

Columbus Day Office Closure

The city offices will be closed on Monday, October 14th for Columbus Day and will re-open on Tuesday, October 15th.

PI Shut Off Information

Public Works will turn the pressurized irrigation system off for the year around the 15th of October depending on weather.

Green Waste Disposal Schedule

The remaining second Saturday green waste disposal days for the year are October 12th, and November 9th.

Local Warming Center Program Needs

Beginning October 15th, warming centers for individuals who are homeless and seeking warmth and a place to stay for the night will be open nightly from 9pm to 8am through April 30, 2025, and will be in Provo and incorporated Utah County. Volunteers (18 years and older) are needed to help at the warming centers during the evening, late night, and early morning. Those serving will be assisting experienced staff with set up, clean-up, safety, and security and will be providing our homeless friends with care and fellowship. Training is required.

The warming centers are also in need of tons of blankets and other supplies. To find out what is needed and for drop off instructions, look online at JustServe Warming Center Needs.

For questions or additional information, please contact Kena Mathews at Community Action Services and Food Bank at kenam@casfb.org. Thank you!

October Meeting Schedule

10/01 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm 10/01 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

10/08 Development Review Committee 10:00 am

10/08 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm

10/15 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm 10/15 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

10/22 Development Review Committee 10:00 am

10/22 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm

11/05 City Council Work Meeting 5:30 pm

11/05 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Santaquin City public meeting agendas are posted on our website and on Facebook:

https://www.santaquin.org/meetings https://www.facebook.com/santaquincitygovernment

Santaquin City Council, PC, and DRC meetings are streamed LIVE on YouTube at: https://bit.ly/2P7ICfQ

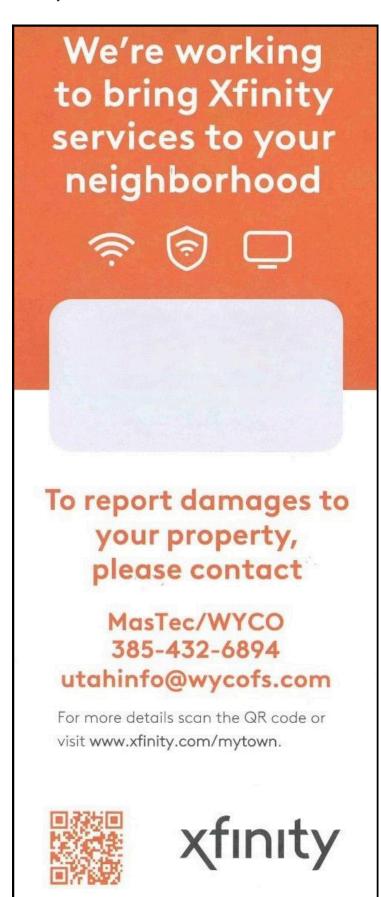
> All of these meetings are now held in the new Santaquin City Hall building located at 110 S Center Street.

Fall Clean Up





Xfinity Information



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Caregiver Conference

The 19th Annual Caregiver Conference is on Friday, November 8, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at doTERRA (389 S 1300 W, PG) and virtually.

This year's theme is Mind, Body, Heart:
Boosting Caregiver Resilience, with a keynote
address by Jody Moore, popular life coach
and host of the Better Than Happy podcast. If
you care for a senior loved one, this
conference is for you.

The conference is free, but registration is required. Call 801-229-3808 or visit magutah.gov/cg to register and learn more.

Photo Contest Winner



The winner of the August Photo Contest is Laurie Kauer. Along with her photo submission

she wrote,"My family and I had a fun time at the Santaquin Orchard Days Rodeo." Congratulations Laurie!

For information on entering the monthly contest you can visit: https://bit.ly/3NBNjum. We look forward to seeing what you love about Santaquin!

Hidden Picture Contest

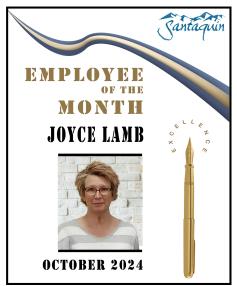
If you spot the hidden pumpkins like those on the right in this newsletter, email: kmortensen@santaquin.org or bshupe@santaquin.org with the location and your contact

information by 10/31/2024 to be entered in a random drawing for a prize.

