

Farmington NEWS



2020 VISION for FARMINGTON and COVID-19

a message from Mayor Talbot

COVID-19 has been labeled as the silent killer. We are at war with a virus that doesn't care what color your skin is, how old you are, whether you are rich or poor, or a good person or bad. It knows no city, county, state, or international boundaries. It came as a thief in the night, robbed us of many loved ones, crippled our economy, taxed our medical system, and has changed the way we live for an undetermined amount of time going forward. Our hearts go out to those in our community who have suffered the effects of this virus, whether physically

or economically. We also salute and thank the many medical workers who are a part of our community. Hindsight is always 20/20. That metaphor will take on an ironic meaning as we look back on the year 2020 and the challenges we have faced. Further examining this COVID-19 event when it is over will give us a clearer understanding of how we could have done better, but right now our medical experts, professionals, and government officials are doing the best they can with the knowledge that has been gathered. As Lt. Governor Cox said, "We are literally building the ship while we are sailing through this."

So what can we as Farmington residents do to protect our families and continue to be good citizens to each other? We have been asked to wear masks in public and social distance. We don't have 20/20 hindsight as to whether this is going to work going forward, but it's the best professional advice we have for now from the brightest medical minds in the world. So, Farmington, let's approach the upcoming school year and life with a great attitude and hope for the future, and not be quick to complain if things aren't smooth sailing at first.

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THE FARM Mountain Bike Park

In Davis County, the fastest growing organized sport is mountain biking. Even with COVID pandemic restrictions, local high schools and middle schools continue to train in the mountains. Fruit Heights' mountain bike park, known colloquially as the Fruit Loops Trail, is wildly successful and has become a hive of mountain bike activity, underscoring the need for mountain bike parks in the Davis County area. Last year, the Farmington High School mountain bike team and the Farmington Trails Committee approached the city council with a vision—a trail that would cover forty-four acres of city-owned property at the mouth of Farmington Canyon, as well as nine acres of US Forest Service property.

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the pool Report

Our district officials and teachers are going to be doing the best they can to make sure they help our children and grandchildren stay safe and get a great education during this time. Be willing to wear a mask and social distance because for now it's the considerate thing to do around others. Take care of our school children; they are our future. Take care of our elderly; they have wisdom to protect our future.

Do your best to support our local businesses and keep our economy open. We will get through this, and what fascinating stories we and our children will be able to tell future generations! We survived the COVID-19 pandemic. We will then have 20/20 vision, but not yet. Be safe, wash your hands, and thank you for being such good citizens.

For now, stay focused on keeping your family safe. This now appears to be our "new normal."

Mayor Talbot

Despite the pandemic, Farmington's pool is going strong. Doors were opened on June 15th for lap swim, water aerobics, and swim lessons (with reduced class size). On July 1st, open swim began using a two-time block reservation system. The pool is open Monday through Saturday until August 22nd, after which time it will be open on Saturdays through Labor Day.

All state and county health guidelines are meticulously followed to help combat Coronavirus. Social distancing is enforced on the deck. Pool staff sanitize surfaces every 15 minutes, and before each swim session begins there is a 15-minute break in order to sanitize the chairs and equipment.

To make a reservation between now and Labor Day, go to:

- > farmington.utah.gov
- > click here for reservations / tickets
- > open swim (lefthand column)

The PGA TOUR brought professional golf back to Utah on June 25-28, with the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and hosted by the Utah Sports Commission. This year's tournament returned to Oakridge Country Club in Farmington and was conducted under a COVID-19 protocol put in place by the Korn Ferry Tour, Utah Sports Commission and other partners, with only golfers, caddies and tournament officials allowed onto the course following strict protocols.

The tour took a break with the pandemic in March and returned with two stops in Florida before moving to the Utah Championship. It was the first to be televised live on Golf Channel.

Five Utahns were in the field: Mike Weir, Daniel Summerhays, Preston Summerhays, Patrick Fishburn and Cole Ponich; and

UTAH GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP



Kyle Jones, Winner

Utah fans were on the edge of their seats as hometown hero and Davis County resident Daniel Summerhays went into a three-way sudden-death playoff. Californian Kyle Jones cinched his first tournament win in a second playoff, taking home the \$117,000 first-place check.

Be a good neighbor

*"Being a good neighbor is an art which makes life richer."
- Gladys Taber*

Farmington residents are known for their neighborliness. The FPD is offering a few tips to make communities that are already good, great.

Summer is a perfect time to familiarize yourself with your neighbors.

Agree to watch out for each other's property.

Thefts from mailboxes, doorsteps and vehicles continue.

Report anything suspicious in your neighborhood. If you feel wary about a vehicle or person, get as much information as possible and call the police immediately.

People, especially kids, stay out later on summer nights and sometimes neglect to think about the noise they're making that might bother neighbors.



Respect Farmington's noise ordinance and be considerate of neighbors.

