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ZNP Workers Moving Forward

The Springdale Sun attempted to interview ZNP workers to find out what impact the shutdown had on them, but no one wanted to talk. The Hatch Act came up. Which is odd because the Hatch Act basically preserves the right to express opinions when not on the job or acting in an official capacity while severely curtailing them when ON the job or acting in an official capacity. Makes sense, a high school teacher would be wrong to stand in front of her class and tell her students how rotten the principal was, but, at home, in her jammies, can post what she wants on facebook. Or could she still be considered, officially, a teacher? The gray area exceeds the black and white for sure. So when you see colleagues getting fired for what appears to be made up reasons and keep getting reminded about The Hatch Act, the better part is to remain silent. I can see several reasons for that — and I am absolutely guessing. In no particular order those reasons could be: 1. to keep ones job, of course 2. to continue to function because you know you are providing a valuable service as you safeguard a national treasure 3. to also safeguard and enhance the experience of fellow citizens who are enjoying that national treasure and 4. to express a sense of hope and optimism for the future.

In any case, dear Zion National Park workers, we know we don't know all that you went through. But we do know it wasn't easy and we know that you triumphed. Thank you. We also know the future is uncertain and hurdles remain.

Friday, Nov 21, 4-7 pm, at the CCC is a Community Potluck to benefit ZNP employees. What got out of sync with the shutdown won't be fixed immediately out of the gate. So if you cannot attend the fundraiser because you are out of town, or out of time, or out of sorts, but still want to contribute out of pocket, out of the goodness of your heart, you would be out of your mind not to check out **Zion Forever Project**; <https://www.zionpark.org/> . Outstanding.

Citizen's Gracious Comments at Town Council Meeting

"I'm Riley Campbell, Pat Campbell's wife in case anybody didn't know that. Barb, first of all I want to congratulate you on your re-election. Second, I want to tell Pat that I am really proud of the job you did. It took a lot of moxie to go against the incumbent, especially in a small town like Springdale. I believe that competition makes people much better at what they do. It would have been a really boring campaign if there was nobody to run against. So it made it exciting. Pat you did an amazing job campaigning. You worked hard. You brought issues to light that were concerning to many people that weren't brought up before. You made the election process fun and engaging. It was exciting to see what would come next. The Springdale Community Forum was formed and is going to thrive. So thank you for all your efforts."



Strength Through Challenges

by Debi Keys

How life's toughest moments become our greatest teachers

No one wakes up in the morning and says, "I sure hope today brings a few tough challenges!" Yet somehow, those are the very moments that shape us most.

Growth doesn't come from comfort — it comes from resistance. Just like muscles grow stronger after a good workout, our spirit and resilience grow when life tests us. When things feel hard, it's easy to get frustrated or ask, "Why me?" But what if we changed the question to, "What is this teaching me?"

Maybe it's teaching patience.
Maybe it's helping you rediscover your courage.
Maybe it's reminding you to take care of yourself — body, mind, and spirit.

Challenges stretch us in ways that ease never can. They push us to reflect, realign, and rise. And when we come out the other side, we realize how much stronger, wiser, and more capable we've become.

💎 **Diamonds aren't made in comfort — they're made under pressure. And so are you.**

So the next time life feels heavy, remember — it's not here to break you. It's here to build you. Each obstacle, each setback, each unexpected twist is simply life's way of asking you to grow into your next, stronger version.

Because sometimes, the hardest seasons are just the rough drafts of our greatest strength.

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When a butterfly struggles to emerge from its cocoon, that effort forces vital fluid from its body into its wings. Without this struggle, the wings remain small and shriveled, leaving the butterfly unable to fly. What may look like an act of kindness—helping it break free—actually deprives it of a necessary process and often leads to its death.

Facebook Post Is Inaccurate Portrayal

A recent Facebook post (I believe on one of Springdale's community facebook pages) claims that Zion's peaks are rising a few inches each year due to tectonic uplift. It describes Earth's history beginning with Pangea, suggesting that when the supercontinent broke apart, deep volcanic activity brought large quantities of diamonds to the surface, where they later decompressed into carbon over long periods. It further asserts that deep-earth bacteria convert carbon-based gases into oil that later migrates upward into underground cavities. The text also compared this to ocean processes, stating that plankton create oil for buoyancy and release most of Earth's oxygen.

