

Newsletter



Important Public Works Dates:

- Second week of March: Public Works cemetery clean up. Make sure any items you would like to keep are removed from loved one's graves before then.
- Spring Clean Up April 8th-15th. Details coming in April's newsletter.
- PI System startup: Public Works will begin filling the pressurized irrigation system mid April, depending on the weather. More information coming next month. Make sure your outside taps are turned off to avoid water running without you knowing.

Spring Open Burn

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 here:

<https://bit.ly/3k8YEld>

All of the rules related to the open burn are currently listed on the city's website under the Fire Department's tab.

<https://www.santaquin.org/fireems/page/open-burn-information>

Winter Parking

The Winter Parking Ordinance requirements end March 31st and will begin again on November 1st.

<http://bit.ly/3XOGa1Y>

Utah Valley Job Fair

The Utah Valley Job Fair will be held in person on Tuesday March 21, 2023 from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM at the Utah Valley Convention Center – 220 W Center St, Provo. For more information check them out at www.utahvalleyjobfair.com or on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/events/507311294087768?ref=newsfeed>

March Meeting Schedule

- 03/07 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm
- 03/07 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 03/14 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 03/14 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 03/21 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm
- 03/21 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 03/28 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 03/28 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 04/04 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm
- 04/04 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

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>

Santaquin/Mountain Valley Area Emergency Preparedness Fair

Come learn how

All Ages Welcome
Classes and/or Displays

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| *Ham Radios | *Garden Prep |
| *First Aid | *Patio Gardening |
| *Fire Extinguishers | *Pruning |
| *Home Hazards | *Bee Keeping |
| *Self-Reliance | *Seed Saving |
| *Employment | *Verma Composting |
| *BYU Pathways | *Flood, Earthquake,
& Fire |
| *Evacuation Plans | |



Saturday, March 18, 2023

9 am to Noon

Santaquin Stake Center – 45 South 500 West



Green Waste Disposal

Our second Saturday Green Waste Disposal Program will start back up in April. The city landfill will be open on Saturday April 8th from 8 am to 4 pm for green waste disposal. The green waste disposal program will continue through November.

Water Meter Ordinance

Please keep your water and PI meters accessible at all times. City ordinance states: "Free access shall at all reasonable times be allowed to the superintendent of the water department or other authorized person to all places supplied with service from the water system to examine the apparatus, the amount of water used, and the manner of use, and to perform such duties as they may have under this chapter. It shall be unlawful to obstruct in any way the ability of authorized personnel to gain access to the premises' water meter. It shall also be unlawful to place any material in the water meter barrel without the written approval of the superintendent of the water department. (Ord. 2-2-99, 2-2-1999; amd. Ord. 03-02-2004, 3-17-2004, eff. 3-18-2004; Ord. 09-03-2011, 9-7-2011, eff. 9-8-2011)"

Volunteer of the Month – Brook Huntington



Brook Huntington is our March 2023 Volunteer of the Month. She has been coaching our recreation cross-country team for several years. According to John Bradley, our Community Services Director, "Brook Huntington is a fabulous volunteer for Santaquin Recreation. She jumped in right away when we started the youth cross-country running program and has coached for three years. Not only did she want to help coach three of her children, she wanted to help all the youth participants be healthier. Cross-country is for boys and girls ages 7-14. They train and run different length running events. Her goal is to help everyone be a little better than they were the previous running event. Unlike other sports, Brook is the only coach for a team of between 25-30 runners each year. When she is not coaching, she is working with her husband at their business, Huntington Dental, in Santaquin. They are proud supporters of the Payson High School Cross-Country running program. They have had three children compete on the Payson High School team, with one taking all-region in some events. Thank you, Brook, for your commitment to helping develop the youth of Santaquin."

Waste Disposal

If you have ever wondered where you can dispose of different types of items not allowed in your garbage can you can visit <https://www.suvswd.org/what-to-do-with> to find out.

Photo Contest Winner

Congratulations to January's "What Do You Love About Santaquin?" Photo Contest winner, Wyatt Blake!



