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PRIMARY RESULTS FOR CITY COUNCIL

The official primary election results are in and votes for city council candidates are as follows:

Doug Anderson	1414
Cory Ritz	1082
James Young	1023
Brett Anderson	926
Katharine Hawkes	739
Desiree Porter	671
David Stringfellow	656

The number of votes was considerably higher than the 2013 primary election when voter turnout was only 12.11% with 1388 ballots cast.

The general election will once again be mail-in ballot only. Farmington residents can expect to receive their ballots in the mail. Be sure to read the October newsletter for more detailed information.

STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM

Farmington received some impressive rainstorms in the past month. While some residents experienced flooding and water problems, effects on the city as a whole were minimal. Farmington's healthy storm water drainage system is not just a matter of luck. Public works crews take proactive measures for just such weather. Did you know:

By keeping gutters clean, street sweeper eliminates debris in the storm drains;

Street sweeper also vacuums out storm drain boxes;

Farmington City no longer mixes sand with the salt used during winter snow removal. That sand would end up in the storm drains;

Each year public works installs additional storm drain lines to enhance the system;

During heavy rainstorms public works crews monitor storm drains and clean off grates that are blocked or not receiving water;

The average size for storm drain pipe in a subdivision is 18 inches;

Grates now used by the city have smaller holes so bicyclists can ride over them. Debris on those smaller holes limits the amount of water that can drain.

By providing an annual spring cleanup, loads of dead wood and debris are removed from residential areas, which helps prevent damage and flooding during extreme weather events.

Thanks to city residents for helping their neighbors who experienced flooding or water damage during the unusually heavy rain storms. Together we make this a great community.

NEW GYM: PROGRESS REPORT

If you've been out and about in Farmington, you've probably noticed that construction on the new gym is underway.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the new gym and park was held in July.



Construction currently in progress includes bricks, electrical, water lines, storm drains, and preparation for utilities. The plan is to have the building closed in by the end of October so that wood for the gym floors can be cured.

This is an exciting time for Farmington residents; many have long awaited such a facility and are anticipating the fun times ahead. Watch future newsletters for progress reports and more information about gym use, rules and guidelines.



thank you!

The FFD shouts out a big thank you to the community for joining in the welcoming of Truck-71 to Farmington. The August open house was a great success and a bunch of lucky families got the thrill of riding in the 16 foot bucket!

DID
YOU
KNOW



Did you know that sandbags are available to Farmington residents?

In the event of flooding, residents can pick up sand bags at the Farmington Public Works building (720 West 100 North). Bags are not filled to keep them easily transportable. If you have questions about how to obtain the bags, please call 801.451.2624.

THE TOUR OF UTAH an event to remember

On August 5, Farmington residents had the amazing opportunity of observing a world-class sporting event right here in their hometown. The Tour of Utah attracts some of the world's most prestigious teams and cyclists. The event represents a considerable economic impact for Utah. It was an honor to have day three of the race begin and end in Davis County. An influx of spectators and media came to Farmington on the days surrounding the race. Farmington police helped ease the logistical feat of blocked intersections, rolling road closures and vehicles prohibited from parking along the race route. As would be expected, residents were great sports and cooperated in every way possible.



photo credits Heidi Gordon

Do you enjoy walking and bicycling? Would you like to do it more often? Where would you like to be able to walk or bike to in Farmington? What improvements would you like to see in Farmington?

Farmington and Kaysville are creating an Active Transportation Plan (walking and bicycling) and we need your help! Please take our online survey and draw on a map to let us know what your ideal Farmington would look like. This will help planners better understand how we can improve walking and bicycling for you. To learn more, take the survey, draw on the map, and sign up for project updates.



www.WalkBikeKF.com



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 2015

Sept 1	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Sept 3	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
Sept 7	MON	City Offices Closed Labor Day	
Sept 15	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Sept 17	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
Sept 17	THURS	Farmington Trails Committee Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
Sept 18	FRI	Farmington Arts Showcase Community Art Center	7:00 - 9:00 pm see page 4 for details
Sept 24	THURS	Historic Preservation Commission 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome

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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 Control444-2200
Garbage825-3800
Benchland Water District.....451-2105
Weber Water District.....771-1677

