



GOOD NEWS ALL AROUND

THE MOVING WALL, A VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL, COMING TO SPANISH FORK

Spanish Fork will host The Moving Wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington DC, from September 9 thru 13. The Moving Wall will be arrayed on the open grass area of the City Cemetery near the Spanish Fork Veteran's Memorial. The Cemetery is located at 420 South 400 East. The public is invited to attend a short Opening Ceremony on Thursday, September 9 at Noon, after which the Memorial will be open to the public 24 hours a day.

The idea to bring The Moving Wall to Spanish Fork was hatched by a group of citizens. Their idea grew to fruition with the support of many others in the community. Spanish Fork City thanks the members of that committee, including Lana Creer-Harris, Stephen Wilson, Jean Duffield, Tresa Ahlin, Councilman Richard Davis, Mayor Wayne Andersen and all others that have participated in any way to make this possible. Please take advantage of this rare opportunity to view the Vietnam Memorial on display in Spanish Fork.

Background of The Moving Wall

The concept and actual building of The Moving Wall grew out of the hard work and effort of John Devitt, Gerry Haver and Norris Shears, Vietnam veterans from California, concerned with what they might

possibly do to "keep alive" and share the power and good that Devitt had experienced while attending the dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC. At first, it was decided to build a replica and display it on the West Coast, so that people who lived so far from the Capital might have a chance to experience the Wall. However, while in Washington, DC in February 1983, John Devitt was explaining his project to several other veterans he had just met. One exclaimed, "What a great idea! Is this going to be portable?" Trying to avoid any negatives around his project, John simply nodded and replied, "Yeah, it's going to be portable."

Now, nearly 20 years later, The Moving Wall travels each week from State to State so that people throughout the country will have greater access to the Memorial. Tell your friends and family throughout Utah and even the surrounding States about this opportunity so that as many people as possible will be able to view the Memorial.

Volunteers will be on hand during the day to assist you in finding the names of people that you might know. For more information about The Moving Wall, visit their website at www.themovingwall.org



DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Rod Dart, Keir Scoubes, Jens Nielson, Richard Davis
Front Row: Mayor Wayne Andersen, Steve Leifson

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

- Every Saturday in September The Farmers Market is held at the City Center Parking Lot
- September 1—Planning Commission; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch. 17
- September 6—Labor Day Holiday. City Offices Closed. Garbage and Recycling pickup delayed one day
- September 7—City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch.17
- September 9—13 The Moving Wall Vietnam Memorial on display at the Cemetery
- September 18—Harvest Moon Hurrah; 3 to 10 pm; City Park
- September 20 & 21—Monday & Tuesday Recycling Pickup
- September 21—City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch.17

CITY-WIDE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE

The City will be conducting a city-wide emergency drill in October. The purpose of this drill will be to assess communication methods and to disseminate and gather emergency-related information. Look for more information about this drill in next month's newsletter.

LIBRARY SUMMER PROGRAM SUCCESS

The library summer reading programs were a great success. The library had readers of all ages who signed up to participate, and many who completed the programs. The Barrett family (Emilia, Olivia, and Jamison) is just one of the nineteen families who won a prize for completing the "Family Reading" program.



New fall programs will begin the week of September 5. Please check with the library or on the website for story time information.

To celebrate National Library Card Sign-up Month in September, the library will be offering free card replacements for lost or damaged cards. If you need a library card and haven't been in for a while, come see what's new at the library!



THE SCHOOL BELL IS RINGING!

With the Summer winding down, it's time for a whole new group of little pedestrians and two-wheelers to be out and about on their way to school.

As these young students begin to fan out across the community on their way to school, it's important that drivers remember they are out there and they may not yet be fully adept at bicycle and pedestrian safety. Use extra caution when driving on known school-bound routes and when driving by a younger bike rider. Make sure to give them extra room in case they are a unsteady on their bike.

This added measure of caution also goes for young pedestrians. Walking with friends can be a lot of fun, but sometimes it can lead to "horse-play" and friendly kids-play can cause them to unintentionally step out into the roadway. Always be prepared and expect the unexpected! Be prepared for that young pedestrian darting out in the roadway or crossing in a crosswalk.

Slow Down! Following speed laws around school zones is not just the prudent, legal thing to do, it's a life safety measure. School zones can be extremely crowded with vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists, especially during drop off and pickup times. There can also be the added complication of new students and parents who are attempting to find the right place to drop off or park during the first week of school.

It's not all about the driver; it also comes down to educating our new students about the "rules of the road" and appropriate pedestrian safety measures. Take the necessary time to go over appropriate pedestrian safety measures with your children. Discuss the safe way to cross the street and the importance of not just checking once but checking and rechecking to make sure it's safe to cross. Also talk about stranger dangers, and how to react to persons that you don't know.

As for the bicyclists, make sure new school bike commuters are also fully aware of the rules of the road. Make sure they can safely operate their bike under a variety of circumstances and they know how to react to the potential hazards that always seem to pop up when you least expect them.

Remember to be safe out there. We care about you!

HARVEST MOON HURRAH SET

Don't miss the 6th Annual Harvest Moon Hurrah Saturday, September 18, 3-10pm, Library Park. A FREE family-friendly event for the entire community. Great entertainment featuring Eclipse (back by popular demand), Cherie Call, Brushfire, Thrillionaires, and more. Children's crafts, hay rides, storytellers, 2 giant paint-it-yourself murals, balloon animals, and yummy food for \$3 or less. Voted 3rd favorite fall event in Utah County!

SEPTEMBER RECREATION DEADLINES

- 6 Water Park Open on Labor Day from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. Special Holiday Admission
- 12 Water Park Closed for the season
- 15 Girl's Volleyball Program Early Registration Ends (Grades 5-9)
- 22 Girl's Volleyball Program Regular Registration Ends (Grades 5-9)
- Week of Sept. 27 Men's & Women's Fall Soccer post season tournaments
- 29 Girl's Volleyball program begins

REGISTER NOW FOR GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL

Girls Volleyball is an instructional league for girls grades 5 through 9. Instruction will come from adult volleyball instructors with high school and/or college experience. Each session will start with a volleyball skill focus which will be taught and practiced. Girls will be divided into groups & will compete and practice learned skills in volleyball matches.

Program will include 10 sessions of 1 1/2 hour each (5 weeks). Classes will be held Wednesday & Friday, 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Diamond Fork Jr. High. For more information please call the Recreation Office at 804-4600 or register online at reconline.spanishfork.org. The early registration fee, before September 15 is \$40.00. The regular registration fee is \$45.00. Registration ends September 22 and the program begins September 29.