



# The Lake View

A Monthly Insight Into Our Syracuse City Community

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As we start a new year, I have grave concerns relating to the situation in Ferguson, Missouri and New York City pertaining to the police and how this emotional upheaval could affect us. It is important that we realize that we are a country of laws and without the rule of law, we have chaos. Perception, whether true or not, becomes reality to many. It is vital that we as the city and local police realize that we are being watched and need to be cognizant of those perceptions.

Distrust, not solutions, come through destruction of property and businesses as has happened in Ferguson. Few solutions arise when there is hatred and anger. Let us be the initiators of kindness.

As citizens of Syracuse, I hope that we do not get caught up in the heat of the moment. Solutions to current problems come through peaceful acknowledgment of both sides and the laws that govern society. Let us take the higher road and have a peaceful 2015.

- Mayor Terry Palmer



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

**How to Drive a Roundabout:** Roundabouts are designed to make intersections safer and more efficient for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. All roundabouts in Syracuse are single-lane roundabouts.

1. As you approach a roundabout, you will see a yellow "roundabout ahead" sign and may see a speed limit sign for the roundabout.
2. Slow down as you approach the roundabout, observe any posted speed limits, and watch for any pedestrians or bicyclists in the crosswalk.
3. Continue toward the roundabout and look to your left as you near the yield sign and dashed yield line at the entrance to the roundabout.
4. ALWAYS yield to traffic already in the roundabout.
5. Once you see a safe gap in traffic, enter the circle and proceed to your exit. If there is no traffic in the roundabout, you may enter without yielding.
6. Use your turn signal before you exit, and make sure to stay in your lane as you navigate out of the roundabout.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT



**Home Fuel Storage:** The Fire Department believes that an informed public is a safer public. We have had multiple questions concerning emergency home fuel storage.

We have added a brochure to our Fire Department link on Syracuse City's web page that lists what the adopted fire code allows. Here is the link to the site:

- [www.syracuseut.com/Departments/EmergencyServices/FireDepartment.aspx](http://www.syracuseut.com/Departments/EmergencyServices/FireDepartment.aspx)

Please contact the Syracuse Fire Department for further information regarding this or other preparedness issues.

Also, Syracuse Fire Department is now on Twitter! Follow us at @SyracuseUTFire for official information from the Fire Department regarding public safety, community and emergency management events.



## PUBLIC WORKS

**Tree Pickup:** Robinson Waste will pick up live Christmas trees at the curbside on January 12th, beginning at 7:00 a.m. In order to qualify for free pickup, trees must be cut in half if taller than 8 feet, have all lights, ornaments and tree stands removed and may not be flocked.”

**Snow Removal:** Snow plow operators performing snow removal are dedicated to providing safe roads. Please keep a fair distance away from the plow and avoid parking in the street when they need to clear the road, especially over night.

**Clogged Sewers:** Fat's, oils, and grease must not be disposed of down the drain. This practice will quickly clog your sewer because the grease cools in the pipes and hardens to the pipe walls. Try collecting grease in a can and disposing in the garbage instead.

**Frozen Water Pipes:** Freezing outdoor temperatures can cause water lines to freeze. Here are a few simple precautions to avoid burst pipes: -Insulate exposed pipes and hose bibs, -Disconnect garden hoses, -Seal leaks, -Let water drip overnight, -Open cabinet doors to allow heat to get to uninsulated pipes under sinks near exterior walls.



**Thank you** to all those who donated to the Syracuse City annual toy donation drive. We worked with our local schools to help bring gifts to children in need. Our giant collection box was overflowing with donations and had to be emptied multiple times! We will do it again next year.

Check out our **Citizen's Financial Report** for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. It provides some history, performance measures, financial information, and news about our City. Go onto our website at [www.syracuseut.com/Departments/CityAdministration/Finance.aspx](http://www.syracuseut.com/Departments/CityAdministration/Finance.aspx) and click on the FY2014 Citizens Financial Report.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



**Ice Rink:** We are excited to announce that The Syracuse Skating Rink is now officially open. Come on down and try it out! The rink is located in the Town Center (approx. 2000 W. & Antelope). Skate rentals are available M-F 4pm to 9pm and Sat. 10am-9pm. Kids skates are \$3/hr and adults are \$4/hr. If you have your own skates, it is free! We anticipate that the rink will be open until mid February. Don't forget to support your local businesses around the ice rink. One fun addition to those nearby businesses is a boutique. It is located next to the T Mobile store.

