



Midway City News

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Midway City Corporation



Mayor's Message

*By Colleen Bonner
Midway City Mayor*

Springtime In The Rockies

It's time to shake off the winter cold and welcome spring! We live in such a beautiful part of the country where we can enjoy the four seasons. With spring comes the hope of new beginnings. We are fortunate to have many opportunities for outdoor family activities in Midway City and throughout Heber Valley.

There are 5 parks in Midway with a variety of services including playground equipment, walking paths, ball fields, open space, pavilions, tennis courts, and much, much more. Our Public Works Department works hard to make certain the parks are cared for and well-maintained. I encourage everyone to get outside and take advantage of the opportunities that are ours as residents of Midway City.

Throughout the summer, The Homestead Resort offers activities galore! Swim or snorkel in the famous crater, enjoy free music concerts on the lawn every Tuesday evening, golf, go on a horse driven wagon ride with your family and tour around Midway.

Midway Adventure Company provides guided river runs down the Provo River and you can rent a bicycle built for two for a fun excursion.

Visit the Fil-er-Up Coffee Station on Main street for a sweet latte or a double scoop of your favorite ice cream flavor.

Enjoy a myriad of delectable cuisines by stopping for a meal at Café Galleria, Tarahumara Mexican restaurant, the Deli at Ridley's, Subway sandwich shop, and many others.

Wait! That's only the beginning! There is fishing, water skiing, wind surfing and boating on Deer Creek Reservoir, hiking, more golfing at Wasatch Mountain State Park. The list goes on and on.

Visit our website at www.midwaycityut.org for more information on activities, and as the website says: "Come Play In Our Backyard"!

Annual City Cleanup

Mark your calendars for the Annual Midway City Cleanup. This year it is being held on **Saturday, May 6th from 8:00am to 11:30am** with a free Bar-B-Que lunch provided by the City beginning at 11:30am at the Town Square Shelter. This is your chance to show your volunteer spirit as everyone gathers to spruce up Town Square, the Cemetery and all of our City Parks. There are jobs for all ages – picking up trash, weeding flower gardens, pruning trees & bushes, raking lawns, cleaning play-



ground equipment, etc. Trash bags will be provided for everyone, and it would be very helpful to bring your own shovels, rakes, gloves and most of all, smiling faces. Work needing to be done will be posted at all locations and there will be Public Works crew members at each location to pick up

and transport away all the trash bags and other debris gathered. So get a group of your friends together; round up some church buddies; bring your book club members; this is a time to work together and take pride in our community. We receive comments all the time from tourists who visit Midway how amazing it is here. And that's because of you, our wonderful residents!

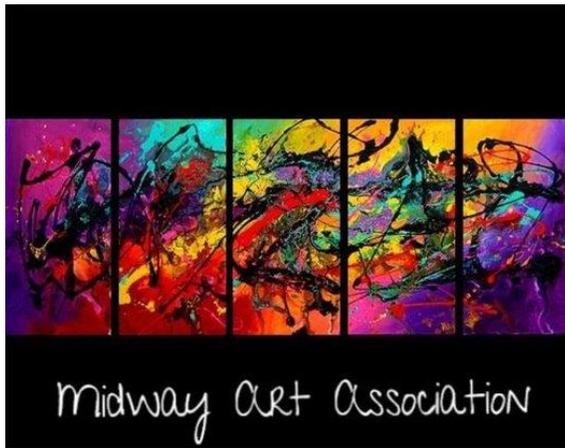
City Newsletter Going Digital

In this day and age of technology, it has become the "norm" to access whatever information is wanted or needed from the internet. The world is available at our fingertips.

The City has provided a newsletter to residents for many years. In the past, the newsletter was distributed to everyone with a P.O. Box; but what about citizens who receive mail at their homes? In January a newsletter was also mailed to everyone who receives mail at their homes. However, distribution of a paper copy has become a challenge due to the costs of printing.

