

# Town of Springdale News

March – April 2007

## Zion Canyon Trail Open House

The Zion Canyon Trail is coming closer to becoming a reality. The trail consultant team has been hard at work on the trail feasibility study. The trail consultants have analyzed environmental, engineering, and social factors that could affect the alignment and construction of the trail. The next step is to get your input on the project.

Please plan on attending a Public Open House for the Zion Canyon Trail Feasibility Study on **Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00 pm** at the Canyon Community Center.

The purpose of the Open House is to provide Springdale residents with an overview of the trail study. The Open House will have illustrations of trail alignment alternatives, and there will be opportunities for residents to express preferences on trail types, connections, and the viability of the different alternatives. Town staff and members of the consultant team will be on hand to discuss the trail study in detail, answer questions and receive comments.

Your participation is an important component of developing the trail alternatives. We invite you to attend the Open House on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and to also visit the project website at <http://zioncanyontrail.webexone.com> where you can learn more about the study, view documents, participate in the polls and discussion forums.

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## Calendar of Events

### March

- 1 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 2 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC
- 3 (Sat) – Dr. Robert Kane “Are Values Relative?” 7:00 pm @ CCC
- 5 (Mon) – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC
- 6 (Tue) – Planning Commission Work Meeting 6:30 @ Town Hall
- 7 (Wed) – Zion Canyon Visitor’s Bureau Meeting 2:00 @ Town Hall
- 8 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 9 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC
- 9 (Fri) – CCC Benefit Show and Dinner: Professor Gary Willden’s “Zion Canyon movies presentation” 6:00 pm (dinner) 7:00 pm (show) @ CCC
- 12 (Mon) – Z-Arts! Board Meeting 6:45 pm @ CCC
- 14 (Wed) – Town Council Meeting 5:00 @ Town Hall
- 15 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 16 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC
- 17 (Sat) – St. Patrick’s Day Celebration: Parade Begins at 2:00 pm, Jell-O and music at Bit and Spur after parade
- 19 (Mon) – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ Zion Park Inn
- 20 (Tue) – Planning Commission Meeting 6:30 @ Town Hall
- 20 (Tue) – John Adams “Math in Nature” 7:00 pm @ CCC
- 21 (Wed) – Book Discussion for Adults 7:00 pm @ CCC
- 22 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 23 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC
- 24 (Sat) – Z-Arts! Film Series: “Iraq For Sale” 7:00 pm @ Flanigan’s Discovery Theater
- 26 (Mon) – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC
- 27 (Tue) – Author Brad Dimock 7:00 pm @ CCC
- 28 (Wed) – Adult Art Classes with Deb Durban 6:00 pm @ CCC
- 28 (Wed) – RSFD Board Meeting 6:30 pm @ Fire House
- 29 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 29 (Thur) – Lions Club Meeting 7:00 @ Town Hall
- 30 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC

### April

- 2 (Mon) – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC
- 3 (Tue) – Planning Commission Work Meeting 6:30 @ Town Hall
- 4 (Wed) – Zion Canyon Visitors Bureau Meeting 2:00 @ Town Hall
- 4 (Wed) – Adult Art Classes with Deb Durban 6:00 pm @ CCC
- 5 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC
- 6 (Fri) – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC
- 6 (Fri) – CCC Benefit Show and Dinner: “Inconvenient Truth” 6:00 pm (dinner) 7:30 pm (show) @ CCC
- 9 (Mon) – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC
- 9 (Mon) – Z-Arts! Board Meeting 6:45 pm @ CCC
- 11 (Wed) – SWAB Meeting 1:00 @ Town Hall
- 11 (Wed) – Town Council Meeting 5:00 @ Town Hall
- 11 (Wed) – Adult Art Classes with Deb Durban 6:00 pm @ CCC
- 12 (Thur) – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC

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## Parking Committee Looks to Curb Congestion

The shuttle system will resume operations on April 1st. This means the number of visitors parking in the Town will also increase. Parking congestion has become a significant problem in the last few years; this year will likely be no different.