After Hours Emergency

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

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Farmington, Utah 84025

Mark your calendar now

for the

FIRE & RESCUE OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, October 7th 6-8pm Farmington Fire Station 82 North 100 East



PARKS & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation 720 West 100 North 801-451-0953



Jr Jazz

Fall Super Sport

Who? K-6th grade
Cost? Residents \$20/Nonresidents \$25
Where? Ranches Park
Days? Tues, Wed, Thurs
Registration? Friday before each session begins

Session 2: Sept 1-3
Session 3: Sept 8-10
Session 4: Sept 15-17
Session 5: Sept 22-24
Session 6: Sept 29- Oct 1
Session 7: Oct 6-8
Session 8: Oct 13-15
Session 9: Oct 20-22
Session 10: Oct 27-29



Fall

Who? K-4th grade
When? Mon-Sat
Register now-Sept 11

Winter

Who? 5th grade+
When? Mon-Sat
Register now-Oct 16



Volleyball Clinic

Who? K-9th grade
Cost? Residents \$25 (K-5th)
Nonresidents \$30 (K-5th)
Residents \$50 (6th-9th)
Nonresidents \$55 (6th-9th)
Where? Farmington Jr High
When? Sept 19th-Oct 10 (Sat)

Register now-Sept 11th

Co-ed Volleyball League

Who? 3rd-12th grade
When? Oct-Dec (Mon-Sat)

Register now-Sept 11th



Art Attack

Who? 5-11yrs
Cost? Residents \$65/Nonresidents \$75
Where? Farmington Community Art Center
When? Sept 8th-Oct 13th (Tues) &
Oct 27th-Dec 8th (Tues)

Register now-Sept 4th

Dinner Theater *Is he Dead*

Who? 18+
When? Oct 7th-10th

Dinner is served at 7pm
Show begins at 7:30

Tickets on sale now!

Farmington Art Showcase

When? Sept 18th
Where? Community Art Center
Time? 7-9pm
Cost? Free with the donation of one pair of lightly used shoes

Pieces by local artists as well as donated baskets and goods will be displayed and available for silent auction. Come enjoy a night of art, music and the performing arts. All proceeds will be donated to the Children's Miracle Network.

Event hosted by Miss Farmington

Upcoming Events (watch future newsletters for more info)

Halloween Event: Oct 23rd
Bye Bye Birdie—Youth Theater: Nov 18th-21st

FARMINGTON Utah's Rose City

by Glen M. Leonard

In July 1908, Robert Miller of North Brookfield, Massachusetts, wrote to Utah Governor John Cutler to announce plans "to establish a mammoth rose nursery in Salt Lake City." Miller was an experienced florist. Three years earlier he leased a plant in North Brookfield previously used for forcing cucumbers and established the Miller Floral Company. Utah florists believed that the state's soil and climate could not sustain commercial rose growing. But Miller had collected soil and water samples from Montana, Idaho, and Utah and had them tested. U.S. government chemists found fewer

undesirable chemicals in Farmington's samples than elsewhere.

Miller completed a 45-by-300-foot greenhouse in Farmington in July 1910 and planted six thousand roses. Three months later

he built a greenhouse for carnations. Already, the forty-year-old Miller's floral on Second West could not supply the demand for American Beauty roses. Within three years employees numbered fifty. The company operated a retail store in Salt Lake City, built more greenhouses, and expanded its wholesale business into Idaho and Montana.

Miller's rapid success led to a citizen-organized celebration and the christening of Farmington as "The Rose City." Arbor Day was named Rose Day. The floral offered two-year-old rose plants

