
If we get 40% participation, the approximate rate will be $7.50 a month

If you have any questions, please call the City Office at 801-423-2770
**Summer Family Concert Series**

We had such a great time in 2016 at our summer concerts, that we have decided to continue that event in 2017. We have slots to fill in our June 12 and July 10 concerts. If you are interested in participating in the concerts, or know someone who may like that opportunity, please contact Councilperson Cristy Simons at csimons@salemcity.org by March 1, 2017. She will email you the audition and performance requirements.

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**YOUTH COUNCIL:** In November the Pondtown lighting started to kick off the Christmas season. Thanks to all those who came and participated!

Last month we set out jugs in various locations throughout Salem to help pay for our Sub-for-Santa this year. Thank you to all those who donated for such a great cause! We also lined luminaries throughout the cemetery on Christmas Eve to help guide those who were driving through that night.

Thank you for the all support you provide to our great city of Salem!

-Mayor Brian Stewart

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**SALEM READY CLASS**

"Community & Home Protection"

January 20, 2017 - 8:00 pm

Salem West Stake Center – 695 S 300 W – Salem, Utah

Casual Dress

Salem Police Chief Brad S. James will be the guest speaker at our monthly SALEM READY Class. Chief James has a wealth of knowledge. He started his career in law enforcement in 1979 after graduating from the Utah Police Academy and has continued furthering his education throughout his career. Prior to coming to Salem, Chief James worked at Ricks College, Mapleton and Springville Police Departments. He has served for the last 26 years as the Salem City chief of police and feels it a pleasure to serve the great citizens of this community.

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Since winter is here it is time to think about environmentally friendly ways to control ice.

Traction Agents help prevent slipping on ice, but don't melt it. Sand, kitty litter and ashes can hurt habitats.

Cracked corn has been suggested as an alternative because animals can eat it before it gets washed into the storm sewers in the spring.

Deicers lower the melting point of ice to help remove ice and snow from pavement. Sodium chloride (rock salt) is the most common product because it’s effective and cheap. However, it is highly corrosive and ecologically damaging.

Some deicers are significant sources of phosphorous. Always apply deicing products according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

Using the old fashioned approach of a shovel and a flat hoe means eliminating ice and snow without harmful chemicals and with the added benefit of physical exercise.

_Wade Reynolds, Storm Drain Coordinator/Safety Coordinator_

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If you have put decorations on a grave at the Salem City Cemetery, please make sure they are removed by January 31st. After that date, any decorations will be removed by the city.
Senior Spotlight

We’re going to start 2017 with Becky and Gary Warner. Becky is the daughter of Harold and Ruth Lawrence. She was born on March 31, 1955 in Springville. Her parents lived in Salem at the time. Becky was the youngest of ten children and the doctor wouldn’t believe her mother that she was in labor – he soon found out as Becky was delivered in his office. She had 7 sisters and 2 brothers. Gary is the son of Blair and Betty Warner. He was born in Payson Hospital on December 29, 1953. His parents lived on the east bench of Spanish Fork. Gary had two older brothers and two younger brothers. When Becky was in the first grade, her family moved to Big Piney, Wyoming but kept their home in Salem. Becky’s mother passed away when she was 9. A couple of days after graduating from high school Becky moved back to Salem and lived in her parent’s home. Her sister, Donna Schwartz, lived next door so it was more like home. Her father retired a couple of years later and moved back to Salem also. Gary and Becky met on a blind date in July 1973, which almost didn’t happen because he was water skiing and was an hour late. They were married April 12, 1974 and have lived in Salem ever since.

Growing up Gary worked at Dan’s American Oil and Gas Station, and during his senior year in high school he was the night-time custodian for Barcoft Trailers. Gary supported his family by working at Geneva Steel until 2001 when it closed down. He worked there for 29 1/2 years. He then worked for Salem City for 7 years, and Miller’s Trailers for 7 years. He said he is finally retired. Becky worked at The Cotton Shop in Provo, Provo Surgical Center and is now employed by Salem City.

