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STORY IN NEWS



Record 1,779 Big Game Animals Assessed, GPS collared during Winter Captures

from Faith Heaton Jolley

DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

SALT LAKE CITY —

Each year, the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources captures big game animals to perform important health assessments and to place GPS collars on the animals to learn more about their migration patterns and survival rates. This winter, a record 1,779 big game animals were captured, providing important data about big game herds across the state.

The captures typically take place between November and March, when the animals have migrated to lower elevations and are easier to locate. Another reason the captures take place during the winter is because big game animals have a hard time regulating their body temperatures, and the cool weather helps them recover more quickly. The animals are typically caught by a helicopter crew that uses a net gun, and then the animals are later safely released after the health testing.

“When we do capture work, we make a concerted effort to minimize chase times and to keep all capture-related stress to a minimum,” DWR Big Game Projects Coordinator Kent Hersey said. “It’s a short one-time event for those animals and doesn’t have the same impacts as repeated disturbances that cause them to use up important fat reserves. The information our biologists get from capturing a relatively small sample of deer provides very valuable data that is used to manage the entire deer population.”

The big game animals captured during this research work include deer, elk, moose, bighorn sheep, bison and pronghorn. During the 2023-24 winter, the following animals were captured, assessed and released:

- Bighorn sheep: 209
- Bison: 27



- Deer: 1,153
- Elk: 305
- Moose: 18
- Pronghorn: 67

During captures in November and December, DWR biologists collect crucial data and analyze it. This includes:

- ✓ Measuring body fat and overall nutritional condition entering winter
- ✓ Sampling and testing for disease
- ✓ Estimating survival rates and cause of death for different animals
- ✓ Assessing migration patterns and learning the location of critical migration corridors
 - ✓ Gathering information to better understand limiting factors for population growth

During the captures in March, the following research is conducted:

- ✓ Measuring body fat and overall nutritional condition exiting winter
- ✓ Checking pregnancy rates in doe deer
- ✓ Inserting transmitters into pregnant deer that alert biologists when a fawn is born so researchers can locate the newborn fawn and assess health, survival rates and cause of death (if the fawn doesn’t survive)

Primary Sources: Total Fertility Rate in US drops to all time record low of 1.616, 2% annual decline in number of children born.

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Disclaimer: We highly encourage our readers view the primary source at <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/vsrr/vsrr035.pdf>. Due to length, we are unable to publish the study in its entirety

Results—The provisional number of births for the United States in 2023 was 3,591,328, down 2% from 2022. The general fertility rate was 54.4 births per 1,000 females ages 15–44, down 3% from 2022. The total fertility rate was 1,616.5 births per 1,000 women in 2023, a decline of 2% from 2022. Birth rates declined for females in age groups 15–19 through 35–39 and were unchanged for females ages 10–14 and for women ages 40–44 and 45–49 in 2023. The birth rate for teenagers ages 15–19 declined by 3% in 2023 to 13.2 births per 1,000 females; the rate for younger teenagers (ages 15–17) was unchanged, and the rate for older teenagers (ages 18–19) declined 3%. The cesarean delivery rate rose to 32.4% in 2023, from 32.1 in 2022; the low-risk cesarean delivery rate also increased to 26.6% from 26.3%. The preterm birth rate was 10.41% in 2023, essentially unchanged from the rate of 10.38% in 2022.

UPDATE

Panguitch Lake has reopened to fishing, effective April 22. However, the Garfield County Sheriff's Office is still requesting that people stay away from the dam area of the lake.

ICSD Board retains Cedar High Name and Mascot

by Shauna Lund

IRON COUNTY SCHOOLD DISTRICT

The Board of Education of Iron County School District

voted 4 to 3 to retain the current name and mascot for Cedar High School. Board members Jeff Corry, Stephanie Hill and Dave Staheli did not approve the motion.

The vote followed nearly an hour of public comment and an hour of passionate board discussion. Public comment included two letters from the Paiute Tribe of Utah urging the board to keep the Redmen name retired.

“Having a native mascot without the formal support of the local tribe is against the law in four states,” Tribal Chairwoman Corinna Bow read from a letter signed by tribal leaders. “Would you reinstate a racial Redmen mascot knowing it will continually be controversial and may become grounds for a future lawsuit?”

Several students currently attending Cedar High School also shared their thoughts on why no change should be made. Students graduating this year are the first class to go through all their high school years as Reds.

“I think two voices are really important on this issue, the student voice and the tribal voice,” Campbell Allen said. “Showing respect for others is one of our values at CHS. For many, particularly our Native American classmates, the Redmen name is disrespectful and hurtful.”

Others offering public comment also supported listening to the Paiute tribe members because they would know best what honors native americans and what dishonors them.

The Redmen discussion has been ongoing for just over a month. In a meeting held March 26, after a lengthy discussion, board members voted to take the issue to the people and let them decide. Since that time, the district received from its legal counsel a clarification that the question could not be placed on

a ballot. A poll of 500 random registered voters or a public poll were offered as two possible alternatives.

Board Member Megan Ralphs, prior to making the motion to keep the current Cedar High name and mascot, said she has rewatched meetings where the matter was discussed as well as read emails and texts along with talking to her constituents.

“There are passionate people on both sides of this issue, ...” Ralphs said. “There’s no win in whatever we decide ... we are here for bettering our students for the future and we have got to think about that. I want to get back to spending time and resources on our student’s mental health and their facilities.”

Stephanie Hill, who represents District 4 as a board member, said she listened to those who contacted her as well. Constituents she heard from were 10-1 for reinstating the Redmen. Representing that district, she said, means she stands by her previous vote to reinstate the name and opposes keeping it as it currently is.

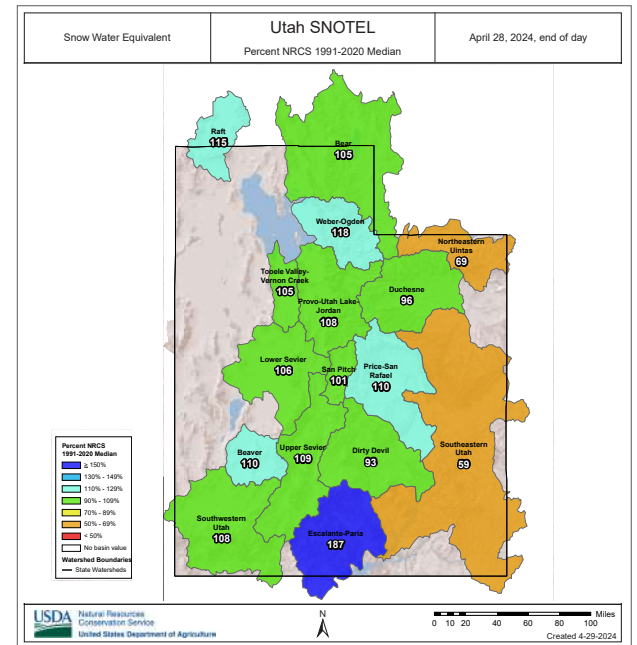
Board member Dave Staheli said he still wanted to hear the voice of the people through a poll and outlined how it could be conducted. However, he also acknowledged that if the poll was not binding and wouldn’t change board member’s opinions, it would be a waste of resources.

“This has to really be a countywide vote, because everybody’s a stakeholder in the county, ...” Staheli said. “It is a really broad spectrum of people who have an interest in what happens in the district and I think it’s really important for us to understand that to write them off of trying to understand what they think and how they feel about this, I think it would be a tremendous mistake.”

Board President Ben Johnson and Board Member Tiffney Christiansen urged the community to engage with and respect the county’s Native American population in other ways, including attendance at local events.

