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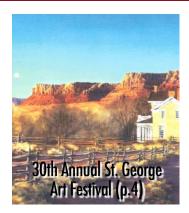
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Baby Louie This model by paleo-sculptor Brian Cooley was commissioned by National Geographic for the cover of it's May 1996 issue. Based on preliminary scientific interpretations of the fossil hatchling "Baby Louie," the model depicts an embryo of a therizinosaur dinosaur. More recently, paleontologists studying the fossil have discovered that its beak-like lower jaw lacked teeth. This new evidence confirms that "Baby Louie" represents a new species of giant oviraptor. Sculpture by Brian Cooley. Photograph by Louie Psihoyos. © Louie Psihoyos 1996

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Mayor's Column

The busy season is once again upon us here in Utah's Dixie. Despite the economic challenges we face as a country, state, community and as individuals, people are continually coming to southern Utah to relocate, recreate, relax and in some cases, just enjoy the spectacular climate that sets us apart from the rest of the state!

As a city we have been diligently working to move several large projects forward in order to put people in our area to work while preparing us for what lies ahead. The St. George replacement airport is still moving forward with construction and is expected to open in early 2011. The much anticipated Southern Parkway will open this summer allowing motorists a convenient commute from the new Atkinville Interchange on I-15 to River Road and eventually to the airport. Very shortly the terminal building at the airport will be under construction along with the necessary utility infrastructure to deliver services to that part of our community. These and many more public/private projects are necessary if we hope to keep our local economy viable.

In March, the World Triathlon Corporation, a world-wide leader in amateur and professional endurance events, announced the Ford Ironman St. George event will take place in Washington County in May of 2010. This announcement is significant because the Ironman Triathlon series will bring with it millions of dollars in economic benefit to St. George and neighboring communities for at least the next five years! We believe this event will have the same positive impact on our local economy as the Huntsman World Senior Games and the St. George Marathon.

One of the many reasons I am optimistic about our city in the face of so many challenges in this day and age is the fact that we are not tackling the difficulties alone. As a city we have been busy at work for years forging lasting partnerships with other government agencies, nonprofits and private institutions that have opened opportunities that would otherwise not have been possible. I recently attended the National League of Cities and Towns in our nation's capital and visited with many elected officials from across the country who do not enjoy the same spirit of cooperation and collaboration that we experience in our area. This does not mean that we always agree but we are always looking for innovative ways to solve issues. I think, over time, these partnerships and relationships will prove to be some of our greatest strengths as a community!

Thank you all for making St. George the greatest place to work, play and raise a family. It's a wonderful time to be in Dixie! I hope you avail yourself of all that our community has to offer.

Warmest Regards,

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City Programs & Tips: Help Start Conserving Today!





Now that spring has arrived, many of us are beginning to focus on home improvement projects. It is an excellent time to have the air conditioner serviced. Annual maintenance will ensure the unit is working as efficiently as possible. Some things that should be checked are listed below.

- Coolant level too much or too little fluid will result in excess cycling and possibly early equipment failure.
- Clean in and around the condenser to keep the air flowing.
- Change the air filters in your home regularly.

This is also a good time to make improvements to the overall energy efficiency of your home. Sealing air leaks, improving insulation as needed and/or updating heating and cooling equipment can all lower your energy bills. Keep in mind the federal tax credits for energy efficiency improvements to homes have been revived for the year 2009 as part of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008. Federal tax credits are now available as follows:

- 10% of the cost of insulation, storm doors and Energy-Star qualified "cool roofs" up to a limit of \$500
- 10% of the cost of exterior windows and skylights up to a limit fo \$300
- Up to \$300 on new high efficiency air conditioners, heat pumps, water heaters
- Up to \$150 on high-efficiency furnaces and boilers

These tax credits expire at the end of the year. However a tax credit of 30% up to \$2,000 for an Energy-Star qualified geothermal heat pump doesn't expire until the year 2016. It is always a good idea to check with your tax advisor to determine your eligibility to take advantage of the tax credits.

There are also tax incentives for builders of qualified energy-efficiency homes and a deduction for certain energy efficient features in commercial buildings, including some multi-family buildings. In addition to tax credits, the City of St. George offers rebates for insulation upgrades and more efficient air conditioners. Staff continues to look for funding to expand this program. Check the website for more information on the status of the City's Energy Efficiency Rebate Program. Beyond the things that can be done to make your home more energy efficient, there are also things that can be done by those who live in the home to be more energy efficient.

- Raise the thermostat to 78 degrees and use a fan to move the air around, maintaining a comfort level.
- Turn lights and electronics off when not in use.
- Consider replacing incandescent light bulbs with EnergyStar rated compact fluorescents (CFL)'s., which use up to 75% less energy. Used CFL's can be recycled at any Home Depot store.
- Wash only full loads of laundry and dishes. Consider air drying the dishes rather than using the drying mode on the dishwasher.
- When purchasing new appliances look for the EnergyStar label. They are more efficient than non-rated appliances, saving money over the lifetime of the appliance.

Springtime watering is also on the rise this time of the year which makes it a great time to evaluate how efficiently your sprinkler system is working. The Free Residential Lawn Water Audit program starts in May. This is an opportunity for you to find out how much water your irrigation system applies in a given amount of time, as well as providing a suggested irrigation schedule that maximizes plant health and minimizes water use. Appointments can be scheduled by contacting Julie at 435-673-3617.

The City is offering a rebate for the use of water wise plants in the landscape. A rebate of up to \$350 is available for plant material identified on the Washington County plant list as moderate, low or no-low water use. This program runs until October 2009 or until funds are depleted, whichever occurs first. More information is available at www.sgcity.org/conservation. Water, as always, is a precious resource. Being water wise is a responsibility we all share. Some things that can be done to reduce your water use are listed below.

- Water during the evening/night hours (avoid day time watering). Less will be lost to evaporation.
- Check your irrigation system and correct any problems that create water waste such as misaligned sprinkler heads.
- Water only as often as your landscape needs it. If the weather has been cool and/ or precipitation has fallen you may be able to skip an irrigation cycle.
- Use SWAT (Smart Water Application Technology) to help you water to meet plant needs. Rebates are available through the WCWCD – call Julie at 673-3617 for more information.
- Use a broom to clean the sidewalk rather than a hose.

For more information, visit the City's website at www.sgcity.org/conservation.

by: Councilman Gil Almquist

Two summers ago my good friend, Jim Ott, and I were at scout camp in Brianhead. During a break in his duties as Scoutmaster, we decided to take a hike. Our goal was the last visible patch of snow clinging to the side of Brianhead Peak. After a grueling and fast hike to the summit, we enjoyed the cold treat from the last vestige of winter. At the rate the snow was melting it is likely that a week later it would be completely gone. At the base of the snowfield a steady small stream of runoff easily filled our water bottles for the I applaud those who contribute. How is it return trip to camp.

As we descended we followed the trickle of water. Eventually other sources of water joined the rivulet to form a small stream. Still further down the Dark Hollow trail, our same small stream was enlarged by additional streams flowing from other adjoining canyons. By the time we left the trail to return to camp, our small stream had become guite a river with waterfalls and numerous cascades of whitewater. Even from a distance, its torrents could be heard easily. Both Jim and I commented on the value of the fresh and abundant water to residents and farmers in the vallev below.

This experience has great application to the fabric and spirit of our community. Like the small contribution of water made by the patch of snow, each of us adds a little to the overall value of our city. The final product, like a mighty river, is a warm, inviting and nourishing

Contributing to Our Community for Success

community. St. George is the recipient of thousands who contribute their drops of service and caring extended to neighbors, organizations, and visitors. The result is an attractive city that welcomes guests and new residents from all over the world. They in turn add their drops of experience and talent to the community river and we all benefit together.

done? What are some examples? I see residents picking up trash, volunteering at care centers, teaching classes, attending programs, donating time and money to worthy causes, and participating in parades and other events. Can we do more? Certainly! The current economy and stresses upon our community are a great opportunity to double our output in very simple but meaningful ways.

First, keep a positive and active spirit about helping others. We can clean the weeds from a neighbor's lot, assist a family who may have multiple jobs, volunteer at community events, donate blood, help at a school, or serve at the hospital. We already have a tradition of donating time and money in such areas, but a renewed and stepped-up effort will add so much to our community and its citizens.

Second, we must shop locally. Like the small stream, our support of local businesses and





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services benefit those working and living in our own neighborhoods. While shopping out of town or on-line may be exciting or convenient, it takes financial resources out of our community and puts them to work elsewhere. It only takes a minute to check local prices and compare them to the time and expense required to travel outside of town for the same product. For example, our local air carrier, Skywest, has made considerable effort to offer fares that save money when one considers the expense of gas, parking, and personal time off to fly out of another city.

Lastly, we can be kind to each other. Nothing builds community spirit more than love and compassion. Rather than criticize a neighbor for their home's appearance, diplomatically ask how you can help. Instead of attacking government, volunteer to serve on a committee and contribute your expertise and experience in solving problems. Assist the police by following home safety and neighborhood watch programs. Call your CAT (Community Action Team) leaders to see what needs to be done in your own neighborhood. Visit a new move-in or send a letter of appreciation to someone who has provided service to you or the community.

One by one, drop by drop, all of our efforts will combine to make St. George even better than it is now. I am very optimistic about the future. Together we will create a huge river of community spirit. It will be refreshing and nourishing to all those who live here or come to visit.

How Would You Like to Pay for That?





In today's ever changing environment, payment methods are evolving to meet current needs and new technology available. As part of this evolution, the City of St George now offers several different methods of making utility payments.

