A Holiday Message from Mayor Dunlavy

Happy, Happy, Happy Holidays! They’re here already. As I was going through my year end review of the accomplishments of 2012 and the plans for 2013, a big smile spread across my face. We accomplished so much to make our great city greater. Our future is a bright one. The retail project we’ve been working on for the last 5 years will begin in 2013, it will add so much to our community! It is such an exciting project—creating new jobs and increasing our tax base, but most importantly, it will give each of you the shopping options you’ve been waiting and asking for, for so long. More specific information will be coming soon!

I also want to thank those of you who voted with us to continue the PAR tax. Thank you for your confidence in us. I pledge to continue to use the funds wisely and prudently. I’m very grateful to the City Council and the staff; they spent countless hours putting together our information campaign explaining the wonderful benefits and opportunities PAR gives us. A special thanks to Terra Sherwood, Michelle Pitt, Shilo Baker and Parks & Recreation Director Kathy Bell for their talents and hard work. I look forward to being able to continue our program of park upgrades, along with the exciting concerts, classes and programs put together by the Tooele City Arts Council.

As the Holiday season is here, I ask again this year to make the effort to help those very special people who might need our help. It could be a co-worker, or church member, maybe a neighbor or the elderly. There are those out there needing a helping hand, a friendly smile or words of encouragement. Please don’t let those opportunities pass you by. I sincerely wish each of you a joyful holiday. I am so very grateful for the privilege to serve as your Mayor.

To contact Mayor Dunlavy, please call (435) 843-2104 or email him at patrickd@tooelec.org.

To the people of Tooele City for supporting the Parks, Arts and Recreation Program!

Tooele City is accepting letters of interest and resumes from residents who feel they can make a contribution to our City by serving on the Tooele City Council. Qualifications for a candidate are: (1) be a United States citizen; (2) be at least 18 years old; (3) be a resident of Tooele City; (4) be a registered voter. For more information, please visit www.tooelec.org. If you are interested in serving on the Tooele City Council, please submit your letters and resumes to Human Resources, 90 N. Main St., Tooele, Utah 84074 by 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2012.

December Calendar

Dec. 1 Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade at 10 am/Meet Santa at City Hall after the parade (The time for the Santa Parade was printed incorrectly in November’s issue. We apologize for the error).
Dec. 1 Pioneer Valley Chamber Ensemble presents “Amahl and the Night Visitors” at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church 7:30 pm
Dec. 3 “Season of Believing” a holiday variety show concert presented by the Tooele City Arts Council at the THS Auditorium 7 pm
Dec. 5 City Council Meeting 7pm
Dec. 7 & 8 Pioneer Valley Chamber Ensemble presents “Amahl and the Night Visitors” at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church 7:30 pm
Dec. 10 “12 Days of Christmas” family activity at the Dow James Bldg. 6:30 pm
Dec. 10 & 11 S.H.S. Fall Musical Review at S.H.S Auditorium 7:30 pm
Dec. 12 Story time with Santa at the City Library 11 am
Dec. 12 Planning Commission Mtg. 7 pm
Dec. 14 Tooele City Arts Council Grant applications due by 5 pm
Dec. 14 “Making Spirits Bright” TCSD Christmas Dance Concert at T.H.S. 7 pm. Tickets $5/person. For more info. call (435) 841-4520
Dec. 19 City Council Meeting 7 pm
Dec. 20 Polar Express at the City Library 11 am and 12 pm
Dec. 20 Santa’s Workshop for Kids 10 am to 2 pm at the Dow James Building
Dec. 25 City offices closed for Christmas
Jan. 1 City Offices Closed for New Year’s
Santa’s Workshop

Date: Thursday, December 20, 2012 • Time: 10 a.m. — 2 p.m.
Place: Dow James Building (438 W. 400 N., Tooele)
Who: Kids of All Ages!!!
(Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult, but all parents are welcome)
Multiple fun craft projects to choose from! • Prices range from FREE to $4!
Space for projects is limited—Register soon at City Hall (90 N. Main St.)!

For a full class listing and registration forms, please visit our website at www.tooelecity.org. If you have any questions, please contact the Tooele City Arts Council at (435) 843-2142 or terras@tooelecity.org.

Free Events in December at your Tooele City Library

Movies @ Your Tooele City Library:
Dec. 4 at 4 p.m. (PG)
Dec. 11 at 4 p.m. (PG)
Dec. 18 at 4 p.m. (PG)

Children’s Story Time:
Wednesdays at 11 a.m.

Teen Time:
Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m.
Teens only! Bring headphones and play games, watch movies and have fun! (PG-13)

Children’s Crafts: Every Friday between 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Letters to Santa: Write a letter to Santa and leave it in his mailbox at the Library!

Coloring Contest: Creatively color the Library’s page from the Transcript’s local coloring book and enter your masterpiece at the Library on or before December 22. Prizes for the winners of each age group!

