Message from the Power Department

Brief overview and update on the July 6, 2019 power outage that affected Parowan, Parowan Valley, Brian Head and Paragonah.

Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) provides power throughout the Western United States. Most city-owned power systems use RMP’s infrastructure to deliver the power that cities purchase to supply electricity to their customers. Parowan City pays RMP a fee to use their lines to wheel our electricity. This is why when an outage happens on RMP’s system, Parowan City and surrounding areas may be affected.

The July 6th outage was caused by an equipment failure at the Parowan Valley Substation, which is owned and operated by RMP. This substation is where Parowan City’s power source is delivered from.

RMP tried everything to restore the power as soon as possible, from bringing generators from Salt Lake and Las Vegas, to transporting a mobile substation out of Wyoming. In a meeting with RMP since the outage, RMP said they plan to place a mobile substation in the area from this point on to help decrease outage times, should another unexpected problem occur.

We understand the problems and inconvenience this caused and appreciate how Parowan and surrounding communities came together and helped their neighbors and community. We also want to thank Rocky Mountain Power and the Parowan Power Department and City employees for working day and night to get power restored.

Generator Safety

If a portable generator is used, follow the manufacture’s safety instructions:

• **NEVER** plug your generator into an outlet and don’t connect a generator directly to your home’s main fuse box or circuit panel. If you must provide temporary power to your home’s wiring system, the generator must be connected through an approved and inspected transfer switch that will isolate your house from our system. The switch must comply with the National Electric Code and local building codes. These include permits, inspection and installation by a licensed electrician.

• To temporarily power an appliance, plug it directly into the generator.

From the Police Department...

Here we go... school is back in session! We send the kids back to learn so we thought the motoring public needs a quick back to school lesson as well.

Pedestrians have the right of way when approaching a crosswalk.

Remember the school zones around the schools and ALWAYS follow the bus signals.

Ok class is over. Let’s have a super fantastic start to our school year!
Announcing a fabulous classic comedy

Steel Magnolias

Performed at the Aladdin Theater
September 12, 13, 14, 16, 20 and 21

Set in the South in the 1980’s, the play is about a group of lifelong friends who face the many challenges of life with a warmth and humor that will touch your heart.

The cast includes:

M’Lynn, a mother and therapist played by Jenifer Terry.
Shelby, her daughter played by Jillian Bull.
Truvy, a hairdresser and philosopher played by Callie Bassett.
Annelle, a newcomer to both the town and circle of friends, played by Lee Shurtleff.
Claire, a wealthy widow and owner of the local radio station played by Janice Ruesch.
And Ouiser, her hilarious best friend played by Heather Shurtleff.

Shelley Porter directs the play along with assistant director and stage manager Lily Shurtleff.

We hope you will support our local theater and our local talent! Come see this heartwarming play! Tickets are $5.00.

Please know that if your dog does come into the shelter you must have its shot records to pick it up. It has to have had its rabies shot.

If your dog is missing, please call the Parowan Police and report it. This helps us get your dog home if found.

If you find a lost dog, please call the Parowan Police. The dog will be very well taken care of at the shelter until the owner is located. The number is 586-9445.

Swimming Pool

We have survived all kinds of weather, from snow in May, still freezing in June, finally summer in July, and the monsoons in August. But we did it, and had lots of great support in so doing. We want to throw out a big thank you for your continued support of our local swimming pool, through swimming lessons, season passes, lap swim, aerobics, family night, private rentals, and some very busy open swim days - when there wasn't lightning!

We will remain open through the middle of September, with Saturday the 14th being our last day of the 2019 season. All times will remain the same, with the exception of closing time for a.m. laps on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday will now be 7:30 instead of 8:00, so our lifeguards can get to their morning classes on time.

Classes from the elementary school will be coming periodically throughout the day, so plan on a crowd if you come at 1:00! The Annual 3rd Grade Olympics is scheduled for Thursday, September 12th at 12:30 p.m. This is free to the public and always fun to watch!

If you would like to reserve the pool for your end-of-summer party, or if you have any questions please call the pool at 477-8066, or Alice at 691-0722.
Parowan Interfaith Patriots’ Program

Please join with us for our “Honoring Our Everyday Heroes” program as we give tribute to those who serve us in the military as well as our local heroes who serve in Law Enforcement, Fire Protection, First Responders, and Search and Rescue.

