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COMMUTER RAIL STATION

Slated to Open in Late April 2008

The Utah Transit Authority (UTA) recently announced that both the Front Runner commuter train and the commuter rail station in Farmington will be open for public use in late April. The Farmington station is located on the west side of I-15 and Legacy Highway immediately south of Park Lane. However, while construction of the permanent road to the station is being completed, access to the station will be via Clark Lane across from the Justice Center, rather than by Park Lane.

The park-and-ride facility currently located at Shepard Lane in the rear of the LDS Stake Center will no longer be used. Instead, a single park-and-ride facility will be available at the commuter rail station. Bus routes through Farmington will be adjusted to coincide with the new Front Runner train schedule. Please look for more information as it becomes available in mid-April.

Farmington City is pleased to provide you with this information as a public service. For more details about the Front Runner

schedule, fees, and expected opening date, please go online to www.rideuta.com or call UTA representative Brandon Bott at 230-5460. ■

ADDITIONAL COLLECTION SERVICE FOR GARBAGE CONTAINERS

On Saturday, April 12, 2008, there will be an extra day of automated garbage collection. Farmington City's contract with Robinson Waste Services provides for this city-wide, annual service. Materials should be placed in the regular roll-out black container and positioned at the curb line by 6:00 am on the above date. No non-processable waste, such as rocks, dirt, appliances, hazardous waste, etc. is permitted.



- Snow Removal
- Streets
- Storm Water Management
- FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES
- Police Protection Services
- Parks & Recreation & Cemetery Services
- Planning, Zoning & Building Code Services
- Garbage Collection/ Culinary Water Services
- Administrative Services

Three months ago, the City of Farmington began a nine-part series highlighting services we provide to make life better for our residents. This month, we are focusing on Fire Protection Services.

The Farmington Fire Department provides a wide array of public safety services and responses, including:

Fire Prevention by development review and code enforcement

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Fire Suppression on structures, wild lands, and vehicle fires

Canyon Rescues (mostly in Farmington Canyon)

Emergency Medical Response with ambulance service and with other rescue and extrication equipment and tools used mostly in serious vehicle accidents

Hazardous Materials Spillage Response, particularly along I-15 and US 89

Fire service is always very expensive. The more complete the service, the higher the cost. In an effort to meet financing demands of fire service, cities across the nation have developed several ways of structuring fire departments. Some departments are staffed by full-time employees and offer around-the-clock service. This is an ideal level of service that most cities cannot afford. Many departments, especially in smaller cities, are staffed by a combination of full and part-time employees. Some are strictly volunteer departments, and others merge into special fire districts. Limited staffing almost always translates into somewhat limited service.

Farmington has chosen a model of having mostly part-time employees with a full-time Fire Chief. The City currently employs 32 part-time firefighters and offers emergency response service from 8 am until midnight, Monday through Saturday, and from noon until midnight on Sunday. Service during off hours is provided on a call-out basis, which means that firefighters are dispatched from their homes. Comparatively, emergency response is substantially delayed during off hours. Of course, LIMITED FIRE COVERAGE IS NOT IDEAL, but it is all the City can afford at this time.

All 32 of our City firefighters are Firefighter, EMT and Hazmat certified, which takes a significant amount of time and training. City firefighters have full-time jobs elsewhere to support their families. Despite the fact that our firefighters do receive wages, their service with the department is clearly a labor of love. Their off-duty response is frequently inconvenient. A call during the middle of the night or during an important family event still demands a response. Being a Farmington firefighter is a huge sacrifice and takes a tremendous level of commitment on the part of the individual and of his or her family to provide fire service over time.

City officials want residents to be fully informed. The City's current level of emergency response is limited. The City doesn't have full-time coverage. Finding part-time firemen available during daytime hours for emergency response is becoming increasingly difficult. It will cost more to improve the current level of service.

The City's Strategic Plan includes two short-term goals for improving emergency response time and expanding fire coverage:

To eventually hire 2 full-time firefighters to improve daytime coverage concerns; and

To expand coverage to a 24/7 level of service.

These goals need to be accomplished within the next few years. Farmington, along with South Weber and Sunset, are the only municipalities in Davis County that do not have 24/7 coverage. The City's intent is to meet these goals, although expensive. In the long term, the City's current organizational model (mostly part-time with limited full-time employees) is far less costly than a full-time department or belonging to a special fire district.

