



# BOUNTIFUL CITY NEWSLETTER

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## City Approves Voluntary Curbside Recycling As Help For Environment

Bountiful citizens can make a major commitment to the environment by participating in the city's new Curbside Recycling Program, a voluntary project allowing the separation of common recyclable materials.

Under the new program endorsed by the Bountiful City Council, residents signing up for the plan will receive an 18-gallon recycling bin for placement of newspaper, corrugated cardboard, aluminum cans, tin and magazines. (In the future, Waste Management may expand the program for the collection of glass and plastic.) Waste Management drivers will be responsible for sorting the materials at your curb every other week.

The cost of the program is a one-time \$10 charge for the plastic bin and a \$3 month collection charge. Resident will be billed every four months (\$12) with the first bill also containing the \$10 bin charge.

Funds from the recycling will be donated to the Bountiful Beautification Fund.

"Waste Management will sell the materials at local market prices and return all the money gained from recycling for local beautification efforts," said Bountiful's Assistant City Engineer Paul Rowland.

The program will not start (and residents will not be billed) until 600 families have registered for the curbside service. Residents participating in the program will be notified one week prior to the first every-other-week pick-up.

Similar recycling programs are operating in Farmington, Fruit Heights and portions of West Valley City. Additionally, curbside programs have just begun in Provo and Orem.

According to Waste Management officials, Americans generate more trash than any other



country in the world— approximately 160 million tons per day of solid waste. "While each of us is part of the problem, we also can make an impact on the solution and help Bountiful City's Beautification Fund at the same time," said a company spokesman.

Residents can sign up for the service by clipping the attached service order and either including it in their utility bill or mailing it directly to Waste Management of Salt Lake.

In addition to the program, the newspaper and tin can bins at Bountiful City Hall will remain open for those citizens choosing to drive over and deposit these items.



## Continued Drought Creates Need For City Watering Limits

Bountiful residents may use pressure irrigation water beginning in mid-April, but some water conservation restrictions will be applied to combat the continuing drought in Northern Utah.

**All Bountiful outdoor water users—both culinary and irrigation users and regardless of the source of water—will be restricted from any outdoor watering between 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

"Our storage reservoirs are only about 50% capacity and the existing snowpack is well below normal," said Merrill Tuttle, manager of the Bountiful Water Subconservancy District. "We must continually conserve on our water usage. In fact, water rationing of twice a week will be enforced if conservation efforts are not successful and if available water decreases to a danger point."

Pressure irrigation water will be activated in the main lines beginning Monday, April 13, with water available to consumers a few days later and until Oct. 15. Property owners should close secondary lines to each property or shut off the individual valves to avoid flooding when the irrigation water is turned into the lines.

The daytime restriction applies to all watering, and includes automatic regulator systems.

In order to back conservation efforts, residents violating the time restrictions may be cited and fined.

### CURBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICE ORDER

Mail with your utility bill or send to WASTE MANAGEMENT OF UTAH, P. O. Box 487, West Jordan, Utah 84084-0487. For information, 569-8200.

