



# HIGHLAND INSIDER

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## MAYOR'S CORNER

Did you know that Highland City owns a park called Highland Glen Park? Do you know the park's location? In March a field trip was held to tour the park and see the beauty and treasure we have in our city. Some of the attendees commented that they were fairly new to Highland and did not know the park even existed. I believe that is true for many residents.

Highland Glen Park is located west of Lone Peak High School. You can enter the park from two locations, Knight Ave. off of 4800 West from the east side of town and West Park road off of SR 74 on the west side. The park has a beautiful pond with ducks and a trail system around the pond. The Division of Wildlife Resources stocks the pond with fish and fishing is enjoyed by many residents and non-residents. The park was originally called Adventure Learning Park when it was owned by the American Fork Developmental Center. It was used as a recreational and learning park for the center until Highland City purchased the park. Each year citizens of Highland participate in service projects to help maintain and beautify the park.

Unfortunately, over the years, budgets, funds and manpower has had to be cut and the ability to properly maintain the park has diminished and some of it has fallen into disrepair.

The docks are deteriorating, trails are cracked or broken, benches have been broken, and over growth of vegetation has blighted much of the area. As a city, a few months ago, we created a Parks Committee with three sub-committees; 1) Highland Glen Park, 2) Trails and 3) Other Parks. The three sub-committees are working hard on solutions and are doing a great job. We look forward to their recommendations so we can implement improvements in the city parks and trails. Some solutions can be done immediately; others will take a little time. We have some excellent parks and trails in Highland that all need work. Highland Glen Park is 75 acres and requires added emphasis and work. We would like to have volunteers help with much of the service labor needs so please help when the projects are identified.

This spring and summer take a walk or ride through Highland Glen Park. Take the kids for a picnic, fishing or just enjoy the park. It is truly a treasure in Highland and one that few cities have and can enjoy.

*Mayor Lynn Ritchie*

Mayor Ritchie is available at the City Offices on Tuesdays from 8:00 am-11:00 am. You may set up an appointment by contacting Jody at (801) 772-4505.

### CITY MEETING SCHEDULE

CITY COUNCIL, 1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

PLANNING COMMISSION, 2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

## Public Open House

### Highland City FY2012 Budget

Tuesday, May 3rd,  
5:30 PM-7:30 PM  
at the City Hall  
Multipurpose  
Room.

Come be a part of  
the budget process  
and see how your  
tax dollars are  
being budgeted!

### Highland City Annual Spring Clean-Up

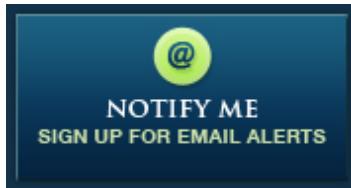
May 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am - 5 pm

The City will provide dumpsters at the mouth of American Fork Canyon

Metal - Wood - Appliances - Yard Waste - *Please no hazardous waste!*

Volunteers Needed! Email [jody@highlandcity.org](mailto:jody@highlandcity.org) to sign up

## Notify Me!



Did you know you can sign up on [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org) to get special emails and text messages about things happening in Highland?

**[www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org)**

## Arbor Day Tree Sale

If you missed last weekends tree sale, you have a second chance on Saturday, May 7 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Highland Water Building on 11000 North (next to Wendy's). For more info, call (801) 772-4523

## Youth Fishing Classes

The Hooked on Fishin' program will focus on educating youth (6-13 years old) about fishing and aquatic resources. Parent involvement is encouraged. The program will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 3-19, from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Highland Glen Park. Register on-line at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org)

## Yard Waste

Timpanogos Special Service District accepts yard waste to assist in the producing of compost. Mulch can also be purchased from TSSD. Please call (801) 756-5231 for more information.

## LPHS Spring Choir Concert

Lone Peak High School Choirs will be hosting a free concert at the high school Auditorium on Thursday, May 26 at 8:00 p.m.

Thanks to the community for all their support of our choirs this year! Chamber Choir represented our community well in Carnegie Hall in February as THE featured high school choir at the festival! A Capella Choir was impressive in San Francisco in April as they placed 5th of 20 choirs.

## Lone Peak Girls Soccer Camp

June 6th-10th - Monday through Friday. Grades 8th - 12th. 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM. Cost - \$60. Or Grades 4th - 7th. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Cost - \$50

Lone Peak Girls Soccer Camp is sponsored by Lone Peak High School Soccer to teach skills to girls in all areas of soccer, including goalie skills.

