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New Downtown Fire Station Construction Begins

In July, Keller Construction Company began site preparation for construction of a new fire station at 255 South 100 West. If you have passed by there lately, or if you were one of the many people who used the playground or tennis courts there, you probably already know the site has been scraped bare all the way down to solid earth.

Construction will continue through next summer. In the end the site will have all the features it used to have — fire station, tennis courts, playground, restrooms and bowery — but they will be new and improved.

The original and primary objective was to build a fire station having seismic and other necessary safety features, better public access (especially handicap access), upgraded training areas and classrooms, enhanced administrative offices and crew facilities, and improved apparatus bays and equipment storage areas. In the words of Fire Chief George Sumner, it will be "a fire station that will serve the needs of the department and the community for the life of the building with no need for remodeling or improvement."

After researching response times, call density, and other available sites, the fire department decided against moving to a new location. Architects Pasker Gould Ames & Weaver (PGA&W) designed a fire station that fits on the site, meets the needs of the department and the community, and still leaves room for a park, playground and tennis courts. PGA&W designed a fire station that can be built while the existing station is still on the site, thereby forestalling interruptions in service or major inconvenience to fire department operations.

If everything goes according to plan, next spring the fire department will move into a new fire station right next door to the existing one. The old fire station will then be demolished and the park, playground and tennis courts will be rebuilt. The entire project is scheduled for completion by next fall.

Site plans, floor plans and a building model are displayed in the fire station at 65 West 200 South. You are welcome to stop by and take a look.

Mental Health Week

During the week of October 6-11, all citizens of Bountiful are invited to presentations on mental health issues facing our community. Speakers will discuss the causes and solutions for depression, communication, relationships and social stress, attention deficit disorder, grief and loss, eating disorders, stress, and available resources for help and support. Clergy members, educators, and all who are interested are invited to daytime and evening forums to be held throughout the week of October 6-11. For information on dates, times, speakers, and topics, call Sharon at 451-4847.

Fire Department Thanks Eagle Scouts for Home Smoke Alarm Inspections . . . Seeks More Eagle Candidates

Since the December, 2002, beginning of Bountiful Fire Department's home smoke alarm program, almost 7,000 homes have been inspected by fire department inspectors and community volunteers. At no cost to the residents, almost 1,700 replacement batteries have been installed in existing smoke alarms, and over 4,000 new smoke alarms have been installed in homes in Bountiful.

Eagle Scout candidates have been a tremendous help in the program, completing 929 homes. Adding in the 72 completed by the talented teens in Bountiful City Youth Council brings the number of homes that have been made safer by community volunteers to over 1,000.

Every resident of Bountiful should take pride in the community involvement and spirit of service exhibited by these young men and women. On behalf of the Fire Department, and the Bountiful residents whose safety has been improved by their work, Fire Chief George Sumner wants to thank and acknowledge the

Youth City Council and the following Eagle Scout candidates who organized and led teams of volunteers to make their neighbors safer from fire: Colby Ashby, John Colby, Steven Duncan, Braeden Judd, Brad Millis, Tyler Nielsen, Tim Pace, Alden Thorpe, Glen Tonge, Joey Vance, Craig Willey, and Woody Wilson.

Thanks also to the Eagle Scout candidates who are still working on their smoke alarm projects as you read this: Jared Larsen, Kendall Nelson, Mark Stoddard and Dennis Thompson.

Thousands of homes remain to be inspected, but there are hundreds of potential Eagle Scouts and other community volunteers who can help, if only they get the word about this exciting and meaningful community service project. If you or someone you know is interested in a community service project, please contact the Fire Department at 298-6230 for details. The free smoke alarms you install will improve the personal safety of the occupants of every home you visit and contribute to the overall safety of the entire community.



