

# American Fork

## city scoop

### MAYOR'S MESSAGE FOR SUMMER

Years ago, our City logo was a wagon wheel. It has changed since then, but I've always liked that symbolism. The wagon wheel represents movement, travel and industry. It suggests innovation and perseverance. At the center is strong, central "hub" connecting everything, like spokes, branching out. Though our logo has changed, our role as a strong community connector remains.

With summer approaching, I want to draw attention upcoming City events. Most are affordable or free, and are appropriate families, students, visitors and seniors.

Our first major gathering is our Annual Memorial Day Breakfast, hosted by the American Fork City Fire Department. (Shown here to the right.)

The fire department has been hosting this crowd-pleaser for years. In addition to breakfast, there is a program and a safety table with free car seats, helmets, smoke detectors and fire prevention tips.

On June 6, our Summer Concert series returns to the American Fork Amphitheater at Quail Cove. Concerts are Mondays at 7 p.m.,

and feature local performers, and upcoming talent with community ties. (The full schedule is on page 2 of this newsletter.)

Kicking off the series is a Nashville-based Tim Easton, who will release the album, "American Fork," in July.

The series will, as always, feature the American Fork High School Marching Band, Wasatch Winds and Timpanogos Chorale, plus we're adding other Utah performers.

On the Fourth of July, local favorite Ryan Shupe and the Rubberband will perform as well as an inspirational choir (singing a patriotic tribute). We are asking patrons to donate items to veterans at the Valor House for this concert. (Needed items include pillows, toiletries and jackets.)

The Library's 'Stache Day will be held on June 6. This all-day family event ushers in Summer Reading Programs with a 'STACHE DASH (fun run). There will be a mustache contest, guest appearances, games and prizes. The event is free, but registration is required at [aflibrarystachedash.eventbrite.com](http://aflibrarystachedash.eventbrite.com).

### JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST

The American Fork Fire Rescue would like to invite everyone to the annual Memorial Day Breakfast.

Start your holiday out right with a full breakfast served from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m., Monday, May 30 at the American Fork Fire Station at 96 N. Center Street.

The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. **Veterans eat free.**

Join us along with Sparky, Smokey Bear, Lifeflight and Utah Highway Patrol.

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# SWING INTO SPRING

Fox Hollow Golf Course is offering a BUY ONE, and GET ONE FREE bucket during May.

Bring in this Newsletter, or mention it, to take advantage of the special.

## Outdoor Summer concert lineup

6-Jun	Tim Easton
13-Jun	Timp Chorale
20-Jun	Winchester
27-Jun	American Fork Marching Band
4-Jul	Ryan Shupe & the Rubber Band
11-Jul	Foreign Figures
18-Jul	Mountain Country
25-Jul	Red Desert Ramblers
1-Aug	VanLadyLove

Concerts are Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Quail Cove Amphitheater. They are free, however, patrons are asked to bring donations for the Valor House, a transition home for veterans as an admission/contribution.

Concessions and Food Trucks will be on site for most events. Patrons are welcome to also bring food and snacks. (Alcohol is not permitted.) For information visit [www.afcity.org](http://www.afcity.org).

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The Food Truck Rally started in April, and Happy Valley Farmers Market will join it on Wednesdays between July 15 and Oct. 26, 5 to 9 p.m., at Robinson Park.

If you don't like the bustle, we have 29 parks with open space for picnics and play. To reserve a park, visit [www.afcity.org/parkreservations](http://www.afcity.org/parkreservations).

Haven't visited our spectacular namesake recently? The American Fork Canyon has nine camping sites and Timpanongos Caves. Each summer, the Fitness Center

organizes day trips to the Cave. Our boat harbor is a great escape. This year we received more than \$200,000 in grants to add a beachfront and picnic tables (2017).

Lastly, Steel Days, (Tuesday, July 5 to Saturday, July 9) will be packed with activities, exhibits, the Grand Parade, Picnic in the Park, Big Show, fireworks and more.

Events are on [www.afcity.org/calendar](http://www.afcity.org/calendar), Twitter and Facebook.

**~James H. Hadfield  
Mayor**

## 2017 ANNUAL CITY BUDGET TO BE REVIEWED ON MAY 10

The City of American Fork, as part of its routine budget process, is anticipating approving an overhead allocation from the water/sewer fund to the general fund. This allocation is to cover expenditures incurred by the general fund on behalf of the water/sewer fund.

We also anticipate a transfer from the water/sewer fund to the general fund, and fitness center fund to cover the cost of culinary water, sewer, storm and secondary irrigation used by government buildings and properties.