**Building Department:** Syracuse City is growing with a total of 176 new home permits issued this year. Just as a reminder and for your safety, a building permit and inspection(s) are needed for remodeling basements, changing out furnaces, water heaters, air conditioners and other projects. Please call the building department at 801-614-9670 before starting your construction/remodel project to see if a permit is required. Also at this time of the year, please make sure your carbon monoxide detectors are working. We wish all Syracuse residents a happy and safe winter season.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS



- **Planning Commission:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 6pm-9pm @ City Hall.
- **City Council:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 6pm-9pm @ City Hall.
- **Parks Advisory Committee:** 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 pm Large Conference Room at City Hall.
- **Syracuse Arts Council:** 1st Wednesdays, 8pm, at City Hall in large conference room

\*All meeting agendas/minutes available at on the City's website: [www.Syracuseut.com](http://www.Syracuseut.com)



It is with a heavy heart that Syracuse Police Department reports Crossing Guard Keith Mikkelsen has passed away. Keith worked for Syracuse City for over ten years. He served as the crossing guard for Cook Elementary most of his career, and recently worked the Buffalo Point crossing. Keith had a positive impact on countless elementary children he served and would always be seen with a huge smile on his face as he greeted the children each day. Keith will be sorely missed by all of those who were touched by his life. Syracuse Police Department sends condolences to his family and friends.



## PARKS/RECREATION

**Zumba with Angie:** Tues. and Thurs. 9:00 am, and Sat. 10:30 am. Cost for all Zumba Classes: \$36 - 12 Class Punch Pass or \$5/class. First

Class Free. More info at [anecg.zumba.com](http://anecg.zumba.com)

**FREE Zumba Week:** January 6-10. All Classes

**Yoga Core:** Thursdays 7:30 pm (New Time) - 9 weeks for \$40, Try your first class free on January 15

**Little Dancers:** Introduction to dance. Ages 3 - 5 Thursdays 10:15-10:55 am. 8 week session for \$40, begins January 15

**Step Aerobics:** 8:45am-9:30am Monday, Wednesdays, Fridays. A fun and energetic workout! Check us out on Facebook- "Syracuse Fitness Classes."

**Sculpt and Tone:** 9:35am-10:30am Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Free weights, bands, & exercise balls provided. Please bring your own mat. Check us out on Facebook- "Syracuse Fitness Classes."

**Spring Soccer:** Registration will begin February 2-28. This program is for Pre-Kindergartens (going into Kindergarten fall of 2015) thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. All leagues are Co-Ed. Cost is \$46 (Residents) and \$61 (Non-Residents). Registration fee includes a jersey, shorts, and socks.

**Looking Ahead:** Competitive Girls Basketball League. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade girls and 7<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> grade girls. Baseball/Softball in March. More details to come.

*-All registrations held at the Community Center or online at [www.syracuser recreation.com](http://www.syracuser recreation.com). Call 801-614-9660 with questions*



## SENIOR CITIZENS

To learn more about activities for senior citizens, please stop by the Syracuse Community Center for a senior citizens newsletter or visit [www.syracuser recreation.com](http://www.syracuser recreation.com)

**Lunch & Bingo**-\$2.50/Person Sugg. Donat. ~ Must Rsvp Friday, January 30th @ 12 Noon

**Movie Wednesday** - Free ~ Please Rsvp Wednesday, January 14th @ 1 P.M.

**Think Tuesday** - Free ~ Please Rsvp Tuesday, January 20th @ 10 A.M.

**Story Telling** - Free Wednesday, January 7th @ 1 P.M.

**Senior Yoga** -Tue. & Thur. 8:00am-8:45am. Bring your own mat. \$0.50 for 60 +, \$1 for 50-60, or \$0 with month pass.

Please call the Syracuse Community Center at (801) 614-9660 #1 to RSVP, or for more information!

## COMMUNITY NEWS



**Summer Musical:** July 2015 The Syracuse Arts Council will perform "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang". Visit [SyracuseUtahArts.org](http://SyracuseUtahArts.org) for positions on the Production Team, details of applicable responsibilities, and how to submit a letter of interest.

