

LEHI LEDGER

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The Case For A Flag

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A couple of years ago, I received a call from Professor Greg Jackson, who serves as one of our planning commissioners here in Lehi. He and I talk frequently about several issues regarding our great city and the nation. Admittedly, I rely on him when I have a question about history, specifically U.S. history. For those who do not know, Professor Jackson is the author and producer of the wildly popular podcast “History that Doesn’t

Suck,” and we are fortunate to have him as a Lehi citizen. During the conversation, Greg paused at some point, then changed the topic by asking, “Mayor, why doesn’t our city have a flag?” I believe my response was something to the effect of, “Well we have our logo on a bedsheet, but that’s not really a flag.”

Our conversation shifted to cities with recognizable flags, emphasizing the importance of flags with historic meaning. Diving into vexillology, the study of flags, I drew upon my prior exposure to the field, through previous work, and a TED Talk I recently watched. Specifically, Ted Kaye’s enlightening presentation, “Good Flag, Bad Flag: How to Design a Great Flag,” resonated with me. Kaye’s establishment of fundamental principles for effective flag design has influenced numerous cities and states.

It is common for cities to simply throw their logo up on a white background and call it a flag. But a logo is different than a flag. A flag needs to be simpler than a logo and be easily recognized from far away. It needs to convey meaning like a logo, but in a



more simplified form. It needs to convey something important and generate pride and respect. That is the power of a well-designed flag.

Over the course of several months, Greg and I bounced ideas back and forth and even had a graphic artist involved, but nothing seemed to hit the mark of what the perfect flag for Lehi should be. In a brief presentation to the council last year, I discussed some thoughts and played Kaye’s TED Talk on vexillology. The idea of a flag was tabled until we could give it more serious consideration.

It’s a new year, which gives us opportunity for renewal and improvements, I am delighted to share with you an exciting endeavor that holds the potential to ignite a profound sense of pride and belonging within our community – the redesign of our city flag.

I’ve always believed that our city’s flag should serve as a symbol of who we are and what we stand for. Yet, our current flag falls short of capturing the essence of our community. Together we have the chance to redefine what it means to be a citizen of Lehi. By embracing our past while looking boldly towards the future, we can create a flag that truly reflects the spirit of our city. Starting Monday, April 1 the design submission window will open. We look forward to seeing the talents of Lehi and how they see their city. I hope that we draw inspiration from the iconic landmarks that dot our landscape, but let’s also infuse our design with the stories and aspirations of our residents.

-Mayor Mark Johnson

City Information

INFORMATION CENTER: 385.201.1000
LEGACY CENTER: 385.201.2000
POLICE: 385.201.1005
FIRE: 385.201.1081
LIBRARY: 385.201.1050
POWER: 385.201.1040
STREETS: 385.201.1900
UTILITIES: 385.201.1000
WATER: 385.201.1900
LITERACY CENTER: 385.201.1060
SENIOR CENTER: 385.201.1065




CULTURAL ORGANIZATION GRANT

Application Workshop

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2024
STARTING AT 6 PM
LEHI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
153 N 100 E, LEHI, UT 84043

FOR MORE INFORMATION
www.lehi-ut.gov/cultural-org-grants/



Literacy Center

Our Spring ABC session began in March and will run through May 9, 2024. Our next ABC Session will be fall of 2024. Classes are 2 hours twice a week, Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Eligible students for our Fall Session must be 4 years old as of September 1, 2024. Students may only attend one session of our ABC program.

Open registration for new students for our Spring After-School Session will be February 21 & 22 from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Literacy Center. Bring any students you are interested in registering for a short placement assessment and we can see what days & times we have available for classes. Our After-School program offers Reading classes for Lehi students K through 4th grade and Math classes for Lehi students 1st through 4th grade. Classes are 45 min twice a week, Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs 3 p.m. Our Spring After-School Reading & Math session begins March 4 and runs through May 9.

Dates To Remember:

March 4 & 5 Spring After-School Classes Begin
March 11 & 12 ASD Prof Dev – No Classes

For updates and information visit:

www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/literacy/
www.facebook.com/LehiLiteracyCenter

Library News

Monthly Game Zone

March 27th 2:00-3:30 pm

90 minutes of drop-in tournament style gaming.
Ages 12-18. No registration required.

Join us for an evening of yoga and mindfulness.

Thursday, March 14th 7:00-8:00 pm
Ages 16+. Registration required

Book Clubs (no registration required for Book Clubs)

Chapter Chats (ages 7 & up) -

Tuesday, March 12th 4:00-4:45 pm

Spy School- The Graphic Novel by Stuart Gibbs (a limited number of copies available to check out through the programming department)

Book Club for Adults-

Wednesday, March 13th 6:30-7:30 pm

The Paper Daughters of Chinatown

*Special Guest: Author, Heather B. Moore

The Library will be CLOSED Saturday, March 30th for maintenance and cleaning.

