



Newsletter

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Holiday Office Closure

The city offices will be closed on Thursday, December 25th and Friday, December 26th for Christmas and will reopen on Monday, December 29th at 9:00 am. Offices will also be closed on Thursday, January 1st for New Year's Day, and will reopen on Friday, January 2nd from 9 am to 1 pm. May you and your families have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year!



New Passport Office Now Open!

December Meeting Schedule

12/02 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
12/02 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
12/09 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
12/09 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
12/16 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
12/16 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
01/06 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
01/06 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Santaquin City public meeting agendas are posted on our website and on Facebook:

<https://www.santaquin.gov/meetings>
<https://www.facebook.com/santaquincitygovernment>

Santaquin City Council, PC, and DRC meetings are streamed LIVE on YouTube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@santaquincity>

All of these meetings are now held in the new Santaquin City Hall building located at 110 S Center Street.

Bill Payment Information

When you pay online for your utility account, please make sure that you are on Xpressbillpay.com and not an alternative site so that your payments are applied to your account.

Come Fly with Me, Let's Fly, Let's Fly Away

- Frank Sinatra

THE PASSPORT OFFICE AT SANTAQUIN CITY HALL IS OPEN!



Santaquin City is excited to offer passport services to residents in and around Santaquin. Visit the Santaquin City website to make an appointment today!

NOTE: The U.S. Department of State only accepts checks or money orders & remember that we can take your passport photo!



Garbage & Recycling Info.

The holidays will not affect regularly scheduled garbage and recycle days this year. You can find the garbage and recycling schedule here: <https://bit.ly/43E7wYq>.

This schedule will be updated for 2026 soon.

Winter Parking

Parking is not permitted on City Streets or in right-of-ways from November 1- March 31. For detailed information, see the City Code here:

<http://bit.ly/3WPsh5s>

Snow Removal Guide

Public Works spends hours plowing, often through the night. Please be patient as they work their way around town. Residents are responsible to clear their own driveways, sidewalks and access areas in front of their homes and mail boxes. Please use caution around the snow plows.

Santaquin City has more than 77 miles of road. Main Street and SR 198 are plowed by UDOT. The City's three large snow plows are used in the following priority: First, the hillsides and main roads are cleared. After that, arterials (primary access roads) are plowed. Side streets and subdivisions are next, with dead ends and cul-de-sacs being plowed last. For small areas such as cul-de-sacs, where there is not enough room to turn one of the larger plows around, the City's smaller plow is brought in.

Mail Box Reminder



The Santaquin Post Office asks that residents remember to keep the area around your mailbox or cluster unit free of vehicles and snow. Thank you!

Community Services Winter Activity Guide

Scan the QR code below to check out Community Services' Winter Activity Guide!



Miss Santaquin Pageant Registration



The Miss Santaquin Pageant Registration meeting will be January 26th 2026. Watch the January newsletter or follow us on Instagram @santaquinpageant or Facebook @Miss Santaquin for more information.

Photo Contest Winner



Amber Child is the winner of the October 2025 "What Do You Love About Santaquin?" Photo Contest. She was able to capture a pumpkin patch trip and our beautiful Santaquin sky.

Congratulations, Amber!

For information on entering the monthly contest you can visit: <https://bit.ly/3NBNjum>. We look forward to seeing what you love about Santaquin!

Hidden Picture Contest

If you spot the hidden Christmas tree like the photo on the right in this newsletter, email:

kmortensen@santaquin.gov or bshupe@santaquin.gov with the location and your contact information by December 31st.



Congratulations to Emily Tuckett for winning October's Hidden Picture Contest!

myHometown Santaquin Classes

Hello from myHometown Santaquin!

Our Grand Opening in September was a HUGE success! We want to thank Robyn Marchant and her committee for all their hard work. They made it fun for everyone! It is hard to believe our first term of classes at the Community Resource Center is almost over. We have held classes in Sewing, English as a Second Language, Watercolor, Piano, and Spanish. Thanks to our teachers, volunteers, and students for all they have done to create a wonderful experience for all.

We are excited to announce the beginning of our second term starting January 8th. Watch for classes to be offered at the Community Resource Center using the QR code to the right.



If you would like to volunteer or give us input, please email the Santaquin Community Resource Center at sqrcr.castillo@gmail.com. Also be sure to watch for Days of Service events coming this spring. To see what myHometown Santaquin is all about go to www.myhometownut.com/utah/santaquin.

Small Business Spotlight: Yu Kitchen | by Council Member Mecham



This month, we are excited to spotlight Yu Kitchen, a delightful restaurant located in Santaquin, owned by the warm and welcoming Yu family. Tom and Julie Yu, along with their daughter Jennifer, have made a significant impact on our community since opening their doors.

A Family Journey

Originally from China, Tom moved to the USA about 20 years ago. After a few years, he brought his wife, Julie, and their daughter, Jennifer, to join him, emphasizing the importance of family in their journey. Having lived in Payson for several years, the Yu's have grown to love the area and community.

Business Experience

The Yu's are no strangers to entrepreneurship. They have successfully run other businesses and, during the pandemic of 2020, made the strategic decision to sell those ventures. Recognizing an opportunity to contribute to the Santaquin community, they opened Yu Kitchen, where they serve a fantastic menu filled with delicious food that reflects their heritage.

Commitment to Community

At Yu Kitchen, customers can expect not only great food but also a friendly and helpful atmosphere. Tom and Julie take pride in their restaurant and have expressed their gratitude for the support they've received from the people of Santaquin. Their goal is to create a welcoming space where everyone feels at home.

Future Plans

As Yu Kitchen continues to grow, the Yu family is planning to find a bigger location in Santaquin to accommodate more guests for a sit-down dining experience. Additionally, they are excited to announce the opening of a new restaurant in Hurricane in the coming weeks.

We warmly welcome Tom, Julie, and Jennifer to Santaquin and encourage everyone to visit Yu Kitchen to enjoy their amazing offerings. Experience the flavors of their menu and the genuine hospitality that the Yu family brings to our community.

Mayor’s Newsletter | December 2025



Greetings to all,

It is December and winter is just around the corner. I am looking forward to snow (not too much), some cold temps (not too cold), and spring just a few quick months in the future.

We are seeing the building underway at the Santaquin Peaks Industrial Park. So many good businesses are building and moving their successful operations to Santaquin. This bolsters our business relationships and brings jobs and revenue to our great City. It is so good to work with these businesses. It’s even better to know they will be a part of us soon. Watch for announcements during council meetings and in future newsletters about who is coming.

Speaking of the newsletters, Last month I mentioned simply that, after writing 47 newsletters (and now 48 newsletters) that I wondered if anyone read them. What a fun response I’ve received! I have had cards sent to me, people have stopped me in the grocery store and just about everywhere else I run into folks here in town. The comments have been fun and so positive! Please keep your great comments coming! I want to find a way to give more as we grow as a city.

I love this City and all those who live and serve each other in so many ways. It’s an incredible time to be in Santaquin!

Merry Christmas to you all!

Kind regards,

Mayor Dan Olson

**Santaquin City
Inauguration
Day**

Monday, 01/05/2026
at
noon in the
Multipurpose Room
at the city hall,
110 S Center St.