In going back to give credit (well, in this case, discredit) to its poster, it was gone. Perhaps because it was largely inaccurate. But the truth is just as fascinating, if lacking the fun image of layers of diamonds.



"The towering peaks of Zion aren't growing by inches each year, but they are part of a slow and powerful uplift. The Colorado Plateau, which holds Zion National Park, is being gently pushed upward by forces deep within the Earth's crust — at a pace of only a few inches every thousand years. Over millions of years, this steady rise, combined with relentless erosion by water and wind, has sculpted the dramatic cliffs and canyons we see today.

Around 200 million years ago, the world looked very different. All the continents were joined in one vast supercontinent called **Pangea**. When Pangea began to break apart, new ocean basins formed, mountains rose, and volcanoes erupted along the shifting edges of continents. Deep in the mantle, about 90 to 150 miles below Earth's surface, immense heat and pressure turned carbon into **diamonds**. Only rarely did volcanic eruptions called **kimberlites** carry those diamonds upward through narrow, pipe-like channels to reach the surface.

Diamonds don't turn into coal — they are both forms of carbon, but they form in completely different ways. **Coal** comes from ancient plant matter buried in swamps and compressed over millions of years, while **diamonds** are born far deeper, under extreme heat and pressure.

Oil, too, forms from life — but not deep in the mantle or through bacterial "alchemy." Tiny marine organisms like plankton and algae die and settle to the seafloor, where they are buried under layers of sediment. Over millions of years, heat and pressure transform their remains into **oil and natural gas**, which slowly migrate upward through porous rock until trapped in underground reservoirs.

Meanwhile, life in the oceans keeps Earth breathing. Microscopic **phytoplankton** absorb sunlight and carbon dioxide, using photosynthesis to create energy and release oxygen — a gas that sustains nearly every living creature on the planet. Scientists estimate that **about 50–80% of Earth's oxygen** comes from these tiny, drifting plants that fill the seas with life."

Speaking of facebook posts, there was one Nov 11, on Zion Canyon Community Unity from a Rockville resident asking what was up with internet in Rockville. Hers wasn't working and she had seen "internet trucks" on Bridge Road. There was no response, and I have to say, if the same comment had been made about a situation in Springdale, there would have been a response from Mayor Bruno within hours. That is definitely one of her super powers.

Never Bored in Springdale

AT THE LIBRARY: ["Books give a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything." Plato]

Story Time - Every Wednesday @ 10:30AM

To access the Town's November newsletter with lots of information about Town happenings: <https://www.springdaletown.com/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/225> (might need to copy and paste)

Nov 18, Tuesday, 10am, CCC, Yoga, More info: < https://www.springdaletown.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=5603&month=11&year=2025&day=10&calType=0>

Nov 18, Tuesday, 2pm, CCC, weekly, knitting, crochet, craft group

Nov 18, Tuesday, 7-8:30pm, Festival Hall, 96 NN Main Street, Cedar City, Meeting to discuss HB 48, focusing on wildfire mitigation strategies

Nov 19, Wednesday, 10:30, Library, Story Time

Nov 19, Wednesday, 4pm, Library, Tween Book Club discussing *Wink* by Rob Harrell

Nov 19, Wednesday, 4pm, Library, Teen Time, every Wed, see page 12

Nov 19, Wednesday, Nama-Stay, New Moon Evening of Gratitude, $33, More details: < https://www.nama-stay.com/newmoon-ceremony?fbclid=IwY2xjawN_EIBleHRuA2FlbQIxMABicmlkETFQR3k1TVpISUZqUk1SbnFzc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQQMjIyMDM5MTc4ODIwMDg5MgABHuJ_FB85TSFogQ2T7CZVJFAmB7Rcmgc5tBtR6kAoyfz5jtJ4bWZ0Gkv2deXF_aem_bs2aahuSrKnOIBSuUvrnnQ>

