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**Website:** [www.willardcity.com](http://www.willardcity.com)  
Hours: M-TH 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
F 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



### Upcoming Events

**Thursday, May 5**  
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.  
**May 5<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Willard City Spring Clean Up  
**Sunday, May 8**  
MOTHER'S DAY  
**Thursday, May 12**  
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, May 19**  
Planning Commission – 6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, May 26**  
City Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m.  
**Monday, May 30**  
MEMORIAL DAY  
Garbage pickup on Tuesday  
May 31st

Agendas for the meetings are posted at City Hall, on the City's website [www.willardcity.com](http://www.willardcity.com), and on the State of Utah Public Meeting Notice website at [www.utah.gov/pmn](http://www.utah.gov/pmn).

**May you be happy**  
**May you be well**  
**May you be safe**  
**May you find comfort**  
**May you have strength**  
**May you have courage**  
**May you find healing**  
**May you have peace**  
**May you have joy**  
**May you be filled with loving kindness**  
**May you be blessed today and always**



**Moms are like buttons – they hold everything together!**  
**Willard City wishes all women a very Happy Mother's Day**

### MAYOR'S COMMENTS

I would like to invite you to an open house for the City on Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. I will be presenting information on many of the current issues in Willard. Topics will include progress on the General Plan; the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget; water and sewer capacities; and development activities. I will leave plenty of time for questions. Please come and join us.

### WILLARD'S 2022 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

2022 Theme – *Rally 'Round Freedom*

- Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup> – Firemen's Dinner and Dance  
Contact Fire Department for details
- Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Patriotic Program at Willard Stake Center in South Willard  
Contact Marjorie Ross at 435-730-0465 to participate
- Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> - Parade and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration  
Contact Jordan Hulsey at 435-553-5731 for parade info/questions  
Contact Marjorie Ross at 435-730-0465 for vendor booths (\$20.00 fee) or Willard City Offices at 435-734-9881  
In Search Of Breakfast Chairman and Committee to make breakfast happen  
Contact Marjorie Ross at 435-730-0465  
Contact Jody Durfee at 435-230-1006 to help with games at the park  
Detailed schedule to come next month

### Important Announcements

#### **WILLARD CITY ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN UP**

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>  
Dumpsters will be available at the Willard City Shops  
160 East 300 South  
8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday  
No batteries, metal recycling, old tires, or hazardous waste!!



With the weather getting warmer, many dog owners are out and about taking their dogs for walks and visiting Willard's



many parks. It is a good time to remind owners that Willard City has a Leash Ordinance. All dogs need to remain on a leash within the City limits. Dogs that are off leash may act on their instincts to chase people, cars, or other animals. Pet owners should not let their dogs chase wild animals. Not only can it be harmful for the wildlife; it can be dangerous for your pet. Wildlife is often unpredictable and may injure or kill a dog it considers threatening. Dogs that are off leash can also disturb nesting ground birds and can chase, injure, or kill small mammals. Pets allowed to run at large are also at risk from vehicles and predators. If you care about your pets, please keep them secured while you are recreating outdoors.



Originally known as Decoration Day, Memorial Day originated in the years following the Civil War. Americans in various towns and cities began holding springtime tributes to countless fallen soldiers by decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers. In 1971, it became a federal holiday, and now many Americans observe the holiday by visiting cemeteries or memorials, having family gatherings, and participating in parades. \*\* We honor those who have passed by recognizing the

settlers of Willard. The Willard Pioneer Cemetery is located on the east side of Highway 89, just north of the spillway, at 300 North Main. The first burial was in 1854; the last was about 1905. The first to be buried was John Memorial, Jr., a five-day-old baby who died in August of 1854. The ground selected for his burial was one block east of where the settlers had a little group of log homes. The babe was placed in the southwest corner of the newly designated cemetery. \*\* Burials take preparation. John P. Wood, an immigrant from England, was the local coffin maker. He would take measurements of the deceased, and then shape the boards to fit the size of the body; not the rectangular caskets of today. Each casket was custom-made. The clothing for the dead was made by a sewing committee of skillful seamstresses who had patterns and many times worked all night to prepare the clothing. Sewing was done by hand, or on a hand-turned sewing machine by another English immigrant named Hannah Cook. The first headstones were made by John H. Bott, who obtained stones from nearby localities. The headstones were marked by Moroni Folkner, because John Bott had no training or experience in letter marking. \*\* As the cemetery and the desire for families to be buried together grew, a plan for a new cemetery was made in 1869. It is believed that 169 souls were laid to rest in the Pioneer Cemetery. Unfortunately, 40 still elude detection largely due to the Willard Flood of 1923. Flood water carved a large trench out of the cemetery. Markers and remains were carried into fields west of town. Located remains were buried in a common grave in the cemetery because the scattered bones were unidentifiable. The seven remaining markers were replaced as accurately as possible. In 1997, a small group of women consisting of Maurine Widdison, Shirlene Martin, Norma North, Shirleen Farley, Merlene Braegger Jones, and Judith Ipsen dedicated time and effort in having the site honored and rededicated. A five-foot tall, one-half ton stone monument was donated by Wayne Farley. Dennis Bott, a descendant of John H. Bott, surfaced the stone and secured a plaque, containing the cemetery's history, to the stone. (Information taken from booklet prepared by Merlene Braegger Jones)

## DEPARTMENTS

### **ADMINISTRATION** – Due to the continued drought, Willard City is asking residents to conserve water. Please do not



water between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Don't water on consecutive days. Don't water multiple times a day. If the soil is moist, don't water. Don't water for excessive lengths of time. Repair leaking water lines and sprinkler heads. Minimize the amount of water spraying streets, sidewalks, or other hard-surface areas instead of landscape.

