

# Daggett County Newsletter

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## Mayor Dickison Receives Award of Excellence

Congratulations to Chuck Dickison, Town of Manila Mayor, who has been selected to receive the Rural Water Association of Utah's Award of Excellence for Elected/Appointed Official of the Year. The award ceremony will be held during a special banquet to honor the "Best of the Best" in Rural Utah's Water and Wastewater Industry on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the St. George Dixie Center Ballroom.

## Trees for Conservation

Each year the local Conservation District offers thousands of bare-root trees to landowners at inexpensive, you might even say cheap, cheap prices. This year 19 varieties of shrubs, deciduous (shed their leaves in the fall) trees, and evergreens are available. These varieties are selected to survive the Uintah Basin's harsh winter conditions.



The following trees and shrubs are sold in bundles, so work with your neighbors and friends and share the blessings of growing trees. There is an old English proverb that says "He that plants trees, loves others besides himself." Most plant bundles of 10 are sold for \$20.00 per bundle: American Plum, Amur Maple, Black Walnut, Littleleaf Linden, Norway Maple, Quaking Aspen, Siouland Poplar, Chokecherry, Cotoneaster, Golden Currant, Honeysuckle (Red Tatarian), Nanking Cherry, Potentilla, and Serviceberry. The common Purple Lilacs are sold in a bundle of 10 for \$25.00. Evergreens are sold in a bundle of 5 for \$20.00. They include Blue Spruce, Norway Spruce, Ponderosa Pine, and Scotch Pine.

The deciduous trees come in sizes ranging 2 to 4 feet high, the shrubs vary greatly depending on what is ordered usually around 18 inches to 3 feet and the evergreens are 15 to 18 inches tall. In order to keep things economical, a fancy word for cheap, the plants are small and bare root. They must be paid for when ordering, and can only be ordered in full bundles. Plants must be ordered in advance and quantities are limited, so it is first come, first serve. It is best to order before March 15, but again it is first come, first serve. Most years many varieties are sold out extremely early. Tree pickup date is Friday, April 15, 2011 at the USDA office in Roosevelt, Utah, next to Stewarts.

To get an order form, just email Tonia Steffey at [tonia.steffey@rcdnet.net](mailto:tonia.steffey@rcdnet.net) or call her at 435-722-0884 ext 102, Terrell Thayne at 435-722-4621 ext 138, or Darrell Gillman at 435-722-4621 ext 127. Or, you can come into the Daggett County Courthouse for an application.

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and Utah State University Extension Service are available for planning and implementing a windbreak or shelterbelt around your property. Assistance is also available when determining irrigation requirements and system designs so that you may get the most out of your tree investment.

Trees and shrubs planted as windbreaks, provide wind erosion control, improve crop yields, and enhance the quality of many wind-sensitive crops. Farmstead windbreaks protect the home site and reduce energy consumption. Windbreaks can reduce stress on livestock, improve weight gain, reduce mortality of young animals, and enhance wildlife populations, while protecting a home site and reducing energy consumption.

By Darrell Gillman with the Duchesne, Uintah, and Daggett Conservation Districts.

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*Bare-root trees vary in size.*

## Local Singer Releases New Album

Many residents and visitors to Daggett County know Cher Maras from her 20 years of service as a Daggett County Deputy Sheriff and an Intermediate level EMT on the Daggett County Ambulance. She retired from the Sheriff's Department as a Sergeant in July of 2007. She was later rehired to work part time at the Flaming Gorge Dam where she continues to serve. Others know her for performing at various functions around the county for many years.

What many people don't realize is that Cher is a recorded singing artist and continues to pursue her passion for singing and song writing. Her Stage name is Cher Hendrix and she has recently put two Albums together. The first one "The Long Road" is a Collection of songs she recorded in her younger career when she had a recording contract with Caprice Records of Nashville, Tennessee in the 1970's and 80's. She combined those with other songs she wrote while living in both Manila and Dutch John.

Last September, Cher returned to Nashville and put together her album "Just A Dream". Two other locals were involved with three of the songs as co-writers. While she was teaching music at Manila High school between 1987 and 1989, Lenny Cook of McKinnon, Wyoming handed a poem to Cher and asked her to put music to it. Lenny's poem "Just A Dream" was chosen for the album's cover song. Stacy Williams, of Greendale, Utah, also wrote two of the songs and gave Cher permission to put them on the album.

She plans to return to Nashville, Tenn. this year with Stacy Williams to make another album with Cher and Stacy compositions.



Cher Hendrix, locally known as Cher Maras in the recording studio.