He said "I love the trees and the mountains and the beautiful winter sunsets." Thanks for sharing your wonderful photo Wyatt!

Hidden Picture Contest

If you spot the hidden leprechaun 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 3/31/2023 to be entered in a random drawing for a prize.



Congratulations to Nikki Stevens for winning January's Hidden Picture Contest!



Brook's interest in cross-country started when one of her daughters started running in high school. When Santaquin city started their program, Brook's children participated, and she would attend as a bystander. Eventually, she started helping where needed and her efforts grew into becoming the coach.

When asked why Brook volunteers for this program, she said, "I love the kids and the excitement they have for it. The kids are so fun and I love seeing them progress and grow...I love it. It is just so fun."

Brook and her sweetheart have five children ranging in ages from 11-21. She grew up in Castledale, Utah, and graduated from Emery High School. She received her associates degree from College of Eastern Utah in Price. They have lived in our area for the past 14 plus years.

Some of her interests and hobbies, beyond cross-country, are spending time with her husband, cheering on her children, reading, camping, biking and learning new things such as drawing, painting, and photography.

Thank you, Brook, for being willing to influence for good the lives of so many children in our community.

In My Own Words: Life is a Gift



I have the opportunity to write a few words again. My previous opportunity was in October 2022. I wrote about the great weather and how I love the Fall season. I also wrote about the great culture we have here in Santaquin. I love Santaquin and the beauties that surround us.

I have had a lot going on in my life the last few months that has caused me to appreciate life and each day a little bit more. Forgive me for sharing personal information, but I think it will help me make a point. In the first part of January, I had a stroke. My right side was numb from the shoulder down. I spent three days in the hospital with what seemed like countless doctors doing countless tests. Long story short, I am extremely fortunate that I have no lasting effects 6 weeks later. I have had a lot of time to learn about strokes and how serious having a stroke is. As I have reflected, I now have a whole new perspective on life. Here are some of my thoughts. Life is a gift, live it as if today is your last day. Appreciate family and friends and treat everyone with kindness. Notice the beauties that surround us, we live in one of the most majestic places on Earth. Enjoy the little pleasures of life and thank those who make them possible. Serve. Make someone's day. Be grateful. There are other thoughts, but these are some that come to mind right now. I love this City and I cherish the time that I get to serve as a Councilmember.

Lynn Mecham





Hello, and greetings from the Mayor,

March is underway, yet I write this when it is 20 degrees outside, and snow is covering the city. We often wonder when we will see the end of the cold weather and the beginning of spring.

At this time of year, we are starting to see temperatures come up a bit, the grass appearing, the sun shining longer and the legislature wrapping up its session. We have great things happening at the legislature and have done all we can to make way for new funding for projects around our city. In March, we will know the outcome of all the hours we have put into anticipated changes for the City. There will be more to come as we get that news.

I wanted to write about preparations for high runoff water this coming year. As you may all know, we have had an exceptional year for snowpack in the mountains. As of Valentine's Day, we have 19.5 inches of water in the snow in Santaquin canyon. This represents over two months ahead of a regular water year. More snow and rain over the coming weeks will add to our spring runoff.

Generally, the high runoff water starts around the first week of April and will ramp up as the temperatures increase. We should see peaks in May. We will work diligently to maintain the best control possible of all of the waters that flow from the canyons.

To ensure you are all aware, the committee that manages flood mitigation and high runoff water consists of Santaquin City, the Utah County engineer, the Utah County maintenance dept., Summit Creek Irrigation and Canal Company, and others. We have met with this committee and will continue to meet monthly and then possibly bi-weekly as we near the high-water season. These meetings ensure that attention is being paid to all details and eyes are on every area where issues may occur.

If you are contacted by a member of Summit Creek Irrigation and Canal Company or Santaquin City as we prepare by cleaning culverts under driveways or areas where irrigation water runs around or through your property, please do all you can to help us prevent washouts.

I wanted to send a reminder that ditches will be full, water will be diverted to farms, fields, and reservoirs. If you are new to the city, please ask us if you have any questions.