IVINS, UT — Today, Congresswoman Celeste Maloy (R-UT) hosted a Veterans Roundtable alongside Congresswoman Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA) at the Southern Utah Veterans Home in Ivins, UT. The Roundtable discussion brought together local veterans’ organizations, state and federal agencies, and dozens of veterans from Southern Utah. Congresswoman Miller-Meeks shared her experience as a U.S. Army veteran and member of the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

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Rep. Maloy Hosts Veterans Roundtable in Southern Utah with Army Veteran, Rep. Miller-Meeks

from Nathan Tenney

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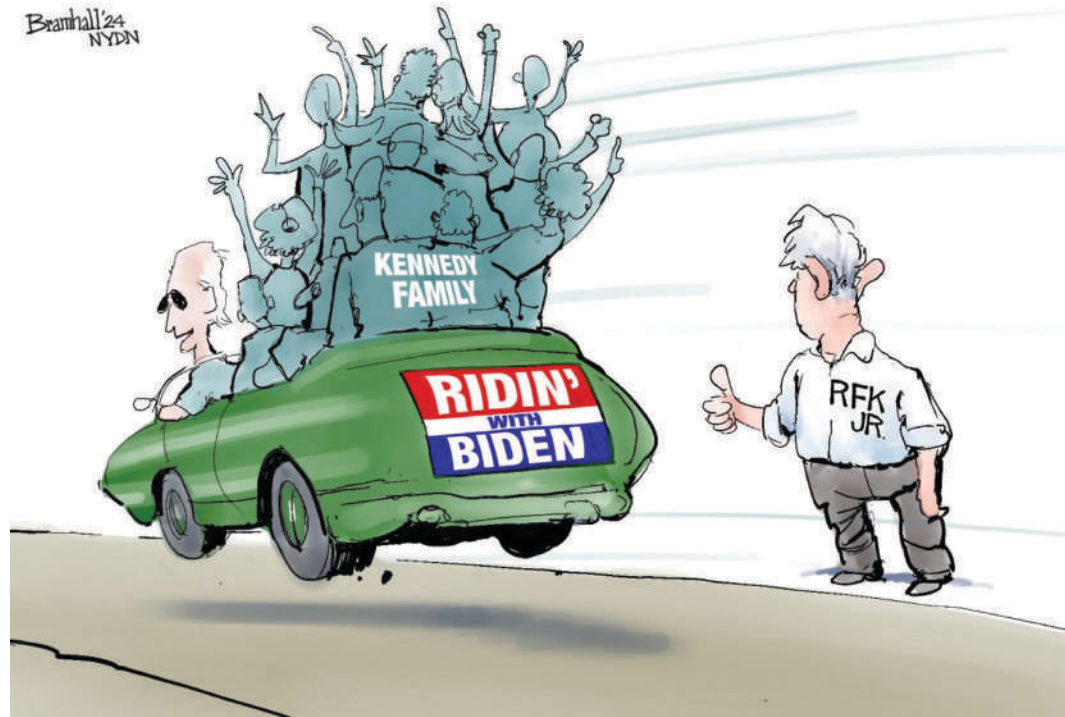
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Noise Pollution

Concerned Citizens

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

We are apparently in the "flight path" of the SUU fixed-wing aircraft. They are relentless in their flights over our lovely subdivision that had no noticeable noise pollution prior to the flight school. Early in the morning, until late at night the noise pollution is deafening, so much so there has to be some sort of noise going on in our house to deaden the whining noise overhead every few minutes. Forget enjoying our

lovely patios, we no longer can sit outside and have a conversation. We have lived in the Cross Northridge area 10 years and in Cedar for 29 years. We never considered noise pollution would be an issue here.

No one ever responds to complaints, concerns, or pleas at the aviation department. The school provides jobs and opportunities we are told and understand, however, it is totally depressing to know that you have to listen to these obnoxious whining little planes, every minute, day after day, there is no break. How sad for the community that is now inundated with either helicopter or red and white fixed-wing traffic.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If everyone is thinking alike, then no one is thinking"

Benjamin Franklin

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Forced Labor and Modern Slavery

PART 2

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

One in every 150 people are trapped today in modern slavery or what is euphemistically called human trafficking. In 2023 the world population was estimated at 8,045,311,447 (over 8 billion people). It may surprise you that on March 2, 1807, the U.S. Congress passed an act to “prohibit the importation of slaves into any port or place within the jurisdiction of the United States... from any foreign kingdom, place, or country” although it allowed slavery to exist within the United States until it was abolished due to the Civil War yet today slavery continues to exist worldwide with 49.6 million people living in modern slavery (27.6 million in forced labor and 22 million in forced marriage). Of the 27.6 million people in forced labor, 17.3 are exploited in the private sector, 6.3 million in forced commercial sexual exploitation, and 3.9 in forced labor imposed by a government. Women and girls account for 4.9 million of those in forced commercial sexual exploitation and account as well for 6 million of those in forced labor in other economic sectors while 12% of all those in forced labor are children where more than half of the children are in commercial sexual exploitation. The Asian and Pacific regions have the highest number of people in forced labor with 15.1 million in the Arab States with the highest prevalence of 5.3 per thousand people.

If these numbers are staggering to your mind, please think about how we and others in the Western world might be facilitating this world-wide human trafficking and slavery by buying inexpensive goods on the internet produced by slave labor. I recently

had a disagreement with someone I thought was a friend when she bought an inexpensive settee on the internet. It was probably produced by slave labor. She no longer communicates with me because I told her that we need to look out for the future of our children and grandchildren by only buying goods made legitimately by paid laborers in the Western world (even our cars, appliances, and solar panels). Do not provide the fuel that encourages slave labor by giving into the urge to acquire more goods, merchandise, possessions, or commodities. As the old saying goes, “You can’t take it with you” but your attitudes will go with you when you depart from this world.

Some will say that the idea of a life after death is just “pie in the sky”. While the phrase originated in a song by Joe Hill, a Swedish-American activist, in 1911, the phrase has been adopted into common English parlance to refer to unrealistic or unlikely goals or dreams. If you are of that persuasion, I urge you to acquire a copy of the following well documented book by John Burke, “Imagine the God of Heaven: Near-Death Experiences, God’s Revelation, and the Love You’ve Always Wanted”. Reading the book will help us all to re-evaluate our goals and beliefs about our accountability for actions we take here in this life, including how and where we spend our resources, talents, time, and money. Next week, we will discuss how the new illegal slavery is different from the old legal slavery across the globe. We will discuss the British Empire’s role in ending slavery worldwide but how Britain now allows slavery to occur in England as we explore Britain’s current secret slaves. Please buy a copy of “Disposable People” by Kevin Bales, the worldwide expert on the new slavery.

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Iron County Commission Meeting

from Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

After approving the previous meeting's minutes and claims for payment, they moved on to department reports.

The County Assessor, Karsten Reed, reported that they are working to create a statistical model for property assessments as required by the state. However, instead of spending \$1 million that larger counties might, they reached out to Dr. Evan Johnson from Harvard/Rutgers who agreed to build the model for free using students. Reed is also working on updating policies/procedures and getting the tax roll completed by May 22nd. His office still needs an additional commercial appraiser.

Jared from IT provided updates on their major projects - setting up the new Children's Justice Center, migrating to a .gov domain, upgrading servers, and adding security cameras funded by a recent \$41,000 state contract.

The County Recorder, Carri Jeffries, had a straightforward report - recordings are steady, and she is working to implement a free Property Watch notification service for the public in the next few months when the server upgrades occur.

County Treasurer Nicole Rosenberg reported that production tax collections are slow this time of year but pull cash is doing well thanks to high interest rates (currently 5.44%). She is investing some long-term funds at around 5% interest with Morton Capital. The annual tax sale is coming up next month. Her office is working to get new credit card processing software for the landfill and drug court payments.

Commissioner Paul Cozzens attended the National Council for Mental Well-Being conference, where topics included the 988 mental health crisis line, suicide prevention, and using AI for counselor note-taking to increase patient face time.

Commissioner Marilyn Wood reported on various meetings - about the Cedar City airport expansion, a ribbon cutting for the new Appaloosa solar project, economic development with the Utah Inland Port Authority and

their BZI facility plans, weed control efforts with the local Weed Board, and working through some issues with the pistol range encroaching on BLM land. Planning is underway for the upcoming County Fair and OHV Jamboree.

Commissioner Mike Bleak mentioned airport projects like a new pre-flight screening area, the National Guard adding a helicopter base, and courting aerospace companies. He attended the Inland Port video interviews and met with the jail construction team on issues like the rail easement, road crossings, building footprint, and utility hookups with Cedar City.

The meeting continued with public comments from a resident named Parker, who challenged the commissioners to come up with a clear definition of "public safety" related to the proposed use of funds from House Bill 488 to build a new jail. Parker argued that public safety encompasses much more than just policing and protection. They urged the commissioners to work with other counties to establish a definition to protect Iron County from future legal challenges over how the funds can be used, especially once the jail is paid off and surplus funds remain.

Commissioner Bleak acknowledged Parker's concerns and said they would look at aligning their definition with the state's definition once the legislature starts working on it.

Next, the commission opened bids for asphalt work at the new Iron County Children's Justice Center. Two bids were received - \$314,000 from Sunroc and \$229,000 from Mel Clark. The county engineer, Rich Gillman, recommended awarding the contract to Mel Clark as the lower bidder after verifying their bid properly accounted for reducing some originally proposed curbing and sidewalks to save costs. The commissioners voted to award the \$229,000 contract to Mel Clark.

The commission then discussed interlocal agreements with other regional entities for residential building inspection services, required by Senate Bill 185. The bill mandates that if a jurisdiction cannot provide a building inspection within 3 business days of a request, the permit applicant can hire an approved third-party inspector. As the building official, Drew Jackson must maintain a list of at least 3 approved inspection companies.

An agreement was drafted with Enoch City, Garfield County, Brian Head, Beaver County and Cedar City to cooperatively provide inspectors that meet the requirement. Some fees and indemnification clauses were modified. The commission voted to approve the agreements pending the other entities also approving, with the goal of having it in place by the mandated May

1st deadline.

