



The Garden Spot

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October Calendar

OCT. 3	PLANNING COMMISSION 5:30 PM
OCT. 9	CITY OFFICES AND LIBRARY CLOSED
OCT. 10	CITY COUNCIL 6 PM
OCT. 17	PLANNING COMMISSION 5:30 PM
OCT. 24	CITY COUNCIL 6 PM
OCT. 27	SAUERKRAUT DINNER AT SPRING CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL 6 PM
OCT. 31	HALLOWEEN TRUNK-OR-TREAT AT ZOLLINGER PARK 6 PM
JUST A REMINDER	PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE CITY OFFICE BUILDING

Message from the mayor



Local government is intrusive. Sometimes for good reasons, sometimes not. One example is parkways, the strips of land between the curb or future location of a curb and the sidewalk or property line.

In February, 2005 the Providence City Council passed a parkway ordinance. The ordinance requires that parkways can only be landscaped with turf grass, trees from the city's list of approved trees, annuals, perennials, bark, or wood chips. Sorry, no gravel, rocks, concrete, non-approved trees, vegetable garden plants, or thorn bearing plants.

So, what if you are one of the many people who have landscaped with gravel, rocks, or other non-approved material? If you did it after February, 2005, you are violating the ordinance. Your options are to change your landscaping or get the city council to change the ordinance.

My preference is to allow rocks or gravel in the parking strip but to also require at least 30% plant cover. I also prefer wide planting strips with trees. Please let members of the council know your preferences. If you email me at randytsimmons@gmail.com, I will pass your comments on to the council.

If you know of other areas where the city is too intrusive or not intrusive enough please let me know.

Community Calendar

Want to stay updated on all city events and help keep your life organized? Providence City will be creating a community calendar for 2007.

Residents may include any special dates (birthdays, anniversaries, etc.) for just \$1.00 each. Photos of Providence life, old and new, will also be considered for each month and the cover. Please bring your photos and special dates to the Providence City Office by Friday, November 3. No late submissions will be accepted!

Any business or individual who would like to advertise in the calendar may also bring their insert to the city office. Prices will vary depending on size. Calendars will be on sale beginning December 4, 2006.



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GOT EMAIL?

Sign up to receive the Providence city newsletter delivered straight to your inbox every month.



Simply email the newsletter staff at: randytsimmons@gmail.com

CITY COUNCIL RECENT ACTIONS

- Adopted an ordinance changing the zone of a one acre parcel of property known as 560 West 100 South from Agricultural to Commercial General District.
- Adopted a resolution approving a general plan modification changing the map for a one acre parcel of property known as 560 West 100 South from Single Family Residential to Commercial General District.
- Adopted a resolution approving participation in a Cooperative Agreement between the Utah Department of Transportation and Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization to conduct the SR-165 Cache County Transportation Study.
- Adopted a resolution adjusting the Providence City 2007 Budgets for all funds.

PROVIDENCE CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ANIMAL CONTROL

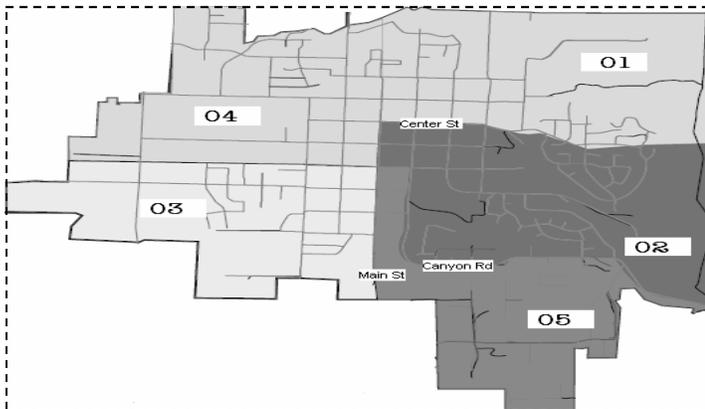
Starting this month, the Cache County Sheriff's Office will start providing animal control services to Providence City. We are excited to provide this service as we have not been in the "Animal Control Business" before. We plan on hiring law enforcement certified deputies to fill the position this will create. Our goal is to offer and maintain a reliable and professional service to the citizens of your community.