Check our website and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for the most up to date information on library programs

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. -8 p.m.
and Friday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Closed the last Saturday of each month
www.lehi-ut.gov/library

BE PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE



The Lehi City Environmental Sustainability Committee is looking for outgoing, authentic, and passionate people to help educate, motivate, and inspire environment stewardship.

If you are interested in volunteering your efforts to help Lehi become more sustainable, please email Todd Munger at tjmunger@lehi-ut.gov

www.lehi-ut.gov/services/environmental-sustainability/

Senior Center

News & Updates:

Check out the Lehi Senior Center webpage online www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/seniors/ or visit our Facebook page [@LehiSeniorCenter](#) to see details about meals, events, and our newsletter.

Weekly Classes:

Monday: Tai Chi 9:30 a.m.
Monday: Adv. Watercolor
Tuesday: Beginning Watercolor
Tuesday: Crochet Cub 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday: Bingo 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Sit and Fit 11:00 a.m.
Friday: Line Dance 10 a.m.
Friday: Bingo 11:30 a.m.

Special Events and Activities:

March 1- Blood Pressure Clinic sponsored by Dignity Heath Starts at 11 a.m.

March 13– BUNCO Bash. A fun, easy game with dice. At the Senior Center. Starts at 12:30 p.m.

March 15 - St. Patrick's Shenanigans with lunch
Must sign up by Monday, March 12.

March 18– Monday Movie Mania at the Senior Center Starting at 12:30 p.m.

March 21 - Dinner at The Creamery followed by play at Scera Theater. Must sign up asap until bus is full.

March 22- Birthday Celebration

Daily Lunches (Monday-Friday):

Inside meals now available with required reservations. Call 385-201-1065 and leave a message. A \$3 donation per meal is encouraged. Lunch served at noon.

Lehi City March Events

3/7 Planning Commission
Work Session
7 p.m. @ City Hall

3/14 Planning Commission
7 p.m. @ City Hall

3/26 City Council Meeting
7 p.m. @ City Hall

Easter Egg Hunts

Lehi City's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

The year's hunt is scheduled on
Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 11 a.m.
at Sports Park (2000 West 700 South)

The Easter Egg Hunt will have designated areas by age group for infant-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, and an area for children with special needs. Each area will contain a special egg. The child who finds the special egg will receive a prize.



Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

Bring your flashlights for Lehi's Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt for cash and candy filled eggs at Sports Park (2000 West 700 South) on **Friday, March 22 at 9 p.m.** Teens ages 13-18 need to be in place ready to go at 9 p.m. sharp. Don't be late or you'll miss all the fun!

Make sure to bundle up to stay warm and bring your flashlights and Easter baskets!

RECREATION NEWS

We have lots of exciting activities happening!
Don't miss out!

Spring Sports Information:

Boys Baseball – 3rd-8th Grade – Season Starts April 17
Girls Softball – 3rd-12th Grade – Season Starts April 22
Spring Soccer – K-9th Grade – Season Starts April 13
Track & Field – Ages 6-14 – Season Starts April 17
T-Ball – Kindergarten – Season Starts May 18
Coach Pitch – 1st Grade – Season Starts May 18
Machine Pitch – 2nd Grade – Season Starts May 18

Summer Camps (Registration Starting April 1):

Tennis Lessons – 2 Week Sessions starting in May
Kids Sports Camp – 2 week sessions starting in June
Summer Basketball Camp – 2 Camps

- June 3-5 at Skyridge High School and
- July 15-17 at the Lehi Legacy Center

Golf – Thursdays in June

Volleyball Camp - **(Registration Opens May 1)** – July 29-August 1

Programs Registering NOW!

Babysitters Course, Cheer, Dance, Evil Science Class, First Aid & CPR, Gymnastics, Itty Bitty Baseball, Martial Arts, Preschool, and Swimming Lessons

Sports Registering NOW!

Track & Field, Spring Wrestling, T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Machine Pitch, and Tennis League.



Follow the Legacy Center on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/lehilegacycenter or at
www.lehi-ut-gov/legacy-center/.

Youth Entrepreneur Market

What is the Youth Entrepreneur Market? Children between 8-15yrs set up and display 40 youth inspired booths where you can find and shop unique gifts! The Youth Entrepreneur Market will be held on **Saturday, April 20** from **10am-12pm**. Step into a world of innovation, style, youthful energy, and unique treasures that await you!

Unique Finds: Explore an array of one-of-a-kind products crafted by talented young entrepreneurs.

Support Local Talent: Every purchase directly supports the dreams and aspirations of our future business leaders.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to witness the future of entrepreneurship!

For more information, follow us on Facebook or Instagram