Bountiful to Elect Three Council Members

This is the year for municipal elections! Three council seats, each for a four-year term, are going to be voted on by the citizens. The primary election, if necessary, will be held October 7 and the general election November 4. In 2001 we had a 14% turnout for the primary and a 27% turnout for the final election. Remember, voting is an important and essential function of democracy in our country. If you have any questions about registering to vote, where to vote, or how to vote, you can call Kim Coleman, the City Recorder, at 298-6115. Watch the Clipper for articles on the candidates, when the Meet the Candidates night will be held, then exercise your franchise by going to the polls!

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

(for Bountiful residents only)

Bountiful City will be conducting its annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program on Saturday, October 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the City's maintenance facility, 200 West 950 South in Bountiful. Look for the flyer in your utility bill for details, or call our Street and Sanitation Department, 298-6175.

Cleaning Up Your Power

Surge Protection and Grounding

Delivering clean reliable power to your home is one of Bountiful City Light & Power's (Bountiful Power) key objectives. Unfortunately, factors inside and outside your home may vary or interrupt your power supply. It may be a storm, a car hitting a utility pole, a neighbor overloading a circuit, or an animal shorting out a transformer. Whatever the cause, there are things that you can do to help prevent damage to your equipment. The main measures are making sure that your home electrical panel has a separate ground wire, and the use of surge protectors.



Grounding:

Electric codes require that all electrical panels must have a separate ground wire leading to a ground rod and that all metal water pipes also be grounded. The grounding system is for personal safety and helps circuit breakers to trip in the event of a fault. The grounding system also gives a stable reference for equipment operation and helps surge suppressors identify and "clip" harmful voltage spikes. Older homes may not have this ground connection - call an electrician if you are unsure about yours.

Surge Protection Basics:

It is normal for electrical power to fluctuate somewhat. A power surge is an increase in voltage significantly above the designated level, such as the normal 120 volts in your home. Problems arise when the voltage rises above that level, and surge protectors help prevent those problems from destroying your electronic equipment.

Some sources of power surges may include lightning, faulty wiring, loose electrical connections, and electrical system faults. A very complex system of lines and transformers brings electricity from a power source to homes and offices. There are many protective devices on the Bountiful Power system that help insure the delivery of clean, reliable power and help limit surges from the power system. However, weather or mechanical failures on the power system can unexpectedly cause surges, in spite of these protective devices.

Surge protectors are valuable devices that should be purchased to protect your sensitive electronic equipment. You probably have one on your computer right now. But, you have to know that many "so-called" surge protectors are actually nothing more than multiple outlet devices, and may not provide the protection that you expect. Shop for those devices that have protection levels listed in "Joules". You will find many brands that offer damage insurance with the purchase of the surge protector. Office supply and electronic stores have many types to choose from. Bountiful Power strongly recommends that all customers buy quality surge protectors and use them on electronic devices such as computers, TV's, VCR's, DVD players, and stereos. Bountiful Power is not responsible for damages caused by surges beyond our control.

Golden Years Center Activities Planner

Come and Join us for fun and adventure!
Some Fun Things to Start Thinking About:

August:

26 & 27 Shakespearean Festival

Richard III and Much Ado About Nothing \$210 all Inclusive.

September:

Tuachan 18, 19, 20th with Earl Miller

The Unsinkable Molly Brown, Zions, Mesquite All Inclusive for only \$220 ppdb. A Fun Trip!

Sept. 9 BBQ on Antelope Island

Sept 3-14 Western Europe/Transatlantic Cruise

Sept. 24 Fall Foliage/Heber Creeper

October 14th - Fall Colors at Sundance

\$22 INCLUDES LUNCH

Oct. 6-13 Fall Foliage

New England Back Roads

For more information on these events, contact the Center at 295-3470

Is Your Home In Need of Fixing Up?

The Davis County Housing Authority is providing low interest loans (3%-5%) to qualified homeowners in need of rehabilitation to their home.

Qualifying Income (at or below)			
Family Size			
2	4	6	8
\$39,100	\$48,900	\$56,700	\$64,500

For more information call Travis James (801) 451-2587 ext. 3104. Davis County Housing Authority 352 South 200 West, Suite #1 Farmington, Utah.