A decision has been made that the Midway City Newsletter will continue to be circulated every quarter via our website at www.midwaycityut.org/residents/services, and no longer mailed to residents. If you would like to obtain a paper copy, there will be a limited supply available at the City Office each quarter.





The Midway Art Association (MAA) is delighted to feature Karen Kurka Jenson, a contemporary sumi-e painter for their Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, April 18 in the Midway Community Center. Sumi-e is a spirit art passed down for more than 100 generations. She uses the same tools as the ancients – sumi-e ink, bamboo brush and Asian paper. Like sumi-e painters before, sumi-e is about expressing the character and soul of the artists through brush and ink. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm with a Potluck Social and the demonstration begins around 7pm. The public is invited

On Tuesday, May 16, MAA is please to host renowned artist, Josh Clare at MAA's Monthly Meeting in the Midway Community Center. Josh is a young artist from Cache Valley, Utah, who is rapidly making his mark on the art world. Born and raised in the Rocky Mountains, Josh was blessed to gain an appreciation, a respect, and a love for both nature and beauty; for him, the two are synonymous. From his earliest recollections he has always had an urge to create. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm with a Potluck Social and the demonstration begins around 7pm. The public is invited.

Additionally, MAA will be sponsoring a 3 day 'Josh Clare Workshop', May 18, 19 and 20, 2017. If you would like to participate in this incredible workshop, please visit www.MidwayArtAssociation.org or email bkward0416@gmail.com. If you are interested in pursuing your art skills, even if you are an amateur, this is an excellent chance to enrich your skills.

On Saturday, May 27, MAA will host a 'Members Only Art Sale', 10am to 3pm in the Midway Community Center. Our artists have many paintings and this is 'first' for our member artists. This is an exceptional opportunity to purchase that 'unique' painting for your home or a special birthday, anniversary or even a Christmas gift. Mark your calendar and don't miss this art sale.



MAA will not have a monthly meeting in June due to plans being in high-gear for the 12th Annual Wasatch Plein Air Paradise event, Utah's largest plein air competition with artists painting our beautiful mountain valley beginning on Saturday, June 24 through June 30, competing in the Professional and Amateur divisions. Followed by a Heber City Paint Out on July 1, July 3 – Midway Paint Out and on July 4, the crowd-pleasing 'Quick Draw' 90-minute painting, followed by the 'live' auction at 11:30 in Midway's Town Hall. Fresh paintings are added to the exhibit with each successive competition. Over 125 artists create as many as 500 new paintings, including Studio paintings, competing for cash prizes and purchase awards. Each year WPAP draws many art lovers and patrons to our beautiful valley. For more information, please visit www.MidwayArtAssociation.org.

Viper Grass: A Noxious Weed To Be Reckoned With



As everyone probably knows, noxious weeds "disguise" themselves by being lovely to look at when in bloom, making us think they can't be problematic when they appear so pretty.

But some of these weeds can be deadly to domestic animals, other native plants and local crops being grown.

Viper Grass has been declared a noxious and invasive weed by the Utah Department of Agriculture. Not native to the State of Utah, it is known to exist in the state in very limited populations and pose a serious threat to the state and should be considered as a very high priority to eliminate.

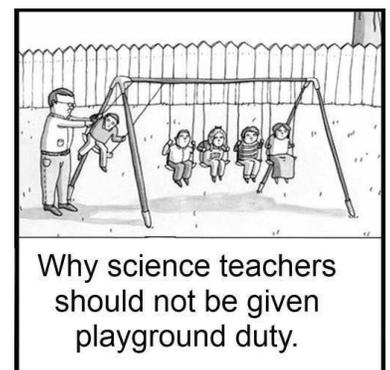
The blossoms of these weeds can be either yellow or purple. Their height is 8-12 in. and they are sometimes many branched.



For further information, call Public Works at 654-3223 ext.7



How To Make Easter Egg Colors



Midway Boosters



The annual Swiss Miss Pageant was held on Saturday, March 18, 2017 with a record number of 18 talented participants. We congratulate all of the contestants for completing six weeks of training in public speaking, poise, interviewing, performance and other empowering life skills.

