

Highland Insider

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City Officials Sworn into Office

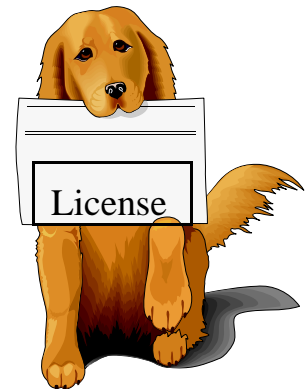
Mayor Franson, Councilpersons
Brunson & Stillman Take Oath



Rabies Clinic

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Arts Council Information

Highland City Arts Council is now offering **Merit Badge Classes!** The first class will be **Communications, Friday, February 3, 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., with an hour follow-up class Friday, February 10, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** This class will be at the Highland City Building, taught by a registered Merit Badge Counselor, and the cost is \$10. The second class will be Pottery, time TBA. This class will be at the teacher's home, who is a registered Merit Badge Counselor, and the cost is \$20, which includes the materials fee. Please call the Highland City offices (756-5751) to sign up for the classes. Anyone between the ages of 11-17 is welcome to take the classes. Our goal is to offer at least one required and one non-required merit badge class every month. If you have suggestions for a class, or are willing to teach a class (and you are a registered merit badge counselor), please e-mail meritbadges@hiwires.com.

Children's Theater Classes start Friday, February 17, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. at the Highland City Building. Classes will be held weekly until April 21, and will end with the children's musical presentation "Once

Upon a Lilypad. Suggested ages are 5-10. Cost will be \$60. Please contact Kittie Tenney, at 756-7944, to register.

Free Car Seat Checks

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children in the U.S. Placing children in age-appropriate restraint systems reduces serious and fatal injuries by more than half. Unfortunately, 98% of car seats in Utah County are used incorrectly. Children weighing 40-80 pounds and under 4' 9" should use a booster seat. Gene Harvey Chevrolet, of American Fork, is partnering with the Utah County Health Department in celebrating National Child Passenger Safety Week. Free car seat checks will be given **February 16, from 2-4 p.m., at Gene Harvey Chevrolet, located at 221 South 500 East, American Fork**. If you have any questions, please contact Utah County Health Department at 851-7068.

Recreation

Registration forms for North Utah County Soccer and Highland Youth Baseball are available at the Highland City Offices. Spring registration for **North Utah County Soccer**, for those who were not registered in the fall, is now taking place. For more information go to www.northutahcountysoccer.com.

For any questions on **Highland Youth Baseball** contact Karrie Williams at 763-0398. Registration will be March 4 and 11, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at the Highland City Building.

Public Hearings

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Highland City Council **February 7, 2006, at 8:00 p.m.**, at the Highland City Building, for the purpose of taking public input on 4.8.1 Parkland Bonus Overlay Subdivision.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Highland City Council **February 7, 2006, at 8:15 p.m.**, for the purpose of opening the budget for FY 2005-06 to make necessary adjustments.

Message from Police Chief Kip Botkin

Even though we enjoy low crime rates and live in a beautiful portion of Utah County, we are not crime free. Unfortunately, there are those persons in our society who will and do prey on others. We do investigate and take reports on a variety of criminal activity in which our residents are victimized in one form or another. Some

areas of immediate concern are burglary, credit card fraud, internet fraud, and various forms of identity theft. Although space does not allow a complete discussion on these subjects, here are a few basic precautions to be remembered.

Many burglaries are crimes of opportunity. Protecting yourself and your property will go a long way in preventing you from being victimized. Simple things like keeping the garage door closed, locking your house, recording serial numbers, marking property, and being aware of what is going on around you will often prevent you from becoming a victim.

Credit card fraud, internet fraud, and identity theft are becoming major issues in our society. Be very guarded in sharing personal information concerning yourself. Be sure to retain all receipts wherein a credit card was used for payment or purchase (don't leave such receipts lying around), carefully examine all monthly statements from such companies, and verify all charges or billings. If you are victimized, please understand that the jurisdiction to investigate the matter is where the crime occurred (where the fraudulent act was done), not where you reside or receive the billing. Many residents become frustrated when their card was criminally used in another city and we inform them that the crime must be reported to that jurisdiction. Fraudulent internet purchases must be reported where the company is located, not from where the purchaser made the call. We deal with several incidents where our residents ordered an item on the internet and never receive the product. We do not have the resources to send officers to other parts of the country (or world) to ascertain if the company is legitimate or why our resident did not receive the item or product. These matters are to be investigated where the company is located.

Please help us to protect you and your family, property, and possessions by making it hard, or impossible, for those who would victimize you. Do not provide crimes of opportunity, be guarded with your credit/debit cards, and make purchases from reputable companies.

Did You Know? . . .

1. Highland City Council approved the expenditure of a sum, not to exceed \$500,000, for reconstruction of roads within Dry Creek Bench Subdivision.
2. Highland City Council approved the expenditure, not to exceed \$19,000, for storm drainage and drainage of open space in Highland Hills.
3. Highland City Council adopted a storm sewer capital facilities plan and a storm sewer impact fee in the amount of \$1,542 for lots developed in the northwest area of Highland, which comprises 175 acres.

Rental of Water Shares

Anyone interested in renting their water shares to Highland City for 2006 should contact Laurie Adams at the City Office.