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SEPTEMBER 2025 WOODLAND HILLS



DON'T MISS THE NEW HOUR-LONG DOCUMENTARY ON OUR CITY TO BE SHOWN AT THIS YEAR'S WOODLAND HILLS DAYS CELEBRATION!

RESIDENT FILMMAKERS GLENN ANDERSON AND DENNIS LISONBEE INTERVIEWED NEARLY 50 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO UNFOLD THE STORY OF OUR EARLIEST BEGINNINGS, HOW WE GREW INTO A CITY, HOW WE SURVIVED THE 2018 WILDFIRE EVACUATION, AND MUCH MORE.

SO COME JOIN US ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING OF HUMOR, DRAMA AND GREAT MEMORIES.

(MOVIE WILL BE SHOWN AT DARK IN THE PARK)

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO OUR WOODLAND HILLS DAYS COMMITTEE CHAIRS

MARK AND TRACY COWLEY, AARON AND ANGIE LOWE

& COUNCIL MEMBER JANET LUNT

AND TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY WHO HELP WITH ALL THE EVENTS!

IT TAKES A VILLAGE!

FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY AND SURROUNDING AREAS, NO FIREWORKS OR OPEN FLAMES ARE ALLOWED WITHIN CITY LIMITS. THIS INCLUDES SPARKLERS, SNAPS, FIRE PITS, AND ANY TYPE OF OPEN BURNING.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US KEEP OUR CITY SAFE THIS FIRE SEASON!

WOODLAND HILLS DAYS CELEBRATING 55 YEARS! FRIDAY & SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH & 13TH



FRIDAY EVENING SEPT. 12 AT THE PARK

- 4-9 PM ART SHOW
(SEE FLYER BELOW)
- 5-8 PM FREE CAR SHOW
- 5-8 PM BOOTHS
- 6-7:30 J-DAWGS DINNER
- FREE FOR RESIDENTS,
\$5 PER MEAL FOR NON-RESIDENTS
- 6-8PM THE REVEL'S BAND
- 8:15 WH CITY HISTORY MOVIE -
GRAND PREMIER!!!!
AND **"BIG"** -
WITH TOM HANKS
(DOUBLE FEATURE)

SATURDAY MORNING SEPT. 13 AT THE PARK

- 8:30 FIREMAN'S BREAKFAST
- 9:30 FLAG CEREMONY
MAYOR'S COMMENTS
SCAVENGER HUNT DRAWING
- 10-1 CHILDREN'S GAMES,
BOUNCE HOUSES, CLIMBING
WALL
- 10-1 HORSE SHOES - BY THE
PAVILLION
- 10:30 PIE EATING CONTEST
- 11:00 BINGO

SCAVENGER HUNT: [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/TGXQE8O4TYMNYXAS7](https://forms.gle/TGXQE8O4TYMNYXAS7)



NEW THIS YEAR
WOODLAND HILLS
SCAVENGER HUNT!

SCAN CODE
OR CLICK ON LINK
FOR MORE INFORMATION!!!
PRIZES FOR WINNERS!!!



SCAN ME

**HISTORY OF WOODLAND
HILLS MOVIE:
OUR STORY
AS TOLD BY YOU,
THE RESIDENTS
OF WOODLAND HILLS!
FREE COPIES WILL BE
AVAILABLE**



TO SIGN UP FOR THE
HORSHOE CONTEST
CALL OR TEXT
SID THOMAS
801-360-4162



FREE
BREAKFAST
COOKED BY
OUR VERY
OWN
FIREFIGHTERS



9th Annual Woodland Hills Days Car Show



PIE EATING CONTEST:
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SIGN UP HERE
FOR THE
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CONTEST
ON SATURDAY



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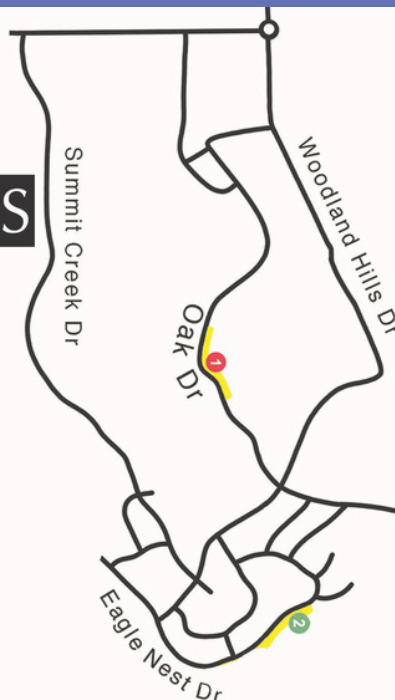
SEPTEMBER 12&13
Friday, 4-9 pm
Saturday, 11am-8 pm