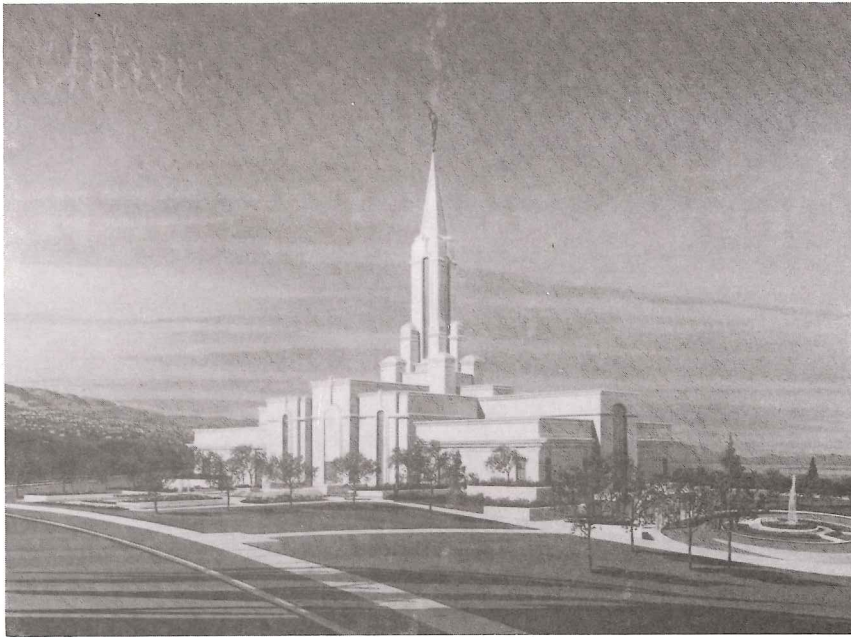
Waste Management of Utah will deliver a Recycling Container to my home for storage and collection of recycled material. Included with the delivery of my container will be recycling and collection instructions. I understand that I am required to place my recyclable materials in this container on collection day and place it curbside in front of my home. I agree to pay \$3 per month (4-month billing cycle) for every other week curbside recycling service. Waste Management agrees to donate 100% of the proceeds from sales of recyclable materials to the Bountiful Beautification Fund.

Customer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Street or Road \_\_\_\_\_  
if different from above



## City Gives Go-Ahead For New LDS Temple Construction

The building plans for the Bountiful LDS Temple have been approved by the City Planning Commission and City Council, with the structure's completion date set for 1995.

When finished, the temple will contain more than 100,000 feet of floor space, an amount comparable to the current temples in Ogden, Logan and St. George. The two-level parking lot will accommodate 550 vehicles.

The temple will be erected on more than 10 acres of land located between Bountiful Boulevard, Temple View Drive (1600 East) and 400-700 South. The property will be heavily landscaped with trees and planters to shield the parking and beautify the structure.

City officials approved the plans after reviewing concerns about traffic congestion. To meet safety and fire regulations, the final plans include two entrances to Temple View Drive (only one was proposed initially). Additionally, citizens were told that most temple visitors will enter and exit off Bountiful Boulevard.

The LDS Church currently operates 44 temples, 21 of which are located in the United States. Generally closed on Sunday, the temples are primarily used for the practicing of the church's sacred ordinances, most commonly baptisms and marriages.

The construction in Bountiful was prompted by increasing church membership and temple activity of Davis County residents.

## Repaving and Improvements Are Scheduled For 1500 South Street

Repaving the street and curb/gutter/sidewalk improvements will force the closure of 1500 South for short periods during the next month to six weeks, according to city officials.

The street will be repaved along with repair and replacement of curbs and sidewalks on both sides of 1500 South between Five Points and Orchard Drive. **The curb-to-curb paving will force closure of sections in three-week intervals.** The first closure will be between 75 East and Orchard Drive, the second from 75 East to 50 West, and third from 50 West to Five Points intersection.

Residents living in the sections being closed will have to park on side streets. During curb, gutter and sidewalk construction, 1500 South will be open to local traffic only.

M.C. Green and Sons Construction submitted a low bid of \$307,172. The project will include a seven-inch thick paving of the street, new steel street-lighting poles, underground power lines, and replacement of 2,900 feet of irrigation water line. The curb, gutter and sidewalk on both sides will either be repaired or replaced.

## City Centennial Spurs Year-Long Community Activities

Celebration of Bountiful's Centennial will be a year-long affair, with activities planned every month from this spring until the grand ball dinner and dance on Dec. 12.

The Centennial celebration will also include a historical renewal: The reviving of Cantaloupe Days under the direction of the Bountiful Jaycees and past president Shauna Knighton. The Jaycees are planning a Sept. 11 parade followed by a day-long festival, carnival and community dinner on Sept. 12.