SPECIAL EVENTS:

TEST DRIVE E-READERS
December 7, 12, 14, 18, 19
Between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.
Test drive several popular e-reader devices and learn how to download the newest e-books for checkout. Already have an e-reader? Bring your device to a Test Drive event and get some hands-on help to download new titles for check out. With 5 dates to choose from, you can easily enjoy the e-book revolution @ your Library!

POLAR EXPRESS
Thursday, December 20 at 11:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
All aboard the Polar Express! Experience this exciting story with a ride on an imaginary train to the North Pole. Do you believe in Santa Claus? Seating is limited for this popular program. Arrive early.

December Closures:
December 25: Christmas Day
January 1: New Year’s Day

Tooele City Library
128 West Vine Street
(435) 882-2182
http://www.tooelecity.org/tcl/library.html
WHERE ARE YOU DUMPING THAT GREASE?

One of the major causes of sewage back ups is animal and vegetable fats that get dumped down sink drains. After a short trip through the sewer line, the fats and other grease congeal, therefore blocking the passage of household waste. Sometimes that blockage is in the home’s service line. Often the blockage is in the main line causing the sewage to back up in several homes or businesses. Sewer overflows and backups can cause health hazards, damage homes and threaten the environment.

The easiest way to solve the grease problem and help prevent overflows of raw sewage is to keep this material out of the sewer system in the first place. There are several ways to do this:

- Never pour grease down sink drains or into toilets. Instead, allow any fats to congeal and dispose of them in the trash.
- Scrape grease and food scraps from trays, plates, pots, pans, utensils, grills and cooking surfaces into a can or the trash for disposal.
- Do not put grease down garbage disposals. Put baskets/strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids, and empty the drain baskets/strainers into the trash for disposal.
- Speak with your friends and neighbors about the problem of grease in the sewer system and how to keep it out. Call your local sewer system authority if you have any questions.

The home you keep from becoming contaminated may be yours!

There will be no garbage pickup on Tuesday, December 25, 2012 (Christmas Day) or Tuesday, January 1, 2013 (New Year’s Day). On these weeks, service will be delayed one day starting with the holiday. If you have any questions, please call Tooele City 843-2150 or Ace Disposal 882-7009.

The Pioneer Valley Chamber Ensemble (a local group of classically trained musicians) is performing:

Amahl and the Night Visitors

Amahl and the Night Visitors is the story of a widow and her crippled son who meet up with the Three Kings on their way to visit the Christ child. It is a tale of faith and hope for the Christmas season.

Performances are Fri. Nov. 30th, Sat. Dec. 1st, Fri. Dec. 7th and Sat. Dec. 8th at 7:30pm at the St. Barnabus Episcopal Church (1784 N. Aaron Drive). All performances are free (thanks to the Tooele Arts Council and the citizens of Tooele City passing the PAR tax).

Just a reminder, as the winter months approach, please do not blow or shovel your snow out onto the streets. Tooele City Code 4-11-17 (2) states: “It is unlawful for any person to place or propel, or cause to be placed or propelled, snow, ice, hail, or sleet in the public way or in any manner which poses a hazard to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.”

Also, please be courteous to your neighbors, do not blow leaves, snow or other debris into their yards.

Thank you!
**Twelve Days of Christmas Family Activity**

**Who:** Families of All Ages  
**Date:** Monday, December 10, 2012  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Dow James Building (438 W. 400 N., Tooele)

Your family will be making 12 gifts to share with a family or individual in need. (Please take time as a family before the activity to think of someone that you would like to share this holiday experience with. Don’t worry if you do not have someone in mind, we will help you find someone). There is no charge to participate in the activity, but we do ask that you pre-register so that we can make sure to have enough supplies for everyone. Space is Limited.

Space is limited. To pre-register, please contact Tooele City Parks and Recreation at 843-2142 by Thursday, December 6, 2012

Sponsored by Tooele City Family Recreation and the Tooele Boys and Girls Club

**ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS!**

Business License Renewals for 2013 should be arriving just after December 1, 2012. You can mail in your payment, bring in your payment to the Finance Department OR leave it in the Utility Payment Drop Box to the south of City Hall. You have through the month of January to renew your license. On February 1, 2013 a 50% late fee will be assessed. If you are no longer in business, please let us know in writing by e-mailing lisac@tooelecit.org or fax (435) 843-2119 and we will close your license. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Recorder’s Office at (435) 843-2110. Thank you!

Anyone offering a service from their home, for compensation, must have a Tooele City Business License!

All door-to-door salesmen must be licensed with Tooele City and wear a BLUE Tooele City ID Badge.

Contractors need to be licensed with Tooele City, even if licensed with the State.

For more information, contact the Tooele City Recorder’s Office at (435) 843-2110.