

# ALPINE NEWSLINE

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

By Mayor Hunt Willoughby

We have lots to print in this Newline so I will keep my remarks short.

The 2010 U.S. Census is right around the corner. The city staff has been working for more than a year to provide the background information that the Census Bureau needs to conduct a valid count. I receive regular correspondence from the bureau asking me to encourage you to mail in your questionnaire. Apparently this year's census only has 10 questions and should just take a few minutes to complete. Ten years ago there was a 72% return rate for the questionnaires. They are hoping that this year will be much better.

Remember to shut your pressurize irrigation valves so that no one gets flooded when we turn the system on in early April.



## DUMP PASSES AND BURN PERMITS

This year the burn season will run from March 15th through April 12th. Pick up your free burn permit at Alpine City Hall, 20 North Main in Alpine.

One free dump pass is available per residence per year. The one-time pass may be picked up at City Hall any time during the year.

## PRESSURIZED IRRIGATION NOTICE

The pressurized irrigation system will be turned on beginning March 26 through April 15th. Because of the high water pressure when the system is turned on, you will want to make sure the valve to your property is closed until the system is fully charged.

## LONE PEAK CHAMBER CHOIR AT CARNEGIE HALL

Through an extensive audition process, Lone Peak High School Chamber Choir has been chosen to be one of just two high school choirs nationwide who will be featured in a Grand Concert to be held in Carnegie Hall in New York City in March! This is a huge honor to the LPHS Chamber Choirs past and present, Choir Director Lois Johnson, LPHS, Alpine and Highland Communities, and the State of Utah!

THEY NEED SOME HELP!!! Any amount would be appreciated: Checks can be made payable to Lone Peak High School or Alpine School District Foundation and sent to LPHS: 10189 North 4800 West, Highland, UT 84003 Please Designate it for the 'LPHS Chamber Choir. On-line Donations can be made through [www.myschoolfees.com](http://www.myschoolfees.com) (Just create an account, Select Utah, Alpine School District, Lone Peak High School Other Payment, Chamber Choir, Donation or Sponsorship.)

## FAMILY FIRST WEEK

Alpine's Family First Week is an Alpine tradition to encourage everyone in Alpine to make their families the first priority.

**Alpine's Family First Week will be the third week of March. The seminar will be 7 PM on Friday, March 19. The speakers are Richard and Linda Eyre.**

**Alpine's sponsorship has made this valuable seminar free.**

**Giving Your Kids Ownership (so that they can become responsible, motivated, and wise).** The Eyre's dynamic and ground-breaking new presentation shows parents how to give their kids real ownership of their things, their money, their education and grades, their goals, and even their conflicts. A whole new way to look at the art of teaching responsibility. This lecture can make an immediate difference in your family.....and in your kid's lives!

## Fifth Family First Week

**What:** Giving Your Kids Ownership (so that they can become responsible, motivated, and wise).

**Speakers:** Richard and Linda Eyre

**Date:** March 19th at 7:00 PM

**Where:** Timberline Middle School

**Address:** 500 W. Canyon Crest Road in Alpine

**Cost:** Free

**Who:** All adults, married couples, singles, and parents

Please contact Kent Hastings with questions or to volunteer for the Family First Seminar at [khastings@alpinecity.org](mailto:khastings@alpinecity.org) or 801-763-9001.



About the Eyres:

As writers, lecturers, and grassroots and media catalysts, Linda and Richard Eyre's mission statement is: FORTIFY FAMILIES by Popularizing Parenting, Validating Values, and Bolstering Balance.

The Eyres' best-selling co-authored book, Teaching Your Children Values, became the first parenting book in fifty years (since Dr. Spock) to reach #1 on the New York Times best-seller list. They have also advocated strong families and balanced life styles on major network shows, ranging from Oprah, Prime Time Live and Donahue to Good Morning America and The Today Show and in national print media from the New York Times and The Wall Street Journal to USA Today. They were named by President Reagan to direct his White House Conference on Children and Parents. Richard and Linda have nine children (one of every kind) and live in Washington, D.C. and Salt Lake City.

## UTAH WILDERNESS ACCESS FOUNDATION

In March of 2008 a group of concerned residents of Alpine formed a non-profit corporation called Utah Wilderness Access Foundation (UWAF).

The purpose of UWAF is to protect the natural beauty and habitat of the mountains surrounding the Alpine area and insure that access to the mountains for recreational purposes is maintained now and in the future.



