

# Newsletter



## June Meeting Schedule

- 06/06 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm
- 06/06 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 06/13 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 06/13 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 06/20 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm
- 06/20 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 06/27 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 06/27 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 07/04 NO City Council Work Meeting
- 07/04 NO City Council Regular Meeting

Santaquin City public meeting agendas are posted on our website and on Facebook:  
<https://www.santaquin.org/meetings>  
<https://www.facebook.com/santaquincitygovernment>

Santaquin City public meetings are streamed LIVE on YouTube at: <https://bit.ly/2P7ICfQ>

## Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic

To schedule a time, visit:

<https://form.jotform.com/201344984369161>

**DOG & CAT  
RABIES CLINIC**

Saturday, June 3rd  
10 am to 12 pm  
at the  
Public Safety Building  
275 W Main Street

Sponsored by South Utah Valley Animal Shelter



## 2023 Green Waste Disposal Schedule

**Green Waste Disposal Program 2023 Schedule**

- April 8
- May 13
- June 10
- July 8
- August 12
- September 9
- October 14
- November 11

THE OLD CITY LANDFILL, 1100 W 200 N (LARK LANE) IS OPEN TO GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL FOR SANTAQUIN CITY RESIDENTS ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM APRIL THROUGH NOVEMBER FROM FROM 8 AM TO 4 PM.

## Post Memorial Day Cemetery Clean Up

Public Works will be cleaning off the graves at the cemetery on Tuesday, June 6th. If you have any items that you have placed there that you would like to keep, make sure to remove them by the day before.

## City Office Closure

The City Offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Tuesday garbage pick up will be delayed a day. Please remember to have cans out by 7:00 am on garbage pick up day.



## 2023 Municipal Elections



There will be three Santaquin City Council seats open for the 2023 Municipal Elections. The website will be updated regularly with information.

Please visit:

[santaquin.org/administration/page/elections-voting](https://santaquin.org/administration/page/elections-voting)

## Photo Contest Winner



Congratulations to Brandy Foy! She is the winner of April's photo contest.

Brandy said, "I love how Santaquin has so many options to explore the outdoors and see so much wildlife."

For information on entering the monthly contest you can visit:

[santaquin.org/community/page/photo-contest](https://santaquin.org/community/page/photo-contest)

## Hidden Picture Contest

If you spot the hidden bee like the one on the right in this newsletter, email:

kmortensen@santaquin.org or bshupe@santaquin.org with the location and your contact information by 6/30/2023 to be entered in a random drawing for a prize.



Congratulations to Katie Long for winning April's Hidden Picture Contest!

## Water Meter Access

Please do not cover water meters with dirt, rocks, any other type of landscaping material, debris or vehicles/trailers. Meters need to be unobstructed at all times so that Public Works has access to them.

## Senior Health Challenge



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Challenge yourself to improve your health! Earn points by completing personal goals each week in the month of June. Participants will be entered into a drawing to win prizes at the end of the challenge. Sign up for free at [magutah.org/health](https://magutah.org/health).

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## MAG Home Repairs

### HOME REPAIRS

For low-income residents of Summit, Utah & Wasatch counties



**APPLY TODAY**

801-229-3847

[magutah.org/housing-rehab](https://magutah.org/housing-rehab)

\*Only single-family, owner-occupied units are eligible.



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## Ordinance Highlight

Off highway vehicle use is authorized on public streets excluding all state and federal highways under the following standards.

**Operation of off-highway vehicles on public streets may only be performed by persons who have a valid motor vehicle operator's license.**

Off highway vehicles can be used on public streets except for all state and federal highways and as long as city ordinance is observed. Non street legal ATVs cannot be driven more than 15 miles per hour on streets. Street legal ATVs can be used within posted speed limits. ATVs should be driven on the outside edge of the asphalt whenever possible to not impede regular traffic. Please see city ordinance to read complete and full information: [bit.ly/4232PTO](https://bit.ly/4232PTO)

## Employee of the Month



Our June 2023 Employee of the Month is Shad Eva. Shad has been with Santaquin City since 2014 and is our Streets and Storm Water Supervisor. When asked what he enjoys most about his job, he stated, "I like the diversity of the job. It's great getting to do something different every day. I also really appreciate the other guys I work with."

