

Farmington NEWS

STAND UP FOR WHAT IS RIGHT

a message from Mayor Talbot



One of the great opportunities that I have as mayor, is hosting a LUNCH WITH THE MAYOR program which involves one student from first through sixth grades, nominated by their teachers, within every elementary and academy school in Farmington on a monthly basis. As I rub shoulders with these young students and their principals, I'm confident that this generation is moving in the right direction and these kids will be the leaders of the future. I also get a feel for what wonderful parents they must have because these young kids are exceptional and are a product of the examples they have at home. I also love it when I see these students around town and they remind me that they had lunch with me at the city offices and how much it meant to them.



Lunch with The Mayor

My message to them for this year is to "Stand Up For What's Right." There is a story I am using this year that I tell the children, "He Took My Lickin' for Me," a folk tale passed down through the years. I think it is a good message for all of us and wanted to share it with you.

Once upon a time, during the Great Depression, in the mountains of Virginia, there was a one-room schoolhouse, and a pack of rowdy students that no teacher could handle. The boys were so rough that they had sent four teachers packing that very year. A new college graduate answered the ad and was given the job. The short version of the story is this....

The young teacher had the class set up some new rules that everyone needed to live by that all the students agreed upon. If someone broke the rules, the punishment would be that the rod hanging on the wall would be used ten times across the back of the individual who broke the rules.

One day Tom, the biggest bully, ran into the room yelling that someone had taken his lunch and he wanted that person punished. After interviewing each student, the teacher determined that Jimmy, a scrawny and bony 10-year-old boy, had taken Tom's lunch because he was so hungry and hadn't eaten. The teacher hesitantly began to follow through

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... beginning March 27

In keeping with Farmington tradition, public works will once again provide residential cleanup service for leaves, twigs and branches. Trucks will drive past homes only once, so it is important to place your landscape debris at the curb before your scheduled day. In order to control costs and to restore order to city streets quickly, Farmington City will enforce the following guidelines:

Maximum limb length is 5 feet

Maximum limb width is 8 inches

No bags or boxes will be picked up

Leaves can be left in piles

Each residence is restricted to a pile sized no larger than 10 feet long, 6 feet wide and 4 feet high (the load one 10-wheel dump truck can haul)

Limbs stacked in the same direction allow for increased volume in the pile

The 2017 collection schedule is as follows:

March 27-31

South half of town - from 600 North south to city limits including west Farmington

April 3-7

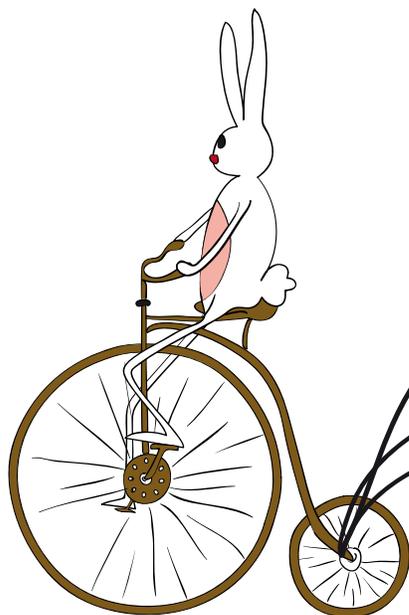
North half of town - from 600 North north to city limits including Oakridge area



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

march 2017

March 7	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
March 9	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
March 16	THURS	Farmington Trails Committee Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
March 21	TUES	City Council Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm for agenda see farmington.utah.gov
March 23	THURS	Planning Commission Meeting 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm
March 23	THURS	Historic Preservation Commission City Museum 110 N Main Street	7:00 pm
March 27- April 7		Spring Clean Up see details on page 1	



*the bunny is coming!
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Farmington's Easter Egg Hunt
April 2017

watch for details in
the April newsletter

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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
Garbage 825-3800
Benchland Water District..... 451-2105
Weber Water District.....771-1677

After Hours Emergency

Davis County Sheriff.....451-4150
Emergency911

Farmington City Hall
160 South Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025

Do you know a Farmington resident whom you wish we all knew? Is there someone in our town who deserves recognition for being exemplary? Farmington News welcomes suggestions for human interest subjects.

Simply email jill@bluepebblepress.com to nominate someone.

