

BOUNTIFUL CITY NEWSLETTER

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Hazardous Waste Day Collection Extremely Successful With Over 530 Families Participating

The Household Hazardous Waste Day collection was more successful than anticipated, expanding the hope that the event will become an annual affair.

"Similar collection dates in other cities led us to believe about 2% or 230 Bountiful families would participate," said Bob Bruhn, a 25-year veteran of the city's sanitation department. "However, we had 530 families placing their hazardous waste for collection. It's obvious that our residents appreciated their opportunity to discard hazardous items in a legal and safe manner."

Among the items gathered:

• 680 gallons of used oil (to be recycled for use in an industrial blast furnace);

Housing Prices Climb In Southern Davis County

Bountiful City and other South Davis County communities continue to be an attractive area for prospective homebuyers.

Year-to-date statistics from the Salt Lake Board of Realtors (Jan. 1-Oct. 15) show the average price of a new or used single-family home purchased in South Davis County (Farmington south through Bountiful) was \$122,524, an increase of \$17,400 from 1992. Additionally, the average home sold in 40 days, down from 66 days in 1992.

The average price of a South Davis County condominium was \$67,203, about the same as in 1992. However, the average condominium sold in half the time—35 days compared to 73 days in 1993.

- 930 gallons of paint (accepted by a paint recycling unit)
- 150 gallons of used anti-freeze (accepted for recycling)

• 120 automobile batteries.

Aside from the above material, an additional 2,300 gallons of other waste was packed in 55-gallon drums for shipment to a hazardous waste center in

Denver, Colo.

"The waste firm told me Bountiful had the highest percentage of participation than in any city having a collection," said Bruhn. "That is certainly a credit to the residents who understand the danger of dumping hazardous chemicals into the landfill."



John Cushing



Sam Fowler



Ann Wilcox

Residents Elect Cushing As Mayor Wilcox And Fowler To City Council

In a 30% turnout of registered voters, current City Councilman John Cushing was elected as Bountiful's 27th mayor, and Sam Fowler and Ann Wilcox were elected to City Council seats. The three will be inducted into their four-year offices on Jan. 3, 1994.

Cushing, a lifelong resident of Bountiful, recalls when the city was home to less than 4,000 people, rural areas were full of cantaloupe fields and cherry orchards, and "the folks could go fishing in Barton Creek." The city's growth, he says, has generally been managed "sensibly" due to wisdom of past officials.

"I'm impressed by the quality of our newer residents," he says. "Despite the population growth, there's still a neighborhood feeling and an understanding of our cultural and educational needs. The city staff also needs to be complimented for its professionalism and accountability."

Fowler says one of the challenges for the city will be in attracting serviceoriented companies to relocate, "not only retail shops but firms which provide services throughout Utah and the rest of the United States." He believes the construction of the new LDS Temple will provide challenges for traffic engineers but also spur economic growth and increase local employment.

Wilcox's campaign included support for the city's financial reserve fund which she views as a "fiscally responsible" hedge against an emergency. Growth, she says, remains one of the city's major challenges.

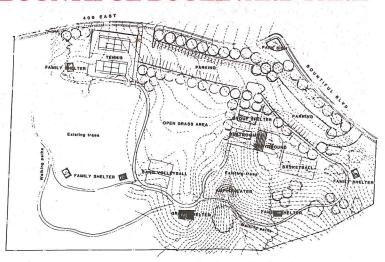
City To Add 10-Acre Bountiful Blvd. Park Open In Fall Of 1994

Construction will begin next spring on the 10-acre Bountiful Boulevard Park. Once completed by Fall 1994, the park will contain a variety of picnic or shelter areas, a tennis court, sand volleyball pit, a basketball court, a children's playground and extensive walking paths.

The park area was purchased by the city from the Davis County School District earlier this year for \$320,000. The site had previously been viewed by the school district as a potential location for an elementary school. After a determination of population patterns, the district agreed to the land's acquisition by Bountiful City.

The park will be the fourth large park inside the city boundaries. In addition, there are 26 other "park areas" adjacent to school buildings and numerous other smaller parks.

BOUNTIFUL BOULEVARD PARK



City Manager's Report

By Tom Hardy

On Nov. 2, the citizens of the City of Bountiful had the opportunity to elect a new mayor and two City Council members to serve the city for the next four years. Approximately 30% of the registered voters took the opportunity to indicate in the ballot box their preference for elected leadership.

From time to time I have had citizens ask me my opinion of our form of government in which all of the council seats are "at large" as opposed to "district" areas. My response has been that the "at large" system is advantageous since it allows every citizen the opportunity to vote for all five council candidates, not just one who would represent a specific area. I further indicated that the demographics of Bountiful are such that we have a rich tradition of working together for the betterment of the entire city as opposed to simply trying to benefit one geographical area.