Print the registration form found at [www.lpsoccergirls.com](http://www.lpsoccergirls.com) and bring the form and payment to the first day of camp. You may also register the first day of camp. The camp will be held at the Lone Peak Soccer field.

For additional information, call Coach Mike LaHargoue at 801-717-4568.

## North Utah County Soccer (NUCS)

NUCS will have open registration for the Fall 2011/ Spring 2012 Season during May. Ages 4 -16. Please go to [www.nucsonline.com](http://www.nucsonline.com) for more details.

## Stamp Out Hunger

Help our community "Stamp out Hunger" by leaving a donation of non-perishable food or hygiene items by your mailbox on Saturday, May 19 for the National Association of Letter Carriers annual food drive. Your letter carrier will pick up donations Saturday morning on their regular route. Please help keep the Community Action Food Bank stocked for the local families who will need emergency assistance during the summer. Visit [www.CommunityActionUC.org](http://www.CommunityActionUC.org) for more information and to learn other ways you can help.

## Cedar Hills Fire Station Staffed Full Time

As of April 1st 2011 the Lone Peak Fire District which covers Alpine, Highland and Cedars Hills will now have full time staffing at the Cedar Hills station. There will be 2 full time firefighters / emergency medical staff at the station 24/7 with an ambulance, fire engine and rescue equipment. The department also responds to emergencies up American Fork canyon.

Cedar Hills has been waiting a long time for this, the residents will now receive quicker emergency response. The station is located at 3925 West Cedar Hills Drive.

Residents can call and set up fire station tours in any of the 3 cities for school or scout activities and CPR / First Aid training. To set up tours or trainings call Nancy Jones at 801-763-5365.





## Work to Ramp Up on New DDI Ramps in May

### *Timpanogos Highway Interchange Will Get Its Own Diverging Diamond*

Ramp work will "ramp up" in May for the Utah Department of Transportation's new diverging diamond interchange (DDI), scheduled to built this summer at the Timpanogos Highway interchange with I-15 (often referred to as the Highland-Alpine interchange).

The reconfigured interchange was not originally part of the Timpanogos Highway reconstruction project, as it was anticipated that I-15 reconstruction would include this interchange. When the I-15 plan was altered, the state Transportation Commission approved an increase in the Timpanogos Highway budget to accommodate reconfiguration of the interchange.

The design of the new interchange will be similar to the new DDI at American Fork Main Street, except it will flow underneath the existing I-15 bridge structure at the location. No new bridges will be built for the new interchange; rather, the existing bridge structure will remain in place and the roadway will be reconfigured into a diverging diamond.

During the month of May motorists will see work on the freeway ramps and some work under the

bridge. There will be shoulder impacts, and one of the right lane turns to northbound I-15 will be eliminated during construction. There will also be weekend work that will restrict some turning movements during the month.

Here's what else you should see and experience on Timpanogos Highway during the month of May:

- Grading operations all along the corridor (please be aware that the delivery of dirt and gravel for the road base will be included with these operations, so there will be a lot of big dump trucks on the roadway);
- Placement of new pavement from the east frontage road to Center Street in Lehi;
- Construction of new roadway walls at Center Street in Lehi and east of Highland Blvd.;
- The relocation of a sewer line near Highland Blvd. – please be prepared for traffic control measures in this area.

The Timpanogos Highway project is expanding S.R. 92 from I-15 to S.R. 74 in Highland, to five lanes. Between I-15 and Highland Boulevard, UDOT is augmenting the arterial with "Commuter Lanes," which will provide a direct connection to and from I-15 without stopping at intersections. The project is scheduled for completion in October 2011.

## Miss Northern Utah County Pageant

We are pleased to announce the new Miss Northern Utah County pageant (formerly Miss Timpanogos). The pageant will be held on July 22, 2011. All young women between the ages of 17-24 who live in Alpine, Highland or Cedar Hills are invited to participate to earn valuable scholarship money. We will be having a kick off meeting on May 20, 2011 at the Highland City building at 7:00. For more information contact Jenny Thacker at 801-768-8436

## Mountain Ridge Jr. High "Run the Ridge"

It is time once again for the Mountain Ridge Junior High "Run the Ridge" 5K event. Their 2011 5K will take place on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 9:30 am with the help of the Highland City and the Lone Peak Police Department. MRJH has been fortunate to have great local business support with many business sponsors' funding.

