



City of Hurricane

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PEACH DAYS

The 18th annual Peach Days celebration planning is once again underway. This year the well-attended and much loved event will be held September 2nd and 3rd. It is time to begin preparations if you would like to participate. Vendor applications are the first thing on the agenda. *Beginning April 1st* all vendor spots will open. Food, Commercial and Homemade Sales applications are all on a first come first serve basis. For Food and Commercial call: Kelly Klienman (619-5387) and for homemade sales call: Paula Arriola (635-4426 or 862-3787). These spots go fast – so if you are interested please be prompt! Each year there are disappointed community members who miss signing up or wait until only a few weeks before the event. Sometimes there are cancellations at that late date, but for the most part if you wish to participate in this you must sign up early. Find information, entry forms, etc. at www.cityofhurricane.com/categories/about/events/peach-days/



Other events in Peach Days that we hope you will begin to prepare for are the displays! Without the community's participation, there would be no displays. Now is a great time to begin those crafts, plant the garden, or start the handiwork and artwork that you might enter when the event week arrives. Remember you can win cash prizes for sweepstakes and reserve sweepstakes ribbons. Of course there are many other contests and events you can begin to prepare for too. We are looking forward to another great year and thank you all in advance for your participation and attendance! Peach Days is a celebration of our heritage, but more important it is a celebration of the wonderful community of which we all call home. *We hope to see you in September!*



POWER DEPARTMENT

Vicky Ogden has worked for the City of Hurricane for 20 years and has been the Administrative Assistant and Resource Scheduler for the Power Department 18 of those years. Vicky is set to retire on March 25th. Vicky has seen many changes with the Power Department and has been a great help as the power industry and department has become much more sophisticated. Thank you Vicky for all you have done!

Hurricane City Power Department was awarded Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) by the American Public Power Association. This designation was applied for by the Hurricane Power Department Staff. The application required documentation of many power and service reliability disciplines as well as documentation of safety and training programs. The recipients of the RP3 award are proven to have a high level of safety and training with a high priority on service reliability. The Power Department is proud of this award and continues to strive to live up to the RP3 designation. Hurricane joins several other Utah RP3 recipients some of which are St. George, Springville, Lehi, Bountiful and Logan.

DAYS OF '47 DIXIE

Days of '47 Dixie cordially invites any and all to join us for our expanded celebration on *Saturday, July 23rd, 2016*. Both Veteran's and Nisson Parks will be included this year. We invite all youth to sign up and participate in our Stripling Warrior parade. We would love for families and other groups to be a part in our handcart companies or other parade entries. Our special event this year is the Osmond Family program. A special program has been written for our area. It will be free to the public and will be held on July 22nd and July 23rd. Details about tickets and sites will follow. Please check our website <http://daysof47dixie.com/> for all of the wonderful events taking place this year.



CEMETERY

With Memorial Day right around the corner (May 30th) the Parks and Cemetery crews will be working hard to prepare the cemetery for the public to start placing flowers and decorations on their loved one's graves (Fertilizing, mowing, edging, weed eating, general cleanup, etc.). Crews will not be doing any maintenance in the cemetery from Friday, May 27th to Sunday, June 5th. The public is welcome to continue to decorate graves during this time. **At 7:00am on Monday, June 6th, crews will begin cleaning up the cemetery so we can get back to our regular maintenance schedule. We ask that all decorations be removed BEFORE this time.** Any decorations that are not in permanent holders, attached to a headstone and ALL glass will be discarded by cemetery crews. We ask that throughout the year no glass or rocks be placed around or on headstones. This is for the safety of the maintenance crew while they are mowing and trimming the grass.

