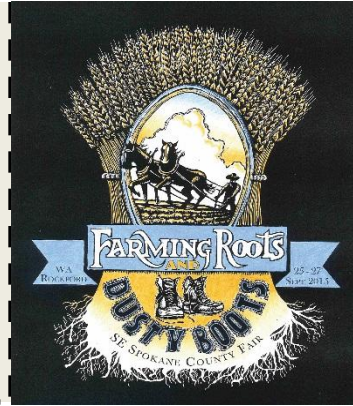


# ROCKFORD NEWS

Don't forget the SE Spokane County Fair starts Friday Sept. 25 and runs through Sunday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>!

This year's fair theme is  
*"Farming Roots and Dusty Boots."*

More information and pre-registering for events go to [www.sespokanecountyfair.org](http://www.sespokanecountyfair.org).



## Carrie's Comments

As you all know by now, the Town of Rockford has received a \$1,200,000 state grant in the 2016 Capital Budget for our Wastewater Treatment project. This money is in addition to the \$1.8 million grant we received from the Dept. of Ecology for the same project. The council, staff and I are extremely excited and appreciative of this money! It's hard to even understand the positive impact this will have on our town.

Due to receiving these funds, there have been some questions about the \$40 loan fee that you see on your monthly utility bills. From the very beginning stages of this project, the council has been diligent to make sure the town can not only pay for the project, but can afford to maintain the new system. Maintenance and Operations money was built into the monthly fee, so there will be a reserve of M&O funds even as soon as the project was completed. Your elected officials are being very cautious and upfront about what this will cost and have discussed in council meetings how to proceed from here.

Your town council hasn't yet removed the fee because there is no way to know what the exact final cost of the project. We have requested (and received) funds based on engineer's estimates, but just like any project, there is always the risk of cost overruns or unforeseen issues that arise.

Once the last stage of work is complete, and all the costs are finalized, the council will decide how much of the \$40 to continue to apply to the reserve account, and how much to stop charging, lowering the monthly utility payment. I assure you that this council is committed to getting your bill lowered, while still maintaining the quality of this new facility.

Hope to see you at a council meeting soon!  
Carrie Roecks, Mayor

September, 2015

KAMIAH IDAHO  
THERE IS AN ACCOUNT  
SET UP AT THE BANK  
OF FAIRFIELD FOR  
DONATIONS FOR  
KAMIAH RESIDENTS  
WHO HAVE LOST  
THEIR HOMES, IF YOU  
WISH TO HELP THESE  
FAMILIES OUT.

\*DAVE'S AUTO  
\*BANK OF  
FAIRFIELD  
Rockford Branch

\*SHEA INSURANCE  
\*Rockford Branch-

\*HURD  
MERCANTILE

\*COUNTRY BREWED  
COFFEE

\*FREDNECKS  
\*FARMHOUSE  
PIZZA

\*BANNERBANK  
Rockford Branch

\*ROCKFORD AUTO

\*HARVEST MOON

\*TRIPLE P MOWING

\*ROCKCREEK  
SPRAYING

\*DAN HOFFMAN  
INSURANCE  
(CRETIA PRIMMER)

\*SPOKANE HOME  
GUY GROUP

THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
SUPPORT!

Fire Prevention/Protection during a drought:

Fire danger increases with dry weather. Make sure that you keep dry grass and weeds knocked down, especially around structures. Obey the prohibitions concerning outdoor burning, and it's not a bad idea to have a fire extinguisher on hand while cooking "shrimps on the Barbie" – just in case.

Smokers, be careful where you flick those ashes, and use a butt can.

Remember:

it only take a second of carelessness to spark a fire, and with our current dry conditions, any fire is a danger."

Please remember to check the town website for updated information  
***Rockfordwa.com***

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Rockford Residents,  
Vanpool is now  
available in your area.

If you commute to  
Spokane every day  
this van is for you.

Currently the van  
operates M-F from

Rockford to the  
medical district in  
Spokane. The van  
riders work a 7am-  
4pm shift. Try the van  
free for a week! Call:  
509-326-POOL for  
more information.

#### Water Shortage Information

The town is still under Stage 2 water shortage, but thanks to your efforts and all of us limiting our water usage, we have not needed to move into Stage 3. We will continue to monitor the wells, and are actively working to add well #4 back into production.

In the meantime, at town hall we using reclaimed water to benefit the few flowers we are growing. The drinking water has to be tested and logged every single day, and to do so the water must be continually run for several minutes. Now, we are capturing that water and using it. It's only a few gallons a week, but every bit helps. Hopefully you are aware of the water you are using in your home, and are making a conscious effort to reduce waste.

A **BIG** thank you to Dave's Auto Body, Bank of Fairfield, Banner Bank, Harvest Moon and Debi Marlow for your support. We had another successful summer movie series. See you next June after school is out.

The Historical Society is still looking for more recipes to add to our cook book.

Please send to:

[garden\\_peggy@yahoo.com](mailto:garden_peggy@yahoo.com)

Or drop them off at the pioneer museum on first street between 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Any Friday or Sunday from now until the last day of the fair.

The entries may be typed or written by hand.

Don't forget to add your name and the background information for your recipe.