Nov 20, Thursday, 4pm, After School Club, see page 12

Nov 20, Thursday, 5pm, Library, Crafting with Karen, free but register 435 772 3676, see page 13

Nov 21, Friday, 10am, CCC, Yoga, more details: <https://www.springdaletown.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=5605&month=11&year=2025&day=10&calType=0>

Nov 21, Friday, 4-7pm, CCC, Community Potluck benefiting ZNP employees, see page 10

Nov 21, Friday, 6pm, Bumbleberry Theater, free movie, *The Nightmare Before Christmas*

Nov 23, Sunday, 8:30 am, CCC, Catholic Service, every Sunday

Nov 23, Sunday, 10am-noon, $45, Wild Thyme Cafe, Gratitude Yoga & South Healing with light meal, see page 16

Nov 24, Monday, 3-5:30pm, CCC, Art Workshop, More details: < https://www.springdaletown.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=5577&month=11&year=2025&day=10&calType=0>

Nov 24, Monday, 6:30 pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

Nov 25, Tuesday, 8am, CCC, High Fitness, more details: https://www.springdaletown.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=5597&month=11&year=2025&day=17&calType=0

Nov 25, Tuesday, 2-4pm, CCC, Craft Group,

Nov 29. Saturday, 9-noon, Barker River Park, community clean up event, sponsored by Zion Guru, see page 11

Dec 1, Monday, 6:30 pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

Dec 3, Wednesday, noon, CCC, Mayor's BYOL

Dec 6, Saturday, 7pm, Bumbleberry Theater, Live Music, "A Joshua Creek Christmas."

Dec 8, Monday, 6:30 pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

Dec 11, Thursday, 5pm, every 2nd Thursday, Jr D&D Club, see page 13

Dec 12, Friday, 7-9pm, Light Parade and Sweets Social, Details: https://www.springdaletown.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=5614&month=12&year=2025&day=17&calType=0

Z-Arts upcoming events: https://www.zarts.org/event-list

For a great listing of community events with links to greater details: <https://www.springdaletown.com/calendar.aspx>

Town Council Has Full Plate but Should Make Room for Dessert—Humble Pie

editorial by E. Cutler

"Now it is a strange thing, but things that are good to have and days that are good to spend are soon told about, and not much to listen to; while things that are uncomfortable, palpitating, and even gruesome, may make a good tale, and take a deal of telling anyway." J.R.R. Tolkien

At the Town Council meeting last Wednesday, the council members worked long (3 hours), and stayed interested and engaged through many agenda items. Citizens made worthwhile comments. Several comments were in relation to an unfortunate situation where Kinesawa residents felt the water regulations which were imposed in 2022 unfairly raised their rates. Riley Campbell's brief comments are on page 2, in full.

There were several moments during this meeting when I found myself thinking, *"This is important—people should know about this."* But then the next topic would come up and feel just as significant. At a certain point I wondered how much information a reader can reasonably want to take in at once.

If these issues interest you—as they do me—I encourage you to watch or listen to the meeting yourself. And feel free to call me afterward; I'd like to hear your thoughts about Randy's slide presentation (a ten-minute reiteration which took 30 minutes, about the renewable energy program in which Springdale is a participant), or Darci Carlson's prudent call out, or Paul Zimmerman's comments. Perhaps you had reactions to the ongoing water discussions at Kinesawa, the explanation of where RFPs "go" when issued, the continued but slowed-down progress on WUI fire-mitigation efforts, the Barker River Park less expansive Expansion (WHAAAAAT?), the Mayor's snide and inaccurate comment about a Town Council candidate's remark, or the newest modification in a looooooong list of changes to the Red Hawk housing agreement. I had, perhaps, overly strong reaction to these items and others, from lampposts, to rudeness when citizen**s** tried to question, to user rates — so much so that I do not trust my opinions enough to publish them. Love to publish yours, however.

Now for the "uncomfortable, palpitating, and even gruesome," at least the one we will be discussing.

