COMMUNITY CALENDAR

May 31: Champions Challenge Rodeo. 8 pm. Fairgrounds.

June 3: City Council Meeting, 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17

June 9-10: Recycling Pick-up

June 17: City Council Meeting, 6 pm. Live on Ch. 17

June 23-24: Recycling Pick-up

RECREATION CALENDAR

June 3: SF Recreation Swim Team Tryouts, 7:30 am at SF Water Park

June 4: Hershey Track qualifying Meet – 9:00 am at the SFHS Track.

June 6: Summer Swim Team early registration ends

June 7: 36th Annual Huck Finn Day, 9:00 am at Canyon View Park

Register for youth sports at reconline.spanishfork.org

LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Reading sign-up will continue through June 30. The library has a reading program for everyone!

Reading programs are a wonderful way to keep minds, of all ages, active and entertained for the summer! The library also has many exciting and fun story time activities offered during the months of June and July.

Check the library website or call 801.804.4480 for details.

OPT-OUT RECYCLING Brings LOWER PRICE TO PARTICIPANTS

The new recycling program's roll-out is just a few months away. At that time, the City will be providing every household and business that does not already participate in curbside recycling with a blue can. This blue recycling can will be free for the first month to those who automatically receive one. Those who do not want or need the can are able to opt-out within the first two months.

This change will make recycling cheaper and easier for residents. Starting July 1, the monthly cost for a blue recycle can will drop from $7.44 to just $3.61 for everyone.

If you'd like, you can get your blue can before everyone else does by taking advantage of the early bird launch. The City will have blue cans available for early bird delivery as of July 1. To have your blue can delivered early, call 801.804.4501.

By recycling more, the overall cost for garbage disposal decreases. More information on the program’s roll-out will be available in upcoming newsletters and on the City’s website.

BE PREPARED & PROTECT ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FROM POWER OUTAGES

Power outages are caused by a number of natural or man-made events. A major windstorm may blow down power lines or blow trees, branches, or other debris into power lines. A lightning storm may strike a power pole or transformer. Other causes may include a system overload due to high temperatures and air conditioner use or an automobile that hits a power pole. Electric systems are also very interconnected, so a major outage on a Rocky Mountain Power system may affect power delivery on the Spanish Fork system.

Whatever the cause, power outages are an inconvenience and can even cause damage to personal equipment. Customers may be without power for a few hours or several days. Outages require power users to be prepared and to have an outage kit which will help minimize the impact of the outage to you and your family. Outage kits should include items such as: battery-operated flashlights; alarm clocks and radios; water; non-perishable foods; and manual can openers. During a power outage, you should also turn off or unplug electrical appliances.

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any major appliances or sensitive electrical equipment. This will prevent overloads when power is restored and it may also protect your appliances or equipment from any resulting power surges.

Spanish Fork Power does everything possible to provide the most reliable power to your home and business. Power customers are responsible to do the same. We have included several tips to protect your personal equipment when the electrical system experiences a power outage or surge.

Surge Protectors
To properly protect your electronic devices from surges, purchase a relatively inexpensive surge protector, which is not the same as a power strip. Spanish Fork City Power recommends you have a minimum 600 joule up to 1200 joule surge protector for all your sensitive electrical equipment such as televisions, stereos, computers, etc. When you consider purchasing a surge protector, be sure it is not just a power strip. A power strip will only give you additional plugs and will not provide surge protection.

Uninterruptible Power Supply
An Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) is a step-up from the surge protector and is also a battery backup. A UPS can actually be used to run your computer or electrical equipment while the power is out. A battery backup can keep your computer or other equipment running from 5 minutes to a couple of hours during an outage. With a UPS in place, you have time to safely turn off your equipment or continue to work during an outage. If you operate a business, a UPS system may enable you to continue operating some functions of your business until power is restored.

Spanish Fork Power encourages you to take the necessary steps to protect your own equipment from being damaged during a power outage or surge.

SOME PERMITS REQUIRED BY CODE, BUT THEY’RE FREE!

Did you know that you are required to get a Building Permit when you are replacing a water heater or a furnace? Keep reading though, the permit is free!

The International Residential Building Code requires a permit to be obtained so the new appliances may be inspected for safety issues. If these appliances are installed incorrectly, persons inside the structure may become sick or even die.

The permit application process is simple and is done online. Go to www.spanishfork.org and click on the citizenServe link to complete the application. Spanish Fork City does not charge a fee for a building permit for water heater or furnace replacements. Contact Tammy in the Building Inspection Division at 801.804.4540 for additional information.

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MEMORIAL DAY DECORATIONS AT THE CEMETERY

Decorating for Memorial Day at the cemetery has already begun and the cemetery is so beautiful with all the flowers.

In order for regular maintenance to resume, you are asked to remove the decorations no later than Sunday, June 1. All decorations displayed on the grass—or that spill out onto the grass—will be discarded on Monday, June 2, by the Cemetery Staff.

Spanish Fork City is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Cemetery or city staff do not patrol the grounds for the express purpose of apprehending thieves.

Please do not place anything of extreme value at gravesites.