

May 2012



CITY OF WOODLAND HILLS, UTAH

# Woodland Hills News

## City Government

- Council Members Ray Walker and Wendy Pray have been appointed to oversee formation of the City's Economic/Financial Development Committee.
- Steve Carter was appointed to the Public Safety Committee by the City Council.
- The City Council appointed Shannon Erickson and Therese Lauritzen to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Councilman Byron Adams will oversee the committee.
- Tom Hyatt was appointed Flag Master by the City Council. He will be responsible for the proper display and maintenance of the flags at the roundabout.
- The City Engineer (LEI) is working on an assessment of sites for a proposed new water well for Woodland Hills.
- Council Members Wendy Pray and Ray Walker were appointed to oversee the City's weed abatement program.
- The City Council approved a motion to contract with Sterling Codifiers to review City codes and ordinances and make them compliant with State code and to ensure the various parts do not conflict with one another. Sterling Codifiers will maintain our City code in a single location which will be easily accessed and searched online by the public. The review and organizing process is estimated to take approximately two years to complete.
- The new City alarm system should be operational before the end of May. The City Council set aside \$20,000 for installation of the alarm system.

## Wood Chipping May 21st



In collaboration with the Utah Department of Natural Resources we are pleased to announce that the "chipper crews" will be back in Woodland Hills on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 . Your chipping piles need to be stacked prior to Monday morning (May 21st) since they will only be making one pass through the City. This is a continuing effort in making Woodland Hills a *Safer Place to Live*.

*Clint Mower* Clinton T. Mower, Asst Chief, Woodland Hills Fire Dept

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Deadline for submitting articles for the Woodland Hills newsletter is the 20th of each month.

### May Happenings

- *City Council Meeting, Tuesday, May 8th, 7 pm*
- *City Council Meeting, Tuesday, May 22nd, 7 pm*
- *Planning Commission, Thursday, May 24th, 7 pm*

# Noxious Weeds in Woodland Hills



**Whitetop or hoary cress**



Have you seen this noxious weed on your property?

Commonly known as whitetop, Hoary Cress (*Cardaria draba*) is spreading rapidly in Woodland Hills. Unfortunately, this weed is an aggressive competitor that displaces our native ground vegetation, including all of those yellow flowers that we enjoy each spring. Whitetop is not eaten by local animals, negatively impacting the wildlife in our community.

Whitetop is one of the earliest plants to appear in the spring. The four-petaled white blossoms produce seeds in May and June, depending on elevation. It is difficult to eradicate and spreads rapidly. Successful control can be achieved by treating it with an appropriate herbicide when blossoms first appear, just following the 'bud' stage. Herbicide treatment before or after this stage helps, but is less effective. Digging the plants out can be effective **only** if all root fragments are removed from the soil, typically by sifting through a fine screen. Any root fragments left in the soil can become new whitetop plants.

Whitetop is classified as a noxious weed by the State of Utah, and by law landowners are responsible for controlling it on their property. Utah County has work crews and herbicide which may be available to treat large infestations at no charge to the home owner. However, we have to let them know where the infestations are and the stage of growth so they can treat at the optimum time. The optimum time in much of Woodland Hills is now.

For assistance in controlling this noxious weed please contact the Woodland Hills City office at 801-423-1962 or Rick Griffiths at 801-423-8495



# Sheriff's Blotter

by Deputy Butters

Between 03/15/12 and 04/15/12 Utah County Sheriff's Deputies responded to 22 calls for service in the city of Woodland Hills. These calls included:

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| 5 Abandoned 911's | 4 Suspicious       | 2 Motorist Assists | 2 Agency Assists     |
| 1 Civil Problem   | 1 Traffic Control  | 1 Medical          | 1 Burglary           |
| 1 Alarm           | 1 Vehicle Burglary | 1 Information      | 1 Fire-Investigation |
| 1 VIN Inspection  |                    |                    |                      |

Please continue to report all crimes and suspicious activity. For emergencies please dial 911. For all other incidents call Utah Valley Dispatch at 801-851-4100.