HURRICANE CITY PARKS

Hurricane City is home to mild winters and sunshine throughout most of the year, making outdoor recreation a way of life. Parks promote this way of life and are a welcome resource to the community. Our parks offer amenities such as: open space, picnic areas,

play structures, splash pads and ball fields. However, new residents and those who have lived in the area for a while may not be familiar with where all of the parks are and their specific amenities. To learn more about these parks, including their location and amenities, please go to www.cityofhurricane.com/categories/departments/parks/#glance. **Let's get out there and enjoy these beautiful green spaces!**

Hurricane City Parks Department is proud to provide a variety of park amenities for your enjoyment. Our goal is to ensure a safe, family friendly and enjoyable experience for all guests. For your safety and for the safety of others, please observe the following rules:



General Park Rules:

1. City parks are open during daylight hours only unless permission is granted by the city to be used after dark.
2. All city parks are family friendly places for all to enjoy, we do not allow alcohol, drugs, or any tobacco products, including smoking in any area of any park. We also ask that you refrain from profanity, any improper behavior, and intoxication while enjoying the park.
3. Dogs are not allowed in any city park with the exception of the dog park.
4. Bikes, skateboards, and rollerblade use is prohibited in all parks with the exception of the bike park.
5. Open fires are only allowed in designated fire pits and please make sure fire is out and cold before leaving.
6. Overnight camping is prohibited.
7. Please keep all motorized vehicles off grass.
8. Please clean up after yourself.

General Splash Pad Rules:

1. All general park rules above apply.
2. In an effort to conserve water, the water for the Splash Pad re-circulates so **For Your Safety PLEASE Do Not** change diapers on or near the Splash Pad! Diaper changing tables are provided in the restrooms.
3. Children who are not toilet trained must wear tightly fitting plastic pants and a swim diaper.
4. It is important that all persons wear modest swim suits and/or appropriate attire at all times.
5. No running or rough play is permitted.
6. The Splash Pad area is designed for the water features and is not designed for the use of skateboards, rollerblades, bicycles, and scooters. All are prohibited in the Splash Pad area.
7. Picnic tables around the splash pad area are for your use, no food or beverages are allowed on the Splash Pad area.
8. Water balloons, balls, and toys are many times fun things to play with while in the water, but we ask that you refrain from using these things in the Splash Pad area.
9. Glass containers of any kind are prohibited.
10. And most importantly, **PLEASE HAVE FUN and MAKE IT A SPLASH!**



CONFLUENCE PARK TRAILHEAD GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

The City of Hurricane in conjunction with Confluence Park just completed some trailhead improvements at the north end of Main Street. The improvements provide a series of maps showing the trails within the park and other pertinent data. A restroom was also built along with a parking lot. On the north side of the restroom there is an extended roof providing shade as you look out over the park and match up the points you observe on the map. The Confluence Park provides an escape from city life as you enter into a nature preserve with numerous hiking trails.

To honor the completion and to introduce the new improvements to the public, a grand opening celebration will be held on April 16th at 10:00 AM. Local officials will speak, and refreshments will be served. Come join us for this event and see what Confluence Park has to offer you. Just follow North Main Street to the far north end where it reaches the Virgin River Gorge.

HURRICANE RECREATION



The Hurricane Valley Theatrical Company in conjunction with the City of Hurricane is pleased to announce their upcoming Spring Show, Little Women! Tickets available now.

PLAYING April 8th - May 2nd Shows are Monday nights at 7pm, Friday nights at 7pm and 2 shows on Saturday at 2pm & 7pm. Get tickets \$8 General Admission either by calling 435-635-2609 or visit: www.hurricanerecreation.com

Produced nationally and internationally, *Little Women* has been praised by critics for its ambition in adapting such a well-known story for the stage. This timeless captivating story is brought to life in this glorious musical filled with personal discovery, heartache, hope, and everlasting love. Based on Louisa May Alcott's life, *Little Women* follows the adventures of sisters Jo, Meg, Beth and Amy March. Jo is trying to sell her stories for publication, but the publishers are not interested - her friend Professor Bhaer tells her that she

has to do better and write more from herself. Begrudgingly taking this advice, Jo weaves the story of herself and her sisters and their experience growing up in Civil War America.

Little Women embodies the complete theatrical experience, guaranteeing a night filled with laughter, tears, and a lifting of the spirit. *Little Women* features plenty of great opportunities for female actors and singers ranging in age from teenage to 70 years old. The show also has a flexible cast size that can include as few as 10 or as many as 42 people! The powerful score soars with the sounds of personal discovery, heartache and hope -- the sounds of a young America finding its voice.