Among spring activities:

—Pages Lane theater will present *Steel Magnolias* through May 2. The theater will also showcase *Charlotte's Web* (the Page's Lane Young People Troupe) from April 11-June 27.

—The Jaycees will sponsor a Centennial Easter Egg Hunt on April 18, and a history mural project will be featured in the downtown district during the spring.

Other events will center around productions of "Memories and Miracles" at the LDS Regional Center (May 1-2), the birthday of Bountiful founder Perregrine Sessions (June 15), and a variety of dances, western art exhibits, ice shows, tours and community athletic projects.



## Limited Edition Medals To Honor Centennial

A limited edition of Bountiful Centennial medals can be purchased for \$5 (brass) and \$20 (silver) at the Bountiful City Hall utilities counter, the Bountiful Art Center, or from Irv Ratcliffe (295-5327). The medals, commemorating the city's 100 years of growth, are great historical gifts for current residents or those who "have left their hearts in Bountiful."

The medal obverse portrays the Old Bountiful Tabernacle (dedicated in March 1863) and a shock of wheat and two stones from Kimball's grist mill on Mill Creek at 4th East.

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School equalization funding could help alleviate some overcrowding in Davis County's rapidly-growing school district. In addition, Sen. Lane Beattie inserted an appropriation of \$100,000 to remodel Bountiful's Stoker School.

## School Equalization, Sales Tax Collection And NASA Center Among Vital Actions, Say Bountiful Legislators

The 1992 Utah Legislature was positive for Bountiful-area residents, according to South Davis legislators, with major funding increases for the county school district and a special appropriation for the city's Stoker School university campus.

"The most powerful legislation affecting Bountiful taxpayers was the school equalization bill," said Rep. Kim Burningham (District 19). "The Davis County School District is one of the three major beneficiaries of the bill, and the infusion of money should moderate the need for future tax increases to keep up with the skyrocketing school enrollment."

The bill, termed by some as the 'Robin Hood Bill' which took from the rich and gave to the poor, was supported by all Bountiful legislators. Under the old formula, districts with large commercial/industrial areas (Salt Lake City and Ogden) or profitable mining sectors could raise an inordinately large amount of money per taxing mill for the purchase/ remodeling of school buildings. While South Summit School District earned \$160 per mill per student, suburban districts like Davis County's earned only \$11 per student. Under the newly-passed phased-in, formula, capital outlay funds will be equalized, generating millions of additional dollars long-term for the Davis County School District.

Other legislative action cited by area lawmakers:

—Sen. Lane Beattie inserted language into an appropriation bill devoting \$100,000 to the renovation of Bountiful's Stoker School, a suburban campus of the University of Utah. Sen. Beattie also said taxpayers should be helped by the creation of a long-term strategic plan encompassing all state operations.

"As shown by almost every recent national study, the State of Utah remains fiscally sound and well-managed," said Sen. Beattie. "Our efforts enhancing economic development are beginning to bear fruit, and legislation to collect sales tax on a monthly basis from large retailers (5% of all firms) allows Bountiful City to increase its cash flow and better predict its sales tax revenues."

—Rep. Nancy Lyon (District 20) said the School Zone Safety Act, creating uniformity in signage, warning lights and speeder penalties, will dramatically increase the safety for school-age children.

"It was patterned after similar regulations in Arizona," she said. "According to testimony, Arizona hasn't had a student fatality in over 30 years." Along with the \$500,000 appropriation for lights and signage, the bill establishes uniform penalties for motorists caught speeding in the 20 mph school zones. Fines range from \$50 to \$500.

—Rep. Burningham was a leader in gaining an appropriation for NASA's Institute of Life Support facility tentatively approved for the Wasatch Front. To offset defense-related cuts in spending, he said, the space program facility will generate many millions of dollars for Utah companies.

