

We all must be living in a time warp. Time has definitely moved to hyperspace. Where does it go? All I know is that May was full of some exciting events in Southern Utah. The month started out with the Ironman competition. You may not know this but Washington City had 11 participants. We congratulate you for your extraordinary efforts. It was fun watching you come through Washington on your bikes. Thanks to all of those who made that event so successful and enjoyable to watch. Volunteerism is the heart of every successful event. Special kudos to our Public Safety Department. We appreciate their efforts in ensuring all of us were protected and able to safely watch this great competition.

May marched on with our Cotton Days Celebration. What a wonderful time it was to get out and enjoy some fantastic events and activities. There were so many things to do. We had fireworks, field trips, fishing derby, ice cream social, food booths, live entertainment, barrel racing, rodeo, tractor pulls, dancing, golf tournament, fun run, and on and on. What a great time it was to celebrate our City's heritage and enjoy each other's company. Again, thanks to all of you who made this a wonderful celebration.

What's next? Summer. No more school. Family reunions, vacations and more celebrations. Isn't this a great place to live? We can choose whatever we want to do. Making choices, one of the greatest benefits our freedom offers to us. Anything is possible for us to achieve. Never be afraid to do something new. Remember it was amateurs that built the Ark; and professionals that built the Titanic.

Enjoy a fantastic summer. I hope you accomplish everything you set out to do.

If you look for the positive in life.....you will find it.

See you next month.



Kenneth Neilson  
Mayor

## Announcements

### Washington City Night at the St. George Road Runners 7:05 PM on June 24th

Join our Mayor, City Council, and City Royalty for a fun-filled evening! Receive 2 for 1 tickets at the Washington City Community Center. Also, receive half price on general admission packages (tickets normally \$7).



### Washington City Community Garden



Plots are now planted! If you would like to help in the community plots, meet at the garden on Saturdays at 10 AM.

**Workshops:** 10 AM at 125 N.100 E.  
June 5th: *The Ins and Outs of Watering*  
June 19th: *Why Composting and Mulching Are So Important*

For more info about seminars, visit [www.washingtoncitygarden.weebly.com](http://www.washingtoncitygarden.weebly.com)  
We're now on Facebook, follow us for updates and more information.

### Public Works Project Update



300 East Widening  
(Washington fields Road;  
Indian Springs to Telegraph)

Work will continue on the widening of the bridge and roadway excavation. We would like to ask that all residents please avoid the area of the river adjacent to the bridge where the contractor is working. As the summer gets started, the river becomes a popular place for children and adults to play, but a construction zone is not a safe playground. Please ask your children to stay clear of all construction areas.



## Firearms Safety in the Home

Parents' awareness and education are the keys to keeping guns safe in the home as more than 500 children die annually from accidental gunshots. Some children shoot themselves, while others kill friends or siblings after discovering a gun.

Americans own 200 million firearms, and 35 percent of homes contain at least one gun. Last year a study conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found more than 1.7 million children live in homes with loaded and unlocked guns. If you own a gun and think your child won't get to it, a recent study published in the Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine found 39 percent of children knew where their parent's guns were stored, while 22 percent said they had handled the weapons despite adult's warnings to stay away. What's more, age was not a factor in whether children had played with the guns. 5-year-olds were just as likely to report doing so as 14-year-olds.

The biggest mistake parent's make is assuming their child does not know where the gun is in the house. Children are smart and if they know there's a firearm in the house, they'll probably figure out a way to get to it. Parents monitor their child's diet, curfew, and social life, but when it comes to guns parents often just say, 'Respect the gun', 'It's off limits', or 'Guns are dangerous'. This is not gun safety.

Be honest with your children. Tell them there is a firearm in the home but explicitly explain that guns are fatal no matter how children handle them. Store the firearm and ammunition in a locked safe. Also, don't hide the combination or give it an obvious numerical password. Also, ask the parents of your children's friends if they keep guns at home and if children will be playing where the guns are stored. Make them aware of real firearm safety.

