



NEWSLETTER

September/October 2023

Message from the Mayor

Dear Parowan Community

It is a busy time in our beautiful valley is filled with abundant gardens, school activities and talk about the upcoming holidays. With an election around the corner, there is an excitement and lively conversations about issues, candidates and local politics. The most important thing to remember in having advocates working with you on Parowan City Council is to vote. Your vote really does matter! Your City Council Members play a significant part in shaping the future of Parowan.

Dates to remember:

Primary Election Day: Tuesday, September 5th
U.S. Election Day, 2023: Tuesday, November 7th

- We reinstated our Parowan City/Parowan High School Resolution to be True Rams and work together to support one another in making Parowan Strong. Our "P Hill" is lit with solar lights! It is a beacon of unity and RAM pride to all. Thank you to all who worked hard and contributed to make this long-term community goal possible!



- We have made continued progress toward adopting and updating ordinances that protect our water and guide growth for infrastructure projects that focus on careful protection of this precious resource.
- We have current Master Plan updates in process for Master Transportation, Master Active Transportation, Master Drainage and Master Water & Sewer Plans. We look forward to completion of those plans to guide us.
- We will continue to have an Iron County School Board member representing Parowan in the coming years & we have a new building with a Cafeteria and multipurpose gymnasium for our High School planned for construction to begin in spring of 2024.
- Improvements have been made on widening and armoring our flood channel and work will continue into the fall for additional stabilization.
- The Airport Runway Renovation construction is underway and will wrap up by the end of October.
- Our Veteran's Memorial is updated with new plaques and has been colorfully landscaped and beautifully maintained.

- We are making significant progress toward renovating our Old Rock Church & have raised enough funds as a community to begin the work on the first phase in September. Help by buying a brick at parowan.org.
- We are working on repairing our Parowan Public Library with a new Facilities Maintenance assigned employee. We will begin this project right away and strive to more consistently maintain our public facilities.
- We have grant awards for contribution toward construction of a Bike Training course and Pickleball courts with locations TBD. The Recreation, Arts & Parks - 1¢ on \$10, could help with building and maintenance of projects like these.
- Our Historic Parowan Pool was reimagined & opened after years of being closed. A big shout out of gratitude for all of the support from local businesses, residents and Parowan City Employees for the countless hours of time, hard work and financial donations that made it possible.

For more about our community, go to parowan.org.

Sincerely, Mayor Mollie Halterman

Proposition 5: Parowan City RAP Tax

Parowan City Council voted unanimously to pose a ballot question to the citizens of the community this November 2023 General Election on whether the citizens want to implement a 0.1% (one-tenth of 1%) sales and use tax on qualifying purchases in the City that would generate revenue specifically allocated for recreation, arts, and parks programs and facilities in the City.

The yes or no question on the ballot will read:
SHALL PAROWAN CITY, UTAH, BE AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE A 0.1% SALES AND USE TAX TO HELP FUND RECREATIONAL AMENITIES, PARK FACILITIES, AND CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES IN PAROWAN?

An eligible voter may prepare a written argument for or against this ballot proposition by filing a request with the Parowan City Recorder, 35 E. 100 N., Parowan, UT before 5:00 p.m. no later than September 18, 2023. A voter information pamphlet will be mailed out to all residents, and a public hearing to receive comment will be held on the proposed RAP Tax.

WHAT: Parowan City will be holding a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed RAP tax.

WHEN: October 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: City Council Chambers, 35 E. 100 N., Parowan

Further information on the RAP Tax can be found on the City's website, www.parowan.org.

It's "Scarecrow Time"

"Scarecrow Time" on Parowan's Main Street has become a really fun event for our community. Anyone, can participate and create fun scare crows for all to enjoy! Please join in by creating your very own scare crow! Get your family, neighbors, businesses, school group, reading club, etc. together and put on your thinking caps and get creative!

Straw bales will be available on **October 2nd**. We ask that you have your entry complete and up by **October 6th**.

There is no fee to enter and participate, but please call the Parowan Visitor's Center at 435-477-8190 to reserve your bale. Also, for any other questions.

We look forward to another great fall showing!

Yankee Meadow Half Marathon

Our annual 2023 Yankee Meadow Half Marathon, 5K and Yankee Doodle Dash was a great success!

We would like to thank our many sponsors for their contribution in support of this event: *Dutch Cowboy Dairy, Davis Heating and A/C, Cedar City & Brian Head Tourism Bureau, Parowan Valley Veterinary, The Gym on Main, Parowan Market, Red Door Custom*

Creations, Hero Plumbing, Oak Storage, Ron's Sporting Goods, Southern Country Chevron, Jeep Junkies, Iron Gate Custom Homes.

New 3D Digital Mobile Mammography Unit

Coming to the
Canyon View Clinic
September 25 & 26

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

FREE mammograms are available to those that qualify.

Provided by UCCP—Utah Cancer Control Program.