The county auditor, Lucas Little, presented the 2023 Fraud Risk Assessment, scoring Iron County at a low risk of 375 out of 395. He highlighted fraud prevention measures like separation of duties on invoices/payments and a fraud reporting hotline. The commission approved the assessment.

In personnel items, the commission approved:

- Promotions in the Sheriff's Office and Corrections
- Hiring for vacant positions in the Victim's Advocate, Weed Department, Natural Resources, and Children's Justice Center
- Increasing the Fleet Department admin assistant from part-time to full-time status to handle increased workload
- An internal transfer in the Engineering Department

The commission also voted to go into closed session to discuss pending/imminent litigation strategy.

Iron County School District Meeting

from Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

After the prayer and consent agenda was approved public comments were then invited. Karina Bo, the chairwoman of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, urged the board not to reinstate the "Redmen" mascot for Cedar High School, stating that having a Native American mascot without tribal support is illegal in some states and can lead to lawsuits. Several other community members, including a professor and students, also spoke against reinstating the mascot name, citing it as a racial slur that disrespects Native Americans.

On the other side, some community members advocated for reinstating "Redmen", arguing it arose organically as a respectful term and that many Native Americans support the name based on surveys. They claimed opposition is driven by far-left ideology aiming to erase Native imagery. One person questioned whether the board had truly consulted with the tribe before voting to change the name initially.

Multiple students from Cedar High spoke, with some

BUDGET SUMMARY

YEAR	STATE OF UTAH	IRON COUNTY	SCHOOL DISTRICT	CEDAR CITY	COUNTY POPULATION	INFLATION RATE
2020	\$18,500,000,000	\$64,397,882	\$97,275,145	\$64,844,920	57,286	1.4
2021	\$20,300,000,000	\$68,529,185	\$111,206,179	\$58,214,907	58,672	7.0
2022	\$25,600,000,000	\$80,413,678	\$116,183,977	\$50,602,850	62,508	6.5
2023	\$26,000,000,000	\$78,255,317	\$172,080,787	\$62,856,543	64,211	3.4
2024	\$29,400,000,000	\$67,789,445	\$200,512,950	\$145,080,951	65,765	3.2
ANNUAL INCREASE	11.78%	1.05%	21.23%	24.75%	2.96%	4.3

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asking the board to keep the current "Reds" nickname out of respect for Native students, and others wanting "Redmen" reinstated as they don't see it as disrespectful. A community member raised the point that a new Utah law prohibits schools from using race-based names or imagery, which could lead to funding cuts if "Redmen" is brought back.

Contrasting views were expressed on whether to have a public poll or vote on the mascot name. Some felt it was undemocratic to change it without weighing community opinion, while others argued the elected board should make the decision after consulting experts and the tribe.

The meeting also included a letter from the Indian Peaks Band of Paiutes stating their opposition to reinstating "Redmen" and urging the board to consider potential legal ramifications, as the mascot has caused harm under Utah's laws prohibiting race-based school activities.

The business administrator delivered a budget report indicating consistency with last year's figures. The Superintendent proceeded to comment South Elementary, and Canyon View Middle Schools on this year's academic successes.

Following the school highlights, board members provide reports on their recent activities, including attending conferences, visiting schools, advocating for literacy programs, and engaging with legislative issues related to education and school security.

The board then moved on to the action portion of the meeting where the board approved a Success Academy charter amendment that allows students who complete the SUU Prep program through middle school to receive two entries instead of one into the Success Academy lottery.

The board approved the adoption of the Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) curriculum for elementary English language arts instruction. Key features of CKLA include alignment with Utah standards, high rating for following the science of reading, knowledge-building across grade levels, use of rigorous texts, comprehensive literacy instruction, and robust professional development support.

The board approved the school trust lands plans submitted by the various schools for the 2024-2025 school year after reviewing the plans presented.

The board approved an e-rate resolution to participate in the federal e-rate program, which provides a 60% discount on technology infrastructure purchases like network switches, battery backups, and Wi-Fi for school buses.

The board approved amendments to the 2023-2024 school trust lands plans for Canyon View Middle, Cedar Middle, and Parowan High Schools as recommended by their community councils.

The board voted to deny a request for an exception to the district's early retirement incentive policy based on discussions in a prior closed session.

The main agenda item was deciding whether to keep the current Cedar High School mascot of the "Reds" or change it back to the previous "Redmen" mascot.

Board member Megan Ralphs made a motion that the Cedar High name and mascot remain the same as currently established (the "Reds").

One member argued passionately that the decision should go to a public vote, emphasizing the importance of community input. They proposed establishing a neutral voting location accessible to all residents and high school students. While acknowledging the board's authority, they expressed willingness to accept the outcome of such a public vote.

One board member, a former teacher, insisted that the current name was not offensive and advocated for a public vote. Another member expressed concern about the fairness and representativeness of such a vote without official oversight.

Another board member emphasized respecting the local Native American tribes who have stated they see "Redmen" as a derogatory term. She noted the district strives to use Native terminology respectfully, like the town Parowan's name.

After this extensive discussion, the board voted 4-3 in favor of Ralphs' motion to retain the current "Reds" name and mascot. Board members Dave Staheli, Jeff Corry, and Stephanie Hill voted against, while board members Laren Lewis, Ben Johnson, Tiffany Christiainsen, and Megan Ralphs, voted for.

Staheli then sought to make another motion about holding a public vote, but Board President Ben Johnson ruled that out of order based on Robert's Rules. Only a board member who voted in the majority could re-introduce the issue within a year.

The meeting also included many other procedural items like policy approvals before concluding with a closed-door session on potential litigation matters.

Cedar City Council Meeting

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The executive director of IRMA (Interlocal Risk Management Association), David Peterson, gave a presentation overviewing the organization. IRMA is a self-insured risk pool created in 1985 by Utah cities to provide more affordable coverage than private insurance. Cedar City joined in 1987. As a government risk-sharing pool, IRMA is member-controlled by the cities, audited, and non-profit. Its coverages and rates are based on actuarial data rather than market pricing. Peterson contrasted IRMA's data-driven approach to the outdated BMI metric, distracted driving citations, and other examples of using unsound information leading to bad results.

During public comments, a group of high school students promoted their upcoming Family Fun 5K race on May 4th at Veteran's Park to raise funds for homeless teens and students in Iron County through their TXA non-profit organization. The mayor and council expressed enthusiasm for the event and committed to helping market it through the city's channels.

The council then debated and approved the recommendation to leave curbs as-is for the historic downtown

area when UDOT redevelops Main Street, based on input from downtown businesses. There was also extensive discussion around allowing the Farmers Market to resume operating on Wednesday late afternoons and all-day Saturdays on 100 West from July through March 2025. Councilman Phillips had surveyed downtown businesses who overwhelmingly supported continuing to host the market due to the customer traffic it brings despite some parking impacts. The final motion set the Wednesday market hours until 9pm.

Several ordinances were passed related to a 10.66 acre annexation and zoning change for a property at approximately 1711 W 3000 N to allow for a new residential development there.

These included amending the general plan and zoning designations, annexing the county land parcel, and approving a development agreement limiting the allowed uses. Councilman Wilkey abstained from these votes due to a stated conflict of interest.

The council granted a variance to city engineering standards to allow a specific driveway configuration for a commercial site at 2610 N Canyon Ranch Drive, as well as amending the traffic code to prohibit parking in that vicinity for visibility and safety reasons near the entrance. However, some councilmembers expressed concerns about restricting parking along the frontage of the neighboring Love's Truck Stop property without their explicit consent, though the city attorney advised the city has authority over those public rights-of-way.

During staff comments, Gabby Costello with the city's public relations promoted an upcoming community well-being survey being conducted by Utah State University to gauge resident satisfaction across areas like safety and city services. After just one week of promotion, the survey already had over 200 responses.

Mayor Green shared a letter of commendation he received from Southern Utah University leadership thanking the Cedar City Police Department for their rapid response and decisive actions during a recent "swatting" incident on campus. The Mayor and council members expressed appreciation for the department's service in protecting citizens.

Councilman Phillips gave remarks about an exhibit of artwork on loan from the Utah Division of Arts & Museums, highlighting Cedar City's cultural values and encouragement of the arts dating back to its pioneer founding. He urged residents to view the limited exhibition while it was installed.

Other announcements included upcoming open house public meetings to gather input on the city's budget process, as well as details on a new partnership between the Rotary Club, Iron County Water Conservancy District, private contractors, and citizens to fundraise for and construct an accessible water play feature at one of the city parks based on resident feedback.



"Due to space, the Parowan City Council Meeting has been published to our website at ironcountytoday.com under News."

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California Condors-A Sight to Behold

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

These birds are rescued from the brink of extinction. These magnificent birds are, once again, soaring through Utah skies.

