HISTORY OF VETERAN’S DAY
The following is taken from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs website.

World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: “To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory....”

After WWII Armistice Day became known as Veteran’s Day, made official through a bill signed by President Eisenhower in 1954.

AF VETERAN’S DAY PROGRAM
Please join us for the annual American Fork City Veteran’s Day program, “All Gave Some, Some Gave All.” The program will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 11:00am. The location for this year’s program will be the auditorium at the American Fork Junior High School, the address is 20 West 1120 North, American Fork.

The featured speaker will be Lt. Colonel Matt Price, garrison commander of Camp Williams. The program will also feature the Chamber Choir from American Fork High School, and the first and second place winners of the Mary Kawakami Speech contest.

The Veteran’s Day program is both a tribute to and opportunity to acknowledge those who have served in the armed services.
Did you know the average American gains five pounds or more between Halloween and New Year’s Day? If you don’t want a belly that shakes when you laugh (like a bowl full of jelly), then join American Fork Fitness Center’s popular Maintain, Don’t Gain challenge!

The challenge is to maintain or loose weight during the holiday season. Everyone who accomplishes this will qualify for a prize. The person with the most weight lost will be announced at the annual Fitness Fair on Jan. 13 and will receive a grand prize package.

It costs $5 to participate, with initial weigh-in running from Oct. 13 to Nov. 11. The more people that sign up, the bigger the prizes, so get your friends involved!

For questions or more information contact the Fitness Center at 801-763-3084.

ELECTIONS

Candidates on the AF ballot:

Mayor: Carlton E. Bowen
        Brad Frost

Council: Jeffrey Shorter
         Kyle Barratt
         Barbara Christiansen
         Staci Carroll

General Election Day is November 7.
A Voter Service Center will be held at the Library from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. to assist voters. Preliminary results will be announced that night, but the official results will not be announced until Nov. 21.

Ballots were mailed out Oct. 17! If you did not receive a ballot please call the County Elections Office at 801-851-8128.

WRITING YOUR STORY

American Fork Library & Daughters of the Utah Pioneers (DUP) jointly present:

"Writing Your Story: Researching & Writing Family History" Please come and learn tips on how to be effective with family history. The event will be on Tuesday, Nov 14 and will feature guest speaker historian Chad Orton.

Event begins at 1:30 p.m. with the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, followed at 2:30 p.m. with Chad Orton. Light refreshments will be served.

This is free event, but please RSVP with the American Fork Library (801) 763-3070 as seating is limited.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Citizen’s can also get involved through the police department’s Neighborhood Watch Program. visit the City’s website, or contact Sgt. Josh Christensen at jchristensen@afcity.net to learn more.

For more crime prevention tips contact the American Fork Police Department at 801-763-3020.

MAINTAIN, DON’T GAIN

Crime Prevention Tips

Crime is unavoidable. But luckily, our police are a professional group of men and women who work to deter crime before it happens, or to catch those responsible when it happens. But the police cannot do it alone.

It takes a combined effort by the police and citizens working together to deter and stop the criminal element in our society. The American Fork police have been contacting citizens when a garage door is found open or a car is left unlocked. If the officers are unable to contact the homeowners they typically leave a flyer informing the owners of the risk they are exposing themselves to. All this in an effort to be good neighbors and help each other deter crime.

So please remember to close your garage doors, lock your cars, and if you see a crime, report it as soon as possible. Combining our efforts and coming together to work as a team we can reduce the crime in American Fork and Cedar Hills.
KNOW THE CODE: NUISANCES

TITLE: NUISANCE ABATEMENT

Title 8.08 of the City Municipal Code deals with nuisance and abatement. These are what most homeowners consider “code violations.”

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Sec 8.08.030 of the City Code prohibits the specific conditions listed below for any person who owns, rents, leases, occupies, and has charge or possession of any property in the city, without limitation.

SPECIFIC PROHIBITIONS

1. A condition that causes visual blight, is offensive to the senses, creates a harborage for rodents or pests, or detrimentally affects property in the surrounding neighborhood or community.
2. A condition that impairs the reasonable and lawful use of property.
3. A condition that unreasonably or unlawfully affects the health or safety of one or more persons.
4. A fire hazard as defined in the Uniform Fire Code.
5. Emanation of noxious or unreasonable odors, fumes, gas, smoke, soot or cinders.
6. Noxious weeds located on property, including vacant lots, or along public sidewalks or outer edge of any public street, or weeds in any other location which constitutes an unreasonable fire hazard or is contrary to the purpose of this chapter.
7. Keeping or storing of any refuse and waste matter which interferes with the reasonable enjoyment of nearby property.
8. Polluted or stagnant water which constitutes an unhealthy or unsafe condition.
9. Accumulation of soil, litter, debris, plant trimmings, or trash, on sidewalks, in vestibules, doorways, passages, breezeways, parking areas or any public right-of-way or alley.
10. Accumulation of used or damaged lumber; junk; salvage materials; abandoned, discarded or unused furniture; stoves, sinks, toilets, cabinets, or other fixtures or equipment stored so as to be visible from a public street, alley, or adjoining property. However, nothing herein shall preclude the placement of stacked firewood for personal non-commercial use on the premises.
11. Any attractive nuisance dangerous to children and other persons.
12. Dead, decayed, diseased, or hazardous trees, weeds, hedges, and overgrown or uncultivated vegetation which is in a hazardous condition, is an obstruction to pedestrian or vehicular traffic, or which is likely to harbor rats, vermin or other pests.
13. Improper maintenance of a sign; or signs which advertise a business that is no longer operating on the property or advertising a product that is no longer sold on the property.
14. Improper storage of inoperative, unregistered, abandoned, wrecked or dismantled vehicles or vehicle parts, including recreational vehicles.
15. Any wall, sign, fence, gate, hedge, or structure maintained in such condition of deterioration or disrepair as to constitute a hazard to persons or property.

It is important to note that a person may be issued a citation for any violation of the preceding conditions without prior warnings or notice. However, when the city has to respond, we try to be neighborly and work with the property owner.

If after sufficient time is given to the property owner to remedy the situation, the city still needs to take action, they will submit to the property owner an itemized list of costs related to fixing the problem. Additional civil remedies can be found in Sec 8.08.050.

At the end the day these are standards we are all expected to live by in American Fork. We should consider our actions and the potential side effects of our decisions to our neighbors and our community. As is often the case, communication is the key. Proper communication between neighbors, and between the city and the citizens, helps keep people educated on the rules, and keeps us all safe and happy.

For questions on whether or not something constitutes a nuisance, you may contact the City Code Enforcement Officer at 801-763-3020.
### UPComing EVENTS

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<td>12 Sprays of Christmas</td>
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<td>An essential oils make and take workshop. $5 registration required in Library.</td>
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<td>Daylight Saving Time Ends</td>
<td>American Fork City</td>
<td>Set clocks back an hour.</td>
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<td>Full STEAM Ahead</td>
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<td>Senior’s Thanksgiving Dinner</td>
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<td>Magic Tree House Book Club</td>
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<td>Thanksgiving</td>
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<td>City offices will be closed (Library will be closed beginning 3 p.m. on Nov 22 through 26).</td>
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<td>Nov 27, 6:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Monday Movie Night</td>
<td>American Fork Library</td>
<td>Enjoy “It’s a Wonderful Life”. BYO snacks, pajamas, &amp; blankets. Contact Library for details.</td>
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City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays for 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.