

## We All Live Downstream

By: Darl Brown, Storm Water Coordinator

The cold, wet weather is on its way. This precipitation travels throughout our storm drains and travels to the Jordan River and Utah Lake.

a larger water conveyance system of underground pipes, catch basins, gutters, ditches and canals. These are known as Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, or MS4.

Some people believe that anything that flows into a storm drain is basically "out-of-sight" or "out-of-mind" and doesn't cause any harm. What those people don't realize is that storm drains do not treat the water or polluted water before it reaches our rivers and streams, unlike wastewater treatment plants. Storm drains are not designed to remove pollutants, so pouring something down a storm drain is the same as pouring it directly into a stream or lake. Please, only rain down the drain; we all live downstream, so let's leave it better than the way we found it.



Information and Applications for the Miss Saratoga Springs Pageant and the Junior Miss and Little Miss Saratoga Springs Essay Contests will be available online starting January 1, 2020 at [www.saratogaspringscity.com/misssaratogasprings](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/misssaratogasprings)

If you or someone you know is struggling, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE™**  
**I-800-273-TALK**  
[www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

## Office Hours

**CITY HALL**  
 1307 N. Commerce Drive

Monday - Thursday  
 7am - 6pm

Friday  
 8am - 5pm

Phone Number:  
 801-766-9793

**LIBRARY**  
 Monday - Thursday  
 9am - 8pm

Friday - Saturday  
 10am - 6pm

Phone Number:  
 801-766-6513

**RECREATION**  
 Monday - Thursday  
 8am - 5pm

Phone Number:  
 801-766-9793 ext. 211

## Employment Opportunities

<p><b>FULL-TIME POSITIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering In Training (EIT)</li> <li>• Maintenance I - Water</li> <li>• Maintenance Seasonal (Water, Street, Parks)</li> </ul>	<p><b>PART-TIME POSITIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accounts Payable Clerk</li> <li>• Custodian</li> <li>• Sports Official</li> <li>• School Resource Officer</li> <li>• Firefighter (Paramedic)</li> <li>• Firefighter (AEMT)</li> </ul>	<p><b>VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Library</li> <li>• Arts Council</li> <li>• City Celebrations Committee</li> </ul>
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For the latest updates, visit: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/employment](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/employment)



# THE SARATOGA VIEW

Photo By: Ken Hanvey

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## Celebrate in Saratoga

With all of the fun things to do in Saratoga Springs this month you won't need to leave town to get into the spirit of the season. Saratoga Springs Civic Events has teamed up with the Saratoga Springs Library and Westlake High School to make the month of December special for everyone.

front lobby for a chance to win a family fun gift basket. The Saratoga Springs Youth Council is keeping the fun coming by teaming up with the Westlake High School Student Council for Stuff The Jar Night on December 11. This Holiday Carnival is part of the annual Christmas Jars Charitable Fundraiser that Westlake Students sponsor that goes to help families in need in our community.

From the Holiday Home Decorating Contest that runs all month long, to various opportunities to see Santa, there is sure to be an activity for every member of the family.



We are excited to add a few new events and some fun additions to your holiday favorites this year.

We are pleased to announce the addition of Silent Santa. This event is to provide those with special needs in our community the opportunity to visit with Santa without all of large crowds.

First we will be adding a Scavenger Hunt to our Holiday Home Decorating Contest. Printable copies of the worksheet will be available on the Celebrate in Saratoga page on the city website. Don't forget to drop your completed sheets off at city hall in the dropbox located in the

Registration for this event is available online. For a full list of all of the activities planned for this year check out the advertisement on Page 4. For registration and more detailed information on these events go to: [www.saratogaspringscity.com/celebrateinsaratoga](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/celebrateinsaratoga)



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# Community Calendar



## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 3

Work Session 6pm  
Business Meeting After Work Session

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

December 12

City Council Chamber 6pm

## LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

December 10

City Council Chamber 6:30pm

## HOLIDAYS & CITY HALL CLOSURES

December 25  
January 1

Christmas Day  
New Years Day

## DECEMBER EVENTS CELEBRATE IN SARATOGA

Holiday events all month long

See advertisement on Page 4

## NEW PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING OPEN HOUSE

December 4 6pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS MISS SARATOGA SPRINGS PARENT MEETING

January 16

City Council Chamber 7pm

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



## RECREATION PROGRAMS



### Youth Volleyball

Who: Co-ed Grades 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th, 7th - 9th  
Register: Dec 2 - Feb 10  
Season: Starts March 16  
Cost: \$60  
(Late registrations subject to wait list and \$10 late fee)



### Winter Baseball Camp

Who: 1-9 Grade  
Register: October 30- Day Before Camp  
Season: December 14  
Cost: \$25.00  
(Camp will be held at the Westlake High School Auxillary Gyms)

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

# Employee of the Year



## JESSE BARNEY

Jesse works in our Public Works - Water Division. When Jesse goes out to meet a resident he listens to their concerns and then helps them understand the water system in our city. Jesse goes above and beyond by helping residents find water problems in their homes or sprinkler systems. Residents appreciate his patience and helpfulness. Jesse represents the City so well in these one-on-one interactions. We consistently get phone calls and reports from the residents of the city asking to thank him and praise him for his knowledge, helpfulness, and generosity to the residents that he is called on to go and help in a compassionate manner.

