



Tree planting with a purpose

Late fall is a great time to plant a tree to help beautify your yard – and our community. The right tree for the right space not only adds value to your home but also cools the air, calms traffic, provides needed habitat for birds and wildlife, and reduces heating and cooling costs.

Always plant with a purpose. Knowing when, what, where and how to plant is essential to a tree's life span. If you want trees to be assets (rather than just another yard problem) that continually appreciate in value, you need to keep in mind the following tips during and after planting a tree:

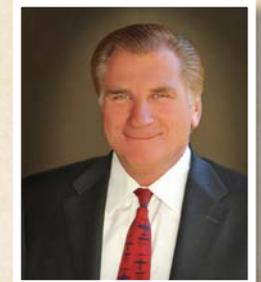


- **Time of year** – the best time to plant trees is during the dormant season, in the fall after leaves drop or early spring before buds break. Weather conditions are cool and allow plants to establish roots in the new location before spring rains and summer heat stimulate new top growth.
- **Tree selection** – Think right tree, right place. If that sounds familiar, it is the important motto used by our local power company provider, "Rocky Mountain Power." Believe it or not, many people do not take tree growth into consideration when choosing what tree to plant. Think about how the tree will look in 50 years as well as this planting season. (Many local nurseries can provide you with pictures of mature trees.) Consider the trees' mature height, width, and overall shape before making your final choice.
- **Site selection** – Choose a location with the right soil, space, and light conditions for your tree. Will your new tree need shade or full sun? Wet soil or dry? What drought conditions and other environmental factors might affect the trees' long-term health? Remember to look up and check for overhead power lines and avoid planting near or underneath them. Also locate any possible underground

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The educational foundation needed for a bright future



As mayor I recently had the pleasure of going on a field trip with Jordan School District administrators as well as the area mayors of the cities that make up the district. This was a great opportunity to show district administrators our community and talk about some of the upcoming projects.

The trip took place shortly after a memorandum of understanding was signed by the mayors of the district communities as well as the school board president. This memorandum outlines expectations that will strengthen our relationship and allow us to work more effectively to benefit our students. After months of discussions that could have resulted in a district split, I am very pleased the district will stay intact and feel it is in the best interest of our children. There is nothing more important to me than the safety and education of the children in our community.

West Jordan continues to grow and plans are always evolving that shape our community. Here are some of the tour highlights:

7800 South and Redwood Road – A planned City Center development is in the works on the southeast corner of the intersection where the school district facility sits, which will connect to the city's civic campus by a pedestrian bridge. We are working with the district to relocate them to make way for shopping, dining and office space.

South Valley Regional Airport – Not many cities have a regional airport in their city. This is a unique asset that can be important when attracting large companies. I'm currently working with Salt Lake City Mayor Ralph Becker to ensure open communication as development in our city continues. (Salt Lake City owns and operates this airport).

Jordan Landing – Before Jordan Landing was developed, residents often did their shopping in surrounding communities. Jordan Landing is the state's largest outdoor power retail center and benefits our community by providing a variety of shopping and dining options as well as keeping sales tax dollars in our city. I look forward to a couple of new dining options coming soon.

1/3 of our city is undeveloped – Did you know that about 1/3 of our city is undeveloped? This is just one of the reasons it is important to coordinate with the school district and work together to plan for and accommodate future growth.

I'm confident the Jordan School District and the many caring educators who are part of it will continue to provide our students with the educational foundation they need for a bright future.

Kim Rolfe



Hard hitting, non-stop action rolls into the West Jordan Arena

WEST JORDAN DEMOLITION DERBY SEPT. 6

The West Jordan Demolition Derby is back for some hard hitting, non-stop action Saturday, Sept. 6. The smash 'em crash 'em action begins at 7 p.m. in the West Jordan Arena, 8035 S. 2200 West. Gates open at 6 p.m.

Local derby experts Stirrin' Dirt Racing will be putting on the show. Stirrin' Dirt Racing was created in 1999 by Johnny Gullo and Jim (Gumby) Simko. They had a goal to give drivers bigger payouts for their hard work and showmanship. That year they held their first derby with a \$10,000 purse. Since then Stirrin' Dirt has ventured into promot-

ing and producing many demolition derbies, monster truck shows and other events around the region.

Tickets are on sale now at www.WesternStampede.com or at the gate. Lower reserved tickets are \$16; general admission tickets are \$10. Lap children under 3 years old do not need a ticket.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are also in need of a few volunteers who want to be part of this fun event. Email gulerb@wjordan.com if you'd like to get involved.