*If you have animal problems in you area, please contact dispatch at 716-9400. -Lt. Chad Jensen

- Decorate your "ride" and bring the kids to the city-wide Trunk-or-Treat on October 31. Sign-ups begin October 1 in the City Office. Don't miss this howling good time!
- Any Providence residents in grades 9-11 who would like to be on youth council during the 2006-07 school year need to pick up an application in the city office by October 13.
- The Public Works Director has made arrangements with Cache County to replace the cardboard recycling dumpster at 350 East Center Street for items that will not fit in personal containers. Thank you Randy Eck!
- Providence City is looking for individuals who may be interested in teaching an art, gardening, or other interactive class at Zollinger Park next summer. Classes may be taught to children as well as adults. Applications may be picked up in the city office.
- The Liechty Family would like to thank everyone for their care and concern. It has truly touched our hearts.
- Leaf bags will be available on October 16 in the City Office for all residents starting their fall clean-up.
- Stevens-Henegar College is offering a scholarship to a qualified resident who will be attending the College on October 30 or November 27 of this year. For an application or questions about qualifications, please come to the Providence City Office by October 13.
- The City Council is putting together a committee to compose Volume 2 of the *Providence and Her People* book. Anyone willing to be on this committee or share information should contact the City Administrator at 752-9441.
- Remember that no vehicles can be parked along the road between November 1 and April 1 from Midnight until 6 AM. This will allow the City to do a great job plowing snow. Vehicles not complying with this ordinance will be given a \$25 citation.
- Don't forget to drive careful on Halloween. We want to keep our children safe!

MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY

- Preschool Story Time will be held each Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:30 AM and again on Thursday afternoons at 2 PM. No story time will be held the week of Oct. 16.
- The "Chapter One" book club will be held Oct. 6 and 27 from 2:30-3 PM. All young readers who like reading and discussing books about *Becoming American* are welcome to attend.
- The Library is excited about a recently awarded grant from the Wal-Mart Company to be used for language tapes. Thanks Wal-Mart!
- The phone number for the Providence Library is (435) 752-7881. The number can be found in the phone book under Cache County Library.
- Library hours are: Monday through Friday 10 AM-Noon and 3 PM-7 PM; Saturday 10 AM-2 PM.



VOTING 101

- Election Day is next month and everyone is encouraged to use their voting privilege on the new touch machines. Don't worry, it's easy!
- Voting places have also changed. Providence precincts 01 and 02 will need to vote in the Spring Creek Middle School at 350 W 100 N. Precincts 03, 04, and 05 need to vote in the Cobblestone Club House at 462 N Pinegrove Lane.
- A map of each precinct is shown here on the right. For any questions please contact the Cache County Clerk at (435) 716-7150.

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Health Tips from Cache Valley Assisted Living:

Stop Your Mud

Influenza (also called "the flu") is a viral infection in the nose, throat and lungs. About 10% to 20% of Americans get the flu each year. Each year, about 130,000 people go to a hospital with the flu, and 20,000 people die because of the flu and complications.

The flu may cause fever, cough, sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, headache, muscle aches and tiredness. Most people feel better after 1 or 2 weeks. Influenza vaccine (the flu shot) is recommended for people who are more likely to get really sick to protect them from the flu.

The best way to avoid getting the flu is to get the influenza vaccine each fall, before the flu season. The vaccines work by exposing your immune system to the flu virus. Your body will build up antibodies to the virus to protect you from getting the flu. Some people who get the vaccine will still get the flu, but they will usually get a milder case than people who aren't vaccinated.

Even with a flu vaccine, you aren't 100% protected. If the choice is right, the vaccine is 70% to 90% effective in preventing the flu in healthy people under 65 years of age. If you're older than 65, the vaccine is less likely to prevent the flu. Even if you get the flu after being vaccinated, your flu symptoms should be milder than if you didn't get the vaccine. You'll also be less likely to get complications from the flu.