TREE BOARD

TREES ARE TERRIFIC FOR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS! 2016 theme for Hurricane City Arbor Day, April 22, 2016

Arbor Day activities in our community are springtime activities and can involve the entire community. Our hope is that individual citizens will use this time to plant trees. “The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago, and the next best time is today!” We are inviting all citizens to consider how important trees are to our community.



Our Hurricane City Tree Board began Arbor Day activities on March 12th with an amazingly well presented workshop. Daniel Allen, as Certified Arborist representing the State of Utah, was our keynote speaker. He gave great ideas and resources to attendees on tree selection and maintenance. We appreciated support with nice door prizes from local sponsors including: Bucks Ace Hardware, Ballard Nursery, Walmart, and Scholzens. Also from Hurricane City on the program was Chris Shamo from the Power Department, and Clay Campbell from Streets Department. They left us with gratitude for their service and great ideas as to how citizens can contribute in the long term to our city infrastructure by careful planting and diligence in care of our trees.

In keeping with the theme of “Arbor Day 2016” I mention some important reasons trees are valuable to the community:

1. Oxygen Replenishment and Carbon Dioxide Sequestration: Trees absorb carbon dioxide and release Oxygen.
2. Groundwater Filtration: Tree’s hair like roots fibers filter groundwater.
3. Pollution Control: Tree leaves and roots act as natural filters for air and rainwater
4. Aesthetics: Trees beautify all urban areas—just compare Hurricane 2016 with 1916!
5. Education: Lots of opportunities for learning about life and economy and production!
6. Mental Health: Trees provide soothing green scenery that has been shown to speed up patient recovery in hospitals.
7. Mineral and Nutrients cycling and Retention: Through growth, transpiration, and death, trees tie up minerals from the air water, and soil.
8. Climate Control: Trees work as natural barriers to wind, snow, rain, and solar rays, controlling climate in micro-areas, such as asphalt parking lots!
9. Habitat for Wildlife: Trees and forests provide homes for many different species of animals and birds.
10. Physical Health and Recreation: Great exercise environment for walkers, bikers, and runners.
11. Natural Sources of Medicines: Trees provide substances that have medicinal value.
12. Economy: **Edible shade trees provide fruit and nuts**—forest trees provide timber for building.
13. Soil Retention and Rejuvenation: Tree roots hold soil in place so it cannot be easily washed away.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES (OHV)

We are continuously dealing with OHV violations year around. We realize this is a beautiful area to enjoy recreational activities, but we have to make sure to follow the laws that have been established to provide a safe and fun environment. One of the issues we are dealing with on a regular basis is the driving or riding of an OHV on a limited access state route. SR 7 is a limited access highway meaning OHV’s are prohibited, even if they are street legal. However, SR 9 is not a limited access highway, so OHV’s are prohibited from driving or riding on State Routes, unless they are registered as a street legal vehicle. Another issue we are dealing with is people just driving or riding around town, going to and from neighbors, grocery stores, stores and restaurants. This violates our City Ordinance. You are only authorized to ride or drive to and from gas stations or trail heads. We would like to remind everyone operating OHV’s to please become familiar with the Hurricane City Ordinance and the State Laws pertaining to the operation of an OHV. View the full city code online at www.cityofhurricane.com– click on “Ordinances” in the Quick Links, then click the link to the City Code and Land Use Ordinances, and navigate to Title 7, Chapter 1, Section 8 “Off Highway Vehicles”. Please use good judgement, ride safely and wear proper safety equipment as you ride.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hurricane City Police Department and the City of Hurricane Emergency Services are now offering the **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** Program. This program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area. CERT trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood

or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. We will be holding a CERT Class on May 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st. The class is a total of 24 hours; each weekend will be 4 hours on Friday evening and 8 hours on Saturday. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Officer Steve Johnson at cert@cityofhurricane.com.

THEFT/BURGLARY



The Police Department has seen an increase in vehicle burglaries over the last two months. In most instances, the vehicles have been entered through an unlocked door or a window left open. Criminals look for easy targets that allow them to quickly and quietly remove items then leave the area. These crimes can take place in a matter of seconds. Our officers and detectives have had good success apprehending criminals in these cases, but each case demands considerable time, effort, and resources. *These crimes are largely preventable.* We ask residents to assist in the reduction of these crimes by keeping vehicles locked with windows rolled up and securing all personal items. The best defense against these crimes is to make your property an unappealing target. If you suspect your home or vehicle has been burglarized, contact the police right away and allow us to come and investigate. We have a great chance of collecting valuable evidence that has not been disturbed.

