

Town of Alta Newsletter



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Municipal News

Mayor Pollard, John Guldner, and Claire Runge attended a Legislative Luncheon at the West Valley Cultural Center on December 4th. State legislators were in attendance to meet local officials from their respective districts. Mayor Pollard addressed the legislators regarding GRAMA concerns. Mayor Pollard encouraged legislators to look at enabling municipalities to fully recover all fees associated with GRAMA requests.

The Natural Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation plan prepared by the Wasatch Front Regional Council was adopted at the December 11th

Town Council meeting. This plan was created to reduce risk to life and property in event of natural hazards along the Wasatch Front. The plan is intended to promote sound public policy designed to protect and reduce the vulnerability of the citizens, critical facilities, infrastructure, private property, and the natural environment within the region.

The Town of Alta joins Cottonwood Heights and Salt Lake County in adopting the Corridor Management Plan (CMP) produced as part of the Scenic Byways study. In order to submit a designation for a National Scenic Byway, all municipalities

along the byway had to adopt the CMP. A CMP addresses issues such as historic and natural preservation, roadway safety, and economic development. It is important to note that the CMP is not a regulatory document and does not supersede existing management plans.

The Town has accepted a bid from Pure Flow Filtration Division to complete the Antimony water treatment plant. The treatment system will fit in the existing Town water building with no structural modifications necessary and is anticipated to be operational by fall of 2009.

Recycling Notes

Recycling will be picked up Tuesday and Friday mornings, with the exception of road closure mornings.

Please help conserve space in the recycling containers by flattening all cardboard boxes.

Christmas trees can be left for recycling

on the west side of the recycle containers. Christmas trees will be picked up for recycling December 26th through January 15th.

Interested in saving paper? Please email cer@townofalta.com to be added to our monthly newsletter email distribution list.

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Marshal's Report

Nov. 2nd, 10:38 pm: A suspicious vehicle was investigated by the deputy on duty.

Nov. 18th, 2:52 pm: The Marshal's Office was called to assist DEA agents with the delivery of a package containing over two pounds of high grade marijuana that had been mailed to Alta. The recipient was charged with Felony Possession with intent to distribute. A large quantity of cash was also seized.

Nov. 20th, 6:30 am: The canyon road was restricted and Inter-lodge Closure was put into effect for test firing of the avalanche control weapons.

Nov. 26th, 7:30 am: The Superior/Hellgate section of the road was temporarily restricted for additional testing of avalanche control weapons.

Nov. 29th, 4:00 pm: A reported theft of prescription medication was investigated.

Dec. 2nd, 11:50 am: A cell phone caller called 911 to report a skiing accident resulting in serious injuries. The accident was determined to be within the Alta Ski Area boundaries and the Alta Ski Patrol was dispatched to the scene. A male was transported to a local hospital via ambulance.

Dec. 5th, 10:55 am: A minor traffic accident was investigated in the Wildcat Parking Lot. Later in the evening, the deputy on duty assisted the Sheriff's Office with another accident in the seven turns area of the canyon.

Dec. 7th, 3:00 pm: The Marshal was called to the Goldminer's Bar regarding a possible patron problem. A young woman that did not have the required picture ID to be served was insisting that the DUI ticket she received the previous evening was proof enough of her identity. After some negotiation, she was given a courtesy glass of water and removed from the serving area.

Green Power!

Did you know that in 2007 the EPA named the Town of Alta a Green Power Community? With this distinction, Alta became the third municipality in Utah (along with Park City and Moab), and the 10th municipality in the nation to receive this distinction.

Alta exceeds the minimum 3% requirement to be considered a Green Power Community by purchasing 9% of the community's energy as wind power through Rocky Mountain Power's Blue Sky program.

In addition, 30% of the energy generated by the Town of Alta government buildings have been offset by wind power through Rocky Mountain Power Blue Sky Program leading to a Green Power Leadership Club distinction.

The Town of Alta also signed a letter supporting *Powering Utah's Future* in its goals to achieve a 20% increase in energy efficiency by 2015 and have 20% of Utah's electricity derived from renewable energy by 2020.

The Town of Alta encourages its resi-



dents and businesses to pursue alternate energy. Please visit: <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/> for more information.