Fall Fest and Car Show 5K Run and Bike Slow Roll

Parowan City presents "Fall Fest" on Main Street. This event will be held on Saturday, October 14th, 2023. Come out and enjoy all the festivities, vendors, food, games and the Fall Fest Car Show from 10 am - 4 pm.

The Car Show is open to all the makes, models and types of vehicles. Entry fee is \$25 per vehicle. Swag bag and Car Show T-shirt are included.

If you would like to be a vendor for this great fall event, you can

register/pickup an application at the Parowan Visitors Center at 5 South Main.

Participate in the Library 5K Run with the donation of \$5 or a gently used/new good book! The run will start by the library on center street at 9 am. The race will end there as well. Everyone Participating will receive a fun medal from one of our previous events!

For more information, please call 435-477-8190. We are looking forward to a beautiful fall day on Main Street, Parowan UT!

From Parowan High School

As we begin a new year, Parowan High School welcomes its students back. We are excited this year for the many opportunities we have to continue to build community. We truly believe that when we are unified in purpose, anything is possible.

Community continues to be the central focus of all that we do. Parowan is a special place, and we feel that teaching the core values of service and kindness strengthens us. It is with these attributes that we will build community spirit.

Parents, we invite alumni, clubs, citizenry to support our students and to have the conversation of how to support PHS. Through this process we build trust and have a more positive relationship for our students.

Please log on to pws.irondistrict.org to follow our activities. Go Rams!

Parowan City Art Program

PLEIN AIR with Hannah Melling
Thurs., Sept. 21st at 6:00 p.m.

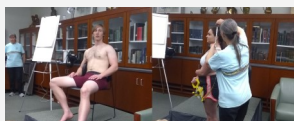
Parowan Heritage Park, 19 W. Old Hwy 91
Inclement Weather Location: Parowan Fire Station, 290 W. 200 S.

Bring your own camp chair and supplies.
Suggested Medium: Watercolor

FIGURE DRAWING with Arlene Braithwaite
Thurs., Oct. 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Parowan Fire Station, 290 W. 200 S.

Bring your own supplies
Suggested Medium:
Graphite, Charcoal,
Conte Crayon, or Digital



For more information: steve.parowanart@gmail.com or parowan.org

The **Pressurized Irrigation** is scheduled to be turned off mid October, pending water availability. Parowan City will notify residents when the pressurized irrigation water will be turned off through the Everbridge Notification system, on our Facebook page [Parowan Utah](https://www.facebook.com/ParowanUtah), and website parowan.org.

Parowan Interfaith Patriot Program

Everyone is invited to join us Monday, September 11, as we honor our First Responders and Military personnel and commemorate the events of 9/11/01.

We are pleased to have Jim Harris as our keynote speaker. Jim is a former US Marine. Both his father and grandfather also served in the military. He graduated from Parowan High School and says he is a lifelong lover of Parowan and this country. We are excited to have him as our keynote speaker.

Along with Jim we are pleased to have Joseph Gudmundson on the bagpipes. We will also have several musical numbers as well as a youth speaker.

We hope you will join us as we celebrate our freedoms and honor those who have given so much for us.

The program will be held in the Aladdin Theater at 6:00 pm.

2023-2024 Pickleball Program

Parowan City is able to offer our popular Pickleball program! The season will start on October 2nd, wrapping up on July 25th. All players must be registered and sign a release waiver before participating. Fees are due on the 1st each of month for month-to-month payees. You can register at the Parowan's Visitor Center, 5 South Main, from 10 am to 5 pm, Monday through Saturday.

10-Month Program: \$150

This fee covers day and night play, Monday—Thursday

Month to Month: \$25

This fee covers day and night play, Monday—Thursday

10-month Night Play: \$50

The fee covers Monday nights

Parowan Police Department

wants to welcome all Parowan Elementary School & Parowan High School students back to school, along with all the teachers and aids. We can't forget the office staff at PES & PHS along with our bus drivers and crossing guards. We also want to welcome back to school those that are home schooling and their teachers/parents. Happy 2023-24 school year to all students of all ages.



Here is a message from our School Resource Officer Townsend: "Greetings from your friendly neighborhood SRO. As we begin a new school year, please make safety a priority. Please drive slowly in the school zones and watch for directions from our crosswalk guards. If a student or crosswalk guard is inside or about to enter the crosswalk, vehicles must stop and yield to pedestrians. Be safe, and let's have a safe school year."

Our crossing guards this year are Ruthy, Nicole, Mr. Shurtleff and Jessyca. Reminder, when any crossing guard or person is in the crosswalk please wait until they have exited the crosswalk and made it back to the sidewalk safely before continuing on your way. When you see our crossing guards out at the crosswalks please pay attention to them and the kids they are crossing. Stop and say hello or give a friendly wave.

Let's interduce them to you individually.

- At the High School crosswalk, Main & 100 North, all week morning and afternoons we have **JESSYCA**. Her favorites are: Food - Chicken Alfredo, Color - yellow & hot pink, Sport - swimming & hiking, Singer - Carrie Underwood, Movie - Pride and Prejudice & Zombies. Her favorite thing she did this summer was camping at Minersville Reservoir.