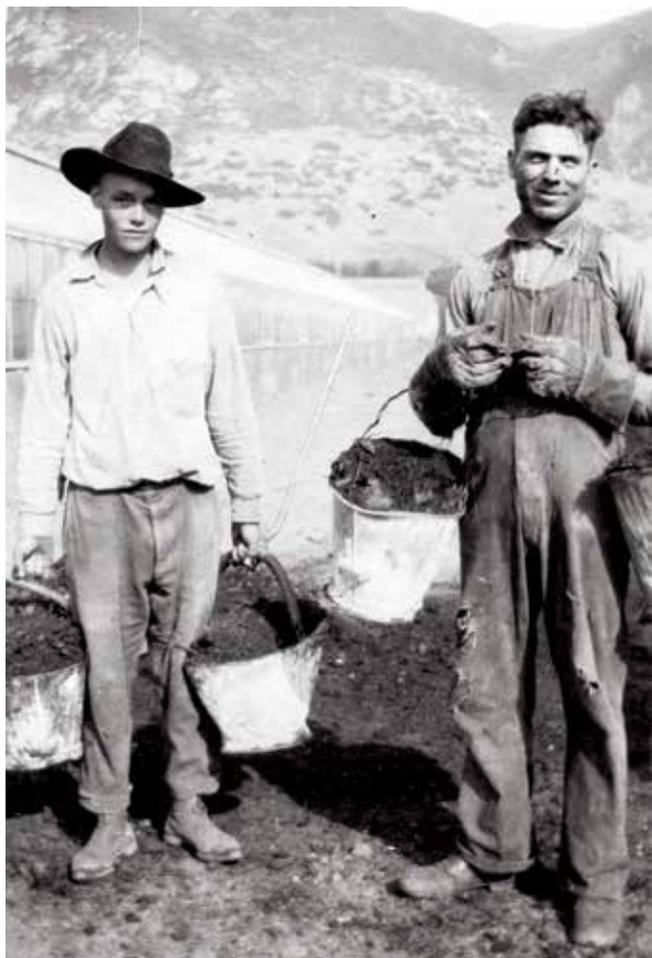
for wholesale prices and rewarded those who planted the most roses that day with prized hybrids. That first annual sale also marked the creation of the Farmington Commercial Club. Robert Miller served as president, with a nine-member board of directors and eighty resident members. The club's goal was to promote industrial growth in Farmington that would attract investors and new residents. In 1913 the club issued a promotional pamphlet titled *Farmington, The Rose City*. With positive prose and ample photos, the tract described the city's attractions, businesses, and homes; created a list of available residential and commercial



Earl Moon in the Miller Floral's Carnation House
(Courtesy Carolyn and Deon Stuart)

sites; and advocated the building of homes "in the suburbs free from smoke and noise." Photographs of Farmington's finest brick homes were interspersed with pictures of government and business buildings, the new Farmington Public School, fields and orchards, flowing streams, Lagoon Resort, the Bamberger Electric, and — of course — roses.

Robert and Robina Miller lived first in the Annie Clark Tanner home. Later, they built their own handsome brick home and rose garden. Miller sold his interest in the Farmington floral in 1924, just as a county-wide movement to establish "an annual rose week similar to rose week in Portland [Oregon]" was getting underway. The Scotland-born Millers spent the next two years visiting relatives and touring Europe. Robert Miller died at Needham, Massachusetts, in 1927, but Farmington's Miller Floral continued to produce its unique hybrid roses for a half century and more in Utah's Rose City.



Miller Floral employee Sidney Worsley, and a youth helper, with buckets of potting soil (Courtesy Bernice W. Smith)

SWIM SEASON

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Swim season 2015 has come to a close. Open from Memorial Day to Labor Day each year, the Farmington pool is a busy place. Over 22 thousand swimmers enjoyed the pool this summer. 2,180 kids improved their safety and skills by taking swim lessons. And 77 private parties were held at the pool. Thanks to the efforts of pool manager, Sylvia Clark, the polite and friendly pool staff, and to vigilant lifeguards who averted any serious incidents.

SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY

The traditional school year is in session and hundreds of children are walking and playing near school grounds. Pedestrian crossings, the link between home and school for many students, are typically supervised for a period of time before and after school by the Farmington Police Department crossing guards. The guards' purpose is to safely usher students across busy streets. They are in need of help from those who drive through school zones. Please be careful, be smart and protect Farmington school children



BE AWARE of flashing school speed zones. Even if children are not present, obey the 20 mph law when school zone lights are flashing.

BE AWARE. You must stop and wait until children AND the crossing guard have proceeded through crosswalks and are safely off the street. You cannot proceed or turn on a green light if the guard is still in the crosswalk.

BE AWARE. Inattentive driving, talking or texting on cell phones, and driving too fast can put lives at risk. Please be alert and aware as you drive through school zones. Lives depend upon it.

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