Thanks to our firefighters for the incredible job they do! The City Council would like to receive citizen input on this matter. Send your comments to Mayor Scott C. Harbertson, PO Box 160, Farmington, UT 84025, or by email at scottharbo@msn.com. ■

FIREFIGHTERS WANTED

The Fire Department is looking for firefighters who could make the type of commitment described in this article. Interested? Please contact Fire Chief Larry Gregory at 451-2842 for further information.



Following the spring cleanup, a street sweeper will come through neighborhoods to clean the gutters. Items over 6 inches will plug the vacuum hose, resulting in additional time and expense. **PLEASE HELP** by sweeping up any debris that remains in the gutter after the cleanup.

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Festival Days will be July 12th. Visit the website for a schedule and volunteer information.

What do you think about the Farmington News? What information is helpful to you, what articles do you enjoy reading? We want to hear from YOU. Please go to Farmington's website at farmington.utah.gov and let us know how we're doing. Thanks for your input.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 2008

Pictured above is the new Farmington Youth City Council. Farmington City Councilwoman Paula Alder serves as the Director of the FYCC, Kari Dutson the Volunteer Advisor, and Rick Dutson the City Council representative.

Natalie Selin will be Youth Mayor for the upcoming year. The 31 youth on this year's council are excited to provide service to the community.

For a list of FYCC member names, please see the website.

April 1	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
April 2	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
April 10	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
April 10-12	THURS	"Through the Looking Glass", Youth Theater <i>details on page 4</i>	
April 12	SAT	Extra Garbage Day <i>details on page 1</i>	6:00 am
April 15	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
April 16	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
April 17	THURS	City Trails Committee Meeting 130 North Main	7:00 pm
April 19	SAT	SPIF - Show Pride in Farmington Day <i>details on page 5</i>	8:00 am - 12:00 noon
April 23	WED	Historic Preservation Commission 130 North Main	7:00 pm public welcome
April 24	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm

A SENIOR CITIZEN COMMITTEE is being formed. Interested in getting involved? Call P&R for more information at 451-0953.

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City Manager.....939-9203
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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



How can I purchase a
hunting or fishing license?

(look on page 6 for the answer)

PARKS & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation 720 West 100 North 451-0953

"MUSIC MAN"

Auditions for Harold Hill will be Tuesday, April 15th, 7-9:00pm and Saturday, April 19th, 7-9:00 pm at the Community Arts Center. Auditions for the remainder of the cast will be Wednesday, April 30th, 7-9:00 pm and Saturday, May 3rd, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

"THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS"

Youth Theater
April 10th - April 12th
7:00 pm
1:00 pm matinee on April 12th
Community Arts Center
Purchase tickets at P&R or online

"NUNSENSE"

Dinner Theater
May 7th - May 10th
7:00 pm, includes dinner & a show
Community Arts Center
Purchase tickets at P&R or online or at the door (if available)

SOCCER

Farmington soccer program is for 3-12 year olds. Registration costs \$45/residents and \$60/non, through May 9th. Late registration will cost an additional \$10, May 10-30th. Sign-up at P&R or online.

SOCCER CLINICS

April 19 at Farmington Jr. High. Skill clinics for players aged 5-18 range in cost \$10-\$30. Registration coincides with soccer program registration.



2-week sessions begin June 9th, Monday -Thursday

Residents: April 28th online only beginning at 8am

Non-residents: May 5th
Residents and non-residents can register in the office or online

Preschool/Parent & Tot
\$25/residents, \$30/non-residents

Levels 1-6
\$30/residents, \$35/non-residents

DIGITAL SCRAPBOOKING
Introduction to digital scrap-booking through the use of Adobe Photoshop. Contact P&R for more info.