- At Parowan Elementary crosswalk, Monday-Thursday mornings and afternoons we have **RUTHY**. Her favorites are: Food - Peruvian, Color - red, Sport - volleyball, basketball & cheer, Singer - Maluma; she loves 80s music, Movie - she loves Hallmarks, Romance comedy & true stories.

- At Parowan Elementary crosswalk, Friday mornings we have **NICOLE**. Her favorites are: Food - Chicken & broccoli casserole with curry, Color - yellow, Sport - in high school she played volleyball, soccer and softball, Singer - she loves all music but recently she is really enjoying Chris Stapleton, Movie - like Ruthy, she loves Hallmark movies. Her favorite thing she did this summer was a trip to Washington state.



- At Parowan Elementary crosswalk, Friday afternoons we have **MR. SHURTLEFF**. His favorites are: Food - mutton and sourdough biscuits, COLOR: dollar bill green, SPORT: football, Singer - Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Movie - The man who shot Liberty Valance. His favorite thing to do is spend time with Heather.

Please remind your kids not to just walk out into the crosswalk because not all cars may see them especially in the not so pleasant weather. Have a talk with your kids to wait for the crossing guards to call them into the crosswalk for their safety and the safety of drivers. Thank you to all our crossing guards for their dedication to keep the kids and drivers safe. We appreciate you!

It was a Party in the Meadow South of Brian Head Peak near the North Entry into Cedar Breaks National Monument

By: Sandra Benson

Parowan Main Canyon climbs to over 10,000 feet in elevation. It has always been a beckoning place for hometown folks. When summers come, it is especially so.

In the first quarter of the 20th century, travelers who took to the mountains were on a rough, steep road. It was used to carry logging equipment up and lumber down, livestock up in early summer, and down again before the first snows came.

As indicated in last edition's account, livestock men and their families often made the mountain their summer home. By all accounts, most delighted in "roughing it" but many were also thrilled when Minnie's Mansion was established in 1921. That establishment offered a day off, a cooked meal the inhabitants of the mountain didn't need to cook, weekend dances, and many enjoyed a refreshing "cup a jo" or a glass of lemonade. It was a social get-a-way.

In the Parowan Times dated July 18, 1923, a 24th of July celebration was announced with the following details:

"Again Parowan will celebrate Pioneer Day, July 24th, at Cedar Breaks. The committee in charge is working diligently for a repeat of the big time enjoyed

there a year ago, and there is every indication that it will succeed."

The Days Events:

- *Flag raising at Brian Head Point*
- *Programs: a Toast to the Utah Pioneers,*
- *A good many Musical Numbers, Readings, Dancing*
- *Games, Rodeo, Horse Racing, and Fireworks*

Then, in an apparent effort to get everyone up the mountain safely, the article said,

"Traffic Regulations: To avoid danger and long delays on the road please observe the following traffic rules:

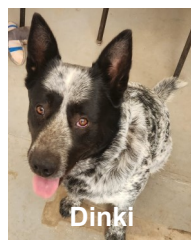
- *All wagons reach the Breaks by Monday night (the 24th was on Tuesday that year).*
- *Cars may go Monday but cannot return until 2 p.m.*
- *No wagons are to be on the roads Tuesday.*
- *Cars need to leave camp Wednesday (the 25th) no later than 8:30 a.m.*
- *Because of the limited number of available automobiles, the committee strongly recommends that those who can, should take teams and wagons and as many of their neighbors with them as possible.*
- *Those who have no way of*

getting to the Breaks and those who have room for passengers will please register before Friday at the Parowan Auto Co. so the committee will know what arrangements to make."

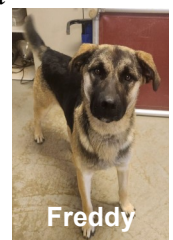
Trekking up to Brian Head Peak and around the Mammoth in the summer months found many from Parowan camping near "Little Ireland." Folks were generally found in sheep wagons or tents with a few families building log cabins on personal property. For many families during the first half of the 20th century, this was their nearest thing to a vacation. Undoubtedly, in 1921, and for about a decade thereafter, Minnie's Mansion added to the attractions. However, with the mansion's closure and Cedar Breaks National Monument opening, the fireworks down in the Breaks, no matter how spectacular they might have been, were soon to be over. But memories told and retold still leave us charmed and more than a bit nostalgic. Small, close knit communities where the people come together in work, play and camaraderie still have a great deal of value.

Parowan Animal Assistance League

We have two dogs at the Parowan Shelter that are looking for their forever home. First is *Dinki*, a male heeler that is a very good boy. He is very calm, loves walks and to play ball. He does know some commands and is very smart. The second one is *Freddy*, a shepherd mix who is young and active but very much wants you to be your friend. He loves everyone. He needs someone that will work with him on his manners.



Dinki



Freddy

If interested in either of these dogs, please contact PAAL at 435-704-4112.