Garbage Pickup Holiday Schedule

Garbage is picked up on regularly scheduled garbage days on all the holidays except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. On those three holidays, your garbage pickup will be delayed one day.





Fire Department Open House

The annual Fire Department Open House is scheduled for Monday, October 6, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Because of the construction, the open house this year will be held in the parking lot at Fred Meyer's. There will be demonstrations, displays, and activities for the public to enjoy.

Bountiful City's Fall Cleanup

Fall cleanup is October 6 - 10. During that week city crews on your regular garbage pickup day will also remove trash and refuse which has been properly bundled, bagged, or boxed. Limbs and trees must be cut and bundled in 5-foot lengths. Any bundles, bags, or boxes must not exceed 50 lbs. Items such as old furniture or appliances should be placed on the drive approach or park strip, not on the street or sidewalk. Garbage cans should always be placed out on the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your garbage day.

The landfill will not charge Bountiful residents the regular \$3.00 fee during fall cleanup week (or the preceding week) to assist them with disposing of the trash that does not comply with the above restrictions. The landfill <u>cannot</u> accept tires of any kind or propane canisters.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE SPECIAL CLEANUP REGULATIONS IS MANDATORY. IF YOU CANNOT MEET THE REGULATIONS, YOU WILL NEED TO HAUL AWAY THE DEBRIS YOURSELF.



Get Smart - - Protect Yourself!

Burglaries in Bountiful City are climbing. Recent statistics compiled by the police department show that from the time period of January 1 to June 10 there were 132 burglaries – that's a 120% increase from the same period last year. In all of 2002 there were 129 reported residential and business burglaries. The increase is for BOTH homes and businesses. We are seeing everything from locks being twisted off to no forced entry (possible open door).

National statistics show that burglars break into a house, apartment or condo every 11 seconds. Sixty percent of residential burglaries occur during the daylight hours. The average loss to a victim of a residential burglary is \$1,350.

The Bountiful Police Department is working to eliminate the rise in these burglaries. Increased awareness by all

officers has resulted in an increase in business checks throughout the nighttime hours. Extra officers to work bike shifts in the business district have been implemented. Presentations to the public and Neighborhood Watch groups have also been taking place.

There are several things you can do to reduce the risk of becoming a victim of a home or business burglary. The first thing is to keep all doors and windows locked. An open door is an open invitation for burglars. Keep the perimeter of your home or business well lighted. Light is one of the biggest deterrents for burglars. Keep a clear path to your home or business – that means keep your shrubbery trimmed away from entrances and walkways. Also, if you have a fence, make it a picket or chain link. This reduces hiding places. Create an illusion that some-

one is home or in the business by using timers on lights, radios and TV's. If you are going out of town, ask a neighbor to watch your house. Neighbors know what is suspicious for your area – the police sometimes don't. In short, the more difficult you make it for a burglar, the less likely you are going to be a victim.

If you suspect that your house or business has been burglarized, don't go in. The burglar may still be inside. Don't open your business for customers, as that may alter valuable evidence. Be sure to call the police IMMEDIATELY.

The Bountiful Police Department is asking for your help to stop this trend in burglaries. Please call the police immediately if you see anything suspicious around your neighborhood or business district. If you need to report a crime, call 298-6000, or in an emergency call 911.

Fire Department Provides Emergency Medical Kits at 1/2 Their Retail Price

Self-contained emergency medical kits in convenient carrying bags can be purchased at the fire station, 65 West 200 South. Two sizes of kits are available, the "Citizen" kit for \$37.18 and the "Police Car" kit for \$63.69. According to

Captain Bob Stell, Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Officer, these kits are a bargain. "The more medical kits we have in the community," Captain Stell said, "the better prepared we are to meet any emergency that may arise."

Kits are available Monday-Friday during normal business hours. Please plan on writing a check for your purchase (no credit or debit cards please). Kits will be available at the fire station only through August 31, 2003.

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The City Council and Mayor Welcome Your Input and Suggestions.

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