



NEWSLETTER

July/August 2022

Message from the Mayor



Hello, Parowan residents and visitors, welcome to the Mother Town! Summer is a time in Parowan where the days are long and peaceful and the nights are filled with crisp, clear views of layer upon

layer of stars that can be seen here with better clarity than 80% of the rest of the country! With family and friends coming to visit and enjoy our traditions and celebrations, it's a great time to feel united as we share our love, loyalty and gratitude for Parowan and for our Country.

Updates:

Drought and water conservation are on the top of all of our minds. We are still allowing watering two times a week, but that could change at any time depending on water levels in the Yankee Reservoir. Please be aware that Parowan City will do its best to keep you informed if the irrigation water has to be limited to one day a week or turned off periodically during the summer. Be patient, and aware that no one but Mother Nature determines that resource that we sometimes take for granted. As a long-term responsible response, water tier rate increases are now in place beginning this summer. If you use over 8000 gallons of culinary water, you will be charged tiered additional usage fees (see page 3). Go to parowan.org for more information or call our city offices with questions about usage or your bill at [435-477-3331](tel:435-477-3331).

Parowan Pool Update: Parowan City and the Parowan City Council are continuing to work together through the difficult process of funding a pool for our community during uncertain economic times along with ongoing construction and supply chain concerns. This important project is on the top of our list moving forward for Parowan and we will keep you posted as we progress toward a solution. In the meantime, your input and suggestions are needed and important to us and can be communicated through our parowan.org website or by emailing or writing letters to our Parowan City Council. It will take tremendous effort to fund this needed and anticipated community amenity and we are collectively working toward finding a solution to make a new community pool for Parowan a reality!

The Meeks Cabin and Pioneer Farmstead Pond Urban Fishery and Outdoor Learning Center Restoration Project Update: The "kids pond" was drained and through tremendous coordinated effort, excavated back down to its original clay bed during the month of June. Debris from the Brian Head fire, along with years of silt deposits, needed to be removed to restore the pond back to its original state and will soon be refilled and restocked by our DNR (Division of Natural Resources) partner. This was a necessary and long overdue project that, through the cooperation and hard work by Parowan City Public Works, DNR, Parowan Historical Committee, community volunteers and Parowan Schools will be available for the enjoyment of the community with a projected completion of Fall, 2022.

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The Water Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

is available in the Parowan City Office
35 East 100 North, and on our
website, parowan.org.

Events and Summer Recreation Programs

*Things to do right here in Parowan!
Summer is upon us—let's take
advantage of the fun activities
right here in town!*

4th of July Celebration

On Monday July 4th at 10:00 am come out and enjoy our annual Parade. Following the Parade there will be games, food and fun in the Main Street Park.

July Concert Series

Every Friday night through the month of July you can enjoy an evening outdoors with our Free Concert Series! Bring your lawn chair, blanket, family and friends to the Main Street Park. Concerts begin at 8:00 pm.

Scavenger Hunts - Every Friday in July, all ages welcome. Come to the Visitor Center, 5 So. Main 10:00 am ~ 5:00 pm to get your instructions. Collect a number of miscellaneous items, return to the Visitor Center and collect your prize!

You still have time to sign up!! The **Parowan Half Marathon, 5K and Yankee Doodle Dash** will be held on Saturday, August 6th starting at the Iron County Fair Building. You may register at parowanhalf.com. For more information call 435-477-8190.

The **July Summer Recreation Program** has something for everyone!!

Yoga in the Main Street Park

July 5th, 6th, and 7th. Yoga mats will be provided if you do not have your own. All ages are welcome at 8:30 am. Fee ~ \$20.00 per person.

Track and Field Day

July 11th in the Main Street Park. Games, races, relay races, track and field. All ages are welcome from 10:00 am ~ Noon. No fee...FREE.

Cornhole in the Main Street Park

Ages 14 and up are welcome. Bring

your own bags on July 14th at 7:00 pm. \$10 fee per team.

Macram'e

Ages 8 ~ 15 on July 18th at 1:00 pm at the Visitor Center. All materials will be provided. Fee is \$10 per person.

Mommy and Me Flower Crowns

July 27th, 10:00 am at Sweet Pea Farm, 136 South 600 West. Enjoy the morning at Sweet Pea Farm, bring your gloves! Treats and lemonade will be provided. Fee \$25; \$10 per additional person. Ages 5 years and up.

Beginners Pickleball

Ages 12 ~ 100, July 12th and 13th 1:00 pm ~ 2:00 pm Iron County Fair Building. \$10 per person.

Children's Pickleball

Ages 9 ~ 11, July 12th and 13th 2:00 pm ~ 3:00 pm Iron County Fair Building. \$10 per person.

Dancing in the Park

Every Thursday night in July Main Street Park 8:00 pm ~ 10:00 pm. Have fun and learn a new dance!

Free to all ages 4- 99

*Wishing everyone a great summer,
hope to see you around Town!!*



From the Library



Storytime is every Tuesday morning at 10:30 on the lawn. Please bring a blanket or a chair!