This year, MRJH has continued to emphasize health and fitness and the positive things that happen when students eat right and exercise. MRJH is now well into its fifth year without soda pop and candy vending machines, and continues to focus on the best nutrition to keep its spirits energized and healthy. In conjunction with Gold Medal Schools, Mountain Ridge sponsored a policy to promote good habits while protecting children's health by no longer rewarding its students for good behavior and academic performance with candy and other foods. MRJH's 5K is truly a community and school collaboration – from teachers to the PTSA to our local businesses. MRJH is so grateful for everyone's support, and hopes to see you at the race!

For information about the North County Boulevard (4800 West) project, please visit the Utah County Public Works Projects website at [www.utahcountyonline.org](http://www.utahcountyonline.org)

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7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., closed Friday

Please submit newsletter articles via email no  
later than the 15th of the month to  
[emily@highlandcity.org](mailto:emily@highlandcity.org)

**Savvy Shopper Couponing Classes**

Thursday, May 26 & June 23: 7:00 p.m.  
Couponing 101. Then at 8:00 p.m. Better  
your couponing skills, Savvy Shopping 201. These FREE classes are held  
monthly at City Hall. Call Savvy  
Trainer-Katie at (801) 367-4604 for  
more info.

**2011 TIMBERLINE National Youth  
Leadership Training**

This course is for young men that have received their first class rank and been on a one week campout. There are two courses offered in Alpine District. One is led by Stew Schow (801-518-5773), held on June 13- June 18. The other course is led by Kent Hadley (801-772-0650), held on June 20- June 25. To register go online to [utahscouts.org](http://utahscouts.org), select "Training", then select "Timberline".



Have ideas for a class or want to teach a class? Ballooning, Garage Band, Language Education and the Arts, or something else? Please submit your class ideas to Kelly Gummow at 801-766-2730. Proposals and Ideas always welcome. Join our Board or Committee meetings monthly: 1st Thursday, 6pm at Highland City Hall. Submit ideas on the website, [www.HIGHLANDCITYARTS.ORG](http://www.HIGHLANDCITYARTS.ORG) or send to the Council to [highlandcityarts@gmail.com](mailto:highlandcityarts@gmail.com).

**Free Children's Choir Performance:** May 9, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m., Location: Covey Arts Center (<http://www.coveycenter.org/>) Contact Director: Kerilynn Lenhart at 801-318-9835

**Drawing for Adults:** Taking your art to the next level. June 7 & 14, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Cost: \$20, Maximum Class size: 15 people. Ages: 18+ Instructor: Deanne Dixon

**Free Children's Theater Performance:** Taking your art to the next level. May 12, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Location: Freedom Elementary, Contact Director: Jennifer Madsen at [highlandcityarts@gmail.com](mailto:highlandcityarts@gmail.com)

All classes will be held at the Highland City Community Center. To register or for more information please visit the Arts Council NEW website at

**[www.highlandcityarts.org](http://www.highlandcityarts.org)**

**Caring for the Caregiver Class:** This class will be taught in 7 locations throughout the county during the week of May 2 - 6, including a Spanish-speaking class. Visit our website for locations/days/times: [www.mountainland.org/care](http://www.mountainland.org/care) or call Nancy Madsen at Mountainland Aging & Family Services (801) 229-3818.

**Caregiver Support Groups:** There are 8 caregiver support groups that meet at various locations and times throughout Utah County. These provide peer support, education, and hands-on training to assist caregivers. For more information please call Geri at Mountainland Department of Aging (801) 229-3814 or visit [www.mountainland.org/aging](http://www.mountainland.org/aging).

**Library News**

**Donations:** Donated items are appreciated by the library. The items that are most likely to be added to the library collection are new or like new, clean, durable, and popular. Please do not leave donated items in the book drop.

**Auto Repair Database:** Are you or do you know an at-home mechanic? The Library provides a free database, Auto Repair Reference Center through Pioneer, Utah's online li-

brary. Information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles, with repair information starting as far back as 1945 for certain makes is available through this resource. Content includes nearly 857,000 drawings and step-by-step photographs, approximately 99,000 technical service bulletins & recalls issued by the original equipment vehicle manufacturer, over 158,600 enhanced wiring diagrams for easy viewing and printing, specifications & maintenance schedules, Labor Time Guide & Estimator,

AutoIQ, Quick Tips (a complete guide to vehicle ownership & maintenance), Diagnostic information and much more. New repair procedures, TSBs and updates are continually added to the product. All of the content in Auto Repair Reference Center has been created by ASE certified technicians.

This is an EZ Access database, recognizing your computers location and providing immediate entry. For other Pioneer database access codes, contact the Library.