> Automatic Billing – Are you tired of writing checks or driving to the city office to make your utility payment? As a way to save on customer costs for checks, stamps, etc. and city costs for check processing, the City of St

George has the ability to automatically deduct bill amounts from a checking or savings account. We can also automatically charge bill amounts to a Visa or Mastercard. If initiated by the city, the payment will process on the bill due date (varies for 4 billing cycles) and there is no fee. Customers still receive a bill in the mail which will show usage and total amount due.

Residential Budget Billing – In conjunction with automatic billing, the city offers a budget program where utility charges are estimated based on the prior year charges and customers pay the same amount each month. The budget account holder must have lived at the property for 12 months to qualify and the program is re-evaluated each August to recalculate the average monthly bill, in addition to adjusting for over/under billings to date. If the account is removed from the budget billing, the account is adjusted for differences between estimated charges and actual usage charges.

Online Payments and Account information – The city's website (www.sgcity.org) offers information about various city programs and community events. In addition, the website has a link to access your utility account. You will need an e-mail address to create a login id and a temporary password is emailed to you. Once you successfully log in, you can enter your utility account number and last payment amount (only needed the first time you log in) to access information about your account. Information available includes billing and payment transaction history, consumption (usage) history, deposit and payment arrangement information. In addition, customers can initiate payments using a Visa or Mastercard. Each payment will include a \$1.25 processing fee charged by the third party provider of this service. This amount is shown as a separate charge on your credit card statement and is not received by the City. The website does allow for payments to multiple accounts with only one processing fee.

Bank Payments – Several local bank offices will accept your utility payments if you have your payment coupon (top part of bill) and are paying with a check or cash. The following locations will accept your payments:

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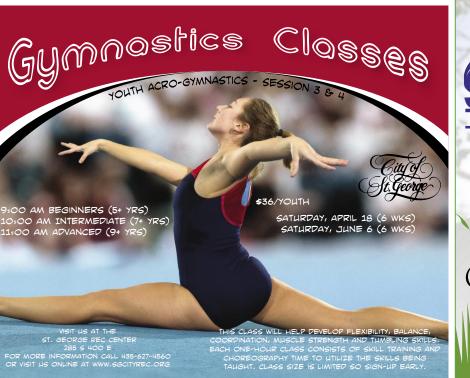




In Office Payments – Utility payments can be made at the city office (175 E 200 N) during regular business hours Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm (excluding legal holidays). We have a convenient drive thru window for cash and check payments (please have your bill or account number available). Cash, check and credit card (Visa and Mastercard only) payments can be made in our lobby, which remains open until 5:30 pm for your convenience. Payments made at the city office post to your utility account the same day.

Reduce Paper Waste – The city is working hard to keep costs down to

avoid rate increases. In addition. we are concerned about the environment. One way to assist us in our efforts is to let us know if you don't need the yellow remittance envelope that is sent with your utility bill. If you pay your bill on our website, through your bank's online bill pay, or some other payment method and don't need the return envelope, please e-mail your name, address and account number to incode@sgcity.org and we will stop sending the envelope with your bill. At this time, we are unable to e-mail bills in lieu of mailing them, but we are continuing to explore this option.



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St. George, Utah - Officials announced on March 18th that Washington County will host a new Ironman event beginning May 1, 2010. The Ford Ironman St. George will be a qualifier race for the Ironman World Championship held every October in Kona, Hawaii. "Ironman is an event tailor made for this area," said Kevin Lewis, Sports & Events Director for the St. George Area Convention and Tourism Office. "The determination and tenacity of Ironman athletes represents the fortitude of the early settlers here. The course we've planned will highlight the striking scenery and contrasting landscapes that make this area so attractive. It will be a remarkable experience for athletes and spectators as they immerse in both the beauty of the land and the heart of the people. For the locals, the energy of the event and the economic benefit will be outstanding."

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"St. George is the ideal setting for our newest Ironman event," said Steve Meckfessel, Chief Operations Officer for World Triathlon Corporation. "The community's experience in hosting the popular St. George Marathon, the scenic landscape of surrounding Washington County and the proximity to core triathlon markets in the region will contribute to Ford Ironman St. George quickly becoming one of our most popular races." The race will be part of the Global Ironman Series that includes 22 events throughout the world. The St. George race is one of only seven Ironman championship qualifier races in the United States.

Ironman races started as a challenge between a group of Navy Seals, and have since grown to become one of the most recognized endurance events in the world. Originally a combination of the Waikiki Rough Water swim, the Around Oahu bike Race and the Honolulu Marathon, the Ironman consists of a 2.4 mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a 26.2 mile run.

The St. George race will start in Sand Hollow Reservoir, a picturesque setting in the southwestern end of Hurricane, Utah with deep blue water, sandstone rock formations and brilliant orange sand beaches. After completing the swim, athletes transition to the bike event, a

112 mile ride that traverses through the heart of Washington County. "The bike course will be like an appetizer for the area featuring a juicy sample of the beauty and flavor found here," said Lewis. The ride starts in Hurricane then turns west on Highway 9 and then south through Washington City, the first town established in the area. As riders make their way toward St. George they link onto Red Hills Parkway and traverse over the red sandstone bluff with a scenic view of St.George to the south, and Pine Mountain on the north. At the intersection of Red Hills Parkway and Bluff Street (Hwy. 18), athletes will begin the first of two beautiful loops that will take them west through the lava flow in Santa Clara, under the shadow of Red Mountain in lvins and then north along the Santa Clara River through Gunlock to the town of Veyo and the highest point on the course (4,468ft). The descent on Hwy. 18 is a gliding stair step with views of Snow Canyon State Park as the riders return toward town. Upon completion of the 2nd loop, athletes will continue south to historic Town Square in downtown St. George where they will transition to the marathon.

The two loop run course leaves Town Square on Main Street in St. George and heads northwest to Red Hills Parkway and climbs through the southern end of the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve to the top of the Red Hill overlooking St. George. Athletes will appreciate beauty of this challenging course as it winds through Pioneer Park, the quaint neighborhoods along Diagonal Street back to the crowds at the turn-around at Main and Tabernacle Streets. The run finishes south bound on Main Street between Tabernacle Street and 100 South adjacent to Heritage Tower.

"What an exciting way to showcase our incredible surroundings," said Lewis. About the only area untouched is the dramatic region of Zion National Park and Springdale. But maybe it's better that way. When you see Zion, you don't want to race through it. Zion is one of those rare places that neither words nor pictures can describe. You definitely want to take some time and take it all in." Washington County and World Triathlon Corporation, owners of Ironman, signed a five-year agreement to host the race here on the first Saturday of May each year. "This will be a major economic boon for our area," said Roxie Sherwin, Director of the St.George Area Convention and Tourism Office. "Based on data we've gathered from other host cities, we expect the event to generate 8 to 10-million dollars in economic impact, not to mention the media exposure and attention we'll receive. As a tourism-based destination we are thrilled to be associated with such an exciting event," she said.

St. George Mayor Daniel D. McArthur feels the same. "For over 30-years World Triathlon Corporation has been a world-wide leader in amateur and professional endurance events," said McArthur. "The City of St. George is pleased that they have selected our area as a home for the prestigious Ironman series triathlon. We welcome all those associated with the event including the athletes, officials, sponsors and media and look forward to a successful and rewarding partnership." Washington County, through its Sports and Events Commission received support for the event from the Utah Sports Commission, St. George City, Sand Hollow State Park and each of the cities along the race course. But the process of bringing it here started long before the Sports and Events Commission got involved.

According to Lewis, it really got started several years ago when St. George resident and endurance athlete Daren Brooks tried to enter an Ironman race. "Daren kept trying to register for a race and couldn't get in because they sold out too quickly," said Lewis. "He finally decided if the races were that popular, why not start one here." Brooks, who is a two-time finisher of the Leadville Trail 100 mountain bike race in Colorado, and this year completed the Ironman Arizona, said he started contacting Ironman in November of 2007 and made several attempts to get their attention.



"I kept talking to different people at Ironman who basically told me I was wasting my time. Ironman is such an exclusive event they can pick and choose their locations," he said. I kept moving up the chain, but just couldn't seem to break through." Finally after several calls and conversations he connected with Steve Meckfessel. "If it wasn't for Daren's tenacity, we probably wouldn't be here today," said Lewis. About a year ago Brooks met with Lewis and Steve Bingham from the Sports Commission to share his vision. "Ironman was looking for a new spring race location," said Brooks, "they had some other cities in mind, but they were starting to show some interest in the area," he said.

"We were definitely interested," said Lewis, "and when Steve Meckfessel from Ironman called, the machine started moving." Lewis calls it a machine, because of all the entities involved in pulling it together. "Steve Bingham and Kent Perkins from St. George City Leisure Services brought their marathon experience to the table, and that was a major factor," said Lewis. "Leaders from the lodging association got involved, and the pieces started coming together."

Brooks worked with local race organizer Jeff Gardner, also an Ironman finisher, to lay out a course. "They put together a few options, and we invited Steve Meckfessel to come see what we had to offer," said Lewis. "Once he saw the course, things really started to move." "To stage an event of this magnitude requires help from so many different agencies," said Sherwin. "We really appreciate the support we've had. The enthusiasm has been remarkable."

