Dear Ephraim City Residents,

It is with pleasure that I write this note to each one of you. Much has changed in the last month. Let’s talk about some important things for Ephraim City.

On May 1st, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in a stunning announcement, informed our local and greater community that they would build a Temple right here in Ephraim City. Through church officials I was invited to this announcement at the Tabernacle in Manti, and I could hardly believe what I was hearing. Who would have ever thought that something like this could happen in a rural setting just 7 miles away from a large and major Temple?

On May 3rd I wrote a personal letter to President Russell M. Nelson thanking him and noting that we were prepared as a City to help facilitate the building of this iconic structure. I would have written a similar letter to any other faith denomination leader who had announced a similar investment in Ephraim City. On May 7th I received a sweet response from President Nelson, expressing confidence in our City and in all of the people who live here.

On May 14th I was invited by President Nelson to accompany him in looking at sites here in Ephraim City for the new Temple. I spent nearly 90 minutes with this great man, along with Bishop Christopher Waddell, of the Presiding Bishopric; Brent Roberts who is in charge of special projects; Mark Woodruff, Executive Secretary to President Nelson, and others who accompanied us. I sat next to President Nelson as we viewed the several sites and I got to have a first hand look at how this process works. I believe that in the not-to-distant future, a new Temple site in Ephraim will be announced and thereafter a ground breaking will occur, and then construction will begin of a beautiful addition to Ephraim City.

This announcement again underscores the importance of Ephraim and of its measured and planned growth. The Church of Jesus

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Christ of Latter-day Saints would never have considered putting a Temple in Ephraim unless we were prepared and ready to meet the demands for the future. President Nelson expressed confidence in Ephraim and a sweet reverence for the students at Snow College. I look forward to seeing a site officially selected, a groundbreaking ceremony, the placing of temple footings, bearing walls arising on the location, a superstructure being built, a roof being placed on the building, and an eventual steeple, and beautiful grounds adorning the building. There will be an eventual open house, and then a dedication. All of this will happen sooner, rather than later.

Now, changing subjects. As I said in my last newsletter, Ephraim has sufficient water for our needs right now despite the current drought. I would ask that you use this precious resource wisely. While traveling around Ephraim in the past few weeks I have seen yards being watered in the middle of the heat of the day. Right now I would request that you water your yards after 6 PM in the afternoon and before 10 AM in the morning. This represents the best use of our precious water supplies and as outlined by the governor’s office in his statement concerning water conservation throughout the state in what is amounting to the most severe drought in the state’s history.

At the time of the writing of this article, we are preparing for a hugely successful Scandinavian Festival. We anticipate many more people attending the festival this year than at any other time in its history. It is always such a delight to watch people having fun, enjoying themselves in the cool mountain air, and pristine views that are Ephraim. Our City knows how to party and welcome people from throughout the state and country. Governor Cox and his wonderful wife, Abby, were invited to participate as special guests in our parade. It is an honor to host him, a Sanpete native, and to gain from his many insights. He is very favorably impressed by what we are accomplishing here in Ephraim City. Additionally, our Memorial Day program at the City Cemetery is always moving and so appropriate in honoring those who have paid the ultimate price in defending our freedoms.

What’s ahead?

Well, I believe in the next 120 days there will be other announcements that will have a large and positive impact for good on our City and for its residents. These announcements will be very positive and very profound for the future of Ephraim. As our City logo says, we are “rich in heritage”. Our small-town feel, and way of life, must be guarded and protected. I am working hard to ensure that our quality of life is protected with each decision we make. Our logo also says that we are “invested in the future”.

Indeed, Ephraim has a bold future ahead. We are a gem in the heart of Sanpete Valley, and I will do all in my power to ensure that the future of Ephraim City is as bright as its past.

I recently reviewed some of the official records and minutes from many City Council meetings from 1918 to 1919. I was astonished to see that those council members and Mayor wrestled with many of the same challenges that we are faced with today. I was delighted with their attitude of keeping an eye on the future of the growth of Ephraim City. I commit to you to do the same as those early City Fathers did. Our quality of life will be maintained and enhanced as we approach the future. Infrastructure needs with water, sewer, power, and roads along with City personnel needs will be met with ingenuity and wise, careful use of precious resources. I hope that in a hundred years our great grandchildren will look back and see that we created the foundation for a great quality of life for them, right now, as we meet the challenges of today with their well-being in mind.

