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Spring Cleanup 2009

As winter snows recede and the air begins to warm, Farmington residents begin to think about preparing for spring. The annual spring cleanup is an important part of the Farmington tradition and once again this year, Farmington City Public Works will provide this service. This year's cleanup will begin March 30th. Residential limbs and branches will be collected by trucks that will only drive by homes once, so it is important to place your trimmings at the curb line before your scheduled day.

Residents have come to value this service provided by Farmington City. In order to keep the service in future years, guidelines have been put in place to control costs.

Please do your best to adhere to the following...

A maximum of one, ten-wheel dump truck load will be collected from each residence.

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navigating the Farmington City Website

Are you reading this newsletter on paper? Or maybe on your computer screen?

Farmington News is just one of many valuable resources available on the Farmington website, and the numbers show that people appreciate it. On the average day, over 28,000 visit the website. If you've been one of them, you'll likely recognize the State Street photo above from the homepage.

Here's a brief description of one feature you can find at www.farmington.utah.gov.

Quick Links offers links to the most requested information. Let's explore a few categories:

Arts & Events provides a list of classes currently offered, upcoming auditions and performances. Registering for classes can be accomplished online, a convenience many people enjoy. Want to volunteer? Look here.

Parks, Recreation and Trails includes photos, maps, feature descriptions and reservation fees for all of Farmington's parks. Clicking the Trails link opens a list of all trails and an option to download a master trails map.

Want some real fun? Click the Maps link and scroll down to the Google map of Farmington. Click and drag to move the map. Thumbtacks mark important local places and clicking on a thumbtack brings up detailed information about the particular place. The map view can be changed to topographic relief or aerial. Other maps are available for zoning, voting precincts, general land use, streets, cemetery, transportation, and new development.

Interested in history? Want to learn about employment opportunities or download an application?

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A dump truck sized pile measures 10 feet long, 6 feet wide and 4 feet tall. Limbs stacked in the same direction will allow increased volume in your pile.

Limbs and branches must be stacked

Maximum limb length is 5 feet

Maximum limb width is 8 inches

No bags or boxes

Leaves can be left in piles

Material must be placed at the curb before beginning collection day

The collection schedule will be as follows...

Monday, March 30th

South half of Farmington from 600 North, south to city limits, including west Farmington area

Monday, April 6th

North half of Farmington from 600 North, north to city limits, including Oakridge area

Street sweeping will be done after spring cleanup is completed.

Collected material is mulched at the Central Davis Sewer Treatment Plant. To purchase mulch, call the Sewer District at 451-2190.

Miss Farmington
Fundraising Dance

for the
Children's Miracle Network

March 7, 2009

7:00 pm

Community Arts

see the website for more details

Need a directory of municipal phone numbers? Have a question about garbage collection or snow removal? Want to find out if an ancestor is buried in the Farmington Cemetery? Look on the website.

Many Farmington residents are already enjoying the efficiency and ease of paying their utility bill online. Click on the Xpress Bill Pay icon to learn how easy and fast it is to pay your bill without writing a check, finding a stamp or driving to the Post Office.

Farmington City officials are continually striving to make life better for residents. The website is designed and regularly updated to provide residents with engaging, relevant, practical content. Visit the website to find information and convenience at your fingertips. If you have questions or suggestions regarding the website, Matt McCullough is the person to help you. Matt can be contacted at mmcullough@farmington.utah.gov.

Okay, so now you've passed the Farmington Website 101 course. Happy navigating! 🍓

An additional garbage collection day will be provided on Saturday,

April 18, 2009, there will be an extra day of automated garbage collection, a service contracted by the city with garbage hauler, Robinson Waste Services. Materials should be placed in the regular, roll-out black container and positioned at the curb line by 6:00 am. No non-processable waste, such as rocks, dirt, appliances, hazardous waste, etc. is permitted.