**POLICE** – Lock your vehicles. \* Beware of scams. \* DO NOT give out personal information.\* School is almost out. Watch out for children at play. \* We still have fingerprint ID kits available for Willard City residents at no cost.

**FIRE** - Residential burn permits may be issued by Box Elder County Fire from March 30<sup>th</sup> to May 30<sup>th</sup>. Residential burn windows are set by the State, and neither the County Fire Marshal nor the Box Elder County Commission have control over them. You can apply for a residential burn permit application at



<http://www.boxeldercounty.org/box-elder-county-fire.htm>.

**PUBLIC WORKS** – WELCOME TO OUR NEW PUBLIC WORKS TEAM!!! Payden Vine and Dallin Jensen



Water meters are the property of the City. If you are installing a sprinkler system or need your water turned off at the meter for any reason, contact the City Office at 435-734-9881, or Dispatch at 435-734-3800 for after-hour emergencies. This avoids costly damage to the meter itself.

Now is a good time to make sure there is clear access to your water meter. Make sure it is not covered by dirt or debris and trim bushes that block access.



Help protect our water. Do you know putting a hose in a pool and then shutting it off without taking it out of the pool can contaminate drinking water? Planning on putting in a sprinkler system, or doing outside watering? Visit our website [www.willardcity.com](http://www.willardcity.com) for valuable information on how to avoid cross connection and for important backflow prevention information. Check out the Division of Water Resources website for great information on water conservation <https://conservewater.utah.gov>.

Check out online utility payment options

[www.xpressbillpay.com](http://www.xpressbillpay.com)

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## Family Emergency TAKE ACTION Packet One in Every Household

The Great Utah Shake Out has come and gone. I hope that each Willard Area Citizen and Family, no matter where they were at, took the opportunity to practice “DROP, COVER and HOLD ON”. These are the actions needed to help protect yourself in the event of an earthquake. I hope, too, that each family took the opportunity to talk about “What If” this were a real earthquake.....

What happens next? What actions do you take? Are family members injured? How bad? Is it safe to stay in place? Do you need to evacuate? Do you have a 72 Hour Kit? Other supplies?

Does your Family have Disaster/Emergency PLANS????

In September 2006, as part of National Preparedness month, FEMA & Homeland Security introduced several Emergency Preparedness “AIDS” to help Families, Citizens and Communities better prepare for Emergency/Disaster situations. One of these “AIDS” was the Rapid Assessment Kit. The kit consists of an Instruction Sheet and 3 Colored pieces of paper. 1 Red, 1 Yellow and 1 Green. Following a disaster situation, family members rapidly assess their situation. Depending on what the situation is within their household, a corresponding colored piece of paper is posted in a front window or door that is easily visible from the street. As Emergency Response personnel pass through neighborhoods, they can rapidly assess the situation of each home by noting the color of the paper posted. This is a precious time saver for the Responders as they try to identify the most critical situations and injured people.

Additional information and instruction pages were also made available to further aid families striving to be prepared for all types of emergency/disaster situations.

In September of 2008, Willard City CERT introduced the “Family Emergency TAKE ACTION” packet to Willard City and surrounding community area residents. For years the packets were distributed by Block Captains to each household on their Block. The Captain would do a mini training session to inform and instruct on the use of the packet contents. That does not happen anymore.

But we still want every Family/Household to have a Take Action Packet. And we want them to understand and know how to use the contents of the packet. During the month of June, Willard CERT will hold an In Person and a ZOOM “Take Action” packet training Block Party.

Topics covered: 1) Rapid Assessment Kits, 2) Family Communication Planning, 3) Sheltering In Place, 4) Expedient Sheltering/Safe Room, 5) Community Evacuation, 6) Family Home Evacuation Plan, 7) Preparedness Kits, Supplies and Equipment.

Watch for these training Block Party dates and times posted on the Willard City Website, ([willardcity@comcast.net](mailto:willardcity@comcast.net)), Willard City CERT and Willard Resident Facebook pages.

Family Emergency “Take Action” packets are available for pick up at Willard City Hall.

Monday – Thursday 8 AM – 5 PM. Friday 8 AM – Noon Packets will also be available at the In-Person Class.

**NO COST Pick One Up Today!!! For you and your Neighbor NO COST**



**CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADUATES OF THE 2022 SPRING CERT TRAINING CLASS !!!– JORDAN HULSEY, ZACK HULSEY, NOVA DUBOVIK, ALEX DUBOVIK, LINDSAY ROBISON, KARI MOULTRIE, RICK LOOKEBILL, HAYLEA WILSON, RYAN HEIDBRIER, MIKE BRAEGGER, (5 ARE MISSING FROM THE PHOTO) RENEE BEARD AND DIANE LOOKEBILL COMPLETED THE REFRESHER COURSE**

**TWO YOUTH – ADDIE AND AARON WILSON – ATTENDED THE COURSE**