"At a certain point, I realized that the event was bigger than myself," said Brooks, but I knew it had to be here. Everything in this area speaks to an Ironman," he said, "all the way back to the persistence of people like my great grandparents who helped break the land. Ironman is the ultimate endurance event in the world, and St. George is the perfect location. There just couldn't be a more perfect fit." Race Director Paul Huddle agrees. "As we've been working on the course I've been amazed at how spectacular it really is. I've ridden the bike course with our local race director Jeff Gardner, and there are some fantastic signature sections out there, I think the athletes are really in for a treat."

Registration information and additional details are available at www.ironmanstgeorge.com.

The Arrival of Eggs...Dinosaur Eggs

With the arrival of spring-like temperatures, we think about many warm weather things: warm desert sunshine, flowers and trees blooming, greener grass, longer days, the Easter bunny, dinosaur eggs?

The St. George Discovery Site at Johnson Farm is pleased to host for the first time a portion of a national exhibit February 2-August 31, 2009. The exhibit "Hatching the Past" is the prefect compliment to the thousands of already discovered dinosaur tracks in the southern Utah area. Scientists have an educated guess as to which dinosaurs made the tracks at the Johnson Farm but learning about how these mysterious creatures came into being takes the question into another realm of science. What do we know about dinosaur babies? Were dinosaurs social animals? Did dinosaur parents care for their young or were they left alone to fend for themselves? What did dinosaur eggs look and feel like?

"Hatching the Past" features a rare and exciting look at the life of dinosaurs, through their eggs, nests, and embryos. The exhibit blends science with the arts to show an array of authentic dinosaur eggs that have been collected worldwide. The St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site is pleased to offer the "Feathered Dinosaurs, Eggs, and Babies" portion of this special exhibit to the community. This exhibit is informational and exciting for all ages. To go along with this exhibit, we have available an educators guide with curriculum connections, lesson plans and activities for students in kindergarten-4th grade.

These and other questions may be answered by coming to see the exhibit and learn about the young lives of dinosaurs. The "Hatching the Past" exhibit runs February 2-August 31, 2009.

The St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm is located at: 2180 East Riverside Dr. St. George, UT 84790 Phone: 435-574-3466 Fax: 435-627-0340 Mon-Sat 10am-6pm Open most holidays Special Admission Prices apply; please check our website for details at: www.dinotrax.com.

"Hatching the Past" thanks the following sponsors: The City of St. George, DinosaurAh!Torium Foundation, The George S. and Dolores Dore Eccles Foundation and Dixie State College.

A Century of Sanctuary: The Art of Zion National Park

In 1909 Zion Canyon was proclaimed Mukuntuweap National Monument. In order to continue the 2009 hundred year anniversary of Zion National Park, A Century of Sanctuary: the Art of Zion National Park in an abridged form is on view until May 30th. You now have another opportunity to see and learn more. Zion is located just outside the edge of the large uplifted Colorado Plateau, an area rich with canyons and plateaus, national parks and monuments. Beyond the edge of Zion is the Interstate 15 north-south corridor, which follows a much older route that linked Salt Lake City with Los Angeles.

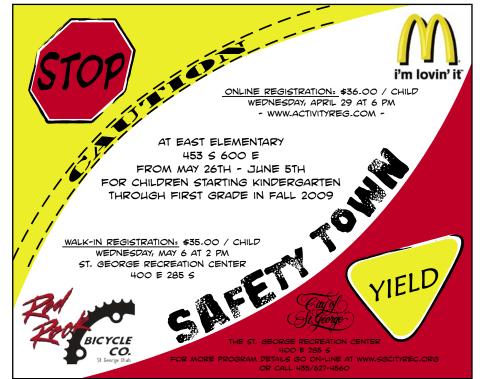
As with the Grand Canyon and other areas of the Colorado Plateau, the surroundings were seen, not always as beautiful, but as major and difficult obstacles. Lieutenant Joseph Christmas Ives wrote in his Report Upon the Colorado River of the West published in 1861 from his War Department sponsored survey of 1857/8: "The region last explored is, of course, altogether valueless. It can be approached only from the south, and after entering it there is nothing to do but leave. Ours has been the first, and will doubtless be the last, party of whites to visit this profitless locality. It seems intended by nature that the Colorado River, along the greater portion of its lonely and majestic way, shall be forever unvisited and undisturbed." (Ives, 1861, Chapter VIII, p.100)

The earliest known photographs of Zion were created in 1870 by Charles Savage (1832-1909) when he was on a trip to the region with the painter, Alfred Lambourne, and Brigham Young. Savage reported on his visit, "I found it to be a remarkable valley with high, vertical cliffs, towering upward from two to three thousand feet, and so completely locked that there was no outlet other than the way of entrance. From a picuresque point of view, it was grand, sublime, and majestic, but as a place of residence, lonely and unattractive, reminding one of living in a stone box; the landscape, a skyscrape; a good place to visit, and a nice place to leave ... "(Richards, 1995, p.66) Savage is notable, among other things, for photographing the union of the railroads at Promontory Point in Utah in May of 1869. He moved from England to New York in 1857 and, while there, decided to become a photographer. After some



training, he moved to Florence, Nebraska in 1859 where he set up shop. As Taft explains, Savage's equipment, typical of a small frontier town photographer of the time, consisted of a camera, a background made from an old gray blanket, and a large tea chest that served as a miniature dark room. In 1860, he moved to Salt Lake City. According to Taft, Alfred Lambourne (1850-1926), who joined Savage on the 1870 trip to Zion Canyon, might have made the earliest Anglo sketches of that area. He was an early painter of Yellowstone, the Grand Canyon, and Yosemite. Lambourne and another artist painted a 60 panel panorama titled, "Across the Continent" in 1876 that went on view around the country. The Lambourne paintings from the mid-1880's of the Rio Virgin combine such contrasting features as the tall upright rocks and the low peaceful river that spreads out almost creating a lake. The paintings remarkably soften this rugged place. These paintings exhibit the quiet contemplative qualities of luminism, showing a spreading golden and beatific light covering and bathing the land. The term luminism was first coined by John Baur in a 1954 article. This style was at its peak in the mid-19th century.

Some of the earliest comprehensive and visual knowledge of the area and the Colorado Plateau is due to Major John Wesley Powell who, according to Donald Worster in A River Running West, was determined to explore the Colorado River and Plateau, the least known part of the country, in the latter part of the 19th century. Because Powell was interested in proper documentation, he included photographers and artists in his later expeditions. Included in this exhibit are John (Jack) Hillers who was 28 years old and Frederick Dellenbaugh who was 17 years old when they set out on Powell's second survey in 1871. The two became friends, visited Zion in April of 1872, and returned at least once more to this region.





Though he was an oarsman at the beginning of the expedition, Jack Hillers became the photographer, and his work is an important addition to the art, history, and science of this time. We have two of his photographs in this exhibit. In an article that appeared in Scribner's Magazine in January 1904, Federick Dellenbaugh wrote "Never could the valley appear more resplendent than on that beautiful day as the sun streamed out of the West, sweeping the blanks of the precipices with a ruddy brilliance that intensified the gorgeous hues tenfold, while the shadow portions grew more somber, fading at a distance into a rich cerulean bloom, broken by the dark green of cotton-wood groves. Surely it was a setting for a fairy-tale!

Major Powell also invited, the now famed, Thomas Moran (1837-1926) to join the second expedition. However, Moran, on his first trip west, had already agreed to join Professor Hayden's expedition to Yellowstone National Park in 1872. Thomas Moran's impressive 7' x 14' oil painting of the Grand Cañon of the Yellowstone was purchased, very shortly after it was finished in 1872 by the Congress for \$10,000. His early paintings and watercolors of Yellowstone were an important catalyst for the creation of the first National Park, Yellowstone, in 1872.

Yellowstone set the stage for adding subsequent national parks and monuments. Yosemite followed in 1890 with Zion and the Grand Canyon in 1919. Both had both been National Monuments prior to their elevation to National Park status. The National Parks, as Wallace Stegner titled an essay, was "The Best Idea We Ever Had", in Marking the Sparrow's Fall: The Making of the American West, published in 1998. The national park history, Zion art history, and American museum history all begin in the 1870's, amidst great interest in creating American places to foster intellectual betterment. While the St. George Art Museum has a more recent history, we offer a beautiful venue for learning more about our area and its art. Visit soon!





Highlights of 30 Years of the Art Festival





On April 10th and 11th, the St. George Art Festival will open for the 30th year in the beautifully designed town square on Main Street in St. George, Utah.

The mild, sunny climate of St. George is particularly suited for this outdoor event. Artwork is displayed in booths designed individually by each artist. The many categories of art accepted include watercolor, oils, pottery, sculpture, photography, woodwork, and other creations. The show offers cash awards for Best of Show, Best 2D and 3D and ribbons for all categories. In addition, an artist's work is selected each year to grace the following year's poster. This Featured Artist receives a complementary entry into the festival.

Displaying thousands of original works of art, the festival is punctuated with pageantry, music and food. Townsfolk and visitors from around the West converge in the beautiful town of St. George on Easter weekend. For most of the years of the Art Festival, works of art were chosen from those on display to become a permanent part of the collection of the St. George Art Museum. This is a never before seen exhibit in the Main Gallery of over 70 pieces of art each by a different artist in many media both 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional from the 30 years of acquisitions.

This year's featured artist, Al Rounds, has a painting in the exhibit, as well as many perennial favorites and featured artists from the past. Art by Roland Lee, G. Russell Case, Oliver Parson, Del Parson, Matt Clark, Ron Rencher, Darrell Thomas, Lydia Dillon-Sutton, Roger Davis, David Jackson, David Merrill, Jerry Anderson, Marilee Campbell, Kate Starling, Denis Milhomme, Bob Quick, Gloria Miller Allen, Eric Dowdle, Ed Hlavka, Willie Holdman, and Kim Obruzt, just to name a few, will be on view.

