Neighbors and Friends,

I want to begin by telling you how honored I am to be your Mayor! Thank you for giving me the privilege of serving you for another term. Thanks to everyone who participated in the South Salt Lake election – the candidates, the residents, the businesses and the boosters. We proved that democracy is alive and well in our proud city.

I worked very hard to reach each of you and to understand what’s most important to you. As I listened on your doorsteps and in your living rooms, I heard your concerns, your ideas and your desire to make a difference. I met with people who want to be more involved and need to be invited to the table. And I saw again how passionate our neighbors are about our city and how much they care about our future. These discussions deepened my love for South Salt Lake and inspired me to elevate my service to you.

Whether you voted for me or not, you showed that you cared about our future. I thank you for this. Now is the time to turn these conversations into action. My first commitment to you is to keep these conversations going. I am looking for new and innovative ways to bring varied and disparate voices together. These will include community conversations, town halls and neighborhood open houses. I will also continue my Mondays with the Mayor – a 4-hour block of time when any one is invited share their concerns. To schedule a time call 801-464-6757.

But I am also asking you to do your part. Please get more involved where you can. Come to City Council meetings. Sign up for our weekly email updates. Make your voice heard.

These last few months have been some of the most thrilling and rewarding of my life. I am excited for what lies ahead and hope you will be a part of it. Thank you!

South Salt Lake Angel Tree

Stop by City Hall and visit our Angel Tree from now until mid-December. The tree is located on the 2nd floor of South Salt Lake City Hall (220 East Morris Ave). It is ornamented with tags that have a description of wants or needs of a local resident. Youth City Council will be accepting and distributing for families in need. Gifts may be dropped off at City Hall. Please don’t forget to attach the tag to your wrapped gift so we know who it belongs to. Monetary donations can also be made at the Finance Department on the 2nd Floor. The South Salt Lake Youth City Council would like to thank everyone in advance for participating. Questions contact Edward Lopez: elopez@sslc.com or 801-455-1729
December Holidays and Traditions Celebrated in South Salt Lake

Advent: December 3rd-24th

For many of our Catholic residents, Advent is the celebration of and preparation for Christ's birth at Christmas. During this time, biblical stories are shared, special pink and purple candles are lit at mass each week, and the days are marked off by many families on special advent calendars that sometimes have chocolate or other treats inside.

Hanukkah: December 12th-20th

Hanukkah, the festival of lights, is an eight day celebration that remembers the trials and tribulations of the Maccabees (ancient Israelites). Jewish families often say prayers and light candles together each night of Hanukkah, which are kept burning in ornamental menorahs. Children play games with dreidels (spinning tops made of wood or clay) and families exchange gifts each evening.

Festival of Our Lady of Guadalupe: December 12th

This day commemorates the appearance of the Virgin Mary to St. Juan Diego near Mexico City in 1531. Many Mexican and Mexican American families celebrate this holiday by sharing large family or community meals, by creating shrines to la Virgen, or by praying or attending mass.

Winter Solstice or Yule: December 21st

Winter Solstice marks the beginning of winter and is the shortest day/longest night of the year. Many people celebrate nature with festivals, decorations, and ceremonies. For Pagans and Wiccans, the Solstice represents rebirth, renewal, and new beginnings.

Christmas Eve/Day: December 24th/25th

For Christian, Christmas is a holiday honoring the birth of Jesus Christ. Also known as Jesus of Nazareth, a spiritual leader whose teachings form the basis of Christianity. This celebratory period is typically used as a time for family and friends to gather, dine and exchange gifts. Additionally, many decorate trees and attend religious gatherings.

Kwanzaa: December 26th-January 1st

Kwanzaa is a seven day celebration of African American history, heritage, and culture. Each day is associated with a principle, which together are called the Nguzo Saba (seven principles). Families celebrate each day by lighting special black, red, and green candles, by creating artwork, and by sharing a Unity Cup, or Umoja, together.

