DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Steve Leifson, Mayor Wayne Andersen, Richard Davis, Keir Scoubes; Front Row: Brandon Gordon, Rod Dart.

Name: __________________________ Phone #: __________________________

Email: __________________________ Address: __________________________

Please complete the form and return it with your utility bill. You can also send comments to the City from the City’s website. Thank you for your comments.

PAPERLESS BILLING OPTION...WITH A GIFT!

Sign Up for Paperless Billing with Spanish Fork City between March 1 and March 31, 2012 and receive a $5 Credit towards your Utility Bill!

How do I Sign Up for Paperless Billing?
Follow these 5 simple steps:
1. Go to www.xpressbillpay.com
2. Login or Create an Account
3. Click ‘Paperless Billing’
4. Click the box next to your account
5. Click Update

You’re now set up to receive your Utility Bill and City Newsletter by email and you will no longer receive these in the mail. The maximum credit per utility account is $5 and customers must remain on paperless billing for at least 6 months or the $5 will be added back to Customer’s Utility Account. The credit will appear on the April or May Bill.

IS YOUR ADDRESS VISIBLE FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS?

When an emergency happens in your life, a critical piece of information is the answer to the question you may be asked by an emergency dispatcher, “What is your location?”

The next question to ask is, “Can an emergency responder find the address on your home?” Take a few minutes, once during the daylight hours and another in the evening hours and drive around the block and pass your home to see if you can readily see your home’s address. If you cannot quickly find or see your numbers, you should take immediate steps to fix the situation. If your address numbers are not visible to you, they won’t be visible to others in an emergency.

Here are a few thoughts to consider as you review your address visibility:
• Streets may be dark or shadows may be cast from a street light or a porch light.
• The wrong style of numbers may blend into the house color rather than standing out against the wall.
• Shrubs or other vegetation may grow and obscure the line of sight.
• Numbers painted on the curb are easily rubbed off and are not visible at night.

Take a few minutes to assess your home’s address numbers and improve the condition, location, color, or lighting if necessary. Doing these simple things may save precious minutes when emergency responders are trying to find your home and every minute counts.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March 5 & 6— Recycling Pick-up
March 6— City Council Meeting 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17.
March 7 — Planning Commission Mtg, 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17.
March 15-17— My Fair Lady Auditions
March 19 & 20 Recycling Pick-up.
March 20— City Council Meeting 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17
March 24— Miss Spanish Fork Pageant
April 7— Easter Egg Hunt. 9 am, sharp. Hosted by the Chamber of Commerce

Full calendar at www.spanishfork.org
**TREE TRIMMING & REMOVAL AT CEMETERY**

Over 100 trees were damaged during a massive snow storm in December, 2010—some much worse than others. The trees that sustained the worst damage required immediate attention and crews had to remove 6 trees last spring.

Crews continued to observe the other badly damaged trees checking for signs of increased vitality or stress. It was discovered that the broken branches were beginning to die and turn brown, posing a safety hazard of falling tree limbs. When trees lose one-third of their branches they go into decline and ultimately can not survive. In addition, the aesthetic value of a tree is greatly diminished when it is scalped to this degree.

After extensive pruning the crews identified at least 30 other trees that required complete removal. In November 2011, crews began to prune out the dead branches from the damaged trees hoping to save them. In most cases the branches were not salvageable and crews had to remove these trees. Because other damaged trees were in similar condition, it was evident that the tree would have to be removed.

Many of these trees will be replaced, some in the same spot and others in an alternate location due to future burial locations. The Cemetery entrance “Sentinel Trees” will be the first trees to go back in. Plans are now being made to do this as part of Arbor Day, 2012.

**STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DRILL—UTAH SHAKE OUT**

Utah will be conducting a simulated statewide earthquake on April 17 at 10:15 am. Residents should be contacted by block captains who will be delivering colored cards to place in a window or door indicating personal needs. RED means immediate help needed, YELLOW means help needed but can wait, and GREEN means no help needed. Residents can follow event updates on the web: Twitter: @UtahShakeOut Facebook.com/UtahShakeOut YouTube: Utah Preparedness

**MY FAIR LADY AUDITIONS**

SF Community Theater is holding auditions for My Fair Lady on March 15 and 16 from 6pm – 9pm or March 17 from 10am – 1pm. Auditions will be held at Diamond Fork Jr. High School (50 N. 900 E.)

Come prepared to sing at least 16 measures of Broadway style music. Alternately, you may prepare a short monologue instead of singing.

Callbacks will be held Saturday, March 24 at Diamond Fork Jr. High. For more information or to download audition forms, go to: www.sfctonline.org

**TWO SPRING STAPLES: URBAN FISHING AND SUMMER OFFICIATING**

**URBAN FISHING INSTRUCTORS NEEDED**

The course will be held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, March 27 thru May 10, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. No sessions will be held April 10 or 11. Parks and Recreation is currently looking for instructors to help teach either Tuesday, Wednesday, or both evenings for the 6 week course. More information available at: snurl.com/2208lw6

**SPRING & SUMMER UMPIRES NEEDED**

Spanish Fork Parks & Recreation is looking for Umpires for the 2012 Youth Baseball/Softball season. Umpires must presently be in at least 9th grade. There will be two mandatory training meetings: Monday April 2 and April 16. Contact the Parks & Recreation office if interested at 801.804.4600. More information available at: snurl.com/umpire

**YOU THEATRE AUDITIONS**

The Spanish Fork Youtheatre is in final rehearsals for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Over 100 area youth, directed by Karma Christensen, will be performing this fast-paced musical. Performance dates are set for: Thursday March 29 at 7 pm Friday March 30 at 7 pm Saturday March 31 at 2 pm.

All performances will be at Maple Mountain High School. Admission is $3.00 per person.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

March 15 is kindergarten registration for all incoming kindergarten students that will be 5 by September 1. Register at your area school from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. Contact your school local with questions.

**MARCH RECREATION CALENDAR**

1 Baseball/Softball early registration ends for grades 3-8.
5 Spring Volleyball Class early registration ends.
8 Baseball/Softball registration ends for Grades 3-8.
12 Spring Volleyball Class registration ends.
15 Urban Fishing early registration ends for kids age 6-13
23 Pizza Factory Invitational Baseball Tournament registration ends.
29 T-Ball, Machine-Pitch & Coach-Pitch (Boys & Girls, K-2nd) early registration ends.

See www.spanishfork.org/dept/parkrec/sports/programs.php for a complete listing of activities.

Offices located at 775 N Main Street. Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Phone: 801-804-4600.