# ALPINE NEWSLINE

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### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

by Troy Stout

We've had two very close calls this year with fire, as recently as the third week of November. Thanks to the shortage of fire fuel, and the swift response of our Lone Peak Fire fighters, the November fire scorched less than 20 acres of the mountainside at the mouth of American Fork Canyon. Once again, this fire was started by recreational shooters, similar to the large wildfire that burned above Lam-



bert park a few years ago. It's a sharp reminder of the fire danger in which we live, with one of our driest years on record creating a tinderbox out of the entire Wasatch Front. I don't remember a time when fire danger was so high going into the winter months.. Please exercise extreme caution when recreating or cooking outdoors.

I don't know about you, but I welcome the end of 2020! This has been a year of cancelled events, economic hardship and uncertainty. I admire the people of our community, for their courage, resilience and optimism. I hope you all have an enjoyable and healthy holiday season, and a fresh new start in 2021. A great way to help us all get there safely is to wear a mask whenever we are socializing or gathering in groups. It's very little to ask, and a great way to show that we care about each other.

#### ALPINE BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH



### J & L AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR

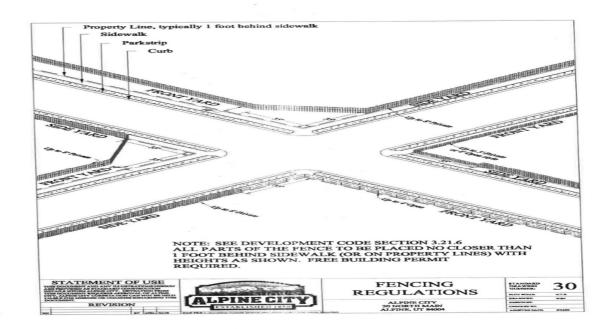
James was just 15 when he decided he wanted to buy his first truck, a 1979 Chevy. He started rebuilding the motor and putting it together as he had time and money. The more he worked on it the better he understood how an why things worked. This was the beginning of his career in mechanics. J & L was established in October of 2012 in James' house garage. As the business grew, the need for more space grew also. In May 2015, J & L was moved to 80 S Main Street in Alpine. Together our technicians have more than 100 years of experience! We are happy to help you out with all or your vehicle needs. Just give us a call at 801-648-2466

#### Fences

The purpose of this addendum to the Newline regarding fences is to make residents aware of fence requirements before they build a fence. The two most important things to before a fence is built is to:

- 1. Call 811 and have the location of the fence "blue stacked". This will determine where water, sewer, electrical, cable, etc. are located so that they will not be damaged during construction of the fence.
- 2. Obtain a Fence Permit— A fence permit is required and the form is available on line at <u>alpinecity.org/planning</u>. If you have any questions regarding the fence permit, please call the Planning Department at 801-756-6347 ext.6.
- 3.21.6 FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES (amended by Ord. No. 2005-02,02/8/05; Ord No 2013-10, 7/19/13; Ord No. 2015-06, 5/26/15; Ord No. 2017-01, 01/10/174)
- **Requirement.** All fences must be approved by the planning and zoning department and a building permit obtained.
- **3.21.6.2 Front Yard Fences.** Privacy fences. Walls and hedges along the street frontage of a lot shall not exceed 3 feet in height when placed within 10 feet of the front property line. Open style fences shall not exceed 4 feet in height when placed within 10 feet of the front property line. Front yard fences may be eight (8) feet in height if they are placed at least 10 feet back from the front property line.
- **3.21.6.3 Interior Side Yar Fences.** Fences alongside yards shall not exceed 3 feet in height for privacy fences and 4 feet in height for open style fences when they are within 10 feet of the front property line. Side yard fences may be eight (8) feet in height when they are located at least 10 feet back from the front property line.
- **3.21.6.4 Rear Yard Fences.** A rear yard fence may be eight (8) feet in height.
- 3.21.6.5 Corner Lot Fences within the Sight Triangle. The sight triangle on corner lots shall not be obstructed. Privacy fences, walls, or hedges shall not exceed three (3) feet in height, and open-style fences shall not exceed for (4) feet in height, when located within the sight triangle on the corner lot. The sight triangle is defined as the area formed by connecting the corner of the property to points 35 feet back along each property line abutting the street.
- 3.21.6.6 Corner Lot Fences outside the Sight Triangle. Side yard fences abutting the street may be eight (8) feet in height when they are located at least 35 feet back from the front property line, outside the sight triangle. For interior side fence see 3-21.6.2.
- **3.21.6.7 Fences on Retaining Walls.** A fence that is on top of a retaining wall shall be set back at least four (4) feet from the backside of the retaining wall. Under no condition shall a fence and wall exceed nine (9) feet on the same plane.
- **3.21.6.8 Agricultural Fences.** Fences on property where an identifiable commercial agricultural product is produced shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height, and shall be an open style fence.
- **3.21.6.9 Fences Along Public Open Space and Trails.** See Article 3.16, Section 3.16.10.1 and Article 3.17 Section 3.17.10.3.1







## **Utah Strong Recovery Project**

"Please reach out to us and we'll reach right back."

