

# TOWN OF SPRINGDALE

JULY 2024

From Mayor Bruno

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## It's July!

July is here! July is, on average, the warmest month of the year in the northern hemisphere. In the southern hemisphere, July is, on average, the coldest month of the year and is the second month of winter. The "dog days of summer" officially begin on July 3. Historically, they were associated with bad luck, mad dog attacks, unexpected thunderstorms, heat, and drought.

July was named after Julius Caesar by the Roman senate. Prior to that time, it was called Quintilis (Latin for fifth) and was the fifth month of the 10-month-long ancient Roman calendar. Julius Caesar wasn't the only military genius born in July. Alexander the Great was also born in July, as were Frida Kahlo, Franz Kafka, Marcel Proust, and Nelson Mandela.

July 2 is World UFO Day, July 3 is Stay out of the Sun Day (and my birthday), July 4 is Independence Day, July 6 is National Fried Chicken Day, and July 29 is International Tiger Day. Month-long observations include National Watermelon Month, National Hot Dog Month, and National Ice Cream Month.

July has two birth flowers -- the water lily and the larkspur. The water lily is a symbol of a pure heart, and the larkspur represents the lightness of the heart. The birthstone of July is the ruby, considered by many to be the king of gems and believed to protect against evil.

The first crewed mission to the Moon, the Apollo 11 Mission, launched on July 16, 1969. Four days later, Neil Armstrong took the first step on the Moon while declaring "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind!"

Finally, the first atomic bomb was detonated on July 16, 1945, in Alamogordo, New Mexico. The bomb was called "Fat Boy," and the mushroom cloud was 41,000 feet high.

Stay cool and safe out there!

-BARBARA  
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## Springdale Goes Dark During Community Black Out Night

On June 6, the Town sponsored a Community Blackout Night. All the lights on Lion Boulevard near the Canyon Community Center and Town hall were turned off, allowing the natural dark to cover the area. Volunteers from the St. George Astronomy Group, Southern Utah University, Utah Tech University, Stargazing Zion, and Zion National Park set up a total of 25 telescopes on the Town ballfield, providing participants views of stars, nebulas, galaxies, and other celestial objects. Around 60 people came to enjoy the event.

Thank you to all our partners who made this event possible. And thank you to all those who came to participate! Watch for more dark sky events coming in the near future!



## Zion Canyon Music Festival

If you are a resident or worker of Springdale, you can get a free Friday night ticket to the music festival.

Go to the front desk at the Springdale Town Office to redeem your ticket. Bring proof of residence or employment.

There is a limited number of tickets available. Limit to 2 per person. Grab them soon!

And then get your Saturday night ticket here: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-zion-canyon-music-festival-14th-annual-tickets-895457767287?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR29RyIRHOWXd2KgCFdOyLkVXT-0kmx9iLOtjKg-acayGhVX2SlFKiHqvY\\_aem\\_XIWjIQ2kSwWuykZN63nn\\_Q](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-zion-canyon-music-festival-14th-annual-tickets-895457767287?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR29RyIRHOWXd2KgCFdOyLkVXT-0kmx9iLOtjKg-acayGhVX2SlFKiHqvY_aem_XIWjIQ2kSwWuykZN63nn_Q)



## Wanted: Dedicated Community Workforce Members in Need of Housing

For the past year and a half the Town has been working on a plan to make workforce housing options available to the community. We have partnered with Mountain Country Home Solutions on a project that will make seven single family homes and up to ten multi-family rentals available to families who are part of Springdale's workforce.

We are happy to announce we will soon be ready to select potential buyers for the first two of the single family homes! These two homes are located in the Red Hawk subdivision, conveniently situated in the center of Town. They are approximately 1,800 square feet and were constructed in 2009.

The homes will be part of a community land trust. This means the homebuyer will purchase the home itself and will enter into a long-term lease on the underlying property. This greatly reduces the sales price of the home and keeps the homes affordable for Springdale's working families.

