



# FARMINGTON NEWS

MORE TIME FOR LIVING



Here we are already into March. This month's edition of the Blue Blog will focus on stats from January 2024 with 2023 in parentheses for comparative purposes.

In total the police responded 1063 calls for service (down from 1153 in January of 2023)  
auto accident—49 (37)  
traffic stops—456 (394)  
adult and/or juvenile arrests—11 (23)

Here are a couple of interesting incidents Farmington Police dealt with in January:

On January 6th at about 11:55 pm, Officer Pence stopped out on a vehicle that was pulled to the side of the road with hazard lights flashing. The location of the incident was at the northbound HWY 89 off-ramp at Main Street. During the encounter Officer Pence learned that the vehicle was uninsured and impounded the vehicle. Pursuant to impounding the vehicle, Officer Pence conducted an inventory of the contents of the car, during which he observed several items that he believed were

illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia. This incident is an excellent example of an officer conducting routine patrol functions, and as a result, heroin, methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia was taken out of the community. Great job, Officer Pence.

On January 17th at about 5:00 pm, Sergeant Jacobson, along with several other Farmington officers and officers from other agencies, responded to a call involving a theft at Best Buy. A witness observed three males stealing products from the Best Buy store in Farmington. The suspects got into a white Cadillac and left the area. The witness followed the Cadillac and was able to provide dispatch with a current location which was then relayed to responding officers. Sergeant Jacobson was able to stop the suspect vehicle at about 70 West 1150 South in Farmington. Three of the occupants fled on foot from the vehicle while Sergeant Jacobson was able to take the driver into custody. The perimeter of the area was established by other responding officers.

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get ready for the  
**SPRING  
 CLEANUP**

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THE CITYWIDE CLEANUP  
 begins on  
**April 8th** and will be  
 completed **April 19th.**

Residential cleanup rules are as follows:

**RESIDENTIAL LIMBS AND BRANCHES ONLY**

Maximum branch size is 8 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length.

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PILE SIZE MAY NOT EXCEED

8 feet long, 4 feet wide and 4 feet high. Only ONE pile per residence will be picked up.

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

Materials must be placed at the curb BEFORE beginning collection day. Collection trucks will ONLY drive by each residence ONCE.

No rootballs or stumps, leaves or pine needles will be picked up.

RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED

Citywide Collection Schedule: Monday, April 8th

All debris must be at the curb before this date. The city will not be split in half this year. The cleanup will be completed by April 19, 2024.

A street sweeper will pass through neighborhoods after the cleanup is completed. The sweeper cannot pick up limbs or twigs over 6 inches long because they plug the vacuum hose. Once cleanup crews have finished in front of your residence, please rake up the limbs and twigs in your gutter and throw them in your garbage can. This will help the sweeper be more efficient.

Collected debris is mulched at the Central Davis Sewer District Treatment Plant.



# ISABEL OLDROYD

STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Izzy is a Farmington Phoenix. She is a wonderful example of the difference students can make when their focus is on helping others and when they care for those around them. Izzy serves as an officer at FHS and does an incredible job of setting a positive tone for the school. Even with that huge time commitment, Izzy still carries an intense load of both concurrent enrollment classes as well as AP classes, while maintaining a 3.995 GPA. She truly cares about those around her and shows genuine interest in each peer that she comes in contact with,

making each of their days better for having talked to her. It will be fun to see the incredible difference Izzy will no doubt continue to make in our community.

## InvoiceCloud

**HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR ONLINE PAYMENT INFORMATION TO THE NEW SYSTEM?**

If you pay your utility bill by check or through your bank, you may continue to do so. If your utility payments have been processed through Xpress Bill Pay, **ACTION IS REQUIRED.**

Scan one of the QR codes to get started.



scan QR code to visit the Farmington City website to view instructions



scan QR code to go to the Invoice Cloud website

## CEMETERY CLEANUP NOTICE



In an ongoing effort to maintain the dignity and beauty of Farmington's cemetery, **cleanup of the cemetery will begin on March 1st.** This upkeep is vital for preserving the grounds and protecting the memory of those interred and the natural beauty of the surroundings. Your cooperation is kindly requested as this work is respectfully accomplished.

**All dead flowers will be removed regardless of placement.**

Artificial flowers and decorations not placed in vases integral to upright markers (i.e., those located above the marker base) will be removed.

This policy helps prevent damage to city maintenance equipment and ensures the cemetery remains neat and well-kept.

It is understood that items are often placed with love and remembrance. City crews carefully pay attention to birth dates, as well as death dates, and strive to leave recently placed items at the gravesite.



