



### Mayor's Message

As I sit to write this article, I am eager to begin my new duties and excited to work with the City Council and employees and to hear from my new boss: the citizens of Syracuse. During the campaign, I was fortunate to get to know many of the people who live in our City. During the next four years, I look forward to hearing from and getting to know many more residents.

I acknowledge and thank Mayor Panucci and Councilman Knight for their commitment and leadership during the last eight years. I also acknowledge and thank my fellow council members for their ongoing commitment and leadership as we usher Syracuse into a new era; an era where we embrace history as the cornerstone of knowledge for building a lasting foundation. My experience as a mediator taught me that the most successful outcomes arrive when people believe their voices have been heard. Therefore, I remain fully committed to always holding my door open to everyone in Syracuse. I also remain fully committed to building a superior quality of life and a thriving community for current and future generations.

I sincerely thank you again for your vote of confidence. I am extremely honored and humbled to be a part of history by being the first woman elected to the office of Mayor in Syracuse. I also look forward to making history with the City Council, Syracuse citizens, and our business partners as we work together to make this City the best in the world.

~Jamie

### Christmas Tree Pick-up

The Public Works Department will be picking up trees from December 28 to January 4. Remove decorations prior to placing the tree curbside for pickup.

### Public Works

When temperatures drop excessively, water lines can freeze very easily. If you experienced these problems in the past, please leave a small trickle of water running through your tap to prevent freezing this year.

### Winter Weather and Snow Removal

Snowplow drivers do their very best each winter, but residents can help the process be more effective and timely by:

- Not parking on streets during snow accumulation or removal, per City Ordinance 11-14-9: OFF-STREET PARKING DURING WINTER MONTHS. In order to allow for the orderly and timely removal of snow during winter months, it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle within the public right-of way of any street within the corporate limits of Syracuse City at any time during the accumulation or removal of snow unless special permission is granted by the Syracuse Police Department. (1999)
- Removing garbage cans as soon as possible
- Removing all basketball standards from streets
- Not pushing snow back into roadways, as it may turn to ice and damage snowplows or other vehicles, per City Ordinance 4-1-6(A): STREET AND SIDEWALK CLEANLINESS. It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of private property fronting upon a public sidewalk to remove all weeds and noxious vegetation from such property and in front thereof to the curb line of the street and to keep the sidewalks in front of such property free from dirt, litter, snow, ice or obstructions.
- Remembering that property owners are responsible for maintaining access to their driveways and mailboxes
- Not standing too close to the road while snowplows pass in order to prevent placing you and the driver in danger
- Trimming trees to allow adequate room for plows, per City Ordinance 10-5-7(J): PRUNING, CORNER CLEARANCE. Every owner of any tree overhanging any street or right-of-way within the City shall prune the branches so that such branches shall not obstruct the light from any street lamp or obstruct the view of any street intersection and so that there shall be a minimum clear space of eleven feet (11') above the surface of the street and a minimum clear space of seven feet (7') above the surface of the sidewalk. Said owners shall remove all healthy, dead, diseased or dangerous trees, or tree limbs which constitute a menace to the safety of the public or prevent the City from maintaining City sidewalks, curb or streets. The City shall have the right to prune any tree or shrub on private property when it interferes with the proper spread of light along the street from a streetlight or interferes with visibility of any traffic control device, traffic sign or street maintenance equipment.

Temperatures, storm duration, and intensity have a profound effect on the ability of snowplows to clear streets, and salt to melt snow and ice. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to visit the City web site for newly updated plow policies and procedures or call the Public Works Department at (801) 825-7235.

## **Community Center (801) 614-9660**

### **Aerobic Classes**

Aerobic-step and sculpt-and-tone classes are every month, two or three times a week depending on the class. Call for details and pricing.

### **Healthy Pregnancy Classes**

FREE, held the fourth Saturday of each month (except holiday weekends) from 10:00-11:00am. An Infant Massage training follows, from 11:15am to 12:15pm. **Registration now required.** For details, call (801)773-2503.

### **Senior Citizens**

Want to know about senior citizen activities? Visit [www.syracusecityseniors.com](http://www.syracusecityseniors.com) or drop by the Community Center for a copy of the Senior Citizen newsletter.

### **Youth Karate Classes**

Call Johnny Aranda, (801) 544-7037, for registration information. Cost is \$30 for the first month.

### **Itty Bitty Hoops**

Five-week Instructional League for kindergarteners. Boys and girls play together. Registration runs January 25-February 22. Cost is \$35 (non-residents are an additional \$15). The first half hour will be instructional, and the second half hour will be playing the game. This is a great opportunity for children to start learning the basic fundamentals of basketball.

### **Spring Soccer**

Registration runs January 25-February 22 for pre-kindergarteners (going into kindergarten in Fall of 2010) thru 6th graders. All leagues are co-ed. Cost is \$45 for residents (non-residents are an additional \$15). Registration fee includes a jersey, shorts, and socks.

### **Zumba Classes**

New fitness class: Zumba with Angie is the most fun you've ever had working out! Millions of people across the world have been able to stay motivated to exercise through Zumba. It is designed for everyone, every shape, and all ages. Come see what Zumba can do for you. Classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:45 a.m. from January 12 to February 19. Cost is \$36 for 12 Classes.

### **Syracuse Road Construction Update**

Happy New Year from the Syracuse Road Project! Construction activities over the next few months will include replacing sewer laterals and culinary water lines as well as concrete paving. Commuters and residents will also experience some traffic shifts at the 1000 West and 2000 West intersections early this month.