Mountain Country Home Solutions hopes to have the homes sold and families occupying the homes by the end of August! If you are interested in purchasing the homes please contact Thomas Dansie ([tdansie@springdale.utah.gov](mailto:tdansie@springdale.utah.gov)) to get your name on the list of interested buyers.

Homebuyers must have household income between 80 and 125% of the Washington County Area Median Income. In addition to income qualification, homebuyers will be selected based on the length and type of their employment and service in Springdale and Zion National Park. Preference is given to households who have worked here longer, and to those that work in an essential service (public safety, healthcare, public education, etc.).

All potential buyers will need to be pre-approved for a mortgage before being eligible to be considered for the homes. Mountain Country Home Solutions' preferred Loan Officer who will be handling the land trust transactions is Natalie Drake. She is available to help interested buyers get started on the pre-approval process and can be reached at 432-632-1900.

While there will only be two single family homes available at this time, we are optimistic that the additional five homes will be ready to purchase in about a year. The multi-family rental units will be available in about eighteen months. So if you are not selected for one of the first two homes there will be more options coming soon!

## Meet the Springdale Parks and Rec Team

As the Springdale Parks and Recreation Department, it is our goal and our mission "to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors of Springdale by providing safe, pristine parks and facilities, welcoming and accessible programming, meaningful leisure opportunities and exceptional Town events." With our recent designation as a Healthy Utah Community, we are also focusing on different ways in which we can promote health and wellness (both physical and mental) within the community. So how do we do this? We take care of your parks, trails and cemetery grounds. We hold regular programming at the Canyon Community Center, including art workshops, yoga, high fitness and more. We plan and organize both large-scale and small-scale events, such as the Butch Cassidy 10k/5k, the Zion Chalk and Earth Fest, outdoor movies, and much more. Last, we look for ways to engage with community members to get a feel for what the recreational needs and wants are for residents.

It is our pleasure to serve the community of Springdale and our door is always open. We invite you to browse our department webpage on the Town website and check out what we have going on. Send us an email with any ideas you might have, or stop by in person to give us your thoughts or just say hi.



Figure 1 from left to right: Ryan Gubler, Jameson Taylor, Holli George, Robyn Sanders

## Meals on Heels Walking Tour A Runaway Success!

The most recent installment of the Town's "Two Cent" Community Engagement series, *Meals on Heels*, was a big success. On the morning of May 30 a committed group of community members joined Community Development staff for a walk through the Town. The group started the walk at the site of the Town's future downtown plaza and ended at the River Park. Along the way we talked about current community development projects, Town priorities, and resident concerns. Thanks to everyone who came and participated!

As we have done following our previous Two Cent events, we are providing a list of the comments we received coupled with the Town's plans to address these comments. Please contact Community Development staff at 435-522-4130 to discuss these or other community development topics. Also, be on the lookout for information about our next Two Cent event coming soon. We hope you will join us!