[Reminder: a **Request for Proposal (RFP)** is a document used by a town to announce a project need, in this case, someone to develop workforce housing on a town-owned lot on Trapper Circle.]

Two months ago, on September 16, Town Council held a special meeting to decide whether to have a company, Switchpoint, partner with the town to put workforce housing on a lot on Trapper Circle owned by the town. Most of the citizens at the meeting wanted to issue an RFP, as did Pat Campbell on Council. Issuing an RFP would slow the process down, Mayor Bruno and Randy Aton argued. Their disdain for such an action was obvious and stated by both of them — repeatedly. They had 3 options Mayor Bruno summarized, "We can, we can step away from Switchpoint, tell them thanks for your willingness. 2. We can decide we want to move forward with them and try to come to some agreement that's acceptable to everybody. 3. Or we can decide to do another RFP and we can spend the time and and money."

It appeared Randy and Barbara convinced Kyla and Jack, and the vote to go with Switchpoint was 4 to 1.

They are now, at the meeting this past Wednesday, after getting more information, issuing an RFP, (whiplash) which if they had done two months ago, would probably have yielded results by now. That's okay. They goofed. But to come back to the table without a hint of chagrin seems disrespectful and oblivious.

There are <u>many</u> nuances here which are difficult to state. Just one for instance: when people said Switchpoint should be vetted both Randy and the Mayor said that's what they were doing then, at that meeting. They gave no direction to anyone, Housing Committee or anyone else to vet Switchpoint, yet the

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memorandum on the agenda for Wednesday's meeting associated with this item said the Housing Committee was directed to "vet Switchpoint thoroughly," completely out of sync with what had actually happened at that meeting and what had specifically been stated by the Mayor and Randy Aton. (If you watch that September 16 meeting, time stamp 1:54:25 and 1:36:25). That wording, pretending housing committee was tasked with vetting Switchpoint, helps them save face now that they are backtracking on what they said at the previous meeting and having to issue an RFP, but it doesn't help us trust them.

I don't believe they need to "save face." Don't they know we're actually rooting for them? But when they put us off, are not up front with us, that feels disrespectful. Not admitting a mistake seems disrespectful and shows a lack of trust in us, thus making it harder to trust them. This whole article would probably not exist if they had just said something like, "Pat, looks like you were right. We absolutely should've issued that RFP two months ago. But we get it now." or whatever, but something, something real and human.

Further, it leaves this resident wondering why the about face? Having read the report from the Housing Committee, there was no real new information, definitely more specifics, yet nothing that screamed, to my uneducated ear, why they now felt they needed an RFP when they hadn't felt that way before. It was basically the kind of stuff residents had brought up at the meeting two months ago. What is going on? I'm sorry. It feels like we're not being told something.

I welcome another take on this. What am I missing? Or, what am I seeing that is not there? Mayor? Jack Burns?

Springdale Town Council: Hard working? Dedicated? Absolutely. Transparent? Humble? Perhaps a place to improve.

Barker River Park

In last week's Town Council meeting, there was much that felt out of sync and whiplash inducing. I ranted a bit, though I am not publishing that. If you're interested, let me know. I will be completely unavailable today, Tuesday, November 18, most of the day without internet even. But I find I cannot put this baby to bed without a little bit of "what the…?" about the Barker River Park expansion. All of a sudden there's this much better version, still not as simplified as I would have preferred, but a reasonable compromise between minimalists (like myself) and the lavish redo on the town website preferred by others. (Cost issue concerns remain, but not to be discussed now). In the November town newsletter when they gave an update on the expansion, the verbiage sounded like it has been cut back greatly in scope, so I went to the website and looked up the project and it was still there in all its elaborate glory. What was one to assume? The new, significantly simplified version will be on the website in a week or so, according to Ryan Gubler, Director of Parks and Recreation.. I wish I could feel more like, "just take the win."

When Mr. Gubler presented it at the meeting, he said they had listened to citizens so basically they'll make the new property usable without the fence and with grass and sprinklers, walking paths, etc., improve parking, and make some upgrades to the bathrooms.