Selections from A Century of Sanctuary: The Art of Zion National Park will continue upstairs. This once in a lifetime exhibit proved to be exceptionally popular with the public. The installation piece, Sensing Zion, as well as pieces from both the juried and historic shows will be re-organized and re-hung to provide a fresh viewing opportunity for visitors.

The 3rd Thursday Art Conversations return, so mark your calendars now (February 19-Painter, Del Parson, March 19-Sculptor, Matt Clark, April 16-Sculptor, Jerry Anderson & Painter, Roland Lee, May 21-Art Historian, Deborah Reeder), as you won't want to miss any of these Art Conversations, exhibits, or the Art Festival.

For more information on the exhibit, visit the website of the St. George Art Museum at www.sgartmuseum.org. Hours are Mondays-Saturdays 10-5. Admission is \$3 for adults, children ages 3-11 are \$1, and children under 3 are free, as are Museum Members. Museum membership is a gift that can bring an entire year of art and culture to the recipient. Memberships can be purchased at the Museum and begin at only \$15 for students.



Upcoming Park Projects



The Fields Soccer Complex

Southwest Utah is known for its wide open spaces. One of these wide open spaces, The Fields Soccer Complex is scheduled to open in late Spring. As the second phase of a multi-phase project this complex combines four full sized soccer fields with a farm themed neighborhood park. Around the central plaza are two children's playgrounds, two shaded picnic pavilions, and an interactive splash pad with tractor and windmill features. The Kompan playground equipment and Goric swing promise to keep children interested and engaged in active play. A walking path connects the central plaza to a gathering area designed to look like the relic of a building foundation.

From this relic area a walkway leads across the street to the softball complex. Future phases of The Fields will include additional soccer fields, sports courts, picnic pavilions and additional walking paths.

South Bloomington/SunRiver Trail

The greater Virgin River Trail plays an important role in linking neighborhoods of the City together for both recreation and transportation. The South Bloomington/SunRiver trail section will create a "link" providing the opportunity for SunRiver neighborhoods to access the greater Virgin River Trail and provide key connections to the proposed South Block development area. Users will also be able to access Bloomington Park, Man-O-War trailhead, and a future neighborhood park located adjacent to the proposed Los Colinas development. The trail will be located along the Virgin River at the bottom of the dike structure and will be constructed of soil cement, a substance which is resistant to high water levels and flood damage. In addition to building the trail, the City will be partnering with the Virgin River Program to revegetate the length of the trail with willow trees. The South Bloomington/SunRiver Trail will be open in late Spring.



Firehouse Park

Firehouse Park is a four-acre neighborhood park currently under construction located at 1800 North Dixie Downs Road across the street from fire station #7. Park construction began on January 13th 2009 and is scheduled to be complete around the end of June 2009. This park will contain features typical to a neighborhood

park such as play structures, picnic pavilions and restrooms. To assist with the park planning process the City of St George Park Planning Division held three public meetings at the fire station. Local citizens provided the Park Planning Division with input about additional preferred amenities for their local park. Children from Dixie Downs and Coral Cliffs elementary schools provided their vision of a park through an artwork activity. The children's most common response was playing on swings and running in large open areas of grass. An additional park feature requested by local citizens was a fenced secure area to take their canine family members to run and play off leash. Firehouse Park is programmed to function as a neighborhood park and will be a great addition to the Dixie Downs area of St George.

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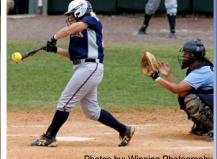
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NJCAA Tournament in St. George





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The City of St. George is proud to welcome the 2009 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division I Women's Fast Pitch Softball Tournament to St. George from May 14-16, 2009. The Tournament will bring the 16 best Division I Junior College women's fast pitch softball teams in the nation to The Canyon's Sports Complex to crown one of these teams the 2009 NJCAA National Champions.

"In choosing a host for the 2009-2011 NJCAA Division I Softball Championship, the association compared the facilities, accommodations and amenities of all locations bidding on the event. Although each city considered would have done an outstanding job hosting the tournament itself, the factor which ultimately influenced the decision in favor of St. George was the city's desire to have St. George, Utah become synonymous with NJCAA softball. It is the hope of the NJCAA that the championship can work its way into the heart of every resident in St. George so that each year it becomes more than just a softball tournament, but instead becomes an event which the entire city can embrace and enjoy," said Mary Ellen Leicht, Acting Executive Director of the NJCAA.

The NJCAA, which was established in 1938 and currently has 512 participating colleges, will send 16 teams from across the nation to St. George to compete in the tournament. This will be the first national championship at any collegiate level to be held in the City of St. George. The Canyons Sports Complex is an eight time "Complex of the Year" winner and has been newly renovated. "The NJCAA Division I Fast Pitch Softball Tournament in St. George is a natural site for collegiate championship sporting events where no team has a home field advantage," said George Regopoulos, Softball Coordinator for the City of St. George. All 16 teams will arrive by Wednesday, May 13th with individual team practice sessions taking place throughout the day, which are open to the public.

The tournament will include the champions of the Scenic West Athletic Conference whose members include Salt Lake Community College, Snow College, Western Nevada College and Southern Nevada College. Local individuals interested in playing at the collegiate level will especially enjoy watching the high-caliber action from these very accomplished athletes. The Canyon's Sports Complex expects 750-1,000 people to attend the national tournament which runs May 14-16, 2009 with the first games to begin on Thursday, May 14th at 11:00 a.m. and continuing throughout the weekend with National Championship match scheduled for Saturday, May 16th at 4:00 PM.

For more information about the National Junior College Athletic Association, please visit www.njcaa.org. For more information about the NJCAA Division I Fast Pitch Softball Tournament or to pre-purchase tickets at discounted prices, please visit www.njcaasoftball.com or call the Recreation Center at 627-4560.

Arbor Day Service Celebration

It's been almost a year since Steele Hallows, a recent transplant to St. George from Arizona, with his wife and little daughter, spent a Saturday in Tonaquint Park, planting trees. He was out enjoying the

spring sunshine on his bicycle when he saw lots of people planting trees, so he stopped to help. He and over 200 other volunteers planted hundreds of trees and shrubs to help revitalize this park that was devastated during the 2005 flood.

Hallows learned that this Arbor Day activity happens in St. George every year. Kristine Twiggs, President of the Shade Tree Board says, "It's one of the many activities that helps St. George retain its 'old home town' character." Service celebrations are as important now as they ever have been. Twiggs points out that "when families work together to give back to the community, children develop a level of respect that they can't get any other way." The Shade Tree Board members see families come back year after year, and watch as children proudly show each other the trees they've helped plant in years past.

When it comes to the spirit of volunteerism and passion for trees, the folks at Star Nursery put their money where their mouth is. According to Keena Tanner, manager of Star Nursery and member of the Shade Tree Board, Star loves the opportunity to give back to a community that gives to them all year long. Star Nursery donates the plants, shrubs and trees to be planted and even makes sure that each volunteer has a tree to take home to plant in their yard. This year's Arbor Day service celebration will continue at the Tonaquint Nature Center on Saturday, April 25th starting at 9am. After a morning of planting many varieties of trees and shrubberies, volunteers will be treated to a light lunch, craft activities, and a

display of winners of the 2009 Arbor Day poster contest from the Washington County School District's 5th grade classes. Dawn Eide-Albrecht, Program Coordinator of the Tonaguint Nature Center says "Arbor Day is a special day because so many community members come out to help beautify the area around the Nature Center in terms of stewardship. Some don't realize the extent of their volunteerism. By helping with the planting of new vegetation, adults and youth learn more about the park and gain a sense of ownership and pride of the Nature Center and Park. Throughout the year, the Nature Center hosts camps and programs, assist scout troops with merit badges and provide educational field trips to school groups. These patrons of the Nature Center get to experience nature in an urban outdoors learning setting and thanks to the volunteers at Arbor Day; we can provide a more aesthetic and educational experience to the public."

Shade is not something to be taken for granted in a hot desert area like ours. St. George City, the Shade Tree Board, hundreds of citizens and business partners take the concept of shade and green very seriously. In fact, St. George has been the recipient of the coveted Tree USA award each year since 1991. Twiggs encourages every family to "get involved this year in our Arbor Day celebration. Come plant a tree or two, support your community, spend some time with your family and assure your children and grandchildren the joy of shade during the hot St. George summers."