Congratulations to Camille Cardall for winning August's Hidden Picture Contest!



Employee of the Month



Joyce Lamb is our October 2024 Employee of the Month. Joyce started working for Santaquin City over 19 years ago as an Office Clerk. She was promoted to Utility Billing Clerk in 2013 and then City Treasurer in 2022.

Joyce is responsible for anything and everything to do with monthly utility billings. The most important part of this includes the billing side of meter readings for culinary water and pressurized irrigation. She works closely with Public Works to make sure each account has its reading before processing monthly billings. With over 5,000 customer accounts, most having two meters, this is a lot to keep track of. She also processes contract billings, notifies residents regarding possible water leaks, calculates equal pay billings and sends notices to

customers, flags expiring cards on auto pay, generates delinquent account notices, and the list goes on.

Recently, Santaquin City obtained a grant from the Utah State Division of Water Resources to install a meter reading tower and new efficient pressurized irrigation meters. Joyce has been responsible for getting the new software up and running on the billing side by entering all 2,500 new meter identification numbers as they have been changed out, all while still managing her regular duties. Over the last six months she has stayed late and come in early to make sure this was done in a timely manner for bills to be sent out. She has done a great job learning the new system and getting the data ready for customers so they can access and track real time data of their pressurized irrigation usage. Joyce and the Public Works Department will also be working on getting new culinary water meters installed and integrated into this same system in a phased meter replacement project over the next two years.

As the Treasurer, she ensures that all deposits are correct and entered into the accounting system, that bank accounts always have ample funds to pay the bills, and that all revenues received by the City are accounted for and receipted into the correct accounts. She also manages the records side of the Cemetery, facilitates the purchasing of cemetery lots, works with the funeral homes and family members when deaths occur, and generates work orders for Public Works for the opening and closing of graves.

Joyce has been married to her sweetheart, Ed, for 38 years. They are the proud parents of four children and five grandchildren and a cherished puppy. She graduated from Spanish Fork High School and from Evans Hairstyling College. In her spare time, she loves spending quality time with her family and making beautiful quilts and crochet afghans to share. When asked what she values about her work, she said, "I love the people I work with and there is always something new to learn. I love the challenge it offers."

Shannon Hoffman, the City's Finance Director, stated, "Joyce is organized, thorough and meticulous in all aspects of her job. She is a great asset to the City, and we would like to recognize her for her efforts. Congratulations Joyce, we are so glad you are part of our Team!"

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Good October to you all,

September has finally passed us by with the leaves changing and the summer season passing as well. Fall is a beautiful time of year.

This entire year we have anticipated the canyon opening by September. However, the USFS has provided some extra funding and put it into repairing washouts that were not on this original contract. Hopefully, this extra work will make the streambank more stable and the road even more safe. I am sure that we will not get an opening date until sometime in late October. I know that even I was planning on a deer hunt in Santaquin Canyon. But that will not be possible this year. I must say the work that S&L Construction has completed under the Federal Highways

administration is the very best. They are great people all around!

This fall we have ushered in a few new things to the Prospector View Park for more and better biking and hiking in Santaquin Canyon. The City was awarded a state outdoor recreation grant for our Prospector View Park. This will provide us with a new pavilion, more benches, and a bicycle repair station at the parking lot. There are hundreds and hundreds of visitors that enjoy this park almost constantly. Take some time, even if you don't bike, to go for a hike or to see the leaves that are just breathtaking.

In September, the city was able to allocate the desired funds to prepare the Foothill Village Park for a new children's playground. Additional funds were allocated to ensure that the area is safe for the kids as they play.

I want to thank a great family in the city who has donated a tree to the Ted Ahlin Park. We have also added a few more trees to that one at the park. The ability to water them and ensure they grow will bring shade for generations to come. Thanks to all!

Have a great October and I will send more updates in November.

Mayor Dan Olson