RADIO STATION

Did you know that Hurricane now has its own radio station? Station KHPD, 104.5 FM, broadcasts vital information in the event of an emergency in our area. You'll hear safety tips, plus messages from Homeland Security, FEMA, the Center for Disease Control and other sources. You'll also get information on Hurricane community events throughout the year. Save 104.5 FM as button # 1 on your car radio, and tune in at least once a day. This station is brought to you by the City of Hurricane Emergency Services Division. We hope you take the time to listen to it.

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report – 2015 Hurricane City

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water sources have been determined to be from ground water.

The Drinking Water Source Protection Plan for Hurricane is available for your review. It contains information about source protection zones, potential contamination sources and management strategies to protect our drinking water. Our sources have been determined to have a low level of susceptibility from potential contamination sources. We have also developed management strategies to further protect our sources from contamination. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns about our source protection plan.

There are many connections to our water distribution system. When connections are properly installed and maintained, the concerns are very minimal. However, unapproved and improper piping changes or connections can adversely affect not only the availability, but also the quality of the water. A cross connection may let polluted water or even chemicals mingle into the water supply system when not properly protected. This not only compromises the water quality but can also affect your health. So, what can you do? Do not make or allow improper connections at your homes. Even that unprotected garden hose lying in the puddle next to the driveway is a cross connection. The unprotected lawn sprinkler system after you have fertilized or sprayed is also a cross connection. When the cross connection is allowed to exist at your home, it will affect you and your family first. If you'd like to learn more about helping to protect the quality of our water, call us for further information about ways you can help.

I'm pleased to report that our drinking water meets federal and state requirements.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Ken Richens 435-635-9442. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, at the water shop conference room, located at 646 W. 600 N.

Hurricane City routinely monitors for constituents in our drinking water in accordance with the Federal and Utah State laws. The following table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2015. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

In the following table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

ND/Low - High - For water systems that have multiple sources of water, the Utah Division of Drinking Water has given water systems the option of listing the test results of the constituents in one table, instead of multiple tables. To accomplish this, the

lowest and highest values detected in the multiple sources are recorded in the same space in the report table.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/l) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The “Maximum Allowed” (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The “Goal”(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Date- Because of required sampling time frames i.e. yearly, 3 years, 4 years and 6 years, sampling dates may seem outdated.

TEST RESULTS							
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected ND/Low-High	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Date Sampled	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants							
Total Coliform Bacteria	N	ND	N/A	0	Presence of coliform bacteria in 5% of monthly samples	2015	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal coliform and <i>E.coli</i>	N	ND	N/A	0	If a routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or <i>E. coli</i> positive	2015	Human and animal fecal waste
Turbidity for Ground Water	N	0-6	NTU	N/A	5	2013	Soil runoff
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium	N	21-47	ppb	2000	2000	2013	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Copper a. 90% results b. # of sites that exceed the AL	N	a. 710 b. 0	ppt	130000 0	AL=1300000	2015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

Lead a. 90% results b. # of sites that exceed the AL	N	a. 1700 b.0	ppt	0	AL=15000	2015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	300-1070	ppb	10000	10000	2015	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Selenium	N	ND-2	ppb	50	50	2013	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines
Sodium	N	1-34	ppm	None set by EPA	None set by EPA	2013	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills.
TDS (Total Dissolved solids)	N	466-640	ppm	2000	2000	2013	Erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-products							
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	0-13	ppb	0	80	2015	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine	N	400	ppb	4	4	2015	Water additive used to control microbes
Radioactive Contaminants							
Alpha emitters	N	2	pCi/1	0	15	2014	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	N	1	pCi/1	0	5	2014	Erosion of natural deposits
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If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Hurricane City is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by constituents that are naturally occurring or man-made. Those constituents can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers about drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).