Ask yourself this question, could you live with yourself if one of your loved ones got a hold of your gun and it was to result in a tragic accident? Talk to your children about gun safety! Lock your guns up and be responsible with them. Don't let them have a chance to force you to answer the above question, or let them make that fatal mistake by playing with a gun.

Thanks for all your efforts in maintaining the Quality of Life we all enjoy. Please contact Officer Kyle Bell at the Washington City Department of Public Safety with further questions, 986-1515.

## Opening Seats for Planning Commission Members

The Planning Commission was established for the purpose of developing plans for the physical development of the city, making reports and recommendations relating to the development of the city, administering the applicable provisions of this title, and to carry out any other activities authorized by the City Council to enable the Planning Commission to perform its functions and to promote municipal planning.

One (1) seat on the Planning Commission will become available in July 2010. Anyone who is interested in applying is encouraged to submit a written Letter of Interest to:

Washington City

Attn: Danice Bulloch, City Recorder

111 North 100 East

Washington, Utah 84780

[dbulloch@washingtontcity.org](mailto:dbulloch@washingtontcity.org)

Fax (435) 656-6378



Please include any relevant background of experience, education and/or skills that would be beneficial for the position. All requests must be submitted by June 30, 2010. City Council will appoint the new Commission Members at the next available meeting.

Any person appointed to the Planning Commission shall be a resident of the city and owner of real property therein. Also member must be able to fulfill a term of a minimum of 3 years.

## Town Hall (Public Forum) Meeting

The Mayor and City Council plan to hold a Town Hall (Public Forum) Meeting, where they would like to hear comments from the citizens of our community on issues impacting them.

Your issues are important to the Mayor and Council, and they welcome your comments. Please come early enough to fill out a request to speak before the Council. All requests must be submitted before the meeting. Request forms will be available starting at 5:30 PM. No comments will be taken 10 minutes after the meeting begins. The public forum meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 30th, 2010 at 6:00 PM, in the Council Chamber of the City Office Building located at 111 North 100 East, Washington, Utah. If you have any further questions please contact the City Recorders Office at 656-6308.

## Washington City Department of Public Safety

### Prescription Medication Take Back Program

The Washington City Department of Public Safety now has a prescription medication drop box available that will allow the citizens of Washington City to dispose of unused or outdated prescription medication.



Storing unused or outdated prescriptions creates an opportunity for illicit use.

Many adults and teens become addicted to prescription drugs and report intentionally misusing someone else's prescription drugs to get high.

Studies have also shown that pharmaceutical medications are present in our nation's water bodies and drinking water storage systems. Outdated or unusable prescription drugs that are disposed of by flushing or pouring down a sink enter the environment because wastewater treatment facilities are not designed to remove the chemicals contained in these drugs.

Members of the community may dispose of their unused prescription drugs by coming to the Washington City Department of Public Safety located at 95 North Main Street in Washington. You are not required to fill out any paperwork and drugs may be deposited anonymously. There is no cost to you to participate in this program.

Business office hours are Mon – Fri from 8AM – 5PM



## Utah Child Protection Registry

Utah is one of two states that have a unique program that provides families with a tool to restrict adult-oriented advertisements from their households. The program known as the Utah Child Protection Registry was created on the idea that families have the right to choose not only what messages enter their personal inboxes, but the inboxes of their children.

The state program was modeled after the National Do Not Call Registry, yet Utah leaders wanted the program to be focused on adult-oriented advertisements like alcohol, tobacco, pornography, and/or gambling.

Acting like a do-not-contact list, families can sign up their household e-mail addresses, mobile phone numbers (SMS), instant messenger IDs, and fax numbers to restrict adult-oriented advertisements from their electronic addresses and numbers. Registering is fast and easy and best of all it is **FREE** for Utah families and schools.

The Registry has been providing a tool for families since 2005 and the program continues to grow year after year.

To find more information on the Utah Child Protection Registry and to register your family addresses today, go to <https://DoNotContact.Utah.gov>.