Sincerely,

John G. Scott
Mayor, Ephraim City

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2021 Ephraim Municipal Election

It is an election year for Ephraim.

**Primary Election:  August 10, 2021**
**General Election:  November 2, 2021**

On the ballot this year will be candidates for Mayor and two City Council seats.

If you would be interested in running for the 2022-2026 term for Mayor or City Council, the Candidate Filing Period is June 1, 2021 through June 7, 2021 during regular office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Filing for candidacy is done by appearing in person in the City Recorder’s office any time during the dates and times listed above.

**Requirements for Candidacy:**

- Registered Voter of Ephraim
- Residency for 12 months
- No felony convictions
- $25 filing fee

If you would like more information, please call 435-283-4631 extension 7.
Ephraim’s Youth City Council are BUSY all Year Long!

The Ephraim Youth City Council provided some much needed service at the Pioneer Park preparing the pioneer cabins for Scandinavian Festival visitors. Great Job! They worked very hard!

Ephraim seniors@hotmail.com

SENIOR CENTER
JUNE ACTIVITY

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SENIORS 60 AND OLDER:
WE ARE HAVING A SENIOR DINNER ON FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 15th AT 6:00 PM
AT THE EPHRAIM SENIOR CENTER. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF CATCHING UP WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS.

ALL REQUESTS FOR RENTAL RESERVATIONS, INQUIRY AND/OR CANCELATIONS SHOULD BE MADE TO JEANIE TIDWELL AT (435) 283-6310 OR (435) 813-2508.

AVAILABLE FROM SIX COUNTY IS THE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION VOUCHER SYSTEM. CONTACT SIX COUNTY AT (435) 893-0726 FOR INFORMATION. YOU OBTAIN A QUALIFIED DRIVER AND THEY RECEIVE FUNDING TO DRIVE TO DR. VISITS, ETC.

SCHEDULED:
6/14/21 DUP
6/08/21 Waldorf Style Cottage School
6/09/21 Stitchin’ Sisters
6/10/21 Lions Club
Athenian Academy Home School
June 3, 10, 17, 24/2021.
Greetings to the citizens of Ephraim. It’s a great time to be in Ephraim with spring leaving and summer upon us. I hope everyone has a fun and safe summer.

I would like to recognize all of our volunteers who serve on boards and commissions, committees, youth volunteers, etc. giving their time and their service to our community. It’s because of them that Ephraim shines.

With busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer; however, the benefits of volunteering can be enormous. Volunteering offers vital help to people in need, worthwhile causes, and the community, but the benefits can be even greater for you, the volunteer. You connect with the community, learn new skills, and advance in new areas.

When you see those who are giving their time to our city, I hope that you will thank them and even find ways to help in our city.

Thanks
Tyler

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Solid Rock Café Presents:

**Concert in the Park**

- **Thurs. June 10th**
- **4:30 PM - 6:00 PM**
- **Canyon View Park, South Parking Lot**

**Free Admission**

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**Exhibitions**

- Wendy Wischer + Brenda Bowen / *Evaporated: Explorations in Art, Science and Salt*
- Jann Haworth + Liberty Blake / *Work in Progress Mural*
- The Family Trade / *Bird’s Eye Chisel* album + tintypes by Holly Hooper
- David Lindsay / *Our Valley Speaks: A Sanpete Experience* (virtual exhibition)
- Fazilat Soukhakian / *Anonymous Battle* (Snow College Library)

**Workshop Wednesday + Free Art Kits for Kids**

We are excited to announce that Workshop Wednesdays will once again be in-person at Granary Arts! Join us Wednesdays at 3:30pm on the lawn for a free kids’ art activity.

Our virtual workshops for kids will now be just once per month with a corresponding kit. Kits can be picked up at Granary Arts, available on a first come, first served basis. New video workshops + kits posted to Facebook monthly at Facebook.com/GranaryArtsUtah. Subscribe to our mailing list to get the workshop schedule and a link to our virtual workshops straight to your inbox GranaryArts.org/Subscribe.

**Workshop Wednesday Schedule**

3:30 pm

- 6/9: Cellophane Sun Designs
- + VIRTUAL Custom Frames (pick up free art kit)
- 6/16: Garden Lady Bugs
- 6/23: Watercolor Bird Silhouette
- 6/30: Plein Air Close-up Nature Paintings

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**Events**

6/10 12 pm, check Instagram @GranaryArts: Virtual Art Talk, Jann Haworth and Liberty Blake, *Work in Progress*