

Spring Cleanup



It won't be long before the warm weather will be here – an excellent time to get rid of the clutter around your house and to spruce up the yard. Bountiful City's Spring cleanup is April 11-15. During that week city crews on your regular garbage pickup day will also remove trash and refuse which has been properly bundled, bagged, or boxed. Limbs and trees must be cut, bundled and tied in 5-foot lengths. Any bundles, bags, or boxes must not exceed 50 lbs. Items such as old furniture or appliances should be placed on the drive approach or park strip – not on the street or sidewalk.

Also to assist you in your spring cleanup, the landfill will not charge a fee to the residents of Bountiful during spring cleanup week or the following week to help you dispose of the trash that does not comply with the above restrictions. We can no longer accept propane tanks or tires of any kind at the landfill.

Compliance with the special cleanup regulations is mandatory. If you cannot meet the regulations, you will need to haul away the debris yourself.

Garbage containers should be placed at the curb not later than 7 a.m. on your regular pickup day. Lids must be closed when put out for collection.

Landfill Summer Hours

(April through October)
Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Compost available for spring gardening
Compost increases water retention in your soil
Cost: \$30.00 per ton or \$2.00 per bag
Now offering compost delivery at \$35.00 per truck-load plus compost cost

Hydroelectric Power Is Renewable

In today's world many people are touting the benefits of using alternate sources of energy to produce electricity such as biomass, solar and wind. They classify these resources as renewable forms of energy, which they are. However, some people seemed to have forgotten about the most reliable and widely-used renewable resource – hydroelectric power.

Hydroelectric power is the term that describes the generation of electricity by capturing the energy from falling water and sending it through a turbine. The turbine then spins a generator which creates the electricity. Presently over 7% of the electric generation in the U. S. comes from hydro projects. All other renewables combined comprise 2%.

Bountiful City has utilized hydroelectric power for over 40 years. It provides about 50% of the total energy consumed in Bountiful. Glen Canyon and Flaming Gorge Dams are the major sources of this hydroelectric power. Bountiful also operates two of its own hydro plants at Echo Dam and Pineview Dam. During a good water year, Bountiful can get over 6 megawatts (MW) of power from its own hydro plants.

Hydroelectric power, which does not burn its "fuel" sources as it generates electricity from the action of falling water, is

innately a renewable energy resource. Many hydroelectric power owners have long objected to the tendency of policymakers to exclude hydro power from the definition of renewable and therefore from legislation and public policy initiatives designed to promote renewable energy.

Excluding hydroelectric power from efforts to encourage renewable technology is a mistake, particularly since hydroelectric power facilities, with their unique ability to follow electricity demand, can firm up the load carrying capacity of alternative sources and compensate for their problems with storage and intermittency.

Hydroelectric power is here to stay and it is definitely one of the best renewable energy resources that the world has. We can all be thankful that here in the arid west dams were built to not only store water and help with flood control, but to provide us with cheap, clean, renewable energy sources.

Bountiful Citizens Conserve Water!

Conservation

Congratulations, Bountiful water customers. Your conservation efforts have yielded great results! Our records for 2004 show that water production had declined from 2001 levels by nearly 185 million gallons annually for a 10.4% reduction over the three-year period. Although the prolonged drought appears to be loosening its grip, you are encouraged to remain "water-wise" in your water use practices.

Leak Reporting

This past winter Water Department crews were called to repair a leak which had suddenly "blown up" from a much smaller, but nevertheless detectable leak. This leak had been going on for several weeks but was not reported to us because observers thought it was probably irrigation runoff. Water customers are encouraged to check for obvious sources of water springing up in the streets or running down gutters and report the appearance of any

unexplained or unusual water in the street right-of-way. Doing this will help reduce unnecessary water waste and damage to roads and private property.

Cross-Connections

As the 2005 irrigation season approaches, please remember to avoid contamination of the public water system by adhering to the law regarding safe utilization of water used for outside irrigation (whether it is "Weber" water or metered culinary system water). Do not make any connection between your Weber water and your metered culinary water. If you use your metered culinary water for your sprinklers, make sure that the sprinkler system is isolated from the supply by appropriate cross-connection protection assemblies as required by state and local law.

Call the Water Department office at 298-6180 to report leaks or for more detailed information on cross-connection control.