Resident Comment	Town Action
Community members are excited for the new downtown plaza. When will it be complete?	The Town has selected Caliber Contractor to construct the plaza. We are finalizing the contract with Caliber. After that we will spend about two to three months finalizing plans. Caliber will then begin construction, which is estimated to take twelve to fourteen weeks. Based on this timeline we are hoping to have the plaza complete in early 2025.
How can residents get more information about development projects that are reviewed at the staff level and don't go to the Planning Commission or Town Council?	We are investigating ways to provide more information to the community on this topic. One suggestion is to include a list of staff approved development projects with each Planning Commission agenda item. We are investigating how we can make this work.
The crosswalk at SR9 and Winderland Lane continues to be problematic. What can be done to improve visibility and safety at this location? Similar concerns regarding the crosswalk at Canyon Springs Drive.	The Streets Department is continuing to experiment with pavement markings and other advance warning messaging to help alert drivers of the crosswalk. Recent changes like the orange pedestrian flags have made a noticeable difference and we are working on more solutions.
Commercial traffic on Big Springs Road is creating negative impacts on residents who live on the road.	The Town staff has met with residents on Big Springs to talk about potential strategies.
Scotch Broom is a popular plant for Springdale landscapes. Unfortunately, it is also mildly invasive. It should be prohibited.	The Town's approved plant list can be updated to reflect this change. Town staff will make this suggestion to the Planning Commission for their consideration.
Property owners whose landscape overhangs the public right-of-way and sidewalks have the obligation to trim vegetation to make sure sidewalks are clear. The Town should remind property owners of this responsibility.	This is a great suggestion. Town staff will investigate where vegetation needs to be cut back and remind property owners to trim the offending plants.
Trash cans and recycling bins should be placed on the sidewalk on pick-up days, not in the bike lane.	This is another great suggestion. Town staff will send a community notice to remind residents to put their trash and recycling on the sidewalk for pick-up.
Residents loved the shade trees planted with the new sidewalk project south of the LaFave rentals. The Town should encourage more street shade trees.	Thank you for the great feedback! We are happy that we have been able to include shade trees in many of the recent sidewalk projects (Lion Blvd, SR9, etc.). We will continue to look for opportunities to enhance the streetscape with shade trees, as suggested in the Town's streetscape plan.
Trace pharmaceuticals are present in the Virgin River (as a result of narrows hikers in Zion). The Town should explore ways to remove them from our drinking water.	The Town's new water treatment plant is state of the art and produces excellent quality water. The Town routinely tests drinking water to ensure it meets all State and Federal standards. A copy of the most recent water quality report is available on the Town's website. Unfortunately, we are unable to either test or treat water for trace pharmaceuticals at this time. While the Town is confident our water meets and exceeds all water quality and safety standards, residents who are concerned about trace pharmaceuticals may wish to consider alternative sources for drinking water (e.g. bottled water) or supplemental treatment at their residence (e.g. reverse osmosis).
Residents are excited about the Town's plans to continue removal of invasive species (Russian olive and tamarisk) from the Virgin River and its tributaries. Residents are hopeful invasive species removal efforts can be extended to other areas of the Town.	The Town has applied for a grant that would fund a three year project to remove invasive species from the riparian areas and tributary washes in the Town. We are expecting to hear whether or not this grant is funded in the next month. If funded, the Town will begin a three project to remove these invasive species from the community.

## **Emergency and Non-emergency Communication Channels**

Following the recent fire in Rockville the Town received several calls and questions about emergency and community notifications. There are several methods to receive alerts and information during emergencies and even under more mundane conditions. These methods include the county-wide reverse 911 system, the Town website alerts, community email blasts, and social media. The reverse 911 system provides the most current and immediate information during an emergency. The other methods are updated regularly based on their purpose and content but are not routinely updated during an emergency.

We encourage you to make sure you are set up to receive information from all these communication channels. For each of these channels to be successful, the person wishing to receive information has to do something: sign up, select, request, or follow. The Town provides a significant amount of information, and we want to help you put yourself in a position to receive it.

### **Reverse 911**

Washington County utilizes a Citizen Alert System that provides reverse 911 emergency alerts along with other important community messages. These messages are primarily life safety communications such as missing persons, evacuations, and critical information during disasters.

Cell phones are becoming the primary source of communication in many households. While Century Link landline phone accounts are routinely imported into the system, cell numbers are not and need to be registered with the system for alerts.

Signing up for these important notifications can be done at [www.911register.com](http://www.911register.com) or on the [Police Department page](#) of the Town website. Please see the attached flyer from the Police Department for more information.

The system provides notifications to you based on the address registered to the phone number, not the location of the cell phone. During the recent fire, property owners within a certain distance from the fire received notifications while others, who live further from the fire, did not. Additionally, emergency responders also went door to door in the evacuation area to make sure everyone was notified. Emergency responders on scene during an incident determine what areas need to be notified during an emergency.

Once registered, you will receive time-sensitive information using whatever method you specify – home, cell, or business phone, email, text message, hearing impaired receiving devices, or other options.

