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Dear Citizens and Friends,

Every January is a time that causes me to reflect on the year gone by, to make some course corrections if need be, and to start anew with a determination to make this year better than the one just completed. As I look back, I see more improvements being made in the city now than in any other time in our history. St George Boulevard has been beautified and totally reconstructed, a new library with a historical facade has been built, new Christmas decorations and lighting for the downtown have been installed, the next phase of the renovation of the community arts building has begun, the beginning of the town square and parade ground, new art pieces have been added to the growing city art collection in the museum and on the city streets, and many more improvements too numerous to mention. These are only the highly visible improvements. Many improvements to the city’s water and power system, streets, parks and recreation systems are making an often overlooked difference within our community. We may ask ourselves, are all the things that happened this last year good? The answer to that question is no! We experienced traffic delays, down time due to construction for some of the area businesses, and a few of the trails and parks that were not rebuilt from the 2005 flood have caused many of our residents frustrations and heartache. The good news is that this year is going to be a turning point and many of these projects will be seen to a satisfactory completion. Our parks and trails will be reconnected and open to the public. Traffic signals will be synchronized and connected to the new traffic control center. New fields will be built to accommodate the ever increasing need for more recreation opportunities. A new downtown water walk, town square, and library will be added to the Historic Downtown area. I can hardly wait to enjoy with you the coming attractions. We are fortunate to have great city staff who take care of and maintain the entire public infrastructure. When you see or recognize any of these dedicated people, please say THANK YOU. They do a great job. From the policeman to the waste water and public utilities crews and parks and recreation personnel, each is important in what they do. Along with staff, your city council is working hard to make these and many more improvements that will make a difference for everyone in this wonderful place we call DIXIE. Best Wishes to you all!

Sincerely,

Daniel D. McArthur
Mayor, City of St. George
St. George Police Department

The mission statement of the St. George Police Department is to work with the citizens of St. George to preserve life, maintain human rights, protect property, and promote individual responsibility and community commitment. Despite the everyday challenges and community faces, things are going well in the Police Department. We have implemented a Community Action Team (CAT) concept where officers are assigned to an area of town for a year to work with the resident representatives to solve the problems and issues on the neighborhood level. For example, one school had traffic problems picking up and dropping off students. Utilizing the CAT concept, other agencies were involved to put up signs and paint the roadways to direct traffic and promote safety for the kids. Another elementary school needed a crosswalk which was also facilitated using the CAT team approach. Currently, officers are working with other City departments for street lights in one neighborhood and park improvements in another. From drug houses and junky lots to safety fairs and neighborhood meetings, officers and citizens working together have been able to improve the quality of life for many neighborhoods in St. George. For more information, go to www.stgeorgepolice.com and click on Special Enforcement to find out about the Gang and Drug Task Force and school resource officers.

Gangs and Drugs in St. George
With the presence of drugs and an emerging gang influence in St. George, the Washington County Gang and Drug Task Force has had a very positive impact by removing meth houses and documenting individuals associated with gangs. A very aggressive anti-graffiti removal program has kept these individuals from staking out their turf and eliminated the possibility to use graffiti to “communicate,” as is happening in other communities. Working closely with school resource officers, many juveniles and adults have been documented as being affiliated in the gang society. By keeping track of these individuals, it is possible to document their activities and hold them responsible for many of the crimes that would have otherwise gone unsolved. When a structure is “tagged” with graffiti and the graffiti cannot be removed, the person responsible can be charged with the replacement cost of that sign, wall or other structure. Many drug arrests and seizures have been made including one where over a pound of meth was hidden in a child’s car seat. As Oxycontin and Lortab become harder to get, heroine is becoming more popular. The Gang and Drug Task Force is beginning to see new drug dealers fill the “vacancies” left by those arrested.

One solution is the ability to work with willing witnesses that can testify to what they have seen. School resource officers are present in every intermediate, middle and high school in Washington County. These officers work closely with members of the Drug and Gang Task Force and the Investigations Divisions to solve crimes that are associated with juveniles. As these officers work with neighboring residents they have been able to solve many of the juvenile issues that spill over into the neighborhoods, including parking, trespassing and truancy. Thefts and graffiti cases have been solved largely due to the relationships that the officers have developed with students and faculty. Go to www.stgeorgepolice.com and click on Special Enforcement to find out about the Gang and Drug Task Force and school resource officers.

Victim Services
The Victim Services Division of the Police Department has been extremely active assisting the victims of domestic violence. They are the victim’s advocate through the court process helping the victims to have a voice, informing them of their rights, especially the right to assist in how the perpetrator will be sentenced. Victim Services assists with protective orders and stalking injunctions, referring the victims to other support services and agencies within the community as needed. They help the victims evaluate the protective orders and modify them where necessary, and work closely with the Investigations Division. Victims Services are beginning to branch out, the goal being to contact the victims of all crimes, including burglary, theft and other assaults, to inform them of the status of their case. Historically, many crimes have been solved and the suspects arrested without the victim’s knowledge. On occasion the victim learns of a possible suspect or finds additional evidence that would
make a difference, but is not contacted. The idea is to let victims know if their case is active or if it has been closed and why, and if there has been an arrest made. The Police Department is hopeful that this procedural change will result in more solved cases and bring closure to victims of crimes.

**Neighborhood Watch and Citizen’s Academy**

Crime is a community problem, not a police problem. We are all members of this great community and we need your help. Go to www.stgeorgepolice.com and click on Public Information for the Neighborhood Watch program. Did you know that Neighborhood Watch is not a police program? It is a community program that neighbors initiate. Officers can be called to come to a meeting if needed, along with other City resources such as zoning officials, city engineers or legal representatives. You begin the program using the start-up agenda provided on the website. Your CAT officer can be there to show you how to get started and answer questions as you begin to make your neighborhood safer. The St. George Police Department Citizen’s Academy is also a great way to see what the police are doing and the resources that are available to the crime fighting efforts in St. George. The Citizen’s Academy consists of two sessions each week for eight weeks and every division and unit is showcased. There are presentations from the bicycle patrol officers, the Drug and Gang Task Force, the Bomb Squad and the SWAT team.

One father called and wanted to know if it was safe for his daughter to go to school. He didn’t know about our school resource officers or our resources to deal with major incidents. We find that most citizens are only somewhat familiar with the resources available to them through the St. George Police Department.

On the popular CSI TV programs, investigators go out on every crime scene and come up with the suspect in 40 minutes. Before the hour is up, the case is solved and the suspect is in jail. But is that reality? Come to the investigations segments to see the real CSI aspect: fingerprint processing, death and homicide investigations, along with fraud and identity theft investigations. An application for the Citizen’s Academy can be obtained by contacting the Police department and leaving your name and address. A limited background check will be done to make sure we are not divulging our processes to the wrong people, and you will receive a letter of acceptance along with the schedule for the next Citizen’s Academy which begins the last of January and will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. E-mail charding@sgcity.org and ask for an application, or stop by the station and pick one up. Best of all, there is no cost for this valuable presentation and instruction. As a department, we strive for good customer service to members of our community. Along with that service, we promote the participation of citizens so that we have a community that is prepared to adapt to any crisis and has a vision to shape the future.

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**Ladies’ Winter Volleyball League**

**Registration Info**

- **Opens:** Monday, December 4, 2006
- **Closes:** Friday, January 5, 2007
- **Where:** activityreg.com or call 634-5860

Don’t have a team but want to play? Call 634-5860 to get on the Orphan List

**Women 6-on-6 Format**

- **Fee:** $40.00 / Team
- **Court:** Indoor
- **Scoring:** Rally Score
- **When:** Thursday Evenings
- **Starts:** January 18, 2007
- **Regular Play PLUS**
- **Single Elimination Tourney.

