

# Spring Town Times November 2024

#### Mayor's Corner by Chris Anderson

We have enjoyed an amazing long fall, but the season is now changing. That means we need to pay attention to the friends. Other winter and Christmas events will soon folsnow and how it impacts our yards and roads. Please check announcements from the city and on our website regarding how to make the clearing of our roads easier after a storm.

When you put out your garbage cans, keep them away from the edge of the road, so the plow doesn't hit them or push snow onto them. Once cans are emptied, please retrieve them as promptly as convenient, so they don't end up knocked over or rolling into the road. Try to park off the road on snowy days, so the plow can do its work. And as you deal with snow in your own yards, consider how to assist neighbors who may be less able-bodied.

The changing of the season also means that some fun activities are planned. Thanksgiving will be here before we know it, and I hope all can enjoy it with family and low.

A Vivaldi Christmas concert is scheduled for the Ballroom on December 6, and our Christmas lights will be turned on December 7.

The annual Candlelight Christmas Home Tour hosted by Friends of Historic Spring City is scheduled for the evening of December 14. That event will feature some musical offerings, decorated homes to visit and our local restaurants opening in the evening, along with some food trucks. And don't forget the opportunity to enjoy and purchase miniature paintings by our local artists that will be exhibited in the ballroom. They make great gifts.

I hope you can all enjoy the coming winter season.

#### **Christmas is Coming!**

Thanks to our Miss Spring City Royalty, Ingrid Seegmiller and Emma Evans, for organizing the successful Trunk -or-Treat on Halloween. We also want to thank the following Spring City businesses who provided prizes for the winning trunks: Das Café, Roots 89, Hansen's Garage, Horseshoe Mountain Pottery, and Spring Town Springs Gas Station.

Christmas is just around the corner, and we have exciting things planned to usher in the holiday season in Spring City. Our annual Christmas Lighting Ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 7 at 5:30 pm, complete with hot cider, hot chocolate and doughnuts. The winners

of the city light pole decorating contest will be announced. (See the separate article in this newsletter for information on this event.) Rumor has it that Santa will arrive shortly after the lights are turned on and he will visit with all the children. Make sure you get a cute picture with Santa and then head over to North Pole Activity Village in the city ballroom, where all the kids ages 12 and under can make some fun Christmas crafts and select a book to take home.

If you have questions or other concerns, please contact Cynthia DeGrey at 435-469-1328.

#### **Lamp Post Decoration Contest by Kimberly Stewart**

It's that time of year again! It's time to change the decorations on the lamp posts from the fall scarecrow theme to Christmas. Bring your imagination and creativity to the task and think of a way you could decorate a lamp post to make Spring City sparkle.

This is a fun family event; a perfect activity for Thanksgiving weekend. If you would like to participate, please text Kimberly Stewart @ 435.851.6479 or email her at <a href="mailto:calif2tenn@gmail.com">calif2tenn@gmail.com</a>. We will have prizes: \$200 for first place; \$100 for second place; and \$75 for third place..



#### **DUP News and History by Cherrie Barrow Jones**

The Canal Creek Camp of Daughters of Utah Pioneers will meet Monday, Nov. 4, at 11:00 in the ballroom at the Old School Community Center. The pioneer history will be given by Kaye Watson, and Nedra Allred will give the lesson, "The Utah Territory."

The first pioneers entered Utah in 1847. The Ute Chief Walker invited President Young to send some of "his people" to the Sanpitch Valley, so named after Walker's brother. Pres. Young sent some of the pioneers to colonize the valley in 1849, and they chose the location of Manti. James T.S. Allred, the son of James and Elizabeth Allred, had been sent to survey the area and he built a log cabin in Manti. When his parents arrived, they first settled Canal Creek (now Spring City) in March 1852.

James T.S. Allred learned the language and gained the respect of the Indians who called him "Showritz." He was often able to intercede during times of trouble. Although the settlers had to guard against raids, "large kettles of

porridge and soup were often prepared and some days over a hundred Indians and their wives and children were fed. Sometimes they were so hungry that they would dip their hands into the kettle where the food was still cooking, unable to wait until it had cooked." Although they seemed ungrateful for everything, James T.S. was patient with them. Yet he was also very stern and never showed any fear of them. He was a great wrestler, and he tried to show the Indians how to pass the time away without fighting and killing.

