



## TOWN OF SOUTH PRAIRIE

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL PRAIRIE DAYS IS AUGUST 27!!

The Town Council has again approved a Prairie Days community picnic on Saturday, August 27 from 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. This year's event is shaking out to be even better than last year! The Daffodil Princesses will be there, we have amazing prizes from places like the Tacoma Art Museum, King County Fair, the Puyallup Fair, Maris Farms, Wild Waves, Museum of flight, just to name a few.



We are in the planning stages and wanted to put the word out. We are also looking for volunteers to assist with various games and activities. If you are interested in volunteering, you can access the survey regarding the event by using the scan code provided or find it at (<https://forms.office.com/r/JwjWK6Tu1g>). It will ask you what you want to do as a volunteer and other questions to aid us in finding a few volunteers.

Cash donations are happily accepted and we encourage Town businesses to find creative ways to get involved. Last year, businesses and community members donated goods and services that can be game prizes and give-away items for the event or even items we can add to the kids' goodie bag. Some also donated cash, which paid for things like the balloon twister and band. 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. A big thank you Murrey's Disposal, Honey Bucket, Coast Exteriors and Carports of Washington for already donating to this year's event!!



If you are interested in supporting our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Prairie Days, please contact Meag at Town Hall via email at [clerk2@townofsp.com](mailto:clerk2@townofsp.com) or phone at 360-897-8878. We are excited to spend time with our neighbors, enjoy some music, grab a bite and/or a beer from a local food vendor/truck, play some games, meet your Town officials, vote on the best motorcycles in the motorcycle show and just enjoy this wonderful little community together. This year we will have a DJ early in the day followed by the band for the last few hours. For more details, to donate or volunteer call Town Hall 360-897-8878.

### IMPORTANT UTILITY BILLING INFORMATION



**\*\*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:** Payment is always due by the 19<sup>th</sup> of the month. If not paid by the 19<sup>th</sup>, a \$25 late fee will be assessed. If not paid by the 27<sup>th</sup>, the water will be shut off and you will incur a \$50 shut off fee and a \$50 turn on fee which must be paid with the full balance before water service will be restored.

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.



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### ONLINE POLICE REPORTING

The Pierce County Sheriff's Department is happy to offer citizens the option to report some incidents online that occur within our Town and do not require you to wait for a deputy to physically respond to the location. Generally, a single online report incident will not rise to the level for follow-up investigation. However, reporting these incidents may help identify patterns of criminal activity or behavior that can assist detectives in solving crime in our neighborhoods. To report non-emergency incidents use phone number 253-287-4455. If you're not sure if it is an emergency, err on the side of caution and call 9-1-1. They will transfer you to the right person whether it's determined to be emergency or non-emergency.

Online reporting may **not** be used to report emergencies or in-progress crime. If you have an emergency or are reporting a crime that is in progress, please call 9-1-1 immediately. With all of the recent activities in Town by vandals and thieves, if you see anything in progress call 9-1-1. If you can get video of it occurring, even better.

Additionally, online reporting allows citizens to provide details, especially regarding property loss, that can be checked by agencies throughout the state and nation to help with the recovery of stolen or lost property.

Please be sure to read and follow the instructions before you submit the online form. The application will walk you through the reporting steps for eligible incidents that occurred in unincorporated Pierce County.

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### 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

Please do your part to keep our system the best it can be. **It is also very important that you not park vehicles on top of water meters or block them in any way.** For water, sewer and septic emergencies, contact Tony Caldwell at (360) 947-4734.

**We hope this finds you and your family safe and well!**

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