

Town of Alta Newsletter



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Municipal News

Mayor Pollard, John Guldner, and Marshal Morey attended a meeting at the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Building on November 6th to discuss Granite Community members concerns regarding the effects of road closures on their community. The Sheriff's office expressed its intent to find a viable solution. For now traffic will be stopped at the La Caille turn-off on Wasatch Blvd and Wasatch Blvd at 9800 S during road closures. Residents living in the restricted zones will have a decal or placard to allow

them to travel in the restricted area. As the Sheriff's Office may be experimenting with different road closures throughout the season, *Please exercise caution when approaching the bottom of the canyon during road closures!*

The kickoff Little Cottonwood Road Committee Meeting was held November 12th at the Albion Grill in Alta. Town of Alta staff, along with Alta Ski Area, Snowbird, Unified Fire Authority, Utah Transit Authority, Utah Dept. of Transportation, and the Salt Lake

County Sheriff's Office were present. This was the first of monthly meetings throughout the winter to discuss pertinent canyon travel issues and concerns.

UTA begins full Ski Bus service to the Cottonwood Canyons starting December 13! Schedules are available at www.rideuta.com or by calling RIDE-UTA (743-3882). Remember, all Cottonwood Canyons season pass holders ride the UTA Ski Bus for FREE!

Marshal's Report

October 16th 10:10 am: A minor traffic accident was investigated at a Bypass Road parking area.

October 25th 2:00 pm: The deputy on duty assisted the Sheriff's Office regarding an indecent exposure incident that had occurred on a hiking trail in the lower canyon.

October 26th 5:02 pm: The Marshal's and Fire Departments responded to the Albion Summer Road to assist a hiker that had fallen and sustained head lacerations. The patient was

transported to a local hospital via ambulance.

October 27th 9:27 pm: The deputy on duty investigated a possible prowler call at an Albion Basin cabin. This turned out to be a contractor loading his own property into a vehicle.

October 30th 8:00 am: The Marshal's Office investigated several thefts from unlocked vehicles at Bypass Road residences that appear to have occurred the previous evening.

November 2nd 3:25 pm: A theft of a child's scooter was reported in the Powder Ridge area.

November 6th 11:19 am: In an apparent frenzy for early and heavy snow, rows of triple and quadruple parked vehicles formed in the Wildcat parking area. Naturally, the guy with the least amount of patience and most important reason for needing to be somewhere else was stuck dead center in it all...

November 10th 9:45 pm: An intrusion alarm was investigated at a Bypass road residence.

Election Results

The Town of Alta had 250 registered voters (including Snowbird) for the 2008 General Election. In the Presidential race, 167 people voted, making voter turnout almost 67%!

The Chart below shows how Alta and Snowbird residents voted in some of the main races. The candidate name in *italics* represents the candidate who won their respective race. (Please note on chart that numbers for the Presidential race do not add up to 167 as this chart only reflects major party candidates.)

Position	Democratic Candidate/ #votes	Republican Candidate/ #votes
United States President	<i>B. Obama</i> /132	J. McCain/28
2nd Congressional District U.S. Representative	<i>J. Matheson</i> /137	B. Dew/19
Salt Lake County Mayor	<i>P. Corroon</i> /133	M. Renckert/19
State Senator District 8	<i>K. Morgan</i> /111	C. Walker/47
State Representative District 46	<i>M. Poulson</i> /116	J. Davis/26

Besides a new President of the United States, the Town of Alta has two new representatives. Karen Morgan will replace Carlene Walker as the State Senator for District 8, and Marie

Poulson will fill Karen Morgan's vacancy as the State Representative for District 46. Contact information for our new representatives will be provided when it becomes available.



Alta Environmental Center

Alta Ski Area announces the founding of the Alta Environmental Center (Alta EnCe). Mike Lewis, Director of



the Alta EnCe, says, "The environmental center was created to consolidate and re-focus Alta Ski Area's environmental efforts. We are particularly concerned with the health of our air, water, and vegetation because these are the key components of our ecosystem."

The Alta Environmental Center is the environmental department of Alta Ski Area that is committed to creating a sustainable ski area operation, and to discovering new ways to learn and educate others about what needs to be done to protect and improve the area's environmental health. For

years Alta Ski Area has worked towards reducing its carbon footprint by building energy efficient buildings, implementing an extensive recycling program, installing a state-of-the-art UV water purifier, and participating in Rocky Mountain Power's Blue Sky Energy program.

With the EnCe, Alta Ski Area is looking to take its environmental stewardship to the next level. If you would like to find out more about the Alta Environmental Center, visit: www.AлтаEnCe.com

Anti-Idling Campaign

The Town of Alta, Alta Ski Lifts, Alta Community Enrichment, and Friends of Alta are proud to support a voluntary anti-idling campaign in Alta!

Vehicle exhaust is one of the leading sources of air pollution in Utah and is hazardous to human health, especially children's.

By reducing the amount of time you idle you will...

save money — by reducing fuel use

breathe easier — by preventing unhealthy exhaust from building up in and around your car

protect blue sky — by reducing idling emissions that contribute to smog

Interesting facts and recommendations (courtesy of Idle Free Utah):

- 10 seconds of idling uses more fuel than restarting your engine
- Newer vehicles need no more than 30 seconds of idling in cold temperatures
- The best way to warm up your car is to drive it

For more facts and information check out:
www.idlefree.utah.gov

Show your support and pick up a window decal (right) at the Town Offices, Alta Ski Area, or the Alta Post Office.



Alta Events Calendar

DECEMBER

6	8am-6pm	ACE Annual gear swap, please check www.altaarts.org for more information
8	9am-12pm	ACE Event: Women's Beacon Clinic, Albion Grill, FREE!
9	12pm	Planning Commission Meeting, Market Street Grill
10	6pm	ACE Event: Christmas Craft Night: make a set of wonderful gifts from soaps, bath balms, and medicated heat packs! Our Lady of the Snows, \$5
11	9:30am	Town Council Meeting, Alta Community Center
11	7pm	ACE Event: <i>The Edge of Never</i> Book signing and slide show, Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
14	12-4pm	ACE Event: Holiday Art Sale, Goldminer's Daughter
17,18, 20		Local avalanche class (sponsored by ACE, check out www.altaarts.org for more information)
22	3-3:45pm	ACE Event: Kids Dance and Art (for younger kids), Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
29	4:30pm	ACE and Alta Historical Society Event: The Alta Experience KUED Documentary and talk, Our Lady of the Snows, FREE!
30	8pm	ACE Event: Masquerade Dance: face painting, juggling, a fire show, and live music by Stonefed, \$5

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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Post Office Phone: (801) 742-2142

Library/Community Center Phone: (801) 742-2068

Alta Resort Association Phone: (801) 742-0101

Justice Court Clerk Phone: (801) 742-2407

Alta Central Info Line: (801) 742-3403

ALTA BOXHOLDER

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
- **Coming Soon:** Sign up for canyon updates via text messaging at www.slsheriff.org



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