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**Wally Ritchie Baseball Clinics**

Presented by the St. George City Recreation Division

Wally Ritchie Baseball strives to provide an opportunity for youth to learn the fundamentals of the game of baseball through camps, clinics, and lessons.

**2007 Events**

- **Winter Camp** January 20
  - $60
- **Pitching Clinic** February 24
  - $40
- **Game Clinic** March 24
  - $40

- **Summer Camp** June 4 - 8
  - $175

**Registration Options**

1. **Online at activityreg.com**
2. **Recreation Center (435) 634-5860**
3. **Download PDF application from**
   - http://www.sgcity.org/youth/sports/wallyritchie.php
Excitement is Building!
The 17th Annual St. George Area Parade of Homes, Feb. 16-25, 2007, is presented by the Southern Utah Home Builders Association and Far West Bank. This community event has become a tradition in our area that draws visitors throughout the state of Utah and across the country. Southern Utah features the most beautiful scenic landscapes, mild inviting climate, and a relaxing atmosphere which attracts visitors to come to our area year after year.

The St. George Area Parade of Homes offers a unique opportunity to experience the best in home building and architectural design, distinctive interior decoration, state-of-the-art technology, and inspiring landscape designs. The homes featured in the Parade represent the best of the best. Many visitors come to gain great ideas on how they can incorporate the latest building and decorating features in their own home to reflect their unique style. Some become inspired to begin the home improvement project they always wanted to start. Some visitors come to find the perfect home or floorplan that meets their distinguished tastes. And others simply come to be entertained and escape the reality of everyday life.

The 2007 St. George Area Parade of Homes is going to be a show unlike any other. The builders and trade contractors dedicate countless hours working on perfecting each of the homes. Their skills and outstanding craftsmanship are reflected throughout the home to be unmatched from year to year. Visitors will be mesmerized by unique home features such as an indoor tree house and a spiral slide. Other features include a bonus room downstairs with an indoor trampoline pit, rock climbing wall, pirate caverns, and a cast away media room village. There will also be cutting edge technology with a virtual butler, grand home theater, and individual atmosphere controls. Come hear the hypnotic sound of water trickling down its courtyard walls and disappearing glass walls. One home is located in an equestrian community while another home is set within an award-winning development. There is something for everyone!

We invite you to come to the St. George Area Parade of Homes and see for yourself why more than 38,000 people attended last year’s event.

For complete details, visit www.ParadeofHomes.com or call 674-1400. Sponsored by Far West Bank, Questar Gas, Boulevard Home Furnishings, Stock Building Supply, Star 98 FM, KSL Television and The Spectrum.

Photography by: Frank Carter
As St. George continues to develop, issues surrounding that development are becoming more sophisticated and complex making it necessary for the City to adopt new ordinances and revise old ones in order to maintain a quality of life that we come to expect as citizens. The City is not only responsible for creating and revising local ordinances but also enforcing them. The Code Enforcement Division for the City of St. George has the responsibility for the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinances - Title 10, the Nuisance Ordinance - Title 4 Chapter 2, the Sign Ordinance - Title 9 Chapter 13, the Home Occupation Ordinance - Title 3 Chapter 7 and the Rental Fit Premises Ordinance - Title 4 Chapter 7. The most recent addition to these responsibilities is the Rental Fit Premises Ordinance. This ordinance was adopted by the City Council in December 2005 with an implementation date of March 1, 2006. The purpose and intent of the ordinance is to monitor and regulate the habitability and safety of rental dwelling units within the City by providing specific guidelines to landlords and tenants regarding the minimal standards of habitability and to provide remedies for violations of such standards. There are several sections within the ordinance that accomplish the defined purpose. The sections include provisions for requiring a business license for landlords, rental dwelling unit inspections, duties and responsibilities of the landlord, duties and responsibilities of the tenant and a process for repair of deficiencies. The enforcement process begins with identifying property owners who have three or more rental units within St. George. These property owners must acquire a business license and the rental units must be inspected by a Code Enforcement Officer. But, the inspections are only conducted every three years. Beginning January 1, 2007, all rental property owners must obtain a rental dwelling business license. The cost of the rental dwelling license is $50.00 plus $10.00 for the local agent. The inspection fee is $25.00 per unit per inspection. A rental dwelling license is not transferable between persons or structures. If the property is disposed of, the holder of the rental dwelling license must give the city written notice within thirty (30) days of disposing or, transferring the property. The new owner must obtain a rental dwelling license. Furthermore, if the property owner does not reside within Washington County, he or she must designate a local agent or property manager within Washington County. The Code Enforcement Officer’s inspection is commonly done with the property owner or representative in attendance; this way any deficiencies can be clearly identified for repair. Typical deficiencies include lack of smoke detectors, electrical outlet covers and proper gas heater ventilation. We also inspect for structural integrity, adequate water pressure and temperature, cooking facilities, sanitary facilities, heating, cooling and exterior landscaping. When a deficiency is identified we provide the landlord or property manager with a courtesy notice informing them of the problem and providing a reasonable deadline in which to complete the repairs. In some cases a notice of violation is necessary. This notice also provides a deadline, and fines are imposed for each violation that is not repaired within the required time period. Additional detailed information concerning the rental dwelling business license and the duties and responsibilities of the landlord, duties and responsibilities of the tenant and the process for repair of deficiencies can be found by visiting our website at: www.sgcity.org.
St. George and the surrounding area is not only home to incredible natural beauty but is laced with vibrant heritage. For thousands of years many civilizations have called the majestic sandstone mesas and the volcanic clad hills their home. Anasazi Indians entered the area around 200 BC and left approximately 1300 A.D. The reason for their sudden departure was likely associated with long-term drought conditions; however, remnants of their dwellings, rock art and other artifacts are left as evidence of their 1000 years of living in our desert community. Paiute Indians entered the region between 1100 and 1200 A.D. They were a relatively small tribe made up of smaller bands of a few hundred Native Americans in each band. The Paiutes hunted for deer, rabbits, mountain sheep and other animals. They added seeds, roots, berries and nuts to their food source and later raised crops along the rivers using irrigation. These crops included corn, wheat, melons, squash and various other vegetables. The first known contact between Europeans and Paiutes was recorded by the Spanish Dominguez-Escalante exploration group who passed through southwestern Utah in 1776. There is a historical monument of their crossing located near the dinosaur tracks in Warner Valley. In October of 1861, under the direction of Mormon Church President Brigham Young, 309 families were called to settle the St George area for the express purpose of growing cotton, grapes and silk to export to the Civil War torn northern states. The area became known as “Dixie” because of the warm climate, southern location and the products the area was able to produce. The Utah Territory was officially declared a state in 1896 and St George officially established in 1862 is still referred to as “Utah’s Dixie.” Life was very difficult for these early settlers and pioneers. Intense summer heat, with little rainfall made it difficult to raise crops and flash floods would often destroy their crops and structures. However, they stayed and persevered and built several communities. These pioneers built the first Mormon temple in the west. The St. George Temple dedicated in 1877 at a cost of $800,000 stands today as a monument to those first settlers. George A. Smith, a first cousin to Brigham Young, affectionately earned the name of “The Potato Saint” when he urged the early pioneers to eat raw, unpeeled potatoes, to cure a troublesome bout with scurvy. Since potatoes contain a high amount of vitamin C beneath the skin, the early settlers were cured; thus, the name “St. George.” This year St. George turns 145 years old and to celebrate the City of St. George is holding its annual Heritage Days festivities January 17 - 20, 2007. The St. George Pioneer Center for the Arts becomes the backdrop for an Old Fashioned Talent Show, two-day Traditions Fair and root beer floats with Mayor and the City Councilors on Saturday, January 20th. After root beer floats take the family and head to the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center for a free swim on the same day.

