

NEWSLETTER



November/December 2017

Flood Control Update

Parowan City has engaged the engineering firm Bowen Collins & Associates to begin the engineering and design process for the flood control work to be performed under the grant received from the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Key priorities include restoring the pressurized irrigation system and the forebay, enlarging the gravel pit as a detention basin, improving the flood channel at vulnerable points such as the Maple Springs subdivision, and restoring the 300 West and 600 West crossings. A very best case scenario shows the irrigation system coming back online at its normal time in April, however, there are many points in this process where delays could occur, particularly when relying on outside agencies for tasks such as the required environmental and archaeological reviews. Please know that staff and contractors alike are working to keep everything on track as much as is within our control.

From the Mayor's Office...



The fall colors are beautiful as they turn to gold and red. The mountain may still show the starkness as a result of the fire that so devastated it, but it also is able to clothe itself in the splendor of fall colors to remind us of the beauty that was there and that will return in time.

We are approaching the holiday season that brings much joy to young and old alike. It is at this time after suffering the destruction of much of the forest on the mountains and the devastating floods that have inflicted so much damage to the City of Parowan that we need to be thankful and to pause and realize just how fortunate we are that no one lost their life as those who were in Las Vegas celebrating a music concert, or those who had to endure the mass devastation of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, or the wild fires destroying homes and lives in California. Yes, we do have our problems, but in the overall scheme of things they are really miniscule. We will be able to solve our problems. Let us be thankful for all we have—for a great land of freedom in which we are so fortunate to live. Let us be thankful for our friends, neighbors and our families which are really the important parts of our lives!

May we all be healthy and happy as we approach this special time of year is my prayer for each and every one of us.

Mayor Donald Landes

Parowan City Public Works Department

wants to remind residents not to park on the streets during winter months and particularly during snow storms. When vehicles are on the streets (especially Main Street, state highways and subdivisions) it is very difficult for the snow plows to remove the snow. In the smaller subdivisions, the plows cannot make it through some of the streets that are lined with vehicles. Please keep this in mind as we head into winter.



Parowan City Office—35 East 100 North—PO Box 576—435-477-3331 • www.parowan.org

Parowan Events Center—5 South Main—435-477-8190

Parowan Visitors Center—5 South Main—PO Box 1165—435-477-8190 • parowanvisitorscenter@gmail.com

Remember to Vote

Please remember this year's election is **VOTE BY MAIL**, however, there will be three polling places in Iron County: Parowan City Office, Enoch City Office, and Cedar City Office. These polling places will be open for early voting and/or election day voting on Tuesday, November 8th.



You will need to submit your unvoted by mail ballot in order to vote on the voting machine. If you do not receive your ballot in the mail you may vote a provisional ballot at one of the three polling locations.

Voters will also be able to drop their voted ballot in a ballot box instead of mailing the ballot back to us.

Mail in ballots **must be postmarked by November 6th**. Don't forget postage! Please go to vote.utah.gov for more information.

Parowan High School Presents



The Parowan High School Theater and Music Departments invite you to mark your calendars for the upcoming musical, **"Fiddler On The Roof"** to be performed with permission from Music Theater International on **November 16, 17, 18, 20 and 21**. This timeless classic about family values, traditions and the power of love features over sixty Parowan High School students. The family stars Trevor Bassett as the father, Tevye, Emily Gurr as Golde, his wife, and their daughters are played by Laine Mathews, McKinlee Griffiths, Annie Johnson, Tessa Leavitt and Lina Biasi.

The suitors, played by Berkeley Terry, Wyatt Olaya and Hunter Lorenz, do their best to win Tevye's daughters and his approval. Yente, the Matchmaker, will be portrayed by newcomer Liliani Nelson. Lazar Wolf is played by Matthew Benson and Fruma Sarah, his deceased wife, by Gabriella Hasemeyer. Also featured are the Innkeeper, (Angus Bulloch), the Bookseller (Cortland Dunlap), the Rabbi (Phoenix Saville), the Rabbi's son (Derek Stewart) and the Beggar (Grayson Sudweeks).

This production is directed by Shelley Porter, with Musical Director Trevor Walker, Choreographer Heather Shurtleff, Assistant Director Jenifer Terry, and Costume Designers Janice Ruesch and Debbie Grimm. The sets will be constructed by Matt Edwards and the PHS Construction class.

Prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students/children. Doors open at 6:30 and show time is 7:00 pm.

For questions or to buy advance tickets, please call 477-3366.

Yard Sale Signs on Street Poles

As a friendly reminder, the City asks that you not post "yard sale" type signs on power, light, or street sign poles. Staples in wooden poles pose a safety hazard for our power crews when they must climb to make repairs, and sticky tape residue on our metal poles ruins the finish. Additionally, UDOT does not support these types of signs on poles.

We would kindly direct you to use one of the many designated community sign boards found throughout our city, including those at the Visitor's Center, Parowan Café, and Parowan Market.

Parowan Community Theater Presents



at the Aladdin Theater on Main Street.

