



# GOOD NEWS ALL AROUND

## MAIN STREET TREE REPLACEMENT

The Honey locust trees that have beautified Spanish Fork Main Street for over 20 years have outgrown their concrete planters and must be replaced. They are damaging the utilities, irrigation and surrounding concrete. The root balls will soon be too large to extricate from their confined boxes. Crews must move on it now. That's the sad news.

The happy news is that crews will be replacing each and every old tree with a new Chanticleer Pear Tree. This fruitless urban tree has been selected over the past two decades as the Urban Tree of the Year by numerous arboricultural organizations. The tree shows a white flowering magnificence in the spring and its plum fall color tinged with claret makes it a popular fall tree. This Pyrus calleyana variety has a medium growth, upright-pyramidal habit that will enhance the visibility of the businesses it adorns and still provide the tree-lined Main Street



that residents have enjoyed for many years.

The tree replacement project has already begun on South Main Street will continue north of 400 North through November and December. The trees from Center Street to 400 North will be replaced in the Spring. Due to the tree replacement, volunteers and city crews will not plant bulbs and panes in the planters this fall; this will resume in 2011.



Spanish Fork City thanks the countless volunteers who contribute thousands of hours each year to the flower planters throughout our city. This past Spring was last time anyone will have to battle the root mass while cultivating the soil in preparation for planting. The future looks bright and loamy.



### 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

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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 October, the Farmers Market is held at the City Center Parking Lot

October 4 & 5—Monday & Tuesday Recycling Pickup

October 5—City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch.17

October 6—Planning Commission; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch. 17

October 18 & 19—Monday & Tuesday Recycling Pickup

October 19—City Council Meeting; 6:00 pm. Live on Ch.17

October 30—Main Street Trick or Treating

Complete City calendar at [www.spanishfork.org](http://www.spanishfork.org)

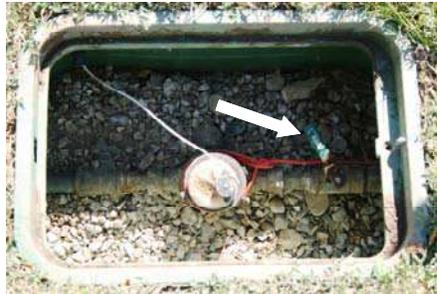
**CITY-WIDE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE**

An emergency exercise will be held on Tuesday evening, October 5. The purpose of the drill will be to exercise neighborhood communication channels and to assess individual preparedness. Friends and neighbors have been assigned to distribute a questionnaire that asks a series of questions that gauge how prepared each family is. The answers from this survey will be compiled and given to City emergency leaders.

With this information, the City will know what areas to emphasize in emergency training, educational pieces and more. Please participate in this important community event. By working and preparing together, we can surround ourselves in safety.

**PI SYSTEM SHUTS DOWN FOR WINTER**

The pressurized irrigation system will be shut off on or around October 15. Please plan your watering schedules accordingly.



When the system is shut down, please be sure to turn off your sprinkler system, open any manual drains, and also be sure to close the main valve in your PI box. This will prevent unintended flooding in the Spring, and may help avoid frozen and broken pipes this winter. Every season, it seems that a handful of residents forget these very important steps and suffer unnecessary flooding. Please don't be the one affected next year. Take a moment now to completely turn off your sprinkler system.

In order to close your main valve, open the PI Box that is located somewhere in the yard; typically near the sidewalk or street. When you open the lid, be sure to keep an eye out for spiders that like to hide in these kinds of spaces. To close the valve, turn the handle so that it is perpendicular to the pipe, as you can see in the picture below. Then replace the lid, making sure that it is securely in place.

**NOTICE OF CHANGE TO THE UTILITY SHUT OFF POLICY**

Effective **September 1, 2010**, Spanish Fork City will be making changes to the Utility Shut Off Policy.

Your utility bill will still be received at the end of every month and will have the past due and the current amount that is due. The past due amount will show in the bottom portion of the bill along with the day it is due. If the past due notice is generated due to non-payment, your account will be assessed a \$15.00 tag fee.

Should a past due notice be mailed, the notice will give you the **past due** amount and the day it is due to avoid the shut off and the notice will also show the **current** balance due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. If the **past due** amount is not paid by shut off day, a shut off notice will be generated and a \$30.00 fee will be added to your account and your utilities will be disconnected. You will then be required to pay your account in full. This will include the past due amount, the current amount, and any fees that have been added to the account.

Upon receiving payment in full during business hours (by 5:00 pm), utilities will be reconnected by 5:30 PM. During regular business hours, customers that have been shut off will be required to pay with cash, money order, or credit/debit card only. No checks will be accepted.

After regular business hours, utilities can be reconnected up until 10:00 pm, only after making payment in full to the employee on call. For payment after regular business hours, payment will only be accepted with a credit or debit card. After 10:00 pm, you will be required to wait until the next business day where you will need to come to the city office and bring your account current; after payment is received in full, your utilities will be reconnected.

**CHAMBER'S SCARECROW CONTEST**

You may have already seen a scarecrow or two downtown. This annual contest needs your involvement—your vote will decide the winner. Go to the Chamber's website and place your vote: [www.spanishforkchamber.com](http://www.spanishforkchamber.com). The winners of the scarecrow contest will be announced at on October 30 at Memorial Square Park at 2pm.

The Chamber will also sponsor a Main Street Trick or Treat on October 30 from 1 to 3 pm downtown.

**OCTOBER RECREATION DEADLINES**

- 5 Men's Basketball League early registration ends
- 6 Jr. Wrestling early registration ends for Grades K-6
- 11 Men's Basketball organization meeting 6:30 pm. Officials meeting 8:00 pm
- 12 Little Hoopsters Fall Bball Early Registration ends (Grades 1-2)
- 14 Jr. Wrestling Registration Ends (Grades K-6)
- 18-19 Jr. Wrestling Coach's Meeting 6:00- 7:30 pm.
- 18 Women's Volleyball early registration ends.
- 19 Little Hoopsters Fall Bball registration ends (Grades 1-2)
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  - Jr. Wrestling practice begins - Grades K-6
  - Football Uniform Check-in Day. Russell Swenson Ball Park 5:00 - 6:30 pm.
  - Women's Volleyball Organization Meeting, 6:00 pm Parks & Rec. Meeting Room
- 27 Youth Football Super Bowls
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  - Football Uniform Check-in Day. Russell Swenson Ball Park 5:00—6:30 pm.
  - Little Hoopsters Coach's Meeting - 5:30 pm in Parks & Rec. Meeting Room