CERAMICS

Spring Session dates April 9-30th
Wednesdays
4-5:00 pm
6 years and older
Cost: \$40/residents, \$50/non

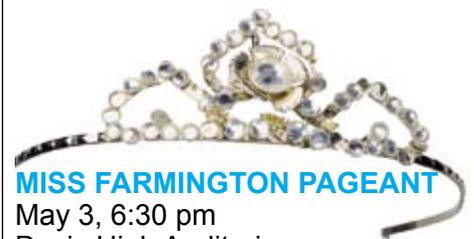
Ongoing registration for:

CLOGGING
GYMNASTICS
YOGA
KARATE

Miss Farmington Concert Series presents a

CHILDREN'S CONCERT May 30th

This concert is for any child in Farmington from ages 7-14. Those interested should call Whitney Dustin at 891.1012. Auditions will be April 22nd, 5-7:00 pm, in the Community Arts Center.



MISS FARMINGTON PAGEANT

May 3, 6:30 pm
Davis High Auditorium
Purchase tickets from contestants for \$7 or at the door for \$8.

Miss Farmington VOLUNTEERS

A "Director Elect" is sought to work with the current pageant director and eventually serve as the director. If interested, please call P&R.

ART CLASSES

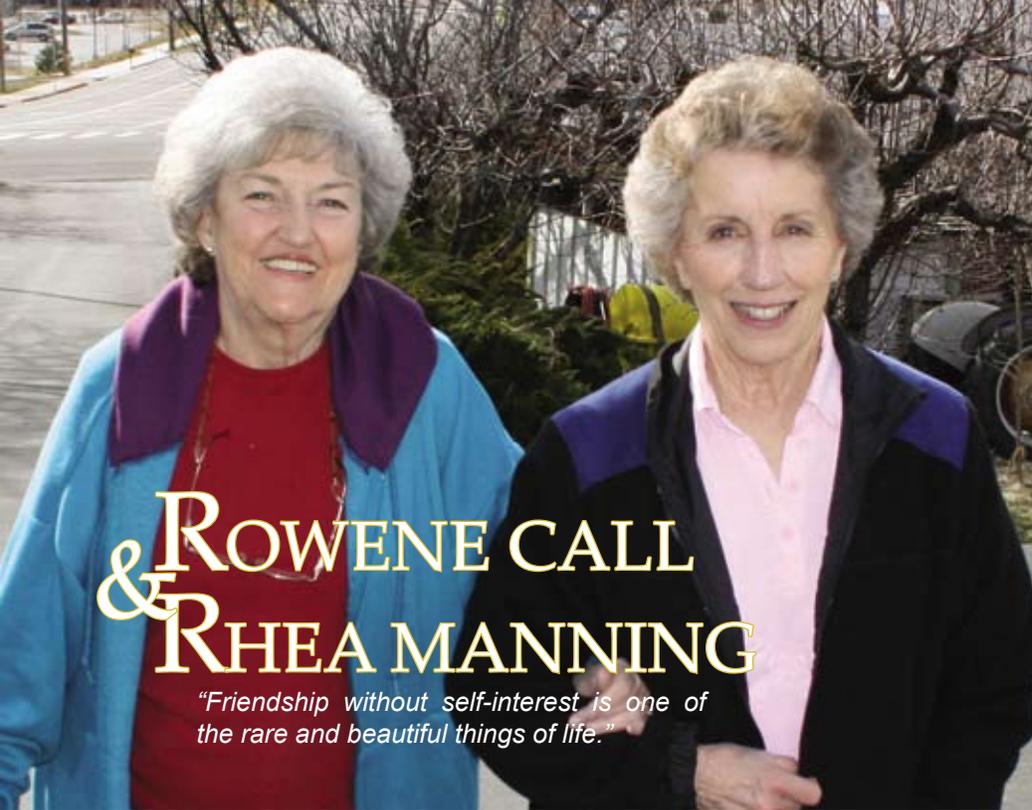
Sign up now for Arts & Crafts, Introduction to Painting, or Adult Drawing. Registration for May sessions open until May 5th for ages 6 & up. Cost is \$35/residents, \$45/non-residents. Register at P&R.

BALLROOM DANCE

April 19th, 7-9:00 pm

WANTED: Event Coordinator for the Festival Days Art Show

The show will include children's selections. Interested? Contact Stephanie Paget at 682-9918.



ROWENE CALL & RHEA MANNING

"Friendship without self-interest is one of the rare and beautiful things of life."

