

Spring Town Times **February** 2025

## Mayor's Corner by Chris Anderson

The Sanpete Valley is a great place to ride bikes, except for the fact that you take your life in your hands every time you try to ride along roads that have virtually no shoulder. I am happy to share with bicycle lovers that a couple of projects are in the works that will make your rides safer and more enjoyable.

The Mt. Pleasant to Spring City Heritage Trail, which is planned to follow the east side of Highway 117, will be going out to bid in February, with construction scheduled to begin in May. Thanks to the efforts of Monte Bona, the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area, Justin Atkinson and Sunrise Engineering and others, funding has been secured for the project (assuming bids come in at expected levels). The portion of the project providing a paved trail and new sidewalk along Spring City's Main Street will depend on how successful we are in the bid process.

Another, more ambitious, project is currently being ad-

## Valentine's Day Dance

Let's make this Valentine's Day one to remember. Imagine a space filled with laughter, music, and the joy of simply being together. That's what the Valentine's Dance is all about—a celebration of love, friendship, and the beauty of connection.

We're inviting everyone 14 and older to join us on Friday, February 14th, from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM in the second floor ballroom of the community center. The night is completely free—just come as you are, ready to celebrate what matters most.

vanced through feasibility and initial design phases, thanks to a \$750,000 federal grant. Jones & DeMille Engineering and Alta Design have been engaged to lead that effort and have already completed initial meetings with the different municipalities involved. This project is for a path that would generally follow Highway 89, connecting communities in Sanpete County, from Fairview to Gunnison.

Route alternatives are being considered, and we have proposed that from Spring City to Ephraim the trail follow Pigeon Hollow Road. The ultimate route will depend on the ability to obtain rights-of-way and deal with other issues that may arise.

This second project will be brought to public hearings by summer, after which we will look for funding to move forward with construction.

Let's hope that in the not-to-distant future we can enjoy safer biking experience through Sanpete County.

There will be a photo booth to capture the sweetest moments and refreshments to share along the way. Whether you're coming with your sweetheart, your best friends, or simply your open heart, this night is for you.

So circle the date, bring someone you love, and let's create a moment together—one that reminds us all why love and community are worth celebrating. We can't wait to see you there.

## **Planning and Zoning News**

At our most recent Planning & Zoning meeting, we said goodbye to three of our faithful members: Craig Paulsen, Gary Parnell and Joe Bennion. They have served for many, many years in different positions in Spring City. They will be missed. When you see them, please thank them for their dedicated service.

Cami Christensen, our new chairperson, conducted her first meeting on January 29. Sally Scott and Kristen Mortensen will now be serving as regular members of the committee.

## Spring City Community Doings by Jane Hawkes

Senior Citizen Dinner. Wednesday, February 19, at 5:30 Our entertainment will be provided by "The Hanks Duo," pm, is our next senior citizen dinner in the ballroom of the Spring City Community Center. The cost is \$6 per plate. The menu is *pasta e fagioli* soup, Italian salad and bread, with chocolate chip cookies for dessert.

our own Billiejean and Dave Hanks from Spring City. Please call Jane by Monday, February 17, at 707-673-7548 if you plan to attend, as she needs to let the cook know how much to prepare.

#### **Community Skills Classes**

Classes offered every month are meant to increase the resilience and preparedness of Spring City residents for changing times. Teachers are well prepared to offer good instruction and advice.

Date	Time	Торіс	Teacher	Place
Feb 6	7 pm	City Council		New City Hall
Feb 13	7 pm	Benefits of Creating Real Chocolate	Kyle Christensen	Old City Hall
Feb 20	7 pm	Medical Care in Grid-Down Situations	Sam Shaffer	Old City Hall
Feb 27	7 pm	Specific Ways to Prepare for the Unexpected	Kyle Christensen	Old City Hall
Mar 6	7 pm	City Council		New City Hall

## **DUP News and History by Cherrie Barrow Jones**

Monday, February 3, the Canal Creek Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers will meet at 11:00 in the ballroom at the Old School Community Center. The lesson will be on Johnston's Army given by Cynthia DeGrey, and the pioneer history will be given by Nedra Allred. Our next meeting will be March 3. We look forward to seeing you this month and next. All are invited to come.

The Horseshoe Mountain Pottery, located at 278 South Main, grabs the attention of passers-by. It was built in 1905 by Alvin E. Allred, the son of Isaac M. and Charlotte (Henderson) Allred. It was once a confectionary and pool hall, and later a meat market. Isaac's family had first settled in Davis County, but after the crops failed, the grasshoppers invaded, and Johnston's Army was coming, they moved southward to Sanpete to join their relatives.

Alvin married Maria Borreson, and theirs is a romantic story. From an early age, Alvin accompanied his father and brother into the canyons for firewood and timber, working at the lumber mill. His father and the Allred uncles were musicians, so Alvin learned music and to sing the ballads of the southern colonies and the love songs of his Scotch-Irish ancestry. Singing and music were enter-

tainment during the long evenings, and his sweet voice cheered his companions.

While working at the mill, he became acquainted with Maria, who was one of the cooks. She became quite ill with tonsillitis, and Alvin became quite solicitous in helping to treat her throat. He was quite studious, and to tease Alvin, she hid his books—and then they were able to "enjoy some pleasantries" and soon married.

Alvin served one term as Town Marshal, but Maria's concern discouraged him from serving a second term. Among his many achievements, he managed the Opera House. Maria became the mother of eight children. In 1953, she was the oldest lady living in Spring City at the age of 88. She was an active member of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers and shared many of her experiences growing up in the pioneer town. The Old City Hall Museum houses a collection of pioneer histories gathered as early as 1933, when the Canal Creek Camp was established in Spring City. (Their story has been included in Spring City Tales: A Hayride Tour, sold at the Spring City DUP museums.)



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# FEBRUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDSAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER FOR INFORMATION ON SKILLS CLASSES		LAST CHANCE, HUSBANDS! DON'T FORGET THE GIFT!				1
2 GROUNDHOG DAY	3 DUP LUNCHEON	4	5 City Work Meeting 6:30pm	6 CITY COUNCIL 7PM	7	8
9	10	11	12 Delinquent Utility Account Shutoff Day	13 SKILLS CLASS	14 VALENTINES DAY	15
16	17 PRESIDENTS DAY- CITY OFFICE CLOSED	18 P&Z DEADLINE	19 SENIORS DINNER	20 UTILITY BILLS DUE SKILSS CLASS	21	22
	A	25	26 PLANNING & ZONING 6:30PM	27 SKILLS CLASS	28	

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