The Utah Strong Recovery Project is a FEMA-funded state program to help Utahns impacted by the stressors of the Covid19 pandemic. It provides <u>free and confidential</u> counseling by FEMA-trained counselors to anyone in Utah in the form of emotional support, coping and problem-solving strategies, mental health education, and community referrals. Spanish speaking counselors are available and translation for other languages is offered.

"Most of us have never experienced a pandemic, or such a shift in our everyday way of life," said Robert Snarr, the state's grant administrator. "It is normal to feel stress at a time when you may be experiencing isolation, economic hardship, health worries, or the loss of a loved one. We want to talk through those feelings and provide you with professionally-led guidance on how you can cope with the changes in your world in a healthy, mentally strong way," Snarr said.

Call or text the Utah Strong Recovery Project Helpline to talk with a counselor seven days a week 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 385-386-2289. Or, email your first name and phone number to <u>UtahStrong@utah.gov</u>.

In addition to the Helpline, every county in Utah has a team of counselors available for <u>free and confidential</u> individual and family in-person or online counseling. Teams also provide outreach to community organizations in the form of education classes and support groups. Call and request help from the Utah Strong Recovery Team in your county through the Utah Strong Recovery Project Helpline.

For after- hours service, please contact the Utah statewide Crisis Line at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or the SAMHSA Distress Hotline at 1-800-985-5990.







### Creative Bug

Join us this month for a simple Christmas craft with Creative Bug, which is a go-to resource on our website for on-trend arts and crafts with instructional videos. It is a FREE resource with your Highland City Library card. Our Christmas craft kit will be available at the Library to take home and use with Creative Bug.

# Teen Christmas Zine All month long

# Elf on The Shelf Come find JINGLETOES!

### **Baby Bookworms**

Fridays @ 10:15 am for ages 0-2.

### **Story Time**

Tues and Thurs @ 11:00 am for ages 3-5.

Also Online: On our website and YouTube channel.

### Jr. Explorers' Club

Thurs @ 4:00 pm for ages 6-8.
Take-home packets also available.

### Tween STEAM

Take-home packets for ages 9-12

### No programs December 14-31

\*All programs require pre-registration through our Library website. Highland City Library cardholders only.





CLOSED December 24-26
December 31 closes @4PM







Submission of Information to the Newsline

Due: 15th of the month

Email to bcooper@alpinecity.org

Coronavirus vs Flu: Symptoms are similar			Intermountain Healthcare
Symptoms	Coronavirus (COVID-19) Symptoms range from mild to severe	Influenza (FLU) Abrupt onset of symptoms	<b>Cold</b> Gradual onset of symptoms
Fever	Often	Often	Rare
Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Sometimes
Cough	Often (usually dry)	Often (usually dry)	Mild
Sneezing	No	No	Often
Aches & Pains	Sometimes	Often	Often
Runny or Stuffy Nose	Rare	Sometimes	Often
Sore Throat	Sometimes	Sometimes	Often
Diarrhea	Rare	Sometimes in Children	No
Headache	Sometimes	Often	Rare
Shortness of breath/ Difficulty breathing	Often	Rare	Rare
Loss of taste and smell	Often	Rare	Rare

## **Code Compliance Corner**

# By Ted Stillman

This is the second article about snow on our streets. Remember that there is no overnight parking on the streets between December 1 and March 31 (between midnight and 8:00 a.m.) Also, you cannot park on the street when snow is present, because this interferes with our plows.

Now let's talk about sidewalks. The City has received calls from people who cannot use the sidewalks because their neighbors have not shoveled. The City ordinance requires residents to remove snow on their sidewalks within a reasonable time after a snowfall. If it snows between 5 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. the next day, the sidewalks should be cleared before 9 a.m. The ordinance also states that snow from the sidewalk cannot be pushed into the gutter. Please pile the snow on your lawn. (See Ordinance 11.060.00 of the Municipal Code.)