"One night when a very large group of Indians were there for supper and all of the kettles were full of good smelling food, James T.S. told them that from now on a blessing was going to be said on the food to thank the Lord for His blessings. He had just finished talking when a very large Indian came over to one of the kettles and put a dirty can into it to get some soup and James T.S. called to him to wait a minute." (continued on next page)

#### **DUP News and History, continued**

"The Indian didn't pay any attention but continued to fill his bowl. When James T.S. spoke to him a second time and received no response, he grabbed the Indian and threw him away from the kettle and the Indian landed on his back. When he regained his feet, James T.S. grabbed him and threw him on his back again. This time, as the Indian got to his feet, he drew a long knife and made a lunge at James T.S., who stepped aside and grabbed his arm and held it until he dropped the knife. He then talked to him until he quieted him down, and then he told the

group, 'We will give thanks for the food, then you can have all you can eat; but no more unclean cans can be used to dip the food. Now, help yourselves and see that your wives and children get all they can eat.' Then, he turned to the Indian to whom he had just given a severe lesson and took him by the hand and led him to one of the kettles and got him a clean bowl and a dipper to get some soup." (qtd. from *Life Under the Horseshoe*, p.145)

Happy Thanksgiving! Be grateful. Give thanks, and may your entire family have plenty.

### **Spring City Community Doings by Jane Hawkes**

Senior Citizen Dinner. Our dinner will be on Wednesday November 20, at 5:30 pm in the ballroom, on the second floor of the new city hall. Our talent will be Sherri Boekweg's *Shine Show Choir*. The menu is BBQ meatballs, garlic mashed potatoes, garden salad, dinner roll,

and ginger snap cookies for dessert. The cost is \$6 per plate. If you plan to come, please call Jane by Monday, November 18, at 707-673-7548 so the new cook can plan for the right number. Also, please plan to pay for all meals you order.

#### **Community Skills Classes**

| Date   | Time | Topic   | Teacher                            | Place                             |
|--------|------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nov 7  | 7 pm | City Council  |                                    | New City Hall                     |
| Nov 14 | 7 pm | A holistic approach to prepare<br>for the emotional stress of an<br>emergency and everyday life | Audrey Butler & Joseph<br>Anderson | Old City Hall,<br>Activity Center |
| Nov 21 | 7 pm | "The Rest of the Story," Part 2 of last month's presentation                                    | Morgan Philpot                     | New City Hall                     |
| Nov 28 |      | THANKSGIVING DAY  |                                    |                                   |
| Dec 5  | 7 pm | City Council  |                                    | New City Hall                     |

#### Planning and Zoning News

A public hearing was held in which the Spring City Planning And Zoning Commission met and discussed proposed changes to the city's Subdivision Code. These are changes mandated by the Utah State Legislature. Comments were received from citizens and the decision was made to meet again next month to continue this discussion.

After the Spring City Council voted to allow a zoning change from R-1 to MF on a property in town, the review process for a duplex project was initiated and will proceed.





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## NOVEMBER 2024



| Cunday   | Monday   | Tuesday | Wednesday                                | Thursday                                       | Friday    | Caturday |
|--|--|---------|--|--|-----------|----------|
| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday | wednesday                                | Thursday                                       | riiday    | Saturday |
|  | Please see our<br>website or<br>newsletter for<br>information on<br>skills classes |         |  |  | 1         | 2        |
| Daylight Savings<br>Time Fall Back<br>One Hour | 4 DUP Meeting  | 5       | 6  | Public Hearing<br>6:30p<br>City Council<br>7PM | 8         | 9        |
| 10   | City Office Close  * THANK YOU *  * THANK YOU *  * THORE THE HIT                   | 12      | 13                                       | SKILLS CLASS                                   | FULL MOON | 16       |
| 17   | P&Z Submission<br>Due Date 3:00 PM   | 19      | 20<br>Utility Bill Due<br>Seniors Dinner | SKILLS CLASS  HAPPY TURKEY DAY!                | 22        | 23       |
| 24   | 25   | 26      | Planning & Zoning 6:30PM                 |  | 29        | 30       |



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