

# Newsletter



#### Office Closure

The City offices will be closed on Monday, May  $26^{th}$  for Memorial Day and will reopen on Tuesday, May  $27^{th}$  at 9:00 am. Thank you to those who have served and serve now.

## Holiday Garbage Schedule

Garbage pick up will be delayed a day the week of Memorial Day. Pick up that week will be on Tuesday, May 27th, and Wednesday, May 28th. Please have cans curbside by 7:00 am on your garbage day.

#### Green Waste Disposal



## Spring Open Burn

## May Meeting Schedule 05/06 City Council Work

05/06 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm 05/06 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm 05/13 Development Review Committee 10:00 am 05/13 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm 05/20 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm 05/20 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm 05/27 Development Review Committee 10:00 am 05/27 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm 06/03 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm 06/03 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.

#### American Legion Memorial Progam



Santaquin American Legion Post #84 will be holding its annual Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 26th at 11:00 am, at the Santaquin

Cemetery Veterans Memorial.

Featured speaker will be Clement "Jake" Kester, Captain US Army. He will tell of his service in Korea and Germany during the Vietnam Conflict.

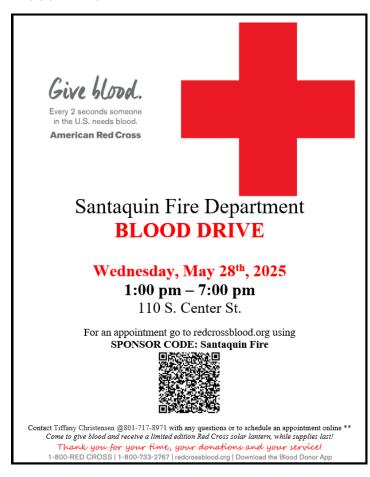
There will be musical numbers provided by Mariah Cooper, Jeannie Olson and Helen Kester.

The program will be conducted by Commander Art Adcock. A special thank you to Keith Broadhead for providing his sound system.

### PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS.

The open burn period for spring is March 30 to May 30. When the open burn window is open, a burn permit must be obtained. All of the rules and information related to the open burn are currently listed on the city's website under the Fire Department's tab, or visit the link below. <a href="https://www.santaquin.org/fireems/page/openburn-information Spring Open Burn">https://www.santaquin.org/fireems/page/openburn-information Spring Open Burn</a>

#### **Blood Drive**



## **Property Damage Information**

To report damages by xfinity to your property, please contact: MasTec/WYCO at 385-432-6894 or utahinfo@wycofs.com.

# 2025 Municipal Elections Information

There will be two 4-year Santaquin City Council seats, and the 4-year Mayor seat open for the 2025 Municipal Elections. The candidate filing period is from June 2-6, 2025. The city website will be updated regularly with information. Please see the website for requirements for filing. The Primary Election will be held August 12, 2025 and the General Election will be held November 4, 2025. Visit <a href="https://www.santaquin.gov/administration/page/elections-voting">https://www.santaquin.gov/administration/page/elections-voting</a> for more details.

## Pressurized Irrigation Guide

- The following link from conservewater.utah.gov has great watering schedule guidelines. You can find the guide here: <a href="https://conservewater.utah.gov/weekly-lawn-watering-guide/">https://conservewater.utah.gov/weekly-lawn-watering-guide/</a>
- Santaquin City now has secondary water in the irrigation system. This means that the water running through the sprinkling systems is NOT potable, not drinkable. It includes water from the city's Water Reclamation Facility which has processed and reused more than 2 billion gallons of water thus far for our residents. It is highly recommended that water filters be installed on all sprinkling systems. To learn more about these filters and their ease of use, visit <a href="https://www.santaquin.gov/utilities/page/pressurized-irrigation">https://www.santaquin.gov/utilities/page/pressurized-irrigation</a> to watch two videos on the installation and cleaning of filters.

#### **Photo Contest Winner**



The winner of the March 2025 Photo Contest is Cayden Olson! Along with his submission, he wrote: Santaquin is in a great

location that provides people with access to all kinds of outdoor activities, one of which happens to be wildlife watching!" Congratulations Cayden!

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

#### **Hidden Picture Contest**

If you spot a hidden hummingbird 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 May 31st.

Congratulations to Clement "Jake" Kester for winning March's Hidden Picture Contest!

#### Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic

Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic will be on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 12 pm at the Public Works building located at 1215 N Center Street. Visit: <a href="mailto:suvas.org/licensing">suvas.org/licensing</a> for details.

#### May 2025 Volunteers of the Month



The City of Santaquin is honored to recognize Mandi Southwick, Cody Robbins, Gerald Cleveland, Jody Boss, and Lieutenant Mike Wall as our May 2025 Volunteers of the Month.