Information is available by calling Vonda Larson at (435) 673-2701 or visiting www.sgcity.org.

Photographs provided by: Lynn Clark Photography
Fit Over Fifty

Starting in January 2007, a new and exciting program will be introduced. This program is designed just for folks over fifty years old that want to get fit and active. It will address both cardio and strength needs for all levels of fitness.

Need Help Getting Started?

“The Orient Express” is a class held each Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. for those in need of developing their own individualized exercise program.

A certified personal trainer will assist you in familiarizing yourself with the cardio and weight room along with setting up a program that is ideal for you.

Aerobic Reward Challenge

This new program will run from January 2 through March 2, 2007. Each time you attend and participate in one of our aerobics classes you will get a punch on your Aerobic Reward Card. Plus when you bring in a friend for his or her first time you will receive an additional two punches on your card. At the end of the program, the people with the most punches will receive various rewards for all their hard work and dedication.
It's hard to believe that we are approaching the two-year anniversary of the January 2005 flood. So much has happened over the past few years, that it's difficult to remember how devastating the damage was to the citizens of St. George and Washington County.

Many do not know that 70 separate flood repair projects were identified within the St. George City boundaries at an estimated cost of almost $11 million. This consisted of eight bridges, four roads, six parks, five trails, six water line projects, 11 sewer projects, nine power projects, 14 golf course projects, and eight miscellaneous projects. The City is working closely with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and other federal and state agencies to complete approximately 82% of these projects.

Additional projects included dredging 558,000 cubic yards of silt and debris from the Virgin River and Santa Clara River. This amount of silt would fill more than 2 ½ football fields at a depth of 100 feet (approx. 10 stories tall). Immediate removal of the debris was critical due to severe threats of more flooding from snowmelt runoff and unusually extensive rain storms in the spring of 2005. Without removal of the debris, experts estimated the spring runoff would cause damage to public and private property greater than that caused by the January 2005 floods. City staff also assisted Washington County who worked with the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) to rock armor 26.5 miles of the Santa Clara and Virgin River channels from Enterprise to Bloomington. The NRCS also has plans to armor part of the Virgin River near the Sun River development.

St. George has worked diligently to repair or rebuild all damaged structures and facilities. Those projects which are not complete are the result of following a complex process in order to insure that environmental concerns are addressed and “out of pocket” costs to the tax payers in St. George are minimized. Although they have taken longer to repair, the City has full intentions to repair all of the damaged facilities.

Mathis Park
Many citizens inquire as to when Mathis Park will be rebuilt. The nature of flood damage to Mathis Park created several significant delays to its reconstruction. The first major delay is that the access road into Mathis Park was completely destroyed by the flood. The City rebuilt Bloomington Park, Blake Memorial Park, and Tonaquint Park. However, unlike these parks, Mathis Park could not be immediately accessed to start reconstruction. Hopping to quickly begin reconstruction, the City negotiated to purchase property for a new access road; however, after several months, the negotiations were unsuccessful and abandoned. Mathis Park was also an important site for the NRCS channel armoring project. Until the NRCS completed the rock work, final contours of the river and the location for the access road and parking lot could not be determined. Reconstruction was delayed a few more months while the City worked with FEMA to determine the amount of soil lost at four of the parks, which included Mathis Park. FEMA’s determination was issued in September 2006. Patience proved very worthwhile as FEMA approved a substantial amount of assistance to build a new City park.

The City is now proceeding with formal project designs, construction bids, FEMA’s pre-construction review, and finally – reconstruction of Mathis Park. Because Federal funding is involved, the City must closely follow both Federal and City regulations through all stages of the project; therefore, the City anticipates construction will not begin for several months; yet is optimistic it will be completed by August 1, 2007.

Main Street Trail Bridge
Along with Mathis Park, we receive many questions regarding the Main Street Trail Bridge located by the Dixie Center and the confluence of the Santa Clara River, Virgin River, and Fort Pierce River. The trail bridge is an integral part of the City’s trail system as it connects the Virgin River, the Hilton Drive, and the Bloomington Trails.
After a lengthy process to properly engineer the new structure, complete an Environmental Assessment, work with affected property owners and governmental agencies, trail enthusiasts will be excited to know that new bridge should be opened in mid January, 2007. The City, FEMA, the bridge manufacturer and local contractors are making a concerted effort to build the bridge in an extremely short time frame.

The new trail bridge will be more than twice as long as the previous bridge. It will span 206 feet and be located approximately 155 feet downstream from its original location.

**Virgin River Trail III**

Phase III of the Virgin River trail is the portion of trail paralleling East Riverside Drive from the River Road Bridge and extending past the Dinosaur Tracks building.

Approximately 3,500 lineal feet of this trail was partially or completely destroyed. A portion of the trail can be rebuilt in its original location; however, due to the river’s shifting, a significant portion of the trail is now located inside the river channel. The realignment has created delays but City staff has been working steadfastly to establish a new trail alignment and obtain the necessary easements. These easements must be secure before FEMA will allow the City to move forward with an Environmental Assessment, design, bids, and re-construction. We are close to taking the next step in this process, nevertheless, because Federal funding is involved, the City must closely follow both Federal and City regulations through all stages. We anticipate re-opening the trail by August 1, 2007.

Overall, even though there are only a handful of projects remaining and a couple years have passed, we will not forget the community spirit; volunteers; contractors; public safety personnel; federal, state, and local government cooperation; local businesses, and many other efforts which have enabled the citizens of St. George to recover from the flood of 2005.

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**Sand Hollow Aquatic Center**

- Water Aerobics
- Swimming Lessons
- Lap Swim

**Sand Hollow Aquatic Center**

- Dive in Movies
- Parties & Reservations
- Masters Swimming Program

1144 N Lava Flow Drive, St. George, UT 84770 (435) 634-5938
Ever wonder where all those beautiful flowers and plants in the downtown area come from? Many of them start out as seeds or cuttings grown by the Parks Division in the greenhouse at Centennial Park. Horticulturists Shane Moore and Paul Walker work with their staff under the direction of Larry Fredrickson to continually rotate annual and perennial plants for each season. The greenhouse is currently bursting with winter color waiting to be planted in walkways, roundabouts, or the Bluff Street Fountain. The Parks Division shares the greenhouse with the School District who introduces young students to the delightful experience of propagating ornamental plants and vegetables. The greenhouse has been so successful an additional greenhouse will soon be added. The Park Division is fortunate to have the resources of many green thumbed employees. Some of the plants from the greenhouse are taken to the park’s tree farm to continue growing into shrubs and trees. The tree farm has been developed by our City Forester Doug Wulfenstein and his staff Tim Hopkinson and Debbie Scarbrough. Doug, Tim, and Debbie are Certified Arborists who keep the City’s urban forest healthy. Centennial Park also invites the local neighborhood to discover gardening with its community garden box section. Neighbors of the park can plant a vegetable garden right in the park. Other features of the park include a softball field, an amphitheater, covered picnic areas and rolling hills of grass to keep young park patrons busy. Centennial Park is one of the many neighborhood parks the Leisure Services Departments provides to residents. They are designed to be as close to homes as possible. Other park facilities near Centennial Park include Slick Rock Park with its unique climbing rock playground, 2450 East Park with a walking path, picnic areas, basketball court and a volley ball court. The park is also close to the City’s trail system and the Dinosaur Museum.
On October 18 the city council adopted the Parks, Recreation, Arts and Trails Master Plan which will guide the efforts of Leisure Services Department for the next 10 years. The plan was prepared by Landmark Design in Salt Lake City and includes analysis of existing programs and facilities of the Leisure Services Department, information from surveys and focus groups, new maps projecting facility needs, and recommendations for new programs, processes and facilities. The master plan included new definitions for neighborhood and community parks, and established levels of service for parkland. The adopted standard for neighborhood parks is four acres per thousand residents and six acres per thousand residents for community parkland. It is projected that the city will add approximately 172 acres of community parkland in the next 10 years as our population grows to a projected 113,000. Additionally, it is expected that the city will add another 188 acres of neighborhood parks. Council adopted a policy of mandatory dedication which requires that new development donate four acres of neighborhood parkland for every thousand residents projected within the new development. New development will also be required to link with the main system of trails. Park impact fees will be the primary revenue source used in the development of new parks and trails. The Leisure Services Department continues to build projects which enhance the quality of life for our residents and visitors. Projects currently under construction include Forest Park in the Middleton area, The Field Park in Little Valley, upgrades to Dixie Downs and Middleton Parks, Brooks Pond Park on North Main Street, and the Main Street Trail Bridge over the Santa Clara River. Projects under design include the Willow Run Park in Green Valley, additions to the Tonaquint Park and Nature Center, The Fields Phase II, the Virgin River Phase III Trail rebuild, the trail from Bloomington to Sun River, and several splash pads and restroom additions in neighborhood parks. Watch for frequent updates on construction on the city website as well as dates for ribbon cuttings and grand openings.

