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This is a time of year down and ponder those things for. We have enjoyed a beauas the holidays approach I



where we slow that we are grateful tiful fall season and think it is fitting to

give thanks for a wonderful year. I read a quote the other day that expressed my feelings perfectly. "Whatever our individual troubles and challenges may be, it's important to pause every now and then to appreciate all that we have, on every level. We need to literally count our blessings, give thanks for them, allow ourselves to enjoy them, and relish the experience of prosperity we already have". Shakti Gawain

As a community, we have much to be thankful for. We have a wonderful city that has a very low crime rate. We are surrounded by the beauty of the mountains and the valley. We have wonderful citizens that are always willing to pitch in to make our community a better place to live. I applaud our dedicated City staff and the many citizens of our great City that have given so much of their time and talents to make this the "City of Good Neighbors".

The elections were just completed and I would like to take the time to thank all of those who participated. I would also like to thank Eileen Moss and Craig Hill for their many years of service to our community. They have been the face of the City Council, Planning Commission and the Emergency Preparedness Committee for many years and we thank them for their service. We will miss their experience on the council and wish them success in their future endeavors. I would like to welcome Diane Anderson back to the City Council along with new-comers Brandon Halliday and Gary Anderson and look forward to having them on the Council. We had a great turn out for this election and had over 34% of the regis-

tered voters cast ballots, which was the second highest percentage in the county.

2015 has been an eventful year for Fruit Heights and I would like to recap few things we have experienced:

• We completed the Harold & Louise Gailey Memorial Trail system at Nicholls hollow with the help of thousands of hours of volunteer service.

- We were given 100 acres of Forest service land on our eastern border for the benefit of our community and for the preservation of open space.
- We had a very successful Founder's Day Celebration in August that was attended by the largest crowd we have ever had.
- The Tour of Utah bicycle race came through our city and we were able to cheer them on as they traveled through Davis County.
- Our staff purchased a mapping software and conducted a street by street survey of the condition of each street in our city and prepared a long range plan to maintain, repair, and replace the aging streets in our city. The City Council put together a budget plan and then allocated a street maintenance enterprise fund and a property tax increase to fund the long range street maintenance plan.
- Voters in Davis County voted for (Proposition 1) which will bring \$53,000.00 annually to our city that can be used for street maintenance, sidewalk repairs, trails, and active transportation projects. This will be a huge benefit to our city budget.
- UDOT was given 275 million dollars to completely revamp Highway 89 from Cherry Hill to I-84. For Fruit Heights, this will include a new interchange at 400 North, frontage roads from Cherry Hill to 400 North, and a grade separated over crossing at Nicholls Road. This project has been funded and we should see it completed in the next few years. We look forward to the increased safety that this project will bring to our citizens.

As we look forward to 2016 and beyond, we should see road improvement projects throughout the city, an upgrade to Nicholls Park, completion of the Veterans Memorial at City Hall, and hopefully a Cemetery.

As citizens of Fruit Heights, we all have many things to be grateful for and I would encourage each of you to count your blessings and give thanks for every one of them.

- Mayor Don Carroll

CITY COUNCIL

Mayor: Don Carroll Council Members:

Diane Anderson Julia Busche

Craig A. Hill Eileen Moss Scot Poole

Email:

www.citycouncil@fruitheightscity.com

City Hall hours:

8 a.m.—5 p.m. Mon.—Fri. After hours emergency call the Sheriff's Dept. 801-451-4150, they will call our Public Works representative.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

A New Year's Eve party will be Thursday, Dec. 31st beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Davis High School, 325 S. Main St.,

Kaysville.
Free family
fun for everyone!



CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP



Tree-pick up will be Friday, January 8th. Trees must be to the curb by 6:00 a.m. Remove tree stands, ornaments,

lights, and unbury from snow.
Please leave trees out to curb, it
may take a few days for collection

ELECTION RESULTS FOR CITY COUNCIL

Three City Council members were elected Tuesday, November 3, 2015 for a 4-year term. **CONGRATULATIONS** to incumbent



Diane Anderson; Gary Anderson; and Brandon Halliday. We are excited to begin the New Year with our council **I VOTED.** members. The Oath of Office will take place on the first City Council meeting in January at City Hall on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

THANK YOU & BEST WISHES to Eileen Moss and Craig Hill for your true dedication to the City of Fruit Heights and all the hard work you have given us. We are sincerely grateful.

HOLIDAY GIFT DONATIONS SOUGHT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Davis County Health Department's Senior Services is holding a gift drive to help make the holidays a little brighter for senior citizens who may be isolated or not have the financial resources to celebrate this year.

The deadline to turn in gifts is Friday, Dec. II, by 5 p.m. to the Davis County Health Department or at one of the county's three senior activity centers.

Autumn Glow Senior Activity Center, 8I E. Center Street, Kaysville.

Golden Years Senior Activity Center, 726 S IOO E., Boun-

North Davis Senior Activity Center, 42 S. State Street, Clearfield.



For more details or to receive your gift request contact Amy Mikkelsen at 80I-525-5075 or email her at amikkelsen@daviscountyutah.gov. Gift request will not exceed \$50.

> Remember: Green waste containers can be used for regular trash from Nov. 30th to April 1st.

Kaysville Branch Library

The Kaysville Branch is the newest branch in the Davis County system, as well as the longest operating public library in Davis County. The Kaysville City Library was established in 1921 and operated independently of the county library system—which was started in 1946. In 2005, the Kaysville City Council voted to merge with the Davis County Library, with the change to take effect on July 1, 2006. On that date, the library closed for remodeling and was reopened as a County branch library on August 12, 2006. In August 2015, the library moved into a new 15,000 square foot building which includes an auditorium, conference rooms, a quiet study room, additional Internet PCs and room for 100,000 circulating items.

Library Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 10am-9pm Fri. & Sat. 10am-6pm 215 N. Fairfield, Kaysville 801-444-2250



NEW YOUTH CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

We are happy for our New Youth City Council Members! Welcome to you all!

Kyle Meiners - Mayor

Bryson Williams - Mayor

Hannah Nielsen

Hannah McKay

Cameron Christensen

Nick Burnett Brianna Miller

Jessica Cox

Melanie Cottle

Brooklyn Hatch

Jessica Byers



WINTER DRIVING SAFETY

There are particular items you ought to ALWAYS have with you in your motor vehicle for winter driving safety. These include:

jumper wires, de-icer, emergency bandage treatment kit, flashlight, road flares or emergency pins, shovel, sand, a plastic bag with toilet tissue, additional batteries, a pre-paid phone card, ice scraper, tire chains or cords, air compressor (in case you forgot to check your tire pressure), winter season clothing, a quilt, water, washer fluid, coolant, tools, energy food bars or other food stuffs.

REMEMBER - LEASH YOUR DOG!

Please remember to lease your dog(s) at all times and have respect for your neighbors from your barking dogs. Also take your plastic containers for proper waste pick-up.

Fruit Heights City complies with Davis County ordinances. You may go to their website to review these ordinances at: http:// www.daviscountyutah.gov/animalcontrol/ ordinance.

LOCK DOORS AND GARAGES

The Davis County Sheriff's office reminds us to lock home doors, car doors and keep garage



doors shut. Prevent vandalism and thefts and report any suspicious activity in your neighborhood to the Davis County Sheriff's Office dispatch at 801-451-4150.