CALL THE FARMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 801 - 451 - 5453





COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 2020

Aug 4	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Aug 6	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hours prior
Aug 18	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
Aug 20	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hours prior
Aug 20	THURS	Trails Committee 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm public welcome
Aug 26	WED	Historic Preservation Committee 160 South Main Street	7:30 pm visitors welcome
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 agenda posted at city hall 24 hours prior



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OR
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 Animal Control ————— 801-444-2200
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SCHOOL WILL BE BACK IN
SESSION THIS MONTH

REMEMBER TO

WATCH YOUR SPEED AROUND
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VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

WHEN? SEPTEMBER 19TH & 26TH
OCTOBER 3RD & 10TH
WHO? 5-17YRS

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

WHEN? OCTOBER 24TH-DECEMBER 5TH
PRACTICE WEEK NIGHTS/
GAMES ON SATURDAYS
WHO? 5-17YRS

REGISTER NOW UNTIL SEPTEMBER 25TH

FALL YOUTH TENNIS

WHEN? END OF AUGUST-OCTOBER
WHO? 5-17YRS

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

FALL ADULT TENNIS

WHEN? END OF AUGUST-OCTOBER
(THURSDAYS)
WHO? 18+

REGISTER NOW UNTIL FULL

DINNER THEATER AUDITIONS THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING ERNEST

WHEN? AUGUST 13TH & 15TH
WHO? 18+

AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD @
COMMUNITY ART CENTER

CHECK OUT THE CITY WEBSITE FOR NAMES AND PHOTOS OF
THIS SUMMER'S PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT WINNERS

SEAN DEGHANI

PUTTING GOOD OUT THERE IN THE WORLD

"From what we get, we can make a living;
what we give, however, makes a life."
- Arthur Ashe

Do you prefer your pita with lamb or chicken? Cucumbers or tomatoes? Honey mango sauce or traditional tzatziki? The variety of mouthwatering options in the line seems endless, and it is all up to you to choose a delicious combination. This is Santorini's Greek Grill, which opened for business at Station Park in 2018, soon becoming a local favorite by offering a menu for everybody—from adventurous foodies to picky eaters.



SEAN DEGHANI
OWNER, SANTORINI'S GREEK GRILL

As it is for all businesses, starting up was challenging and risky. Sean Deghani, the owner, had run several restaurants in Salt Lake County in the past, and when CenterCal Properties extended an offer for a location at Station Park, he knew it would be quite a leap.

"When we started here, I didn't fully have all the funding I needed," Sean explained in our interview. "I went to the Davis County Loan Fund, so the county invested in us here."

And, it seems, the investment has been mutually rewarding: Sean has been able to pursue his career goals, while Farmington now has a fresh, unique business in the community. "It's been a huge success since day one," he happily admitted.

But for Sean, success isn't simply paying off loans. "It's all really thanks to the community. When my

wife and I started this, we said to each other we're going to make sure we give back to the community as much as possible and not be a typical restaurant—not just take, take, take." It is this attitude of giving rather than taking that truly sets Santorini's Greek Grill apart from other restaurants. For instance, on the grill's first anniversary, Sean dedicated the day to the Farmington police and fire departments by having the customers pay for their meals by donation.

Of course, that was last fall, and business was flourishing. When the recent pandemic turned the world upside down, Sean, like so many other business owners, saw a dramatic drop in revenue as he no longer could accommodate dine-in seating. Regardless, he has continued to be generous even though it has been a time of such toxic negativity: In June, he teamed up with Siegfried and Jensen to donate hundreds of meals and thousands of gloves to various hospitals nearby. A couple weeks ago, Sean helped raise funds for Layton High's drill team. For the restaurant's second anniversary, he hopes to help the school district pay off delinquent lunch balances.

"I'm just a little guy, but we try to give as much as we can," he said, "to give back and put good out there in the world." If there ever were a time to cherish the good in our little corner of the world, it's now. Thank you, Sean, for giving instead of taking.

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The Farm Mountain Bike Park continued

Farmington City caught the vision and an initiative called Farmington Mountain Bike Park, 'The Farm,' was born. (see trails map lower right)

Farmington City, the trails committee and the mountain bike teams, joined efforts to successfully apply for a Governors Office of Economic Development (GOED) grant through the outdoor recreation department. GOED dedicates 7 million dollars per year to trail construction in Utah. Currently, The Farm has procured funding as follows:

- \$125,000 GOED 2021 grant funding
- \$25,000 Phillips 66 community grant
- \$12,000 GoFundMe public donations
- \$10,000 Farmington City Council
- \$8,000 IMBA trail accelerator
- \$5,000 Bikers Edge in Kaysville

These combined contributions will make this bike trail system something amazing. All funding is appreciated. If you would like to help, please email Jon Lowe to purchase a \$20 t-shirt, jon.moab@gmail.com. Purchases will help raise funds for the bike trail. (Please note there are a limited number available—men's SML&XL and women's SML)

Tracy McCoy, Farmington Trails Committee representative says, "The target date for completion of the park is October of 2020. That puts a smile on my face when I say that."

Watch future newsletters for updates on this exciting project. 🌱



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FARMINGTON MOUNTAIN BIKE PARK
THE FARM

The design will be cost effective; utilize natural features; create access for all skill levels; create flow; prevent erosion; and minimize future maintenance needs.



Hotline & Services for High-Risk Individuals
During the pandemic, high-risk individuals follow stricter instructions because they are more likely to suffer severe illness from COVID-19. Individuals at higher risk include those age 65 and older and people of all ages with underlying medical conditions. For those who find staying safe at home challenging and need extra assistance, there is help available such as home delivered meals, medical transportation, and more. Call the high-risk hotline, 801-525-5050, Option 5 (M-F, 8-5), to access services.

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