Twice a month we team up with the Iron County 4-H Cloverbuds at Storytime. We appreciate all the fun activities they plan for us.



Thursday mornings at 10:00 we will have "Food, Fun and Reading!" It is from June 30- August 11. It will be out on the Library lawn. We will have a story, a game and healthy snack. It is for

Preschool aged ~ Second Graders and their parents! We did this last summer and had so much fun!

Summer Reading is until August 1st! Read to earn prizes! Pick up a reading chart at the Library anytime.



Please visit our Little Library on Center and Main Street! We are always needing donations to keep it full for all our readers.

We have so many things happening at the Parowan Library!

Make sure you follow us on Facebook and Instagram @parowancitylibrary

Changes to Fee Schedule for FY 2023 (Effective July 1, 2022)

CULINARY WATER USAGE CHARGES

0—8000	Base Rate
8001—16,000	\$1.19 per 1,000 gallons
16,001—24,000	\$1.78 per 1,000 gallons
24,001—30,000	\$2.31 per 1,000 gallons
30,001—100,000	\$3.01 per 1,000 gallons
100,001—200,000	\$3.91 per 1,000 gallons
200,001—300,000	\$5.08 per 1,000 gallons
300,001—400,000	\$6.61 per 1,000 gallons
400,001 +	\$8.59 per 1,000 gallons

CULINARY WATER MONTHLY BASE RATE— 2.5% Increase

¾ inch	\$33.56 per month (from \$32.74 per month)
1 inch	\$38.27 per month (from \$37.34 per month)
1 ½ inch	\$46.79 per month (from \$45.65 per month)
2 inch	\$55.47 per month (from \$54.12 per month)
4 inch	\$89.84 per month (from \$87.65 per month)
6 inch	\$123.02 per month (from \$120.02 per month)

PRESSURIZED OR SECONDARY IRRIGATION – 2.5% Increase

Monthly Fees

¾ inch	\$16.29 per month (from \$15.89 per month)
1 inch	\$17.97 per month (from \$17.53 per month)
1 ¼ inch	\$19.64 per month (from \$19.16 per month)
1 ½ inch	\$21.31 per month (from \$20.79 per month)
2 inch	\$22.98 per month (from \$22.42 per month)
4 inch	\$24.66 per month (from \$24.06 per month)

911 DISPATCH FEE—\$2.20 per month (from \$1.75 per month)

GARBAGE SERVICE - 2.5% Increase

Trash Receptacle	\$11.83 per receptacle per month (from \$11.54 per receptacle per month)
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SEWER BASE RATES – 2.5% Increase

Home/Apt./Condo/Mobile Home	\$28.86 (from \$28.16)
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*For a full list of the Fee Schedule, go to “parowan.org”.
A copy is also available to view at the Parowan City Office.*

If you have lost items
at any of the City Parks,
please check the
Lost & Found at the
Parowan City Office
35 East 100 North

Iron County is looking to display the history of the Fair Grounds on a kiosk just inside the new entry.
Do you have any of the following:

- Photos of the original entry;

pillars and flags

- Photos/articles of events out there from the '30's to present. Any displays that were in those very old sheds still standing on the property still used by the city
- Photos or maps that show the old highway to Paragonah. After the present road between Parowan and Paragonah was built kids in the '40's used to race their cars down the old Paragonah road.

Please call Sandra Benson with any of the above information,
(435) 477-8801.

Pioneer Day Celebration



This year's Pioneer Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, July 23rd in the City Park.

Festivities include:

5:30 pm

Children's Parade

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Dinner & Activities

Food! Fun! Friends!

Everyone is welcome!

New 3D Digital Mobile Mammography Unit

**Coming to the
Canyon View Clinic
September 20 & 21**

Call 435-676-1267 or
435-676-1547 to schedule
your appointment

FREE mammograms are
available to those that
qualify.

Parowan Literary Club: 100 Years and Counting

By Sandra Benson

Often unnoticed in the activities of Parowan are the civic groups and/or clubs who serve our community without fanfare. We have a deep and rewarding history of such organizations. They are bound with constitutions and by-laws. They meet on specific days and times. Generally, the memberships look to address community and individual needs. Over the years, a number of these clubs have come and gone, but there are those that continue, sometimes reborn, bringing individuals together, sharing common ideas and values.

The Parowan Literary Club, founded in 1920, has shown remarkable club longevity. Originally, the group was referenced with the acronym of F.A.N. That reference remained for about a decade. Today, no one knows what F.A.N. stood for. Notice of the name change is reported in the March 19, 1930 Parowan Times where it says "the Parowan Literary Club, formerly known as the F.A.N. club..."

On June 2, 2022, today's members and their guests met for a luncheon to celebrate their club's 100-year milestone. The event, expected to have been held in the summer of 2020, had been delayed because of COVID. But a delightful afternoon was spent going down memory lane, recalling the club's history, past themes, members, and stories.