ARTISTS

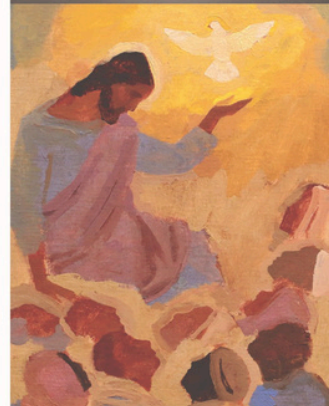
Woodland Hills
OPEN HOUSE STUDIO TOUR

Come see over 100 artworks
in two local art studios, the same
weekend as Woodland Hills Days
festivities. **Note that the city has
asked us to park only on one side
of the street (yellow on the map)
to leave the roads clear for driving
and emergencies.**

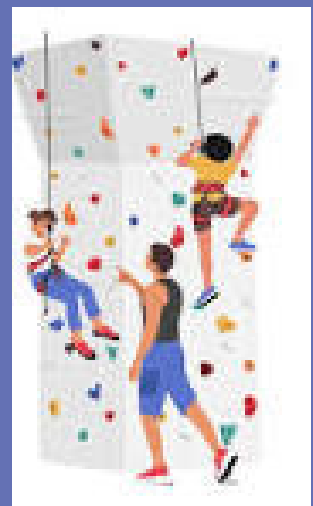
www.woodlandhillsart.com



- 1 Mark Hopkins 690 S Oak Dr
- 2 J. Kirk Richards 1130 Eagle Nest Dr



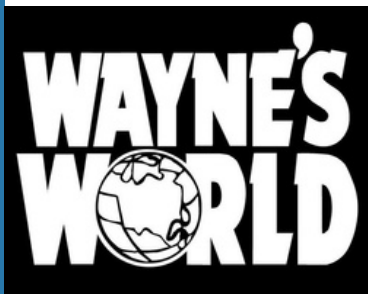
CLIMBING WALL
& GAMES



When roads are constructed in the city they have generally been built with 25 feet of asphalt in a 56 foot right of way with 18 inches of a cement asphalt container on each side of the road. In other words, the 56 foot right of way is property that belongs to the public, i.e. the Woodland Hills City. This means that there are around 14 feet on each side of the asphalt and cement container for the ditch works, any trails, sidewalks, etc. Further, often times utilities are layed in this area, running down or up the street. This 56 foot right of way can meander somewhat as the asphalt has not always been placed exactly in the middle of the 56 foot right of way. A survey is required to see exactly where the right of way is located. It may be closer to the owners personal property than originally planned or thought. Some people are using the space in front of their property to beautify their lots, planting trees or grass, installing planters for shrubbery, placing decorative rocks, building momunents to identify driveway entrances, etc. As a reminder, this right of way distance is city property and does not belong to the adjacent property owners, on each side of the road. While the efforts are laudable to beautify ones property, we need to be reminded that this property belongs to the city and a time may come when utility work along the road needs to be done and these beautification features may need to be removed at the property owners expense if they did not have city permission to build or construct them, all in order to replace or repair the particular utility being worked on or installed. This being the case it is highly likely that one will never be given approval to install these beautification items on city property and you proceed at your own risk. Also to keep in mind, should your beautification efforts in some way cause or contribute to an accident, you could be held liable for the not approved construction, done on the city's property, and in the corresponding right of way. This is not to say that anyone who has done these beautification efforts could be in violation of city ordinances due to the meandering nature of the road and right of ways throughout the city.

As everyone can see, the weeds around the city on vacant lots, roadside, etc. abound. With the rain they are likely to grow a little taller. Please everyone give some attention to weeds and tall grass on your property. The fire which started several weeks ago up around Ogden resulted from a car pulling off the road and igniting some weeds/grass growing along side the road. If we all do our part it will help considerably. Thanks in advance and we appreciate the work that has already been done.