California condors are among the largest, rarest birds in the world, and you will find them soaring over the red-rock cliffs of southwestern Utah. They have been seen recently up Cedar Canyon, just 20 miles from Cedar City. The population now numbers more than 500 birds, with over half of those flying free in the wild. Nearly 350 condors in the monitored population are free to fly in the wild in southern Utah. Both adults and juveniles are known to roost on ledges of the Southern Utah red rock. The condor is one of the largest flying birds in North America. With a wingspan of nearly 10 feet-and a body that's four to five feet long-the condor is the size of a small car, in flight, they're like a small aircraft. In flight, these birds are breathtaking. They can reach speeds of 50 miles per hour, when



Condors are majestic, with a ten-foot wingspan, they flap one percent of the time while flying.

soaring, and they sometimes travel up to 200 miles a day in search of food. Up close, the condor's unique appearance adds to its charm. Adults have bald pinkish-orange heads and a distinctive white triangle pattern on the undersides of their jet black wings. Younger condors are generally a dull black with grayish heads. Their coloration begins to change after three or four years, but they don't reach full maturity until they are about 6 years old. Their long featherless heads makes it easier for them to eat. Long ago, California condors soared over much of the western United States. By the 1800s, their numbers had dwindled, and they were mostly found in California-which is how they earned their name. Sightings were occasionally reported in other portions of the southwest, including Utah. Habitat loss, lead poisoning, poaching, power-line accidents and DDT contamination took

a deadly toll. In 1987, the world's 22 remaining California condors, all living in the mountains above Santa Barbara, California, were captured and held in captivity and numbered. Today more than 347 condors exist in the wild, all are numbered. The lower the number, the older the bird is. A captivity-breeding effort at San Diego Animal Park and Los Angeles Zoo helped the condors avoid extinction. Each wild condor is outfitted with a visual ID tag and at least one radio transmitter. Some birds are also given GPS transmitters. These allow biologists to track the movements and behaviors of the flock using radio telemetry and GPS mapping. In 1992, condors were reintroduced to the wild in California. There are now approximately 500 California condors in existence. Over half of those birds are flying free in parts of Arizona,

California, and Utah. Condors are now producing chicks in the wild. The birds are protected under the Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. In the wild, California condors may live up to 60 years. They mate for life and are attentive parents. At about the age of six, condors begin to look for a mate. Like many birds, males attract their partners through highly ritualized mating displays. Female condors typically lay a single egg on the floor of a small cave or crevice in the face of a cliff. Both parents help incubate the egg, which takes about 8 weeks to hatch. If the first egg fails, a second is often laid. After the egg hatches, the young condor will remain in its cave for 2-3 months. Most condors take their first flights when they are about 6 months old. The juvenile condor's parents take care of their

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Female Condors have become more frequent, especially in Southern Utah. Birds are registered with a tag.

offspring for a full year-and sometimes longer. Because

the adults spend

so much time caring for their young, wild condor pairs normally rest nearly every other year.

The first California condor chick produced in Utah by the reintroduced population, hatched in Zion National Park in 2014. Unfortunately, it did not survive. The same pair of condor adults produced at least one additional chick in Zion National Park in 2016. However, the adult male died later that year due to lead poisoning and the female was unable to raise her chick alone. In 2018, a California condor finally successfully fledged a chick in Utah. Another chick was produced in Zion National Park in 2019.

California condors are one of the largest members of the vulture family, they are scavengers that feed on dead animals. Condors often travel more than 200

miles per day in search of food. They feed primarily on large mammal carrion, like deer, sheep, elk, and cattle. They also, sometimes feed on smaller carrion like rabbits, hares and coyotes. Despite their eating habits, condors bathe frequently and spend much time preening their feathers. Unfortunately, condors aren't too picky about their meals. They eat everything, including the lead ammunition fragments that remain in the carcasses of hunted animals.

Several studies have shown that lead poisoning is the leading cause of death in California condors, accounting for more than 50 percent of all known mortality. It is also the biggest factor slowing the birds recovery.

Removing Lead From Condor Country. Since reintroduction began, dozens of condors in California, Arizona, and Utah, have perished because of lead poisoning. If the poisoning isn't severe, biologists can capture the condors and treat them to lower their lead levels and return them to the wild. However, this is a time-consuming and expensive process. Lead-based ammunition-which is not always clearly labeled-is available for purchase in stores and online.

With lead poisoning being the leading cause of death in California condors. Hunters have stepped up the use of no-lead ammunition to protect the condors. Help sustain this amazing species by switching to non-lead ammunition.

Seeing Condors In Utah.

Although they often winter in Arizona, many condors from the southwestern population of which there are now over 93-soar over Utah. They began nesting in Utah in 2014, and can travel back and forth between the Gand Canyon and Zion National Park in a single day. A small population stay in Utah year-round.

While the condors are expanding their territory, Zion National Park still serves as home base for many. The birds are present between April and November, the best time to see them is in the summer.

They are frequently seen perched on or soaring around Angels Landing and the Kolob Road, also up Right Hand Canyon in Cedar City. They have also been seen at Cedar Breaks National Monument, Bryce Canyon, and Vermilion Cliffs.

If you see one of these magnificent birds that got lost in time:

- ✓ Take a picture or several. These enormous, majestic birds date back to prehistoric times and are not yet safe from extinction.

- ✓ Keep your distance and do not feed condors. This will help you and the birds avoid negative and unsafe human-condor encounters.
- ✓ Do your part to keep these California Condors a little further from the edge of extinction.

“If Birds Can Glide For Long Periods of Time- Then Why Can't I.”

-Orville Wright

Male Condors are seen in Zion and Kolob Canyon. Each bird is tagged for identification. To identify a condor, visit: condorspotter.com



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Iron County Commissioners Express Frustration Over New BLM Conservation Rule

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Iron County officials are expressing concern over a new public land policy issued by the Biden administration, raising questions about its potential impact on local land management practices.

The new Bureau of Land Management rule, known as the "Conservation and Landscape Health Rule" or the "Public Lands Rule," has sparked controversy across Utah.

The upcoming enforcement of the rule, slated to take effect in 30 days, will redefine the management of 22.8 million acres of public land overseen by the BLM in Utah, as well as approximately 245 million acres nationwide.

The rule places a higher priority on conservation under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA).

FLPMA, enacted by Congress in 1976, forms the cornerstone of public lands management in the United States. It mandates that these lands be managed to accommodate a variety of interests and activities, including recreation, grazing, mineral extraction, and conservation.

Among other changes, the rule allows for the leasing of public lands for conservation purposes, a

move that has drawn criticism from those who rely on these lands for traditional uses such as grazing and extracting resources.

Iron County Commissioner Paul Cozzens emphasized the importance of preserving the multiple uses of public lands in Iron County.

"Our community depends on access to public lands for various activities, including grazing, which supports our local economy," Cozzens said. "This constant pressure to push our ag community off the public lands is terrifying," he added. "That's our food and the Biden administration and these radical conservation groups just continue to try to lock up the land and it's hurting our ranchers."

Iron County Commissioner Marilyn Woods echoed Cozzens' sentiments, expressing frustration with the perceived lack of consideration for local interests in the rule-making process.

"This rule is another example of federal overreach that disregards the needs and priorities of the citizens," Woods said, "and now we're facing potential restrictions on our ability to utilize our own lands."

Cozzens also highlighted the role of ranchers as "stewards of the land," noting their contributions to preserving natural resources.

"If we want to talk about conservation, our ranchers

are our best environmentalists," he said. "They are the ones who put in the water, do the vegetation treatments, restore the land, and manage the encroachment of the Pinyon Juniper that is invasive and hurting our wildlife and our water supplies."

The concerns raised by the commissioners reflect broader opposition to the BLM rule among Utah Republicans, who argue that it undermines the principle of "multiple-use" management enshrined in federal law.

Governor Spencer Cox and Attorney General Sean Reyes have pledged to challenge the rule in federal court, citing its potential negative impacts on Utah's lands and wildlife.

"The added layers of red tape and federal bureaucracy embedded in the BLM's Public Lands Rule create new roadblocks to conservation work. The health of Utah's lands and wildlife will suffer as a result," Cox said. "This Rule is contrary to the bedrock principle of 'multiple-use' in the BLM's governing law, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act."

Efforts to repeal the Public Lands Rule have also gained traction in Congress, with Rep. John Curtis,

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Romney Statement on the National Security Supplemental

from *Senator Mitt Romney*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

WASHINGTON—U.S. Senator Mitt Romney (R-UT) today released the following statement on the national security supplemental, which passed by a vote of 79-18.