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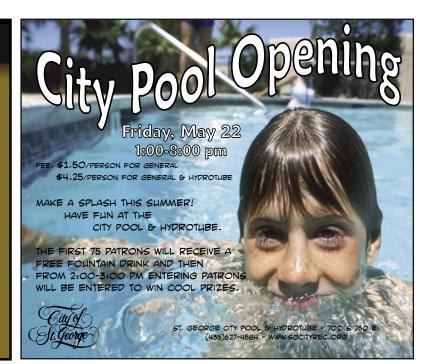


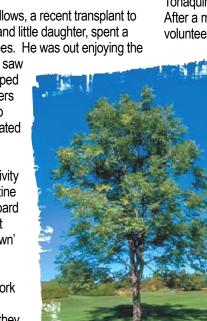


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CALENDAR of EVENTS

Recreation Programs

Art Museum Programs

April Events

Water Volleyball Drop-In Play Date: Wednesday Evenings (on-going) Time: 7:00 pm

Fee: \$4.00 per person and/or passes apply **Description:** Interested in learning how to play water volleyball or looking for a new and fun activity? If yes, come to the SHAC on Wednesday evenings starting at 7 pm for drop-in water volleyball night. Contact: 627-4585

Forever Fit

Date: Tuesdays & Thursdays (on-going) Time: 10:30 am Fee: \$2.00 per visit or premium passes apply Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South

Description: This class is ideal for older adults that are looking toget fit or wasting to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle regardless to his/her fitness ability. This multi-level class is designed to combine cardio and muscle toning into a fun workout while teaching ways to increase muscle strength and flexibility in daily functional skills. Contact: 627-4560

Open Pottery Lab

Date: Wednesdays (on-going) Time: 10:30am-4:30 pm or 6:00-8:30 pm Fee: \$20/visit Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This open pottery lab offers a relaxed atmosphere for the beginner and more advanced pottery artist. The fee includes 2-hours of instruction, access to hand-building and potters wheels, glazes and firings. Bags of clay are available for sale at the lab. The instructor is

Erric Wan-Kier. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S.

or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

JAG Registration

Sign-up: Registration begins April 13th Register: In person registration at Leisure Services: April 25th from 10:00am to 1:00pm In person registration at Southgate Game Improvement Cemter: May 9th from 9:00am to 12:00pm or online at www.sgcity.org Contact: Any questions regarding JAG events call the Golf Office at 627-4653

Jump To It Kids Summer Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-up: Registration is now open Date: Grades 3rd-5th: June 8-11, June 22-25, July 6-9, July 20-23 Grades 1st-2nd: June 15-18, June 29-July 2, July 13-16, July 27-30 **City Programs**

Golf Programs

Time: 9:00-Noon

 Fee:
 \$30/youth (3rd-5th);
 \$24/youth (1st/2nd)

 Age:
 Grades 3rd-5th:
 Session 1, 3, 5, & 7

 Grades 1st-2nd:
 Session 2, 4, 6, & 8

Location: Little Valley Park, 2350 East 2995 South Description: Each session for each grade level will feature different activities such as Aqua Relay, Kickball, Germ Bug Tag, Spiders and Flies, Frisbee Golf and much more. When registering, register the grade he/she will attending in FALL 2009. Registration deadline is the Thursday prior to start of each new session. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South or on-line at www.activityreg.com. Contact: 627-4560

Spring Mini-League

Sign-Up: Registration is now available for the Spring Mini-League. The league will play May 18-June 25 at the Canyons Complex. The registration deadline is Thursday, May 7th at 6 pm. Fee: \$140/Co-Ed team; \$235/Men's team

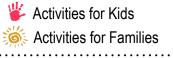
Location: Canyons Softball Complex, 1890 W 2000 N Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 1-5 Fee: Ages 3: \$80/child; Ages 4-5: \$95/child; Ages 6-16: \$125/child, Description: Challenger Sports British Soccer camp will focus on teaching key techniques and technical components of soccer. Ages 3: Session 1: 8:00-9:00 am Ages 4-5: Session 1: 9:30-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-6:30 pm Ages 6-16: Session 1: 8:00-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-8:00 pm Location: Bluff Street Park, 600 N. Bluff Street Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South, on-line at www.activityreg.com, or on-line at www.challengersports.com Contact: 627-4560

Tonaquint Nature Center Day 11/12 Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Fee: Busy Bee: \$30/child; Tweety Bird: \$35/child; Wiggly Worm: \$40/child, Crazy Crawdad: \$50/child; Description: Each session will feature different activities. When registering, register the grade he/she will be attending in FALL 2009. Camp begins and ends each day at the Tonaquint Nature Center. Busy Bees: (4 yrs) 9-Noon, Session I: July 20-22 **Busy Dees** (4 yrs) 9-Noon, Session I: July 6-9; Session II: July 13-16; Session III: July 13-16; Session III: July 27-30 **Wiggly Worms:** $(2^{nd}-3^{nd})$ 9-Noon, Session I: June 8-12; Session II & III: June 15-19 (AM & PM)



Crazy Crawdads: (4th-5th) 9am-1pm, Session I: June 22-26; Session II: June 29-July 3 Location: Tonaguint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Future Shredders Skateboard Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 15-18 (Monday-Thursday) **Time:** 9:00-10:30 am **Fee:** \$25/child Age: 9-14 year old Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, Snow Park **Description:** This summer camp is designed to teach beginner and intermediate skateboarders basic and intermediate maneuvers along with how to safely use ramps according to his/her ability. Each participant is required to wear a helmet. Registration deadline is June 12th or until full. **Register:** St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Little Grinders Skateboard Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 22-24 (Monday-Wednesday) Time: 9:00-10:30 am Fee: \$16/child Age: 6-8 year old Description: This new summer camp is designed to teach beginner skateboarders basic and some intermediate maneuvers. Each participant is required to wear a helmet, kneepads and elbow pads. Registration deadline is June 19th or until full Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, 171 E. 1160 S. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com

Contact: 627-4560

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur

Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Riverside Trailhead, 1050 E. Riverside Drive Description: Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk along the Virgin River and City of St. George trail system. Contact: 627-4560

Little Rollers Tumbling

Date: Wednesday or Thursday, April 1-2 (4 wks) Time: 9:15-10:15 am Days: Wednesday- Session 5; Thursday- Session 6 Fee: \$20/student

Age: 3-5 years Enrollment: 10 max per session Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This class will teach children how to tumble and roll. The class focus will be on flexibility, balance, rolls, leaps, cartwheels and mostly importantly fun! Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Adult Ladies Outdoor Volleyball League Registration

Sign-up Info: Registration deadline is Friday, April 3rd or until full. Fee: \$90/team Location: Worthen Park League Info: Ladies outdoor 4-on-4 volleyball play. League includes regular league play and a single elimination tournament. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

St. George One-Pitch Championships

Date: Friday-Saturday, April 3-4 Time: 7:00 pm on Friday Fee: \$250/ team Location: Canyons Complex, 1890 W. 2000 N. Description: Men's D & E and Women's C & D slow pitch. Five game guarantee. Registration deadline is Friday, March 20, 2009 at 5:00 pm or until full. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

St. George Spring Opener

Date: Saturday, April 4 Time: 8:00-8:45 am Check-In. Pool Play begins at 9:00 am Fee: \$60/team Location: Vernon Worthen City Park, St. George Description: Competitive outdoor tournament for Novice, A, B and Open divisions. Open divisions will play on sand courts, all other divisions will play on grass courts. Registration fee includes lunch voucher and t-shirt. Registration deadline is Tuesday, March 31st @ 6pm. NO DAY-OF-REGISTRATION.

Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Cottontail Scramble

Date: Monday, April 6 Time: 6:00-7:30 pm Fee: FREE for Egg Hunt; \$3 per craft & photo package Location: Tonaguint Nature Center, 1851 S. Dixie Drive Description: Join the Tonaquint Nature Center staff for their 7th Annual Cottontail Scramble. Kids (0-8 years old) are invited to hunt for eggs filled full of treats and prizes. Peter Cottontail will be there for pictures with the kids! Contact: 627-4560

St. George Art Festival Date: April 10th & 11th (Fri & Sat)

Time: 10:00am

Fee: Free

Description: Displaying thousands of original works of art, the festival is punctuated with pageantry, music and food. Townsfolk and visitors from around the West converge in the beautiful town of St. George on Easter weekend. Contact: 627-4585

Water Easter Egg Hunt

Date: Saturday, April 11 Time: 11:00 am Registration Begins for Water Hunt; 12:00 Noon starting time Fee: \$5.00 per child (includes an all day swim pass and the Water Hunt) Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive

Description: Come and enjoy a day of fun at Sand Hollow

Aquatic Center. Children 0-12 years of age are welcome to participate. Children will be separated into age groups with staggered starting times. Contact: 627-4585

Saturday Morning Exploration-Mini Jr. Ranger Day

Date: Saturday, April 11 Time: 10:00-11:00 am Fee: FREE Age: Family Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 South Dixie Drive Description: This month's program is dedicated for parents and children ages 2-4 years old. Come join us at the Tonaquint Nature Center where we will explore with hands-on activities and learning stations. Walk the trails hand-in-hand with your child while discovering flowers, bugs and the pond. Don't forget to bring some bread to feed the ducks! Contact: 627-4560

American Red Cross Lifeguarding Class

Date: April 13-24 Fee: \$130/ participant (includes a \$10 non-refundable fee) Description: The first spring session of the American Red Cross Lifeguarding class will begin Monday, April 13, 2009 at 5:00 pm. The program will be held for two weeks, Monday through Thursday. Registration deadline is Saturday, April 11, 2009 or until full. Register: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Contact: 627-4585

Curiosity Club Date: Tuesday, April 14 (4 wks) Time: 10:20 - 0.51 (4 wks) Time: 10:30 am OR 1:30 pm Fee: \$20/student Age: 3-5 years Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 South Dixie Drive Description: Kids will love joining Curiosity Club! Each week will feature new topics such as Easter is Hopping, Springtime is Here, Trees are Terrific, and Community Helpers. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, April 10, 2009 at 5pm. Day-of-registration will be accepted at the Tonaquint Nature Center. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Future Champs Tennis

Date: Tuesday, April 14 and/or Thursday, April 16 (6 weeks) Time: 5:30 pm Fee: Free Location: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts, 1851 S Dixie Drive 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. **Register:** St George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Contact: 627-4560