\*\*\*\*\*TIP OF THE MONTH\*\*\*\*\*

## Vacation Hints

**The following list will assist you in making your home appear occupied and increase its overall security while you are away:**

1. Before you leave, have your mail held at the post office and cancel all deliveries. (It is recommended that you continue with your newspaper delivery as long as you can arrange for a friend or neighbor to pick up the paper as soon as it is delivered.)
2. Hide empty garbage cans, and make prior arrangements for a neighbor to park their vehicle in your driveway while you are away. The same neighbor can tend your lawn, pick up handbills, shovel snow from your drive and walks, and check your home regularly. Be sure to let that person know where you can be reached and how long you will be gone. Ask your neighbors to report any suspicious persons or activities to the Police immediately.
3. Don't leave notes. Burglars appreciate nothing more than being informed of their victim's whereabouts and time of return. (The same holds true for short trips or visits.)
4. Exterior lighting should illuminate the entrances of your home. Control front and back porch lights with a photoelectric switch, or timer, so that they turn on automatically at dusk and off at dawn.
5. Leave shades and blinds in normal positions, and place several inside lights on automatic timers which are set to go until regular bedtime hours. A small light on in the bathroom and a radio turned to a "talk" station can also be an effective deterrent.
6. Keep valuables away from windows and don't leave large amounts of cash, negotiable securities of expensive jewelry around the house; put these items in a safety deposit box. If you have guns or valuable antiques, leave them with a relative, trusted friend or neighbor.

# Fire Department Update

by Clinton Mower

It is with bittersweet feelings that we announce the departure of Tyler Weddle.

For those of you who may not have known, Tyler Weddle recently accepted an opportunity with the Idaho Falls Fire Department. Tyler graduated from the UVSU Paramedic School this past Friday in Provo. Three members from his Department in Idaho were in attendance (Wally, Brandon and Mark). They stated they learned a few things they did not know about Tyler.

Besides the nicknames he's recently been given in Idaho (Twiddle, and HairLip) he is also known by a few others. They are, Chatty Kathy and VALEDICTORIAN!

Tyler graduated at the TOP OF HIS CLASS of twenty-four. He spoke eloquently about the experiences he and his class have endured over the past eight months. For those of you who've committed your time and life to fire/medical classes, you can sympathize with him. The class presented a plaque with the mascot of a Jackalope. This compared paramedic school success to catching the elusive jackalope.

Please take time to congratulate him on his accomplishments! (You can reach him via email @ [tyler.weddle@gmail.com](mailto:tyler.weddle@gmail.com)). He deserves accolades for his successes.

CONGRATULATIONS TYLER, we wish you all the best success!! You will be missed....



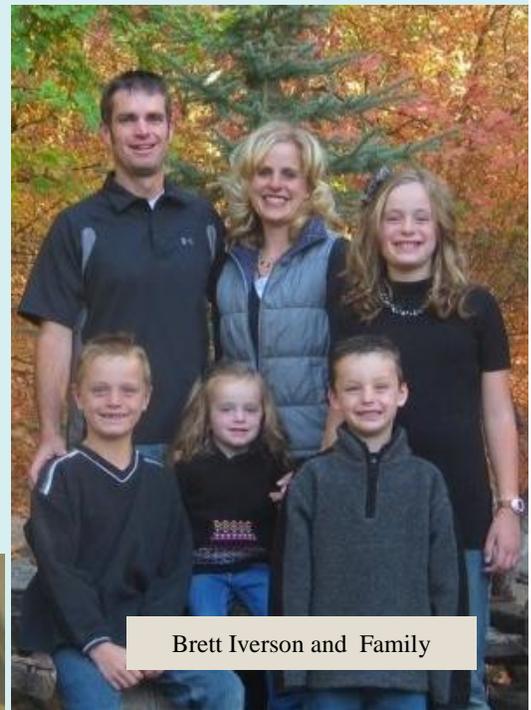


Tyler Weddle

Woodland Hills Fire Department would like to welcome its newest members:

**Brett Iverson:** Brett is very happily married to the best wife on earth. He has four wonderful kids that range in age from four to twelve. They have lived in Woodland Hills for three years and enjoy it immensely. Between the kids, the chickens, and the two hunting dogs, they have the makings of a full fledged farm, at least some times it feels like one. He loves spending time with his family and doing anything outdoors. He works from home and has a couple of outdoor based companies. He and his family love Woodland Hills for many reasons including the great people and the amazing surroundings. Woodland Hills is known for having first class emergency services and he looks forward to helping as we serve the members of the community.

**Trent Jensen:** Trent Jensen moved to Woodland Hills in October 2011. He is very excited to join the fire and medical team to serve our community. He is married and has four children ages three to twelve. He loves the outdoors, especially hunting, camping, fishing and snowmobiling. He has owned a door and window business for several years. He is currently a scout leader for the twelve to



Brett Iverson and Family

fourteen-year-old boys in the area and is enjoying getting to know more people in the community.

If you are interested in learning more about the Volunteer Fire Department and opportunities to serve feel free to contact Chief Craig Northup @ [fire@woodlandhills.cc](mailto:fire@woodlandhills.cc) or Captain Beth Wilding @ [beth@bethwilding.com](mailto:beth@bethwilding.com).



Trent Jensen and Family



  
Woodland Hills  
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EXPO April  
28th, 2012

