



# Midway City News



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Midway City Corporation



## Mayor's Message

*By Celeste Johnson  
Midway City Mayor*

March is a GREEN month, thanks to St. Patrick's Day and spring. But for our elected City Council, it's also GREEN because we're counting the money and deciding how it should be budgeted for the next fiscal year and beyond. We have the responsibility of making sure the budget is not just sound for this year, but that we are planning for some substantial changes that will affect our budget in the next few years.

One critical piece of our budget is spending on our trails and parks. Some excellent community input regarding trails and parks was provided in 2016, and was used in our General Plan. That information was also given to the Parks

and Trails Committee as they determined what maintenance issues needed to be addressed with this year's remaining budget, and how to best budget for next year. The committee has been out physically walking the trails and inspecting the parks. They have seen the issues. Now it's time for another discussion.

Did you know that there is a new park that will be created on Michie Lane this summer, and the committee would like to hear from you. What would you like to see in this 2-acre parcel? How could this park best serve the citizens of Midway? Should we start new trails, or just focus on connecting trails? What trails should we focus on completing? To facilitate this public discussion, the Parks and Trails committee would like to invite you to attend a public meeting on April 10th, at 7:00 PM in the Community Center. Ask your questions. Share your ideas. Discuss plans for the future. I hope you'll mark your calendar and be a part of the planning process.

Regarding our budget in general. The staff and their corresponding City Council members have been busy reviewing the last fiscal year's budgets and revising them for this year. We have to look toward additional revenue sources. We will be hosting public hearings on the budget, so watch for more information on that. I would encourage you to check in often on our website at [www.midwaycityut.org](http://www.midwaycityut.org). We are posting announcements on our website regularly.



Our Public Works crew is willing to go to great depths to fix anything! This hole was over 7 feet deep before the problem, in an old water line, was found. After playing around in the mud for almost a day, they were able to cap it off and stop a slow leak that had been going on for a number of years. Now that's impressive!

## Annual City Cleanup

Mark your calendars once again for the Annual Midway City Cleanup Day happening Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Bring your family, friends and relatives to help make our City Parks, Town Square and Cemetery shine! There will be a Public Works employee at each park with a list of clean up needing done for that location, and they will also supply garbage bags.

Choose whichever park you would like to help in, bring your gloves and shovels, and show up between 9:00-11:30am. Lunch will be provided by the City beginning at 11:30 in the Town Square Pavilion.



This event is something residents look forward to every year, and City employees hear comments from visitors about how clean and wonderful our small corner of the world is.

Thanks to each of you who participate every year to keep Midway beautiful!



The Midway Art Association's Gallery, now open in the East wing of the Town Hall, will feature 7 new member artists displaying their paintings for the months of April and May. The Gallery will be open on Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00am to 5:00pm. For further information, contact us at [MidwayArtGallery@gmail.com](mailto:MidwayArtGallery@gmail.com)

**MAA's April Meeting** is honored to have eminent **Kimbal Warren**, member, artist and a member of Plein Air Painters of Utah demonstrate at the March meeting. Kimbal's art is the personality of one's inner self. Without that understanding, one cannot create. His art reveals how he thinks, feels, sees, understands and even experience life. The art process is a true awareness of one's surroundings. Painting is a constant and spiritual development of problem solving.

**MAA's May Meeting** is privileged to have distinguished **George Handrahan**, a member of Plein Air Painters of Utah who will be demonstrating at this meeting. Handrahan is considered to be one of the most collectable artists in Utah. Mr. Handrahan has been painting the beauty of Utah, California and New England landscapes for more than forty years.

**MAA** is sponsoring a art class. 'Understanding How to Draw the Figure – a portrait of both human and animal' with Jeanne LaRae. Class will begin on Thursday, April 6. This class is open to the public. Registration and further information is available on MAA's website, [www.midwayartassociation.org](http://www.midwayartassociation.org).

**MAA** is also sponsoring a 3 day workshop with the renowned Ken Spencer. Painting on location gives him a chance to see new things, to see different light conditions and to regularly feel the creative juices. When he paints in Plein Air he sees the subtle colors and values of nature that are only possible by first-hand experience. This workshop is also open to the public. Registration and further information is available on MAA's website, [www.midwayartassociation.org](http://www.midwayartassociation.org).

The '13<sup>th</sup> Annual Plein Air Paradise is scheduled for late June through the grand finale on July 4<sup>th</sup> with the 'live' auction. Competitions are schedule for Wasatch & Summit Counties along with Provo Canyon up to Bridal Veil Falls, Heber City, Midway and new this year, a nocturnal/surise painting in Wasatch State Park. There are divisions for both professional and amateurs. Anyone interested in painting is welcome to participate. Further information regarding guidelines, registration and rules is available on our website, [www.midwayartassociation.org](http://www.midwayartassociation.org). Sign up early to get the 'early bird' rate!

MAA will also host a 'Members Only Spring Art Sale' on Friday, May 25, 11:00am – 5:00pm and Saturday, May 26, 10:00am to 5pm in the Community Center, Main Street, Midway. This is a great opportunity to purchase that special painting. Mark you calendars. These are original paintings created by "members only" of the Midway Art Association which are on sale to the public.



## Midway Boosters 2018 Board of Trustees

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### Who We Are

Midway Boosters, Inc, is a non-profit 501 c(3) corporation governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees who are comprised of residents of Midway.