Junior USA Tennis 1-2-3

Date: Tuesday, April 14 (6 weeks) OR Thursday, April 16 (6 weeks) Time: Tuesdays- 4:30 pm Beginner level; 6:15 pm Intermediate level Thursdays- 4:30 pm Intermediate level; 6:15 pm Beginner level Fee: \$27/youth Location: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts, 1 851 S Dixie Drive Description: Sponsored by the USTA, these sessions will begin the week of Tuesday, April 14 for 6 weeks. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Contact: 627-4560

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur

Date: Wednesday, April 15 Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Tonaquint City Park, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk along the City trails system. Participants are to meet at the first pavilion near the playground. Contact: 627-4560

St. George Art Museum Art Conversation Sculptor Jerry Anderson & Painter Roland Lee

Date: Tuesday, April 16th Time: 7:00 pm Fee: Free Location: St. George Art Musem Description: Come join in our Art Conversation every 3rd Tuesday of the Month with specially selected artists. Contact: 627-4525

Kids' Zone- April Session

Date: Friday, April 17 Time: 10:30-11:30 am Age: 3-5 years Fee: \$10/youth (4 wks) Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. Description: This fun and interactive morning program will keep young children moving through games and activities. Pre-registration deadline is Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 5pm. Day-of-registration will be accepted at the St. George Recreation Center at \$3.00 per day/child. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org **Contact:** 627-4560

Start Smart Baseball Registration

Date: Saturday, April 18 (5 wks) Time: 9:00 am

Fee: \$20/youth (includes t-shirt, certificate and participation award)

Age: 3-5 years

Location: St George Recreation Center (first class) & Worthen Park

Description: Registration is now open for Start Smart Baseball. Start Smart is a great program for parents to spend time with their children and help them prepare for future participation in youth sports. This is a parent/child program for boys and girls ages 3-5 years old. Parents are required to attend and participate in each class. The registration deadline is Thursday, April 9, 2009 Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S.

or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

St. George Beginner, Sprint & Kids' Triathlon

Date: Saturday, April 18 Time: 7:00 am (Sprint), 10:00 am (Beginner),

Noon (Kids)

Fee: \$35 (Sprint/Beginner) and \$15 (Kids) Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center,

1144 N Lava Flow Drive

Description: Beginner: 200 yard swim, 5-mile bike, 1.5 mile run. Sprint: 400 yard swim, 10- mile bike, 5K run. Kids (6-10 yrs): 50 yard swim, 1-mile bike, ½ mile run. Triathlon starts and ends at the SHAC. Pre-register accepted until April 10, 2009. Late registration accepted until Wednesday, April 15 with a \$10 late fee or until full.

Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com or www.active.com Contact: 627-4560

It's All In The Container

Date: Saturday, April 18 Time: 10:00-11:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: From patios to large yards, learn how you can color your green thump and add more space and visual interest using containers. Techniques will be taught on care

for potted plants and minimizing water use. Instruction can be applied to vegetable, perennial or ornamental plants. Class sponsored by the Washington County Water Conservancy District. Contact: Julie B. at 673-3617

Youth Acro-Gymnastics- Session 3

Date: Saturday, April 18 (6 wks) Time: 9:00 am Beginners; 10:00 am Intermediate; 11:00 Advanced Fee: \$36/youth Age: 5+ yrs- Beginners; 7+ yrs- Intermediate; 9+ yrs- Advanced Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This class will help develop flexibility, balance, coordination, muscle strength and tumbling skills. Each one-hour class consists of skill training and choreography time to utilize the skills being taught. Class size is limited so sign-up early. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

GeoCaching 101

Date: Saturday, April 18 Time: 8:30am-Noon Fee: \$20/participant Age: 12 - Adult Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S.

Description: Geocaching 101 will teach participants how to use a GPS receiver and how to successfully participate in the world of geo-caching. You don't have to bring a GPS receiver because one will be provided for the class. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in using a GPS receiver and trying an exciting new hobby. Geocaching is a wonderful activity for families and outdoor enthusiasts. Because of the various difficulty levels in geo-cache hunts, people of all abilities can find suitable challenges. Geocaching attracts a diverse group of people. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 15, 2009. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Youth Basketball Tournament

Date: Saturday, April 18 Time: 8:00 am start time Fee: \$100/team Age: 6th-8th grade Location: Dixie High School Description: Each team (girls and boys teams) participating in the tournament will be guaranteed 2 games. The registration is Wednesday, April 8th by 6pm. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Dixie Classic

Date: Saturday-Sunday, April 18-19 Time: 7:00 pm on Friday Fee: \$350/ team Location: Canyons Complex, 1890 W. 2000 N. Description: Men's C & D Fast Pitch Registration deadline is Friday, April 3, 2009 at 5:00 pm or until full. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

American Red Cross WSI Certification Class

Date: April 20- May 1 (Monday thru Friday) Fee: \$120.00/ person Age: 18 yrs and older Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: American Red Cross professional certification course designed to train students as professional swim instructors. Contact: 627-4585

Seamless Summer Open House

Date: Thursday, April 23 Time: 4:00-7:00 pm Fee: FREE Location: Washington County Library-St. George Branch, 88 W 100 S Description: Do you know what activities your children can get involved in this summer? Join the City of St. George Leisure Services Department and Community Education, along with other non-profit organizations for an Open House. The Open House will provide parents and children the opportunity to check out what fun activities are available for this coming summer. There will be information on sport camps, golf programs, nature camps, dino camps, art related camps and workshops, science camps and more.

Contact: 627-4560 or 652-7675

Red Rock Invitational Girls' Fast **Pitch Tournament**

Date: Friday-Saturday, April 24-25 Fee: \$350.00 per team Location: Canyons Softball Complex, 1890 W 2000 N Description: Girls' 10, 12 and 14 & under teams battle it out for the bragging rights of AFA Red Rock Invitational Championship. Registration deadline is April 3, 2009 or until tournament is full. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Arbor Day Celebrations

Date: Saturday, April 25 Time: 9:00 am- 1:00 pm Fee: FREE Location: Tonaquint Park, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: The Shade Tree Committee and the City of St. George will co-host this Saturday morning celebration. For adults-there will be professionals on hand to answer your landscaping questions, plants for sale and 1-gallon tree giveaways. For the kids- there will be free crafts to design. Everyone is invited to participate in the park beautification project at Tonaguint Park throughout the morning!

Contact: 627-4560 or Parks Dept. 634-5869

Tuff Kids Fun Bike Ride

Sponsored by Cactus Hugger Date: Saturday, April 25 Time: 9:00 am- Noon Fee: FREE Location: Ivins City Park, 55 North Main Description: A new 5-mile loop has been added to the Cactus Hugger Cycling Festival just for kids. Children 6-18 years old are invited to ride a scenic loop course through Southern Utah. Children under 6 are invited to ride through a safety course at the Festival. There will

The event is co-sponsored by the St. George Leisure Services Department. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com or www.cactushugger.org Contact: 627-4560 or www.cactushugger.org

be free bicycle helmets for pre-registered participants.

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Spring 11/10 Learn to Swim Program - Session #4

Date: April 27-May 7 (Monday thru Thursday) Time: 5:00- 5:45 pm and 5:45-6:30 pm Fee: \$30/youth Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, April 25.2009 Contact: 627-4585

Safety Town ON-LINE Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Wednesday, April 29 Time: 10:30am - 6:00 pm Fee: \$36.00/child Description: This award winning program is designed to teach children going into Kindergarten and 1st Grade in FALL 2009 vital safety skills. The remaining openings will be saved for walk-in registrants on May 6, 2009 at the St George Recreation Center beginning at 2:00 pm. Session times available are 8:30 am, 10:30 and 12:30 pm. Safety Town 2009 will be held at East Elementary School. Register: On-line www.activityreg.com **Contact:** 627-4560

May Events

Water Volleyball Drop-In Play

Date: Wednesday Evenings (on-going) Time: 7:00 pm Fee: \$4.00 per person and/or passes apply Description: Interested in learning how to play water volleyball or looking for a new and fun activity? If yes, come to the SHAC on Wednesday evenings starting at 7 pm for drop-in water volleyball night. Contact: 627-4585

Forever Fit

Date: Tuesdays & Thursdays (on-going) Time: 10:30 am Fee: \$2.00 per visit or premium passes apply Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This class is ideal for older adults that are looking to get fit or wanting to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle regardless to his/her fitness ability. This multi-level class is designed to combine cardio and muscle toning

into a fun workout while teaching ways to increase muscle

strength and flexibility in daily functional skills.

Open Pottery Lab

Contact: 627-4560

Date: Wednesdays (on-going) Time: 10:30am-4:30 pm or 6:00-8:30 pm Fee: \$20/visit Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. Description: This open pottery lab offers a relaxed atmosphere for the beginner and more advanced pottery artist. The fee includes 2-hours of instruction, access to hand-building and potters wheels, glazes and firings. Bags of clay are available for sale at the lab. The instructor is Erric Wan-Kier.

Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Jump To It Kids Summer Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-up: Registration is now open Date: Grades 3rd-5th: June 8-11, June 22-25,

July 6-9, July 20-23 Grades 1st-2nd: June 15-18, June 29-July 2, July 13-16, July 27-30

Time: 9:00-Noon Fee: \$30/youth (3rd-5th); \$24/youth (1st/2nd) Age: Grades 3rd-5th: Session 1, 3, 5, & 7 Grades 1st-2rd: Session 2, 4, 6, & 8

Location: Little Valley Park, 2350 East 2995 South Description: Each session for each grade level will feature different activities such as Aqua Relay, Kickball, Germ Bug Tag, Spiders and Flies, Frisbee Golf and much more. When registering, register the grade he/she will attending in FALL 2009. Registration deadline is the Thursday prior to start of each new session. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South or on-line at www.activityreg.com. Contact: 627-4560

Spring Mini-League Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now available for the Spring Mini-League. The league will play May 18-June 25 at the Canyons Complex. The registration deadline is Thursday, May 7th at 6 pm.