## Summer Recreation Includes Adult Programs

Summer recreation programs for all age groups will begin June 15 at Bountiful Recreation Center and various sites throughout the city.

Adult swim classes are scheduled early mornings and evenings at the indoor pool, and from 9 p.m. until 10 p.m. at the outdoor (bubble) pool Monday through Thursday.

Public swimming will be Monday through Saturday from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Also available on a daily basis are six racquetball courts, a fully equipped



weightroom, whirlpool, steam room and sauna room. These facilities are available from 5 a.m. until 10 p.m. (except the whirlpool which is available during hours of public swimming.)

The ice rink is also available on a daily basis with ice skating lessons planned in the afternoons. Also starting June 15 are classes for young people in archery, arts and crafts, softball, tennis, Junior Jazz basketball, volleyball and golf. Age-group swim competition and volleyball leagues are also planned.

For further information, call the Bountiful Recreation Center or pick up a complete schedule of events after the first of May. The recreation brochures are free and will be available at the Recreation Center, Indoor Pool, Golf Course and City Hall.

## Resident Income Ranks Higher Than Average

Bountiful City residents averaged \$30,691 in adjusted gross income per tax return in 1990, some \$2,000 more than the Davis County average and more than \$4,000 higher than the state average, according to figures released by the State Tax Commission.

The Bountiful average income ranked fourth in the county behind Fruit Heights (\$34,474), Farmington (\$34,221) and Centerville (\$31,292). The lowest income averages were at Hill Air Force Base (\$18,331) and Clearfield (\$23,912). The Davis County average (\$28,573) was the second-highest in the state, trailing only Summit County (\$32,623).

## Centennial Activities (Continued)

### Early Bountiful Maps Offered At Several Sites

A map of Bountiful in 1900 is available for \$2.50 at Carr Stationery, Seagull Book & Tape, Sam Weller's Books at Five Points Mall, the Senior Citizen's Center and the Bountiful Art Center.

The map (45" x 24") was compiled by Florence Tuttle Foy from original sources. Family names are recorded beside the scattered residences since no house numbers were used in the city until 1940.

### Citizens Group Asks For Beautification Gift

In conjunction with the city's Centennial, a resident group is asking schools, organizations, churches and families to donate an inexpensive birthday gift: a project to clean, repair, rebuild, paint, polish, plant or perfect a small portion of the city.

Residents are asked to take "before" and "after" photographs showing the strength of the "Future of Bountiful Harvest." To report the "gift" or receive information on the plan, contact the Bountiful Birthday Gift Citizens Committee (295-8165).

# City Manager's Report

By Tom Hardy

Over the past 40 years, Bountiful has grown from a small city of 7,000 to a large suburban area with over 37,000 people. While the great majority of this growth has occurred through the annexation of raw ground subsequently subdivided and developed, some of this growth has occurred through annexation of developed areas in "Val Verda", an unincorporated island of Davis County lying between Bountiful and North Salt Lake. In the past 15 years alone, six different annexations (1,000 homes) has been requested, and an annexation petition involving over 500 homes will be considered at an April 8 public hearing.

Historically the City of Bountiful has been neutral on annexation of developed property, neither encouraging or discouraging such requests. The City Council has felt that a majority of affected citizens, using the democratic petition-seeking process, should request annexation. When accepted, the city receives property and franchise taxes on the homes, and the increased population is counted toward sales tax distribution. Thus, revenues from the annexed areas approximately cover the costs of providing municipal services (police, fire, street maintenance, lighting, etc.)

Bountiful has traditionally installed street lighting and conducted major road repair work in the annexed areas to bring the neighborhoods up to Bountiful City standards. Additionally, the city has historically purchased Utah Power & Light's facilities, serving electrical power to the newly-annexed areas through the Bountiful Power Department. The city has also provided refuse collection and disposal services, and the "new citizens" have enjoyed the prompt response times of our Police and Fire Departments.

