

# THE SARATOGA VIEW

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## Miss Saratoga Springs Pageant & Little Miss Saratoga Springs Essay Contest

By: Darcey Williams, Assistant Civic Events Coordinator



The Miss Saratoga Springs Scholarship Pageant is open to young women ages 16-21 that live in Saratoga Springs. Information for the 2019 Miss Saratoga Springs Scholarship Pageant is now available online at [www.saratogaspringscity.com/misssaratogasprings](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/misssaratogasprings).

The pageant season kicks off with a meeting for the girls and their parents on Thursday, January 17 at the city offices upstairs in the council chambers. All applications are due that night. The pageant will be held on Saturday, March 2 at 7pm at Vista Heights Middle School.

This year we are introducing the Little Miss Saratoga Springs Essay contest. The contest is open to young girls who are in the 4th through 6th grades. Additional Information is available on the city website.

Participants will need to write an essay that

is no longer than a one page, single sided 8½ x 11 paper on the topic "How can I make Saratoga Springs a better community."

## "Introducing the Little Miss Saratoga Springs Essay contest"

Applications and essays will be accepted at the city offices beginning Monday, February 11th through Friday, February 15, 2019 at 5:00pm. Only the first 25 applications/essays will be accepted.



## Community Calendar

# Happy New Year

**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**Jan 15** Work Session 6pm  
Business Meeting Immediately After Work Session

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**Jan 10** City Council Chambers 6:30pm

**Jan 24** City Council Chambers 6:30pm

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING**

**Jan 8** City Hall Conference Room (Upstairs) 6:30pm

**HOLIDAYS**

**JAN 1** City Offices & Library Closed to Observe New Year's Holiday

**JAN 21** City Offices & Library Closed to Observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Library Activities****Reading Rockets**

Mondays Feb 4 - March 25  
3:30 - 4pm  
Kindergarten  
Registration opens Jan 14

**Literacy Center Winter Session**

Tuesdays Feb 5 - March 26  
4 - 4:30pm  
1st and 2nd Grades  
Registration opens Jan 14

For information about library events and services visit: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/library](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/library)

**SAVE THE DATE****Spring Festival**

April 13, 8-10am  
@Neptune Park

**Saratoga Splash Days**

June 10-15, 2019





## Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winners

**1st Place** - Jason Button  
2406 Nectar Way



**2nd Place** - Bradley Engh  
451 W Bountiful Way



**3rd Place** - Barry Squires  
83 N Archmore Street



## Christmas Tree Disposal

The City of Saratoga Springs will collect live Christmas trees for residents. Please remove all ornaments and lights; then take your tree to the parking lot south of the South Fire Station at 2015 S. Redwood Road.

An area with signs will be available starting Wednesday, December 26, 2018 through Thursday, January 17, 2019. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at (801)766-6506.