Visit [www.daggettcounty.org](http://www.daggettcounty.org) to make online payments. Now available for building permits, business licenses, and property taxes. If you have any questions please call the Daggett County Clerk/Treasurer at 435-784-3154.

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## Predator Control

The Coyote Bounty has increased for 2011 to \$20.00. Please submit all coyote ears to the Daggett County Clerk/Treasurer's office. Please call if you have any questions 435-784-3154.

## Cher Hendrix (Cher Maras)

**Albums are Now on Sale**

**At the following locations:**

Flaming Gorge Market in Manila  
Flaming Gorge Resort Store, Greendale  
Flaming Gorge Rec. Services, Dutch John  
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- Health Insurance Package
- Vacation and Sick Leave

#### Qualifications & Responsibilities:

- Assist in preparing and presenting proposals, including grants
- Develop and maintain database of potential projects
- Assist in conducting research and analysis on potential projects
- Assist in preparing and presenting proposals

#### Duties will include that you, limited by:

- Assist in preparing and presenting proposals

Applicants should have a minimum of 2 years experience in a similar position and be a resident of Daggett County.

Please call or email Daggett County Commission at 435-790-6270 ext. 131 for more information. Applications should be submitted to the Daggett County Commission Office.

Applications must be received by the deadline of **Monday, March 14, 2011** at 10:00 a.m. or by mail to the Daggett County Commission Office.

Daggett County Commission Office  
501 100th  
PO Box 229  
Hatch, UT 84043  
435-790-6270

For more information contact the office

## Community Emergency Response Team Training

Manila CERT Training is Disaster Preparedness at 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at the Daggett County Courthouse.

Dutch John CERT Training is Fire Safety/Hazmat at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the Conference Room in the Dutch John Fire Station.

If you are interested please contact: Tamara Twitchell – Daggett County Emergency Manager at 435-784-3210 ext 201 or at [ttwitchell@daggettcountry.org](mailto:ttwitchell@daggettcountry.org) or for Dutch John call Linda Blanchard at 435-885-3116.



The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that improve the safety of the community. CERTs have been used to distribute and/or install smoke alarms, replace smoke alarm batteries in the home of elderly, distribute disaster education material, provide services at special events, such as parades, sporting events and more.



# The Potting Shed

Spring is just around the corner and that means it will soon be time to plant our gardens. The staff at *The Potting Shed* is getting ready for warmer weather and has already started many vegetables and flowers for spring planting.

*We'll be open May 1<sup>st</sup>, just in time for Mother's Day!*

Don't forget to stop in for high quality bedding plants and herbs, Gardens in a Pail®, gardening gloves, yard tools, fertilizer, and potting soil. In addition, we will have our beautiful flowering baskets and planters, candles, wreaths, and unique gifts.

**See you in a few weeks!**

**Call 435-784-3475 for more info!**

## CHIP Has Open Enrollment

The Utah Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is open year round for enrollment of children that do not have insurance and meet certain eligibility requirements including: under 19 years of age, US citizens or legal residents and income eligibility requirements based on household size. For more information go to <http://health.utah.gov/chip/> or call toll-free 1-877-KIDS-NOW.



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Sunday 8 AM - 4 PM Breakfast, lunch

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Ever stepped into your house on a chilly winter's day only to find it's colder inside than out? Not a very nice feeling. Unfortunately it's an all too common problem for many of us, considering everything that's involved in making a house function properly. There's a lot going on behind the scenes in our homes – things we can't even see – that affect our comfort level as well as our health. Thankfully [Utah Home Performance](#) with ENERGY STAR® is there to point us in the right direction when it comes to making sure our homes are meeting their full potential.

### Your House is a System

Utah Home Performance offers a whole-house approach to home improvement that works to increase the energy-efficiency and comfort level of your home while also lowering your energy bills. From obvious concerns like making sure your house stays warm in the winter and cool in the summer, to identifying and catching hidden issues before they become problems, Utah Home Performance leaves no stone unturned.

To find out if your home is a good candidate for the program, simply head to [utahhomeperformance.com](http://utahhomeperformance.com) and fill out the quick online energy survey. Once you know your home is eligible, the next step is a comprehensive Home Performance Assessment conducted by a Building Performance Institute certified analyst. You can schedule an assessment by calling **800-943-0923**, or set one up online at [utahhomeperformance.com](http://utahhomeperformance.com).