Jason Callaway, the City's Public Works Director, shared, "Shad has been doing a great job along with his crew at preparing for this year's high-water situation. He has been in constant communication with me and the SCIC (Summit Creek Irrigation Company) on the many preparations required for us to be prepared this spring. He is very knowledgeable in the many areas that fall under public works. Shad has been very helpful in keeping up on the street maintenance and making sure our roads are

the best they can be with the funds allotted. He has worked well with his crew to make sure tasks are completed safely and on time, and he makes it a point to be available no matter the time of day, on-call or not.

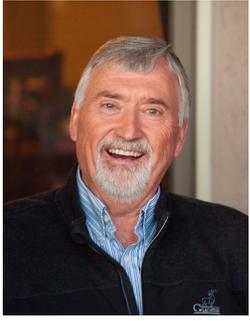
Jason concludes, "I have had the great opportunity to watch Shad grow into a leadership role over the years. I look forward to watching him grow even more as our city expands."

Shad was born and raised in Santaquin. He is married to his sweetheart Kambie, and they are raising their two young boys, Axton and Kreed, in Goshen. He enjoys hunting, fishing, and anything outdoors in his free time.

Thank you, Shad, for your dedicated service to Santaquin City. You are an outstanding employee and asset to our Public Works department.

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Spring has sprung and along with it, water runoff from the mountain snowpack we received this past winter. Our crews have been working around the clock cleaning culverts, ditches, and drainage channels to make way for the high-water flows. We still have several thousand sandbags available to residents. Please contact the City offices if you're interested in picking some up. These mitigation measures are helping to proactively address flooding before it becomes a crisis.

In addition to potential flooding, another issue the City is proactively seeking to address is related to our budget. We have not raised property taxes since 2013. During that same time, we have more than doubled the number of homes in our community while our property tax rate has decreased. We announced last month that the city council is considering a proposal to increase property taxes by \$595,000 to pay for needed police vehicles and to maintain competitive compensation for our police officers and firefighters. The proposal would mean the average household in Santaquin is investing approximately \$10 per month for these critical services.

Thank you to everyone who has reached out to me over the past several weeks to ask questions about this proposal. One question some folks have had is whether the City's property tax revenues double when the number of homes in the community doubles. Unfortunately, property tax revenues do **not** increase at the same rate as growth. This is due to how the property tax rate is calculated.

State law requires that the City's property tax rate actually **decrease** when home values go up so that the amount of money the City receives from existing homes stays the same. While the number of homes has more than doubled, property tax revenues from new homes have only increased by 66% due to the decreasing property tax rate. Unless the City adjusts the property tax rate, the revenues it receives from existing homes will stay the same while costs continue to rise because of our growth and historic inflation.

For the past eighteen months, we have thoroughly reviewed the budget to reduce spending and increase revenues wherever possible. We have also sought federal and state grant funding and advocated for additional investment in our community from state and regional transportation agencies. In addition, we have worked diligently to create a business-friendly environment that allows the private sector to flourish.

Over the past five years, the City has proactively attracted more than a dozen businesses to the community and incentivized other existing businesses to stay in town and or to expand. For example, we are proud of our partnership with the Murdock Ford Dealership (formerly Tischner Ford), a long-time, locally owned business that has stayed in our community and is expanding their operations. This has helped to diversify the revenues the City receives to provide more budget stability and decrease the tax burden on residents. We will continue to work collaboratively with the Payson-Santaquin Area Chamber of Commerce to set businesses up for success.