"After months of needless delay, Congress has finally approved much-needed funding for Ukraine, Israel, Taiwan, and the U.S. military's operations in these key regions. Just as I did in February, I again voted for this legislation because it is very much in America's interests to support our friends and allies in the face of threats from Russia, China, and Iran. The funding in this bill not

only provides critical security assistance and weapons to Ukraine, Taiwan, and Israel, but it also supports our own military readiness. It replenishes our weapons stockpiles, supports our defense industrial base, and provides significant funding for U.S. Navy submarine and shipbuilding programs at a time when China is dramatically increasing its naval fleet.

"America remains strong because of our friendships and alliances, and passage of this aid package honors our commitments to our friends."

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Youth Mental Health-Screen Free Week

by Meagan Johnston

USU EXTENSION PROFESSOR

The concern for youth and their mental health has been on the rise for the past several years nationwide. Specifically in Utah, children face mental health problems 14 percent higher than the national average, according to the Kem C. Gardner Institute. The USU Iron County Needs Assessment also identified youth's mental health as a concern and a top priority to address in our community. As a community, what steps can we take to meet this need? I encourage you to continue reading to learn how you can get involved in addressing this important priority in our community.

As a former K-12 educator with 18 years of experience, I've witnessed firsthand the detrimental effects of excessive screen time on youth. According to the CDC, 11-14 year olds spend an average of 9 hours on screens everyday. What impact can that have on youth's mental health? Research has shown that constant exposure to screens negatively impacts physical health and mental well-being. Prolonged screen use correlates with heightened stress and anxiety levels, escalates the risk of obesity and cardiovascular issues, disrupts sleep patterns, and intensifies tendencies towards depression and suicidal

ideation. Ohio State University's findings are alarming, revealing that children who spend seven hours or more per day on screens are twice as likely to experience anxiety or depression compared to those with limited screen exposure. In addition, excessive screen time detracts from meaningful interpersonal interactions, isolating youth from both their peers and the surrounding world. Although screens undoubtedly provide numerous educational benefits and opportunities, we mustn't ignore the downsides they pose to youth's physical and mental health when used excessively.

May I suggest one simple way that each one of us can easily implement with the youth in our community to address the negative effects of screen time on youth's physical and mental health? It is to provide youth with opportunities to unplug and be screen-free, thus decreasing the detrimental effects as discussed above. Whether you're a neighbor, grandparent, parent, or mentor, you can play a vital role in improving youth mental health in our community by providing youth with chances to unplug. It can be simple activities such as taking a walk, going for a bike ride, planting a garden, playing a board game, constructing a fort, or cooking a meal together. It doesn't have to be a grand gesture; simply

giving of your time to engage youth around you in activities that are screen free. As the Tanzanian proverb says, "little by little, a little becomes a lot." As a community, we can work to address youth mental health little by little..... until the little becomes a lot.

As part of our commitment to improving the lives of individuals, families and communities, the Iron County USU Extension office invites you to participate in our Screen-Free initiative from May 6-12. Through partnerships with various organizations and businesses, we encourage youth and adults alike to embrace life beyond screens with various community activities during May 6-12. Activities such as fishing at Lake on the Hill sponsored by the DWR, a Farmer's Market scavenger hunt, pedal and picnic in the park, and swimming at the local rec center, etc. A schedule of events will be posted on the USU Extension Iron County social media platforms, sent out in our newsletter, and available in our office. Together, let's take small steps towards addressing youth mental health until they become significant strides towards a healthier community.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Screen-Free initiative please reach out to meagan.johnston@usu.edu or call 435-267-1753.

CEDAR CITY, UT – Cedar City has partnered with Utah's Wellbeing Project through Utah State University (USU) to collect feedback regarding life in Cedar City, and your input is valued! Residents of Cedar City at least 18 years of age and older are encouraged to take this brief 10-minute survey regarding topics like growth, education opportunities, mental health, and quality of city services.

This is a grant-funded project through USU and while individual responses will remain anonymous, overall survey results will be shared with city leaders and can be compared to other cities across the state of Utah. Cedar City leadership hopes to use the data to continue improving the quality of life for everyone.

To participate in the survey by May 10, visit www.tinyurl.com/CedarCity2024. For questions, contact Dr. Flint at USU by email: courtney.flint@usu.edu (IRB #11624).

RealClearPolitics Election 2024

RCP Poll Averages

Election 2024	Trump	Biden	Spread
RCP Poll Average	44.8	44.5	Trump +0.3
5-Way RCP Average	41.0	40.1	Trump +0.9
Top Battlegrounds	48.5	45.2	Trump +3.3
Electoral College	Trump	Biden	Toss Ups
RCP Electoral Map	219	215	104
No Toss Up States	293	245	
Battlegrounds	Trump	Biden	Spread
Wisconsin	49.0	47.0	Trump +2.0
Arizona	49.3	44.3	Trump +5.0
Georgia	49.7	45.7	Trump +4.0
Michigan	47.4	44.4	Trump +3.0
Pennsylvania	46.3	46.7	Biden + 0.4
North Carolina	48.8	44.0	Trump +4.8
Nevada	48.8	44.0	Trump +4.8
Battle for Congress	GOP	Dems	
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Participate in Cedar City's Wellbeing Survey by May 10

from Gabrielle Costello

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER



Cedar City Rotary Club Celebrates 100 YEARS OF SERVICE with Groundbreaking for Canyon Park Upgrades and New Water Features

by Tessa Douglas

CEDAR CITY ROTARY CLUB

April 23, 2024- After six years of planning, the COVID years, a building boom and two long winters, fundraising, and RAP-Tax and Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation funding requests, work has commenced on exciting all-abilities upgrades to Cedar City's Canyon Park west side, brought about through a collaboration between the Cedar City Rotary Club and Cedar City Corporation. This park project is one of several ways the Club is celebrating its 100-year anniversary.

The Rotary Club broke ground during their weekly meeting on April 23. In addition to Rotarians, (see list) were also in attendance. Park upgrades will include a playground, accessible water play, and equipment and signage designed to educate children about Iron County's history and heritage of water use. Although a small portion of grass will be removed, the long-standing

cottonwood trees will remain, a concern that was brought up during the planning phase. In addition, the Rotary has received a grant from Trees Utah to plant additional trees in this park and others.

“ We have been working on this project for multiple years in order to plan effectively and to raise enough money to adequately fund it. The new additions will allow children of all abilities to enjoy the water play Canyon Park is known for, and will provide shade and other safety and comfort features that don't currently exist there.”

- Sue Longson
Cedar City Rotarian and co-chair
of the Canyon Park committee.

Paul Monroe, Cedar City Rotarian and General Manager of the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District, added “we've been asked about building a new park in other parts of the county and piping water in, which would be incredible but also very expensive and water intrusive. By adding these new features to Canyon Park, we are able to get the biggest return on investment and add to an already amazing local park.”

Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. They connect 1.2 million members from more than 35,000 Rotary clubs in almost every country in the world. Together, they work together to promote peace, fight disease, and to provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene. They also work to support



Pictured:
Sue Longson and
Paul Monroe

education and grow local economies. For more information on becoming a member of the Cedar City Rotary Club, email Christy Hugh at cedarcityrotaryclub@gmail.com.



VETERANS ROUNDTABLE

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of you in the military, let me tell you: She's got your six. You know what that means," said Rep. Miller-Meeks.

"I might have to change my residency from Iowa to Utah because as a veteran, this is a beautiful facility," said Rep. Miller-Meeks.

"Thank you, Representative Mariannette Miller-Meeks (IA-1) and our Southern Utah Veteran community for the impactful discussion about local veterans' issues. Veterans, I'm proud to fight for your needs in Washington, and I'm forever grateful for your sacrifice," said Rep. Maloy.

"It was an honor to meet so many veterans from Utah's second district. This facility, the Southern Utah Veterans Home, is an amazing resource. I am so grateful Congresswoman Miller-Meeks joined us for the Roundtable to share her experience. And to veterans in Utah, I'm ready to hear your concerns, learn from your public service, and fight for your needs in Washington," said Rep. Maloy.

"It was good that Representative Maloy brought Representative Miller-Meeks to talk with us. We were able to address some of our concerns about how some of the veteran services were operating in southern Utah. I'm really glad they were here to hear from us," said Jerry VaanIwarden of the Southern Utah Veterans Association.

"We loved hearing from Congresswoman Miller-Meeks that this facility (Southern Utah Veterans Home) is a world-class facility. This was an extremely good event and the people who came were equally impressed," said Tony Moore, State Director of the Southern Utah Veterans Home.

"Having the conversation is essential. It was great being able to meet with our representatives and express our concerns about very important topics affecting the veteran community. Talking like this and asking questions...that's what this country is all about," said a St. George resident and veteran.

"I'm grateful that Rep. Maloy and Rep. Miller-Meeks put on this event. It is nice to know that our representatives in Washington, DC are looking out for us back home," said an Ivins resident and veteran.

Parowan Woman's Cause of Death Remains Undetermined After Autopsy

By *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Parowan woman's cause of death remains a mystery after an autopsy failed to provide conclusive answers.