Men’s Basketball

Sign Up
@ the Rec Center
(435) 634-5860
OR online @
www.sgcityrec.org

Registration
Opens December 4, 2006
Ends January 5, 2007 or when full
$300 / team

Painter’s Half marathon & 5k
Saturday, January 13th, 2007 9:00 am

Registration
Online:
www.sgcityrec.org
Entry Fee
Half Marathon: $30
5K: $20
More Information
Call (435) 634-5860

Deadline:
Monday, Jan. 8, 2007 at 6:00 pm
ROCK OUT WITH ROCK ART

& SPIRAL INTO THE NEW YEAR

at the St. George Art Museum

On First Night - 12/30/06
7-11pm

Activities:

◆ See the Art Exhibits
  Visionscapes: Vanishing Rock Art Sites of the West
  Hands Across Time & Space: Student Exhibit

◆ Browse Poetry Inspired by Rock Art by the Dixie Chapter of the Utah Poets & Lucy Drake's 7th grade Class

◆ Create your own hand art for the add on exhibit-Hands Across Time & Space

◆ Add a glyph to our very own Newspaper Rock

◆ Sprinkle a Pictograph

◆ Draw an Anthropomorth

◆ Construct your own rock, rock art

◆ Rock Out to Rock Music

St. George Art Museum is at
47 E. 200 N. in the Pioneer Center for the Arts, across from the Main St. Post Office

627.4525
museum@sgcity.org
www.sgcity.org/arts/
Press play. The year is 1942. Our hero, a then sixteen year old Harry Miller, enjoys the water so much he becomes a lifeguard. Press the fast forward button and we move through a life that, along with his enjoyment of the water, has given him a marriage of sixty years to his wife Joy, four children, six grandchildren and four great grandchildren, a stint as the Vice President of the William Volker Company and a retirement to St. George in 1991. And we come to the year 2000.

After having knee surgery, Harry’s enjoyment of the water turns to a necessity as swimming becomes one of the only ways that he can rehabilitate his knees. He begins swimming at the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center and the benefits to his health are remarkable! The Aquatic Center is in the city of St. George but is bordered by the City of Santa Clara and Ivins. It includes a 25m by 25yd competition and diving pool and a 5,800 s.f. leisure pool. The leisure pool has a zero depth entry area, interactive children’s water fun toys, a water walk and water slides. The water temperature in the Leisure pool is a comfortable 90 degrees and the competition pool is a cool 82 degrees!

Fast forward a bit more. The effects of a condition known as dry macular degeneration, which affects his vision, prohibits Harry from driving and getting his weekly swimming workouts in at the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center. Is all lost for our hero? Thankfully not, fast forwarding one last time brings us to the present day and Harry, with a little help from the City of St. George’s SunTran public transit system, has still been getting his swimming in.

Despite the SunTran already offers more than sixty stops throughout the city, they are more than willing to make special accommodations because of Harry’ disability. The SunTran buses make special stops at the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center (i.e the SHAC) so that Harry can visit it three to four times a week. Harry has come to prefer the SHAC because of its cleanliness and because of the friendliness of its staff, most of whom know Harry. In fact, many of them associate the SunTran buses with Harry and when they see one coming down the hill into the SHAC’s parking lot, they will just go ahead and log in Harry’s attendance.

Once the SunTran bus has dropped him off, Harry heads inside the SHAC and gets to the business at hand. His knees have long since regained their old vigor, but with a workout that focuses on the Freestyle (i.e. the front crawl) and the Breast Stroke, Harry is no featherweight to take things easy. Instead, he now swims upwards of an hour and does dozens of laps every time he comes to the SHAC.

After completing his strenuous work out and making use of the SHAC’s excellent showering and locker room facilities, Harry waits in the lobby of the SHAC for his bus to come. At 11:30 on most days, a SunTran bus pulls up and whisks him away. And on those rare days when traffic is heavy, the SunTran drivers will call the SHAC staff, who will then pass the message onto Harry. Being the demur type of person he is, Harry can’t claim to have a favorite driver, but this catering to his needs is what endears the SunTran experience to Harry.

And so it was with his son Roger assisting him in getting to the starting blocks and the rest of his family cheering him on, that all of Harry’s swimming paid off as he swam in this year’s Huntsman Senior Games. Swimming competitively in events such as the Freestyle and Breast Stroke, Harry did very well, winning a Silver Medal in the 50M Breast Stroke with a time of 1:42.70. Hoping that more fast forwarding will show even better times next year, Harry is grateful for the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center and plans to continue his swimming.

(For more info on the City of St. George’s SunTran public transit service please visit www.sgcity.org/suntran where you can find a full list of rates, routes and schedules or call (435) 673-TRAN (8726). And for more info on the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center please visit www.sgcityrec.org.org or call (435) 634-5988.)
Gaell Lindstrom was born in Salt Lake City and received art degrees from the University of Utah and the California College of Arts and Crafts. He retired much admired from Utah State University after 30 years of service in the art department. Following that he and his wife Marilyn moved south to Apple Valley, then to St. George. His work as a teacher continues in dialogues, classes, and through examination of his work. His naturalistic paintings exhibit both warmth and stillness. He says that he has been exploring watercolor throughout his career, but feels there is still much to be done. “The inner core of a subject is sought for but seldom achieved.” His subject matter has come from the Southwest, Mexico, and China. The Color Country Camera Club is a coalition of persons with a mutual interest in photography who periodically gather in meetings and on field trips to share photographic knowledge and experiences. Attendees (120 members) are at all levels of photographic experience and include snowbirds (new members are welcome). The club has been in existence for over nine years and meets twice-monthly. The Club’s goals are to promote good photography and share information and skill related to all facets of photography. The group first exhibited 122 pieces at the St. George BLM office and is a show many remember. A second group show consisted of 92 pieces at the Zions Staircase Gallery. In 2004, an Arts Commission sponsored exhibit was also held at Zions Staircase Gallery. In 2007, the first ever show at the St. George Art Museum will be part of the Tenth Anniversary Celebration. Due to the 10th Anniversary, there will be other special celebrations, as well, including a year long changing exhibit called “Care for Art”.