Upcoming Changes and Options to your Bountiful Utility Account

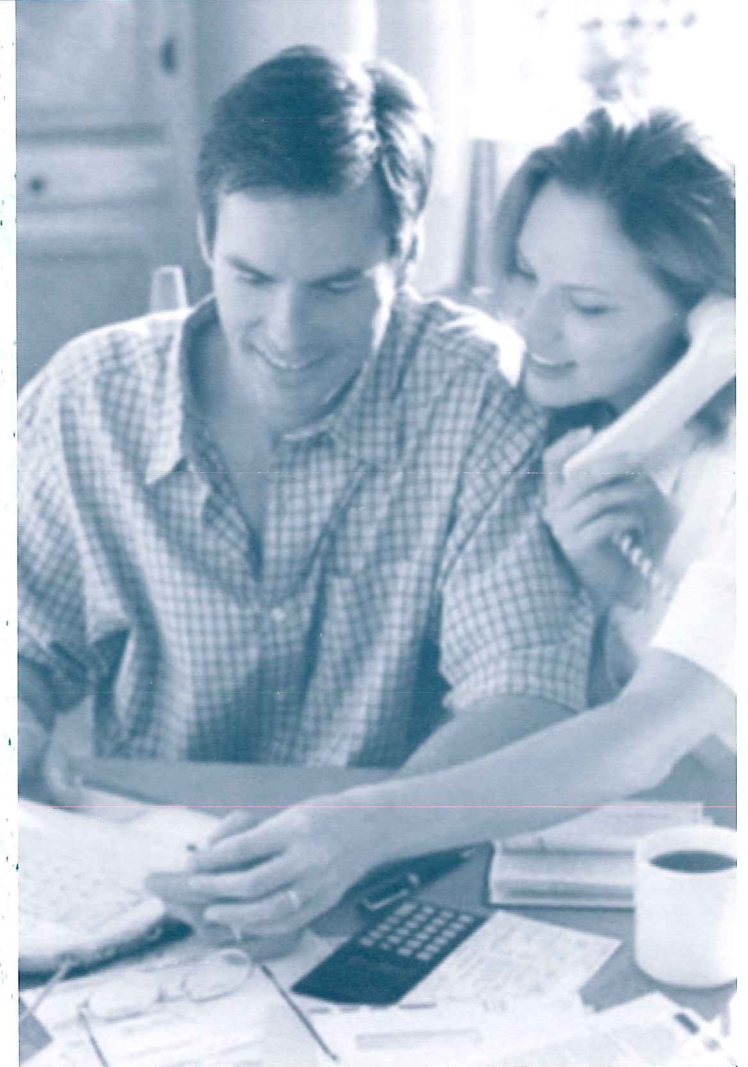
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3. Drop-boxes are available at 8 locations within the city. Customers can drop their payment envelope off at any of these locations and save the postage. Please remember that only the drop boxes at City Hall are collected daily. Those at the banks and grocery stores are picked up once a week on Thursdays. The drop box locations are:

- City Hall to the right of the west doors
- City Hall Drive up box at the southeast corner of the parking lot
- Dicks Markets Both the Bountiful and Centerville stores
- Winegar's Marketplace in NSL
- Wells Fargo Banks Main Street and 1500 South locations
- Key Bank Downtown location

Do not place cash in a drop box location.

- 4. Pay by mail using the provided return envelope.
- 5. Pay in person at City Hall. Our customer service staff are happy to assist you with processing your payments Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Resolve to Have Fun!

It's a new year . . . time for the new you! The Bountiful Recreation Center is the city's best value for recreation, exercise, and fun. We're more than just a summer facility. We offer swimming lessons, water aerobics, ice skating, racquetball, weight-lifting, exercise bikes, treadmills, and more!

Ice Skating

The next session of our popular **Learn-to-Skate** begins February 14, with more sessions beginning March 7, 28, and April 18. Registration begins one week prior to the start of the session. We also offer **pre-school classes** (tots 1-3), and **adult classes**. And if you already know how to skate, come enjoy a session of public ice skating. Don't forget to come see our figure skaters show their stuff at the **Annual Ice Show** coming up on May 12-14. Call the Bountiful Recreation Center for prices and time schedules, **298-6220**.