Robin Whittle, 62, was discovered

unresponsive in her bedroom on New Year's Eve, prompting an investigation by the Parowan Police Department.

According to a statement issued by the Parowan Police Department, the Utah State Office of the Medical Examiner has completed its report on Whittle's death. However, the report was inconclusive, stating that the injuries observed did not point definitively to a specific cause of death.

"The injuries present do not align with a distinct mechanism and could result from various scenarios, such as a fall or intentional action," the statement from the police department reads. "Thus, the precise manner of death remains undetermined at this juncture."

Whittle's husband, Mark Whittle, informed authorities that he had spent

the night on the couch after both he and his wife had been up late preparing for their church duties the following morning. Robin Whittle was found with head injuries on the morning of December 31, 2023.

The Parowan Police Department initially treated the case as a potential aggravated murder investigation pending the results of the autopsy. Despite the lack of definitive conclusions, however, Chief Addison Adams told Iron County Today that the investigation remains open.

Whittle was a dedicated first-grade teacher at Iron Springs Elementary and is remembered fondly by her students and colleagues for her outstanding teaching skills and compassionate nature.

The Parowan Police Department encourages anyone with information relevant to the case to reach out to them at 435-477-3331.

BIG GAME ANIMALS

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"We have been conducting these captures and collecting data for the last 10 years in Utah," Hersey said. "We have learned a lot about deer and other big game animals during that time, which in turn, has informed our management decisions. "The amount of body fat a deer has going into winter influences how well they survive the winter. The amount of body fat a female deer has coming out of winter can impact the weight of the fawn at birth and how fast the newborn fawn grows. Those things in turn help the overall population."

During this year's captures, deer across the state were in good nutritional condition, overall. Of the 19 hunting units where deer were captured in December, eight of the units had deer with record high body fat levels. In March, 235 deer were caught on five different hunting units across the state and nearly all of the animals were in good condition. The does that were captured also had a high — 97% — pregnancy rate.

"We use the data from the health



assessments — and also the data on where big game animals migrate each summer and winter — to implement habitat projects to improve winter and summer feeding ranges for big game across the state," Hersey said. "These data are also used to determine how and when we hunt animals and to help determine recommended big game permit numbers for each hunt."

The migration data from the GPS collaring efforts is also used as part of the Utah Wildlife Migration Initiative. This program was founded in 2017 to better track and study the migration patterns of different wildlife and fish species in the state and to help them make those important journeys.

"The GPS collars provide crucial data that informs planning for sustainable land use, transportation, energy, residential and commercial development, recreation and habitat improvement in a variety of areas across the state," DWR Utah Wildlife Migration Initiative Coordinator Makeda Hanson said. "One component of that is incorporating wildlife structures on the landscape to assist wildlife migration. Those structures include overpasses, bridges, culverts and fences."

NEW RULE

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R-Utah, sponsoring legislation aimed at overturning the rule and promoting conservation policies rooted in local input.

In contrast, proponents of the new rule argue that the measure will bolster ecosystem health and biodiversity conservation. The Pew Charitable Trusts assert that the rule will empower the BLM to prioritize conservation efforts alongside other land uses.

"Historically, BLM's multiple-use policy has focused on mining, oil and gas exploration, and other development rather than outdoor recreation and conservation on the 245 million acres [nationwide] that the agency manages," the Pew Charitable Trusts said in a statement supporting the BLM's action. "But now, the new rule will enable BLM to put the stewardship of wildlife habitat and cultural resources as well as Americans' access to outdoor recreation on equal footing with other uses."

Southern Utah University

2024 Commencement Ceremony Recap

from Nikki Koontz

SUU MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

President Benson opened the 125th SUU Commencement Ceremony by recognizing the 3,047 candidates for graduation. The Class of 2024 has earned 888 master's degrees, 1,876 bachelor's degrees, 290 associate degrees, and 107 certificates.

Garrett Shaw was recognized as the University Valedictorian. Shaw is originally from Pleasant Grove, Utah and chose SUU for its small class sizes and proximity to outdoor activities. He believes his university experience has prepared him well for the future, especially in managing his time effectively. Shaw plans to attend BYU Law School, starting this fall.

In President Benson's remarks, she imparted the profound message of these words: Live, Learn, Leave a Legacy.

LIVE: "30 years ago, I sat in the very same place you're sitting now, as a graduate of SUU. 30 years flies by in the blink of an eye. Don't miss your life or wish it away waiting for the big moments. LIVE your life. Your time at SUU has shaped and helped develop who you are. The next 30 years will further define who you are; careers, marriage-or not, families, leadership, community building, dreaming, it all lies ahead of you. Today is the first day of the rest of your lives. Live, dream, learn, grow, and challenge yourself. Time goes faster than you can ever imagine... Remember, the ordinary days you had here on campus, will be the extraordinary moments you look back on in 30 years."

LEARN: "Learning is the essence of growth. It is the willingness to embrace new ideas, to challenge our assumptions, and to expand our horizons. Learning is a lifelong journey. So as you venture out into the world, seek knowledge, ask questions, and strive to be the best version of yourself. Nelson Mandela said, 'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.' As you embark on this next chapter of your lives, never underestimate the power of learning to shape the world around you."

LEAVE A LEGACY: "Make it a goal to leave a legacy in the life you live. The impact you make doesn't always have to be on a global scale to be meaningful. Sometimes, our impact is felt most profoundly in the lives of just one person. Whether it's volunteering at a local shelter, tutoring a struggling student, or simply offering a listening ear to someone in need,

our actions, no matter how small, have the potential to ignite a spark of change. As Mother Teresa said, 'I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.' Each of us possesses the ability to effect change, to touch lives, to inspire hope. Your legacy is not determined by the height of your achievements but by the depth of your impact."

Two graduating students addressed the Class of 2024, Holly Biesinger and Nick Stein.

Holly Biesinger is from West Valley City, Utah. She is graduating with degrees in Art education and History with minors in Art History, Illustration, Painting, Drawing, Printmaking and History Teaching. Holly is also the Valedictorian for the College of Performing and Visual Arts. Her address focused on self-discovery.

"As you step into the world beyond these walls, remember that success isn't just about climbing the career ladder or amassing material wealth," said Biesinger. "It's about becoming the best version of yourself and contributing positively to the lives of those around you. The impact you make as a person is what truly matters. As we leave SUU, above all else, it's the people we will remember and the experiences that drew us together that we will carry in our hearts."

Nick Stein is from Cedar City, Utah. Nick is graduating with a bachelor's degree in Communication with an emphasis in messaging and human interaction. He shared his college journey and the power of being a lifelong learner.

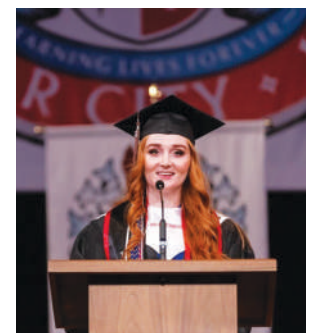
"It's an exciting and deserved feeling to be at the finish line today, but we should use this feeling to our advantage," said Stein. "SUU has lit the fire, but it's our responsibility to keep it going. If you were sitting here thinking you're done learning, think again! The purpose of education is not to teach us everything we'll ever know. That would make this day so depressing! The real purpose of education is to inspire us to seek out opportunities for personal growth, and to instill in us a sense of curiosity about the world. I'd like to leave you with this: I hope that you will approach whatever awaits you after commencement with a curious mind, and let your experience at Southern Utah University be a springboard to further success."

Honorary doctorate degrees in public service were conferred to Jesselie Anderson and Gayle Pollock. Anderson is one of our state's most celebrated and recognized leaders. Her influence and elevating touch

extends to a myriad of organizations including higher education, the arts/park/zoo initiatives in Utah, politics, and our very own Utah Shakespeare Festival. Gayle Pollock is a beloved alumnus of this institution and has markedly expanded the reach of Bryce Canyon National Park. He has helped to solidify SUU's place as the University of the Parks through the Alliance for Education with our Eastern Campus, being Bryce Canyon, and has been a loyal volunteer on numerous University boards.

Alumni President Caytee Wankier, Class of 2008, also addressed the graduates: "If you remember anything today, I hope you remember the power of place. Because the place where you sit is kind of special. While you may never be asked to drive a team through a blizzard, remember that when you meet hardships, struggles, or insurmountable walls, press forward. On those days that you fail and everything seems to be going against you, (because don't worry, it's going to happen), remember YOU are more capable than you realize. YOU are part of something BIG. Like our early founders, we are a unified community that can face all odds. YOU are officially written in the history of resilient and hardy T-Birds."