*Come be part of the action at the Demolition Derby!
Photos courtesy Scott Anderson and Nikki Wells*



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utilities by calling Blue Stakes at 800-662-4111. Remember that tree roots spread well beyond their branches over time so pick a planting spot with plenty of area for outward root growth.

• **Proper planting** – Most of a tree's root growth will be horizontal not deep. Remember the tree roots will go where "the goodies" are – water, oxygen and nutrients. So, the hole needs to be wide, typically about three times the width of the root ball. The depth of the hole will depend on the measured depth of the root ball. It is better to plant the tree slightly higher so that the root flare from the trunk is visible at or above the ground level. Too often trees are planted too deep. Loosen the soil around the planting hole to give tree roots ample room to grow. Straighten the tree before refilling with soil. Fill the hole gently but firmly and mulch around the base of the tree. After planting, water thoroughly. Check the soil moisture at least once a week (more during the hot summer months) and water when needed. Avoid "drowning" your tree – tree roots need oxygen, too! Avoid pruning your tree (removal of damaged limbs is okay) for at least three years to allow the tree to utilize all of its leaves on its branches to help nourish the roots.

Tree planting with a purpose can be fun. Plant trees so they have meaning, so as they grow, they grow lasting memories or feelings. For example, plant a tree on the birth year of a child and as they get old enough to understand they will love their tree and they will know exactly the age of their tree. Or plant trees in memory of people or pets. You can also plant a tree the year you get married so every time you look at it you remember that happy day. Be creative so that trees are more than just an asset that is part of your yard.

Happy Planting!

The Sierra Newbold Playground

A playground designed to let every child soar to their potential in a safe secure environment.

Help support this playground designed for children of all capabilities.



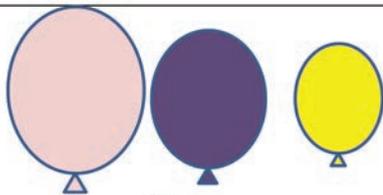
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- \$2500 = 10 inch Balloon
- \$1000 = 8 inch Balloon
- \$250 = 6 inch Balloon



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Signature (Authorizing Charge to Credit Card) _____ Or <http://southvalleysanctuary.com/donations-for-the-sierra-newbold-playground/>

Inscription: (limit 50 characters including spaces and punctuation.) _____

Mail donations to the West Jordan Police Department, Attn:

Sierra Newbold Playground, 8040 S. Redwood Road, West Jordan, UT 84088



Sign up now for West Jordan U

West Jordan U (formerly known as the Citizens Academy) starts Thursday, Sept. 18, from 6 to 9 p.m. and runs weekly on Thursday nights for 10 weeks. This is a great opportunity to learn about local government, especially if you have ever considered running for public office. Each night features a different topic taught by local professionals and is designed to give you a better understanding of the inner workings of local government.

The highlights of the class will include information on city finances, emergency services, the police and fire departments, planning and zoning, the legal department and public utilities. There will be hands-on activities and real-life scenarios to give class members a closer look at some of the daily challenges in West Jordan. We will also leave plenty of time for questions.

Seating is limited so we are asking you to complete an application and sign up in advance. Email info@wjordan.com to get an application or visit the city's website at www.wjordan.com. This class will be one more way to keep government open and transparent and as close to the people as possible.

New mobile maps give residents quick and easy access



The Geographic Information Systems Division now offers access to a variety of interactive web based maps for residents using Windows, Android and IOS devices. "Our mobile maps make it easier than ever to locate important information in our area," said Clint Hutchings, GIS Administrator. "Our maps provide our residents quick and easy access to property records, garbage pick-up days, places to eat, things to do in and around West Jordan City, Trax stations, cemetery information and Parks and Recreation Finder and more. On our map portal, you will find many different maps for various purposes. This is sort of a mall of maps!" You can find the map portal by going to the maps tab on the City Web page or by going directly to: <http://west-jordan-city.maps.arcgis.com/>



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OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRIBUTE

Call for volunteers!

The city is in need of civic-minded citizens who can share of their time and talents by serving on a variety of committees or helping with events. A variety of committees and events exist – each with different time requirements and needs. Get involved! Your community will be better for it. Email gulerb@wjordan.com.

Looking for smiling faces to serve as City Hall greeters

The City of West Jordan is looking for a few volunteers to serve as City Hall greeters. We can use your smiling face to greet and direct visitors who visit City Hall. Flexible shifts. Email the city's volunteer coordinator gulerb@wjordan.com for details.

