

2008 Voter Information

It's time once again to get out and VOTE! Election Day is **Tuesday, November 4, 2008**. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. To check your registration, obtain your polling place location, view a sample ballot, or for information regarding early voting, go to the Lt. Governor's website: <http://elections.utah.gov/>

For questions regarding the 2008 Elections please contact the Utah County Clerks Office: (801) 851-8128; or visit their offices at 100 E. Center Street, Room 3600, in Provo.

Community Theater Information

Mark your calendars now for "Singin' in the Rain" brought to you by Spanish Fork Community Theater! Show dates will be **July 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 2009**.

Auditions will be held on **March 27 & 28**. The Community Theater is looking for Set Designers, Music directors and Backstage Tech help. Please contact aqcannon@gmail.com if you are interested.

City Calendar

November 4—6:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) City Council Meeting

November 5—7:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) Planning Commission Meeting

November 18—6:00 pm (live on Ch. 17) City Council Meeting

November 27 & 28—City offices closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

November 27—Festival of Lights Begins at Canyon View Park

November 28—Light Parade on Main Street beginning at dusk

Complete City calendar at www.spanishfork.org. Add community events at same site.



November 2008

Pressurized Irrigation off for the Winter

The pressurized irrigation system has been shut down this past month to prepare for the winter. Now that your outdoor sprinklers don't work, you need to make sure that your sprinkler system is turned off and drained and that your PI valve is also turned off.

To turn off your valve, first find the green, rectangle irrigation box, which is usually located close to the street. Carefully open the lid, checking for spiders, then locate the handle. It will be in line with the irrigation pipe. When you find the handle, turn it clockwise 90 degrees, to sit perpendicular with the pipe. This will ensure that your system is turned off, awaiting next spring when the system is restarted. If you have any questions, call the Water Division office at 804-4450

Thanksgiving Traditions in Spanish Fork



The Thanksgiving Holiday is full of fun, family traditions like hot rolls, yams, pumpkin pie, turkey bowls, and left-overs. Add the City's Festival of Lights and the Chamber's Light Parade, and you must be living in Spanish Fork.

If you haven't been to the light parade, come down to Main Street on **Friday, November 28**, at dusk. Dress warm for the evening and then be ready to be dazzled by the beautiful floats, decked in holiday lights. Your kids will also be pleased by the surprise at the end of

the parade! This event is sponsored by the Spanish Fork Chamber of Commerce, be sure to visit our local businesses this Holiday Season.

Starting **Thanksgiving Evening**, pile your family and friends into the car and drive around the Canyon View Park that has been transformed into the Festival of Lights. The Festival is in its 16th year and remains the most affordable lights event at \$5.00 a car. This is also a wonderful event for large groups and activities, separate rates apply.

DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL



From Left to Right, Back Row: Jens Nielsen, Steve Leifson, Wayne Andersen, Rod Dart. Front Row: Mayor Joe Thomas, Richard Davis

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone #: _____

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.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Tests Show Coliform Bacteria in the Spanish Fork City Water

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took 37 samples for coliform bacteria during the month of August. Two of those samples, or 5.4%, showed the presence of coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than 1 sample per month or 5% of our samples may do so.

What should I do?

- You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at: 1 (800) 426-4791.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*

Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing.** If we had, we would have notified you immediately.

What happened? What is being done?

The sites where the samples that were positive for coliform bacteria were taken were re-tested as well as sites around the area with the positive sample. None of these tests were positive for coliform bacteria and none of the samples taken since August have been positive. This was an isolated incident that was likely caused by human error and it has been resolved.

For more information, please contact Richard Nielson at 798-5082 or 40 South Main, Spanish Fork, Utah, 84660.

This notice is being sent to you by the Spanish Fork City Water System
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Important Recreation Notes and Deadlines

Remember that the Parks & Recreation Office **has moved to 775 S. Main**, (the old Police Station) and their new phone number is **804-4600**. Please be sure to remember the following deadlines:

- **November 3** - Youth Basketball Early Registration Deadline (Boys, grades 3-8 & Girls, grades 3-9)
- **November 6** - Little Hoopsters Basketball Begins
- **November 8 & 15** - Youth Basketball Camp
- **November 18** - High School Recreation Basketball Early Registration Deadline (Grades 9-12)
- **November 21** - Thanksgiving Dodgeball Tournament Entry Deadline
- **November 25** - Thanksgiving Dodgeball Tournament
- **November 27** - Festival of Lights Begins

New City Phone Numbers

City Office	804-4500
Utility Billing.....	804-4505
Engineering.....	804-4550
Building Inspections.....	804-4540
Planning/Business License	804-4580
City Manager's Office.....	804-4530
City Attorney's Office	804-4670
Parks & Recreation	804-4600
Police Department.....	804-4700
Electric & Public Utilities.....	804-4450

Library News

The Library will have its annual Food for Fines program from **November 3** through **November 29**. Overdue fines may be waived in exchange for non-perishable food items for our local food bank. For every can donated to the Library, \$1 will be forgiven off of the account's late fees. There is a limit of \$10 forgiven per account.

The Read-to Me program will be ending **November 15**.

November 15, 1:00 p.m. Dads and Dudes Pirate Party. Sign up is required for this activity by **November 1**. Boys ages 4 and up and their Dads or other care givers are invited to participate in this activity. There will be lots of fun games and treats for those that attend.

HEAT Program Now Open

Community Action Services and Food Bank is now accepting applications for the HEAT program, a program which assists low-income households in making utility payments through the winter season. A one-time payment per year will be submitted directly to utility companies for individuals who qualify. Disbursements are based on income. All Utah County residents interested in applying must call 801-373-8200 from now until the end of April for an appointment. Low-income households and those with disabilities are especially encouraged to apply. Applicants must meet income guidelines and provide all required documentation. Homebound individuals may request an Outreach worker to come to their home to assist in the application process. First-time applicants in Utah County must complete an energy education class as part of the process (energy class is waived for disabled or elderly applicants).

Please go to www.CommunityActionUC.org for more information or call 801-373-8200.