Willard City Corporation – April 2023 Newsletter





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Hours: M-TH 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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NO MATTER HOW LONG WINTER IS, SPRING IS SURE TO FOLLOW. SPRING WILL COME AND SO WILL HAPPINESS.



MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Earlier this month the snowpack in our mountains entered record territory. One difference between this year and high snowpack years, like 2011, is the increased mid-elevation snowpack. The City and Flood Control have been working closely together to prepare for the runoff. It is difficult to anticipate how the snowpack will melt. We are doing our best to prepare the city. As residents you can help. Please take inventory of your homes. Prepare areas like walk-in basements and places that tend to collect water. Check your rain gutters, downspouts, and sump pumps. Double check your 72 hour kits. We hope it all comes off nice and slow. Please help us be prepared if, by chance, it doesn't. ~ Mayor Mote



Customer Service Number 801-392-4915 GARBAGE CANS DO'S AND DON'T'S

DO keep containers at least 3 feet away from each other and 5 feet away from any vehicle or structure.

DO ensure overhead clearance above the container is at Least 14 feet, which includes wires, tree limbs, etc.

DO place your container with the front of the can facing the Street and as far toward the street as is safe.

DO have your container out by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day (which is Tuesday in Willard). Remember you have a 'collection day,' not a collection time

DO ensure that you have not placed items in your container
That are higher than 12 inches above the top of the
container. It is best if the lid can close.

DON'T place your garbage container in the street.

DON'T use your container for anything other than a garbage can.

DON"T ever place hot coals in your container.

DON'T put sod, dirt, rocks, or any extremely heavy items In your container.

DON'T ever put flammable, hazardous, paint, or aerosol cans In your container.

Check out online utility payment options www.xpressbillpay.com



Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 6, 2023
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
April 3 – April 7, 2023
Spring Break – No School
Sunday, April 9, 2023
EASTER Sunday
Thursday, April 13, 2023
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 20, 2023
WATER BILLS DUEs
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 27, 2023

City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

Agendas for the meetings are posted at City Hall, on the City's website www.willardcity.com, and on the State of Utah Public www.utah.gov/pmn.

Important Announcements



April 20th at 10:15 a.m.

www.shakeout.org/utah

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2023 SPRING CLEAN UP Is coming on May 18th, 19th, 20th, and 22nd



Are you ready for A Fire Crackin' 4th of July!

Patriotic Program – Saturday, July 1st, Willard Stake Center at 7:00 p.m.
(If you would like to participate, please contact Marjorie Ross at 435-730-0465)
Firemen's Dinner and Dance – Monday, July 3rd
Regular celebrations – Tuesday, July 4th (more details will follow)
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! Please contact Marjorie Ross, Jody Durfee at 435-230-1006, or Willard City)

DEPARTMENTS

ADMINISTRATION – We are looking for stories about mothers and fathers of Willard for coming newsletters.

POLICE – Spring is when the Police Department starts getting complaints about dogs. Dogs are required to be on a leash when they are not on your property. If you take them for a walk, please clean up after them.

FIRE - Open burn permits will be available from March 30th to May 30th. You must call 435-734-3345 to get a permit. Permits are issued Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Permits for Saturdays must be issued on Friday. No permits will be issued for Sundays. By state law burn barrels are not allowed for the burning of trash.

PUBLIC WORKS – Do not get into your meter box for any reason! Make sure there is clear access to your water meter, and that it is not covered by dirt, debris, or bushes.

Please clear debris from the sides of roads to allow for spring maintenance of streets.

IN A WORLD WHERE YOU CAN SHOP ANYWHERE - SHOP LOCAL!



You can order Easter candy from:

Copper Kettle Chocolates

45 South Main

801-856-1341

Check them out on Facebook





FUN FACTS

- -April is Humor month, so laugh it up!
- -One of the most well-known dates of the month is April Fools' Day on the 1st day of the month. No one is sure where this orginated from, but believe it was inspired by Geoffrey Chaucer's storn in *Canterbury Tales* called *Nun's Priest Tale*.
- -In the Southern Hemisphere, April is the seasonal equivalent of October.
- -Those born in April have a diamond as their birthstone, which represents innocence. Their birth flower is either a Daisy or a Sweet Pea.
- -Famous April birthdays belong to Leonardo da Vinci on April 15, 1452; Queen Elizabeth II on April 21, 1926; and William Shakespeare on April 23, 1584.