The assessment costs \$100 and offers a complete inspection of your home. Using state-of-the-art diagnostic tools, the analyst will test your home and present you with a customized energy and cost-saving action plan. If you choose to make the suggested energy-saving improvements, Utah Home Performance will provide cash-back rebates of up to \$2000 to help offset the costs. Plus, you may be eligible to receive further savings through your local utility, along with federal tax credits for qualifying improvements.

Utah Home Performance also has a full network of qualified [participating contractors](#) ready for action, so you'll know where to turn when it comes time to bid out the work. It's a great time to take a look at enhancing the performance of your home. By working with Utah Home Performance, you'll get expert advice, attractive rebates, and once you make the suggested improvements, you'll realize further savings every month on your utility bills.

# The History of Linwood, Utah and The Green River - Before Flaming Gorge Dam



Friday, March 11, 2011 at 6:00 PM

Daggett County Courthouse

Speaker - Roy Webb

Multimedia Archivist, Special Collections, J. Willard Marriott Library, University of Utah

And

Author of soon to be published:

*"I Had Arrived At Perfection: The Lost Canyons Of The Green River"*

For More information please Contact Daggett County

Clerk/Treasurer Office 435-784-3154 or 784-3387

A Power Point presentation including many of the photographs and film clips that show what the town of Linwood, as well as the valley's & canyons of the Green River were like before the Flaming Gorge Dam was completed in 1963.

Sponsored by: The Daggett County Museum Board

## County Staff and Volunteer Changes

If this month's Newsletter seems a little boring or not quite as fun or well laid out that's because Toni Pendleton is no longer putting it together. She's done a great job for quite a few years! Thanks for all your hard work!

Brian Raymond will be taking on Economic Development Full-time starting March 6th. A new position has been created to help with some of the marketing and planning and zoning tasks he will no longer be doing, see page 3 for more details or contact the Auditor/Recorder's Office at 435-784-3210 x 405.

Matt Henry has been selected to be an Alternate on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Duane Draper, Lynn Kurtz, Amy Gonder, Brian Raymond and Alex Pfoff have been approved as recycling volunteers. The County wishes to thank Teresa Burnside for her efforts, she resigned from the Cow Country Jr. Rodeo Committee.

## Daggett County Website

New pages and information have recently been added to the Daggett County website. Emergency Management Director Tammy Twitchell has been adding notifications about upcoming storms to the News Flashes sections. The Employment section has been revised and a new job opportunity with the County has been added. We will also post openings at businesses within the County this year, so send us your job announcements. Residents and others can register to have text messages or e-mails sent notifying you of new job postings or other additions to the website. Got to the "Notify Me" link on the homepage at <http://www.daggettcountry.org> and enter your e-mail address or telephone number for texts to register to be updated.

We have been updating the business listings, so all business owners are encouraged to check your listing on the Resource Directory page for accuracy and complete information (<http://www.daggettcountry.org/business>). To update or add your Daggett County or Town of Manila licensed business please contact Nancy at 435-784-3154 or [nsteib@daggettcountry.org](mailto:nsteib@daggettcountry.org).



### Get Involved!!

#### Daggett County has openings for the following Boards, Committees and Volunteer Positions:

- Planning and Zoning Commission (1 position)
- Mosquito Abatement District Board (1 position)
- Dutch John Cemetery Board (3 positions)
- Dutch John Advisory Committee (2 positions)
- Tourism Tax Advisory Board (2 positions)
- Recycling Volunteers (Multiple positions)
- Museum Board & Volunteers (Multiple positions) &
- Library Board & Volunteers (Multiple positions)

For more information or an application go to the County website at: <http://daggettcountry.org/boards> or contact the County Courthouse at

(435) 784-3154  
95 North 1<sup>st</sup> West  
PO Box 400  
Manila, UT 84046

Applications will be accepted until 12:00 pm  
on Thursday, March 31st, 2011

**If you would like to place an article or advertisement in the Daggett County Newsletter please contact the Clerk's Office at 435-784-3154 or by e-mail at [vmckee@daggettcountry.org](mailto:vmckee@daggettcountry.org)**



RAY MASTERS Escalante, Utah ~ Ray Hale Masters, 95, passed away Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011 in Cedar City, Utah. She was born Oct. 19, 1915, in Englewood, Colo., to Charles Porter and Bessie Alberta Jones Hale. Ray was raised and educated in Manila, Utah, and Las Vegas, where she graduated from high school. She married Joseph Fuller Reid May 22, 1939, in Panaca. He passed away in 1958. She later married her childhood sweetheart William Rector "Rex" Masters Jan. 21, 1965, in Las Vegas. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake City Temple, June 10, 1966.