The program, sponsored by the Grace Christian Church, United Methodist Church, and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building on September 11th at 7:00 pm.

Our guest speaker will be Dan Benson, Brian Head Marshall. There will be light refreshments after the program.

We hope you will join with us as we honor those who have done so much.

Fall Fest in the Park

Parowan City invites you to enjoy our Fall Fest on Main Street! This event will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Join us for a fun filled day with entertainment, craft vendors, food and games.

We are looking forward to a beautiful fall day on Parowan City Main Street!

Fall Fest Car Show on Main Street

Along with the festivities for Fall Fest there will be a Car Show open to all makes, models and types of vehicles. The entry fee is $20. You may register at the Parowan Visitor Center at 5 S. Main from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Saturday. Sign in will begin at 9:00 am on Saturday morning, October 12th. For more information please call 435-477-8190.

To receive Everbridge Emergency Notifications from Parowan City, make sure you are signed up by calling the City Office at 477-3331. You can also sign up on “ironcounty.net” under “Departments” and ‘Emergency Management’.

For events and updates on City news, please check our website “parowan.org”, Facebook page “Parowan Utah” or the marquee at the library for upcoming events.

It’s “Scare Crow Time”

This has become a favorite event for our community and we love to see it grow.

On Saturday, October 5th bales of straw will be placed on Main Street. We want everyone to take this opportunity to get involved, be creative and build your own Scare Crow! Have your family, business, or group come up with your very own wild and crazy Scare Crow!

The Scare Crows must be up by October 7th and will stay up until October 28th.

If you plan to participate please call 477-8190 and get your name on our list!!
A FEW MORE RAMS TALES

I am appreciative of many who shared memories of how the “Ram(s)” became the logo of Parowan High. The Parowan Times, dated Jan. 29, 1932 provides insight.

P.H.S. BASKETBALL TEAM HAS NEW SUITS AND EMBLEM

“The ball team appeared for the first league games with all pride and joy exhibiting their new suits and the high school emblem which has just recently been adopted and is “A Ram”. The emblem is on their jerseys and sweat shirts. The boys were able to show them off to good advantage by winning the game.”

Then, on Feb. 5, 1932 in the Parowan Times there is a second reference to the Rams:

BASKETBALL GAME WITH B.A.C. TO BE GOOD ONE

“We feel that it will be a most exciting game Saturday night between Cedar and the Parowan “Rams”, and feel that they will need all the support that can be given them. We have won five consecutive games, yes, but we have seven chances also, to lose a game. We lead in this district for the state tournament but we should not think that a fight isn’t needed to finish the season’s games. Now boys, you do your part and the Student body will be right behind you to do its part. Is that fair enough?”

But there is more to the story. As stated in the last edition on this subject, the early P.H.S. “Rams” were most likely named “Rams” because of the Rambouillett sheep industry that flourished in our valley. This local business success is evident in the 1925 P.H.S. yearbook, the Parowanian. There is no mention of the “Ram(s)” as a mascot but there are 3 Rambouillet advertisements. They are on pages 88, 91, and 103. The ad on page 103 follows:

Breeders of Registered Rambouillet Sheep
by L. N. Marsden:

“Beginning in 1912 with registered ewes we started breeding for the type of size and mutton, with density of wool and length of staple. Our sheep are covered with a dense heavy fleece, the length of staple has also had much attention in our breeding. The fleeces carry much crimp and lustre and the wool runs down well on the nose and legs helping to make up a wonderful combination in the fleece.

We have spared no time or money in securing the best of “Sires” and a number of dams which were obtainable. Clinging in established lines of breed, one type always our aim, our flock is now becoming uniform and regular, noticeably strong and tenacious in the proven superior qualities of the blood lines we have used.

Our ram “Ted” stands squarely on four legs that are faultless, and is of the low down heavy, deep set kind always showing unusual style and spirit. Moreover he is a prepotent sire. Assurance of which can be had by inspection of his sons and daughters. We invite your inspection of our sheep.”

Note: Having been a yearbook advisor for a good many years the above ad is an amazing full page purchase with apparent full intent to drum up business. Certainly, It is not a “donation” ad.

And a final observation. The Rambouillett breed is no longer the model for the Ram mascot at P.H.S. Today the emblem is the Rocky Mountain Big Horn Sheep as modeled in the sculpture at the east entry of the school. So long “Ted.”