### **Town Website**

The Town's website includes an alert system that is used to notify residents and businesses of issues affecting the community, including interruptions to Town utilities, road closures or changes to traffic patterns due to construction activities, and other similar events.

Community members may sign up for “Notify Me” alerts on the Town’s website and select to receive notifications via email or text message on a variety of subjects, including public meeting agendas, community alerts, and news flash messages.

Please see the graphic on the following page on how to sign up on Notify Me.

### Town Email List

The Town regularly sends emails to the community regarding public meetings, community events, and other information related to the community or Town business via our general email list maintained by the Clerk’s office. You may request to be added to this email list by contacting either [Aren](#) or [Robin](#) at the Town office.

### Social Media

The Town staff maintains pages and accounts on several social media platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

Facebook:

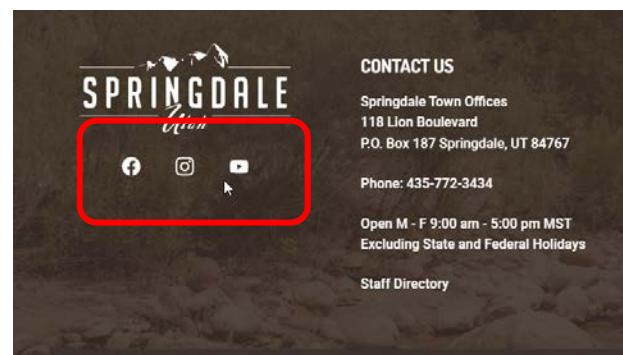
[Town of Springdale](#)

[Springdale Police Department](#)

[Canyon Community Center](#)

Instagram: [springdale\\_ccc](#)

Youtube: [Springdale Town](#)



The Town uses Facebook to promote Town events, recreation and other classes, and to provide general community information. The Police Department uses Facebook to inform about community issues, road closures, and other police related matters. The CCC uses both Facebook and Instagram to promote town events, recreation and other classes, and other similar events and features.

