



Bob Hills' photography on display in the Schorr Gallery



Stop by West Jordan's Schorr Gallery to see the beautiful work of Sandy photographer Bob Hills. The Schorr Gallery is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. and is located on the City Hall 3rd floor, 8000 S. Redwood Road. The exhibit will be on display through Feb. 22.

On display are a variety of subjects ranging from landscapes to abstracts to black and white images. Most of Hills' 45-year career has been spent in commercial photography and graphic design. His experience in graphic design and advertising photography has contributed to his sense of composition and design. Hills also has a photography business and has taught photography at Weber State College.



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Working together to make great things happen

As we start the new year, I find myself full of hope for the future of West Jordan. We truly are a city of greatness: great people and great resolve. I have never before witnessed such a stunning example as I did recently, when we rallied together as a community to protect the future of our city.

The rally began the moment West Jordan was announced as a possible site for the relocation of the prison. The support came in many forms – from many people and entities – from within the borders of our city and beyond. And it never stopped. Not until our community was removed from the list.

It's likely that few outside of our city realized what we were capable of before this process began. But for those of us who call West Jordan home, it was inevitable. We are not just a city, we are a community, and when we stand united, we can accomplish great things.

As we move forward with 2015, I would like to keep that spirit alive. I know that if we work together, we can continue to make great things

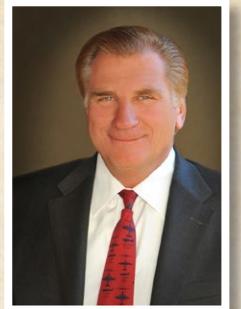
happen in West Jordan.

Here at City Hall, we are working hard to keep the lines of communication open. Keep an eye on the City's website and Facebook page for important dates and information. Check out what we are discussing in City Council; you can even listen to audio files from the meeting if you want to attend but cannot.

I want to hear from you. We have even set up a new email address: mayorsoffice@wjordan.com to make it easier to reach me. Let me know what you are thinking, what we are doing right and how we can improve. This is your city, your community and your government – help us as we work to make it the best it can be.

I am looking forward to great things in 2015.

Best Wishes,



5600 West road widening project begins

Utility work is underway on 5600 West in preparation for the road to be reconstructed and widened from 6200 South to 7000 South. Kilgore Contracting has been awarded the work and will begin by burying the overhead utility lines on the west side of 5600 West. This should begin in January with the construction of utility conduits for Rocky Mountain Power, Comcast, Century Link and Zayo Communications and continue for the next two months.

In late February, 5600 West will close from the southern driveway of Walmart to 7000 South to allow the contractor to construct a new storm drain system and to begin reconstructing the roadway. Alternate routes for local traffic will be posted by the contractor. This work will be completed and the roadway will be open to the public 160 days after the closure begins.

The new five-lane roadway will include:

- sidewalks on both sides of 5600 West
- improved streetlight coverage along the roadway and at the intersections of 7000 South and 6200 South
- a new traffic signal at the intersection of 5600 West and 7000 South
- shoulders for bike lanes from 6200 South to 7000 South
- an improved roadway drainage system to decrease the chances of flooding for neighborhoods adjacent to 5600 West

Follow the project's progress on WJordan.com and the city's Facebook page: West Jordan – City Hall or email info@wjordan.com.



Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

Jan. 9 was Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, when people around the country expressed their support for the 780,000 police officers across the country who put a badge on each day and go to work knowing they may face extremely dangerous situations. On average, between 105 and 203 officers die in the line of duty each year, 50,000 officers are assaulted in the line of duty each year, 14,000 officers are injured in the line of duty each year, and over 300 officers commit suicide each year. There is no other profession in the world, except possibly the military, where you will find these kinds of statistics.

Without our law enforcement officers, chaos would reign. What would you do if you were in a car accident? Or an intruder broke into your home? Or you were assaulted and had no one to call for help? Take a minute to thank the guardians of our way of life by emailing a quick thank you to our local police department (info@wjordan.com).