Why did we have to go through so much angst to be listened to? And why, why, why did they hire someone to ask us what we wanted???? Why in tarnation didn't they just ask us? This whole process has been absolutely illogical to the point of absurdity, and expensively so. My wee mind be boggled.

I've written about trust and why we might not always trust our leaders. I'm beginning to feel like the real issue is: why don't they trust us?

Never trust people who sketch facial composites for police reports. They're con artists.
Trust me. You should never punch rocks. I found out the hard way.

Planning Commission Meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, Nov 19, 5PM

Interested persons are welcome to comment on any agenda item. Here is a comment the members of Planning Commission have received for this week's meeting.

To: Springdale Planning Commission

From: Noel Benson
Date: Submitted for the 11-19-2025 PC Meeting
Subject: Agenda Item A.2 – Discussion of Renovation of Noncomplying Buildings in the Commercial Zones.

As someone who is currently having a related problem in the village commercial zone, I'd like to share my perspective and thoughts. The upcoming discussion on noncomplying commercial buildings is very important and the current framework misses the central point. The question should not be how to eventually bring every property into compliance with current zoning standards—it should be how to allow existing property owners to reinvest, rebuild, and take care of their properties without being penalized for the year in which they were built or subdivided. The following suggestions would help eliminate the idea of town officials making judgment calls as to what current buildings they like or don't like.

The problem with blanket zoning

Many of the buildings that give Springdale its small-town character are now classified as nonconforming under the current code. If we continue labeling long-established, lawfully built properties as problems to be corrected, we risk discouraging reinvestment in the very parts of town that reflect our past. These buildings aren't bad, they were built legally and just don't fit the new rules exactly.

Residential properties face the same issue. Homes that were fully compliant when built are now labeled nonconforming simply because of later code changes. The result is that the zoning codes no longer reflect the physical and historical reality of our community.

Because each lot in Springdale is unique—especially the smaller ones—the Town should work directly with property owners to identify where reasonable adjustments can be made and where current conditions already function well. Many of our parcels, both commercial and residential, are smaller than today's minimum lot-size standards, which makes full compliance with modern setbacks, parking ratios, or landscaping rules impossible. In effect, these smaller properties can never be "conforming," no matter how responsibly they are developed. Applying one-size-fits-all zoning to such a range of parcel sizes creates unnecessary barriers to reinvestment and discourages property upkeep. A more balanced approach would scale flexibility according to lot size—allowing smaller parcels, which face tighter physical limits, a little more room to operate within standards that make sense. Recognizing these differences is essential to fair, practical, and equitable zoning.

Recommendations for a Practical and Fair Solution

Direct engagement with property owners

The Town should contact every under-utilized commercial property owner—not just those in the CC zone—and talk with them individually to understand what would make reinvestment feasible. These are the people who know the physical limits and opportunities of their properties best. Their input should help guide any zoning adjustments.

Avoid new blanket restrictions

Except for maybe a few exceptions, older buildings should not face new layers of regulation simply because they predate modern zoning. For example, if a structure currently comes right up to the sidewalk, a small 5' setback could be required in the event of redevelopment, but they shouldn't have to completely conform to new guidelines. Otherwise, the superior proximity to the sidewalk would prevent a rebuild. In some cases, parking requirements would prevent it as well. And so on…

Establish "Legacy Zones"

The Town should consider creating *legacy zones*—designations for properties that were once conforming under earlier standards but have since been labeled nonconforming.

The goal of a legacy zone is simple: to ensure that properties which were lawful when built remain lawful today, even if the zoning code has changed since. Rather than treating these properties as exceptions (the exception now is if they do conform), legacy zones would formally recognize them as legitimate components of Springdale's makeup.