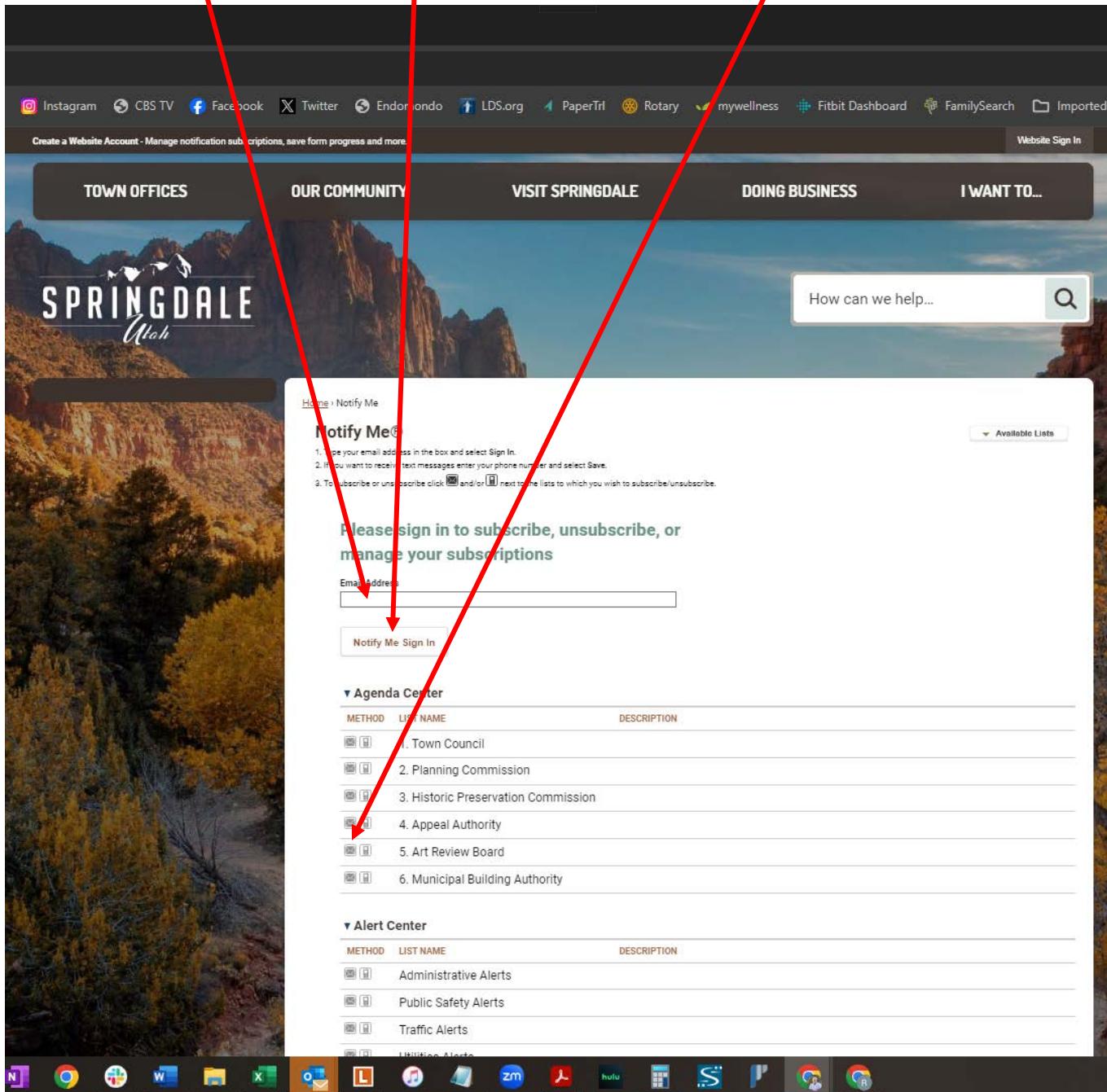
The Town utilizes our YouTube channel to broadcast public meetings, including the Town Council and Planning Commission meetings.

We encourage the community to follow these pages and channels. These channels can be accessed in the links above, or by clicking the links at the bottom of our Town, Police, and Parks and Recreation website pages.

# How to Receive Town Website Alerts and Notifications

Click on [Notify Me](#)

Enter email address, and click Sign In, and select the types of notifications you'd like to receive and how you would like to receive them (email or text).



# Reverse 911 Citizen Alert System



## Washington County Citizen Alert

The Washington County Citizen Alert system is a notification service that allows you to receive emergency alerts. You can subscribe to receive notifications based on your location by entering your contact information. The information you provide is protected and will not be used for any other purpose.

### How It Works

When notifications are issued about a potential safety hazard or concern, you will receive a message on the voice or text communication methods that you have registered. If requested for the notification, you can confirm that you have received the message and you will not be contacted by any subsequent methods regarding that particular notification. If you do not confirm, the system will continue to attempt to reach you at all of the contact paths that you have registered.

### Sign up for Notifications

Create an account and add your contact and location information into the Mass Notification system. All information you provide will be kept strictly confidential.

### Stop Receiving Notifications

You can stop receiving at any time by removing your contact information from your profile.

### To sign up for emergency alerts

There are many ways to sign up. Scan the QR Code above, visit [911register.com](http://911register.com), or visit our website at <https://www.springdaletown.com/499/Police-Department>. Individuals with disabilities who need assistance can register by calling Washington County Citizen Alert at 435-627-4914.