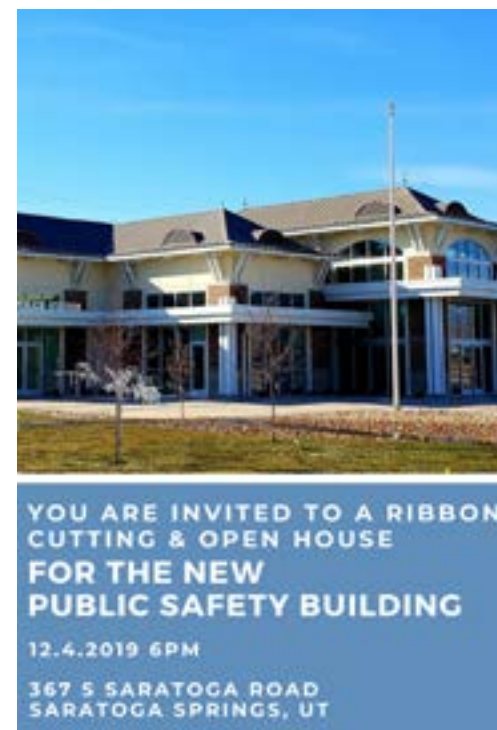
# Excellence in Leadership



## RICK KENNINGTON

Rick is not just the leader of the Parks Department, he has built strong relationships with his employees and with others across multiple levels of the organization. It is inspiring to see him working closely with those he supervises to mentor and cultivate their employees and to foster a culture of respect through cooperative problem solving.

Under his leadership the Parks department has enhanced the quality of life for the residents of Saratoga Springs by providing clean and well maintained parks and open spaces and top quality recreation facilities. His department is a benchmark that we can all be proud of.



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A MONTH LONG CELEBRATION  
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**Celebrate in Saratoga**  
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**Holiday Home Decorating Contest**  
December 1- 31  
Voting information and printable scavenger hunt sheets available at [www.saratogaspringscity.com/holidaydecoratingcontest](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/holidaydecoratingcontest)

**Christmas Tree Lighting**  
December 2, Santa arrives at 5:30pm & Tree Lighting at 6:45pm at Neptune Park

**Community Orchestra Concert**  
December 6, 7pm at Vista Heights Middle School

**Stuff The Jar Night Charitable Carnival**  
December 11, 5:30pm-8:30pm at Westlake High School

**Silent Santa**  
December 14, Santa visit for those with special needs. Registration opens November 15.

**Library Craft Day and Santa Visit**  
December 21, Crafts 2-6pm, Santa 2-4pm at the Saratoga Springs Public Library

*For more information on these events go to [www.saratogaspringscity.com/celebrateinsaratoga](http://www.saratogaspringscity.com/celebrateinsaratoga)*




## Emergency Tip #3: Sheltering In Place

By: Jess Campbell, Fire Chief

Happiest of holiday wishes to one and all! As we continue in our efforts to prepare, this month's message is about sheltering in place. Shelter in place can be utilized for many reasons. If there are weather conditions, a possible hazardous materials spill, or people with bad intentions, sheltering in place can be one of the most effective tools utilized. The view we will discuss this month will be in reference to possible contaminated air.

Whether you are at home, work or elsewhere, there may be situations when it's simply best to stay where you are and avoid any uncertainty outside.

There may be circumstances when staying put and creating a barrier between yourself and potentially contaminated air outside, a process known as "sealing the room," is a matter of survival.

Use common sense and available information to assess the situation and determine if there is immediate danger. If you see large amounts of debris in the air,

or if local authorities say the air is badly contaminated, you may want to take this kind of action.

The process used to seal the room is considered a temporary protective measure to create a barrier between you and potentially contaminated air outside. It is a type of sheltering in place that requires



preplanning.

- Bring your family and pets inside.
- Lock doors, close windows, air vents and fireplace dampers.
- Turn off fans, air conditioning and forced air heating systems.
- Take your emergency supply kit

unless you have reason to believe it has been contaminated.

- Go into an interior room with few windows, if possible.
- Seal all windows, doors and air vents with 2-4 mil. thick plastic sheeting and duct tape. Consider measuring and cutting the sheeting in advance to save time.
- Cut the plastic sheeting several inches wider than the openings and label each sheet.
- Duct tape plastic at corners first and then tape down all edges.
- Be prepared to improvise and use what you have on hand to seal gaps so that you create a barrier between yourself and any contamination.
- Local authorities may not immediately be able to provide information on what is happening and what you should do. However, you should watch TV, listen to the radio or check the Internet often for official news and instructions as they become available.

## The SafeUT Application

By: Caryn Nielsen, Communities That Care

Thanks to the SafeUT smartphone app, help is available 24/7 for young people, their parents, guardians, and others who experience depression, anxiety, loss, grief, bullying/cyberbullying, self-harming behaviors, suicidal thoughts, or drug or alcohol problems.

SafeUT answers crisis calls, texts, and chats—from the young person reaching out or from others. It provides free real-time crisis intervention for people in need.

We encourage parents to help their youth download the SafeUT app and talk to them about the importance of reaching out if they're worried about someone they know. Parents can also download the app.

For more information on the SafeUT app, contact Caryn Nielsen with Communities That Care at 801-888-9147 or [cnielsen@saratogaspringscity.com](mailto:cnielsen@saratogaspringscity.com)

