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Logo Design Contest for Fiesta Days 2006

The Fiesta Days committee is extending an invitation to all residents of Spanish Fork City to participate in a Logo Design Contest for the 2006 Fiesta Days Celebration. The theme of the 2006 Fiesta Days is “Every Day Heroes” and the committee is looking to honor and celebrate the many people everywhere that give of their time and talents to serve their neighbors and community. Most of the time, these Heroes prefer to be unrecognized and even without well-deserved recognition they will likely act again. However, this year, the Fiesta Days Committee wants to recognize them all and say thank you.

The Fiesta Days logo will be used in all Fiesta Days communications, placed on all T-Shirts, displayed on the Fiesta Days website, and used in advertising. The winning logo will be picked by the Fiesta Days Committee and will become the property of the Fiesta Days Committee and Spanish Fork City. The winner will receive 2 grandstand tickets to each night of the 2006 Fiesta Days Rodeo, a prize valued at over $100.

All entries must be submitted to the Committee by email to sperrins@spanishfork.org and the deadline for all entries is Saturday, April 15, 2006. Designs must be no more than 3 color and must be submitted in eps / lineart file with an accompanying viewable pdf or jpg file. There is no limit to the number of entries that can be submitted by each entrant.

For additional information, contact Alicia Norris, Fiesta Days Committee Chair at 798-2798 or Seth Perrins 798-5000 x. 27

DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Chris Wadsworth, Mayor Joe Thomas, Matt Barber, Wayne Andersen
Front Row: Seth Sorensen, Steve Leifson

Please complete the form and return it with your utility bill. You can also send comments to the City via the internet at www.spanishfork.org. Thank you for your comments.
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April Is Child Abuse Awareness Month

The Spanish Fork Police Department as well as South Utah County Victim Services take Child Abuse very seriously and strive to ensure the safety and well being of all children in our community.

Shaken Baby Injuries have been in the media and on the local TV news often as of late. It is our mission to keep our city's residents, regardless of their age, safe and in homes where they can thrive and grow to be productive members of society.

According to the National Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome (SBS), this syndrome is the collection of signs and symptoms resulting from the violent shaking of an infant or small child. It is a form of child abuse. In America every year an estimated 1,200 - 1,400 children are shaken for whom treatment is sought. Of these tiny victims, 25 - 30% die as a result of their injuries. The rest will have lifelong complications. It is likely that many more babies suffer from the effects of SBS yet no one knows because SBS victims rarely have any external evidence of trauma.

Even the most kind and loving caregiver can become frustrated by a crying baby. These feelings don't make you a bad parent or caregiver. Feeling frustrated is normal. If you feel yourself getting upset or angry, put the baby in a safe place and take a minute to take care of yourself. Try one of the following:

- Take a break from the sound of the crying
- Call a good friend
- Remember the crying will come to an end

No matter how mad you get, never shake your baby

Swimming Registration

Are you hoping to avoid waiting in the long lines to register for swimming classes? Then try our new online swimming registration program available at reconline.spanishfork.org.

For Spanish Fork City residents, Swimming Lesson registration will begin Wednesday May 3, at 8:00 am, whether you are in line at the Recreation Office or on the computer. Registration for non-city residents will begin Thursday May 4, at 8:00 am.

To help the registration process, the sign up area will also be a wireless internet hot-spot and the City will also provide a few computer stations for individuals to use for registering for group lessons.

The online site will be available for you to test and become familiar with its look and feel after April 7. The site will not allow for any registrations to occur before 8:00 am on May 3rd. Online registration will be easier for you if you have your information already in the recreation system. Update your information with the Recreation Office prior to May 3rd.

You may only register online for group swimming or diving lessons. All Private & Semi-Private Lessons as well as all other recreation activities must be registered for in person at the recreation office, beginning May 3 at 8:00 am.

Ambulance Open House

The Ambulance Department will be holding their annual open house on May 6 at the station on Main Street. Cholesterol checks will be offered from 7am - 2pm, with general open house activities beginning at 10 am. Blood pressure checks, and blood glucose readings are also offered. Activities for the whole family, including a hot dog lunch. Come and support your local Ambulance Department.

American Heritage School—Easter Performance

At 7 p.m. on April 14th, you are invited to a rare experience that will delight your ears and renew your spirits. Appropriately performed on Easter weekend, "Within a Garden" is a profound musical experience that reverently depicts the Creation, Fall and Atonement of the Savior. Most inspiring is that this special program will be performed by the pure in heart—elementary school students.

"Within a Garden" will be held at American Heritage School, located at 185 E. 400 North in Spanish Fork. Susan Morris, director of this LDS-based private school, says, "Since only private schools are permitted to discuss God and religion, we feel it is our duty and privilege to provide this unique and special evening. It is our way of giving back to a great community that supports our efforts." Families, including small children, are invited to this wonderful event. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served. (American Heritage is a non-profit, tax-exempt school for grades K-8, with an on-site preschool. Call 798-3444.)

Community Theater Auditions

Spanish Fork Community Theater invites all interested thespians to audition for 2006’s exciting Fiesta Days production of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast," sponsored by Spanish Fork City.

Auditions will be held on April 27th and 28th in the Little Theater at Spanish Fork High School beginning at 6:00 p.m. Those invited to call-backs will come on April 29th at 9:00 a.m., also at Spanish Fork High School.

Come prepared to sing 16 bars of Broadway music, no church songs, please. Also, be prepared to dance. For questions, e-mail Tia Trimble at tia.trimble@nebo.edu. Good luck, and we'll see you there!