**Tax Assistance** The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program provides free federal and state income tax preparation and e-filing for households which earn \$53,000 or less. Syracuse Community Center will be open Mondays starting February 2nd and ending April 13, from 5-8pm. The Center will be closed on February 16 for President's Day and takes walk-ins and appointments. Please call 2-1-1 for more information or to set up an appointment."

**Antelope Island State Park Activities:** The state park plans many fun events for kids and adults alike. Event details are on their website: (<http://stateparks.utah.gov/park/antelope-island-state-park/events>.) For questions contact Assistant Park Manager Wendy Wilson at (801) 230-6155

**Medicare 101** is a class designed to inform those turning 65 or preparing to retire about benefits offered by Medicare and Enrollment time periods. Upcoming class: Syracuse Recreation Center (1912 West 1900 South, Syracuse) Wednesday, February 18 at 6:30-7:30PM. Class is free and sponsored by Davis County Senior Services. For more information contact Marie Jorgensen at 801-525-5086.

## MUSEUM



**New Exhibit:** The Syracuse Museum and Cultural Center has assembled a new exhibit for the winter/spring of 2015 focusing on SYRACUSE: Then and Now. This feature exhibit celebrates many aspects of our town comparing its early days to the present including modes of travel, schools, sports, and life in the military. Plan to stop by and see the huge difference of life in Syracuse then and in this century!

**Volunteers Needed:** If you've got some spare time and would like to become involved with your town museum, we would love to expand our volunteer staff. The more volunteers at the museum, the more we can expand our hours and possibly develop new programs. We have some ideas, but would welcome your input too. If you're curious and would like more information, please stop in or call 801-825-3633. Any volunteer will be happy to answer your questions.

**Hours:** T-Th, 2:00-5:00pm. We're at 1891 W. 1700 S.

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### POST OFFICE NEWS (IN CITY HALL)

- Normal hours are Mon-Fri 9am-5pm.
- Please don't leave packages in lobby or post office unattended

# January

## calendar Of EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 City Offices Closed New Year's Day	2	3
4	5	6 Planning Commission @ 6pm	7 Court Senior Story Time Arts Council Mtg. 8pm	8	9	10
11	12	13 City Council - 6pm	14 Court Senior Movie	15	16	17
18	19 City Offices Closed Martin Luther King Day	20 Planning Commission @ 6pm Senior Games	21 Court	22 Parks Advisory Committee 6:30 pm	23	24
25 Utility Payments Due	26	27 City Council - 6pm	28 Court	29	30 Senior Lunch & Bingo	31

### Contact Information

#### Mayor & Council

##### **Mayor Terry Palmer**

Phone: 801-614-9636

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##### **Councilmember Brian Duncan**

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##### **Councilmember Karianne Lisonbee**

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##### **Councilmember Doug Peterson**

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##### **Councilmember Mike Gailey**

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#### Volunteer

Are you looking for a way to volunteer or help our community become a better place in which to live? Below is a list of City contacts who offer volunteer opportunities.

##### **Syracuse City Museum**

Phone: 801-825-3633

Hours: Tues, Wed, & Thurs 2pm - 5pm

##### **Syracuse Arts Council**

Email: volunteer@syracuseutaharts.org

##### **Syracuse Youth Council**

Phone: 801-643-8996

##### **Syracuse Lions Club**

Phone: 801-825-7311

##### **Syracuse Lady Lions**

Phone: 801-791-7375

##### **Syracuse Eagle Scout Projects**

Phone: 801-589-0715

Follow us on Facebook or go to our website at [www.syracuseut.com](http://www.syracuseut.com)

#### Services

City Hall is open Mon through Fri, 8am-5pm, but closed on holidays. Community Center hours are Mon through Thurs, 6am-9pm, Fri, 6am-8pm, and Sat, 8am-4pm.

##### **Syracuse City Hall**

Phone: 801-825-1477

Address: 1979 West 1900 South

##### **Syracuse Police Station**

Phone: 801-825-4400

Address: 1751 South 2000 West

##### **Syracuse Fire Station**

Phone: 801-614-9614

Address: 1869 South 3000 West

##### **Syracuse Community Center**

Phone: 801-614-9660

Address: 1912 West 1900 South

##### **Syracuse Public Works Facility**

Phone: 801-825-7235

Address: 3061 South 2400 West