It is interesting to note that, in fact, the elected officials serving the next two years indeed represent virtually every area of Bountiful. Two members live west of Orchard Drive, two live between Orchard Drive and Davis Boulevard, and one lives east of Davis Boulevard. Looking at it from a north/south perspective one member lives north of 400 North, one between 400 North and 500 South, two between 500 South and 1800 South, and one south of 1800 South. In essence, the voters of our community have not only had the opportunity of selecting all five members of their governing body, but they have also naturally balanced the geography of the city in terms of representation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the three members of the governing body who are retiring from public service. Councilwoman Coon and Councilman Foy have well-represented the interests of the electorate, and their presence on the Council will be missed. Mayor Linnell has truly been an outstanding leader during the past four years. In addition to all of his other mayoral duties, he has taken the time to serve as Treasurer of the Utah League of Cities and Towns, represented the city as one of only two members in Davis County on the Wasatch Front Regional Council, has held quarterly meetings with other South Davis County communities to improve inter-city relationships, and has served on the National Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee of the National League of Cities which reviews energy and environmental issues. In every case, those who have worked with Mayor Linnell have commented on his strong, capable leadership and ability to frame issues clearly and reach decisions.

On a personal basis, I have had the opportunity of working closely with Mayor Linnell and I can attest to his integrity, honesty and leadership. Bountiful is truly a better community because of his service, and he will be missed both by those of us who have worked with him and by the many other people whose lives he has touched in a positive manner.

At the same time, Councilman Cushing brings a history of service and experienced leadership to his position as our newly-elected Mayor. Council-elect members Sam Fowler and Ann Wilcox, overwhelmingly chosen by the citizens in the election, will be prepared to help focus on the city's direction.

With the efforts of our past and new representatives, the City of Bountiful will continue not only to be the "City of Beautiful Homes and Gardens", but also the premier place for people to work, educate, recreate and enjoy life in the State of Utah. As a staff, we pledge our full support to all who guide this city through the 1990's

The 3 Final Items Celebrating City's Centennial

Three new (and the final) releases from Bountiful's 1992 Centennial celebration are now available at Bountiful City Hall and local banks: Centennial Souvenir Magazine, the Centennial Souvenir Video, and Glimpses Into

Bountiful's Past, a video featuring Kim R. Burningham.

Priced at \$3, the Centennial Souvenir Magazine summarizes various celebration events and is packed with articles about the city's early Kim Burningham industries, landmarks, and achievers such as

Former Sec. of the U.S. Treasury Ivy Baker Priest and Dr. Juel E. Trowbridge.

The 1992 Centennial events were videoed by Brian Gubler (William Tell Productions) and his assistants, then woven into a lively two-hour Centennial Souvenir Video. Gubler also videoed Kim R. Burningham narrating Glimpses Into Bountiful's Past in a carriage tour. Burningham relives Bountiful's early days in the always-interesting Burningham style.

Each video is \$15 (or \$25 for the twovideo centennial set).

These three releases are the final collectable items from the city's Centennial. Residents will find them entertaining and instructive about the fascinating history of our community.

Like Other Communities Bountiful Is Not Immune From Gangs

By Lt. Bill Collard Bountiful City Police Dept.

The two most common questions in every city across America are, "Do we have gangs in our city?" and if so, "What is law enforcement doing about the gangs?"

Are there gangs in Bountiful? Yes And No! One gang assembled about one year ago and began boasting that Bountiful City was it turf. So far, however, there is no record of any violence associated with the gang itself. Occasionally someone claiming to be a gang member may get into an altercation or is caught stealing, but law enforcement does not label these isolated individual offenses as gang violence or gang activity. Some city businesses have also been the targets of graffiti by gang members or "taggers", young people with no special gang affiliation but who participate in spreading graffiti.

Do gangs from other communities come into Bountiful? Sure. Because of our location, gang members travel through and occasionally live within the city limits.

We are not in denial. In order to keep on top of the challenge, the Bountiful Police Department has assigned Corporals John Hadlow and Randy Pickett to collect and disseminate local gang intelligence. In

addition, the police department has implemented other programs. Police and school officials, for instance, meet monthly to discuss and track problem students and/or gangs throughout the Bountiful area. We have also applied for a federal grant enabling the city to place a full-time Resource Officer in Bountiful High and Viewmont High (with substantial time also spent at the junior high "feeder" schools.) In addition, we have coordinated with

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Woods Cross City to have an officer at Woods Cross High.

Another program still in the planning stage is our anti-graffiti campaign, geared to prevent graffiti destruction through a cash reward system.

At the present time, there is no documented case involving violence by any gang in Bountiful. With citizen support and involvement, gang activity can be limited. With the police and school district's pro-active approach, we hope that gang activity can be stopped before it takes a foothold.



Bountiful Teacher Recognized As Davis County's Teacher Of 1993

Trudy Henderson, a first-grade instructor at Bountiful's Hannah Holbrook Elementary School, was selected this fall as the County Teacher of the Year in a recognition program sponsored by the Utah Office of Education. A 20-year teaching veteran, she earned degrees from BYU and UNLV.