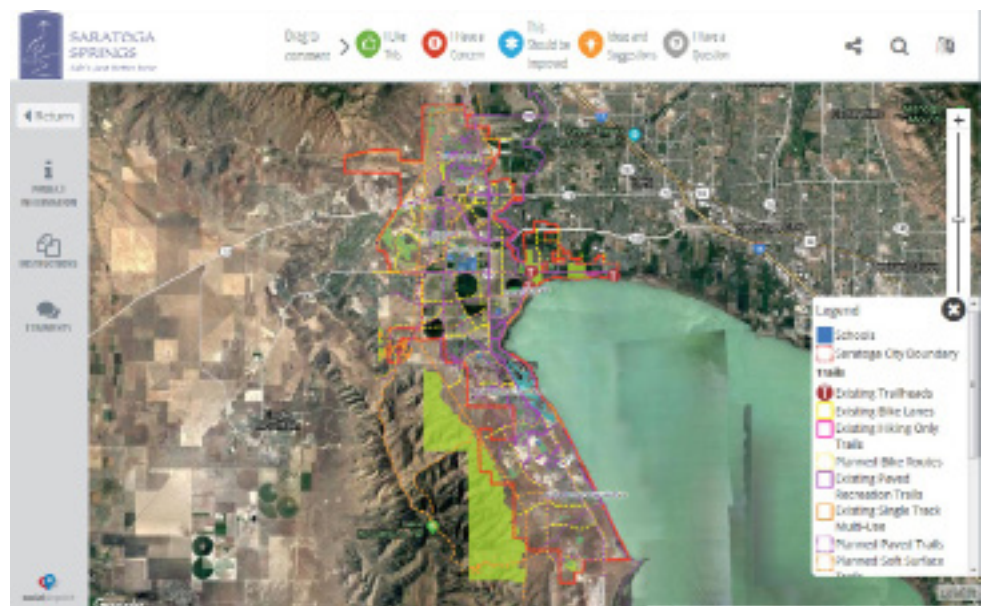


## Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan Update

As one of the fastest growing communities in the region, an up-to-date and comprehensive Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Space Master Plan is an essential tool for ensuring the acquisition, development and maintenance of facilities in Saratoga Springs, and to make sure the city keeps pace with demands and needs.

An online-engagement site is available as an interactive way to provide your comments and feedback. The link to that site is [www.saratogaspringscity.com/parksandtrailsplan](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/parksandtrailsplan) or <https://ldi-ut.com/saratoga-parks>

You can share your comments directly on the interactive map and sign up for emails to stay informed about the progress of the



# SPRING RECREATION PROGRAMS

## Youth Programs



### Youth Volleyball

**Who:** Co-ed Grades  
3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th,  
7th - 9th

**Register:** Dec 3 - Feb 11

**Season:** Starts March 16

**Cost:** \$60  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)



### Girls Fast Pitch Softball

**Who:** Girls  
Grades 3rd - 9th

**Register:** Dec 31 - Feb 25

**Season:** Starts April 23

**Cost:** \$75  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)



### Youth Baseball

**Who:** Boys  
Grades 3rd - 12th

**Register:** Dec 31 - Feb 25

**Season:** Starts late April

**Cost:** 3rd - 8th \$85  
9th- 12th \$95  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)



### Youth Soccer

**Who:** Boys & Girls  
Ages 4 years old to  
9th grade

**Register:** Dec 31 - Feb 19

**Season:** Starts April 13

**Cost:** \$45 & \$10 required  
jersey, if needed.  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)



### Track & Field

**Who:** Boys & Girls  
Ages 7 -14 years

**Register:** Feb 5 - April 2

**Season:** Starts April 16

**Cost:** \$65  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)

## Adult Programs



### Spring Softball

**Who:** Men & Co-ed  
16 and up

**Register:** Feb 4 - April 8

**Season:** Starts April 19

**Cost:** \$350 per team  
(Late registrations  
subject to wait list  
and \$10 late fee)



For more details and registration, please visit:  
[www.saratogaspringscity.com/recreation](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/recreation)



## Plan Ahead & Stay Aware

By: Sgt. Roger Williams, Saratoga Springs Police Department

So far in 2018, there have been 258 deaths on Utah's roads. While this is down from the preceding four years it is still way too high! Even one death is too many. Numbers like 258 seem like just a number that is easy to look at and forget ... unless you really give that number a little thought.

Each one within that 258 was a neighbor, a parent, a child, a friend, a real live human being with life and plans and dreams ahead of them. These 258 real people were needed and loved and will be sorely missed by many this holiday season and for many, many years to come.

Almost all of these 258 people died as a result of a preventable accident. In other words, someone either made a mistake, a misjudgment or they made a conscious decision to ignore the rules of the road, placing their own individual needs or time constraints above their own safety and the safety of those around them.

More than 20 of these 258 precious lives were taken as a result of distracted driving such as texting, eating, putting on makeup and other things which result in dividing a driver's attention and severely impairing their ability to operate a motor vehicle.

In each of these 20 plus distracted driving deaths, the person at fault believed that their actions would not result in their

or someone else's death. They were wrong and there is no way to ever fix it.