Music for the event was provided by the SUU Symphony Orchestra, who accompanied the national anthem, arranged by Dr. Keith Bradshaw and performed by three vocal performance majors: Anne Turner, Emily Benson and Madison Hansen. The SUU Symphony Orchestra also performed the processional music, Pomp and Circumstance by Edward Elgar and was conducted by Dr. Xun Sun for both arrangements. SUU Choirs performed "The Promise of Living", directed by Dr. Andrew Briggs and accompanied by Diane Carter and Tracey Bradshaw.



CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY BAND PRESENTED: "THUNDER!"

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Tribute to CSU/SUSC/SUU, was held on April 24, at Cedar High School Auditorium. Band Director, Steve Shirts stated the theme of the concert was "Thunder," which is a tribute to the support of the Southern Utah University Music Department and the SUU Wind Symphony, which shared concerts and provided others helping get the Cedar City Community Band established five years ago. "It's also a tribute to SUU in general, as the mascot shifted from Broncos to the Thunderbirds for the 1961-62 school year, back when the school was known as College of Southern Utah," Shirts stated.

The concert started with John Phillip Sousa's "The Thunderer" and ended with "Rolling Thunder," a 1911 composition.

"The 68-member band, all of whom perform as volunteers, consists of married couples, parents with children in the band and seven families with several members playing" Shirts stated, "with the youngest member being 13 and the oldest member in their 80's." Most of the members live in Cedar City or Enoch, some from New Harmony, one even drives from Hurricane. Shirts added, "We have amazing musicians in our community and it's an honor to be their conductor."

Making music regularly with other people brings significant improvements in emotional, social, and spiritual aspects. All of the members of the Cedar City Community Band are passionate about their music, playing together, different energies and

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Community band members perform "Thunder." This is the first concert they have done on their own, on a stage. "This Is A Good Band"-Steve Shirts



Members of the Cedar City Community Band practice "Thunder!" a tribute to CSU, SUSC, SUU performed April 24, at Cedar High Auditorium, photo Cedar City Community Band, Richards



: Cedar City Community Band Concert perform "Thunder"-a tribute to the support of the SUU Music Department, SUU Wind Symphony, at Cedar High Auditorium.

Red Rock Singers to Perform Fauré's Requiem

by Marlo Ihler

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY—Red Rock Singers, a local mixed-voice choir, invites the public to attend their free spring concert, Fauré Requiem and Other Works, on Sunday, May 5 at 7:30 pm. It will take place at Christ the King Catholic Church, 690 Cove Dr. in Cedar City.

The group consists of 30 singers of all voice parts (SATB), high school age and older, who are conducted and directed by Dr. Keith Bradshaw and accompanied by Tracey Bradshaw. This concert will also feature a eight-person chamber orchestra and soloists Lillian Gebbs and Zachary Smith, all students and professors from Southern Utah University.

“With all the strife and tension in the world that reaches into our individual lives, we wanted to perform a significant work that expresses peace and hope.

The Fauré Requiem is just such a piece,” says Dr. Bradshaw. “Its messages of eternal rest combine well with the other works in our concert that also focus on peace, something much needed in all our lives.”

Other pieces to be performed include “Peace” by Paul Mealor, “Ubi Caritas” by Ola Gjello, and “Peace” by Patricia Mock, arranged by Richard A. Nichols.

Red Rock Singers began in February 2015 and has, since then, worked with well-known choral directors Dr. Ronald Staheli, professor emeritus of Brigham Young University, Dr. Ryan Murphy of the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square, and Stephen Layton formerly of Trinity College Cambridge (England). The choir welcomes new members through audition. For more information, visit facebook.com/redrocksingers or email at redrocksingers@gmail.com.

Celebrate the Ides of March

by Mary Ann Anderson

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

“April is the cruelest month” is a line of poetry that can be quoted by many people who have no idea where it came from. It is the opening line in “The Wasteland”, a famous poem written by a famous poet, T. S. Eliot. Eliot was writing in the early 1900s; the poem describes despair, disappointment, general melancholic emotions. Every English major reads it as the finest example of new modern poetry.

I have always thought of weather when hearing that line. I mean, those 30 days are full of enough sunshine and warm temperatures to convince us that winter is over, and then the next day it snows. It was always a joke in our family that April 25th was a day for a snowstorm; it is our Dad’s birthday and he was always yearning for warm weather to return. My birthday is the ides of April, anybody’s guess as to what the weather might be.

But that is not all I think about when considering April. It is truly a time of finishing up, of endings making way for new seasons. The final concert of Cedar City Music Arts is usually in April. This year it was a vocal chamber group from StGeorge. And our Orchestra of Southern Utah will finish its season up in May. I have replaced its poster with one about the Shakespeare Festival. As April slips into May, the Festival brochures should start appearing around town with play dates for the whole

season, plus all the extra seminars and workshops that go with them. Actors we recognize from past seasons will start showing up in the grocery stores; if you work it right, you can plan to run into someone in the aisle.

There are some fantastic money deals available to you as members of Iron and neighboring counties associated with the Festival. Start reading this paper carefully for information on how to plan ahead to obtain those deals and then start inviting friends and family to come and join you. Discounted tickets will be available on the day of a show as always.

The Cedar City Arts Council starts to do its part to entertain you for the summer. The free opening social for the summer was last night, May 1st. It was heavily promoted in this paper. I hope you saw it and were there. And then starting in June, the Council presents its four Final Friday Art Walks, “Final” as in the last Fridays of the months, not the last art walk. Vendors present their artistic wares concentrated around the corner of Center Street and 100 West. The evening weather issue changes from too chilly to too hot or rainy.

The Festival Farmers’ Market expanded its hours for the summer months starting in April. There are more food trucks and more vendors in general. And a REALLY big summer event in this town makes itself known: the Utah Summer Games. I love to see those banners flapping all over town!

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emotions flow and make this band remarkable. Music motivates people to make communities a better place.

Music has the ability to bring people together like no other force on earth. This was very evident, Wednesday night, as the Cedar City Community Band, performed the most exhilarating concert. The Cedar High School Auditorium was almost packed, the audience was captivated by the rela-



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tionship between the audience and the performers as they created an electric atmosphere. The audience seemed to become a part of the concert, their energy feeding into the performance in a constant back-and-forth of emotion and sound.

Once again, great job to the band for putting together a truly uplifting and inspiring event. “Thank you to the Cedar City Community Band for putting on a flawless and memorable event”

**“Music Can
Change The World”**
—Beethoven



Celebrate Community and Culture at the

3RD ANNUAL SPRING FIESTA AND SLOW ROLL EVENT

in Historic Downtown Cedar City

by *Gabrielle Costello*

COMMUNITY RELATIONS &
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

CEDAR CITY, UT – Get ready for an evening of dancing, food, live entertainment, games, local vendors, and more on Friday, May 3, 2024, from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the Spring Fiesta and Neighborhood Slow Roll in Historic Downtown Cedar City!

The fun begins at 5:00 p.m. on the corner of Center Street and 100 West in Historic Downtown Cedar City, where guests will stroll through

an aroma-filled avenue of local food vendors and artisans lining the streets. Don't forget to stop by the beer garden in the Bristlecone Coffee parking lot sponsored by Warehouse Bar + Kitchen.

Enjoy live entertainment throughout the event on the main stage including ballet folklórico dancers, musicians, vocalists, DJ, and more! Experience other family-friendly activities at this all-age event including face painting, bounce houses, a neighborhood slow roll bike ride, and win prizes at the Johnson Center with a traditional Mexican game of Lotería, comparable to bingo.

Cedar City's Active Transportation Committee partners with the Spring Fiesta each year to kick off National Bike Month and bring awareness to its mission of promoting safe and active transportation through local neighborhood bike rides, known as "Slow Rolls." Bring your bikes, skateboards, scooters, strollers, and of course, your friends and family to participate in the Slow Roll at the event from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Don't forget to bring your helmet if you plan to use the bike route!

All ages are welcome at this event, as we share and celebrate Latin heritage beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Center Street

in Cedar City. Grab your dancing shoes and join DJ Azteca on the main stage as he keeps the party going for a street dance from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.

You won't want to miss exploring Historic Downtown Cedar City on Friday, May 3, 2024, filled with rich history, local restaurants, boutique shops, and an evening of celebration.

For more information, including the slow roll bike route and information on participating as a vendor, visit www.cedarcityut.gov/springfiesta and follow Cedar City Events on Facebook and Instagram.

calendar

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

Brian Head Council

2nd & 4th Tues, 1 pm • Brian Head Town Hall, 56 N. Hwy 143

Cedar City Council

Wed (except 5th), 5:30 pm • City Hall, 10 N. Main St (435) 586-2950

Enoch City Council

1st & 3rd Wed, 6 pm • City Hall, 900 E Midvalley Rd • (435) 586-1119

Enoch Planning Commission

2nd & 4th Tues, 5:30 pm • City Hall, 900 E Midvalley Rd • (435) 586-1119

Iron County Commission

2nd & 4th Mon, 9 am • Commission Chambers, 68 S 100 E, Parowan

Iron County Democrats

3rd Sat, 10 am-11:30 am • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E

Iron County Republican Women

3rd Wed, 11:30 am. Tickets \$20, <https://www.ironcountyrepublicanwomen.com>

Parowan City Council

2nd & 4th Thurs, 6 pm • City Hall, 35 E 100 N • (435) 477-3331

SERVICE GROUPS

American Legion Post 74

2nd Mon, 7pm, Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E. Learn about Veteran benefits, opportunities, fellowship. Honor Guard provides military honors at Veterans funerals. Post Commander Larry Bell (435)-559-2017.