Residents Can Take Simple Steps To **Control Rats** And Other Rodents

Wet weather in the fall and spring creates an environment for rats and other rodents, but the Davis County Division of Environmental Health says residents can take simple precautions to deter the problem.

Among the procedures:

- Keep all garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids
- · Pick up dog wastes daily
- Feed pets only what they will eat, and remove uneaten food from containers left outside
- Remove piles of garden and yard wastes including fallen fruit
- Check wood piles for rat burrows...Stock wood off the ground
- · If rat burrows are discovered, bait and fill them with rodent (following compounds manufacturer's instructions)

Mayor's Corner

By Mayor Bob Linnell

As I reflect on the past four years serving as your Mayor, I vacate the office with mixed emotions. This has been a rewarding and educational experience—certainly not without its challenges. I appreciate the input and support I have received from many of you citizens, and I especially want to thank my fellow elected officials on the City Council. (I have had

the support of a clear majority, and the issues were discussed frankly and honestly.)



Among the positive things that occurred during my tenure were our capability to avoid any tax increase, the implementation of this quarterly newsletter, a weekly agenda published in the local newspapers to keep a better-informed public, vastly improved relationships with surrounding communities, acquisition of 20 acres of park property coupled with improvement of existing parks, an expanded Stoker School relationship with the University of Utah, completion of a new Public Works building and the ShopKo commercial project, the relocation of the U.S. Post Office, construction of sidewalks and street lights from 4th North to Chelsea Drive along Bountiful Boulevard, orchestration

of efforts for improvements in **Mueller Park** (which precluded our citizens from having to pay a Mueller Park user fee), **law enforcement efforts** to deter the increase in crime, and reinstating the July 23 **fireworks** as part of Handcart Days.

Other positive community items: expanded efforts by the Arts Center and the introduction of Summerfest, construction of the LDS Temple, unparalleled growth in our residential areas, hosting the Utah Figure Skating Club, Holly Cook's international recognition, hosting the Western Regional Little League playoffs, and a myriad of special events in connection with our 1992 Centennial.

Yes, the four years have been productive for our community, and residents had the support of the city employees. I frankly don't know where one would go to find a more dedicated, professional, capable cadre of employees than in Bountiful City. It's not coincidental that City Manager Tom Hardy was selected as the outstanding appointed official in the State of Utah by the League of Cities and Towns. City Engineer Jack Balling was honored in 1992 as the Public Works Director of the Year...Arden Jenson was recognized for 12 consecutive years of achievements as our City Recorder...Cliff Michaelis, our Light & Power Director, serves as Treasurer of the Intermountain Power Agency...Qur Fire Department was recognized by the insurance industry as the outstanding part-time/full-time department in Utah...Under Dick Duncan and Bob Bruhn, Bountiful pioneered mechanized refuse collection—the first city in the state to implement the system. Using Bountiful as a model, most large cities have since converted to mechanized collection.

These are just a few of the recognitions and accomplishments of our city employees, many of whom serve as state and national presidents of their professional organizations. I thank them for making my job easier during the past four years. I feel good about my service. Bountiful City is indeed a quality community. I found the city in excellent condition when I was sworn in...and I hope I've left it in even better condition for Mayor-elect John Cushing and the 1994-95 City Council.

Fountain And Obelisk To Highlight Downtown Development Near New Post Office

A landscape architect is in the design stage of an attractive two-tiered fountain and historical obelisk to be located on the southwest corner of Center Street and Main fronting the site of the new U.S. Post Office.

According to Planning and Redevelopment Director Blaine Gehring, the 50' X 50' City plaza area will highlight the downtown project. The obelisk will be engraved with historical scenes in partnership with the city's centennial committee.

New Council Member To Be Selected In Dec.

The City Council will select a fifth councilmember to serve out the remaining two years term of mayorelect John Cushing. Applications were sought until Nov. 19, with candidates scheduled for a Dec. 8 interview.

Tips Help Protect Pets In Winter

With cold winter weather approaching, Davis County Animal Care & Control offers helpful tips to help protect family pets.

• Though many breeds of dogs survive well outdoors, all animals should be provided with a dry shelter that provides a break from the wind and protection from snow and rain. Dog houses should be large enough to allow the dog to stand and turn around, but small enough that house can be warmed from the dog's own body heat

• Dog houses should be built with a raised floor, and a piece of heavy carpet or tarp attached to the outside top of the door

to keep out a cutting wind.

• Be sure to check often to make sure the dog's bed (blanket or rug) has not become wet or frozen.

 Outside pets should receive a "high protein" dog food, an increased food supply during winter months, and plenty of fresh water. A small amount of vaseline on the pads of the feet will help prevent cracking and soreness in icy weather.

• Remember that dog licenses are renewable one year from the date of initial purchase.