Following the tragic passing of Sergeant Bill Hooser in May 2024, it was determined that a contingent from the Santaquin Police Department would travel to Washington, D.C., for the annual National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony, where Sergeant Hooser's name will be engraved on the Fallen Officer Memorial Wall. While various individuals and organizations generously offered initial financial support, it became evident that additional efforts would be required to meet the \$45,000 needed for the department's participation in this solemn event.

Although the police department launched early fundraising initiatives—such as the sale of commemorative hats and t-shirts—these efforts alone proved insufficient. After a conversation with Lt. Wall, local business owner Mandi Southwick stepped forward with an inspired idea: a benefit concert and auction featuring local talents Cody Robbins and Whitney Lusk. Along with the dedicated support of Southwick's staff, the organizing team—Robbins, Cleveland, Boss, Wall, and other members of the city staff—a detailed plan was developed and executed to bring the event to life.

This dedicated group went above and beyond in coordinating every aspect of the benefit event. In addition, they played a critical role in securing multiple sponsors, selling event tables, obtaining donated auction items, and encouraging broad community participation. Their collective efforts were instrumental in the success of the fundraiser.

Reflecting on the effort, Police Chief Rod Hurst shared, "I would have been thrilled if the event had generated \$15,000, though I realistically expected closer to \$10,000. As donations began to come in through the tireless work of these volunteers, it became clear that \$20,000 might be within reach. Ultimately, thanks to their extraordinary dedication and generosity, we raised over \$50,000. This event would not have been possible without them, nor would our department have been able to properly honor Sergeant Hooser in Washington, D.C."

The volunteers dedicated countless hours, sacrificing time with family and personal responsibilities, all in service of honoring a fallen hero. Their efforts exemplify the very spirit of community service and civic responsibility. We are deeply grateful for their efforts and are proud to celebrate their compassion, determination, and unwavering support for the Santaquin Police Department.

#### Volunteers Needed



Meals on Wheels needs volunteers to deliver meals for seniors one hour a week. Deliveries take place between 11 am and 1 pm Monday through Friday. Interested? Contact Jana at 801-229-3802 or visit <u>magutah.gov/volunteer</u> to get started.

## Mayor's Newsletter | May 2025



Greetings to all on this beautiful first of May!

As both your mayor and a lifelong resident of this incredible City, I have eagerly awaited the arrival of May. It's a season that brings sunshine, warmer temperatures, blooming fruit trees, vibrant flowers, and the joy of a little time spent gardening. May is finally here—and it deserves a heartfelt welcome from us all!

April showed us just how much our community is coming alive again. Prospector View Mountain Bike Park has seen a steady increase in visitors. If you've driven past Harvest View Park or any of our other parks, you've likely seen games in full swing, children playing, and residents gathering. A sincere thank you goes to our Community Services team for their organization and dedication in bringing us all together. This time of year truly represents a season of renewal—from winter to spring, and soon, to summer.

With this season of growth also comes additional visible progress throughout our city. Construction projects are underway, and new businesses are taking shape as they build their new buildings in Santaquin. These additions will bring vitality and opportunity to our City.

Of particular note is the ongoing work on Main Street. This two-year construction project is making excellent progress and is on track for completion this fall. Once finished, we will enjoy four lanes of travel, convenient parking, and a dedicated left turn lane from 500 West all the way to 400 East.

Looking further ahead, we are excited to announce that a new freeway interchange project has received written approval and has officially been placed into the Mountainland Association of Government's (MAG's) Phase 1 and has been moved up on UDOT's project list. While the exact funding dates are still being finalized, we are far ahead of where we were just three and a half years ago. Three and a half years ago, projections placed this infrastructure improvement as many as 30 years out. This critical upgrade will address long-standing traffic concerns and improve our overall transportation network.

We're also pleased to report that the Central Utah Project is getting closer to completion in Santaquin. By early next spring (2026), water will be delivered into our pipeline reach for testing and system connections throughout next year. While final testing will take approximately another year, we are just months away from the long-awaited arrival of this vital water source. This project is something that Santaquin residents have been hearing about since the late 1950s. The wait has been long, but the results are finally unfolding before us.

During the last week in May, we will have a ribbon cutting for the opening for the Santaquin Canyon road. Watch for the exact date as the time draws near. It has been many years since the canyon road closure. Over half of our City has not traveled up our canyon or seen its beauty. Plan on a summer of new adventures up there as well.

As we step into this new season, I wish all of you a wonderful May and the best summer yet. I truly believe that 2025 will be a remarkable year for our City. This summer will be one to remember for each and every one of us.

Kind regards to all,

Mayor Dan Olson May 2025