Questions or ideas about alternative energy in the Town of Alta? Please contact Claire Runge at cer@townofalta.com or (801) 363-5105.



RIGHT: Alta Skier Shannon Corey gets the goods in Lone Pine (Photo Credit: Jill Gareffi)



LEFT: Avalanche control work yields a slide out of Eddie's High Nowhere. (Photo credit: JHG)

Alta Events Calendar

JANUARY

5	5:15pm	ACE Event: Power Yoga with Stacy, Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
6	4pm	AHS Fireside Chat: Bill Levitt. Check www.altahistory.org for details
7	7pm	ACE Event: Rocky Mountain Sherpa Film, "The Fine Line," An Avalanche Education Film. Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
7,8	8:30am-6pm	Alaska Mountain Guides Level 1 Avalanche Class, <i>Alta employees only</i> . Registration required, please contact 801.742.0100 or climb@alaskamountainguides.com for additional information
8	9:30am	Town Council Meeting, Alta Community Center
12	8:30am-3pm	Women's One Day Avalanche Class, Albion Grill, \$25. Alta pass and registration are required. Please check out altaarts.org for more info.
13	12pm	Planning Commission Meeting, Market Street Grill
14	6pm	ACE Event: Book Exchange, Sitzmark Club (Alta Lodge), FREE! (Please bring a book to exchange and must be over 21 years old)
13	TBD	AHS Fireside Chat: Mel Dalebout. Check www.altahistory.org for details
16	7pm	ACE Event: John Casolo Talk: "A New Life Begins." An inspirational talk on blindness and loss, Alta Peruvian Lodge (Alf Engen Room), FREE!
21	4pm	ACE Event: Yoga with Loraine, Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
28,29	7pm	ACE Event: Mike Libeck Slide Show and talk, Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!

FEBRUARY

18,19	6pm (doors open 5:30)	ACE Event: Telluride Mountain Film Tour, Our Lady of the Snows, \$5 each night, tickets can be purchased at Alta Java starting in February, more info at: http://www.mountainfilm.org/
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Alta Historical Society's Fireside Chats have begun for the season. These interesting and entertaining programs focus on Alta's skiing, mining, and political history, and will be presented by some of Alta's most remarkable personalities and visitors. The Alta Historical Society will also hold several Fireside Chats at the REI on 3300 South in Salt Lake City throughout the ski season. Please visit the Alta Historical Society's for more information: <http://www.altahistory.org/>

Morning yoga with Stacy. Every Tuesday at Goldminer's Daughter Art Gallery, Stacy will be holding a yoga class from 6:45-7:45am. A donation is suggested which will be given directly to the Alta School arts and music program. Some mats will be available.

Mark your calendars for the Alta Gala to benefit Friends of Alta, Alta Community Enrichment, and the Alta Historical Society! This year it will be held at La Caille Restaurant on March 21, 2009. Tickets will be available for \$100; please contact Jen Clancy for more info: info@friendsofalta.org or 801.742.9719

*All events are subject to change **Please check ACE's website at www.altaarts.org, or call 801.742.0830 for event updates

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Alta Resort Association Phone: (801) 742-0101

Justice Court Clerk Phone: (801) 742-2407

Alta Central Info Line: (801) 742-3403

ALTA BOXHOLDER



Bottom of the Canyon. LEFT: Warning sign and flashing lights indicating 4x4/chains only RIGHT: Salt Lake County Sheriff checking for 4x4/chains. (Photos courtesy of JHG)

Winter Information

Winter is here! Please consult the following sources for road condition information before calling Alta Central:

- **Local information line:** (801) 742-3403
- **New this winter!** Check out <http://www.townofalta.com/road> for updated road conditions and interlodge status.
- **AM530:** provides messages concerning travel in both Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons.
- **Taking the UTA ski bus?** Look for park-n-ride information signs traveling east on 6200 S and 9400 S. The signs will display which of the main ski bus lots have available parking before you even get there.
- **UDOT road conditions** can be found at: www.commuterlink.utah.gov
- **Sheriff's Office updates:** Sign up for canyon updates via text messaging at www.slsheiff.org