Performances are October 20, 21, 23, 27, 28, and 30 at 7 p.m. Join us for this musical mystery spoof of Agatha Christie's *"And Then There Were None"* and see if you can figure out 'whodunit'.

Tickets are \$5 and can be reserved by calling 435-477-8190 or purchased at the door.

Parowan Animal Assistance League (PAAL)

PAAL is looking for new volunteers to help with dogs that come into our shelter. It involves feeding, cleaning up and petting dogs. It only takes about 30 minutes a week. This is a way to be of service to your community. If you are interested please call Mary Hanley at 435-704-4112.



PAAL would like to remind everyone that if you find a dog or lose a dog to please call the Police at 477-3383. This is the best way to get them back home.

For upcoming city events and other information, please check the **Parowan City Marquee** by the library.

2017 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING DISCOUNT

All residents who are **current on their utility bill** that agree to install 2 or more strings of Christmas Lights are eligible to receive a Ten Percent (10%) discount on the **electric portion** of their December Utility Bill from Parowan City.

If you agree to this, all lights must be up the 24th of November and must be turned on each night throughout the Christmas Holidays.

This form must be signed and returned to the City Office at 35 East 100 North or PO Box 576, no later than November 22, 2017.

I would like to participate in the 2017 Christmas Lighting Program.

Name: _____ (Please Print)

Signature: _____ Utility Account Number _____

Christmas in the Country

“*Time to Remember*” is the theme for Parowan City’s 2017 Christmas in the Country celebration—Friday and Saturday, November 24th & 25th.

Friday, November 24th

- ◆ **Holiday Bazaar**—10am-5pm—Iron County Fair Building (50 S 600 E)
- ◆ **Interfaith Christmas Program**—7:30 pm—Aladdin Theater (27 N Main)

Saturday, November 26th

- ◆ **Santa Claus Parade**—10am—Main Street. Following the parade, Santa will make his way to the Fair Building to see the children and get their wish list for Christmas.
- ◆ **Holiday Bazaar**—10am-4pm—Iron County Fair Building (50 S 600 E)
- ◆ **Candlelight Walking Parade**—6pm—Parowan Main Street—Starts at 500 North Main and travels to Main and Center for a brief program, hot chocolate and live nativity. Public invited to bring their own light/candle and join the parade.
- ◆ **Town Lighting Ceremony**—Following the Program—Town Square
- ◆ **Variety Show**—7pm—Aladdin Theater (27 N Main).

These holiday programs are free to attend or participate in. Everyone is encouraged to join in the festivities and feel the spirit of the season!

For more info call 477-8190.



Weatherization Assistance Program

The Weatherization Assistance Program

(WAP) helps low-income individuals and families reduce energy costs and increase comfort and safety in their homes. Individuals, families, the elderly and the disabled who are making no more than 200 percent of the current federal poverty income level are eligible for help. However, priority is given to the elderly and disabled, households with high-energy consumption, emergency situations and homes with preschool-age children.

Participating households average nearly 33 percent in savings, or approximately \$285 per year, after the completion of weatherization improvements. To apply for weatherization assistance, individuals must submit their application to the agency that services the county in which they reside.

Benefits are provided in the form of noncash grants to eligible households to make energy-efficiency improvements to those homes.

To apply, go to:

wxworkssite.wordpress.com/featured-two/

Start Your Christmas Shopping Now!

Stop in at the Parowan Visitor’s Center at 5 South Main and wrap up your list today. You can find books, puzzles, piggy banks, “Evil

Water” shirts, honey and syrups in different flavors, Christmas ornaments.... there is something for everyone on your list!

The Visitor Center is open Monday—Saturday, 10am—5pm.

Winter Recreation booklets and information will be coming out in November.

The following schedules have been set.

- **Open Walk** at the Fair Building Monday - Friday 6—9am
- **Pickle Ball**—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am—Noon, Monday evening 7—9pm

Watch for the booklets or stop in the Parowan Visitor Center, City Office and several businesses around town. Enjoy the chill!

Please update your utility account information including current phone numbers and mailing address.

Also, make sure you are signed up for the **Everbridge Emergency Notification System** so you do not miss important information from the city. You can sign up by calling the Parowan City office at 477-3331 or online at ironcounty.net.



“Story Time” at the Parowan Library

Stories, Crafts and Fun!
Tuesday’s at 10:30 a.m.

Please call the Library with any questions 477-3491

Sub for Santa

Our Sub 4 Santa program begins soon! We encourage all residents interested in signing up for assistance to complete registration online. Online registration will be available at suu.edu/community starting on October 16, 2017 and will close on November 20, 2017. No late registration can be accepted.

Donations of new unwrapped toys, new clothing items and food donations may be dropped off at the Parowan Visitor Center at 5 South Main, open from 10am to 5pm Monday through Saturday. Children's clothing of all sizes, toys for all ages, games, and appropriate gifts needed.

Distribution day will be on Friday, December 8, 2017 at the Iron County Fair Building from 9am until 6pm

Thank you and have a Merry Christmas!