They had 41 wonderful years together. She enjoyed spending time in her garden, sewing, handicrafts, canning, reading and especially spending time with her family. She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Ray is survived by her son, Vernon (Janis) Hale Reid, Cedar City; grandchildren, Kimberly Ray Bowles, Jessica Marie Hughes and Joseph Emeron Reid; and four great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her niece, Carol Ray Ewell; and nephew, Larry D Hale. She was preceded in death by her parents; spouses; and brothers; Charlie Hale, Howard Hale and Robert Hale. Funeral was held on Thursday, Feb. 24 at the Escalante 1st Ward Chapel. Interment was in the Manila Cemetery in Manila, Utah, on Friday, Feb. 25, at 1 p.m. Funeral Directors: were Magleby Mortuary of Richfield, Salina and Manti. The online guest book is available at [www.maglebymortuary.com](http://www.maglebymortuary.com).



Shirley Deane Hansen 1924 - 2011 Shirley, our beloved wife and mother passed away peacefully of causes incident to age on February 23, 2011. Shirley was born on June 24, 1924 in Salt Lake City, Utah. She married B. Ed Hansen on May 29, 1956 in Salt Lake City where they resided until retirement and then moved to Manila, Utah. Shirley is survived by her husband, her three children Jon, Ted, and Mary, and their families. She was preceded in death by her parents John and Elizabeth Tobiason and infant daughter Holly. Special thanks to Rita at IHC hospice and all those who provided care.

Shirley requested no services.

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## Recycling Program

The Flaming Gorge Recycling Coalition has been working hard to make recycling available in Daggett County. We have two bins available in Dutch John for Cardboard. We will accept paper too, but please put it in a plastic bag before putting it in the bin. Both Manila and Dutch John Post Offices have recycling bins for unwanted mail, we encourage you to recycle newspapers received at the post office and other unwanted or read mail to avoid it entering the Town of Manila landfill. In Manila we have an Eagle Scout project going to assist us in getting the project off the ground by getting some bins for general recycling. We will eventually recycle glass, batteries, paper, aluminum, plastic bottles and jugs, athletic shoes and steel cans. We will let you know when the bins are available. We are looking for bin hosts.

As part of the Eagle Scout project cub scouts, scouts and anyone interested are invited to help move a large quantity of cardboard from a private residence to the storage containers on March 9<sup>th</sup> from 3-4 pm. Meet at the County Courthouse if you are interested. Pick-ups and drivers are needed to help transport the cardboard.

The overall goal is to keep materials that can be recycled from ending up in the landfill. We are hopeful of having a system in place before Earth Day, which is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a week long celebration with activities and educational programs to kick off the County recycling program. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the recycling program contact Brian Raymond in Manila at 435-784-3218 ext. 134 or Alex Pfoff in Dutch John at 281-732-3805.

# March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Commission Mtg. 9am  Hunter Safety Course 6-9pm Contact Ben Wolford	2	3 Hunter Safety Course 6-9pm Contact Ben Wolford	4	5
6	7 Recycle Mtg. 6pm	8	9 Commission Mtg. 9am  Senior Lunch Noon  County P&Z Mtg. 6pm	10 LEPC 10am to Noon  Chamber Mtg at Flaming Gorge Resort - 12 noon	11 Museum Board Mtg - 5 pm  Roy Webb's Linwood History Presentation - 6pm	12
13	14	15 Commission Mtg. 9am	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Commission Mtg. 9am	23 County P&Z Mtg. 6pm	24	25	26
27	28	29 Commission Mtg. 9am	30	31		

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- **County Commission Meetings** will be held on Tuesday, March 1st, 14th, 22nd, and 29th, plus Wednesday, March 9th at 9 a.m.
- **County Planning & Zoning** will meet on March 9th and 23rd at 6 p.m.
- **Recycling Coalition Meeting** will be on March 7th at 6pm.
- **Museum Board meeting** will be on Friday March 11th at 5 pm, followed by the History of Linwood, Utah and the Green River Below the Flaming Gorge Dam at 6.
- **Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting** on Thursday, March 10 at 10 am

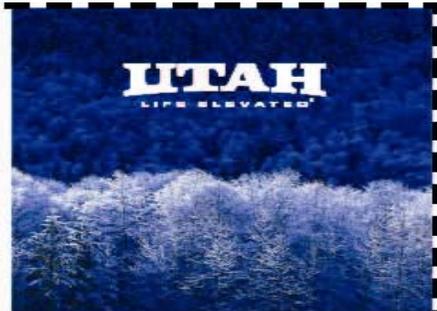
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