



# Newsletter

July 2023



## Grand Marshals

This year's Grand Marshals for the Mona Celebration are Everd and Lorna Squire. Everd and Lorna moved to Mona in June 1969 for Everd to teach school 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade math for the next 28 years. Lorna also worked for the Juab School District at Mona Elementary School for 15 years. They have been married for 57 years and are the parents of 6 children 22 grandchildren and 17 great grandsons and one great granddaughter.



They love living in Mona and soon after moving to Mona, they bid on taking care of the park and the cemetery and ended up doing that for many years. Lorna became the cemetery sexton which she still is, making it around 25 years. Everd was asked in 1976 to build a monument to the old Elementary School building, using materials from the school that had been torn down. That monument is the one with the old school bell on top that is in front of the old city building. Lorna was instrumental in getting the sidewalks that run through the park along with the benches and tables around the park. Everd served as Mayor of Mona 1977-1981. While Mayor, an ordinance was adopted requiring half acre lots. Everd was hired as the Director of Finance July 1, 2001 and served there for 20 years retiring June 30, 2021.

As Finance Director, Everd tried to be very conservative and over the years managed to have saved enough to help pay towards the cost of a new building. Another big project for the city was the sewer system.

They continue to have great interest in what is happening in Mona City with each new council personnel, hoping they will try to keep Mona's rural atmosphere.

### Mona City

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**Website:** [www.monacity.org](http://www.monacity.org)

**Facebook:** [Mona City-City Government](https://www.facebook.com/Mona-City-Government)

### Office Hours

Monday 11am-5pm, Tuesday 11am-5pm,  
Wednesday 11am-5pm, Thursday 9am-4pm, Friday  
closed

### Library Hours

Tues. 2-5pm, Wed. 10-1pm, Wed. Storytime 10:30  
Thurs. 5-7pm (July only)

### Dates to Remember

July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Office Closed

July 5<sup>th</sup> Planning & Zoning 7:30pm

July 11<sup>th</sup> City Council 7:00pm

July 12<sup>th</sup> Shut Off Day

July 21<sup>st</sup> Mona Celebration (see back of

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Mona Celebration newsletter)

July 24<sup>th</sup> Pioneer Day Office Closed

July 25<sup>th</sup> City Council 7:00pm

### Mona Library News

#### Summer Youth Reading Program

If you haven't already, come in and pick up a summer reading Bingo Blackout card! When complete, you will receive a coupon for a small ice cream at Mel's! Big shout out to Mel's for their awesome donation!

#### Summer Tutoring

Samantha Nyman is offering free tutoring through July during regular library hours (Tue 2-5 and Wed 10-1). Samantha is experienced in teaching reading foundations that follow the Science of Reading principles and has a strong familiarity with working with kids with dyslexia and dysgraphia and filling in knowledge gaps. Tutoring is by appointment. Contact Samantha at: [samanthanyman@gmail.com](mailto:samanthanyman@gmail.com)

#### New Book by Mona Author

Bruce Beckett's recently released book is available for check out at our library!

#### *Becoming Forever Families*

This sequel continues the life story of the Wilkinson family, showing us how to become a forever family. It illustrates how we can view ourselves from an even greater perspective, and shows our true missions in life.

- What Christ's blessings are for us, now and forever. Topics include:
- What the real purpose of this life is for us and our families
- What Christ's plan is for those with no family in this life
- How we can actually become as Christ is now, and the purpose of doing it
- How Christ can lovingly help us

#### Book Sale

Saturday, July 22 (during the 24th celebration)  
10:30-2:30 p.m.

As you may know, Mona Library is a volunteer service. All proceeds from the sale benefit the library.

#### Drop Off Box

Just a reminder that we have a yellow-lidded drop off box at the SE corner of the library if you are unable to return books during open library hours.

"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies . . . The man who never reads lives only one." —George R.R. Martin

### ANNUAL DRINKING WATER REPORT

A copy of the 2022 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available at the city office or on our website [monacity.org](http://monacity.org)



### 2023 FIREWORKS SALES AND DISCHARGE DATES

#### Sales

Class "C" fireworks can be sold the following dates:

June 24 – July 25

December 29 – December 31

2 days before & on Chinese New Year's Eve

#### Discharge

Between the hours of 11am & 11pm except as noted:

July 2 – July 5

(July 4 hours extended to midnight)

July 22 – July 25

(July 24 hours extended to midnight)

December 31\*

(11am – 1am, January 1)

NOT through January 2, 1am

Chinese New Year's Eve (January 21 - January 22, 2023)  
(11am – 1am the following day)

\*If New Year's Eve is on a Sunday and the county, municipality or metro township determines to celebrate New Year's Eve on the prior Saturday (December 30), then a person may discharge Class C common State approved explosives on that prior Saturday within the county, municipality, or metro township.



## Mona Celebration Schedule

### Friday July 21, 2023

- 5:00 pm Quick Ball Tournament. Ages 8+ build your team, no more than 12 on a team. Free event. See flyer for details. Pre-register at [www.quickscores.com/monacity](http://www.quickscores.com/monacity)
- 6:00 pm Mona Community Dinner Purchase tickets at the office or at the event. Adult tickets \$12 seniors and Children under 12 \$8. Early Bird! Purchase before July 18 for \$2.00 off
- 9:15 pm Movie in the park at dark. Watch National Treasure and discover some delicious loot at the snack shack

### Saturday July 22, 2023

- 7:15 am Redneck Race 5K. Pre-registration entry fee \$12. See flyer for details.
- 10:00 am Parade theme is "A Growing Tradition" Spirit awards given for top 3 floats. Entry forms at the city office or register online at <https://forms.gle/CbNkKT4KmTnehAVx9>
- 11:00 am DUP Craft Booth open, proceeds benefit the local DUP
- 11:00 – 1:00 Wagon rides to the Pioneer Museum load in front of the library  
Raffle tickets go on sale in the city building. You may pre-purchase tickets beginning July 1st at the city office or buy them at the event
- 11:00 am Vocalocity Vocal Band
- 11:15 am Volleyball Coed Tournament for ages 14 – 99, bring your own team of 4. Pre-register at [www.quickscores.com/monacity](http://www.quickscores.com/monacity). Prize for winning team and drink cards awarded to participants. See flyer for details.
- 11:45 am Mona's Got Talent show. Performance time max of 2.5 minutes. Contact Alicen Allred at 801-360-4256 for questions and registration
- 11:00 – 3:00 Snack Shack and Taco Truck open. Bounce houses, obstacles, dunk tank, face painting, and mechanical bull available with wristband purchase \$10.00, cash or Venmo. Pre-purchase wristbands at the city building or buy on site.
- 1:00 pm Matt Baker (comedy/juggling/stunts)
- 2:00 pm Hypno Hick
- 3:45 pm Raffle winners announced
- 10:00 pm Fireworks. Special thanks to the Mona City Fire Department for everything they do to make this show happen. Seating at the school and park.

### Monday July 24, 2023

- 7:00 pm Community Clean-Up After Party. Meet at the Mona Elementary ball fields for post firework clean-up. Individuals, families, and organizations are asked to come help clean up the school grounds. Gloves and bags will be provided. After the work is done, celebrate with a snow cone.