New Year’s Eve/Day: December 31st/January 1st

New Years marks the end of the calendar year in the United States. Many people celebrate New Year’s Eve by staying up late (until midnight) and use pots and pans, fireworks, and other noise makers to announce the start of a new year. New Year’s is also a time when many residents may make resolutions to plan for a great year.
K9 Retirements

K9 Buck began his service for the City of South Salt Lake in 2010. He and his handler Fire Fighter Mike Jones have served the citizens of the city and state until his retirement last month. K9 Buck was certified in Search and Rescue, tracking, rubble pile, evidence search and explosive detection. He served on Utah Task Force 5, Utah Bomb Dog Task Force and Utah State’s Child Abduction Response Team while also being regularly deployed for emergencies in the City.

K9 Buck was deployed many times throughout the course of his career at a local, state and federal level. K9 Buck was also awarded top dog in building search and search and rescue at the Utah Police Officer Association K9 Trials in 2013. K9 Buck has had many accomplishments including finding firearms in secure areas during two separate searches for visiting political dignitaries. K9 Buck has transitioned into retirement and is enjoying spending time with his family.

Officer Alan Hunsaker and his K-9 partner, Police Service Dog Max, have served the City of South Salt Lake for nearly a decade. Max, a Bloodhound utilized for tracking, has led to the apprehension of numerous fugitives and the recovery of lost children. Together they also served on the Child Abduction Response Team (CART); where Max successfully located a child who had been kidnapped and subsequently, safely recovered. Their partnership will be greatly missed, as PSD Max recently retired from service as a police dog. PSD Max will spend his retirement with Officer Hunsaker.

South Salt Lake extends a thank you to PSD Max, Officer Hunsaker, K9 Buck and Fire Fighter Jones for their dedicated service to the residents of our city, county and state.

Featured Artist: Torben Bernhard

Torben Bernhard is an award-winning director, editor, and cinematographer who lives and works in South Salt Lake. He has made films on subjects ranging from the disappearance of a town in Southern Utah, to the life of a trash picker in Thailand, to “Transmormon,” the story of a Mormon family’s gradual acceptance of their transgender daughter. He has directed and produced several critically-acclaimed short and feature documentaries that have been featured in The New York Times, The Atlantic, Upworthy, People Magazine, The Huffington Post, and more. Read and see more at www.sslarts.org/featured-artist

Veterans’ Memorial Dedication

Granite Park Jr. High held a Veterans’ Memorial dedication and veterans appreciation program on Nov. 10. The program included GPJH principal, Aaron Wilson, highlighting the 22 former Granite Park Junior students that had fallen in battle in American service throughout the years, and assured the students in attendance that the fallen soldiers’ spirit, dedication, commitment, and love of country still remains through our memory of them at Granite Park Junior. Principal Wilson then called rollcall for each of the soldiers, having students scattered throughout the audience rise and say “here” or “present” to represent their presence. Many veterans were present in the audience and were called upon to stand, if able and receive applause for their service.
Woodrow Wilson Roadrunners Are Global Humanitarians

Kid Power is a program through the United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund that provides students with a Kid Power band that tracks their steps and enables them to use their steps to purchase humanitarian aid abroad. This program was designed to engage students in additional daily physical activity at school and to promote physical activity when at home by allowing them to set goals for themselves and earn extra steps when completing goals. Furthermore, the Kid Power program also teaches students about global humanitarianism and has a lesson plan that trains students to become global citizens.

The Kid Power program is a new club in Woodrow Wilson elementary school’s afterschool program and is run by three students from Westminster College. During the No Hunger Action month of September and leading into October, students in Kid Power earned 1440 RUTF (ready-to-use therapeutic foods) do be dispensed to combat food insecurity and child malnutrition in places in the world that are experiencing severe acute malnutrition such as the South Sudan, Somalia, and Haiti. The World Bank estimates that 50 million children suffer from malnutrition each year, 16 million of which suffer from severe malnutrition. UNICEF aims to reduce child stunting by 40% by 2025 and will save 3.7 million children through RUTF. Each day that Woodrow Wilson’s Kid Power club participates, they are saving the lives of children in the developing world while being physically active in South Salt Lake.

Edward, a fifth grade student who participates in the Kid Power club stated, “I like Kid Power because I feel like I get to make a difference in another child’s life who doesn’t have food to eat and needs it. I remind myself to not be lazy when I think about earning food for them.”

Woodrow Wilson’s Kid Power program is one of the most popular clubs in the afterschool program and is teaching global responsibilities by inspiring youth to be humanitarians.