Fee: \$140/Co-Ed team; \$235/Men's team Location: Canyons Softball Complex,

1890 W 2000 N

Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

Summer Adult Softball League

Sign-Up: Registration is now available for the Summer Softball league. The league will run July 13th through September 17th, Monday through Thursday evenings. The registration deadline is Thursday, July 2nd at 6 pm.
Fee: \$300/Co-Ed & Women's teams;
\$425/Men's & Senior's team
Location: Canyons Softball Complex, 1890 W 2000 N
Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org
Contact: 627-4560

2nd Annual Midnight Run 5K

Sign-Up: Registration is now open for the Midnight 5K run to be held Friday, June 5th at 11:00 pm
Fee: \$25/runner
Location: TBA.
Description: Be ready to light of the night with an unique fun run. Runners will receive a t-shirt and lots of spectacular give-aways. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, May 29 at 6 pm. Late registration accepted until Wednesday, June 3rd with an additional \$10 late fee.
Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S.

Challenger Sports British Soccer

or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org **Contact:** 627-4560

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 1-5 Fee: Ages 3: \$80/child; Ages 4-5: \$95/child; Ages 6-16: \$125/child, Description: Challenger Sports British Soccer camp will focus on teaching key techniques and technical components of soccer. Ages 3: Session 1: 8:00-9:00 am Ages 4-5: Session 1: 9:30-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-6:30 pm Ages 6-16: Session 1: 8:00-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-8:00 pm Location: Bluff Street Park, 600 N. Bluff Street Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South, on-line at www.activityreg.com, or on-line at www.challengersports.com Contact: 627-4560

Tonaquint Nature Center Day Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open
Fee: Busy Bee: \$30/child; Tweety Bird: \$35/child; Wiggly Worm: \$40/child, Crazy Crawdad: \$50/child.
Description: Each session will feature different activities.
When registering, register the grade he/she will be attending in FALL 2009. Camp begins and ends each day at the Tonaquint Nature Center.
Busy Bees: (4 yrs) 9-Noon, Session I: July 20-22
Tweety Birds: (K-1st) 9-Noon, Session I: July 20-22
Tweety Birds: (K-1st) 9-Noon, Session I: July 20-30
Wiggly Worms: (2nd-3^{ct}) 9-Noon, Session I: July 27-30
Wiggly Worms: (2nd-3^{ct}) 9-Noon, Session I: June 8-12; Session II: June 15-19 (AM & PM)
Crazy Crawdads: (4th-5th) 9am-1pm, Session I: June 22-26; Session II: June 29-July 3
Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive
Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com
Contact: 627-4560

Future Shredders Skateboard Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 15-18 (Monday-Thursday) Time: 9:00-10:30 am Fee: \$25/child Age: 9-14 year old Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, Snow Park Description: This summer camp is designed to teach beginner and intermediate skateboarders basic and intermediate maneuvers along with how to safely use ramps according to his/her ability. Each participant is required to wear a helmet. Registration deadline is June 12, 2009. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Little Grinders Skateboard Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Registration is now open Date: June 22-24 (Monday-Wednesday) Time: 9:00-10:30 am Fee: \$16/child Age: 6-8 year old Description: This new summer camp is designed to teach beginner skateboarders basic and some intermediate maneuvers. Each participant is required to wear a helmet, kneepads and elbow pads. Registration deadline is June 19, 2009. Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, 171 East 1160 South Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

SHAC's Guard Start Summer Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Pre-registration starts May 2nd for both sessions of Guard Start. Time/Date: Session One: June 1-30: 9am-1pm; Session Two: July 1-31: 9am-1pm Fee: \$65/ participant Age: 10-15 year olds Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N. Lava Flow Drive Description: This aquatic based program will teach youth the importance of water safety, along with the duties and responsibilities of being a certified lifeguard. Each participant will gain a solid foundation of knowledge, skills, attitudes to prep them for future lifeguard certification. Register: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N. Lava Flow Drive Contact: 627-4585

Fishing Derby

Date: Saturday, May 2 Time: 8:00 am-2:00 pm Fee: FREE for youth 12 and under Location: TAWA Ponds, 2300 W. Snow Canyon Pkwy. Description: Free fishing experience for youth 12 and under. Special prizes will be given away throughout the day. A fishing lesson will be conducted at the top of the each hour. If you don't have a fishing pole, poles will be available at no cost.

Contact: 627-4560 or Rosenberg & Associates 673-8586

Youth Basketball Tournament

Date: Saturday, May 2 Time: 8:00 am Fee: \$100/team Age: 6th-8th grade Location: Dixie High School Description: Each team (girls and boys) participating in the tournament will be guaranteed 2 games. The registration is Monday, April 20th by 6pm. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Skateboard Competition Solution Date: Saturday, May 2

Time: 10:00 am Fee: \$15/Pre-registered; \$25/Day-of event Location: St. George Skate Park, 171 E. 1160 S. Description: Each competitor will run twice for 45 seconds. The five highest scores will go to the final round. Competition includes drawings for prizes, food and music. Four competition levels are offered: Novice (8 & under), Beginner, Intermediate and Open. Pre-registration deadline is April 30th at 6pm. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Lip Trix Board Shop, 511 East St. George Blvd or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560 or 628-2396

American Red Cross Lifeguarding Class

Date: May 4-15 (Monday- Friday) Fee: \$130/ participant (includes a \$10 non-refundable fee) Description: The first spring session of the American Red Cross Lifeguarding class will begin Monday, May 4, 2009 at 5:00 pm. The program will be held for two weeks, Monday through Thursday. Registration deadline is Saturday, May 2, 2009 or until full. Register: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Contact: 627-4585

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur

Date: Wednesday, May 6 Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Bear Claw A, 1800 West Navajo Drive Description: Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk along the unpaved Bear Claw Trail. Participants will meet at the trail entrance gate. Contact: 627-4560

Safety Town WALK-IN Pre-Registration

Sign-Up: Wednesday, Ma Time: 2:00 pm Fee: \$35/child Description: This award v

Description: This award winning program is designed to teach children going into Kindergarten and 1st Grade in FALL 2009 vital safety skills. Session times available are 8: 30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm. Safety Town 2009 will be held at East Elementary School. Register: On-Line www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Hershey Track Meet Date: Friday-Saturday, May 8-9

Date: Friday-Saturday, May 8-9 Time: Friday evening 5:00 pm; Saturday 8:30 am Fee: FREE Location: Pine View High School, 2850 E 750 N Description: The county wide District Hershey Track meet is open for all youth ages 9-14 years of age. Students qualify through their individual schools. For more information contact the St. George Recreation Center. Contact: 627-4560

Elks Shoot Out

Date: Saturday, May 9th Time: 9:00am Contact: Harry Saltzgaver at 674-2653

Saturday Morning Exploration- Slimy & Scaly Herps Sol

Date: Saturday, May 9 Time: 10:00-11:00 am Fee: FREE Age: Family Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 South Dixie Drive Description: This month we will look at herptiles of all shapes and kinds! Explore the difference between reptiles and amphibians, as we look at lizards and snakes and observe firsthand what makes turtles different from tortoises and frogs different from toads. Contact: 627-4560

A Desert Rose

Date: Saturday, May 16 Time: 10:00-11:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Tonquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: Roses can still be a part of a water-wise landscape. Choosing the right variety, soil preparation and care can make all the difference in your growing success. Space is limited! Class sponsored by the Workington Court Water

Washington County Water Conservancy District. Contact: Julie 673-3617

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur 🤊

Date: Wednesday, May 20 Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Slick Rock Park, 2395 E. Riverside Drive **Description:** Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk. Participants are to meet at the main pavilion. **Contact:** 627-4560

St. George Art Museum Art Conversation

Art Historian Deborah Reeder Date: Tuesday, May 21st Time: 7:00 pm Fee: Free Location: St. George Art Musem Description: Come join in our Art Conversation every 3rd Tuesday of the Month with specially selected artists. Contact: 627-4525

City of St. George Pool Summer Opening Day

Date: Friday, May 22 Time: 1:00-8:00 pm Fee: \$1.50/person for general; \$4.25/person for general & hydrotube Location: City of St. George Pool, 700 East Description: Make a splash this summer! Have fun at the City Pool & Hydrotube. The first 75 patrons will receive a free fountain drink and then from 2:00-3:00 pm entering patrons can be entered to win cool prizes. Contact: 627-4584

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Spring Learn to Swim Program - Session #5

Date: May 25-June 4 (Monday thru Thursday) Time: 5:00- 5:45 pm and 5:45-6:30 pm Fee: \$30/youth Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, May 23, 2009 Contact: 627-4585

Hot Shot Tennis

Date: Tuesday, May 26th and/or Thursday, May 28th (6 weeks)
Time: 10:00 am
Fee: Free
Location: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts, 1851 S Dixie Drive
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.
Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South
Contact: 627-4560

Junior USA Tennis 1-2-3

Date: Tuesday, May 26th (6 weeks) OR Thursday, May 28th (6 weeks) Time: 8:00 am Intermediate; 9:00 am Beginner- Tuesdays 9:00 am Beginner; 9:00 am Intermediate- Thursdays Fee: \$27/youth Location: Tonaquint Park Tennis Courts, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: Sponsored by the USTA, these sessions will begin the week of Tuesday, May 26th for 6 weeks. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Contact: 627-4560