Please feel free to contact the Public Information Team with any questions or concerns as the project progresses toward completion in summer 2010.

As always, we thank the residents and local businesses for their patience during our work.

Syracuse Road Public Information Team

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If you own livestock, please visit the Utilities Department and fill out a livestock information form for Davis County Animal Control. If you have questions, please contact the Davis County Animal Control at (801) 444-2200.

### **Hunter Safety Classes**

Syracuse City offers hunter safety classes all year long. Mike Waite (Public Works) and Brian Wallace and Tracy Jensen (Police) are teaching classes as they fill up. If interested, call (801) 825-4400 or 825-7235 to reserve a spot.

### **Youth Council**

The Youth Council raised \$250 by selling poinsettias! They used the money at Walmart to purchase toys, games, and food for those having a hard time this holiday season. It was a rewarding experience to sub-for-santa and be able to serve local families. The Youth Council worked hard on this project and also enjoyed a holiday party at Sydney Hawkes' house. A big thank you goes out to the youth council members!

### **Syracuse Guild for the Visual Arts**

The SGVA is sponsoring a series of professionally-taught art classes free to the public. The next class, on January 23, will be taught by Rett Ashby. He will teach how to paint using a palette knife. Other classes will be taught throughout the year. You can enroll in classes and learn more about the Guild at [www.sqvarts.blogspot.com](http://www.sqvarts.blogspot.com).

## SYRACUSE QUILT GUILD

The Guild meets every second Tuesday of the month, at 1pm, in the Community Center. For more information, visit [www.syracuseutahquilters.blogspot.com](http://www.syracuseutahquilters.blogspot.com).

There will be NO garbage collection on New Year's Day. If your regular pick-up day falls on January 1, Robinson Waste will collect your garbage the following day (Saturday). WHEN IN DOUBT, PUT IT OUT.

### Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

The recent drop in temperature lead to a sharp increase in the Fire Department's responses to homes due to Carbon Monoxide Detector alarms. We believe it is important that each resident ensure their CO detectors were installed correctly and function properly. Additionally, please keep in mind the following:

#### HOW EARLY WARNINGS CAN HELP SAVE LIVES

##### What is carbon monoxide?

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless, deadly gas. Because it cannot be seen, tasted, or smelled, CO can kill before victims know it is there. Today's more energy efficient, airtight home designs contribute to the problem by trapping CO-polluted air inside homes.

##### Why is carbon monoxide so dangerous?

The great danger of CO is its attraction to hemoglobin in the bloodstream. Lungs breathe in CO, which bonds with the hemoglobin, displacing oxygen that cells need to function. When CO is present in the air, it rapidly accumulates in the blood and eventually displaces enough oxygen to suffocate victims from the inside out, resulting in brain damage or death.

##### Where does carbon monoxide occur?

Everyone is at risk. CO poisoning can happen to anyone, anytime, anywhere. However, experts believe that vulnerability to CO poisoning increases for unborn babies, infants, senior citizens, and people with coronary or respiratory problems. These people are considered to be at greatest risk.

##### How can I protect myself from carbon monoxide poisoning?

The Consumer Product Safety Commission recommends installing at least one CO detector per household. Reliable, cost-effective protection from CO poisoning is now available from local hardware stores. According to the CPSC Chairman, "Carbon monoxide detectors are as important to home safety as smoke detectors."

##### How do I know if I am suffering from carbon monoxide poisoning?

CO poisoning is difficult to diagnose. Because its symptoms are similar to other common diseases, such as the flu, CO is often called "The Great Imitator." Symptoms of low level CO poisoning can include headaches, fatigue, nausea, dizzy spells, and confusion. There are, however, a few hints that can help.

##### To identify carbon monoxide poisoning in your home:

- Are other members of the household feeling ill as well?
- Do you feel better when you are away from the house for a period of time?

If so, you may be suffering from CO poisoning. To be sure, see a physician and request a carboxyhemoglobin test. This will determine the percentage of CO present in your blood.

##### What do I do if my carbon monoxide detector goes off?

Get out of the house immediately. Have a plan that includes a pre-designated meeting place so that you can account for all family members. (Most fatalities occur when people re-enter the home to search for loved ones.) Call 911 from a neighbor's home. Do not re-enter until the Fire Department says it is safe. Discuss the source of CO with a Fire Official, and have it repaired immediately.

##### Where do I put my carbon monoxide detector?

Each household should have at least one detector installed near the sleeping area. A second detector, located near (but not directly above), the home's heating source adds an extra measure of safety.

### *Syracuse welcomes the following new businesses:*

PellTech Solutions, LLC.....	Manufacturer's Rep
Little Scholars Learning Center.....	Preschool
YEP Boarding.....	Online sales of Boarding Apparel/Accessories
Melissa Papaj Photography.....	Photography
Child Care by Jessica Nye.....	Daycare
BuySell4U.....	Real Estate
Bowman's Kitchen & Bath.....	Handyman & Finish Work
Café Limon.....	American & Peruvian Cuisine
Elmore Chiropractic & Nutrition, LLC.....	Chiropractic

For more info on Local Businesses call 801-614-9627



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**January 2010**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 *New Years *City Offices Closed *No Garbage Pick-up	2
3	4 Court 2pm	5 Planning Commission 6 pm	6	7	8	9
10	11 Court 2pm	12 City Council 7pm	13	14	15	16
17	18 *Human Rights Day *City Offices Closed	19 Planning Commission 6 pm	20	21	22	23
24	25 Court 2pm *Utility Payment Due	26 City Council 7pm	27	28	29	30
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