The transfers and overhead allocations consist of the items shown to the right.

WATER	
Allocation to General Fund	409,000
GF Utilities Transfer	17,100
Fitness Utilities Transfer	9,400
SEWER	
Allocation to General Fund	409,000
GF Utilities Transfer	19,800
Fitness Utilities Transfer	29,300
STORM DRAIN	
Allocation to General Fund	250,000
GF Utilities Transfer	18,700
SECONDARY IRRIGATION	
GF Utilities Transfer	160,500

## SPRING/SUMMER DRIVING SAFETY

According to the Utah Fatality Analysis Reporting System, there have been 41 fatalities resulting from 38 accidents so far in 2016.

Pedestrian deaths account for 24 percent of fatalities on Utah roads this year, almost 10 victims.

Please help us reduce pedestrian fatalities by following the safety tips provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:

- Comply with the rules of the road! Utilize crosswalks at intersections and obey signs and signals.
- Walk facing traffic.

- Be aware of the traffic surrounding you. Avoid participating in distracting activities like talking or texting on the phone.
- Before crossing the road, look left-right-left.
- Make eye contact with drivers as they approach. It is not safe to assume that the driver sees you.
- Wear bright clothing during the day and reflective materials at night.

Last year (2015) saw the highest number of pedestrian fatalities since 1987.

We encourage you to follow the safety advice provided above to help decrease pedestrian injury and death in 2016.

## WATCH FOR RESEARCHERS, COMING TO A YARD NEAR YOU

Residents should be aware that the City of American Fork is participating in a scientific environmental study, and that researchers from Brigham Young University will be testing soil in residential lawns over the next few months.

You may see someone briefly testing the street-side edge of your front lawn or your neighbors' front lawns with small hand-held tools.

This is part of the study and has been approved by BYU and the City.

If you have questions or concerns, BYU research assistants who are collecting this data will have name badges and, upon request, can show you badges to verify who they are.

## AF among the safest Utah cities

In a recent independent study by [backgroundchecks.org](http://backgroundchecks.org), American Fork was named one of the safest cities in all of Utah.

"This achievement, is a result of city government, police, and residents working together to ensure that American Fork is safe," said Outreach Director Jason Quimby.

or a look at the entire study, go to <http://backgroundchecks.org/30-safest-cities-in-utah-2016.html>.

## EYE ON SCOUTING

Scouts are collecting donations of used and unwanted glasses to give to individuals in third-world countries.

Collections boxes are at the Fitness Center, Library and Administration Office.

And don't forget this month's "Meet the Council Member" event set for Saturday, May 18 between 6 and 7 p.m. at the American Fork Fitness Center.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Date & Time	Event	Location	Details
May 2, 7:30 p.m.	Wasatch Winds Concert	American Fork High School Auditorium	100th Anniversary Concert, "The Joy of Music."
May 3 through 5, 7 p.m.	HAST Summer League Swim Team Tryouts (nine-week program)	American Fork Pool, 454 N. Center St.	You must sign up online and be proficient in freestyle, backstroke & side breathing to try out ( <a href="http://www.hilltopaquatics.org">www.hilltopaquatics.org</a> ).
May 5, 7 p.m.	Teen Thing	American Fork City Library	Ultimate Thumbwrestling Championship. Ages 11 to 18
May 4, 11, 18 & 25, 5 to 9 p.m.	Food Truck Rally	Robinson Park	
May 7, 11 a.m.	American Fork Children's Choir	Thanksgiving Point Gardens	The choir will perform at the Tulip Festival.
May 16 - 21, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.	Scholastic Book Fair	American Fork City Library	Each purchase earns book points from Scholastic and a prize-drawing entry for patrons.
May 18, 6 p.m.	Meet the Councilman		For scouts ages 8 to 17
May 23, 7:30 p.m.	Timpanogos Chorale performs the "Spirit of America"	American Fork Jr. High Auditorium	Admission is \$5 per person or \$15 for a family.
May 21, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Utah Lake Clean-up Day	Utah Lake	Contact Luke Allen, <a href="mailto:llallen@utahlakecommission.org">llallen@utahlakecommission.org</a> .
May 26, 7 p.m.	CPR Certification Class	American Fork Fire Department	See <a href="http://www.afcity.org">www.afcity.org</a>
May 30, Memorial Day, 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Annual Fireman Breakfast	American Fork Fire Department	See <a href="http://www.afcity.org">www.afcity.org</a>

City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. Details about these and other City and community events are also listed on [www.afcity.org](http://www.afcity.org), Twitter and Facebook.