We encourage all Midway residents who would like to support Community activities throughout the year to look for more information on the Friends of Midway Facebook page

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### What We Do

Midway Boosters provide leadership, oversight and sponsorship for a variety of City and Community activities including:

- ❖ City Beautification
- ❖ Scholarships Funding
- ❖ Small Town 4th Celebration
- ❖ Swiss Miss Pageant
- ❖ Swiss Days
- ❖ Christmas Creche Exhibit
- ❖ Friends of Midway



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## Sixty Shinning Years!



This year marked 60 Shining Years of Swiss Miss! We were very pleased to have an unprecedented number of 21 participants in our pageant. The girls, ages 9-12, rehearsed for 10 weeks, working on skills such as poise, presentation, public speaking, individual talent, self-confidence and good sportsmanship. They showcased all of these accomplishments at the pageant held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Midway Town Hall. Three distinguished judges had the very difficult job of choosing only five of these lovely young ladies to represent Midway. The new Swiss Miss Royalty for 2018 is, Swiss Miss: Drew Russell, Attendants: Mallory Gray, Siena Partridge, Payton Henderson, and Talin Leavitt. For the first time ever, our pageant was streamed live on "Friends of Midway" Facebook page. Midway City and the Midway Boosters would like to thank Melanie Berrett as Pageant Director, her pageant committee, local sponsors and the parents of the participants.



**Back Row L to R:** Georgia Rinquest, Mallory Gray, Lauren Hayes, Emma Eaton, Tressa Bouwhius, Drew Russell, Sydney Rodriguez, Payton Henderson, Chloe Homer, Siena Partridge, Emercynn Brooks  
**Front Row L to R:** Elsie Malinka, Ellie Groesbeck, McKenzie Harvey, Sophie Jensen, Lydia Curley, Bella Haynie, Aspen Magoffin, Braelyn Smith, Talin Leavitt, Emmy Kepsel



**2018 Swiss Miss Royalty, L to R:** Talin Leavitt, *Attendant*; Payton Henderson, *Attendant*; Drew Russell, *Swiss Miss*; Sienna Partridge, *Attendant*; and Mallory Gray, *Attendant*

## Swiss Miss 65th Anniversary Reception

The first Swiss Miss pageant was held in 1953, sixty-five years ago. However, due to the fact that the pageant has not been held consecutively every year since, this year marks 60 years of Swiss Miss. In conjunction with the pageant this year, an anniversary reception was also held. All past Swiss Miss, attendants, pageant directors, booster liaisons and others associated with the pageant over the last 65 years were invited to attend. The reception was a fun time of socializing, reconnecting and reminiscing. The Swiss Miss program has been influential in helping creative young ladies grow into influential women who continue to support our community. A heart-felt thanks to our Swiss Miss Anniversary Committee for all of their hours of work to restore the missing Swiss Miss information to our archive, contact past participants, send invitations, prepare food and handle the other details for this event. A special commemorative pin was given to all that attended.



## “Roald Dahl’s Willy Wonka” Outdoors June 29-July 14

“Who can take a sunrise, sprinkle it with dew, cover it in choc’late and a miracle or two? The Candy Man. The Candy Man can!”

The delicious adventures of Charlie Bucket on his visit to Willy Wonka’s mysterious choc’late factory light up the stage in this captivating adaptation of Roald Dahl’s fantastical tale.

Featuring the enchanting songs from the 1971 film starring Gene Wilder, this show is a scrumdiddlyumptious musical guaranteed to delight everyone’s sweet tooth.

The cast will have actors of all ages, including grandmas, grandpas, teens, and kids who will make you want to get out of your chair and dance and sing with them! Mark your calendars for a sweet treat this summer with “Willy Wonka!”

See you at the show!!



## Public Input Sought for a Possible Privately-funded Arts Center in Wasatch County

As High Valley Arts, Wasatch County Arts Center Coalition, and the community explore the options for a privately-funded community theater in Wasatch County, we welcome your feedback at public meetings to be held at the Midway Community Center

The first meeting is Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, with a second meeting on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Both will begin at 8:00pm

The public is encouraged to attend and share your thoughts.



### April Events

- April 1<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunday
- April 11<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission – *Comm. Center 7:00pm*
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> Earth Day
- April 25<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*

### May Events

- May 5<sup>th</sup> CITY CLEANUP – *Town Square, Parks & Cemetery 9:00-11:30am LUNCH AFTER CLEANUP*
- May 9<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*
- May 13<sup>th</sup> Mother’s Day
- May 16<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission – *Comm. Center 7:00pm*

- May 23<sup>rd</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*
- May 28<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day – *CITY OFFICES CLOSED*

### June Events

- June 9<sup>th</sup> City Beautification/Flower Planting  
*Meet at Town Square to help 8:00am*
- June 13<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Father’s Day
- June 20<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission – *Comm. Center 7:00pm*
- June 27<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Mtg. – *City Office 10:00am*  
City Council Regular Mtg. – *Comm. Center 6:00pm*
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> – July 5<sup>th</sup> Wasatch Plein Air Paradise Events
- July 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Small Town Fourth and Pancake Breakfast  
*July 4<sup>th</sup> is the Sunrise Service, Pancake Breakfast right after*