**Stats courtesy of the FBI National Academy Associates*



January is National Radon Action Month



According to the Environmental Protection Agency Act, exposure to radon gas indoors causes more than 200,000 deaths annually in the United States and is the number one cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. Radon is a natural gas that emits from uranium and is found in the geology of the Rocky Mountains. Radon is odorless and invisible but is deadly at extreme exposures. According to Radon.utah.gov, surveys indicate that approximately 30 percent of homes in Utah have the potential of being above the United States EPA recommended action level of 4 picoCuries per liter of air (pCi/L). If detected, radon can be mitigated so exposure is minimized. Get your test kit for just \$7.95 and make sure your home is safe. Details at www.radon.utah.gov

Mark your calendar for Comcast Cares Day April 25

Plan now to participate in our annual community-wide beautification project during Comcast Cares Day Saturday, April 25. Together we'll work side-by-side from 8 a.m. to noon to beautify and improve our community. Volunteers of all ages are welcome. It's also a perfect opportunity for Scouts and larger groups to work together.

The city is fortunate to partner once again with Comcast who also provides a dollar match for each volunteer who participates. This money will be donated to a nonprofit. Last year's event generated more than \$17,000 that went toward the Sierra Newbold Playground. Your time and participation are truly appreciated.

You can get your name on the list by filling out an online form at WJordan.com. A registration form will also be required and will be available at a later date. Project assignments vary from spreading bark mulch in city parks, pulling weeds, painting park pavilions, picking up trash along trails, planting trees and more. Details will be posted at wjordan.com and on the city's Facebook page, West Jordan – City Hall or email info@wjordan.com.

This event will take place RAIN or SHINE.

Volunteers of all ages braved the rain and helped get city parks ready for the season during last year's Comcast Cares Day. Despite cool temperatures and rain, the City had more than 1,100 volunteers. This year's goal is 2,000 volunteers.



NO STREET PARKING DURING WINTER MONTHS

Help Snowplows Keep City Streets Clear



- There are over 800 lane miles of streets in the City of West Jordan.
 - High traffic roads are plowed first focusing on hills and intersections.
 - Subdivision streets are plowed last with smaller trucks, and salt is used only in extreme conditions.
- City Ordinance 7-3-10** prohibits parking a vehicle or semitrailer upon a street when it is snowing or snow is on the street from November 1 through April 30 of the following year.

Violations will result in citations issued. If left snowbound for more than 48 hours, the vehicle is subject to impound.



Tips for keeping your home safe from fire

By Deputy Fire Chief Reed Scharman

When asked what the three main causes of fire are, my response is, "men, women and children." Aside from the odd volcano and lightning bolt, most of what puts us at risk in our world comes down to the decisions we make and the things we do. So what can we do to reduce our risk?

First, do the thing your mother always told you to do, "Pick up your toys!" Or pick up whatever is lying around and not organized in your home. Ensure that the area around your furnace and water heater is clear and that fresh air is able to get to the burners. While these appliances can be the place where a fire starts, the damaging fire is usually the result of igniting something that was stored too close.

Second, put cigarettes out in water. While our community tends to have fewer smokers, many of those who do smoke will step outside to have their cigarette or cigar. The discarded butts will often end up in a metal can sitting on a wood deck. As the wind blows over the top of the can, the accumulated paper and tobacco will be ignited and fire will burst from the can. It is often a neighbor who first reports that flames are moving up the side of the house. If you light something, it is your responsibility to see that it is actually out.

Third, we need to remember candle safety. Candles, and the matches and lighters you use to light them, need to be kept out of the reach of children. And a simple safety rule for adults is, "Don't leave the flame when you leave the room." Unattended candles on bathroom counters can lead to devastating fires. These fires often occur when the candle wax completely melts down to a liquid in a lightweight glass jar. The heat breaks the glass and the fire spreads to the counter and cabinets.

These are free and simple things you can do to be safer in your home.

West Jordan Begins Consolidated Plan Process for Grant Funding

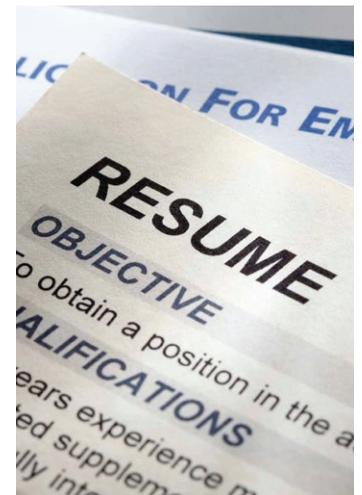
During the month of December, the City of West Jordan began its planning process for the development of the city's 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan that is required by the Department of Housing & Urban Development. This document will determine the type of areas in which future Community Development Block Grant funds will be allocated by the city during the upcoming five years. Areas identified in the 2010-2015 plan included services for homeless, counseling services, home repair, home purchase, food pantries, legal services, dental programs, and more for low- and moderate-income residents of West Jordan.