Originally, this ladies club

was made-up of 10 members. That number changed over the years to 24 and then was reduced to 20 active participants. The club's first president was Georgia Mitchell, the mother of Katie Mitchell Halterman, presently an honorary member. And today, Georgia's granddaughter, Karen Mitchell Miller, is an active member. In perusing the early membership rolls, it is evident that most members were wives of school teachers, teachers themselves, or wives of prominent businessmen, or ladies working in the business community. They were women with curiosity, generally involved in activities beyond the home. They had families but children were rarely a part of club meetings or activities. Early meetings were held both in the afternoon (an afternoon off), or in the evening when it appears husbands and guests were invited (an evening out). One example of a prominent person involved with the club is Eva Adams, long time bank employee and the only woman ever named as the Bank of Iron County Manager, interim, until a suitable man could be located. Many members are still remembered because of their involvement in the community (membership has included Parowan and Paragonah ladies).

As in the past, meetings begin with the club song, "America the Beautiful," prayer, minutes read and approved, business concerns, and a monthly lesson that represents the annual theme. Refreshments or meals are served. Eating delights are

sometimes served on heirloom dishes, with cloth napkins, and silverware. Other times it is more relaxed. The club has a service component. In recent years, generous donations have been made to reading projects in our public schools and to the city's Sub-for-Santa projects. Until the late '80's or '90's members and guests were advised to wear dresses to meetings. Through the years there have been a good many distinguished guests. Not too long ago, member Carey Shurtleff, arranged for her nephew, Mark Shurtleff, Utah State Attorney General, to address the ladies. He passed around a replica of Abraham Lincoln's hands, an actual reproduced casting made upon Lincoln's death. Shurtleff's presentation was an exploration of civic responsibilities, past, present and future.

Each year's "theme" has proven to be enlightening. Subjects such as "Utah Authors," "The Classics," "American Artists," "Children's Literature," "Heroes and Icons," and "Leo Tolstoy" have been read and studied.

And so, the Parowan Literary Club continues. This club focuses on community, national and world interests, ideas, and concerns. The club strives to explore ideas that make a difference. The group's membership appears to have always been eclectic, made up of combined elements from a variety of sources. This keeps it interesting and fresh. Perhaps that is the strongest element of its century-long success.

Message from the Mayor

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Thank you to all of those involved in this important and beloved Parowan site that was established for the preservation of native landscaping, grounds for the historic Meeks cabin and for a gathering place for families to enjoy fishing and the outdoors right here in town.

The Valentine Peak Trailhead and kiosk parking location are complete in the south parking lot at the Iron County Fairgrounds and the new arch is in place. The connection has been created through cooperation with Iron County, Parowan City and the BLM (Bureau of Land Management). You will notice new wayfinding signs on Highway 143 and a

more coordinated, sustainable parking area for hikers and bikers coming to take advantage of our scenic trails and outdoor recreation. A special thank you to the volunteers who have made the Valentine Peak Trail a destination and a favorite for both locals and those visiting Parowan! Other trail improvements include funding received from the Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant partnered with the Scenic Byway 143—Utah's Patchwork Parkway and ongoing efforts of Parowan resident volunteers to restore and improve the safety of the Hidden Haven Trail. Finally, two new trails have been completed above the Disc Golf course— Electric Loop and Mega Watt. These trails are a result of continued effort by the BLM and Parowan TARP

(Trails Arts Parks & Recreation) committee to grow and develop the Evil Water Trail System, with the ultimate goal being to connect the Parowan and Brian Head trail systems.

Once again, thank you for your contribution to our community as residents and thank you to the Parowan City employees and staff for all the hard work they do every day on behalf of Parowan. We assure you of our efforts daily as Parowan City Council and Mayor to work in a concerted direction to preserve, protect, improve and serve you.

Sincerely,
Mollie Halterman
Parowan Mayor
435-238-0993
mayor@parowan.org

Tips and Info for Garbage Pickup

A few fun facts and guidelines about our solid waste collection service.

- Parowan City has approximately 1,450 garbage cans to be picked up each week. Our super cool garbage truck has a can capacity of 375-600 cans depending on what is in the cans. We have to dump at the Iron County Landfill in Cedar City and each trip takes about 1½ hours to complete; the truck is governed at 68 mph.
- As per local noise ordinance, we cannot start garbage pickup until 7 am, and ask that you have your cans out by then on your pickup day. If they are not out we do not always have time to double back and pick them up.
- No matter how busy the driver is, if a kid does the 'arm pump thing' he will pull the air horn. *#ptownpride!*
- We can only dump garbage cans that have been provided by Parowan City. If an additional can is needed, please contact the city office. There is an upfront \$100 fee plus a monthly charge on your statement. We do not dump any out of state cans, or cans that have been purchased from Home Depot.
- Each can you pay for will only be dumped once per week per can. If you need to purchase additional cans we will be happy to help you.
- Trash can lids must close within reason. No curbside pickup, no exceptions.
- Be kind to your friendly neighborhood garbage truck driver. If lawn clippings or leaves are compacted in a trash can they can become bound up in the can and are incredibly difficult to dump—often times spilling rotten smelling vegetation all over the truck, the road, and sometimes the driver. Please put these items in garbage bags. *#keepptownclean!*

