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New City Administrator

Long-time City Recorder Skarlet M. Bankhead has been named the new city administrator for Providence City.

Mayor Alma Leonhardt announced that Bankhead, who has served as City Recorder since 1995, was selected from a large field of applicants by the City Council on Tuesday, July 26, 2005. She will begin her duties as chief administrative officer of the City immediately, in addition to retaining her duties as City Recorder.

Leonhardt said while the Council was very impressed with the qualifications of the many candidates who applied for the administrator's position, Bankhead's knowledge and experience in Providence, as well as her excellent working relationship with the citizens of the community, was just too much to ignore. "Skarlet already knows our ordinances inside and out, and she has a great understanding of the way the Mayor and Council believe the city should be administered on a daily basis."

"Add this to an outstanding relationship with all of our City employees, and hiring Skarlet was just a natural fit we felt it was important to take advantage of," Leonhardt said.

Bankhead joined Providence City in 1991, working first as the Justice Court Clerk. She was named City Recorder in 1995, and later added the duties as head of the Finance & Records Department. "Since becoming Recorder, Skarlet has worked extensively with the City Council, the Planning Commission, our City parks and recreation programs, and has an excellent understanding of how all of our City programs function.

"As Recorder she has also been the City's budget officer, so she has a unique insight into the financial concerns of our growing city," Leonhardt said. "We're grateful she has accepted these additional duties, and we're looking forward to working together to move our city forward."

A Providence native, Bankhead and her husband, Bill, are the parents of six children.

Soccer registration extended

Soccer registration has been extended and will continue until teams are full. Children **MUST** be age 5 by September 1 of this year. The fee for city residents is \$20.00 per participant. Come to the City Office for a registration form. If you have questions, contact Terri Lewis at 752-9441, ext. 15.

New Businesses

A number of new businesses have opened their doors in Providence. A commercial complex located at 555 West 100 North has four new tenants. **Taco Maker** and **Jake's Over the Top** are in Suite A. They offer a variety of Mexican food, hamburgers, and shakes. Next door, **Rocky Mountain Sports** has a large inventory of every type of sports gear and supplies. Check out **Avonlea Bridal** in Suite D for everything you need for a beautiful wedding. **Cajun Bob's Billiard Plaza**, Suite F, offers a place for wholesome family entertainment with pool tables, and air hockey. Also, **A Touch of Class Floral**, 2 North Main, has been re-opened under new ownership. Richard Hansen, who also owns "Every Bloomin' Thing" in Smithfield, adds his expertise to this floral shop. Be sure to stop in and pick up one of his beautiful floral arrangements.

Recreational game cancellations

Providence City makes the final decision to cancel a game (due to weather) at 3:00 p.m. the day of the game. If the weather changes after that time, the decision to cancel or continue a game is up to the game's referees and umpires. For information regarding field closures, call 752-9441 ext. 30.

Concert in the Park

The final 2005 Providence City Concert in the Park will be held Monday, August 15 at the Zollinger Park pavilion, 50 West 200 North. The concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. Residents and their families are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnics as they enjoy music sponsored by Providence City.



learned entire albums and perform them as a whole, rather than selected singles. Guitarists are brothers Zach and Tylar Putnam, both guitar majors at Utah State University. Juan Carlos Mackay, a music composition major at USU, plays the keyboards. Marc Karpowich gives the beat on his drum set, and Dave Jorgensen covers the bass.

Youth Council

Youth Council applications are now available for 9th – 12th graders who live in Providence City. This is a wonderful opportunity for youth to serve their peers and acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for their local government. Youth Council members work directly with local officials, school administrators, Chamber of Commerce, civic clubs, and service organizations. The council meets twice a month at the Providence City Office Building. They participate in activities such as: cemetery clean-up (after Memorial Day), summer youth programs, Sauerkraut Days, and Trunk-or-Treat. If you are interested in applying for a position on the Providence City Youth Council, please pick up an application at the City Building. Applications are due August 31.