2024

July



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	2	3 • 2 PM Zion Canyon Visitor's Bureau • 2 PM-3PM Alcoholics Anonymous • 5 PM-7 PM Planning Commission Work Meeting	4 <b>Town Hall closed in observance of Independence Day</b>	5	6 • 7 PM-8 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
7	8 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	9	10 • 2 PM-3PM Alcoholics Anonymous • 5 PM-7 PM Town Council Regular Meeting	11	12	13 • 7 PM-8 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
14	15 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	16	17 • 2 PM-3PM Alcoholics Anonymous • 5 PM-7 PM Planning Commission Regular Meeting	18	19 • <b>Roll-Off Dumpsters</b>	20 • 7 PM-8 PM Alcoholics Anonymous • <b>Roll-Off Dumpsters</b>
21 • <b>Roll-Off Dumpsters</b>	22 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	23	24 <b>Town Hall closed in observance of Pioneer Day</b> • 2 PM-3PM Alcoholics Anonymous (@ the Gazebo)	25	26	27 • 7 PM-8 PM Alcoholics Anonymous
28	29 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	30	31 • 2 PM-3PM Alcoholics Anonymous			

Visit the Community Calendar at [www.springdaletown.com](http://www.springdaletown.com) for the most up-to-date event schedules.

# Canyon Community Center Class Calendar

126 Lion Blvd, Springdale

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Scan the QR code below or visit [bit.ly/CCCWellFit](https://bit.ly/CCCWellFit) to do any of the following:

- Purchase a CCC Wellness Loyalty Card
- Pay a single Wellness class drop-in fee
- Sign a class waiver



Scan the QR code below or visit [bit.ly/CCCWorkshops](https://bit.ly/CCCWorkshops) to do any of the following:

- Purchase an Art Workshop Loyalty Card
- Pay a single Art Workshop drop-in fee



S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
	1    Bingo 10AM-11AM Art Workshop- Flowers of Zion 3PM-5:30PM	2    High Fitness 8AM-9AM Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Knitting/Crochet Group 2PM-4PM	3		4 <b>CLOSED-</b> <b>4TH OF JULY</b>	5    YAZ (Youth Activities in Zion)- Drum Circle 11AM-12PM	6
7    Free Fitness Meetup @ Gazebo 9AM-10AM Crystal Sound Bath Meditation 11AM-12PM	8    Bingo 10AM-11AM Art Workshop- Flowers of Zion 3PM-5:30PM	9    Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Knitting/Crochet Group 2PM-4PM	10		11    YAZ (Youth Activities in Zion)- Reptiles w/ Olivia 11AM-12PM	12    Yoga 10AM-11:15AM	13    Community Yard Sale @ Gazebo 8:30AM-11:30AM Setup @ 7:30AM
14    Free Fitness Meetup @ Gazebo 9AM-10AM Crystal Sound Bath Meditation 11AM-12PM	15    Bingo 10AM-11AM Art Workshop- Flowers of Zion 3PM-5:30PM	16    High Fitness 8AM-9AM Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Knitting/Crochet Group 2PM-4PM	17		18    YAZ (Youth Activities in Zion)- Art w/ Lanell 11AM-12PM	19    Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Community Senior Birthday Party @ NOON	20
21    Free Fitness Meetup @ Gazebo 9AM-10AM Crystal Sound Bath Meditation 11AM-12PM	22    Bingo 10AM-11AM Art Workshop- Flowers of Zion 3PM-5:30PM	23    High Fitness 8AM-9AM Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Knitting/Crochet Group 2PM-4PM	24 <b>CLOSED-</b> <b>PIONEER DAY</b>		25    YAZ (Youth Activities in Zion)- Springdale PD 11AM-12PM	26    Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Art Talk & Open Studio- Lanell Dike 3PM-5:30PM	27
28    Free Fitness Meetup @ Gazebo 9AM-10AM Crystal Sound Bath Meditation 11AM-12PM	29    Art Workshop- Flowers of Zion 3PM-5:30PM	30    High Fitness 8AM-9AM Yoga 10AM-11:15AM Knitting/Crochet Group 2PM-4PM	31				

# I NEED HELP PUTTING TOGETHER THE SENIOR BDAY PARTY BIRTHDAY LIST!

AS YOU PROBABLY REMEMBER, THE TOWN AND CCC HELD A SENIOR COMMUNITY BIRTHDAY PARTY LAST YEAR FOR ALL SENIORS 85+ IN THE CANYON.