**Exhibit & Event Schedule**

January 13 -March 24

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3rd Thursday Art Conversations at 7pm  1st Thursday Founder Conversations at 7pm

- 1/18 Gaell Lindstrom
- 2/15 Color Country Camera Club Speaker
- 3/15 Permanent Collection Conversation

Open Monday – Saturday 10am to 5pm
Free every 3rd Thursday from 10am to 9pm with Art Conversations at 7pm
Website: www.sgcity.org/arts/
E-Mail: museum@sgcity.org

Admission Fees:
- Adults ....................... $2
- Ages 3-11 ................... $1
- Under 3 ...................... Free
The City of St. George recently received a “Healthier You Legacy” award for its work to create a healthy community. The Legacy award program was created when the winter Olympics were held in Salt Lake in 2002 as a way to encourage healthy lifestyles in Utah communities. There were four communities that received an award in 2006. They include: Sandy City – Platinum, Smithfield – Gold, St. George - Silver and Midvale – Bronze. The Healthy Dixie Council, organized from local citizens, business professionals, Intermountain Health Care, St. George and Ivins City’s Leisure Services Department representatives, nominated the City for the award based on having seven policies, seven infrastructure and three outcomes that encourage a healthier community. Healthy Dixie Chairperson Renee Burkley commented, “Our community leaders can either reject or foster development which will support the health of their residents. St. George clearly demonstrated years ago their commitment to supporting a healthy community when they allocated bond money to develop trails and ten new parks along with additional recreational facilities and they haven’t stopped there. This award was long overdue and a great way to give kudos to the vision of our City leaders in wanting to promote the health of their residents.”

Steve Bingham, Recreation Manager, for the City of St. George commented, “We do not plan to stop here. We are shooting to obtain the Platinum award within the next two years. With the obesity epidemic growing, especially among children, we need to do what we can to promote a healthier community.”

The Platinum award requires a community to meet 18 policies, 18 infrastructure and five outcomes. In addition, a community must be recognized at Gold status for one-year prior. This award also recognizes employers who create healthier workplaces. You can find more information on Healthy Dixie and the “Healthier You Legacy” award at www.sgcityleisure.org.

Going for Platinum

Golden Glove

SOFTBALL CLINIC

Featuring Members of the Olympic Gold Medal Softball Team

CRRYSTAL BUSTOS
JENNY TOPPING
LORI HARRINGAN
NATASHA WATLEY
TAIRIA FLOWERS

Free Coaches Clinic
Jan. 12, 2007
6:00-9:00 pm
Dixie High School
350 East 700 South

Player Clinic
Jan, 13, 2007
8am - 3pm (7-12 grade)
4pm - 7pm (1-6 grade)
Canyons Softball Complex

Register at www.goldengloveclinic.com or pick up a form at the St. George Rec Center
**January 2007**

**Adult Basketball League Sign-Up**
*Sign-Up*: Registration opens Monday, December 4, 2006. Registration deadline is Friday, January 5, 2007 or until full.
*Fee*: $300.00 per team
*Register*: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
*Contact*: (435)634-5860

**Adult Ladies Indoor Volleyball League**
*Sign-Up*: Registration opens Monday, December 4, 2006. Registration deadline is Friday, January 5, 2007 or until full.
*Fee*: $140.00 per team
*League Info*: Women’s 6-on-6 indoor volleyball league play. Multiple weeks of regular league play and a single elimination tournament.
*Register*: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
*Contact*: (435)634-5860

**Adult Flag Football League Sign-Up**
*Sign-Up*: Registration opens Wednesday, December 13, 2006. Registration deadline is Friday, January 5, 2007 or until full.
*Fee*: $275/team
*League Info*: Men’s Classification of play: A, B, C and D divisions
*Register*: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
*Contact*: Troy or Beth at 669-0954

**Youth Soccer K-6th Grade Sign-Up**
*Sign-up*: Registration is now OPEN. Registration deadline is Wednesday, January 17, 2007. After January 17th, there is a $5 late fee.
*Fee*: $20.00 per child
*League Info*: Games begin in March 2007. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys are required and can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10 each.
*Register*: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860
*Contact*: Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

**Tonaquint Adult Tennis Clinic**
*Date*: January 8-May 18, 2007 (Monday, Wednesday & Friday)
*Time*: 10:00-11:30 am
*Fee*: $100 per person for 12 lessons
*Place*: Tonaquint Tennis Complex
*Description*: This adult tennis clinic welcomes all levels at this clinic. Participants will learn to improve serving techniques, volleys, and groundstrokes. Sign-up before January 8th and get 2 free lessons!
*Registration*: Contact the instructor
*Contact*: Jason Whittington at 668-6887

**Future Champs Tennis**
*Date*: Tuesday, January 9 and/or Thursday, January 11, 2007 (6 weeks)
*Time*: 5:30 pm
*Fee*: Free
*Place*: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
*Description*: Sponsored by the USTA, this program is for all children ages 5-8 that have never played tennis. The program will be taught at a very introductory level with focus on hand-eye coordination activities as well as basic tennis fundamentals. Tennis racquets will be provided. Children can attend one or both sessions for the week.
*Registration*: St George Rec Center
*Contact*: (435)634-5860

**Junior USA Tennis 1-2-3**
*Date*: Tues, Jan. 9, 2007 (6 weeks) & Thurs, Jan. 11, 2007 (6 weeks)
*Time*: Tues-4:30 pm Beginner level; 6:15 pm Intermediate level Thursdays- 4:30 pm Intermediate level; 6:15 pm Beginner level
*Fee*: $27.00 for 6 weeks
*Place*: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
*Description*: Sponsored by the USTA, these sessions will begin the week of Tuesday, January 7, 2007 for 6 weeks.
*Registration*: St George Rec Center
*Contact*: (435)634-5860

**Adult Lapidary Class**
*Date*: January 9-April 19, 2007 (Tuesdays & Thursdays)
*Time*: Session 1 9:00am- Noon; Session 2 Noon-3:00pm
*Fee*: $90/person/session
*Description*: This adult class is designed around intermediate and advance level students skills and abilities. Students must have previous lapidary and silver smithing experience. Class is limited to 15 people per session.
*Place*: St George Rec Center, 400 E 285 S
*Register*: St. George Recreation Center
*Contact*: St George Rec Center, 435-634-5860

**Acro Gymnastics/Tumbling Class**
*Date*: Jan 6- Feb 10, 2007 (Saturdays)
*Time*: 9:00am Beginner/Intermediate 10:00am Intermediate/Advanced
*Age*: 5 and Older for Beginner 7 and Older for Intermediate
*Fee*: $36/student
*Enrollment*: 30 max per session
*Place*: St. George Rec Center
*Description*: Teresa Hill-Putman will be teaching students how to develop flexibility, balance, coordination, muscle strength, and tumbling skills. Some skills taught include rolls, cartwheels, walkovers, handsprings and much more!
*Contact*: St. George Recreation, 400 E 285 S or on-line at www.activityreg.com

**Tonaquint Youth Tennis Clinic**
*Date*: January 8-May 18, 2007 (Monday & Friday)
*Time*: 4:00-5:30 pm
*Fee*: $100 per person for 12 lessons
*Age*: 7-13 years
*Place*: Tonaquint Tennis Complex
*Description*: This young tennis clinic welcomes all levels. Participants will learn to improve serving techniques, volleys, and groundstrokes. Sign-up before January 8th & get 2 free lessons!
*Registration*: Contact the instructor
*Contact*: Jason Whittington at 668-6887