How this could work

- **Property identification:** The Town could begin by reviewing all parcels that were legally developed but are now considered nonconforming—for example, those that no longer meet current requirements for reasons outlined in the Staff summary.
- **Zone assignment:** Those parcels would be placed in legacy zone categories, organized by type—commercial and residential, with subzones for both, depending on variables such as exact current zoning, lot size, etc.
- **Preservation of existing conditions:** A property in a legacy zone could be rebuilt within its current footprint, height, and configuration, maintaining the same relationship to the lot and the street as it has now, and could expand only if the additional area conforms to the current standards of active zoning regulations, not legacy ones. A few details like signage, screening requirements, lighting, building materials and maybe some others could or should conform to current standards.
- **No expansion of rights:** The property wouldn't gain additional flexibility or revert to earlier, looser standards. Its current dimensions and layout would define its rights going forward.
- **Administrative clarity:** By formally documenting these rights, both the Town and the property owner have a clear understanding of what can be built or maintained. This removes uncertainty and eliminates the nonconforming status that discourages property investment.

This approach brings stability, fairness, and transparency. Owners retain what they have without gaining new latitude or losing existing rights, while the Town maintains consistency and control over scale and character.

Relation to the Demolition, Repair, and Refurbishment of Noncomplying Buildings (Agenda Item A.1)

Agenda item A.1 for this same meeting—focused on how to handle demolitions or rebuilds of noncomplying structures—is a direct by-product of the larger problem addressed above.

If the Town were to adopt the framework described here—particularly the concept of *legacy zones*—the entire demolition/repair/rebuild question would become far simpler and, in many cases, unnecessary.

Here's why:

- **Clear rebuild rights:** Properties in legacy zones would already have clearly defined rights to rebuild in their current configuration. That means demolition and reconstruction could occur under predictable, documented standards, without the confusion that now surrounds noncomplying rebuilds.
- **Consistent decision-making:** This approach prevents the Town from making ad-hoc determinations each time someone seeks to rebuild, ensuring fairness and consistency. A property owner shouldn't be punished for discovering rotting wood. Making a contractor do piecemeal construction at great additional cost to the owner is not a practical solution. The legacy-zone system would create a standing rule: if the property was legal when built and remains within its current envelope and doesn't increase what would be considered nonconformity for active zones today, it can be built (assuming everything else meets guidelines).
- **Reduced staff workload:** Staff wouldn't need to draft or interpret one-off demolition provisions or manage competing interpretations of noncomplying status. The zoning designation itself would provide the answer.

In other words, by formally recognizing existing properties through the legacy-zone framework, the Town would pre-empt many of the conflicts and uncertainties driving the demolition/repair/rebuild

discussion. Adopting this system first would make that item basically antiquated, because the ability to rebuild responsibly would already be built into the code.

Relation to the Town's Reference Documents: "Summary of Nonconforming Use Law" (Utah Land Use Institute, 2015) and "Nonconforming Uses and Noncomplying Structures" (Utah Land Use Institute, 2022)

Both editions of the Utah Land Use Institute's summary, authored by Craig M. Call, J.D., outline the same key principles that directly support this proposed *legacy-zone* framework. The 2015 version established the foundational interpretations of Utah Code §§10-9a-511 and 17-27a-510, while the 2022 update reaffirmed those principles with newer case law, Ombudsman opinions, and statutory refinements.

Together, they make several points that align precisely with this proposal:

- **State law protects the right to rebuild** structures destroyed by fire or other calamity, unless they have been voluntarily demolished or abandoned.
- **A noncomplying structure that legally existed before a zoning change remains lawful**, and the burden of proof to show illegality rests with the Town, not the property owner.
- **Utah courts have repeatedly cautioned against the overzealous elimination of nonconforming uses**, noting that sweeping restrictions reduce property values and create unnecessary administrative burdens.
- The 2022 edition adds that **municipalities may not impose additional conditions** on nonconforming structures beyond those specified in statute—reinforcing the need for clear, consistent, codified treatment rather than ad hoc interpretation.

These same principles support the *legacy zone* concept. Instead of maintaining a patchwork of judgment calls and discretionary rulings, the Town can create a transparent structure that codifies what both editions of the Utah Land Use Institute paper describe as a "balanced perspective"—preserving lawful, long-standing uses while maintaining community standards and administrative clarity.

