

Genola Newsletter

"Genola, a small town
with a big heart."



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

What do you need?

Recently I met with representatives from Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG). In the course of our conversation they asked me that question. What do you need? What does Genola need? I thought for a while and then gave them an answer that surprised them. I told them that we needed more opportunities for our residents to work together on community projects. We need opportunities for neighbors to work with each other and get to know each other better. We need opportunities for families on one side of the community to get to know families on the other side of the community. I went on to share with them the stories that I have heard the longtime residents of Genola tell about putting in the waterlines, developing the parks, working on the roads, etc.

As society has progressed these types of projects are now handled by private companies and we don't have the community participation. I would love to find more ways that Genola residents could participate in improving our community. Please help me come up with ideas! We have some wonderful resources such as the fire department, the library, the senior citizens, youth sports, etc. What else could we do? What would you be willing to contribute to the community? How can we make our community even better? Please share your ideas with us, drop them by the office or email them. Come to the town council meetings and help us think of ways to improve the community.

I want to thank all of those who have given efforts, time, and money to make our community what it is. We have our challenges but we really have an amazing community!

Mayor Lonny Ward



"Community Sundar Bajar
work together to rebuild high
school after earthquake"

DATES TO REMEMBER

Town Council Meetings: on the
2nd Wednesday of each month
at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting is
the 4th Wednesday of each
month at 7:00 p.m.

Senior Citizen Meetings on the
2nd Tuesday of each month at
11:30 a.m.

Genola Volunteer Fire
Department meets the 2nd &
4th Thursday of every month at
7:00 p.m.



TOWN CELEBRATION

Our Town Celebration was an absolute success this year!!! We would like to thank Councilman Stan Judd and his amazing committee, also, all of the many volunteers for the countless hours that went in to making it all possible. Chris Laker continues to go above and beyond with providing The Town Dinner and we had an awesome turnout for our 1st Annual Genola Jr. Rodeo. It is an amazing experience to watch our community come together during this celebration. We look forward to continually making our celebration bigger and better.

TOWN BUSINESS

-TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Sept. 15-16 and Oct. 26-28 FOR TRAINING TO BETTER OUR COMMUNITY.

We can email auto-payment authorization forms and/or monthly bills for your convenience. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments please inquire at the Town Office.

There has been evidence of dirt bikes and four wheelers being ridden on the grass at the parks and on the baseball fields. This is destroying our facilities. There are roads and trails specifically designated for off road vehicles. Please understand that our parks are expensive to maintain and that if this vandalism continues the police will become involved.

-Water Master Plan

The town of Genola is partnering with Mountainland Association of Government (MAG) to do a Master Water Plan for the community of Genola. The Community Development Block Grants program that MAG administers is helping us to evaluate our water system. We are sending out a request for proposal to five engineering firms that we have previously vetted. We are asking that they will help us do a comprehensive evaluation of our system which includes an analysis of our water needs in the future, our water rights, the capacity of our well, the longevity of our lines, and the size of new lines to put in, etc.

We should be accepting the bid sometime next month and have the plan done by the end of the year. This plan will help us to know how and when we will need to make improvements to our water system. Feel free to contact me with any questions about the plan.

-Roads

Chris Steele and Hale Robison have spent many hours driving the roads of Genola to determine where our limited road budget would make the greatest impact. Town Council gave approval for a chip seal to be laid on Main Street the end of September. There will be very minimal road closures, but we do advise to avoid Main Street if possible. If you are not able to reroute then it is recommended to go well below the speed limit to avoid damage to your car and others. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

GENOLA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Library hours are:

Tuesdays and Thursdays

2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturdays

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SENIOR CITIZENS

-We still meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 10:30 am, Entertainment begins at 11:30 am, and lunch will be served at 12:00 pm. Come join us!!!

For More Information Call Linda Christensen @ 801-754-5341.

-“Stepping On” is a 7 week workshop that builds strength, balance, and confidence in an effort to reduce the number of falls for a person 60 and older. Falls are the leading cause of injury, hospital admissions, and death among older adults. More than one third of seniors experience a fall each year. Stepping On is an evidence based program that helps seniors become more aware of fall hazards and to learn how to reduce their fall risk. Classes are free, but reservations are required.

Thursdays Sept 15-Oct 27 12:30p-2:30p American Fork Fitness (454 N Center American Fork) or
Tuesdays Sept 27-Nov 8 5:30p-7:30p Utah County Health Department (151 S University Ave Provo)

Please Call 801-851-7095 or 801-851-7084 to Register.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Genola Recreation now has a soccer gear swap. Bring your unwanted jerseys, cleats or shin guards to the office and drop them in a box for donation, take any gear your family needs, or if you would like to sell any gear you can advertise it by placing a photo, description, and your contact information in one of the boxes at the town office.

GENOLA FIRE DEPARTMENT

We have another firefighter that has passed both Fire I & II along with his hazmat classes. Firefighter Eric Hazelet has put in many long hours of class and hands on skills, the fire department would like to thank him for his dedication to the Town of Genola residents. The department is also pleased to announce that every member of our department is “Red Carded” meaning they have passed the required classes to become Wildland Certified. This last March we hosted a Wildland class at our station for our members as well as firefighters from all over the county that participated in taking this class. This summer the fire department was awarded \$3,992.00 from Firehouse Subs for 10 new pagers, we strive to save the town money by actively seeking grants to help us get the equipment we need.

Please mark your calendars for our annual Open House at the Public Safety Building, it will be held on October 17th from 6pm to 8pm, come on down and see us.

THE SHARING TABLES ARE RETURNING

SATURDAY, September 17, 2016

SET ASIDE YOUR NO-LONGER-NEEDED ITEMS (IN GOOD CONDITION) TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS.

SORTING AND SET UP ARE BETWEEN 10:00 AND 12:00 NOON. Anyone ‘setting up’ is welcome to ‘shop’ while they are there.

“SHOPPING” (without cost) IS BETWEEN NOON AND 2:00

ANYTHING LEFT OVER WILL BE TAKEN TO DESERET INDUSTRIES OR CONTRIBUTED TO ANOTHER WORTHWHILE CAUSE

WHERE? AT THE GENOLA CHURCH

Questions?? Michelle Beck [801-754-5918](tel:801-754-5918)

Anyone who would like to help set up (preparing for everyone else – 9:00-10:00 am), take down (after 2:00 pm) or transport to Deseret Industries (bring a trailer – covered preferably) – **your help would be very much appreciated! THANK YOU**

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