



## **Volunteers needed to teach young people fishing skills**

Ten adult volunteers, including at least two who are registered fishing merit badge counselors with the Boy Scouts of America, are needed to teach 6- to 13-year-olds about fishing and aquatic resources in Highland. Volunteers will be helping Highland City, American Fork Recreation and the Division of Wildlife Resources with our community fishing program.

Volunteer training will be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Highland City Building. After training, volunteers will spend about two hours twice a week, June 3<sup>rd</sup> - June 19<sup>th</sup>, teaching children about fish and fishing by fishing with them at Highland Glen Park. Fishing classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

“While patience and good communication and teaching skills are needed”, Andrew Cushing, urban fisheries biologist for the DWR, says “adults don't need a lot of fishing experience to volunteer. After training, regardless of the person's fishing skills, I'm sure they'll feel completely comfortable getting together with their youth fishing club,” he said.

To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Emily Gillingwater, Highland City Community Enhancement Coordinator at 756-5751 X 122 or email [emily@highlandcity.org](mailto:emily@highlandcity.org) no later than April 22, 2008. Volunteer hours may be counted towards DWR's Dedicated Hunter Program.

### **Highland City Hooked on Fishin' Schedule for 2008**

**Wednesday, April 23:** 7-8 p.m. Volunteer Training at the Highland City Hall

**Tuesday, June 3:** 6-8 p.m. Lesson 1, Casting Clinic and Safety

**Thursday, June 5:** 6-8 p.m. Lesson 2, Knots (special attention to Scouts and Merit Badge requirements)

**Tuesday, June 10:** 6-8 p.m. Lesson 3, Fishing Equipment

**Thursday, June 12:** 6-8 p.m. Lesson 4, Fish Biology and Diversity

**Tuesday, June 17:** 6-8 p.m. Lesson 5, Aquatic Ecology & Lesson 6, Water Cycle and Quality

**Thursday, June 19:** 5-8 p.m. Lesson 7, Fisheries Management and Ethics & Lesson 8, Utah Opportunities, Regulations and Loaner Program Care & BBQ (we extended the class time on this day)