You are invited to tour the new Police Station at an Open House on March 17, 2009 3:00 to 8:00 pm

286 South 200 East



THANKS TO FARMINGTON TRAIL CHIEFS



Members of the Farmington Trails Committee would like to thank their superior trail chiefs, who are responsible for inspecting and maintaining the much-used trail system. Those who performed these duties during 2008 include: David Alder, Wayne Baker, Kirk Barclay, Jesse Brown, Kelly Brown, Becky Crockett, Megan Crowley, Geoff Dietrich, Gary Goodrich, Jason Gould, Bo Graham, Bart Hill, Harv Jeppsen, Joe Judd, David and Lois Mulholland, Diane Peterson, Alys Revell, & Dee Winegar.

EXPRESS YOUR OPINION

Mandatory Curbside Recycling Survey

Enclosed with your March utility statement is a separate page concerning curbside recycling.

One side of the page holds information for you to read - recycling factors and answers to frequently-asked questions. The flip side is a survey for you to complete and return to PO Box 160, Farmington. Prefer to go paperless? The survey is also available to complete and submit online at www.farmington.utah.gov.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 2009



Mar 3	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Mar 4	WED	Town Hall Meeting <i>an open forum discussion with Mayor Harbertson and a City Council Member</i>	7:00 pm no agenda open discussion
Mar 7	SAT	Miss Farmington's Fundraising Dance Community Arts Center	7:00 pm
Mar 12	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Mar 17	TUES	Police Station Open House 286 South 200 East	3:00 - 8:00 pm
Mar 17	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Mar 18	WED	Town Hall Meeting <i>an open forum discussion with Mayor Harbertson and a City Council Member</i>	7:00 pm no agenda open discussion
Mar 19	THURS	City Trails Committee Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Mar 25	WED	Historic Preservation Commission 130 North Main Street	7:30 pm public welcome
Mar 25-28		Seussical Jr. Youth Theatre Community Arts Center <i>see page 4 for details</i>	
Mar 26	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Mar 30	MON	Spring Cleanup Begins <i>see page 2 for details</i>	
April 11	SAT	Youth City Council Easter Egg Hunt Main Park for children 12 or younger	10:00 am

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City Manager.....939-9203
Police Department.....451-5453
Fire Department.....451-2842
Public Works Department..451-2624
Storm Water Maintenance.451-2624
Parks & Recreation.....451-0953
Building Inspection.....451-2383
Water Department.....451-2624
Planning & Zoning.....451-2383
Historical Museum..... 451-4850
Animal Control.....444-2200
Garbage.....825-3800
Benchland Water District...482-4929
Weber Water District.....771-1677

After Hours Emergency

Davis County Sheriff.....451-4150
Emergency.....911

Farmington City Hall

130 North Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025

mark your calendar for the upcoming

Farmington City Emergency Awareness Fair

Saturday, April 25
9 am to noon
Farmington Jr. High

look for details in the April newsletter



PARKS & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation 720 West 100 North 451-0953

Fabulous Ballroom Dance
Lessons will include elegant waltz, stylish fox trot, energetic swing, flirtatious cha cha, romantic night-club two-step, passionate tango, and many more
March 6, 20, April 3 & 17
7:30 - 10:00 pm
Community Arts Center
\$7/couple if preregistered
\$10 non-residents
Register online or at the P&R Office

Watch for a schedule of
Swim Lesson Classes & Fees
in the April newsletter

Water Safety Instructor Class
May 26, 27, 28, June 2, 3 & 4
4:30 - 9:30 pm
\$120
Enrollees must pass a pre-test
Go online for pre-test details

**Early Bird Season
Swim Passes**
Now on sale until May 15
\$125 for up to five people in the
same household (residents' price)

Arts & Crafts Class
Signup March 1 - April 10
Class begins April 14

Ceramics Class
Signup now through March 27
Class begins April 1

**Directors, Producers, Event
Coordinators and Committee
Members** needed for the 2009
season. Interested persons should
contact the P&R Office

**Youth City Council
Easter Egg Hunt**
All Farmington children 12 years or
younger are invited to participate in
the Easter Egg Hunt at Main Park.
Festivities, sponsored by the
Farmington Youth City Council, are
on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 am



Employment Opportunities
See the website for detailed job
descriptions and to print a job
application, or go to the Parks &
Recreation Office

**Seasonal Parks
Maintenance Workers**

All Swimming Pool Positions:
Assistant Manager
Head Life Guard
Lifeguards
Front Desk
Concessions

