



TOWN OF SOUTH PRAIRIE

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2nd ANNUAL PRAIRIE DAYS IS COMING IN AUGUST

The Town Council has again approved a Prairie Days community picnic on Saturday, August 27 from 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. We are in the planning stages and wanted to put the word out. We are looking for volunteers to assist with various games and events and also for your ideas for what you would like to see at the picnic. Keep in mind we are on a tight budget again this year so we are looking for inexpensive, fun and creative ideas. Talk to your family and pass on your ideas to help us make this

year’s event even better than the last one.

Community members and businesses who wish to support the event can do so by contacting Meag at Town Hall via email at clerk2@townofsp.com or phone at 360-897-8878. Cash donations are happily accepted and we encourage Town businesses to find creative ways to get involved. Maybe by donating goods or services that can be game prizes and give-away items for the event or even items we can add to the kids’ goody bag. If you wish to support this awesome event, we’d love to hear from you sooner than later. Knowing how you plan to support the event will help us get our ducks in a row.



We are super excited to spend time with our neighbors, enjoy some music, grab a bite from a local food vendor/truck, play some games, meet your Town officials and just enjoy this wonderful little community together. The input we received from last year’s event was that folks wanted to see the beer garden open longer and the band perform longer. This year we will have a DJ early in the day followed by the band for the last few hours. The beer garden will also be open later than last year. More details will be provided in your newsletters each month.

SPRING CLEAN-UP

ITEMS COLLECTED	DATE
Extra Garbage - up to 3-32-gallon bags	Thursday May 19th (regular pick up day)
Extra Yard Waste - up to 3-32-gallon biodegradable bags	Thursday May 19th (regular yard waste pick up day)
1 Appliance - Range, refrigerator, freezer, furnace, dryer, washing machine, dish washer, hot water tank, trash compactor, or air conditioner - no bbq’s	Set out Saturday May 21st by 7:00 am for pick up on Saturday May 21st. *This will be the only day appliances will be serviced

Helpful Hints:

- **DO NOT** use personal cans for extra garbage or yard waste as we cannot be responsible if they are lost in the truck. **No credits will be given for lost cans.**
- Please be sure all items are accessible by **7:00 am** to ensure pick up
- Only the above listed appliances will be accepted for Fall Clean Up. Please place on the curb (**sorry no alley pick up due to truck size**)
- Please label/id your extra yard waste so it is not confused as trash
- In inclement or rainy weather, please try to ensure items are covered. (Paper biodegradable yard waste bags tend to break & create a mess if left out in the elements.)
- Do not exceed 45lbs per bag for trash or yard waste.
- **Please no tires, car parts, barbecues, furniture, mattresses or other bulky items. All items must be contained in a bag.**



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IMPORTANT UTILITY BILLING INFORMATION



****Watch out for scammers pretending to be your utility company. If someone calls you and threatens to shut off your service without an immediate payment, hang up and call the number on your bill. This applies to all of your utility providers. ****

MAKE SURE YOUR PAYMENT IS PROCESSED CORRECTLY: Please only use **black** or **blue ink** on your checks. It is also important to **include your account number** on your check/money order and **do not staple checks**. To make sure your payment is applied to **YOUR** account correctly, make sure the account number is clearly and correctly displayed on the check/money order. Please make sure the payment amount in full, including **dollars and cents**, is correct on your check. Submitting a payment, even a few cents shy of the total amount due, can **trigger a late fee**. Please use the Town's correct mailing address of **PO Box 870**. Payments sent to Box F need to be updated to PO Box 870. The post office will discontinue forwarding mail sent to the old PO box at some point and your payments may not be received.

NEED ASSISTANCE: There are numerous resources to assist South Prairie residents in paying utility and other bills and expenses. Pierce County has several resources including the Community Action Program at 253-798-6266 and the Human Services division at 253-798-4500. Plateau Ministries is also an option at 360-825-8961. Washington 2-1-1 is your free connection to vital services including access to food, transportation, health care and much more. Just dial 211 to find help. Most churches also offer assistance.

WHEN IS IT OK TO HAVE AN OUTDOOR FIRE?

Outdoor burning is allowed when there is no burn ban imposed by either Pierce County Fire Marshall or Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (PSCAA). Please visit the East Pierce Fire and Rescue website (eastpiercelfire.org) and the PSCAA website (psccleanair.gov/168/Air-Quality-Burn-Ban-Status) prior to burning.



WATER/SEWER/SEPTIC SYSTEM EMERGENCIES

The Town's sewer system has seen an increase in non-flushable items. Only toilet paper and waste from the human body should be flushed down the toilet. Even items that say **flushable**, like hygiene/disinfecting wipes, should **not** be flushed. Other unsafe items include:

- Disposable diapers
- Sanitary napkins or tampons
- Paper towels or bandages
- Dental floss
- Condoms
- Hair
- Cigarette butts
- Coffee grounds
- Kitty litter

Let's all do our part to keep our system the best it can be. **It is also very important that you not park vehicles on top of Caldwell at (360) 947-4734.**



**2nd Annual Prairie Days
August 27, 2022
2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**



**2021 Pie Eating Contest
Winner**