Swimming

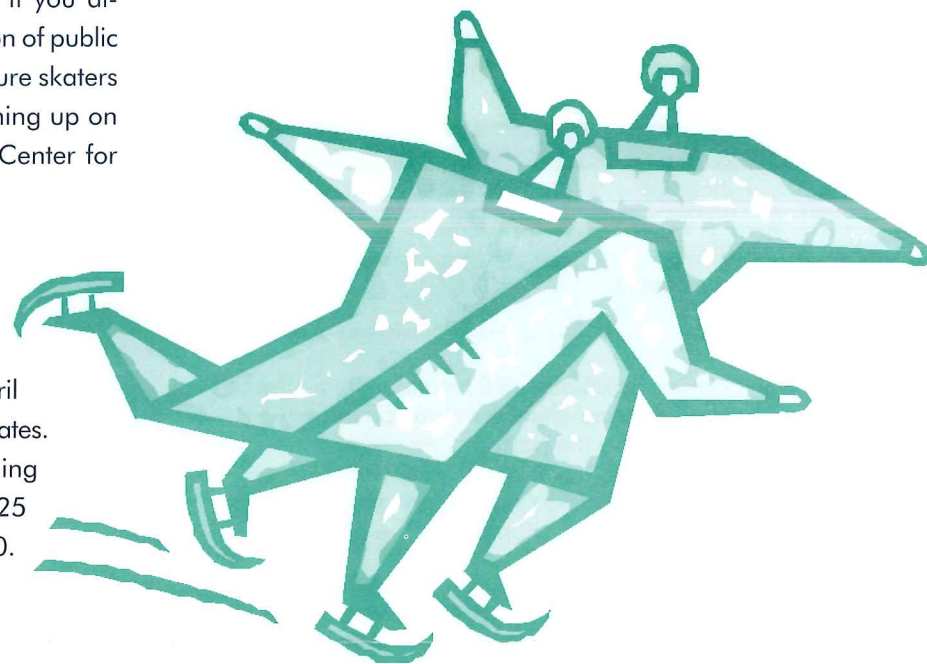
The next session of American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim begins February 7, with additional sessions beginning March 14 and April 18. Registration is one week prior to the start dates. Adult swim lessons are available in the evening by request. Swim lesson classes are typically 25 minutes long and run for 4 weeks for only \$30.

Exercise

Our weight room and exercise facilities are available Monday - Friday 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturdays 6 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Sundays 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fee is only \$3 for adults and \$2.75 for youth.

Other programs

Don't forget about our upcoming recreation programs: Tennis (spring and summer), softball, arts and crafts, and more. Summer program brochures will be available late April. Call for specific details on all programs, 298-6220, or stop by to sign up for lessons. Purchase an annual pass for the whole family and take advantage of all our programs.



Bountiful Performing Arts Center

Bountiful Performing Arts Center (BPAC) is now in its fourth year at the black box in the Bountiful Davis Arts Center at 745 South Main. BPAC has grown with tremendous success and has offered some wonderful shows including musicals, dramas and comedies. BPAC has had great reviews, and in 2003 their performance of "Huebener" was listed in the *Deseret News* as one of the best shows in the State of Utah.

BPAC is now presenting the hilarious musical "Nunsense" from February 3 - 28. Performances are Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available online at <http://www.bpac.cc> or by calling 294-SHOW (7469). Ticket prices are \$10 for adults over 18 and \$8 for seniors and children under 18. **FAMILY NIGHT SPECIAL** only \$5 per seat on the first three Monday performances. The box office opens at 6:30 p.m. BPAC accepts most major credit cards.



Upcoming Changes and Options to Your Bountiful Utility Account

Utility Billing Changes

Bountiful City's Utility Billing department announces a major update to our billing software. We are excited about the new enhancements and capabilities this software update brings. There will be a few minor changes to the look of your utility bill, beginning with your March statement. Then beginning in April, customers will be able to go on-line to review their account and make on-line payments. Bountiful City's website is <http://www.bountifulutah.gov>.

The first change you will notice with the March bill will be a change to your account number. We apologize for the inconvenience this change may cause. Please use your new account number when remitting your payment. This is especially important if you pay your bills using your computer and use on-line banking. To identify utility bills with the new account number, the color of the bills has been changed. After a few months we will go back to the color we are all accustomed to.

On line Inquiry

Beginning in April, you can log onto the City's website and review your account. Current charges

and balance as well as your history will be available on line. While at the website, be sure to look at the information and services provided by other city departments.

Bill Payment Options

As a customer of Bountiful City Utilities you have several bill payment options available to you.

1. **Automatic payment** of your utility bill has been available for many years at Bountiful City. We call this program our EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) option. The amount due on your bill will be deducted from your checking or savings account on your due date each month. You will still receive your bill each month, but the payment is automatic. To sign up for this option, contact the Bountiful utility billing office at 298 6100. A completed application and a copy of a voided check is all it takes.

2. **Pay on-line** beginning in April. From our website you will be able to pay your bill by credit card or electronic check. More details will be available online in April and in forthcoming newsletters.

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Golden Years Senior Activity Center

Current activities offered:

- Barber Services
- Bingo
- Card Playing Instruction
- Ceramics
- Chihua Painting
- Foot Clinics (by appointment)
- Grief Support
- Lapidary/Silversmith
- Lunches - Daily (with reservations)
- Free Legal Advice (by appointment)
- Musical Entertainment (daily)
- Oil Painting
- Shopping Transportation
- Sing-a-long
- Sit & Fit Exercise Class
- Stained Glass Class
- Strength Training
- Tai Chi
- Tap Aerobics
- Tax Help (by appointment)
- Tap (beginning)
- Vision Support
- Water Coloring
- Wood Carving
- Yoga

New Members and Volunteers always welcome! Call the Center 295-3479 for more information.

City Council & Committee Chairmanship

The City Council and Mayor Welcome Your Input and Suggestions.

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