The Midway Boosters sponsored this year's Swiss Miss Pageant held at the Midway Town Hall, and we would like to congratulate the members of the 2017 Swiss Miss Royalty who will be ambassadors for the City of Midway during parades, media appearances, and at this year's community celebrations.



Back Row L to R: Shaylee Clyde, Lauren Hayes, Drew Russell, Anna Nelson, Tatym Seare, Brinley Lent, Lakyla Cosper, Brooke Thatcher, Mallory Gray
Front Row L to R: Aspen Magoffin, Paige Henderson, Bella Haynie, Brooklyn Remund, Payton Henderson, Tressa Bouwhuis, Sophie Jensen, Kallie Kuch, McKenzie Harvey



Swiss Miss Royalty, L to R: Anna Nelson, *Attendant*; Tatym Seare, *Attendant*; Lakyla Cosper, *Swiss Miss*; Brinley Lent, *Attendant*; and Brooklyn Remund, *Attendant*

The 2017 Swiss Miss is Lakyla Cosper, daughter of Lance and Stephanie Cosper. Her four attendants are Anna Nelson, daughter of Mark and Shanna Nelson, Tatym Seare, daughter of Brandon and Dawn Seare, Brinley Lent, daughter of Glen and Molly Lent, and Brooklyn Remund, daughter of Courtney and Sonnet Remund. Miss Congeniality was awarded to Brooke Thatcher, daughter of Jeff and Amy Thatcher.

We would also like to recognize and thank the other young ladies who participated as contestants in the pageant. All of these young ladies were amazing in poise, interview, and talent!

We are so proud to annually sponsor such a great group of young ladies who always shine forth the true spirit of Midway in all that they do.

We thank the amazing Pageant Committee Volunteers under the direction of Melanie Berrett; also Heather Rasband, the Midway Booster Pageant Chair, and all the Pageant sponsors for their support. Additionally, we would like to thank the 2016 Swiss Miss Royalty and their families for representing our community so well this past year.

The Midway Boosters are once again awarding four scholarships, \$1,500 each, to graduating high school seniors who are Midway residents. Make sure you speak to your school counselor if you are interested.

We thank the Swiss Bells for representing Midway at the "Spring Ring" in Herriman this past March.

We welcome Bob & Trixie Adams, Tyler & Trish Lay and Anita Rockwood to the Midway Booster Board.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the annual "Small Town Fourth" at 7 a.m. at Town Square which will feature a speaker, honored citizen, and great entertainment.

April Events

April 9th Palm Sunday
 April 10th Passover Begins
 April 12th City Council – **Comm. Center 6:00pm**
 April 16th Easter Sunday
 April 19th Planning Commission – **Comm. Center 7:00pm**

May Events

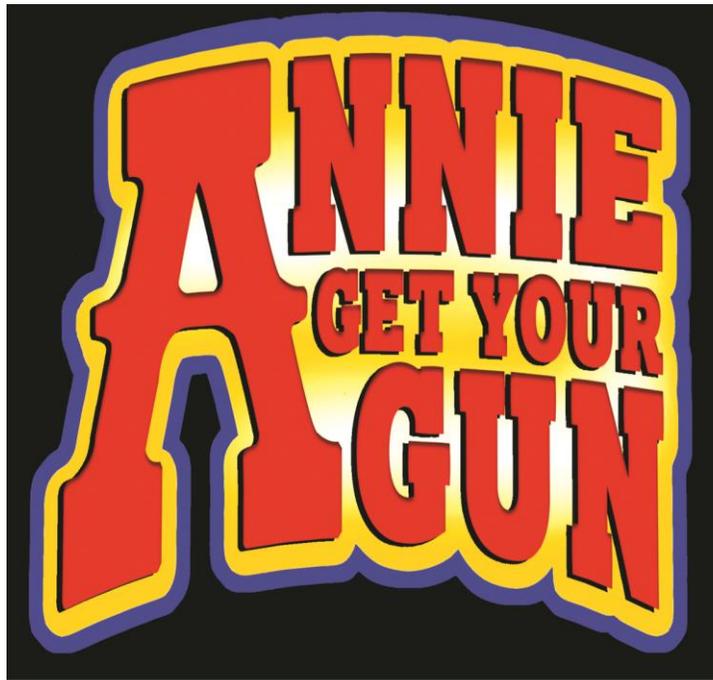
May 6th CITY CLEANUP – **Town Square & Parks 8:00-11:30am FREE BAR-B-QUE LUNCH AFTER**
 May 10th City Council – **Comm. Center 6:00pm**
 May 14th Mother's Day

