

JANUARY 2015

CERT CLASS TRAINING

There will be a CERT Class Training opportunity open to the public. The class will be held sometime in January. To reserve your place in the class, contact Don Thomas at 801-804-4755.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Jan 1: City Offices closed for the New Year's Day Holiday

Jan 5 & 6: Recycle Pick-up

Jan 6: City Council Meeting. 6pm Broadcast live on Spanish Fork17

Jan 7: Planning Commission Meeting. 6pm

Jan 19: City Offices closed for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

Jan 19 & 20: Recycle Pick-up. Also, regular garbage pick-up is NOT delayed for the holiday

Jan 20: City Council Meeting 6pm. Broadcast live on Spanish Fork 17

RECREATION CALENDAR

Jan 2: Begin accepting Water Park & Park Pavilion reservations for 2015.

Jan 5: SF Legends Wrestling Club early registration ends.

Jan 8: Winter Session Little Hoopsters early registration ends.

Jan 10: Youth Basketball League games begin. (Boys & Girls, 3-12 Grades)

Register for youth sports at reonline.spanishfork.org



CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP OFFERED

City crews have begun picking up Christmas trees and will continue to pick up trees through Thursday, January 15.

Trees must be placed at the curbside and all lights, stands, and decorations must be removed and trees should not be placed in any type of bag. Please keep the tree easy to access until it is picked up by city crews.

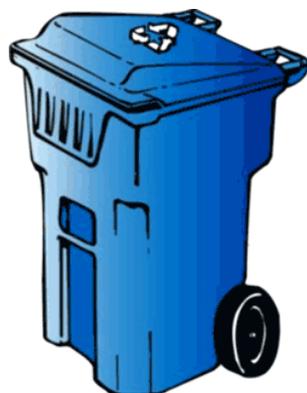
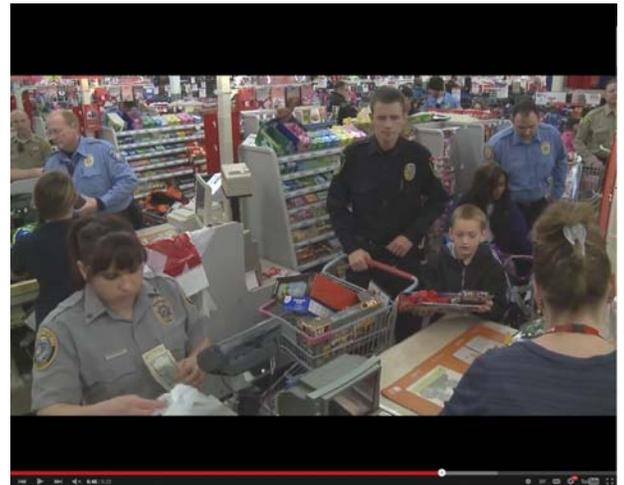
SHOP WITH A COP A HUGE SUCCESS! THANK YOU

On Saturday, December 13, 150 children joined forces with local law enforcement officers for a very special event, the 25th Annual Shop with a Cop. Officers and children got an early start, meeting at KMart and from there all traveled together in police vehicles—with the child in control of the lights, sirens & radio—to the Festival of Lights.

After a cruise through the lights, everyone was served breakfast by a wonderful group of volunteers including a local family and their friends. After breakfast the officers and children returned to KMart to shop for each child and the child's family for Christmas. Funds for the program are donated by individuals, businesses and in the end, even some of the officers themselves.

This event would not be possible without the many officers, volunteers & donors giving so freely of their means and their time. This event made Christmas one that will never be forgotten by the children who would not have been so fortunate this holiday season.

Check out a video of this fun annual event on youtube: snurl.com/shopcop



ALL NEIGHBORHOODS ARE NOW RECYCLING!

The new recycling program's rollout is complete. There are now twice as many residents participating in recycling than there were in August 2014.

To those residents who find that having just one recycling can is not enough, you may order a second recycling can by calling 801.804.4501. This option is now very affordable because the price for a recycling can was cut in half— to just \$3.61 a month per can.

Residents who wish to opt-out can visit www.spanishfork.org/recycle or they can call 801.804.4666.

WHAT IS HIDDEN IN THESE PICTURES?

Look at the pictures to the right. Can you make out what is hidden in the oval? We'll give you a few hints:

- If the pictures were in color, you would see that they are red.
- These things dot the neighborhoods; they can be found on either side of the street
- In the event of an emergency, this may be a lifesaver.

Do you know what they are?

Maybe you guessed it—Fire Hydrants.

Life and property saving fire hydrants dot our neighborhoods and provide a constant pressurized water source to fire crews in the event a fire occurs in your neighborhood.

During this winter season, with more than a foot of snow on the ground in some parts of town, many fire hydrants have become buried under the snow. If you go outside and cannot find the fire hydrant that you can normally see on your street, it may be buried. If you have a hard time seeing it, emergency crews will have an even harder time finding it.

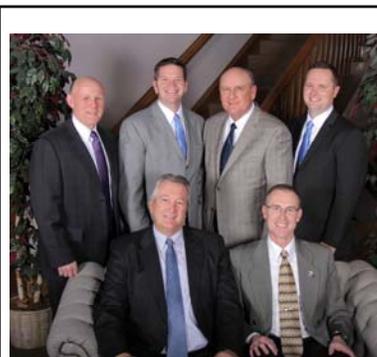
The Water and Fire Departments ask all residents to help keep the hydrants clear and accessible. Take an extra moment today and clear the hydrant of snow near your home. Check on it every once in a while just to be sure it stays clear. Hopefully your hydrant is not needed this winter, but if it is, you'll be so grateful you took the extra time to keep it accessible. Thank you for your assistance!



A WORD FROM THE SEWER DEPARTMENT: THE DIRTY TRUTH!

It isn't every day that you hear from the folks working with the sewer collection system, so when they speak, their advice should be followed. The Sewer Department is seeing an increase in the number of items in the flow that shouldn't be there.

These items cause sewer lines to clog and back up, sometimes into the homes of your friends and neighbors. This is not a pleasant experience and causes great inconvenience. Please do not flush the following items down the toilet or force them down any drain:



DEAR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From Left to Right, Back Row: Richard Davis, Brandon Gordon, Rod Dart, Mike Mendenhall;
Front Row: Mayor Steve Leifson, Keir Scoubes.

- baby wipes
- disinfectant wipes
- diapers
- feminine hygiene products
- paper towels
- contraceptives
- grease
- large globs of food
- other insoluble items

While some of these items may say they are flushable, they do not quickly breakdown or they do not decompose. Before they get into the main sewer lines, these items can cause your own sewer lines to become clogged.

However, with 10,000 homes that feed into the sewer system, one paper towel or wipe per home can add up quick and cause big problems in the sewer pipes below ground. Sewer backups create an unpleasant situation for you or your neighbors. Please help to avoid them. Spanish Fork City appreciates your cooperation in this effort.

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.