PARKS & RECREATION

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

water safety instructor class

when? may 2nd-25th
(tues/thurs)

time? 3:30-7:30pm

who? must turn 16 by the last day of the class

register now until full

lifeguarding class

when? may 1st-24th
(mon/wed)

time? 3:30-7:30pm

who? must turn 15 by the last day of the class

register now until full

adult spring tennis

when? april 13th-
may 18th (thurs)

who? 18+

register now until full

youth spring tennis

when? april 11th-
may 16th (tues) or
april 13th - may 18th (thurs)

who? 5-16 years

register now until full

"into the woods jr."

tickets on sale now

when? march 22nd-25th
(7pm & 2pm matinée, Sat)

cost? \$6 in advance
\$7 at the door

show will be held at the
farmington community
art center

farmington's got talent competition

tickets on sale now

when? march 11th (7:00pm)

cost? \$6 in advance
\$7 at the door

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farmington community
art center

early bird passes on sale now

get cool by the pool this summer!

resident passes for families
& individuals available
now through may 5th

*co-ed soccer,
easter egg hunt,
& summer
program info
coming soon!*

lego workshop

when? apr 22nd (sat)

time? 9am or 11am

cost? free

registration
for residents mar 13th
for nonres mar 14th

space is limited

Donna Minch



“I love the small-town aspects of Farmington. I love that the sycamores on Main Street were planted by Farmington residents. I love the eclectic mix of homes. We have everything we need right now.”

Donna Minch and her husband Steve moved to Farmington twenty-five years ago after twenty-two years of moving around with the military. Living in Utah years ago while attending Utah State University, Donna met her husband, also a USU alumni, and earned her baccalaureate degree in plant science. Returning to Utah felt right and has given Donna the wonderful opportunity of living close to her sister, Deb Hefner, who is also a Farmington resident.

Growing up in a small town in Massachusetts, Donna cultivated a love of flowers and plants. She graduated from Rittner’s School of Floral Design in Boston before continuing on to Utah State to study plant science. Over the years of moving with her husband, Donna has worked in flower shops, gardening, landscaping, teaching and creating floral designs for weddings. She even introduced sweet corn to a little village in Italy. When the Minches moved to Farmington in the early 1990s, Donna was hired as a horticulturist at the botanical gardens on Farmington’s north Main Street. She worked with master

gardeners and was part of the team that moved the gardens to their new location in Kaysville.

Donna was approached by USU to coordinate the off-campus degree program for the plant science department serving nontraditional students. At the time, a few classes were taught off-campus, but it was here and there. They needed someone to build the program and bring everybody together. Donna accepted the challenge and it flourished during her tenure, advancing from a 2-year associates program to a 4-year, off-campus bachelor program. At times, Utah State has graduated as many students off-campus as they have traditional on-campus students. It is clear that the work became Donna’s passion. “One of the nice things about the off-campus program is that so many students are already working in the industry—often using their gained knowledge in their jobs the very next day.”

Although officially retired as USU’s Plant Science Department Regional Campus Program Coordinator and

Student Advisor, Donna remains involved in the program. She never considered those under her tutelage to be students, but rather her friends. She continues to teach, mentor and encourage those who share her passion for horticulture.

Recently, while talking to a new neighbor who had moved to Farmington just ten days prior, Donna realized that she is no longer a newbie. Hers is one of Farmington’s long established families. “We love Farmington—the small-town feel, Festival Days, the trails . . . we have everything we need right here, right now.”

Donna appreciates the way Farmington City takes care of the parks, the streets, and the cemetery. “So much effort goes into that and it’s so beautifully done. I think the city is doing a great job keeping up with the growth.” She loves the hillsides and hopes they aren’t overbuilt. “Farmington is a treasure that should be valued and cared for.”

The whole class was in tears; the punishment was completed. The small scrawny boy who had been protected by Tom threw both arms around Tom's neck. "I'm sorry I took your lunch, Tom. I was awful hungry. I'll love you forever for takin' my lickin' for me."

Tom, even though it was his lunch that had been taken, "stood up for what was right."

My message to all of us in this great city of Farmington is this, "Stand Up For What Is Right," because it is the right thing to do.

Warmest regards,
Mayor Jim Talbot

Benjamin Franklin may not have known that Davis County would receive above average snowfall this winter, but he gave us advice that applies and would be wise to heed.



An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Farmington's Public Works Department provides bags and sand for residents who anticipate flooding and would like to proactively protect their property. All you need is a shovel. The sand pile is on the east side of the public works office parking lot (720 W 100 N). Sandbags are in the blue recycle can and are accessible at any time. If you have questions, please call 801-451-2624.

mark your calendar for an

EXTRA GARBAGE DAY
Saturday, April 15

watch for details in the April newsletter



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NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK
MARCH 19-25

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