



GOOD THINGS ALL AROUND



SNOW PLOWING THE CITY STREETS

It is the City's desire is to provide an adequate transportation system for vehicles properly equipped for winter driving conditions. Optimal driving conditions will be provided only as soon as practicable after a storm. Because certain streets have a higher traffic counts, they have a higher priority for snow removal. Spanish Fork City has established the following criteria for snow removal:



Priority 1: Primary streets such as arterials and major collectors, determined to be the minimum network needed to provide the basic transportation system for public safety, schools, high volume streets, steep grades, etc. These streets will be plowed 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

Priority 2: Secondary and residential routes and selected minor collector, bus routes and residential streets, will be maintained as weather permits. Only traffic lanes will be cleared

See More on Snow Plows on back...

20 YEARS OF THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

The Festival of Lights has been a holiday tradition in the community for the past 20 years and the cost at the gate has been \$5 since the beginning. However, increased maintenance and upcoming replacements to structures have required a price increase this year to \$7. If you want to save \$1 on your entrance fee, pre-purchase your tickets at the Parks & Recreation or City offices for only \$6.



Another change to the event is intended to ease congestion and decrease the wait in line on the busiest nights. On following nights, cars will NOT be permitted to make the turn and "go around again":

Sat. Dec 1	Sat. Dec 15	Fri. Dec 1
Fri. Dec 7	Mon. Dec 17	Sat. Dec 22
Sat. Dec 8	Tues. Dec 18	Sun. Dec 23
Mon. Dec 10	Wed. Dec 19	Mon. Dec 24
Fri. Dec 14	Thur. Dec 20	

You are welcome to "go around again" on any other night. More information about these changes are available on the City website.



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.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Festival of Lights runs nightly through January 1, 2013.

Dec 4: City Council Meeting—**CANCELLED**

Dec 5: Planning Commission Mtg, 6 pm. Live on Ch.17

Dec 10 & 11: Recycling Pick-up

Dec 18: City Council Meeting 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17

Dec 24 & 25: City offices closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Holidays

Dec 24: Garbage & recycle pickup (normal day)

Dec: 26: Garbage & recycle pickup (Christmas day Tuesday delayed by one day)

Full calendar at spanishfork.org

...MORE ON SNOW PLOWING (continued from the front)

for this group. Areas in this priority that are prone to wind and drifting snow will receive priority. Service will be provided during regular working hours.

Priority 3: All remaining city streets, including cul-de-sacs. Only traffic lanes will be cleared for this group. Cul-de-sacs will receive one pass in and one pass out, provided there are no cars parked in roadway. Service

will be provided during regular working hours.

It is NOT the City's policy to maintain bare pavement nor to provide snow and ice removal on every city street during or after every snow storm. After roadways become packed or icy, snow plows are no longer an option to totally clear the snow, except to remove loose snow or ice on top.

DECEMBER LIBRARY NEWS

The library encourages you to check out books and movies to help entertain the family this holiday season. The library also has a number of great books to inspire you with fun

holiday gifts, crafts, and recipe ideas.

Story times will not be held from December 17 thru January 1.

AN EXPLANATION OF A SPACE HEATERS IMPACT ON YOUR ELECTRIC BILL

With the arrival of winter and colder temperatures, residents may consider using portable electric heaters for comfort and convenience. This article reviews the electrical cost of operating these appliances.



There are typically three types of portable electric heaters; convection, radiant and conduction. Each is defined by the method used to transfer heat. Convection heaters typically use a fan to move the air that is heated into the living space.

Radiant types use reflectors to move heat directly to the object to be heated without necessarily heating the air. Conduction heaters are like heating pads.

Convection heaters are usually rated at 1500 watts on high with optional lower settings. Radiant heaters are typically designed between 400 and 1000 watts. Conduction heaters mostly operate at less than 100 watts.

To calculate the power consumed by any device, determine the watts rating (found on

the nameplate of the device). Divide the watts by 1000 to get kilowatts. Use this number times the number of hours the device is operated to get kilowatt-hours. This is the usage number on which your electric bill is calculated.

The average cost per kilowatt-hour is between \$0.09 and \$0.105 per kilowatt-hour for residential customers.

Here is an illustrative example: A residential customer is using a convection heater of 1500 watts to heat a small unheated basement room. The heater runs about 10 hours a day. What is the cost to heat that room for a month?

Heater rating=1500 watts
 1500 watts ÷ 1000 = 1.5 kilowatts
 1.5 kilowatts x 10 hours = 15 kilowatt hours
 15 kilowatt-hours x \$.09 = \$1.35
 15 kilowatt-hours x \$.105 = \$1.58
 \$1.35 x 30 days = \$40.50
 \$1.58 x 30 days = \$47.40

Please carefully consider the impact the use of electric heating devices will have on your electric bill.

FRONTRUNNER SOUTH OPENS DECEMBER 10

For more details, including a summary of the upcoming service changes, please go to www.letsrideuta.com.

Beginning December 10, 2012, UTA bus routes #805 and #821 will begin servicing Spanish Fork City residents with a



connection to the Provo FrontRunner station. Bus route #822 will also be available traveling from Spanish Fork directly to BYU and UVU (with no stops in between BYU and UVU.)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH CHRISTMAS DINNER

Tabitha's Way, a local Spanish Fork charity, is hosting its 2nd Annual Christmas Dinner December 21, at the Veterans Memorial Building (400 N Main). To volunteer time at this dinner, please sign up at www.donations2feed.org/events

Dinner will be served from 4pm -7pm. Dinner is free & open to the public for families in need, senior citizens & veterans.



SENIOR HELP WANTED

The Utah County Senior Companion Program is looking for seniors (55+) who would like to serve other seniors in their community. Volunteers will receive a small stipend, reimbursement for mileage, a free physical annually and paid training once a month. Volunteers must be income eligible, be willing to serve 15+ hours per week and have the desire to help others. Call the Senior Companion Program at 801-851-7767 for an application or questions or go online at www.utahcountyhealth.org/seniorcompanion

RECREATION CALENDAR

Register for youth programs online at reconline.spanishfork.org.

Festival of Lights – 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. through January 1, 2013 @ Canyon View Park.

Dec 1: Winter Jr. Co-ed Tennis Program begins.

Dec 1: Nebo Jr. Wrestling Tournament – Grades K-9 – SFHS Gym.

Jan 2: Begin accepting Water Park & Park Pavilion Reservations for 2013

Spanish Fork Parks & Recreation is located at 775 North Main Street.

Office Hours:
 Monday through Friday
 8 am to 5 pm
 Phone: 801.804.4600