Any adults interested in volunteering as a project advisor please contact Beth at 742-9441 ext 18.

August's featured musical group will be "Get Back." Get Back is a local band comprised of 5 men. Their mutual love of Beatles' music drove them together, and a Beatles cover band was born. They have

Change in business licensing process

On July 26, 2005 the City Council amended the Business and License Regulations ordinance. Effective immediately, anyone applying for a business license for a home business or home occupation will be required to submit a dimensioned floor plan of their home. The code compliance officer will then conduct an inspection of the premises to assure the business meets Providence City Code.

School year begins

The 2005-2006 school year will begin on Thursday, August 25 for all schools in the Cache County School District. Please remember that school zones will be enforced.

Back to school night

Providence Elementary Back to School Night will be held on August 24. There will be a short meeting at 6:00, during which new teachers will be welcomed and announcements will be made.

Packets with school and PTA information will be available at the back of the school by the playground from 1:00-2:30 that afternoon. You can fill out the paperwork, order t-shirts, and sign up for PTA while your kids play on the playground. This will help the evening portion focus on meeting your child's teacher. We hope to see you all there. "No Matter How You Spin It, Providence Elementary Is Tops".

Library news

- Summer Reading Program was a great success. Three hundred fifty-seven children participated in the program, reading over four thousand five hundred books in six weeks. Congratulations to all participants and their supportive families. Great job!
- Preschool Story time will resume Thurs., Sept. 8 at 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- The Library is sponsoring a one-day Usborne Book Fair on Wednesday, Aug. 24 at the Library during operational hours. The purpose of this fundraiser is to buy books for the library. For sales over \$500, Usborne will give back 50% in free books for the library. Please come and lend your support.

*"Some books are undeservedly forgotten; none are undeservedly remembered."
-W.H. Auden (1907-1973)*

City election applications due

Applications are being accepted for positions on the Providence City Council. This year there are two council positions and the mayor up for election. Applications will be taken until 5:00 p.m. on August 15. Get involved in City government and consider running for office this year.

Water shares wanted

Providence City is interested in purchasing water shares from the Providence Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company and the Spring Creek Water Company. If you're interested in selling your shares, please contact Brenda Nelson at the City Office at 752-9441 ext. 14.

Little Darlings

We are currently conducting sign-ups for the 2005-2006 Little Darlings. The Little Darlings are kindergarten-age girls who have the opportunity to ride on the Providence City float in parades and also take part in the Miss Providence Pageant. Each Little Darling receives a tiara to wear at these events. This is a fun and unique experience for these girls to dress up in their Sunday best and "be a princess." A letter was mailed to the parents of each potential Little Darling inviting her to participate. If you would like your daughter to be a Little Darling, please fill out the bottom portion of the letter and return it to the City Office by Friday, August 5. If you did not receive this letter and have a daughter entering kindergarten this fall that is interested in participating, please come to the City Office to pick up this letter.

Miss Providence Pageant

This year's Miss Providence Pageant, "It's Magic", will be held on September 10 at Spring Creek Middle School. This program is designed to find young women who are striving for excellence to represent our city. The girls will be judged on areas of creative and performing arts, physical fitness, value statement, academics, interview skill, poise in evening wear, and speaking ability. Plan to attend this event showcasing the wonderful girls in our city.

If you have any questions, please contact Skarlet Bankhead or Annalise Hatch at 752-9441.

Top of Utah runners

The Top of Utah Half Marathon will take place on September 3 and the full marathon will be September 17. There will be many runners so please be cautious.

CALENDAR

- Aug 5* Little Darling sign-up deadline
- Aug 9* City Council meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Aug 15* City election applications due
- Aug 15* Concert in the Park, 7:00 p.m.
- Aug 16* Planning Commission meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Aug 23* City Council meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Aug 25* First day of school
- Aug 30* Historical Preservation Commission meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- Aug 31* Youth Council applications due