- -April is a great month for meteor showers. The Lyrids meteor shower appears from April 16th to April 26th each year. The Eta Aquariids meteor shower can be seen onwards from April 21st.
- -On April 14, 1912, the famous Titanic ship hit an iceberg and sank on her first and only voyage.
- -George Washington was inaugurated as the First President of the United States on April 30, 1789.
- -After a 1,500 year break, the first Olympics of the modern era took place on April 6, 1896 in Athens.
- -For all the car enthusiasts out there, Ford unveiled their first Mustang on April 17 1964 at a cost of \$2,368.
- -The first battle of the Revolutionary War broke out in Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775.
- -The first Webster Dictionary was copyrighted by Noah Webster on April 14, 1828.
- -April 22nd is Earth Day. It began in 1970 and is celebrated annually to demonstrate support for environmental Protection
- -The whole month of April is Autism Awareness Month. April 2nd is Light It Up Blue for Autism Day.
- On Arbor Day individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees. The date for Arbor Day varies depending on the climate and the suitable planting season. This year it will be celebrated on April 28th.



- -The Jewish Passover festival, is celebrated early in April.
- Easter is almost always in April along with other Christian celebrations such as Palm Sunday, Maundy (or Holy) Thursday, and Good Friday.



-Make a pot of Fiddlehead Soup - www.allrecipes.com or www.tasteofhome.com.

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Why Every Household Needs Heirloom Seeds

In times of economic upheaval or global violence, how do we stay afloat? Those practicing self-reliance know that if you can feed yourself, you can save yourself. That's why we put so much emphasis on having emergency food. While it's essential to stockpile nonperishable food, no one knows how long a crisis will last.

If the past few years taught us anything, it's that our supply chains are fragile. We know that we cannot rely on our government to make sure store shelves stay stocked.

If things get really bad, those who survive will be those who know how to grow their own food. Given the predictions of serious economic and global catastrophes in the future, we should all be prepared to do some home gardening. A good place to start – is to stock heirloom seeds in your gardening supplies. Learn how to plant those seeds, and learn how to harvest the seeds year after year.

Heirloom Seeds Compared to Others

It's not enough to stock up on just any seeds. You want heirloom seeds. Heirloom seeds, as their name suggests, have been around for many years and have been passed down through generations (as an heirloom). The passing down through the generations, using open pollination, makes heirloom seeds special and hardy. Over years of cultivation, heirloom seed varieties develop a natural resistance to specific pests and diseases.

Heirloom seeds are not hybrids (crossbred) or GMOs produced and genetically modified in a lab. In comparison to hybrid seeds or GMO seeds, "Heirlooms have superior taste, quality, and hardiness when compared to other seed types." If you are planting the food you plan to eat, plant the best seeds.

Preserving the Past

Take a minute and consider family heirlooms. Maybe it is a family Bible, wedding china, or jewelry. Most family heirlooms have some sort of value – but they may just be sentimental. Now imagine what a difference it would make if you could pass down an heirloom to future generations that could save lives.

This is how heirloom seeds have been treated throughout history.

Why Heirloom Seeds

1. Superior Quality – The number one reason is their superior quality. Countless farmers claim that heirloom seeds produce better-tasting fruits and vegetables. They are time-tested and found to be the most flavorful, beautiful, and hardiest.



- 2. Never Buy Seeds Again Ideally, you want to continuously grow your own food. With heirloom seeds, you can! You can save the seeds from your current plants and plant them next year to grow the same great-tasting fruit and vegetables. This means that, if you master seed saving, you won't ever have to buy new seeds again (unless you just want to try something new).
- 3. If buying seeds for the first time buy 2 years' worth of seeds. Enough to plant this year, enough to store in the freezer for the next year. Store this year's harvested seeds in the freezer and plant the older seeds the next year. Continue a rotation plan always keeping one year's worth of seeds stored in the freezer.

Don't Start Your Garden Plants From Seed?

Many of us buy our plants already growing – ready to put in the dirt. What if these ready-to-plant plants were not available? Would you be able to grow your own, if needed? It would be a huge benefit if every gardener, every family, had a "stash" of seeds, stored in the freezer as part of their emergency food supplies. Seeds will keep for several years if stored this way.

There are numerous YouTube sites with information and instructions on where to purchase and how to plant, harvest and preserve heirloom seeds.

With spring planting time just around the corner - Now is a great time for households to stock up on Heirloom seeds.

