Dear Ephraim City Residents,

How grateful I am to be able to write to you at this wonderful time of the year. Most of you are making plans to celebrate with your family or friends a wonderful Thanksgiving season. As we approach these holidays, how blessed we are that we can celebrate in peace those things that make us happy and fulfilled. I, along with you, look forward to this season with great anticipation and with a deep sense of gratitude in my heart for all the blessings that have been given me. I wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving season.

Much has been said in the last month about the trailer park issues that have come as a result of one of our park owners making improvements to the park on Main Street. As of the writing of this letter, of the nine trailers that were moved and had need of reconnection work, seven of them have now been hooked back up to utilities. One of the remaining trailers no longer has an owner living in it and the other trailer has obtained the proper zoning permits from the county and is in the process of being hooked up to utilities. This has been a hard time for some of the residents within that trailer park and now we hope that things will level off. Our city office staff (one of which lives in the trailer park) has worked tirelessly in helping our residents through this situation. I have been receiving timely updates every few days. Shaun Kjar, our city manager, had offered to meet with these residents, day or night, to help them fill out paperwork. I believe the current situation looks much better than it did a couple of weeks ago. All of the trailer park residents involved are now working on getting set up and insulated for the winter, as per county requirements. Although this is a personal property rights issue with Kingdom Management Corporation, it is also a concern to us as it affects our residents. More improvements will be made in the future, which is good. We are working in cooperation with this entity to ensure that these types of complications don’t happen in the future.

Much interest continues to be shown in Ephraim City for new businesses and increased housing developments. You will notice that a new development of apartments is being built just west of Palisade Park. These units will potentially house many of our young married population who are locating to Ephraim City. Another development is in production west of the Heritage Credit Union building. Additionally, we are receiving applications for new businesses to open in Ephraim and for additional housing. It is an exciting time for Ephraim City. We have such dedicated City Staff and department heads who work hard to navigate new developers through the process of approvals and city requirements. This past month I met with the developers of Ephraim Crossing once again.
and voiced our residents’ desire to have an additional grocery store in our community as soon as possible. Moreover, we are making headway toward attracting a service industry to Ephraim that will bless our city and our residents.

COVID-19 continues to ravage Sanpete County. I do not wish to unduly alarm anyone, but the statistics that I am receiving on a frequent basis do not comfort me. I am worried about you. I am especially concerned with the most vulnerable in our community. At the onset of this pandemic, my major concern was for those most vulnerable in our community and it still is. I encourage you to follow CDC guidelines. Wash your hands frequently, especially if you have been out in the community. Wash hard surfaces with an appropriate cleanser, especially hard surfaces that are used often. Wear a mask when out in the community and in buildings where large gatherings take place or when social distancing is not possible. Practice social distancing of six feet or more. If you are sick, stay home. If the sickness gets worse, contact your physician. We can get through this.

I am in constant contact with our Six-County Health Department officials. Presently, we are seeing a spike in our cases and this is alarming, so please be careful.

Youth City Council

The Ephraim Youth City Council has been very busy this year, serving our community in innumerable ways.

In September, they did a wonderful job planning and running children’s activities at the Airport Fly-in. They also helped with the Ephraim Trunk or Treat on October 30th and each did a 20 minute shift to help with the cake walk. On December 5th, they will be helping with “The Music & Magic of Christmas” Light Parade.
In 2008, Senator John McCain said, "How important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes." I want to recognize our Veterans as my heroes as we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11th.

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" at the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11th became a National Holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American Veterans, living or dead, but especially gives thanks to living Veterans who served their country honorably during war and peace time. We all know of a Veteran, whether in our City or throughout the Country. I encourage everyone this Veterans Day to reach out to a Veteran or active Military and thank them for their service.

For the past several years the Ephraim Cemetery Board has put flags up at the cemetery to honor our Veterans that have passed. It is an awesome sight to see and to be a part of. I encourage everyone to drive by the cemetery on Veterans Day and witness the flags. I want to publicly thank the Cemetery Board Members for their service. They have a passion for the service they give and have a great legacy that they are proud of.

The Ephraim City Cemetery Board members are: Beverly Thomas (Chair), Dale Nicholls, Steve Crosland, Allen Keisel, Dick Olson, and Randi Spurling (Secretary).

A Message from our Council
Tyler Alder

Sanpete Pantry Food Drive
@SanpetePantry.Community

Sanpete Pantry Food Drive
Saturday, November 7, 2020
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Snow College parking lot
300 E. Center, Ephraim
Sponsored by: Sanpete Interfaith Council
For more information contact sanpetecountyinterfaith@gmail.com

Items needed:
- Ramen, macaroni & cheese, canned meat
- Canned goods (no more than 1 year past “Best by” date)
- Potatoes (small bags)
- Personal hygiene items: shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, baby wipes, toilet paper
- Dish soap, laundry soap

Please no torn, damaged, or opened packages. No clothing or household items. Monetary donations can be made at sanpetepantry.org.
Free Art Kits for Kids + Virtual Workshop Wednesday
Granary Arts is now offering free kids art kits that correspond with our weekly video workshops! Each kit has everything your child needs to complete the project. New tutorials and kits every Wednesday! This is a great resource for homeschooling families and an opportunity to explore different processes and techniques.

Pick up your kit at Granary Arts 86 N. Main in Ephraim, Wednesday - Saturday 11 am - 5 pm. Quantities are limited. First come, first served.

Workshops are posted Wednesday at 3 pm on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/granaryartsutah.

If you would like to receive weekly workshop emails, subscribe to our mailing list at www.granaryarts.org/subscribe.

November Workshop Projects:
- 11/04 Sunflower Mosaic
- 11/11 Corn Husk Decoration
- 11/18 Sun Prints
- 11/25 Mosaic Owl

Youth Basketball
Youth Basketball registration for 2020 is now open! Registration closes on November 29th.

The season begins January 9th and goes until the end of February.

All games will be played in Ephraim on Saturdays.

Registration is $40 and is open for those in grades 1-8.

Register online at www.ephraimcity.org and click on the tab “Recreation Registration.”

Looking for something to do this weekend? Why not check out some of our new trails up Ephraim Canyon! We have a total of 5 trails all completed and waiting to be explored!

Events:
The Family Trade / Live Concert
Friday November 6, 2020 / 7pm

Granary Fellows Ashley Hanson and Brian Laidlaw from the folk band, The Family Trade, will be live-streaming an outdoor concert on the lawn. They will be performing songs they wrote about Sanpete County during their residency here. The concert will be a small socially distanced event with a virtual option.

Visit Us:
Granary Arts is open Wed-Sat 11 am-5 pm. As per the state of Utah's COVID-19 guidelines for Sanpete County, we kindly ask that all guests wear a mask while in the gallery and maintain a distance of six feet between guests.

Follow us on social media, Instagram @GranaryArts and Facebook.com/GranaryArtsUtah.