

Farmington News

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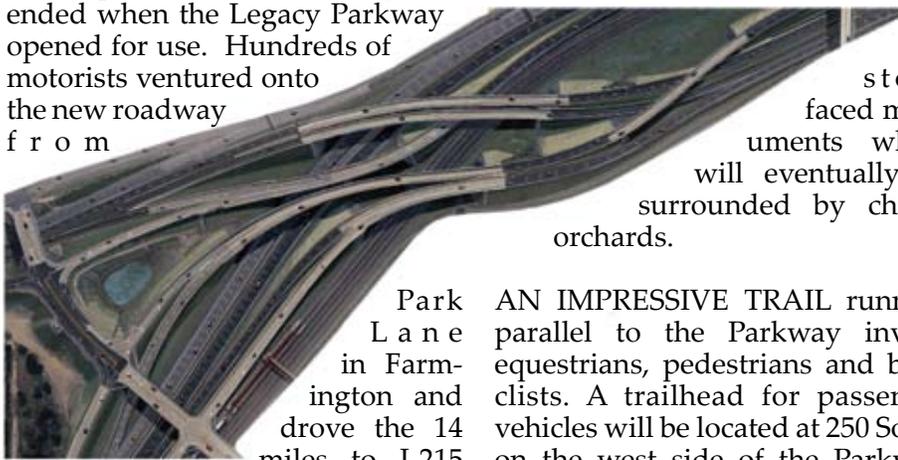


LEGACY PARKWAY OPENS Farmington Residents React

FARMINGTON RESIDENTS have been watching and wondering as the new northern interchange slowly rose out of the ground. Many have been fascinated by the gradual convergence of roads and highways and freeways and trails. On Saturday, September 13th, the long wait ended when the Legacy Parkway opened for use. Hundreds of motorists ventured onto the new roadway from

winning name out of over 500 submissions in a naming contest.

DISTINCTLY DESIGNED signs and structures rise alongside the four-lane, limited access, divided roadway. The northern gateway, located near Glover Lane, features stone faced monuments which will eventually be surrounded by cherry orchards.



Park Lane in Farmington and drove the 14 miles to I-215 at 2200 North in Salt Lake City where the Parkway ends, just to turn around and come back home to Farmington.

THE NORTHERN INTERCHANGE will be known as Wasatch Weave. Congratulations to Farmington residents Dawn Flynn and Kelsey Clampitt for coming up with the

AN IMPRESSIVE TRAIL running parallel to the Parkway invites equestrians, pedestrians and bicyclists. A trailhead for passenger vehicles will be located at 250 South on the west side of the Parkway. Another portion of patience will be required before the landscape is complete, but already the trail provides a nicely groomed passage through the unique wetlands of Davis County.

FARMINGTON RESIDENTS have earned the right to their opinions. See page 2 for a sampling:

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, October 21, 2008
7:00 pm
Farmington City Hall
130 North Main Street

The City Council will receive public comment on the proposed approval of the Farmington Ranches Neighborhood Park Master Plan. Interested parties may view the proposed plan by accessing the Farmington City Website: www.farmington.utah.gov. Please go to "government" then click on "public notices".



Davis County Commissioners will be available to meet with interested Farmington residents at 6:30 pm on October 7, prior to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting. The commissioners will be available for the purpose of receiving information from citizens and providing a question and answer forum for discussion of Davis County matters.

Farmington City takes responsibility for collecting leaves from city trees located in the following areas:

Main Street from 100 S to 500 N
State Street from 400 W to 300 E
200 W from State to 200 S
400 N from Main to 100 E

Please sweep only those leaves dropped by the city street trees into the street. Do not put any sticks or twigs over 6" long in the gutter, as such debris plugs the vacuum hose.

Legacy Parkway continued

Gary Payne: We drove it Saturday night on our way to Provo. I was impressed, but mostly I am grateful my family no longer has to sit in traffic for an extra hour every day to get into Salt Lake and back to work. I also think the entry points, overpasses and walking paths are beautiful. We definitely noticed the quieter pavement, especially as we exited Legacy onto I-215.

Teresa Wood: I have driven the Parkway. I liked the lower speed limit and the lack of big trucks. I look forward to running and biking the path. There were a lot of folks using it. As we approached the Park Lane exit, with the Front Runner station and all the interchanges, it had a very metropolitan feel for little old Davis County.

Travis Cottam: We tried out the Legacy 10 minutes after it opened, so it was a little bit busy. But I thought it was really nice. In fact, we went out and bought a baby seat for the bike so that we can ride the trail. We're looking forward to that.