- Mud from your property is your responsibility. If it flows or gets tracked on to the city streets it clogs the storm water system and causes dangerous driving conditions. If it flows onto your neighbor's property you are liable for damages. Please save yourself, your neighbors, and the taxpayers money by landscaping, grading, and doing everything possible to keep your mud on your property.



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MESSAGE FROM UTILITY BILLING

- Thank you for your patience while we are implementing our new utility bills. We are still working out a few of the bugs and hope to have that done soon. If you have any input on the new bills, please feel free to call the utility department at 753-0313, ext. 10.
- The mandatory recycling program is well under way. We just want to remind you that if you choose not to take advantage of the blue recycle can, you will still be billed for the service.
- There is a low income waiver that is available for those that qualify. There is also a recycling rejection form available to have the blue can removed. **If you choose this option, the can will be picked up, but the charges still apply. Contact the Cache County Service Area at 716-9753 for either form.**
- Thank you again to all citizens for your patience while we have implemented these billing changes over the past couple of months. If you have traded to the smaller 60 gallon trash can, and the charges are not reflected on your most current bill, they will be adjusted accordingly as soon as we receive the list from the Cache County Service Area.
- If you have any questions concerning any part of your utility bill, please feel free to call the utility department at 753-0313, ext. 10.
- We have had several customers take advantage of paying their utility bill by debit/credit card. For those interested, please call 752-9441, ext. 10 and they can take care of your payment over the phone for you.
- Just a reminder, with the cold weather approaching don't forget to winterize your sprinkler systems.
- The City has finished reading meters for the year. We will begin reading meters again next spring in April.



Try these Rebus Puzzles courtesy of fun-with-words.com. Answers: 1. Too funny for words 2. Back to square one 3. Two left feet 4. Painless operation

Annual Sauerkraut Dinner

October 27 @ 6 PM

Spring Creek Middle School

(350 West 100 North, Providence)

Turkey Dinner

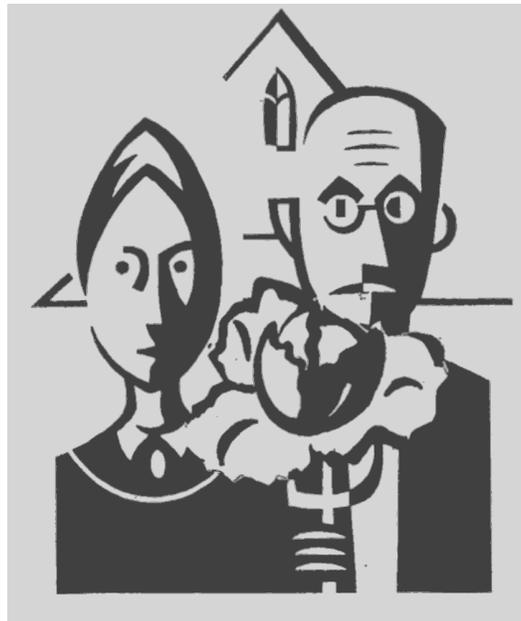
Whole Roast Turkey
with Sauerkraut

Mixed Green with Apple Cider
Vinaigrette and Ranch

Real Potatoes and Gravy

Freshly Baked Rolls with Butter

Green Beans



Kraut Dog Dinner

Hot Dog with Condiments
and Sauerkraut

German Potato Salad

Assorted Chips

*Both dinners include a choice
of homemade brownie or
Cookie and Assorted Soda

\$ Meal Prices \$

Turkey Dinner	\$7.50 prepaid	\$8.50 at the door
Kraut Dog Dinner	\$5.00 prepaid	\$5.50 at the door

- Tickets may be purchased through the Providence City Office (15 South Main) beginning October 2. An additional charge has been applied for individuals wishing to purchase tickets at the door.
 - All home occupations and businesses licensed in Providence are invited to set up a non-retail/ informational booth in the gymnasium next to the cafeteria.

Invite friends and family to this enjoyable night of Providence Heritage!