# Community Services

## June Events

### LIBRARY SUMMER READING KICKOFF

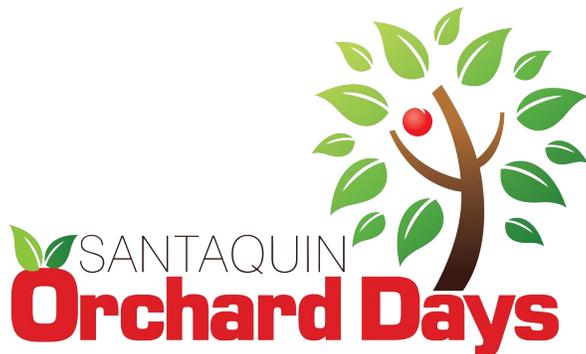
Community Unity

Tuesday, June 6th at 4 TO 6 PM AT THE LIBRARY FREE!

### FAMILY FITNESS 5K & 1 MILE COLOR RUN

Saturday, June 3rd at 8:00 am at Centennial Park

\*Only 1 mile run is a color run



## LIVIN' THE COUNTRY LIFE! JULY 29TH TO AUGUST 5TH

Little Buck-A-Roo Rodeo

Family Night: FREE Family Fun for everyone!

3x3 Basketball

NEW! Youth 3 Point Basketball Contest

Horseshoe Tournament

NEW! Family Comedy Show

Magic Show

Pickleball Tournaments

Color Fest Block Bash for Teens

Grand Parade

Boutique/ Craft Booths



For more information about Orchard Days and links to registration  
Download our Santaquin Community Services phone app!  
Available on the Google Play and App Store

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# MORE INFORMATION!

## REGISTRATION

Registration Website

[santaquin.activityreg.com](http://santaquin.activityreg.com)

City Events Website

[santaquin.org/comservices/page/city-events](http://santaquin.org/comservices/page/city-events)



Santaquin Recreation Santaquin City  
Group Fitness Santaquin City Library  
Santaquin Chieftain Museum  
Santaquin "Rocks" Art



@santaquin\_rec

@santaquinchieftainmuseum

@santaquinlibrary

## SUMMER CAMPS

### THEATER CAMP

June 12th to 16th (9am-12pm) (Ages: 10 to 14)

Youth will learn some short skits and improv skills. They will work on stage presence, etiquette and how to be confident with peers in front of an audience.

### NOT YOUR TYPICAL SUMMER CAMP

Two Sessions: June 6th to 15th & July 11th to 20th (Ages: 7 to 9 & 10 to 12)

Activities include: Quidditch, Bottle Rockets, BB Guns/Target/Safety, Scavenger Hunt, Obstacle Course and Water Activities.

### YOUTH OUTDOORS UNPLUGGED CAMP

Three Sessions: June 6th to 15th, June 20th to 29th, & July 11th to 20th

Come enjoy some outdoor fun! Participate in a Bike Rodeo, Archery, Pioneer Game Day, Rain Gutter Regatta, and a hike to Grotto Falls. Life is way more fun in the sun!

### MAGIC CAMP

July 10th to 14th (9am-12pm) (Ages: 7 to 12)

The Utah School of Magic is not just a magic curriculum...It's a life skills course that teaches kids (ages 7-12) the 8 traits of a True Magician

### TEEN DAY TRIP TO LAGOON

Thursday at June 15th (Ages: 11 to 15)

Join us for a fun day at Lagoon! This trip includes admission, and bus transportation to Lagoon. Please have your child bring a lunch/ dinner, or money to purchase something to eat.

### NINJA CAMPS

Multiple Sessions Available throughout June, July, & August (Ages: 3-5 & 6-12)

Come enjoy our Ninja Classes with our professional Martial Arts instructors!

Summer Camp is a great way for your child to join kids of all ages in a wide assortment of ninja fun! Each participant will have plenty of time to participate in ninja obstacles, course design, Nunchucks ,and other fun activities!

### TEEN ADVENTURE DAY CAMPS

Multiple Days offered in June & June (Ages: 11 to 14)

Sign up for our different Teen Adventure Day camps! Instead of signing up for a session with multiple days this year, we are just offering individual days. Each camp will have a different price depending on the activity. You will receive one summer camp shirt for all of the day camps.



For more information about these camps and links to registration  
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