In Closing

The staff report seems to suggest a divide between maintaining the Town's "vision" and supporting economic reinvestment. The General Plan is aspirational and consistently contradicts itself. Therefore, there's no solution completely consistent with it. There are several references to finding solutions for under-utilized properties, in both the Land Use and Economic Development sections. The real challenge is between a uniform zoning framework and the diverse, irregular, and sometimes small-scale fabric of properties that actually exist in Springdale.

We can protect our town's vision and maintain economic vitality—but only by grounding zoning policy in the physical and historical context of our reality.

I encourage the Planning Commission to look seriously at the concept of *legacy zones* (or whatever name is most appropriate) and begin direct outreach to affected property owners. These steps will help the Town preserve its visual integrity while creating a fair, workable path for property owners to reinvest in the buildings, businesses and homes that give Springdale its character.

The answer is to make rules that fit our Town—not to make our Town fit one-size-fits-all rules.

Thank you for reading,

COMMUNITY POTLUCK

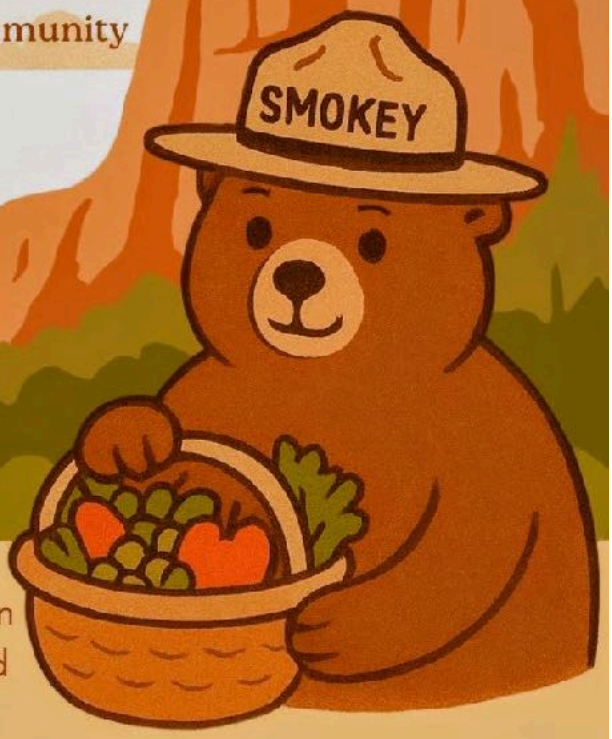
We ♥ our Park Rangers

benefiting Zion NP employees

Friday, Nov. 21st

4-7PM

Location: The Canyon Community Center in Springdale



Come show your appreciation for our local park rangers and federal workers!

Please RSVP to **HelpZionRangers@gmail.com** if you plan on bringing food.

Help us meet their immediate needs today while building a stronger, more connected community for the future!

GEORGE BARKER PARK

JOIN US FOR A POST-THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY CLEAN UP EVENT, AND HELP US HONOR THE LAND THAT WELCOMES THE WORLD.

Warm Beverage Bar . Donuts . Pastries



EVENT DETAILS:

29 NOV 2025

9 AM - 12 PM
1751 ZION MOUNT CARMEL HWY
SPRINGDALE, UT 84767

OUR GOALS:

1. **Clean and restore**
   Remove litter and refresh shared spaces
2. **Care for our home**
   Come together as a community to honor the place that we live
3. **Support respectful tourism**
   Show visitors what stewardship looks like
4. **Give thanks to the land**
   Use this time after Thanksgiving to reflect and give back
5. **Connect with the community-**
   Meet neighbors and build relationships