Gary and Becky are the parents of 4 boys: Justin and Maleah (American Fork); Matt and Evige (Eagle Mountain); Mark and Janessa (Spanish Fork); and Ryan and Shelleen (So. Jordan). They have 13 grandchildren whom they love and support in their activities. Now that “Grandpa Gary” is officially retired sometimes he gets called on to help tend. He loves it!

Gary coached baseball in Salem for 11 years where he served as the Volunteer League President for 1 1/2 years. He served on the Salem Volunteer Fire Department for 23 years serving as Fire Chief for four of those years. Gary served on the Salem City Council for 8 years. When the Salem City Recreation Director quit, Gary volunteered and filled this position from November 2001 to February 2002. He was then hired by the City in February. Gary was honored as the first Volunteer of the Year for Salem City in 1990. He started the Salem City Fishing Club for the youth, was instrumental in the development of the Loafer View Recreation Complex, and the addition to the Salem City Fire Station.

Gary and Becky are active members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and have held several positions within the Church.

Gary said he was a picky eater until he and Becky got married. I guess he figured if he wanted something to eat, he’d better eat what Becky fixed, although he doesn’t like cottage cheese. He likes all sea food and a good steak. Becky doesn’t care for liver or salmon. She likes steak and chocolate (not necessarily together). Becky said Gary is very handy; he loves to garden, work around the yard, repair things, likes to fish and “tinker”. Becky likes to go for ATV rides, and spend time with the kids, grandkids and Gary.

Gary and Becky, thank you for all your service to Salem City. May you have a great 2017!

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SALEM LIBRARY
801-423-2622

Pop into the Library on “popcorn Day”, January 19th, enjoy some good books and some popcorn!

Life would be boring without music. On January 28th we honor all music especially Kazoo’s. It’s National Kazoo Day! Didn’t think there was one, did ya!? Come get a free Kazoo and toot, buzz, or vibrate a happy tune!
1st/2nd Grade Basketball, Boys and Girls - Early registration ends December 30th. $30.00 ($5 late fee/$5 non-resident fee). This works similar to the flag football program, they are on teams and play games, but there is also structured skill development. Space is limited to 32 kids per session. Sessions are 6:00-7:00 or 7:00-8:00. Volunteer coaches are needed. This is Tuesday/Thursday program from January 3rd - February 2nd. Mt. Loafer Elementary.

3rd-12 Grade Basketball - Boys and Girls - We may still have a spot for you to play, call the Rec. Office to check availability.

Hunter Safety - January 3rd, 5th, 10th, 12th, 17th & 19th. Classes will be held from 6-8 at the Salem Civic Center, you must attend all classes to pass the course. $10.00 - no non-resident fee, you will also need to obtain a Hunter Safety Voucher/License from the state which can be purchased anywhere a hunting or fishing license is sold. Instructor: Duane Hill. Space is limited.

Winter Bizzy Buddies - Kids burnin' energy, that's what Bizzy Buddies is all about. This class is for 3-5 years old pre-k kids. There will be a different theme each week for us to explore and celebrate through music, super fun obstacle courses and interactive play. Bizzy Buddies will help your child in developing listening skills, the ability to follow instructions and interact with other children. We are excited to once again offer this fun program for younger kids. This class is held at the Salem Community Center. Two session are available on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30am or 10:30 to 11:30am. Sessions will last six weeks beginning February 1st, thru March 8th. Fee $20.00 ($5.00 non-resident fee does apply). Space is limited.

Girls Dance - Wednesday Evenings beginning January 18th thru March 8th. Pre-K/Kindergarten (5:00-6:00), 1st/2nd gr. (6:00-7:00), 3rd-5th gr. (7:00-8:00). Registration $30 ($5 non-resident fee will apply), space is limited.

Casey Cloward Catchers Camp - Casey is a former BYU catcher and is excited to spend time working with your catcher giving them drills and pointers to take back to practice as they work to become better. Saturday, February 11th. This year we will be breaking down into two age groups 8-11 yr. olds (8:00-9:30) and 12-18 yr. olds (10:00-11:30). Space is limited. Registration is $15, no non-resident fee on camps.