**Toniqunt Park Tennis Courts**
*Date*: Tuesday, January 9 and/or Thursday, January 11, 2007 (6 weeks)
*Time*: 5:30 pm
*Fee*: Free
*Place*: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
*Description*: Sponsored by the USTA, this program is for all children ages 5-8 that have never played tennis. The program will be taught at a very introductory level with focus on hand-eye coordination activities as well as basic tennis fundamentals. Tennis racquets will be provided. Children can attend one or both sessions for the week.
*Registration*: St George Rec Center
*Contact*: (435)634-5860
The Southern Utah Green Conference
Date: Tuesday & Wednesday, January 9-10, 2007
Time: Tuesday, January 9, 2007, 7:00-8:00 am pre-registration; 8:00 am-4:00 pm classes and presentations for both days
Fee: $60/participant ($30 each day)
Location: Holiday Inn 850 South Bluff Street
Registration: Call the Parks Division at (435)653-5869 or stop by the Parks Office, 390 N 3050 E in St. George
Description: Expand your knowledge on various topics such as tree and plant selection, drought update, irrigation technologies and advance pruning. Arborist and pesticide CEUs available for the Professionals. To pre-registration call the Parks Division.
Contact: Doug Wolfenstein at 634-5869

Golden Glove Fast Pitch Clinic
Date: January 12-13, 2007
Time: Coaches Clinic - Fri, Jan. 12th-6-9 pm Players Clinic - Sat, Jan. 13th - 8am - 7 pm
Fee: 7-12 Grade: $75/person; 1-6 Grade: $25/person; Coaches: Free
Description: The Golden Glove Softball clinic will feature members of the USA Olympic Gold Medal softball team. These outstanding players will share their tips and drills how to become a more efficient player of the game. The clinic is open to 7th-12th grade girls. Lunch will be provided for the players.
Location: Canyons Complex, 1890 W 200 N
Register: www.goldengloveclinic.com or Dixie High School
Contact: Randy Simkins at 632-5082

Painter’s ½ Marathon & 5K Run
Date: Saturday, January 13, 2007
Time: 9:00 am
Fee: $30/Runner for Half Marathon; $20/Runner for 5K
Description: 1st thru 3rd place awards will be given in each division. Overall Male & Female champions for both races, PLUS in Half Marathon Clydesdale Division and Men’s & Women’s wheelchair divisions. Registration deadline is Monday, January 8 at 6 pm. Packets for registrants will be ready for pick up on Friday, January 12 from Noon to 9:00 pm at the St George Registration Center. NO day-of-registration will be taken.
Location: Main Street Trailhead by the Dixie Center 1853 Convention Center Drive
Register: St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or at www.sgcityrec.org
Contact: Bob Peckham at 634-5860

Heritage Days
Date: January 17-20, 2007
Time: Coaches Clinic - Fri, Jan. 12th-6-9 pm Players Clinic - Sat, Jan. 13th - 8am - 7 pm
Location: Holiday Inn 850 South Bluff Street
Registration: Call the Parks Division at (435)653-5869 or stop by the Parks Office, 390 N 3050 E in St. George
Description: This adult pottery class is designed to accommodate beginning, intermediate, and advanced pottery students. Class is limited to eight students to ensure a low student-teacher ratio. The following class materials are included in the class fee: one bag of clay, bisque firing, stans & glazes and glaze firing. Registration: St George Recreation Center or www.activityreg.com
Contact: 435-634-5860

St George Art Museum: Art Conversation with Gaell Lindstrom
Date: Thursday, January 18, 2007
Time: 7:00 pm
Fee: Free
Description: Gaell Lindstrom was born in Salt Lake City and received art degrees from the University of Utah and the California College of Arts and Crafts. He retired much admired from Utah State University after 30 years of service in the art department. Following that he and his wife Marilyn moved south to Apple Valley, then to St. George. His work as a teacher continues and he still teaches here in Utah after 30 years of teaching. From his studio in St. George he can be found teaching classes and doing his painting. His paintings are shown at the St George Art Museum and in the Washington County Water Conservancy District.
Contact: 435-634-5860

Efficient Irrigation I: Designing Lawn Irrigation, Turf Varieties and Care
Date: Thursday, January 25, 2007
Time: 6:00-9:00 PM
Fee: FREE
Place: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
Description: In the first hour you will learn the basics in an irrigation system design. Learn to talk the lingo and recognize potential irrigation problem areas. Instruction on how to read an irrigation plan, common errors made in designs and what you can do to protect your investment. The second hour will demonstrate turf varieties and what is best suited for your needs and how to have a lush lawn without a high water bill.
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Spring Learn to Swim Program - January Session
Time: 5:00-5:45 pm & 5:45-6:30 pm
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

Total Tree Care
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2007
Time: 10:00-11:00 am
Fee: FREE
Place: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
Description: Protect your investments. St. George City Arborist, Debra Scarborough, will teach how to prune and properly care for your trees and shrubs.
Contact: Julie B. at 673-3617 (Washington County Water Conservancy District)

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Heritage Day Free Swim
Time: 12:00 Noon - 6:00 pm
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Spring Learn to Swim Program - January Session
Time: January 22- February 1, 2007 (Monday thru Thursday)
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Half Marathon & 5K Run
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2007
Time: 9:00 am
Fee: $30/Runner for Half Marathon; $20/Runner for 5K
Description: 1st thru 3rd place awards will be given in each division. Overall Male & Female champions for both races, PLUS in Half Marathon Clydesdale Division and Men’s & Women’s wheelchair divisions. Registration deadline is Monday, January 8 at 6 pm. Packets for registrants will be ready for pick up on Friday, January 12 from Noon to 9:00 pm at the St George Registration Center. NO day-of-registration will be taken.
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

St. George Winter Bird Festival
Date: Fri-Sun, January 26-28, 2007
Time: Fri, Jan. 26- 9:00 am-5:30 pm; Sat, Jan. 27- 9:00 am-2:15 pm; 6:00 pm-9:00 pm Banquet; Sun, Jan. 28- 8:00 am- 5:00 pm
Fee: FREE General Admission; $20.00 per for Saturday night banquet
Place: Tonaquint Nature Center & Tonaquint Park 1851 S Dixie Drive
Description: Join the 4th Annual exciting three-day event offers an opportunity to explore and learn more about the significant natural areas of Southern Utah’s birding hot spots. This will be field trips, workshops, presentations and bird walks throughout the weekend. On Saturday evening...
February 2007

**NSA Superbowl Tournament**
- **Date:** January 26-27, 2007
- **Time:** 7:00 pm on Friday
- **Fee:** $280.00 per team
- **Description:** Men's D & E Slow Pitch tournament. Registration deadline is Friday, January 12, 2007 at 5:00 pm or until full.
- **Location:** Canyons Complex
- **Register:** St. George Rec Center or call 634-5860
- **Contact:** Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

**St. George Art Museum Art Conversation with Elaine Alder**
- **Date:** Thursday, February 1, 2007
- **Time:** 7:00 pm
- **Fee:** Free
- **Location:** St. George Art Museum, 47 East 200 North
- **Contact:** Call 634-5942 or go online to www.sgcity.org/arts/

**Men's Adult Softball Spring League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Registration deadline is March 2, 2007 or until full!
- **Fee:** $400 per team
- **League Info:** Games start at 6:30 pm each night. Location: Canyons Complex 1890 W 2000 N
- **Register:** Call the St. George Recreation Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
- **Contact:** Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

**Senior's Adult Softball Spring League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Registration deadline is March 2, 2007 or until full!
- **Fee:** $400 per team
- **League Info:** Games start at 6:30 pm each night. Location: Canyons Complex 1890 W 2000 N
- **Register:** Call the St. George Recreation Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
- **Contact:** Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

**Women's Adult Softball Spring League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Registration deadline is March 2, 2007 or until full!
- **Fee:** $300 per team
- **League Info:** Games start at 6:30 pm each night. Location: Canyons Complex 1890 W 2000 N
- **Register:** Call the St. George Recreation Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
- **Contact:** Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

**Co-Ed Adult Softball Spring League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Registration deadline is March 2, 2007 or until full!
- **Fee:** $300 per team
- **League Info:** Games start at 6:30 pm each night. Location: Canyons Complex 1890 W 2000 N
- **Register:** Call the St. George Recreation Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
- **Contact:** Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