## Summerfest

SummerFest is a 2-week event held here at the Community Center and will take place 4 times throughout June and July. These 2 weeks are filled with great activities at the Community Center and activities at local hot spots including Laser Mania, Dixie Bowl, and Dinosaur Discovery. The schedule for the Fest is the following:

Session 1: Mon June 7th – Fri June 18th (lunch included)

Session 2: Mon June 21st - Fri July 2nd (lunch included)

Session 3: Mon July 5th - Fri July 16th (lunch included)

Session 4: Mon July 19th – Fri July 30th (lunch included)

Mondays & Wednesdays: 9AM–1PM at the Community Center

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 9AM–1PM field trips to the hot spots

Fridays: 1:00 – 4:00 Swim Day

Ages: 8 years +

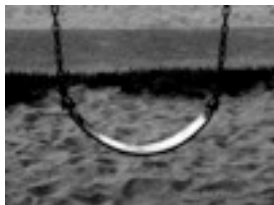
Fee: \$100 per session

Register online at [washingtontcity.org/cc](http://washingtontcity.org/cc) or at the front desk of the Community Center. Questions please contact Dustin Halterman 435-656-6360 EXT. 7206



## Park Rentals

Washington City has 9 parks throughout the city with over 21 rentable pavilions. A small pavilion has 1-2 tables and rents for \$25 for a 4-hour block. A large pavilion has more than 2 tables and rents for \$50 for a 4-hour block. More information and a Park Pavilion form can be found at [washingtontcity.org/recreation](http://washingtontcity.org/recreation) or you can call (435) 656-6360.



## Washington City Community Center Facility Operating Hours

As of May 3rd the Community Center is operating under the Summer Hour schedule.



**May 3rd - September 4th 2010**

**Public Hours:** M-F 9AM–9PM & Sat 8AM–8PM

**Member Hours:** M-Th 5AM–10PM  
Fri 5AM–9PM,  
Sat 8AM–8PM

**Day Care Hours:** M-F 8AM–12PM  
M-TH: 4PM–9PM  
Sat: 9AM–12PM

(Times extended for Adult League Play on Saturdays)

**Leisure Pool:** \*M-Th 12:30PM–9PM  
\*Fri 12:30PM–8PM  
Sat & Holidays 11AM–8PM

**Rockwall Hour:** M, W, F & Sat 12:30PM–8PM (as of 5/31/10)

(\*Please note corrected times)

## Summer Swim Lessons 2010

Registration has begun for Summer Swim Lessons! You can register online at [washingtontcity.org/cc](http://washingtontcity.org/cc) or at the front desk of the Community Center. All 30 minute sessions are M–F. Levels 1-5 and Parent/Tot classes are offered.

Session 1: June 1st-11th

Session 2: June 14th-25th

Session 3: June 28th-July 9th


Session 4: July 12th-23rd

Session 5: July 26th-Aug 6th

Fees: \$30/Member or \$35/Non-Member  
For more information call (435) 656-6360 ext 7203



## June Calendar

-  **2nd**– Planning Commission, 5:30PM, City Hall
- 8th**– Daughter of Utah Pioneers, 1PM Relief Society Bldg
- 8th**– City Council Workshop 6:00 PM, City Hall
- 9th**– City Council Mtg. 6:00 PM, City Hall
- 10th**– Lions Club Mtg. 7 PM, Historical Society Bldg
- 11th**– Movie in the Park, 8:30 PM, Veterans Park
- 14th**– **Flag Day**
- 16th**– Planning Commission, 5:30PM, City Hall
- 20th**– **Father's Day**
- 23rd**– City Council Mtg. 6:00 PM, City Hall
- 24th**– Lions Club Mtg. 7 PM, Historical Society Bldg
- 30th**– City Council Mtg. 6:00 PM, City Hall

## July Calendar Preview

-  **3rd**– 4th July Celebration, Veterans Park



## Washington City Community Center

washingtoncity.org/cc  
(435) 656-6360

### Sports & Fitness

#### “Summer Shoot-Out” Youth Basketball Camp

Come "hoop it up" at the 3rd Annual "Summer Shoot-Out" Youth Basketball Camp hosted by the Washington City Community Center! Youth (boys and girls) ages 8-14 will learn new skills and basic fundamentals, as well as participate in competitive games providing lots of fun and action.