Parowan Main Street Memories: 10th Edition

I am a “tattles and tales” kinda historian. I really enjoy it. But, alas, more details of a very busy section of Main Street comes to light. The previous publication centered on the social history of the area. This edition is more detailed with the areas physical history.

17 North Main (now Barber J’s property). Lola Ann Jones has provided several factual pieces of information to this area. In 1915 this property was leased to Edward A. Burton and he moved an old building there. Edward mixed medications for his brother, Doctor Frank Burton, who moved back from Milford to practice medicine. Edward sold half of his interest to Cecil L. Pinder of SLC in Oct. 1916 and the other half to Gwen Mitchell Benson, a widow, who shortly thereafter married John Henry Gurr. Mr. Pinder added on to the building and sold it to Robert L. Fenton in September, 1925, contents and all. Lawrence Miller was put in charge. Another interesting point concerning property on Main Street was that in 1925 a “sidewalk and gutter tax” was placed around main street property. Ida Paxton, who owned much of the west side property from center street to mid-block northward, stated that she was forced to sell her property under the drug-store, and “felt bitter and said it cost her a quarter of her property for Parowan to have a sidewalk.” A new cement front was placed on the building in 1930. Brothers, Nelson and Richard Fenton, recently graduated pharmacists, ran the drugstore in 1937. It moved across the street in May, 1940. And, as previously stated, the building was briefly a grocery store with Ray and Boyd Mitchell proprietors. In the later 40’s the building was referred to as “Fenton’s Pool Hall.”

27 North Main (now Parowan Theatre): Originally a pool hall, sample room and barn was on this site. Lola Ann has indicated that as early

as 1904 Brigham Brown purchased an advertisement in the Iron Co. Record for the “Parowan Saloon” possibly located there. In 1915 the post office was moved from the east side of the street to the old pool hall building. Next, a barbershop opened there, operated by A. W. Drill with a clothing cleaners shop in the back. In 1918 Taylor Miller and his apprentice, Joseph E. Ward, opened their own barbershop in the building. WWI occurred, Mr. Miller went to war and Mr. Ward moved his shop across the street. Then in August 1919, John (Jack) Lowder opened a pool hall in the vacant facility. Later Roy Hyatt, Orwin “Dob” Orton, and Ray Mitchell ran the pool hall.

The hotel sample room was converted to a barber shop for Edward (Ted) M. Dalton in 1925; Imogene Adams opened the Geanne Beauty Shoppe there; then in 1927 a music store was to open, stocking phonographs, pianos, and other musical instruments. The building was sold in 1935 to Don and Rula Decker Orton who moved it to 260 E. 200 N. where it became their home.

The new theatre, which cost \$17,000 to build, opened at 3:00 p.m. Christmas Day, 1928. Originally called the Orpheum, it changed to Alladin Theatre within the year. An annex was on the south side of the theatre where Ellen Day’s Beauty Shop opened in 1935. Ellen Day sold to Ida Orton Burton who renamed the place Charm Beauty Shop. Interesting is the fact that in 1945 a State Liquor Store was located in the annex south of the theatre lobby. Also interesting to me is that there was, for a time, a dress shop in the lobby of the theatre owned by Roca Lowder Mitchell and named Ramona’s Dress Shop for her young daughter, Ramona Mitchell Stubbs.

Above the theatre, in the ‘30’s was Dr. F. J. Burton’s offices, and in 1944, Dr. Roy Wilkerson opened his business here. He later remodeled a building across the street. Dr. Preston H. Peterson was also above the theatre in 1948.

Alas, the many shops finally settled down to only one besides the theatre. It was the Silas Topham Barber Shop. It was a gathering place for all men who wished to have a professional cut; a place for all boys to have their first “real hair cut” at the barbers.

From the Power Department

Parowan City understands that tree pruning is a concern to homeowners. However, wind-blown tree limbs are a frequent cause of power outages, which are inconvenient and costly to repair.

Parowan City Power Department will begin pruning trees in the power line right of ways after the leaves have come off the trees this fall.

Parowan City Power crews remove limbs to provide a minimum of three years clearance for re-growth. Trees are trimmed back to the next available limb fork so that no branch stubs are left. Over hanging limbs that can be reached are pruned to eliminate the danger of them falling on the lines.

The wires going from a utility pole directly to your home is called a service drop and is the customer’s responsibility to keep clear of trees. For your safety Parowan Power crews ask that you hire a professional tree pruner to clear your service drop if it is in need of pruning, or you may call Parowan City Office at 435-477-3331 to have your service drop removed temporarily so that you can safely prune your trees. When completed the service drop will be reattached free of charge.

Parowan City Power does not trim trees around telephone or cable television lines.

If your tree causes a power interruption to your service drop Parowan Power Crews will remove the power line until your tree is pruned or removed and you will be billed for the cost of any repairs.

Please call the Parowan City office at 477-3331 with any questions you may have regarding your trees and power lines.