We need YOU to help shape the future of the central Wasatch Mountains!

Mountain Accord is a public process designed to make long-term decisions regarding transportation, environment, recreation and economy in the central Wasatch Mountains and surrounding areas. Have your voice heard by participating in the project's upcoming public review and comment periods:

August: Idealized Economy, Recreation, Environment and Transportation Systems

October: How Can We Arrive at Balanced Solutions?

November – January 2015: What is Our Preferred Scenario?

Visit www.mountainaccord.com to learn more about the project, its milestones and how your feedback will be used to determine the future of this important resource. Public input is crucial to this important process, so please don't hesitate to join the conversation.

Contact Mountain Accord at: info@mountainaccord.com, (844) 5-ACCORD

Fire Station & Police Substation construction underway

Progress continues on the new Fire Station/Police Substation at 9351 S. Hawley Park Road. The underground mechanical, plumbing and electrical work are complete. The concrete floor has been poured and the masonry walls are going up. The new station will serve

as a multi-use facility and will improve delivery of fire services and add a police presence to the area. Construction is set for completion spring 2015. Follow our progress on the West Jordan website at www.wjordan.com and on the West Jordan City Hall Facebook page.





GOOD NEIGHBOR NEWS: WEST JORDAN NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>AUGUST 27</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 1</p> <p>LABOR DAY</p> <p>City Offices Closed</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 2</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 6</p> <p>DEMOLITION DERBY</p> <p>Arena 8035 S. 2200 West 7 p.m.</p>		
<p>SEPTEMBER 10</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 11-13, 15, 18-20</p> <p>"STEEL MAGNOLIAS"</p> <p>Pioneer Hall 1137 W. 7800 South 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 16</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>
<p><i>The making of "Steel Magnolias"</i> See more at www.facebook.com/SugarFactoryPlayhouse</p> 		<p>SEPTEMBER 24</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>

Sugar Factory Playhouse & West Jordan Theater Arts present

Steel *Magnolias* by Robert Harling

Sept. 11-13, 15, 18-20
7:30 p.m.



Pioneer Hall
(1137 West 7800 South)



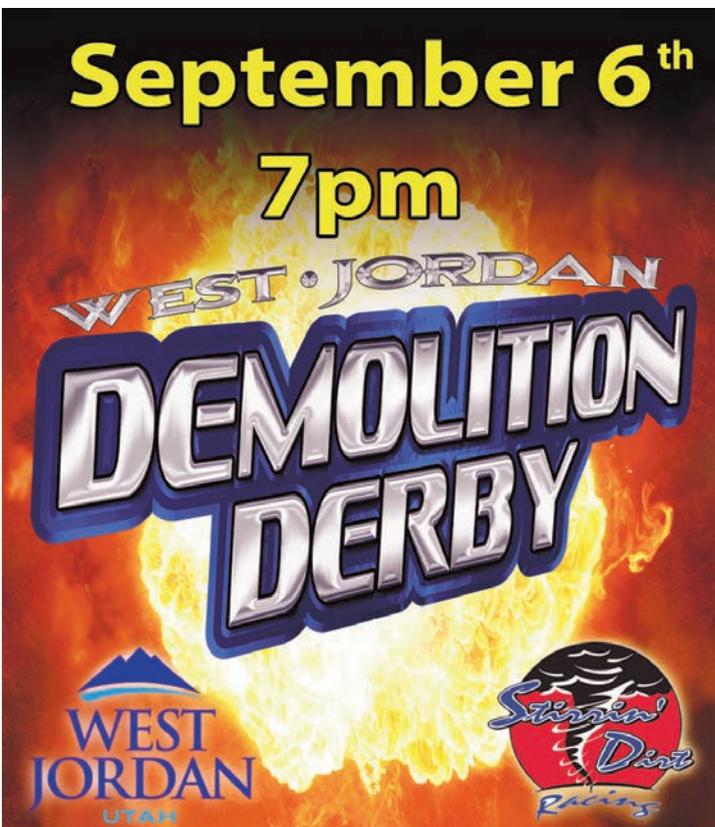
SugarFactoryPlayhouse.com



September 6th
7pm

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DEMOLITION DERBY



WEST JORDAN UTAH

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WesternStampede.com

2014 Water Quality Report

The City of West Jordan's 2014 Water Quality Report is online at WJordan.com. You can also pick up a copy at West Jordan City Hall in the first floor Finance/Information area. The report contains important information regarding the quality of your drinking water, which surpasses all federal and state requirements. For more information, call the Utilities Manager at 801-569-5707.



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