The planning process will include three CDBG/HOME committee meetings to review and evaluate requests for funding under the FY 2016 CDBG program followed by a public hearing by the City Council to make funding decisions. The consolidated planning process should be completed by the end of April, and the plan will be submitted to the Department of Housing & Urban Development by May 15. Questions concerning this process can be directed to Charles Tarver, CDBG/Grants Manager, 801-569-5062 or charlest@wjordan.com

Literary Committee to Present Resume Workshop Feb. 28

The Arts Council's Literary Committee will be presenting a resume workshop Feb. 28 at the Viridian Event Center, 8030 S. 1825 West. The workshop will be presented by John Pulver and Jared Quan who bring over 15 years of combined Human Resource experience. They will be talking about the advantages and best practices of a hybrid online and classic paper approach to resumes.

Participants are encouraged to bring their resumes and note taking materials. More specific details will be available at the Event Center on the week of the event and on the city website WJordan.com.



Construction Progressing on Schedule for New Fire Station & Police Substation

Construction for the new Fire Station/Police Substation at 9351 S. Hawley Park Road is underway and on schedule for a move-in date of April 1.

- Painting is almost complete
- Bathrooms are being tiled
- The drop down ceiling grids and tiles are being installed in the living quarters
- Kitchen cabinets and dorm lockers are almost complete
- Furnishings have been ordered and are scheduled for delivery March 16

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. Updates on the construction process along with photos of the progress are available at WJordan.com and on the West Jordan City Hall Facebook page.



WATCH FOR THE 2015 ISSUE OF IMAGINE WEST JORDAN CITY MAGAZINE

If you haven't seen it already, you should soon have the new *Imagine West Jordan City Magazine* delivered to your door. Take a look at this community magazine that spotlights West Jordan's businesses, local government and community. You can also link to the online version from the city's website WJordan.com.

Shredding and e-waste recycling Feb. 7 from 10 a.m.-noon

West Jordan residents can bring up to two "bankers boxes" of paper for shredding and residential electronic waste on Saturday, Feb. 7 from 10 a.m.-noon. Documents will be shredded on site in the west parking lot behind City Hall, 8000 S. Redwood Road. Hard drives can also be shredded if they have been removed from the computer. **This service will be offered four times this year: Feb. 7, May 2, Aug. 1 and Nov. 7.** Bring proof of residency or city employment (driver's license, utility bill or city ID badge). Two glass recycling drop off bins are also available: one is in the parking lot behind Fire Station 52 at 7950 S. 1825 West and at the intersection of 7800 South and New Sycamore Drive (7025 West). More information at WJordan.com.



GOOD NEIGHBOR NEWS: WEST JORDAN NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>JANUARY 28</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 3</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 7</p> <p>DOCUMENT SHRED AND E-WASTE RECYCLING</p> <p>8000 S. Redwood Road (parking lot behind City Hall) 10 a.m.-2p.m.</p>
<p>FEBRUARY 11</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	 <p>PRESIDENTS DAY</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 16</p> <p>CITY HALL CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY</p>
<p>FEBRUARY 17</p> <p>PLANNING COMMISSION</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>FEBRUARY 25</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>MARCH 11</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>
<p>MARCH 25</p> <p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>City Hall 8000 S. Redwood Rd. 6 p.m.</p>	<p>APRIL 6</p> <p>GREEN WASTE COLLECTION BEGINS on your regular pickup day.</p>	



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Free residential disposal of household hazardous waste



If you come across hazardous household waste during your cleaning, remember it's important to dispose of properly. The Trans-Jordan Landfill, 10873 S. Highway U-111, accepts a variety of hazardous waste, including:

- Paint • Pesticides • Oil • Transmission Fluid • Antifreeze • Batteries
- Household chemicals • Ink jet cartridges • Electronic devices

Materials can be dropped off free of charge, Monday-Saturday from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. While you're there, visit the re-use shed to see if there's anything you might need. You'll find paint, household chemicals, as well as lawn and garden chemicals that are still useable and free to the public. One man's trash is another man's treasure. Call Trans-Jordan Landfill at 801-569-8994 for more information.

You can also report illegal dumping of household hazardous waste by calling the Salt Lake Valley Health Department tip line at 385-468-3862. Remember we all live downstream.