Wayne B. Frandsen, Code Enforcement Officer



DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 12-13
WOODLAND HILLS DAYS
CITY PARK

NOV. 4
GENERAL ELECTION

WH SHERIFF'S BLOTTER



WOODLAND HILLS STATS FOR JULY 2025

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	3
MEDIAL / FIRE CALLS	4
FIREWORK	2
MENTAL SUBJECT	1
MISSING PERSON	1
SUSPICIOUS	1
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	4
TRESPASS	1
VIOLATE ORDER	1
WEAPON OFFENSE	1
TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED	34

HOW CALLS WERE
RECEIVED INTO THE
DISPATCH CENTER:
-911 CALLS 9
-NON-EMERGENCY LINE 8
-DEPUTY GENERATED 17

TED TALKS

TED TALK – THE FIRE AND EMS SERVICE

OCCASIONALLY, I GET ASKED, “DOES OUR SMALL COMMUNITY NEED A FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT?”. WHILE I’LL LEAVE IT UP TO A PERSONAL DECISION, I’D LIKE TO PROVIDE SOME INFORMATION TO HELP IN THE ASSESSMENT.

·OUR FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT WAS OFFICIALLY ESTABLISHED IN 1995 BY A COUPLE OF RESIDENTS WHO WERE CONCERNED ABOUT BEING ABLE TO QUICKLY RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY IN OUR CITY.

·SINCE THEN, IT HAS GROWN TO APPROXIMATELY 24 VOLUNTEER MEMBERS, 14 WHO ARE CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTERS TO THE SAME LEVEL AS CAREER FIREFIGHTERS. OF THE 14 CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTERS, WE HAVE NINE WHO ARE CROSS-CERTIFIED AS EMTS AND AN ADDITIONAL SIX PERSONNEL WHO ARE CERTIFIED EMTS ONLY. THESE CERTIFICATIONS AND RESPONSES TO EMERGENCIES REQUIRE HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF DONATED VOLUNTEER TIME EACH YEAR.

·THE APPARATUSES CONSIST OF STRUCTURE FIRE ENGINES, WILDLAND, FIRE ENGINES, AND A MEDICAL RESCUE/AMBULANCE.

·THE DEPARTMENT RESPONDS TO BETWEEN 80-100 EMERGENCY CALLS ANNUALLY WITH LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT AND MINIMAL RESPONSE TIMES, FROM PAGE OUT TO ON SCENE IN LESS THAN 10 MINUTES, WHEN MINUTES COUNT.

·WE HAVE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH SEVERAL NEIGHBORING AGENCIES, WHICH ALLOW US TO HELP EACH OTHER WITHOUT COSTS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. WITHOUT THIS AGREEMENT, WE COULD BE CHARGED FOR A NEIGHBORING COMMUNITY PROVIDING COVERAGE.

·THE DEPARTMENT RUNS A FULL-TIME WILDLAND CREW DURING WILDFIRE SEASON. THIS CREW RESPONDS TO NATIONAL FIRES UNDER STATE CONTRACTS, WHICH GENERATES REVENUE FOR THE CITY. ADDITIONALLY, THEY WORK ON CITY WILDLAND MITIGATION PROJECTS WHEN THEY ARE NOT RESPONDING TO A NATIONAL EVENT.

·THE FIRE AND EMS BUDGET IS GENERALLY 12-15% OF THE CITY’S OVERALL BUDGET. HOWEVER, THIS BUDGET IS OFFSET BY THE REVENUE GENERATED BY THE WILDLAND CREW. REDUCING THE TOTAL CITY BUDGET TO BETWEEN 5%-10% OF THE OVERALL BUDGET.

·PROBABLY THE MOST OVERLOOKED BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY IS THE CONSIDERATION FOR HOMEOWNER INSURANCE COMPANIES. HOMEOWNERS’ INSURANCE IN WILDLAND INTERFACE COMMUNITIES IS CURRENTLY A HOT TOPIC AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL. A LOT OF HOMEOWNERS ARE BEING DROPPED BY THEIR INSURANCE COMPANIES AND SCRAMBLING TO GET COVERAGE, INCLUDING YOURS TRULY. EACH COMMUNITY RECEIVES AN INSURANCE SERVICES OFFICE (ISO) RATING BASED ON ITS EFFECTIVENESS FOR FIRE PROTECTION. THIS RATING, DETERMINED BY FACTORS LIKE THE LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT’S CAPABILITIES (PERSONNEL, TRAINING, EQUIPMENT, AND THE PROXIMITY OF FIRE STATIONS), THE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM, AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS, HELPS INSURANCE COMPANIES SET PREMIUMS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES.

THERE ARE MANY OTHER TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE BENEFITS TO LIST, AND I WELCOME ANY THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS, SO I ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS, WHEN CONSIDERING THIS OR ANY OTHER CITY SERVICE, TO EVALUATE THE VALUE RATHER THAN JUST THE COSTS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF OUR FIRE/EMS FAMILY, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME.