It is my hope that writing this letter will give comfort in knowing the flood committee is working to ensure that all are as safe as possible and that property is protected the very best that we can. Families can be reassured that these groups are working together to prepare in advance. With preparation, we strive to ensure high runoff water is controlled through the system in the best way humanly possible.

May we have the best spring ever and may each of you enjoy the month of March.

Mayor Dan Olson

March 2023



Community Services

March & April Events

March 25th Couch to 5K

March 31st Dance through the Decades Adult Prom

April 3rd to April 7th Grand Rock Hunt

April 7th Teen Flash Light Hunt

April 8th Santaquin's Great Egg Hunt

April 22nd Spring Disc Golf Tournament



Sports

Adult Women's & Coed Volleyball

Competitive and Recreation Leagues

Fee: \$300

Season: Late March – Mid May

Registration: closes March 13th

Adult Coed 7 v 7 Soccer

Fee: \$250

Season: Late March – Mid May

Registration: closes March 13th

Spring Pickleball

Ladder League

Learn to Play

Free Family Fun Night

Ice Breaker Tournament

Tball

Fee: \$42

Season: Beginning of June – Late June

Registration: closes March 27th

Baseball/ Softball

Fee: \$42/\$60/\$65

Season: Beginning of May – Late June

Registration: closed March 27th



Santaquin Community Services FREE Phone App

Santaquin Community Services has a new phone app!

Download the app now on the IOS and Google Play store. Just search Santaquin Community Services

Stay up to date on the following, plus future activities/events!



More information!

Registration Website

santaquin.activityreg.com

City Events Website

santaquin.org/comservices/page/city-events



Santaquin Recreation



[santaquin_rec](https://www.instagram.com/santaquin_rec)

March 2023



Santaquin Seniors

55 West 100 South Santaquin
Hours: 9:30am - 4:00pm
Weekly on Thursdays



With SPRING around the corner, do not forget to continue visiting with us. It is a pleasure to come each week and see the room full of Seniors and the opportunity to meet with so many wonderful people. Each week we have our entertainment starting at 12:00 noon, with a homemade cooked meal @ 12:30 p.m. A big thank you to our wonderful cooks, Sarah, Emily, Laura, Katelyn & Hazel for our delicious lunches, to Ernie, Ray, David, Art, & Yvonne for help in getting the Seniors served each week. We appreciate Judy, Elizabeth, & Andrea for helping with checking everyone in and all their help and everyone else who helps us. Your help is greatly appreciated. FYI: On March 14 we will be going to Wallaby's for lunch. Meet at the center at 12:30 and there is a \$3.00 charge for the bus. We will be attending the SCERA Theater on Saturday, March 25 to see "Rise Up Children's Choir". The cost is \$17.00 for the show and the bus. Be sure to sign up at the center for those wanting to attend.

Please don't feel too "YOUNG" to check us out! Come spend a day with us!
For more information, please contact Judy Robbins @ 801-360-1698

MENU

***Menu subject to change

March 2: Sloppy Joes, Steak Fries, Relish Cup, Chocolate Scotcheroos

Program: Bingo

March 9: Manti Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Beets, Buttermilk Crescent Roll, Ice Cream

Program: Ed Carte

March 16: Corned Beef, Cabbage, Carrots, Potatoes, Pistachio Salad, Sugar Cookie

Program: Senior Show & Tell and Wellness Checks

March 23: Chicken Strips, Macaroni Salad, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Fluffy Lime Salad, Carrot Cake

Program: Matthew Dean

March 30: BBQ Beef Bowl w/Rice, Corn Muffin, Pineapple Upside Down Cake, Juice

Program: Visiting

Santaquin Chieftain Museum

Spring Hours: March 1st to May 31st

Mondays: 9am to 12pm

Wednesdays: 9am to 12pm and 4 to 6pm

Tours can also be made by appointment.

Spring Art Showcase

More information to come! An open house will be held on Saturday April 15th.



March 2023