Kim Isaacson: I haven't taken Legacy yet, but the time I'm saving on I-15 has been impressive. My son Jace is saving almost an hour on the Legacy. It's nice to see the interchange construction wrapping up! 🍁

Farmington City PARKS & RECREATION

a success story

Over the last year Farmington City Parks and Recreation has been listening to residents and enhancing programs to better serve you. After an 8-year absence, the city decided to bring back Farmington Flash, a youth soccer league.

Over 750 children signed up to compete! The fall season began in August, and players and parents alike are having a wonderful time.



It awakens a sense of community pride to see Farmington kids in their Flash uniforms playing hard and having fun. Parks and Recreation personnel look forward to hearing participants' ideas about how to make the spring season even more successful.

Farmington Eagles Football also had exceptionally high participation, with 230 boys signing up—enough to create 12 teams. The boys, coaches and their families are dedicated to football and to the community. Your enthusiasm is appreciated.

Finally, Parks and Recreation is proud to report that there were no crypto outbreaks this year at the

Farmington pool, quite an achievement given that more than 1100 participants enrolled in public and private swim lessons. The pool has also provided an opportunity for scout merit badge projects and birthday parties. Thanks to everyone who enjoyed the pool this year. It was a great season!



Parks and Recreation is committed to making programs the best they can be. It realizes that requires a community effort.



Gratitude is extended to all the coaches, parents, and participants who make Farmington's Parks and Recreation excellent.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

October 2008



Oct 7	TUES	Davis County Commissioner's Special Meeting (see description on page 1) 130 North Main Street	6:30 pm no agenda open discussion
Oct 7	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Oct 15	WED	Fire and Rescue Open House 82 North 100 East	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Oct 22	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
Oct 16	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Oct 21	TUES	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Oct 22	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
Oct 22-25		"Murder Room" Community Arts Center	7:00 pm
Oct 23	THURS	City Trails Committee Meeting 130 North Main	7:00 pm
Oct 30	WED	Historic Preservation Commission 130 North Main	7:00 pm public welcome
Oct 30	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm

WHAT AND WHERE AM I?

For many of us, Farmington has been home for a long time. So how well do we know our home? Do we recognize the art and architecture - the physical structures that give our community its character? From time to time, issues of Farmington News will include a snapshot to test your powers of observation. Can you identify the location of the design element to the right? Check your accuracy with the answer on page 5.

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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

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

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the arts

“THE MURDER ROOM” FALL DINNER THEATRE

If you're looking for a good alternative to spook alleys and haunted houses this Halloween, this murder mystery dinner theatre is it!

October 22-25

Community Arts Center

7:00 pm

\$18/advance tickets,

\$20/at door tickets (if available)

Purchase online or at the P&R office

“ANNIE JR” FALL YOUTH THEATRE

“Annie” is one of the most beloved musicals in history. Enjoy this great show with your family or group.

November 19-22 at 7:00 pm

November 22 matinee at 1:00 pm

Community Arts Center

\$5/advance tickets,

\$6/at door tickets (if available)

Purchase online or at the P&R office

DIRECTORS & PRODUCERS & EVENT COORDINATORS

If interested in directing or producing, or being on a committee for the 2009 season shows, please email spaget601@aol.com. The 2009 season may include such favorites as “Noises Off”, “Seussical”, and “The Mystery of Edwin Drood”.

JR. JAZZ BASKETBALL

A fun, recreational program co-sponsored by the Utah Jazz and Farmington Parks & Recreation.

Grades: Girls/ 3&4, 5&6, and Jr. High Boys/ 3&4, 5&6, 7&8, 9&10

Early Registration: 10/20 - 11/13, cost

\$50/residents, \$60/non-residents

Regular Registration: 11/14 - 11/21,

cost \$60/residents, \$70/non-residents

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Check online for a complete listing of classes offered by Farmington Parks & Recreation.

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Monday, December 1

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7:30 pm

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The following art classes will be taught at the Community Arts Center for six weeks on Tuesdays, Oct -7,14,21,28, Nov -11,18. \$65/residents, \$75/non-residents Materials lists can be found online or by calling the Parks & Recreation office.

KID'S CREATIVITY CORNER (CHILDREN 5-10+)

Expand your child's imagination and creativity in a teacher guided open studio where children are introduced to a wide range of art materials. They will be encouraged to discover a wide range of modes and mediums. Students will develop new skills and talents while designing unique creations using a variety of wonderful materials and tools. Older kids with no experience may start with this class.

4:00-4:55 pm

WONDERFUL WAYS OF WATERCOLOR (CHILDREN 8+)

Children love to paint, but become frustrated with their work. In this class children will learn tips, techniques and tricks using salt, crayons, and scratching, as well as many other unusual techniques. They will learn how to create the illusion of underwater and paint landscapes with aspen trees. You will be amazed at what your child can do!