Awards will be given and all participants will receive a FREE camp T-shirt.

Date: Monday July 12th –Thursday July 15th, 2010  
 Session 1 (Ages 8-11)      Session 2 (Ages 12-14)  
 Time: 8 AM to 10 AM      Time: 10 AM to 12 PM  
 Registration Fee: \$25.00  
 Registration Deadline: July 6, 2010.  
 Late Fee: \$5.00 (after July 6th)



#### “Summer Shoot-Out” Youth Basketball League

Boys and girls, grades 6-12 entering the 2010-2011 school year are encouraged to participate in this league offered by the Community Center. It will include a single elimination tournament at the conclusion of the season. Don't miss this opportunity to take your game to the next level. For registration purposes, leagues will include age divisions of 6th-7th grade, 8th-9th grade, and 10th-12th grade. Please note that individual registration will not be accepted.

Date: Wednesdays & Saturdays in July  
 Registration Fees: \$150/team (limit 10 players per roster)  
 Registration Deadline: Wed June 23rd  
 Register at the front desk of the Community Center

#### IKA IKA Youth Volleyball Camp

BUMP, SET, SPIKE! The Washington City Community Center is excited to announce the 2nd Annual IKA IKA Youth Volleyball Camp designed for girls and boys ages 8-14. Instruction will be provided by qualified staff, and basic fundamentals will be taught as the children learn the exciting sport of volleyball. Awards will be given and all participants will receive a FREE camp T-shirt.

Date: Mon July 19th–Thurs July 22nd  
 Session 1(Ages 8-11)      Session 2 (Ages 12-14)  
 Time: 8AM–10AM      Time: 10AM–12PM  
 Registration Fees: \$25  
 Registration Deadline: July 13th, 2010  
 Late Fee: \$5 (after July 13th)



#### ClubZumba

Werewolves vs. Vampires.....ZUMBA style! Whose team will you join? Join us June 25th from 6:30 PM - 8:30PM for “Twilight” ClubZumba. Celebrate your favorite Twilight characters and win some AWESOME prizes! Doors open at 6PM.

### Programs & Events

#### Cheer Camp

Is your child full of energy, high spirited and ready to have some fun? We want to help cultivate their cheer spirit by attending the Premier Cheer Academy Camp. They will learn stunting, formations, cheer tumbling and dance moves. This camp will be exciting and full of energy. Don't miss out on this opportunity! Camp participants will have an opportunity to show off their moves to friends and family at the St. George Road Runners game on June 24th!

Camp has two sessions:

Session 1 - June 7 - 11  
 9:00 - 10:00AM  
 Session 2: - June 14 - 18  
 9:00 10:00AM

Fee: \$30/person for a week session



#### Baseball Lessons

Baseball lessons are being offered at the Community Center for ages 4-15. The lessons will teach your child all the fundamentals they need to know to take their game to the next level. They will learn the proper techniques of hitting, fielding, throwing and much more!

Fee: \$50 Member/\$60 Non-Member  
 Sessions begin June 1st.

Contact the Community Center for more details!

#### Baseball Camp

Don't get called out by missing Baseball Camp at the Community Center. This camp will teach your 4-9 yr old and 9-15 yr old all they need to know in order to be a better baseball player. 'Tis the season for America's favorite pastime.

Mon June 28th - Thurs July 1st  
 Ages 4-9      8:00AM - 10:00AM  
 Ages 9-15      \*10:30AM - 12:30PM (\*time has been changed from email blast)

For more details on these classes, camps and other available programs please call Dustin Halterman at 435-656-6360 Ext 7206.

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