**Youth T-Ball League Registration**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is open NOW. Registration deadline is Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $5 late fee.
- **Fee:** $20.00 per child
- **League Info:** Registration is now being taken for kindergarten boys and girls. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
- **Contact:** Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

**Youth Girls Slowpitch Softball League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is open NOW. Registration deadline is Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $5 late fee.
- **Fee:** $20.00 per child
- **League Info:** Registration is now being taken for girls 1st-6th grade. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
- **Contact:** Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

**Youth Boys Baseball League**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration is open NOW. Registration deadline is Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $5 late fee.
- **Fee:** $200.00 for $10
- **League Info:** Registration is now being taken for boys 1st-2nd grade. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
- **Contact:** Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

**Lil' Detective Camp**
- **Sign-Up:** Registration opens Feb. 5, 2007 and closes March 9, 2007
- **Date:** Monday, March 12, Wednesday, March 14, 2007
- **Time:** Session One: 9:00 am - 12 Noon Session Two: 1:00-4:00 pm
- **Fee:** $30/child
- **Description:** Lil' Detective camp is designed for young sleuths to solve all new crimes and mysteries, learn new detective skills and more!
- **Ages:** Session One: 1st & 2nd grade Session Two: 3rd & 4th grade
- **Location:** Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
- **Register:** Pre-register at the St George Recreation Center www.activityreg.com
- **Contact:** Dawn Eide-Albrecht 634-5860

**Southgate Golf Club 2 Man Best Ball**
- **Date:** Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007
- **Time:** TBA
- **Location:** Southgate Golf Club
- **Contact:** Call 628-0000

**St. George Art Museum Conversation with Color Country Camera Club**
- **Date:** Thursday, February 15, 2007
- **Time:** 7:00 pm
- **Fee:** Free
- **Place:** Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
- **Description:** Design your landscape with color, texture and variety throughout all the seasons. Learn how to choose plants that complement one another within your landscape, guide the eye to a focal point, and learn which plant will work best in the different microclimates of your yard. You’ve drawn your plan, now select the plants. The first hour will be instruction, the last hour will be dedicated to helping students in their design.
- **Contact:** Julie B. at 673-3617 (Washington County Water Conservancy District)

**Is Your Irrigation Clock Alarming You? Turf Varieties & Water Efficient Care**
- **Date:** Saturday, February 17, 2007
- **Time:** 10:00-11:00 am
- **Fee:** FREE
- **Place:** Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
- **Description:** Irrigation timers making you freak? If knowing how to water your plants and how to set your clock is a mystery to you, you are not alone. Protect your investment in your landscape by learning and practicing efficient, appropriate watering techniques. Learn easy to-follow steps to determine the amount and frequency of water needed for your landscape plants, trees, and grass.
- **Contact:** Julie B. at 673-3617 (Washington County Water Conservancy District)

**Adult USA Tennis 1-2-3**
- **Date:** Wed, Feb. 23, 2007 (6 weeks) & Mon, Feb. 26, 2007 (6 weeks)
- **Time:** Mon- 9:00am Intermediate level; Wed.- 9:00 am Beginner
- **Fee:** $6.00 (per lesson)
- **Place:** Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
- **Description:** Sponsored by the USTA, these sessions will begin the week of Wednesday, February 23, 2007 for 6 weeks.
- **Registration:** St George Rec Center
- **Contact:** (435)634-5860

**Future Champs Tennis**
- **Date:** Tuesday, February 20 and/or Thurs, February 22, 2007 (6 weeks)
- **Time:** 5:30 pm
- **Fee:** FREE
- **Place:** Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
- **Description:** Sponsored by the USTA, this
program is for all children ages 5-8 that have never played tennis. The program will be taught at a very introductory level with focus on hand-eye coordination activities as well as basic tennis fundamentals. Tennis racquets will be provided. Children can attend one or both sessions for the week.

Registration: St George Rec Center
Contact: (435)634-5860

- **Junior USA Tennis 1-2-3**: Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2007 (6 weeks) & Thurs, Feb. 22, 2007 (6 weeks)
  - **Time**: Tues- 4:30 pm Beginner level; 6:15 pm Intermediate level
  - **Place**: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts
  - **Description**: Sponsored by the USTA; these sessions will begin the week of Tuesday, February 20, 2007 for 6 weeks.
  - **Registration**: St George Rec Center
  - **Contact**: (435)634-5860

- **Efficient Irrigation Design II: Understand Drips**
  - **Date**: Thursday, February 22, 2007
  - **Time**: 6:00-8:00 pm
  - **Fee**: FREE
  - **Place**: Tonaquint Nature Center
  - **Description**: Learn about the design, installation, maintenance and scheduling of water-efficient drip systems.
  - **Contact**: Julie B. at 673-3617 (Washington County Water Conservancy District)

- **Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Dive-In**
  - **Movie**: “Over the Hedge”
  - **Time**: 7:00 pm
  - **Date**: Friday, February 23, 2007
  - **Fee**: Regular admission prices
  - **Place**: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
  - **Contact**: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

- **NSA Desert Spring Girls Championship**
  - **Date**: February 23-24, 2007
  - **Fee**: $325.00 per team
  - **Description**: Girls slow pitch tournament for 10, 12, 14, & 16 and Under divisions. Registration deadline is Friday, Feb. 9, 2007 or until full.
  - **Location**: Southgate Golf Club
  - **Register**: Call 634-5942 or go online to www.sngolf.org/arts/

- **Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Spring Learn to Swim Program - February Session**
  - **Time**: 5:00-5:45 pm & 5:45-6:30 pm
  - **Date**: February 26 - March 8, 2007 (Monday thru Thursday)
  - **Fee**: $25/youth
  - **Description**: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, February 24, 2007.
  - **Place**: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
  - **Contact**: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

- **March Events 2007**

  - **St. George Art Museum Art Conversation with Karl Brooks**
    - **Date**: Thursday, March 1, 2007
    - **Time**: 7:00 pm
    - **Fee**: Free
    - **Location**: St. George Art Museum, 47 East 200 North
    - **Contact**: Call 634-5942 or go online to www.sgcity.org/arts/

  - **Men's Adult Softball Spring League**
    - **Reg Deadline**: March 2, 2007
    - **Time**: 6:00 pm until full.
    - **Fee**: $400 per team
    - **Description**: Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Games will start at 6:30 pm
    - **Location**: Canyons Complex
    - **Register**: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com.
    - **Contact**: Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

  - **Senior’s Adult Softball Spring League**
    - **Reg Deadline**: March 2, 2007
    - **Time**: 6:00 pm or until full
    - **Fee**: $400 per team
    - **Description**: Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Games will start at 6:30 pm
    - **Location**: Canyons Complex
    - **Register**: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
    - **Contact**: Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

  - **Co-Ed Adult Softball Spring League**
    - **Reg Deadline**: March 2, 2007
    - **Time**: 6:00 pm or until full
    - **Fee**: $300 per team
    - **Description**: Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Games will start at 6:30 pm
    - **Location**: Canyons Complex
    - **Register**: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
    - **Contact**: Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

  - **Women’s Adult Softball Spring League**
    - **Reg Deadline**: March 2, 2007
    - **Time**: 6:00 pm or until full
    - **Fee**: $300 per team
    - **Description**: Registration is NOW open for Spring League play. Games will begin the week of March 26th. Games will start at 6:30 pm
    - **Location**: Canyons Complex
    - **Register**: Call the St. George Rec Center at (435)634-5860 or www.activityreg.com
    - **Contact**: Josh Olmstead at 634-5860