June Events

Forever Fit

Date: Tuesdays & Thursdays (on-going) Time: 10:30 am Fee: \$2.00 per visit or premium passes apply Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South **Description:** This class is ideal for older adults that are looking to get fit or wanting to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle regardless to his/her fitness ability. This multi-level class is designed to combine cardio and muscle toning into a fun workout while teaching ways to increase muscle strength and flexibility in daily functional skills. **Contact:** 627-4560

Open Pottery Lab

Date: Wednesdays (on-going) Time: 10:30am-4:30 pm or 6:00-8:30 pm Fee: \$20/visit Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This open pottery lab offers a relaxed atmosphere for the beginner and more advanced pottery artist. The fee includes 2-hours of instruction, access to hand-building and potters wheels, glazes and firings. Bags of clay are available for sale at the lab. The instructor is Erric Wan-Kier. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

Summer Adult Softball League

Sign-Up: Registration is now available for the Summer Softball league. The league will run July 13th through September 17th, Monday through Thursday evenings. The registration deadline is Thursday, July 2nd at 6 pm. Fee: \$300/Co-Ed & Women's teams; \$425/Men's & Senior's team Location: Canyons Softball Complex, 1890 W 2000 N Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560

Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp

Date: Monday-Friday, June 1-5
Fee: Ages 3: \$80/child; Ages 4-5: \$95/child; Ages 6-16: \$125/child,
Description: Challenger Sports British Soccer camp will focus on teaching key techniques and technical components of soccer.
Ages 3: Session 1: 8:00-9:00 am Ages 4-5: Session 1: 9:30-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-6:30 pm
Ages 6-16: Session 1: 8:00-11:00am; Session 2: 5:00-8:00 pm
Location: Bluff Street Park, 600 N. Bluff Street Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South, on-line at www.activityreg.com, or on-line at www.challengersports.com
Contact: 627-4560

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Summer Learn to Swim Program - Session #1

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 1-11 Time: 9:00 am, 9:45 am, 10:30 am, 11:15 am, 5:00 pm, or 5:45 pm session time options Fee: \$30/youth Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, May 30, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

City St. George City Pool's Summer

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 1-11 Time: 10:00 am, 10:45 am or 11:30 am sessions Fee: \$30/youth

Location: City of St. George City Pool, 250 E 700 S Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, May 30, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

SHAC's Guard Start Summer- June Session

Date: Monday-Friday, June 1-30 Time: 9:00 am-1:00 pm Fee: \$65/ participant Age: 10-15 year olds Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N. Lava Flow Drive Description: This aquatic based program will teach youth the importance of water safety, along with the duties and responsibilities of being a certified lifeguard. Each participant will gain a solid foundation of knowledge, skills, attitudes to prep them for future lifeguard certification. Register: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N. Lava Flow Drive Contact: 627-4585

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur 305

Date: Wednesday, June 3 Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Town Square, 50 South Main Street Description: Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk around the downtown area of St. George. Participants will meet near the splash pad. Contact: 627-4560

2nd Annual Midnight 5K Run

Date: Friday, June 5 Fee: \$25/runner Location: Vernon Worthen Park, 400 E. 300 S. Description: Be ready to light of the night with an unique fun run. Runners will receive a t-shirt and lots of spectacular give-aways. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, May 29 at 6 pm. Late registration accepted until Wednesday, June 3rd with an additional \$10 late fee. **Register:** St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org **Contact:** 627-4560

Youth Acro-Gymnastics- Session 4

Date: Saturday, June 6 (6 wks) Time: 9:00 am Beginners; 10:00 am Intermediate; 11:00 am Advanced Fee: \$36/youth Age: 5+ yrs- Beginners; 7+ yrs- Intermediate; 9+ yrs- Advanced Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: This class will help develop flexibility, balance, coordination, muscle strength and tumbling skills. Each one-hour class consists of skill training and choreography time to utilize the skills being taught. Class size is limited so sign-up early. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Tonaquint Nature Center Day Camp-Wiggly Worm Sessions

Date: Monday-Friday, June 8-12 or June 15-19 Time: Sessions 1 & 2- 9:00 am –Noon; Session 3- 1:00-4:00 pm Fee: \$40/child Age: Grades 2nd-3rd Description: Each session will feature different activities. When registering, register the grade he/she will be attending in FALL 2009. Camp begins and ends each day at the Tonaquint Nature Center. Location: Tonaquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

St. George Golf Club Summer Amateur

Date: Saurday, June 13th Location: St. George Golf Club Contact: Call 627-4404 for more information

Jump To It Kids Summer Camp Pre-Registration

Sign-up: Registration is now open Date: Grades 3rd-5th: June 8-11, June 22-25, July 6-9, July 20-23 Grades 1st-2nd: June 15-18, June 29-July 2, July 13-16, July 27-30 Time: 9:00-Noon

Fee: \$30/youth (3rd-5th); \$24/youth (1st/2nd) Age: Grades 3rd-5th: Session 1, 3, 5, & 7 Grades 1st-2nd: Session 2, 4, 6, & 8 Location: Little Valley Park, 2350 East 2995 South Description: Each session for each grade level will feature different activities such as Aqua Relay, Kickball, Germ Bug Tag, Spiders and Flies, Frisbee Golf and much more. When registering, register the grade he/she will attending in FALL 2009. Registration deadline is the Thursday prior to start of each new session. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South or on-line at www.activityreg.com. Contact: 627-4560

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Summer Learn to Swim Program - Session #2

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 15-25 Time: 9:00 am, 9:45 am, 10:30 am, 11:15 am, 5:00 pm, or 5:45 pm session time options Fee: \$30/youth Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, June 13, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

City St. George City Pool's Summer Learn to Swim Program - Session #2

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 15-25 Time: 10:00 am, 10:45 am or 11:30 am sessions Fee: \$30/youth Location: City of St. George City Pool, 250 E 700 S Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, June 13, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

Future Shedders Skateboard

Camp Pre-Registration Date: Monday-Thursday, June 15-18 Time: 9:00-10:30 am Fee: \$25/youth Age: 9-14 year old Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, Snow Park Description: This summer camp is designed to teach beginner and intermediate skateboarders basic and intermediate maneuvers along with how to safely use ramps according to his/her ability. Each participant is required to wear a helmet. Registration deadline is June 12th or until full. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Be Healthy- Walk with Mayor McArthur Solo

Date: Wednesday, June 17 Time: 8:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Hela Seegmiller Farm, 2450 S 3000 E Description: Lace up your shoes and take advantage of the opportunity to chat with Mayor McArthur while he leads a morning walk. Participants are to meet at the park's entrance. Contact: 627-4560

What's Eating You? A Guide to

Pest & Disease Control Date: Saturday, June 20 Time: 10:00-11:00 am Fee: FREE Location: Tonquint Nature Center, 1851 S Dixie Drive Description: Learn the how-to's on identifying and treating pests and disease problems in the landscape. Space is limited! Class sponsored by the Washington County Water Conservancy District. Contact: Julie 673-3617

Little Grinders Skateboard Camp Pre-Registration

Date: Monday-Wednesday, June 22-24 Time: 9:00-10:30 am Fee: \$16/child Age: 6-8 year old Description: This new summer camp is designed to teach beginner skateboarders basic and some intermediate maneuvers. Each participant is required to wear a helmet, kneepads and elbow pads. Registration deadline is June 19th or until full. Location: SK8George Skateboard Park, 171 E. 1160 S. Register: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Soho Skatelab, 445 N. Bluff Street or on-line at www.activityreg.com Contact: 627-4560

Tonaquint Nature Center Day Camp-Crazy Crawdads Sessions

 Date:
 Monday-Friday, June 22-26 or June 29-July 3

 Time:
 9:00 am- 1:00 pm

 Fee:
 \$50/child

 Age:
 Grades 4th-5th

 Description:
 Each session will feature different activities.

 When registering, register the grade he/she will be attending in FALL 2009. Camp begins and ends each day at the Tonaquint Nature Center.

 Location:
 Tonaquint Nature Center,

 1851 S Dixie Drive
 Register:

 St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.activityreg.com

 Contact:
 627-4560

Sand Hollow Aquatic Center's Summer Learn to Swim Program - Session #3

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 29-July 9 Time: 9:00 am, 9:45 am, 10:30 am, 11:15 am, 5:00 pm, or 5:45 pm session time options Fee: \$30/youth Location: Sand Hollow Aquatic Center, 1144 N Lava Flow Drive Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, June 27, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

City St. George City Pool's Summer Learn to Swim Program - Session #3

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 29-July 9 Time: 10:00 am, 10:45 am or 11:30 am sessions Fee: \$30/youth Location: City of St. George City Pool, 250 E 700 S Description: Swim levels 1 thru 6 will be taught (including Parent-Tot level). Registration deadline is Saturday, June 27, 2009 or until full. Contact: 627-4585

Skimboard Making Class

Date: Monday-Thursday, June 29- July 2 Time: 9:00 AM Fee: \$50/ participant Age:10 years old & up Location: St. George Recreation Center, 400 East 285 South Description: Learn how to make your own skimboard from scratch with detailed guidelines from our very own instructor.Registration deadline is Thurs, June 25th at 6 pm. Register: St George Recreation Center, 400 E. 285 S. or on-line at www.sgcityrec.org Contact: 627-4560



<u>Community Education</u>

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 4:00pm at the City Office Building unless otherwise noticed.

For more information on city services, contact information, and events please visit the city website at www.sgcity.org.