WE WILL HAVE A PARTY AGAIN THIS YEAR ON FRIDAY, JULY 19TH AT NOON. **I NEED HELP FROM THE COMMUNITY! TO UPDATE THE BIRTHDAY LIST**

FROM LAST YEAR, I NEED HELP IDENTIFYING COMMUNITY MEMBERS TURNING 85+ THIS YEAR.

PLEASE EMAIL ME AT

**[RSANDERS@SPRINGDALE.UTAH.GOV](mailto:RSANDERS@SPRINGDALE.UTAH.GOV)**

IF YOU CAN HELP.

I WILL ALSO NEED A BABY/CHILD PHOTO AND A RECENT PHOTO OF THE SENIORS BEING HONORED AT THE PARTY BY 7/12/24.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE IN MAKING THIS EVENT A SUCCESS!

-ROBYN

CCC & EVENT SUPERVISOR



Since 1951 Serving Rockville, Springdale, Zion Canyon

# ZION CANYON LIONS CLUB

## 66<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

*Sourdough Pancakes*  
*Sausage & Ham ★ Watermelon*  
*Orange Juice, Milk & Coffee*

*Adults - \$7   Kids under 6 - \$2*

**THURSDAY, JULY 4**  
**7:30 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Springdale Elementary School**

Proceeds to benefit Springdale Elementary

Special thanks to:  
Springdale Elementary, Oscar's Café, Zion Pizza & Noodle  
Deep Creek Coffee Company, Zion Guru



**COMMUNITY  
YARD SALE**

**SATURDAY, JULY 13TH  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
@ SPRINGDALE TOWN PARK  
126 LION BLVD., SPRINGDALE**

You are responsible for your own booth setup/take down & items. You must remove anything that you do not sell.  
Please bring anything you'll need to make sales. The Town will not have change.

# Library Craft Night



## DIY BOOK-ART JEWELRY

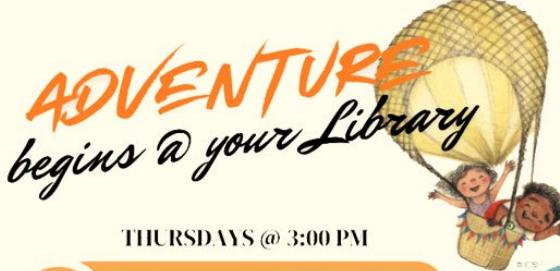
Date: July 25th @ 5 p.m.

Lexi will be teaching everyone how to create fun book-art jewelry using recycled book paper and wood.

Please sign-up in advance. Space is limited.



To Register: call 435-772-3676



THURSDAYS @ 3:00 PM

**11** EXPLORE ARCHEOLOGY  
Children/Family

**18** MAGIC & BALLOONS  
Children/Family

**25** VIRTUAL WHITE WATER  
ADVENTURE  
Children/Family

**31** WEDNESDAY  
END OF SUMMER PIZZA  
PARTY & GAMES  
Children/Family

## FREE LIBRARY EVENTS IN JULY

WEDNESDAYS @ 1:00 PM

**03** SHINTY-HURLING  
Teen/Tween

**10** CROQUET  
Teen/Tween

**17** CROWN & ANCHOR  
Teen/Tween

**31** 'TWEEN BOOK CLUB @  
3:00 PM  
Teen/Tween

**10** ADULT BOOK CLUB  
Adult (Sign-up Required)

**25** WRITER'S CLUB  
Adult (@ 1:00 pm)

**25** ADULT CRAFT NIGHT  
Adult (Sign-up Required)



WASHINGTON COUNTY  
LIBRARY SYSTEM



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF OUR EVENTS PLEASE CALL  
(435) 772-3676 OR EMAIL [EMILAJ@WASHCO.LIB.UT.US](mailto:EMILAJ@WASHCO.LIB.UT.US)