# CITY INFORMATION

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Fire Department ..... 801-451-2842  
Public Works ..... 801-451-2624  
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Parks & Recreation ..... 801-451-0953  
Gymnasium ..... 801-939-9229  
Building Department..... 801-939-9214  
Inspection Hotline ..... 801-882-8954  
Water Department ..... 801-451-2624  
Planning & Zoning ..... 801-939-9215  
Historical Museum ..... 801-451-4850  
Animal Control..... 801-444-2200  
Garbage ..... 801-825-3800  
Benchland Water ..... 801-451-2105  
Weber Water ..... 801-771-1677

## AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

Davis County Sheriff ... 801-451-4150  
Emergency ..... 911



A wealth of information is available on the city website. Scan the QR code to go directly to [farmington.utah.gov](http://farmington.utah.gov).



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## March 2024

March 7	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
March 19	TUES	CITY COUNCIL MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda on <a href="#">city website</a>
March 21	THURS	PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda posted at city hall 24 hrs prior
March 25	MON	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 160 South Main Street	7:00 pm agenda available on the <a href="#">HPC website</a>
March 30	SAT	EASTER EGG HUNT Regional Park	9:00 am see page 5
April 8	MON	SPRING CLEANUP BEGINS CITYWIDE see guidelines on pages 1-2	

## EXTRA, CITYWIDE GARBAGE COLLECTION DAY

Beginning at 6:00 am on **SATURDAY, APRIL 20**, there will be an extra garbage collection day. Materials should be placed in the black roll-out container and placed at the curblines by 6:00 am.

**No** non-processable waste such as rocks, dirt, appliances, hazardous wastes, etc. is permitted. The city's contract with garbage hauler, Robinson Waste Services, provides this annual service.







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PARKS & RECREATION

FARMINGTON

## Park Restroom Facilities

Starting April 15th, park restrooms will open for public use. These facilities will remain open until October 15th. City crews are dedicated to sustaining facilities that are clean, safe, and well-maintained.

Please do your part to keep them in good condition for all to use.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Farmington's Easter Egg Hunt will happen on **Saturday, March 30th** for kids ages 0–12 years old. It will start at 9:00 am sharp, so come to Regional Park (178 S 650 West) to join this annual spring celebration.



## Your Role in Farmington's Community Spaces

Upholding the pristine beauty of Farmington's parks and cemetery is a shared responsibility. The upkeep of the places that mean so much to our community requires every user's respectful participation. Together, we can ensure that open spaces remain places of solace, celebration, and recreation for everyone. Please do not hesitate to contact the Parks and Recreation Department (see number above) if you have questions or need further clarification of information presented in this newsletter.

# WHO ARE THE PEOPLE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?



by Melissa Layton  
Farmington City Council



One of the greatest things about being able to serve on the Farmington City Council is the opportunity to get to know our city workers and staff. Farmington has some amazing employees and I am grateful for any amount of time I get to spend with them. Before I was a member of the city council, I was embarrassingly unaware of what city workers were doing for me every single day. In the last two years, I've had the opportunity to tour the well houses and reservoirs, go on a call for a waterline break, drive along in a snowplow, attend police training, tour the fire department, attend planning meetings, do site visits to new roads and properties, assist at city events and celebrations, and so much more. With every new experience I am so proud of the employees who are giving 110% to our city every single day. Today I wanted to highlight just a handful of our incredible city employees in hopes that you too can get to know these outstanding "people in your neighborhood"—the people who show up for you and for me every day.

people on call 24/7, and "even if you aren't on call, you are on call." If a snowstorm hits, it takes the entire crew plowing all hours to make sure people have safe roads for morning commutes. If a water line breaks Christmas morning, they don't get to wait until the new year to address it. When Cory does get some much-needed time off, he enjoys taking cruises with his family.

trails, set up and take down for events, and the list goes on. Jae is a type 1 diabetic and a gym rat. He loves football and morning meetings with the parks crew.

*ABE WANGSGARD*  
Water Supervisor (17 years)



Abe grew up on a dairy farm in Huntsville. He loved being around all the animals. Abe wishes people knew how old the water infrastructure is in Farmington. Trying to keep up on repairs and maintenance is a big job. Abe spent some time in his 20s doing stunt doubles and wrangling livestock in more than 8 movies.



*SAM HOWELL*  
Recreation Coordinator  
(2.5 years)

Sam grew up in West Point. He loved the small, hometown feel there. Sam wishes people knew that the people running youth sports programs are first and foremost looking out for the kids. He said, "We make decisions based on what is best for the kids." He loves video games, anime, and any comedy with Will Ferrell.

