FAMILY-FUN FRIDAY NIGHTS PLANNED TO CLOSE OUT THE SUMMER

Happy Valley Farmers Market will be held again this year at Park, 100 E. Main St., every Friday from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (with the exception of Aug. 21, for the Bounce Back Steel Days Carnival).

The Market, in its second year, will feature local produce, crafters and other business promotions.

In addition, live music, free crafts for the kids and Food Trucks will be on hand every week for a great night out for the whole family.

"This year, the City and the American Fork Chamber of Commerce have partnered with us so we can create a bigger Farmers Market with more activities for the kids," said Jamie Wadley, Executive Director of Happy Valley Farmer’s Market.

"We really hope the community will come out and be a part of what we hope will be a long-time tradition in American Fork."

Every Friday has a "theme night" with related activities. The schedule is shown on the right.

Booth participants* include:
- Carter Family Farms - local produce heirloom tomatoes, squash, eggplant and more;
- Sega Lily soap - luxurious handmade soap; and
- Rosehill dairy - milk, cheese, eggs, bread and jams.

The website has a full listing of vendors.

Wadley said the Market is still accepting applications for farmers, bakers and other vendors.

For more info or any questions please contact Jamie Wadley at (801) 318-2468 or go to www.happyvalleyfm.com.

To sign up for paperless billing or auto-pay, or to receive your newsletter online simply create an account with Xpress Bill Pay at www.xpressbillpay.com. You will need to create an account using your utility account number and e-mail address.
**Water Rate Increase Notice**

Water Rates Will Increase

Beginning with your August statement, you will see a slight increase in culinary and pressurized irrigation water rates.

As of 7/1/2015, the base rate for residential culinary and pressurized irrigation water increased from $19.41 to $20.72.

For additional information on water rates, please visit our website at www.afcity.org.

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**A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A COP: KEEPING AF CITY SAFE**

After a recent string of vehicle burglaries in American Fork, two patrol officers took it upon themselves to look more into the unsolved crimes.

Despite having little evidence upon which to conduct their investigation, they conducted a foot patrol in the vicinity of the burglaries and were able to locate an individual who revealed the name of a possible suspect.

Almost two weeks later, while one of the investigating officers was on patrol, he saw and recognized the named suspect as he walked down the street. The officer stopped and questioned him, and the suspect then came into the police department for further questioning.

While being interviewed by an American Fork detective, the perpetrator confessed to multiple vehicle burglaries in the City.

Burglaries are among the most difficult crimes to solve, and finding individuals like this is significant for officers and residents.

To report a crime, or to learn more about the American Fork Police Department, you can call (801) 763-3020 or visit www.afcity.net. You can also follow us on Twitter (https://twitter.com/afpolice).

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**PLASTIC RECYCLING FACTS**

Ever notice those numbers on the bottom of plastic containers, and wonder which plastics are recyclable?

The answer is easy: every single one! So make sure you're tossing plastic into your blue recycling bin, and check out these facts about plastic.

- Enough plastic is thrown away each year to circle the earth four times.
- By using reusable drink containers an average person can eliminate the need for 100 disposable bottles per year.
- Americans throw away 35 billion plastic bottles every year
- If you don't already have a recycling bin, you can sign up for the program by visiting the City Administration Offices, 51 E. Main St.

You will need to bring your property closing papers to verify that you are the owner. The deposit is $150 for a single family residence.

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**Symphony Season begins on Aug. 29th**

Rehearsals for the 2015-2016 Season of the American Fork Symphony will be held Saturday, Aug. 29 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the American Fork Junior High School Band Room, 1120 N. 20 West.

There are openings for string players, percussionists, and musicians on some other selected instruments. (The Symphony welcomes players of all orchestral instruments.)

**UPCOMING CONCERT DATES**

Nov. 2 - Autumn Theme
Dec. 14 - Christmas Selections
Feb. 22 - Movie Theme, with soloist
April 27 - Youth Musicians
Steel Days

Soloists and music repertoire will be announced at a later date. The Symphony has expanded its membership to include musicians throughout Utah County and surrounding counties.

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**THE CITY LIBRARY GETS TECHY**

The American Fork City Library recently introduced an improved feature in its Internet Lab. Instead of checking in at the Reference Desk to surf the net, you can sign in on your own using your 14-digit library card number. This easy-to-use check in should eliminate waits to use the Internet.

Patrons can also look forward to self-checkout stations that will be installed in the Library in the Fall 2015. The Library recently was awarded a grant to install the innovations, that will be easy-to-use and speed up check out.

“Statistics show that self-checkout improve efficiency and increases circulation,” said Library Director Colleen Eggett, “This will be a tremendous stride toward implementing cutting-edge Library technology.” (Watch our newsletter to learn when self-checkout stations will be installed.)

And if you don't already have a Library card, stop by 64 S. 100 E., get one, and check out our post-inventory Friends of the Library Book Sale in the Library Rotunda & Bookstore. There are many great books. Hardbacks are $1, Paperbacks are $.50, and DVDs & Audio are $.50.

Note: The Library will be closing early on Thursday Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. and will be closed Saturday, Aug. 22.

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**SOMETHING’S FISHY WITH AMERICAN FORK SENIORS**

Please join the American Fork Seniors on Aug. 7 for a Salmon Dinner in Payson.

The bus will leave from the Senior Citizens Parking lot at 3 p.m., and will return home between 7 and 7:30 p.m.

To make reservations, please call the Senior Citizens Center at (801) 763-3090.