TED MICKELSEN, P.E.
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/FIRE CHIEF

COUNCIL'S COMMENTS

NAVIGATING DIFFERING VOICES IN LOCAL GOVERNANCE

AS A LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL, I FIND IMMENSE JOY IN SERVING OUR COMMUNITY. EACH INTERACTION, WHETHER AT A TOWN HALL MEETING OR A CASUAL CHAT ON THE STREET, REMINDS ME OF THE VIBRANT TAPESTRY OF OPINIONS THAT MAKE OUR COMMUNITY. FROM RESIDENTS ADVOCATING FOR MORE GREEN SPACES TO THOSE PRIORITIZING INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, THE SPECTRUM OF PERSPECTIVES IS QUITE DIVERSE. UNDERSTANDING THIS VARIETY ISN'T JUST PART OF THE JOB—IT'S WHAT MAKES IT FUN, CHALLENGING, AND AT TIMES STRESSFUL. HOWEVER, IT IS CHALLENGE THAT WILL MAKE OUR COMMUNITY THAT MUCH BETTER TOMORROW.

OVER THE PAST 3.5 YEARS OF SERVING AS A CITY COUNCILMAN, I HAVE OFTEN THOUGHT ABOUT THE TIMELESS WISDOM OF KING SOLOMON. IN THE BIBLICAL STORY, SOLOMON FACED TWO WOMEN CLAIMING MOTHERHOOD OVER THE SAME BABY, A DILEMMA THAT SEEMED IMPOSSIBLE TO RESOLVE WITHOUT HEARTBREAK. HIS CLEVER PROPOSAL TO DIVIDE THE CHILD REVEALED THE TRUE MOTHER'S SELFLESSNESS, ALLOWING JUSTICE TO PREVAIL THROUGH INSIGHT RATHER THAN FORCE. SIMILARLY, IN MUNICIPAL GOVERNANCE, WE ENCOUNTER SITUATIONS WHERE COMPETING INTERESTS—SUCH AS BUDGETS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY VERSUS ROADS—PULL IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS. THROUGH THESE COMPLEX SITUATIONS WE STRIVE FOR DECISIONS THAT HONOR THE GREATEST COMMUNAL GOOD, TURNING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS INTO OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNDERSTANDING AND UNITY. WHAT KEEPS THIS COMPLEX DANCE REWARDING IS THE GENUINE FULFILLMENT THAT COMES FROM PROGRESS, NO MATTER HOW INCREMENTAL. I'VE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND HOW THOUGHTFUL COMPROMISE CAN TRANSFORM A HEATED DEBATE INTO A COLLABORATIVE TRIUMPH, LIKE WHEN WE MEDIATED BETWEEN NEIGHBORS CONCERNING LAND DISAGREEMENTS. IT'S IN THESE MOMENTS THAT THE JOY OF THE ROLE SHINES BRIGHTEST, REMINDING ME THAT WHILE WE CAN'T FULFILL EVERY INDIVIDUAL DEMAND, THE PURSUIT OF FAIRNESS BUILDS A STRONGER, MORE COHESIVE COMMUNITY. ULTIMATELY, SERVING AS YOUR ELECTED OFFICIAL IS A PRIVILEGE THAT FILLS ME WITH OPTIMISM FOR OUR FUTURE. LIKE SOLOMON, MANY OF THE FRUSTRATIONS, DISAGREEMENTS, PASSIONATE OPINIONS, PLACE US IN A SITUATION WHERE WE, THE ELECTED OFFICIALS, ARE PLACED IN A POSITION WHERE WE "NEED TO SPLIT THE BABY". MANY TIMES OUR HANDS ARE TIED BY UTAH STATE LAW OR CITY ORDINANCE, BUT WHEN THEY ARE NOT WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING AS WE COME TO THE BEST OUTCOME POSSIBLE. OVER THE YEARS IT HAS BEEN INSPIRING TO SEE PEOPLE WHO DISAGREE GAIN UNDERSTANDING, COME TOGETHER ON A SOLUTION, AND THEN CONTINUE TO MAKE OUR CITY EVEN BETTER. MAY WE ALL CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO CONTINUE TO MAKE WOODLAND HILLS ONE OF THE GREATEST CITIES TO CALL HOME.

BEN HILLARYD - CITY COUNCIL

EVENTS IN UTAH VALLEY
EXPLORE UTAH VALLEY
CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

[HTTPS://WWW.UTAHVALLEY.COM/EVENTS/?GAD_SOURCE=1](https://www.utahvalley.com/events/?gad_source=1)

Miss the most recent City meeting?
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WH COMMUNITY CALENDAR](#)

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WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

AS WELL AS THE
[NEBO SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR](#)
FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

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