The city has not taken over "special districts" previously serving the annexed areas. Service by the South Davis Water Improvement District and South Davis Sewer Improvement District has not been disturbed, and, in addition, the last three annexed areas have been served by the County Solid Waste and Energy Recovery District with waste taken to the county facility near Hill Air Force Base.

Utah State law encourages urban development within city boundaries. Studies conducted by Davis County have shown that the Val Verda area is not a viable community and could not survive on its own. Davis County has not provided, nor does it plan to provide, recreational and park facilities, and does not intend to provide additional street lighting, refuse collection services or cemeteries.

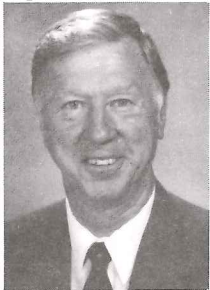
One of Bountiful City's concerns is "double taxation." For example, Bountiful taxpayers pay for city police services even though all county residents pay for services of the Davis County Sheriff's Department. The Val Verda area receives county police services, but does not fully pay for the cost of the services. Thus, they are "subsidized" by taxpayers in other municipalities. The same rationale applies to flood control, storm drainage, planning, dispatching and other services. Davis County should substantially increase the property tax in unincorporated areas to fully pay for the services.

Over the long term, Bountiful City does its best to assure that existing citizens do not pay for annexed areas. We do believe, however, that we live in the state's premier city, providing cost-effective services at reasonable rates. Considering the great number of people requesting annexation in the last 15 years, many agree with this assessment.

# Mayor's Corner

By Mayor Bob Linnell

Recently the Davis County Council of Governments (COG), composed of the 15 mayors, three county commissioners, a representative of Davis County School District, and the Commander of Hill Air Force Base, received the report from the Citizen's Committee on Consolidated Dispatch.



An independent 11-member Citizen's Committee from throughout the county was appointed in September to study consolidated dispatch. There were no elected officials on the committee. Currently there are four dispatch centers in the county, located in Bountiful, Farmington, Layton, and Clearfield. The respective cities administer the centers (except the one in Farmington administered by the Sheriff's office.). The charge to the committee was to determine:

1. Would consolidating services be more efficient?
2. Would consolidation save taxpayer dollars?

After an intensive five-month study, members concluded that consolidation would be more expensive and probably no more efficient. I feel there has been a sincere effort on the part of COG to get the answer to those two questions. I commend the committee for their efforts. (Dr. Rich Kendell was Bountiful's appointee.) I also salute COG for the spirit of mutual cooperation in exploring how we can collectively provide the best available services to our citizens at the most economical price. I feel that the working relationships within the county are the best they have ever been.

Bountiful was instrumental in initiating the study, and was committed to seriously looking at consolidation if both of these answers were "yes". Based on the results of the citizen committee report, my feeling is that it would be in the best interests of our citizens to continue to maintain our own dispatch center.

## Paramedic Service

Bountiful is totally supportive of the paramedic program, but questions the present delivery mechanism. I keenly sense the responsibility to provide a high level of emergency services to our citizens.

The paramedic program was first developed in Davis County under the County Sheriff's Department. All of the changes have occurred since its inception, such as EMT-trained full-time firemen in Bountiful and South Davis Fire District and six ambulances housed in South Davis County (three in Bountiful and three at South Davis Fire). I think we need to examine whether or not response times could be improved and service enhanced by basing paramedic service out of the Fire Departments, as is done in 99% of all other jurisdictions that have paramedics.

I will be encouraging COG to appoint a similar independent citizen's committee to examine our present paramedic system with the same objectives in mind as with consolidated dispatch. Those objectives will be to see if we can provide our citizens with equal or better service in a less-expensive manner. As elected officials, we need to assure ourselves that there isn't a better delivery mechanism for equal or better services. I'm sure COG will want to explore this with the same enthusiasm as we explored consolidated dispatch.