  - **US Junior Olympics**
    - **Date**: March 3, 9-8, 2007
    - **Time**: 4:00 pm (Basketball, Soccer, Tennis) on March 6-8, 2007; 10:00 am (Track & Field) on March 3, 2007
    - **Description**: The US Junior Olympic skill competition presented by Kellogg’s Frosted Flakes is a FREE program for youngsters ages 8-13 years old as of August 31, 2006. Showcase your athletic abilities in basketball, soccer, tennis or track & field events. Local winners will qualify to compete for a chance to go the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
    - **Basketball Event**: Goal is to score as many points as possible by making baskets from designated shooting areas.
    - **Soccer Event**: Goal is to dribble, shoot and score in the fastest time possible
    - **USTA Rapid Rally Tennis**: Goal is to serve and continue to hit a low-compression tennis ball against the wall as many times as possible.
    - **Track & Field Event**: The Sprint event’s goal is to complete a 50 meter sprint in the fastest time. The Jumping event’s goal is to jump as far as possible from a standing start. The Ultimate Shot Put event’s goal is to shoot put a softball for distance.
    - **Ages**: 8-13 years old
    - **Location**: Basketball- St George Rec Center, Soccer- Cliff Street Park, Tennis- Worthen Park, Track & Field - TBA
    - **Register**: Day-of event’s location

  - **SkyWest Mini-Indy**
    - **Date**: March 10, 2007
    - **Description**: While “idling” may be alright in some pre-race cases, you’ve got to shift into overdrive and gear up for the annual charity race sponsored by SkyWest Airlines, Dixie State College, and the City of St. George to benefit the United Way Dixie. Mini Indy takes place annually, during the second weekend of March, and the 2007 event promises to be more exciting than ever with returning champions, new vendors, and opportunities galore for networking (although, we all know why you really come!) Everyone wants the coveted checkered flag, but only “time” will tell.
    - **Location**: Dixie State College
    - **Contact**: For more information go online to www.minindy.org
Adult Ladies Outdoor Volleyball League
Sign-up: Registration opens Monday, February 27, 2007. Registration deadline is Friday, March 30, 2007 or until full.
Fee: $90.00 per team
League Info: Ladies outdoor volleyball play. Regular league play and single elimination tournament.
Location: Vernon Worthen Park
Register: Call the St. George Rec Center or at www.activityreg.com
Contact: (435)634-5860

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Dive-In Movie: “Open Season”
Time: 7:00 pm
Date: Monday, March 12, 2007
Fee: Regular admission prices
Description: Grab your innertubes and get ready to enjoy the movie “Open Season”
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

Lil’ Detective Camp
Date: Mon, Mar. 12 & Wed, Mar. 14, 2007
Time: Session One: 9:00 am-12 Noon Session Two: 1:00-4:00 pm
Fee: $30/child
Description: Lil’ Detective camp is designed for young sleuths to solve all new crimes and mysteries, learn new detective skills and more!
Registration closes March 8, 2006
Ages: Session One: 1st & 2nd grade Session Two: 3rd & 4th grade
Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive

St. George Art Museum
Permanent Collection Conversation
Date: Thursday, January 18, 2007
Time: 7:00 pm
Fee: Free
Location: St. George Art Museum, 47 East 200 North
Contact: Call 634-5942 or go online to www.sgcity.org/arts/

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center’s Spring Learn to Swim Program - March Session
Time: 5:00-5:45 pm and 5:45-6:30 pm
Date: Mar 19-29, 2007 (Mon thru Thurs)
Fee: $25/youth
Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is March 16, 2007.
Place: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive
Contact: Kelly Humphreys at 634-5995

American Red Cross Lifeguarding Class
Sign-Up: Registration is open NOW. Registration deadline is Sat, Mar. 17, 2007
Fee: $25.00 per participant
Program Info: The first spring session of the American Red Cross Learn to Swim program will begin Monday, March 19, 2007 at 5:00 pm. The program will be held for two weeks, Monday through Thursday. To register call the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center or stop in at 1144 N Lava Flow Drive.
Contact: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center : 634-5938

Youth T-Ball League Registration
Reg. Deadline: Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $5 late fee.
Fee: $20.00 per child
League Info: Registration is now being taken for kindergarten boys and girls. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
Contact: Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

Youth Girls Slowpitch Softball League
Reg. Deadline: Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $3 late fee.
Fee: $20.00 per child
League Info: Registration is now being taken for girls 1st-6th grade. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
Contact: Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

Youth Boys Baseball League
Reg. Deadline: Friday, March 23, 2007. After March 23rd there is a $5 late fee.
Fee: $20.00 per child
League Info: Registration is now being taken for boys 1st-2nd grade. Rules will be adapted for each age group. If teams are full, players will be placed on a waiting list. Games begin the end of May. Standard Blue & Gold reversible jerseys can be purchased at the Recreation Center for $10
Contact: Rosey Rosander at 634-5860

Color My World- Painting with Perennials in a Weather-Wise Landscape
Date: Saturday, March 24, 2007
Time: 10:00-11:00 am
Fee: FREE
Place: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
Description: Add more color to your landscape this year with perennials. Instruction will be given on the varieties that work well in our area. Learn how to plant and care for them in such a way as to ensure a higher success rate and vivid coloring. Space is limited so call early!
Contact: Julie B. at 673-3617 (Washington County Water Conservancy District)

Spectrum 10K Run
Date: Saturday, March 24, 2007
Time: 9:00 am
Fee: $20/runner
Place: Ivins City Fire Station, 90 West Center Street, Ivins (Check-in area)
Description: A beautiful, scenic run through Snow Canyon State Park lets runners travel three miles of the West Canyon Trail and continuing on into the finish line in Ivins. All runners MUST ride the provided transportation to the start line, no support vehicles will be allowed on the course. There is NO DAY OF REGISTRATION!
Registration: St George Recreation Center or at www.activityreg.com
Deadline: Wed, Mar. 21, 2007 at 6:00 pm
Contact: Bob Peckham at 634-5860

Tentative Classes (Non-confirmed)

Adult USA Tennis 1-2-3
Time: Monday, February 27, 2006
Fee: $6.00 (per lesson)
Place: Tonaquint Tennis Courts
Description: Sponsered by the USTA, these sessions will begin the week of Monday, February 27, 2006 for 6 weeks.
Registration: St George Rec Center
Contact: (435)634-5860

Community Education Offers a Variety of Unique Classes. Community Education is a program designed to provide the community with educational services and learning opportunities by offering unique and exciting non-credit classes. Classes are designed for all ages and emphasis is given to special populations with particular needs. Classes cover a broad spectrum ranging from a wide variety of Art classes, such as Oil Painting and Scrapbooking; to Dance classes, such as Jazz, Ballet, and Ballroom; to Computer Classes such as Basic Microsoft Word and Excel. Interested in learning how to play the Guitar or the Piano, or how to start you own Home Based Medical Transcription Business? Ever wanted to learn a foreign language such as Spanish, French, or Chinese, or trying to find that perfect way to get thin and stay thin? Community Education offers all of these classes and more to the community in an effort to provide Southern Utah with recreational, cultural, and academic services.

For more information please call 652-7675 or go online to http://ce.dixie.edu
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For emergencies please call 911

City Council
Regularly scheduled city council meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays each month starting at 4:00pm at the City Office Building (175 East 200 North) unless otherwise noticed. Work meeting sessions are held on the second, fourth and fifth Thursdays at the same location.

Planning Commission
Regularly scheduled planning commission meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month starting at 5:00pm at the City Offices Building unless otherwise noticed.

For more information on city services, contact information, and events please visit the city website at www.sgcity.org.
ST. GEORGE FIRST NIGHT 2007

Saturday, December 30th
7:00 pm on
Historic Main Street
Downtown
Children’s Fireworks at 10:00 pm

For information go to www.sgcity.org or call (435) 634-5942