5:00-5:55 pm

BEGINNING WATERCOLOR (ADULT & TEEN)

Adults and teens will learn new and fun ways to create original paintings with watercolor. Students will learn the basic skills as we incorporate them into a painting, such as laying down a wash and turning it into a sky. The tricks of the trade will be explored in this class. No experience necessary.

6:00-7:30 pm



Matt McCullough
Farmington's GIS Specialist

Matt McCullough's vision and his innovative efforts to improve the quality of life in Farmington.

Jill: What exactly is your job title?

Matt: I'm called a GIS Specialist. Most GIS Specialists have a degree in geography. GIS is really creating digital maps and understanding geography.

Jill: How do Farmington residents benefit from what you do?

Matt: Well, almost daily I go around the city and gather GPS (Global Positioning System) data about water valves and water lines and meters and storm drain lines and sewer lines. I've got a GPS unit that has a map of the city programmed into it, and I stand over a water valve and pinpoint it on my map and mark it. I have a digital map of every water valve and water line in the city. When a water line breaks, for example, I can say to the Public Works employees, "these are the valves you need to turn off, these are the houses that will be affected." The map can actually analyze itself. I can also do analysis on a flood coming down the canyon, how steep the canyon is. And I do maps for the Fire Department showing response times. I'll enter data into the map telling where the fire station is, then I'll say, "in a four-minute response time, show me every house you can get to." That helps Fire Department personnel to see where their strengths and weaknesses are. There may eventually be a fire substation out west, and this program can help determine where to put it.

Jill: I can see how that information would really help local officials do their jobs more effectively. Do you produce any information residents can access directly?

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True or False: Novelist Clive James was correct when he said that "it is only when they go wrong that machines remind you how powerful they are."

Matt McCullough's answer: a resounding FALSE!

In fact, what excites Matt, GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Specialist for the City of Farmington, is just the opposite. By helping Farmington residents understand GIS and the power of GIS applications, Matt hopes people will see the relevance and tremendous practical value of this technology.

As of June 2007, it was estimated that more than 200 million people had downloaded Google Earth. Matt's not surprised, given that he uses Google Earth every day to make life safer and easier for Farmington residents. Matt warmly invites citizen involvement in his work. But he recognizes that's a difficult invitation to accept when many Farmington residents have no idea what it actually is that he does or how his work affects their daily life in the city. If you fall into that category, here's your chance to learn. We hope you enjoy getting to know more about

WHAT AND WHERE AM I?

Bridge guardrail found on Legacy Parkway overpasses on State Street and Glover Lane.

FIRE & RESCUE

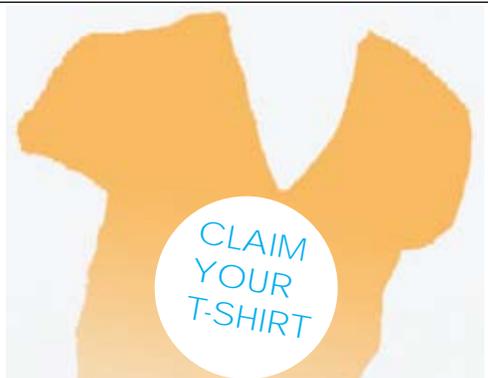
OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday,
October 15**

6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Farmington Fire Station
82 North 100 East**

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whole family!**



Thanks to everyone who entered the northern interchange naming contest! Those who submitted entries can receive a t-shirt by coming to City Hall between 8:00 am - 5:00 pm before October 15, 2008.

Matt McCullough continued

Matt: One project that I'm starting to work on is traffic analysis. This would show the residents where speeding or accidents are taking place. Then the city could put a monthly map up on the website that would show residents where, say, the pedestrian accidents are occurring, or where additional street signs or street lights are needed. Nothing's been done like that.

Jill: How useful!

Matt: Yes. It could really change people's lives a lot. We could even show where accidents on our trails are taking place.

Jill: The technology sounds amazing.

Matt: It is. Another one I'm working on involves creating a Google Earth layer so anybody in the city can go to our website and put in their address. A little information icon would come up over their house. When they click on that icon, it would tell them the zoning they're in, the land use area they're in, the voting precinct they're in, what garbage day-zone they're in, what school district they're in, what subdivision they're in, etc. I'm thinking Farmington residents would find that helpful, especially if they're new to the area.

Jill: So, you're really doing work that relates directly to the everyday concerns of residents.

Matt: Yes. The hardest thing about my job is explaining to people what I do. Ninety percent of the population still doesn't know what it is. But one of my goals is to make GIS available to the residents of Farmington.

Jill: So if someone did have or want helpful information, they could contact you?

Matt: Absolutely!

Matt McCullough's projects are creative and exciting. To get on board and share your ideas, please contact him: mmccullough@farmington.utah.gov

Thanks, Matt, for all you do! 🌱



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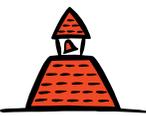
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