As we all know, the "Construction Season" here in Saratoga Springs and the surrounding area is not really a "season" at all. Our area is booming with growth which means we are in a sort of perpetual construction season for at least the next few months.

Roadway construction zones add a whole other layer of driving challenges and dangers for drivers and construction crews. The improvements to our roads have come a long, long way over the last few years and crews are continually making massive improvements as fast as possible.

The tough thing for us (the motoring public) is patience and proper prior planning. If we practice patience and we plan properly, the construction slowdowns will just be a temporary pain which we can easily manage.

The easy thing for drivers to do is simply follow the rules of the road, put down the distractions and pay attention to only one thing--driving--especially in our ever changing construction zones.

Unfortunately the other easy thing is to get complacent in our driving since most of us drive so many miles each week and we manage to do it without incident.

It is also easy to forget that driving a motor vehicle is literally one of the most

dangerous things many of us will ever do.

You probably can't save 258 lives next year, but maybe you can save just one. Please be careful and have a happy new year.



## Preparation for Winter

By: Darl Brown, Storm Water Coordinator

It's that time of year when we start cleaning up the garage to make room for our cars before that first snow storm starts flying.

With that in mind, you may find items such as cleaning detergents, antifreeze, used oils, old gasoline and other fluids or chemicals. If these items have been stored for a while and you're not using them, it may be time to get rid of them properly.

As a reminder, these items should not be dumped down a sink, a toilet, in the curb or

down a storm drain as these all lead directly into our lakes. If you find these items and just aren't quite sure what to do with them please contact anyone within our public works department at (801) 766-6506 and we'll be happy to help with proper disposal.

You may also visit the Utah County Health Department's website at [www.utahcountyonline.org/dept/Health/hhw/](http://www.utahcountyonline.org/dept/Health/hhw/). Please remember, "Only Rain In The Drain" and let's leave it better than we found it.



## Suicide Prevention

By: Caryn Nielsen Communities that Care

Suicide is the leading cause of death for Utah youth ages 10-17. It is the second leading cause of death for ages 25-44 and the fourth-leading cause of death for ages 45-64. Overall, suicide is the eighth-leading cause of death for Utahns.

If you think someone might be considering suicide, ask them. Doing so does not make someone more likely to attempt suicide, but can help save lives.

If you or someone you know is at risk for suicide, take action immediately! Do not leave them alone.

- Call the Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or 911.
- Take the person to the emergency room or seek help from a mental health professional.
- Listen and tell them there is hope. It can be a great relief to someone in crisis when another person is willing to listen and talk with them about their thoughts.

Have a middle or high schooler? Download the SafeUT app to their phone and yours.

Licensed clinicians provide 24/7 crisis intervention to youth through incoming

chats, texts and calls by providing supportive or crisis counseling, suicide prevention, and referral services. Parents and care-givers can utilize this app, as well.

Ask a question. Give hope. Save a life. To schedule a suicide prevention training for you or your organization, contact Caryn Nielsen-Coltrin at 801-888-9147 or [cnielsen@saratogaspringscity.com](mailto:cnielsen@saratogaspringscity.com)



## Office Hours

### CITY HALL

1307 N. Commerce Drive

Monday - Thursday

7am - 6pm

Friday

8am - 5pm

Phone Number:  
801-766-9793

### LIBRARY

Monday - Friday

10am - 8pm

Saturday

10am - 5pm

Phone Number:  
801-766-6513

### PUBLIC WORKS

Monday - Thursday

8am - 6pm

Phone Number:  
801-766-6506

### RECREATION

Monday - Thursday

8am - 5pm

Phone Number:  
801-766-9793 ext. 211

## Employment Opportunities

### FULL-TIME POSITIONS

- Maintenance Worker I, II, III or IV - Water DOQ
- Maintenance I- Water
- Maintenance IV- Streets

### PART-TIME POSITIONS

- Recreation Site Supervisor
- Recreation Sports Official
- Library Clerk

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Veterans Advisory Council
- Library Volunteers
- City Celebrations Committee
- Arts Council

For the latest updates, visit: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/employment](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/employment)