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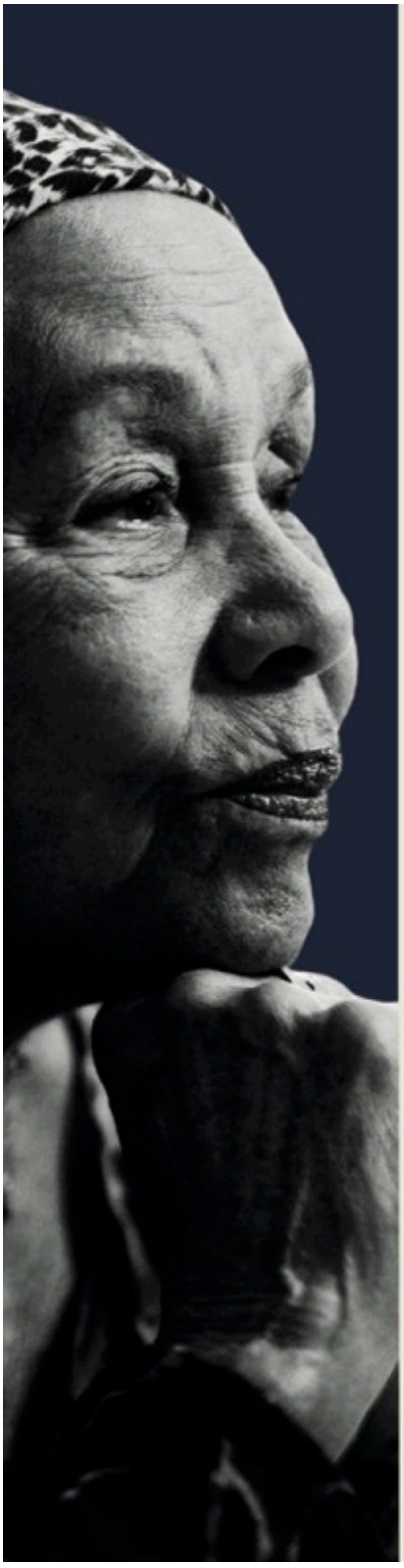
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Create Your Very Own
Topiary Tree
Thursday, November 20, 2025
At the Springdale Library @ 5 pm
This FREE event is open to all patrons 18 and older. All
materials are provided, but space is limited, so please register
in advance at 435-772-3676.



8 WEEKS WITH ARTISTS WHO NEVER RETIRED

MAKE ART LIVE TO BE 100

OPEN STUDIO SESSIONS & ARTIST INSPIRATION

Mondays
3 to 5:30 pm
at the Canyon Community Center

Oct 6 - Yayoi Kusama
Oct 13 - Alex Katz
Oct 20 - Suzanne Jackson
Oct 27 - David Hockney
Nov 3 - Elizabeth Catlett
Nov 10 - Bridget Riley
Nov 17 - Betye Saar
Nov 24 - Gerhard Richter

Art classes for Adults. All experience levels welcome. Fun and friendly atmosphere.
Work on your own projects or experiment with our art supplies. Doodle, draw, paint, collage, chat and connect with your neighbors. Each session starts with a 30 minute art talk about an inspiring artist who proves that creativity has no expiration date. Join us!
RSVP contact Lanell @ 435-414-0279
or email: lanell@listendelicious.art

$6 each class with an art class pass
$10 single class drop-in
Purchase at the Springdale Town Office


JOY TO THE WORLD
ANNUAL
Light Parade
&
Sweets Social
DECEMBER
12
AT 7 PM
PARADE STARTS ON CANYON SPRINGS DR., ONTO SR-9 TOWARD ZNP, LEFT ON LION BLVD. TO THE CANYON COMMUNITY CENTER. SWEETS SOCIAL AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOLLOWING PARADE.
(126 LION BLVD., SPRINGDALE)
CASH PRIZES FOR THE BEST FLOATS. A CHANCE TO SEE & TAKE PICTURES WITH MR & MRS. CLAUS & MORE!
REGISTER YOUR FLOAT BY SCANNING THE QR CODE


YOU ARE INVITED TO
Gratitude Yoga & Sound Healing
with a light meal
Join us for a gentle heart opening yoga and sound healing to ground, receive and nourish your heart as we honor the frequency of gratitude.
After class mingle and enjoy some delicious light bites and a beverage provided by by Wild Thyme Cafe.
*Additional food & drinks available at additional cost.
10am-12pm ~ $45
Sunday
23
November
Wild Thyme Cafe at Trees Ranch
2501 Zion Park Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767
Register on Eventbrite