May Events (Continued)

May 17th Planning Commission – **Comm. Center 7:00pm**
 May 24th City Council – **Comm. Center 6:00pm**
 May 29th Memorial Day

June Events

June 7th City Council – **Comm. Center 6:00pm**
 June 14th Flag Day
 June 18th Father's Day
 June 21st Planning Commission – **Comm. Center 7:00pm**
 June 29th – July 4th Wasatch Plein Air Paradise Events
 July 3rd & 4th Small Town Fourth of July



Szingerz! Youth Show Choir

NO AUDITIONS. Ten one-and-a-half hour classes and two performances on stage during the “Annie Get Your Gun” preshow. Classes on Tuesdays beginning April 25 from 4:30-6 p.m. Register at www.HighValleyArts.org.

*Signups and Info at HighValleyArts.org
Ages 8-14*

“Annie Get Your Gun”

July 1-15 - Tickets available May 1

Annie Oakley was a real live stage sensation! She joined Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show as an illiterate, ragmuffin sharp shooter and became an international star. Set to Irving Berlin’s music, this is a great family show, complete with cowboys, indians, great dancing, and terrific music, including “There’s No Business Like Show Business” and “Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better!” Tickets will be available May 1 at www.HighValleyArts.org. Group tickets (\$10 each) are available online for Wednesdays. Bring a picnic supper to the 7:15 p.m. live-music preshow! Enjoy the show in beautiful Midway at our High Valley Arts Outdoor Theater!



SPRING CELEBRATION!
SPOTLIGHTING OUR AMAZING LOCAL COMPOSERS
HIGH VALLEY SINGERS - GUESTS
April 22 at 7 p.m.
Midway Town Hall



HVA Center Stage Drama Camp
Ages 9-14 - 9-1 p.m.
Ages 6-8 - 11:30-1 p.m.
July 17-21, 2017
Production with everyone on last day!

Midway City 2017-2018 Construction Projects

The City has several construction projects scheduled for the 2017-18 fiscal year that residents should be aware of:
CARI LANE-WATER LINE & ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS: On Cari Lane from Homestead Drive to Pine Canyon Road, the project is anticipated to start in May and be completed in August 2017. Crews will be installing a new 12” water line and repaving the roadway surface. There will be traffic detours involved with this project.

MICHIE LANE ROADWAY AND UTILITY LINE PROJECT: On Michie Lane Road from Center Street to Fox Den Road, the project is anticipated to start in late May and be completed in mid-August. The roadway will be constructed and include an 8’ trail on the north side, two travel lanes with a landscaped median, a 5’ bike lane on both the east and westbound lanes, curb & gutter, and a 6’ sidewalk.

500 SOUTH ROAD WIDENING PROJECT: From Stringtown Road to the west end of the Cemetery, this project is anticipated to start in late May and be completed mid-August. The road will be repaved to a width of 26 feet.

HOMESTEAD TRAIL PHASE 1 & 200 NORTH WATER LINE INSTALLATION: This project is anticipated to start in late April and be completed in mid-July. A new culinary water line will be installed in 200 North from 200 West to Pine Canyon Road. The City will also begin installation of the Homestead Trail. Phase One will install a 10’ wide trail from Main Street on 200 West to 200 North, then along 200 North to Creek Place Road. The ultimate Homestead Trail plan is to install a 10’ paved trail to the Wasatch Mountain Visitors Center along Homestead Drive.