"Protecting and nurturing your emotional well-being is as important, if not more important, than taking care of your physical body," according to HelpGuide.org, a non-profit resource designed to promote healthy lifestyles.

But Rhea Manning and Rowene Call don't choose between the physical and emotional. For over thirty years they've taken a daily walk through the neighborhoods and along the side streets of Farmington, and while they walk, they talk. Initially, conversation tended toward their children, then their grandchildren, and now toward their great-grandchildren. Really, Rhea explains, their thoughts go "anywhere under the sun."

They believe this talk is therapeutic. When they recall the orchard that used to stand at the northeast corner of where their property adjoins, they can almost see one of their children shimmying onto a low-hanging branch or perching high on a ladder, arm extended toward a ripened cherry. As the snow recedes from the edges of lawns, and crocuses rouse into white or yellow or purple awakening, Rowene can almost feel the

late April evening air she knew as a 10-year-old tossing a stone toward the furthest hopscotch square, and Rhea can't shake the feeling of freedom - the kind she used to have as she peeled off her long brown winter stockings.

It's as if the rhythm of their talking grew to harmonize with their stride. Mile after mile, they've explored their dreams, shared their heartaches, and solved their problems together. So several years back, when Rowene learned about her multiple sclerosis (MS), they did what was natural: keep walking.

As described by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, MS is a "chronic, unpredictable neurological disease that affects the central nervous system" and afflicts approximately 400,000 people in the United States. Common symptoms include fatigue, numbness, and walking, balance, and coordination problems-clearly a threat to Rowene and Rhea's lifelong ritual.

But succumbing isn't something either Rowene or Rhea accepts. So every day, Rowene expects her phone to ring. Every day, Rhea crosses the driveway and enters

her best friend's home, where she escorts her outside. Since Rowene's MS diagnosis, walking isn't as easy as it used to be. Their pace has slowed, their distance shortened. But Rowene explains that, "[Rhea's] nice enough to let me hold onto her," and so the two friends continue, one leaning hard on the other, to walk the streets of the city they love. Former Secretary of State James Byrnes once said, "Friendship without self-interest is one of the rare and beautiful things of life." Few friends would better illustrate his insight than Rowene and Rhea.

Farmington residents often see and admire the two women who walk together, once briskly, still steadily. Thank you Rowene and Rhea, for sharing your spirit of friendship and strength. ■

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Saturday, April 19th is Show Pride in Farmington Day. Service groups throughout the City will be providing service projects to improve and beautify the neighborhoods.

Farmington City, through the Farmington Trails Committee, is sponsoring a service project that all are invited to attend. A beautiful walking trail is being built from the Great Salt Lake Shoreline Trail across west Farmington to the east side of I-15. When finished, the trail will unite the east and west neighborhoods of Farmington in a pleasant nature trail which features a "pocket wetland."

To participate, you may park at the LDS chapel at 1000 N 2000 W. The project is a block south along Haight Creek. Contact George Chipman at 451-6945 or gchipman1@msn.com for more details.

Please come and enjoy a beautiful spring day of healthy exercise and social interaction while improving Farmington.

JOB OPENING: Secretary I

Farmington City is accepting applications for a Full-Time Secretary I Position in the Parks and Recreation Department. Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at 720 W 100 N or online at www.farmington.utah.gov. Call 451-0953 with questions. Applications will be accepted until April 8th at 5:00 pm.

Remember When...

You Ran Just for Fun?
Come Do It Again!

Farmington Festival Days Races

5k - 10k - Marathon
Saturday, July 12, 2008

Online Registration Begins
Monday, April 14, 2008
@ www.active.com

xxx New this year xxx

Chip Timing
Earlier Start Times
Half Marathon 6:30 am
5k/10k 6:45 am

NO Race Day Registration

Event Timing Managed by Stride Racing

FAQ: Answer

Hunting and Fishing licenses are sold through the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and online or at a variety of vendors located throughout Davis County. Locally, licenses can be purchased at Smith's Food & Drug Center. A complete list of vendors can be found online at <http://wildlife.utah.gov>.

Because availability is sometimes limited, it's best to call a listed vendor before going to purchase your license. Also, remember prices for licenses vary based on the specific license desired. A price list can also be found on the above website. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources can be contacted via phone at 801-538-4700.



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