*JAKE HANSEN*  
Public Works Inspector  
(8 years)



Jake grew up in Payson. He loved riding horses and hunting in the mountains near his home. Jake wishes people understood the number of hours they put in at work, and that everything they do is for the betterment of the city. They work hard because they care! Every weekend you can find Jake and his whole family rodeoing.



*NARAE SIMMONS*  
Accounts Payable (4 years)

Narae grew up in South Korea and she loves the 5,000 years of rich history in Korea. Narae wishes people knew that she is here to help. She loves to help connect you to the department or person you are looking for. Narae owns two bearded dragons, eight crested geckos, and three tarantulas. If you are lucky and come in to city hall on the right day, you may get to meet one.



*JAMIE ELLISON*  
Administrative Assistant  
(2 years)

Jamie grew up in Kaysville, near the cemetery. She loved playing hide and seek in the cemetery and nearby park and woods. Jamie takes a lot of calls about water overages and leaks. She wishes people understood how hard the city works to help the citizens find and fix leaks. She loves to help. She believes the city does a good job working with citizens when there is a problem. Jamie loves to read fiction novels, visit haunted houses, and laugh at dog and cat memes.



*ALBERTO ORTIZ*  
Water system operator  
(2 months)

Alberto grew up in Woods Cross. He loved being close to the mountains but also the city—the best of both worlds. He wishes citizens understood the new laws and regulations coming from the division of drinking water and the state, and just how well the water department stays on top of it all. It takes hours and hours to test and run the lab work to keep your drinking water safe. Alberto loves to travel. He once spent an entire month in Japan. He is also known as the "better-looking Ortiz brother."

*JAE HORROCKS*  
Parks Superintendent  
(10+ years)



Jae was born in New Hampshire and lived there until first grade. He loved how green it was there and being ten minutes from the beach. Jae wishes people understood what a unique job the parks crew has. They do a little bit of everything: irrigate and maintain cemeteries and parks, dig graves, plow snow, maintain

*CORY BRAZELL*  
Public Works Assistant Director  
(17+ years)



Cory grew up in Monroe, Utah. He loved having access to the mountains and all the freedom that gave him as a kid. Cory wishes citizens understood the amount of hours and extras hours their department works. They have

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*NANCY THACKER*  
Office Coordinator  
Parks and Rec (8 years)



Nancy grew up in Kaysville where she loved the small-town community feel it offered and where she felt safe to roam the neighborhood. Nancy wishes citizens better understood the line they have to walk between serving one or two people's requests and making rules for the benefit of the whole community. It is sometimes hard for individuals to see the big picture. She loves helping people and serving them and their families. Nancy loves acting. She sings, performs on stage, and has done commercial voiceover work.

This isn't even a representation of each department in our city. I wish I had ten pages to cover them all. But what I hope is that this makes you a little more curious, and makes our community just a little more connected and supportive. I hope you will reach out the next time you encounter a parks and rec worker, someone in the planning department, a city engineer, or a utility worker fixing a line in your front yard. I hope you'll say hello. I hope you will ask for and then call them by name. I hope you will express your gratitude for all the hard work they put into making Farmington such a great place to live! This is my encouragement to you—to get to know THE PEOPLE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.



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An organized search for the three outstanding subjects began. Thankfully, due to observant residents in the area, the three suspects were apprehended quickly while they were attempting to gain entry to a home in the area by giving the homeowner a story about needing to call their mother because they had just been robbed.

Fortunately, no one was hurt during this incident, and all four suspects were either booked into jail or released to their parents, and ultimately charged with felony retail theft; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of a dangerous weapon; contributing to the delinquency of a minor; and possession of tobacco by a minor. Sergeant Jacobson did an excellent job by arriving in the area quickly and providing valuable information to responding officers. We are very thankful for the help from observant and helpful witnesses. It was a great resolution to a potentially dangerous situation.

I hope you enjoyed this month's edition. If you would like me to answer any questions or write about any topic, please feel free to contact me at [ejohnsen@farmington.utah.gov](mailto:ejohnsen@farmington.utah.gov).



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### MAYOR ANDERSON'S COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Mayor Anderson meets with a community council of concerned citizens each month. Members of this council represent various geographical areas of the city to consider and offer feedback regarding upcoming issues.

If you would like to be informed and involved in Farmington's future, this would be a great volunteer opportunity.

Please express interest by emailing the mayor at [mayor@farmington.utah.gov](mailto:mayor@farmington.utah.gov).

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