Lifeguarding Class
A class for those who want to
become Red Cross Certified Life-
guards. Participants must be at least
15 by the date class starts
Class dates: May 12, 13, 14, 19,
20 & 21, 4:30 - 9:30 pm
\$120
Enrollees must pass a pre-test
Go online for pre-test details

Get involved in the community
**Volunteers needed for
Festival Days** Interested persons
should contact Sarah Hale at
529-2996 or the P&R Office

If we don't know our past, how can we know it's us?
John Steinbeck,
The Grapes of Wrath

"One of the major reasons that collective memory will fade is that successive generations will not attach the same meaning and significance to the event as the generations that were in their formative stages at the time." This insight was reached by a group of students at the University of Illinois who were studying how a culture can preserve memories of events with national significance, such as 9/11.

It's the kind of insight that interests Alysa Revell, head of the Historic Preservation Commission. For Alysa, keeping collective memories alive is a passion and a profession. And for her, history is a labor of love that quite literally starts at home.

Ten years ago, when the pistachio green house at 208 West State Street went up for sale, Alysa and her husband, Chadwick, took immediate interest. That purchase began a journey both personal and communal, and it only intensified Alysa's commitment to creating a richer present by bridging it to the past.

We hope you'll enjoy a bit of our conversation with Alysa Revell, wife and mother, preservationist and design consultant.

So, what was it about this particular home that drew you in?

Well, we lived in a condo on the Bountiful bench and we'd been

looking for an old home in Davis County for about three years. When this house came up on the market, we wanted to go through it because it was Chadwick's great-grandmother's house. It had been remodeled in the 1970s and there wasn't a lot of old charm left in it, and I really wasn't very interested. But Chadwick came through and was like, "Oh, these ceilings have been dropped, and the rooms are big for an old house." He saw the potential in it.

You saw what could be done with the house?

Yeah. Then it was about 18 months of work before we moved in. And we've just been working on it ever since.



Alysa Revell with sons Henry and Jack

So, you're still working on it?

An old house is never done.

But it's beautiful now, both in its design and its feeling of family. So, you had your boys after you moved into the house.

We were just a fun couple for about ten years after we got married, and then we had the twins. They're about 5 1/2 now. And (smiling) it's the house's fault, by the way, that we have kids.

We were not planning on having kids. We're both the oldest of really large families, and that's part of why we clicked in the beginning. It was like, "we have done that already." But then we got the house done, and the house demanded children. So...

So you changed your mind! What a great story.

It's a funny story.

It's part of the history of this home now. It's fun when you think about a structure being a kind of living thing.

You know, it really is. I believe that old houses have souls. There's just something to them that draws us in and makes it a really, really comfortable place to live. It's not just real estate to us. This is our home.

I bet there are lots of homes that could tell a beautiful story.

Yes. Especially when you live somewhere with a past, like Farmington. It adheres a community together to have this shared history, when kids can drive around and say, "Hey, that's

my old rock church or my grandma lived there." It enriches every body to learn those stories.

It creates a sense of pride and probably strengthens characters, don't you think?

It's true. I've known a lot of people, when they've done their genealogy who really feel that and feel like, "I don't complain about my kids because I'm not my great-grandmother who lost her first five kids."

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FARMINGTON WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

If you are a woman 16 years or older, who lives in Farmington and who loves to play softball, this information is for you. To play this season, sign up by April 1st by calling Glenda Rigby at 451-2535

Alysa Revell continued

It makes things a lot easier when you realize "other people have done this and survived." It helps to put things in perspective.

Your life obviously reflects that perspective. In your home and in your work, your commitment to history and community are so clear.

Well, we can either choose to be citizens and participate and have a responsibility toward our community or we can be consumers and just sit back and expect everything to be done for us. I believe in community and that sense of place you get from the people around you.

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Thanks to Alysa Revell, for helping to keep our collective memories of Farmington alive and vibrant.

Puzzled by the tax law or which credits and deductions to take?

Need assistance with your tax return? You may want to visit a volunteer site. The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program offers free tax help to low-to-moderate income people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. To locate the closest VITA site to you, please call 2-1-1.



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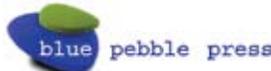
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