UWAF has observed that in recent years developers have purchased land at the foothills of our mountains and contrary to Utah State and Utah County statues have deliberately placed fences and/or gates blocking access to many of our historic trails. In particular, Utah Code 72-5-104(1) provides that "a highway is dedicated and abandoned to the use of the public when it has been (1) continuously used (2) by a public thoroughfare (3) for a period of ten years." In other words, individuals who purchase lands that have an historic trail/road/highway traversing their private property that has been historically used by the public as a thoroughfare for at least ten years, take it subject to a public right of way for continued access to the surrounding mountains and recreational areas.

During the first year of its existence, UWAF has met with and interviewed dozens of Alpine residents who have helped them identify at least 13 trails in the Alpine area that have been blocked during recent years. The good news is that Utah law clearly favors the re-opening of these trails to historic public use. The unfortunate news is that developers and private landowners seldom voluntarily remove the gates and fences they construct blocking these protected trails and roads. UWAF has been formed to educate those that block these trails and roads that they will in most cases, through litigation if necessary, be required to remove the barriers they have placed blocking access.

On June 17, 2008, UWAF filed its first complaint in District Court seeking to have the gates which block public use of the historic School House Springs road removed. After filing its first Motion for Summary Judgment, the landowner agreed by stipulation to remove the gate that it had placed at the beginning of the School House Springs road. The next fence, just one third of a mile further up the trail installed by Lehi City, will be the subject of UWAF's next motion for summary judgment. It is UWAF's intention to commence discussion with other developers to remove the gates and fences they have placed blocking other trails and roads. If developers do not voluntarily remove structures which block access, then further lawsuits will be filed compelling the removal through either stipulations or court orders if necessary.

UWAF believes that an overwhelming majority of the citizens of Alpine support the permanent re-opening and preservation of their historic trails. In January of this year, the current Alpine City Council has also thrown their support behind the UWAF by voting to contribute a \$10,000 grant to the UWAF in pursuing its objective in re-opening trails and roads to public access. During the past two years, the UWAF board has contributed a substantial amount of their personal time and money towards the costs of litigation. Local lawyers have agreed to

provide their services at vastly reduced costs, but the costs involved in surveys, technical support, experts, depositions, and general litigation costs is a reality in each lawsuit filed or to be filed.

In order to continue and expand this endeavor, UWAF needs the support of all citizens of Alpine who love, appreciate and use the historic trails and roads surrounding Alpine. For this reason, the Alpine City Council has authorized the UWAF to contribute this article introducing UWAF and soliciting any donations or other support of any kind that Alpine citizens can contribute to this organization.

Tax deductible contributions can be made to UWAF and dropped off at Ron Madson's office in Alpine. UWAF has interviewed dozens of Alpine Citizens concerning the historic use of surrounding trails. If you would like to give your input as to your personal knowledge of the historic use of the surrounding trails or wish to provide technical support, please contact the law office of Madson and Madson located at 112 South Main Street. Telephone number is 801-492-0423.

We believe that if the citizens of Alpine each contribute what they can to the UWAF, we can together make a difference in permanently preserving access to our mountains.

### FREE HOME ENERGY SAVING SERVICE

Save money on heating costs by making your home more energy efficient. The Weatherization Program can help!

Weatherization is a whole house approach to reducing energy waste and minimizing energy bills. Your house stays warmer in winter and cooler in summer.

Call now for your application. 801-344-5184 ex 300 or ex 310. Weatherization helps low-income, seniors and people with disabilities.

### Highland City Preparedness Fair

Please join us at the Highland City Preparedness Fair on Saturday, March 27, 2010, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Lone Peak High School, to learn and prepare for the unexpected events of life. There will be classes on finances, food storage and preparation, keeping warm, surviving disasters, etc. Dozens of vendors will offer their best prices on emergency preparedness products. We will have activities for children too! More information will be posted soon on the Events & Education page at [www.highlandcity.org](http://www.highlandcity.org).

### SOLAR ENERGY REBATE

The Utah State Energy Program will be offering a new rebate for home and business owners that install solar energy. This program is funded through the Federal Stimulus bill. To help answer questions about how it will work, the Utah Solar Energy Association is hosting the Utah Renewable Energy Conference 2010 that will provide a physical location where you can come and learn about the new rebate.

This event will be held on Saturday, March 27th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and it will be located at the Salt Lake Community College Miller Campus off I-15 at 9750 South in Sandy. Admission is \$5 for an individual or \$10 for a family. For more information and to register for the event visit [www.utsolar.org](http://www.utsolar.org).

## Protect your Home Internet from Fraud and Filth

By Kent Hastings, City Council

As part of Family First Week I hope you find this article useful. Computers and the power of connecting people and ideas through the internet are wonderful tools. High-speed internet is now considered by many to be an essential utility alongside water and electricity. The internet can be used for both good and bad. We must protect ourselves from the destructive portion of the internet. Like water and electricity we must regulate the usage and have safety devices installed to protect our homes. Our electricity has voltage reducing transformers that bring the voltage down to 120 volts. We have a circuit breaker to ensure a circuit uses power in such a way as to not create shocks or overheats the wires which can create a fire. Water is channeled carefully through pipes into specific locations into our homes that meter out the water as we need it through faucets. Drain traps under these faucets prevent sewage gases from entering our home.