To address the problems of parking congestion the Town has established a parking committee. The committee is made up of members of the Planning Commission, the Town Council, Zion National Park, Parks Transportation, and Town Staff.

The committee is exploring a number of options to address parking congestion. These possible strategies include: improving signage for public parking in the town, improving information about shuttle parking on the Town and Park websites, encouraging hotels to encourage their guests to ride the shuttle, encouraging residents to ride the shuttle, and potentially building a public parking facility in the Town.

There has been some concern expressed about the Town potentially taking private property to build a parking lot. Please be assured this is not the case. While the parking committee is exploring options for a public parking facility in the town, such a facility would either be built on Town-owned property or on property the Town purchases.

The parking committee is continuing to investigate possible solutions to the parking congestion issue. In the mean time, you can help reduce parking congestion in the Town by:

- 1- Walking, biking, or riding the shuttle to make in-town trips, and
- 2- Encouraging your visiting guests, friends, and associates to use the shuttle rather than their private cars to enter the Park and make in-town trips.

If you have questions about the parking committee, or suggestions on possible solutions to the parking congestion problem, please contact Tom Dansie at the Town Office.



## Earth Day/Arbor Day

Zion Canyon will host its annual Earth Day and Arbor Day Climate-Friendly Celebration this year on April 21, 2007. Plan to participate in free activities and demonstrations. The hub of all that is going on will be at the entrance to Zion National Park in the Giant Screen Theatre Complex near Sol Foods. The motto for the event is: LOCALLY IS GLOBALLY!

You, your friends, and family will be able to participate in a variety of activities, learn from demonstrations and exhibits, and have fun at all the festivities. Enjoy yourself and learn how plants, animals, and the environment are effected by the way we live our lives. Exhibits and demonstrations will show you what you can do to be earth and climate friendly and experience how acting locally for our earth can effect the whole globe.

### Activities and demonstrations will include:

Live Music	Arbor Day Tree Planting
Drum Circles	Organic Farming
Solar Products	Games
Organic Food Samples	Native Plant Sources
Recycling	Alternative Fuels
Earth-Friendly Building Materials	
And Much More...	



This event is sponsored by the Town of Springdale, Zion National Park, the Zion Canyon Visitors Bureau, and the Springdale Locally Is Globally Organization (SLIGO).

Earth Day  
 Festivities

**April**

**13 (Fri)** – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC

**13 (Fri)** – Eco-Tourism Meeting 3:00 pm @ CCC

**13 (Fri)** – Z-Arts! Film Series: "Who Killed the Electric Car?" 7:30 @ Flanigan's Discovery Theater

**14 (Sat)** – Climate Change Rally 10:00 am @ CCC

**14 (Sat)** – Z-Arts! Presents: Classical Piano/Cello Duo: Maurine Ozment & Robin Keith 7:00 pm @ CCC

**16 (Mon)** – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC

**17 (Tue)** – Planning Commission Meeting 6:30 @ Town Hall

**18 (Wed)** – Adult Art Classes with Deb Durban 6:00 pm @ CCC

**18 (Wed)** – Book Discussion for Adults 7:00 pm @ CCC

**19 (Thur)** – Scrabble for Kids 3:30 pm @ CCC

**19 (Thur)** – Dr. Jim Deacon- "Southern Nevada's Water Grab and It's Effect on West Desert Utah" 7:00 pm @ CCC

**20 (Fri)** – Moms and Tots 10:30 am @ CCC

**21 (Sat)** – Zion Canyon's Earth Day Climate Friendly Festivities @ Sol Foods

**21 (Sat)** – Earth Day Speak: Dr. Robert Davies 7:30 pm @ CCC

**23 (Mon)** – Yoga with Kids 3:45 pm @ CCC

**25 (Wed)** – Art Classes with Deb Durban 6 pm @ CCC

**25 (Wed)** – RSFD Board Meeting 6:30 pm @ Fire House