South Salt Lake is home to a new telehealth kiosk at the Columbus Center, 2531 South 400 East. Intermountain Healthcare and United Way of Salt Lake, in partnership with Promise South Salt Lake, held a ribbon cutting for the opening of the kiosk on Nov. 14. Provided by American Well, the kiosk provides low-cost care to residents for low-level urgent care conditions through Intermountain Connect Care. This video system connects you to a live doctor who can diagnose and write basic prescriptions. The kiosk is open to everyone and accepts a wide variety of insurance payments for its low cost services. The kiosk is equipped with a wide range of diagnostic tools and provides integrated translation services through Globo Interpretation.

“We are excited to have a low-level urgent care resource, which provides healthcare at our fingertips. This will ensure that we keep our Promise to all of our residents so they may have the opportunity to be healthy and prosper,” Mayor Wood said at the ribbon cutting. For more information contact Lauren Levorsen at 385-630-9753.
SSL Capital Improvement Highlights

400 East and the S-Line Streetcar: A contractor has been selected for this project. Engineering is reviewing documents submitted by the contractor so a contract can be approved and signed.

Sunset Avenue Waterline – State Street to 200 East: All work on the waterline replacement has been completed. In the spring a contractor will be selected to reconstruct the pavement and install new curb, gutter and sidewalk. Drainage improvements will also be constructed.

Central Park: The restrooms and playground are complete. Trees and landscaping will be installed in the spring. There is also a new walkway leading into the park along the sports field that creates a walking loop around the park.

State Street Lighting – 3300 South to 3900 South: All lighting and wiring has been installed. Rocky Mountain Power must install power to the lighting so final connections can be made and the lights will be put into service.

December Crime Prevention Tips

The holiday season is great time of year. It is also a time when busy people become careless and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crimes. We can never be too careful, too prepared or too aware.

- Keep all car doors locked while in or out of your car.
- Do not leave packages on the seat of your car. This creates a temptation for thieves.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert of your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Teach children to stay close to you at all times while shopping.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors of your home.
- If you use lights on your Christmas tree ensure the wiring is not damaged or frayed.

Lead Poisoning is 100% Preventable

Lead is still a problem in Salt Lake County. Many low-income families live in homes that were built before 1978 that contain lead based paint. Even if the surface has been re-painted with non-lead-based paint, if it is chipping or peeling, that surface is exposing lead to the home and those who live in it.

Lead is dangerous for everyone but especially to those under age six. This age range is when the brain and nervous system are still developing. Lead poisoning can lead to slowed growth and development, learning and behavior problems, and hearing and speech difficulties.

In order to be eligible for a FREE program, families must be a Salt Lake County resident, live in a home built before 1978, be pregnant or have children under the age of 6 living in or visiting the home, and meet income qualifications.

If you think you qualify for Salt Lake County’s free services, please contact: 385-468-4892.

Consideration

Definition: the act of considering; careful thought; meditation; deliberation

Every human being is entitled to courtesy and consideration. Constructive criticism is not only to be expected but sought.

- Margaret Chase Smith
SSL Chess Tournament Highlights

Ninety-seven very active and talented chess players took it to the board in November at the South Salt Lake annual chess tournament. Students from up north of Box Elder to south of Pleasant Grove participated in the non-rating tournament. Thank you to parents and coaches who willingly gave of their time to support the students at the all-day event.

Olivia Jiang came to the tournament as a 3rd grader hoping to up her game. She attends elementary school just outside the SSL boundaries. She requested to enter the upper grade for competition. She finished the tournament with 4 wins before taking a 0 on the last round due to a bye request. We congratulate her and award her the 11th grade first place for her commitment and competitiveness in chess.

Ryan Suarez was among many of the new comers to the chess tournament. During the rounds Ryan was learning all about the game, how the tournament goes and rules. He gave up a win for a draw in one of the rounds to help an opponent earn points at the tournaments. Ryan was awarded the Good Sportsmanship trophy for being willing to see the difference in being competitive and compassionate.

South Salt Lake City Council Action Report Summary

Full agendas, minutes, handouts and video recorded meetings available at sslc.com/city-government/council-meeting

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