Our internet utility enters our home with everything on the internet available to us both good and bad, helpful and fraudulent, inspiring and shameful. Now with wireless internet routers this utility is channeled to not only our computers which may be in a central location but to our iPod music players, our cell phones, our children's PSP and DS handheld game systems, our XBOX, our PlayStation, our Wii gaming systems, and even our televisions.

How can we control the internet and put parameters in place so our home can safely use this utility? There are no internet filters for many devices such the handheld devices previously listed or gaming systems. Here is an idea of how to protect all the internet connections in your home. All the computers on the internet communicate with each other by numbers not the names we typically use. When we type in [www.alpinecity.org](http://www.alpinecity.org) to find the computer we want, our computer uses that name to lookup the computer number up in an internet phonebook. That internet phonebook is called a "DNS or Domain Name Server". Typically when we subscribe to the internet we do not specify which DNS to use. We typically use the default one provided to us by Comcast or Qwest. We can specify which DNS to use and specify one that we can control so that all the computer numbers for computers that display filthy or fraudulent content are omitted from that DNS. In effect we are filtering all internet connections both wired and wireless.

If you go to [www.OpenDNS.com](http://www.OpenDNS.com) you can find instructions on how to setup this free system for your home. As a second layer of support for your computer you can install a free internet filter from [www.getk9.com](http://www.getk9.com). Alpine City has an in depth tutorial and one page guide on setting up OpenDNS on your home network at [www.AlpineCity.org](http://www.AlpineCity.org). These tools can help your utilize your internet utility throughout your home more safely to help bring more of the good things and less of the bad.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will take place Saturday, April 10th from 9 am to 3 pm at the Utah Valley University Northwest Parking Area (about 1200 West and 800 South, in Orem). Details can be found at [www.UtahCountyHealth.org/hhw](http://www.UtahCountyHealth.org/hhw) or by calling 801-851-7525. Please - household waste only in containers less than 5 gallons -- no commercial waste.

## THEATER PROPOSED IN ALPINE

The Alpine Community Theater and Arts Council have been working for several years to bring Alpine its own theater. A design for a 600-seat theater to be located on Main Street has been submitted to the City for review. Among the many features will be an art gallery, a black box theater, class rooms, amphitheater, etc.

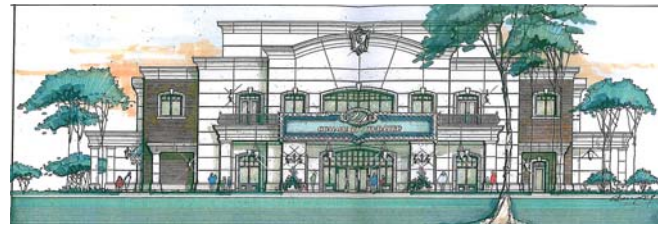
Two of the main issues the Planning Commission will be considering are an exception to the height requirement and a reduction in parking.

Because it is a state of the art theater with a fly-away section above the stage, a section of the building will need to be considerably higher than Alpine's ordinance allows and an exception would need to be granted for the current design.

A reduced parking requirement will also be considered. The Historic Gateway Committee recommended the theater group contact adjacent businesses about a shared-parking agreement, thereby increasing the amount of landscaping around the theater and reducing pavement.

Although a public hearing is not required for a site plan in the business commercial zone, the Planning Commission thought it would be prudent to allow public comment on this very significant project.

**A public hearing will be held March 16, 2010 at 7 pm at Alpine City Hall, 20 North Main in Alpine.**



### LOOKING FOR HOST FAMILIES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

We have students from Germany and France for summer placement and students from many countries for the school year. Students are carefully selected and screened and come with their own health insurance and spending money. All that is required is bed and board and a welcome. If you are interested, call Wendy Waldes for info at 801-616-3382. The website is [www.nacelopendoor.org](http://www.nacelopendoor.org)

### Scouting for Food Drive Makes Giving Easy

Once again, the Scouts in your community are out to serve. On the morning of Saturday, March 27, they will collect non-perishable food items in their neighborhoods. Leave your food out on your doorstep before 8 a.m. and they will come to pick it up. All donations will go to the Community Action Food Bank in Provo and will feed families in need right here in your own community. Don't miss out on this chance to make a difference. See [www.CommunityActionUC.org](http://www.CommunityActionUC.org).

## American Fork Recreation Programs

<u>Program</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Pony baseball (13-14)	March 18th	\$90
Lacrosse	March 22nd	\$55
Tee ball/coach pitch	March 25th	\$35
Boys baseball (9-12)	March 25th	\$38
Girls softball (9-12)	March 25th	\$35
Girls softball (13-18)	March 25th	\$40
Colt baseball (15-18)	April 1st	\$90
Men's softball	April 5th	\$610
Adult coed softball	April 5th	\$410

Register at [www.afcity.org>recreation](http://www.afcity.org>recreation) or call 763-3080 ex 2

## Alpine's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Come to a family friendly Easter Egg hunt for lots of fun and excitement!

Who: Children 10 and under  
 Where: Burgess Park  
 When: April 3, 2010  
 Time: 10:00 AM

## Alpine City Youth Council Applications

Want to be a member of Alpine's fabulous Youth Council?

To obtain an application just:

- 1) Go to [www.alpinecity.org](http://www.alpinecity.org)
- 2) Click on the "City Government" tab
- 3) Click on "Youth Council"
- 4) Click on the link "Youth Council Applications"

**All applications are due March 24, 2010 with no exceptions.**

## Central Utah Gardens

### Free Gardening Classes at Utah Gardens

355 W. University Parkway, Orem

*Landscape Design 1:* Thursday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.  
*Raised bed Vegetable Gardening:* Saturday, March 27, 11 a.m.  
*Compost: What You've Been Missing:* Thurs, April 8, 6:30 p.m.  
*Drip Irrigation, How To:* Thursday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.  
*Landscape Design 2:* Saturday, April 24, 11:00 a.m.  
*Best Perennials on the Block:* Thursday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.  
*Low Maintenance Landscaping:* Saturday, May 22, 11:00 a.m.  
*Improve Your Lawn:* Saturday, June 11, 11:00 a.m.  
*Proper Pruning:* Saturday, June 11, 9:00 a.m.  
*Control Those Pesky Pests:* Thursday, July 15, 6:30 p.m.  
*War on Weeds:* Saturday, July 31, 11:00 a.m.

### Kid's Science Classes

*Properties of Water:* Wednesday, May 26, 11:00 a.m.  
*Plants:* Wednesday, June 23, 11:00 a.m.  
*Animals:* Wednesday, July 18, 11:00 a.m.  
*Water Conservation:* Wednesday, August 11, 11:00 am  
 To register for these classes and for class descriptions, visit our website: [www.centralutahgardens.org](http://www.centralutahgardens.org) For additional questions, please call: 801-226



Alpine Community Theater (ACT)

*We're off to see the Wizard...  
 ...and we need your help!*

"The Wizard of Oz"  
 Informational Meeting  
 March 4th, 2010  
 7:00pm at the Alpine City Hall

Anyone interested in helping with this year's production of "*The Wizard of Oz*" is welcome to join us! For more information contact Laura Snyder at 763-1225 or check out our website at [AlpineCommunityTheater.org](http://AlpineCommunityTheater.org).

## Shakespeare Festival Comes North to Alpine

ACT and The Alpine Arts Council is Proud to Present

### "Taming of The Shrew"

Our alliance with the Cedar City Festival is excited to promote Shakespeare in Alpine. On March 26, 2010 an acting ensemble will present a western version of "The Taming of the Shrew" at Timberline Middle School.

If you've always wanted to go to the Utah Shakespeare Festival but never had the opportunity, here's your chance to see what you've been missing. The Lone Peak High School Shakespeare Team will also be on hand to present their award winning competition performances.

This event will be held at Timberline Middle School at 7:30pm. All proceeds will go to help fund ACT's 2010 summer production of "The Wizard of Oz" which plays July 9th-19th. Auditions for "Oz" will be May 8th at Timberline Middle School. For more information or to purchase tickets for the Shakespeare Gala, please contact Laura Snyder- 763-1225, Chris Culver- 367-0962, or [AlpineCommunityTheater.org](http://AlpineCommunityTheater.org).

## Conference for Writers

Saturday, April 24, 2010, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.  
 Historic City Hall, 31 N. Church Street  
 (50 East), American Fork  
 To register call 801-763-3081  
 Register today \$29 person,  
 after April 12th \$40.  
 Major credit cards accepted (\$2 fee).

Nationally published authors Ally Condie, Ginger Churchill, John D. Brown & LDS author Shannon Guymon on getting an agent, selling a manuscript, plotting, working with editors! Top editors from Deseret Book, Covenant, and Granite will also speak.

## Submission of Information to the Newslines

**Due: 15th of the month**

To: Joan Evans, Editor (763-7563)

Or: email [cbuckner@alpinecity.org](mailto:cbuckner@alpinecity.org)