Bikers Against Child Abuse

2nd Thurs 7 pm • Courtyard Marriott, 1294 S Interstate Dr (Cedar Breaks Conference Rm)

DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter

2nd Sat, 10 am • Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E

Elks Lodge #1556

111 E Freedom Blvd. Cedar City, (435) 586-8332

Lion's Club

Tues, 12 pm • Call Pres. Michelle Wilson for mtg. info. Everyone welcome! (802) 359-2183

Marine Corps League

Detachment 1315, 2nd Wed, 6:30 pm Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E)

Rotary Club

Tues, 12:15 • Southwest Tech, 757 W 800 S, Cedar City • (435) 233-0244

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org. Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829 KCCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon

Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

Red Road to Sobriety • Mon, 6 pm Paiute Tribe, 440 N Paiute (435) 586-1112 Ext. 307

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

The Great Fact • T, F, Noon. True Life Center 2111 N. Main. (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856

Red Creek Group • Wed, 7 pm • 685 N 300 E, Parowan • (435) 477-8925

Uncommon Sense • Sat, 10:00 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Thank God Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

What a Way to Start the Day • Su, W, F 7-8 am • All are welcome

Al-Anon

KCCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Al-Anon • 1st, 3rd Tues, 7-8 pm • 435-704-8984

Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm • (435) 559-3333

Hope for Today (Family Groups)

Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

Alzheimer's/Dementia

Last Tues, 5:30-6:30 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). Learn, access resources, connect.

Virtual option available. Raven Albertson, 385.831.7124, utahprograms@alz.org.

ARP—Addiction Recovery

1st Wed, 7 pm • Parowan Seminary building, Main & 300 N, Parowan

Sun 7:30 pm • 85 N 600 W, Cedar, Rm. 102 – LDS bldg. Back entrance. 435-218-9578

Caregivers

3rd Thurs, 5:45-7 pm • Zion's Way Home Health, 369 N 100 W #1, Cedar. All levels of the caregiver's journey from pre-caregiving to bereavement and rebuilding welcome. INFO: Kat at 702-292-9911.

Celebrate Recovery 12-Step
Fri, 6:30 pm • Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). God can change any hurt, habit or hangup, not just alcohol addiction
INFO: 435-586-3640

Embrace Grace

Unmarried, pregnant? You don't have to walk alone! Safe, judgment-free zone. Free baby stuff at a baby shower for you. Text or call 407-719-8595 . Info under Resources tab @ Thrashingfloor.life.

Grief Support Group
2nd Tues, 5 pm • Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W, Cedar). Safe, supportive for those who have lost loved ones. You are not alone. Free. INFO: 435-586-4040

Grief Support - Child Loss
1st Tues, 7 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). FREE for bereaved parent, sibling or grandparent. Includes any child loss (pre-birth, young, teen, adult). INFO: 435-327-1856

Helproom
Fri, 2-3 pm • Free online support group for survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault. Safe to communicate, share perspectives on healing, recovery. Join: affiliate.rainn.org/helproom/canyoncreekrecovery.

Multiple Sclerosis
3rd Thurs, 6-8 pm • Cedar Visitor's Center, 581 N Main. Caregivers and those with MS

Narcotics Anonymous
www.nasouthernutah.org • (435) 635-9603
KCCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm
Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

Hope Without Dope • Thurs, 8 pm

Live and Let Live • Fri, 8 pm

Candle Light Mtg • Sat, 9:30 pm (Sm rm)

Women Only • Sun, 11 am

Dopeless Hope Fiends • Sun, 8 pm • Mtg Hall, 1067 S Main, Cedar (877) 865-5890

Native Goods Marketplace

Last Friday of the Month, 10AM-2PM at Utah Paiute Tribal Housing Authority Parking lot (565 N 100 E). Join to buy goods, food, and handmade items.

Nicotine Anon (12-Step)

Fri 5 pm • KCCB 203 Cobble Creek Dr. Ste. 201 (North Room), Cedar • (435) 559-0394

Porn Addiction Recovery

Men Only • Thurs, 7:30pm • Canyon View seminary building (54 W 1925 N). North entrance.

Pregnancy, Infant Loss

1st Thurs, 7:30 pm • Share Families of So. Utah • 565 N Main Street, Ste. 6, Cedar • www.southernutahshare.com

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

3rd Thurs, 1:30 pm • Cedar City Library

Southern Utah Veterans Assoc.

1st Thurs, 7 pm • Westview Christian Center, 2624 W Hwy 56, Cedar. INFO: Chuck Waddell 907-252-1365.

Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

2nd Tues, 1:30-2:30 pm • Cedar City Senior Center, 489 E 200 S • Kristy 435-559-9681.

Widows Ministry

2nd Sat, 11-1 pm • New Journey-Widow's Ministry @ Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisechurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

CLASSES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Adult Barre/Modern Dance

Wed, 11 am-noon, Spirit Wellness Club, 1615 N Main, Cedar City • All levels, Free to members, or \$8 drop-in fee.

Arthritis Foundations Exercise

Time TBA, Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S • 435-586-0832. FREE. Trained instructors. Range-of-motion exercises, endurance-building activities, relaxation techniques, and health education topics.

Arts for Adults w/ Disabilities

Every other Tues, 1-2pm, starts Nov. 28. • Johnson Arts Center (59 N 100 W Cedar). Fun, engaging activities. Drum/Flute circles, group juggling, fine arts projects, more! All levels/abilities! 702-917-2151.

Bingo & Lunch

Fri, lunch @Noon, Bingo @3 pm. Free for Seniors @ Our House Assisted Living (995 S Regency Rd, Cedar). INFO: 435-867-0055.

Book Club

2nd Thurs, 6 pm • Cedar Library 303 N 100 E.

Boy Scout Troop 1848

5th-17 yrs • Thurs 6:30 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west door. Text Sheila 805-208-4545

Cedar Breaks Model A/Vintage Car Club

1st Thurs, 6pm • Get to know other vintage vehicle enthusiasts, great camaraderie, have fun, win awards at car shows, parades, etc. INFO: Mel @ 435-919-4183 or email cedarmodela@gmail.com.

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild

Thurs, 10 am • Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. Projects for all abilities. Block of the Month. Make friends, improve skills & have fun. Visitors welcome. Info: Ms. Ronnie Badgett. 435-477-2243. cedarchestquilters-guild.org

Cedar City ESL

Wed, 6:30 - 7:30 pm • Free ESL lessons offered at Cedar Library, Rare Book Room (303 N 100 E). No pre-registration required.

Cedar City Toastmasters

Thurs, 7 am • Cedar City Visitor Center, 581 North Main. Find your voice, shape your future. Be the leader & speaker you want to be. (603) 731-0116

Cedar Professionals

Tues, 7:30 am • Springhill Suites, 1477 S Highway 91, Cedar City. Organization of business people. Stimulate business through exchange of ideas, information, referrals. visit www.cedarprofessionals.org

Cedar Radio Control Club

4th Thurs, 7 pm • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E.

Cedar City Community Band

We offer a wealth of opportunities for individuals of all ages and skill levels to get involved and experience the joy of ensemble music-making. Contact us at www.cedarcity-communityband.org or by calling 435-590-2513.

Cub Scout Pack 1848

K-5th • Thurs, 5 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west side door, next to Enoch City Business office. Text LaRee Kurtz 435-559-211.

Explorer Bible Club

Wed, 6:30-8 pm • 4yrs. to 6th grade, Valley Bible Church (4780 N Hwy 91, Enoch). 435-586-0253

International Folk Dancing

Fri, 1-2 pm • Cedar Senior Center (489 E 200 S) FREE; No Partner Needed; teaching! INFO: 626-808-6129

Iron County Moms For America

1st Wed, 7pm • Cedar City Library. Keep liberty alive in your hearts, homes with liberty minded book discussions. INFO: Kami Merrill 435-592-4152 or email: ironcountymoms4america@gmail.com

Friends of Festival Country K9s

offers Dog Training classes and therapy dogs for libraries, schools, and more. We also have events like animal adoptions and microchip clinics. Call Gail Workman at 435-592-5487 for info.

Parowan Pickleball

Mon, 6-8 pm • Tues-Thurs, 9-12 pm • Iron County Exhibit Building. Range of skill levels, 3 indoor courts, beginners welcome. INFO, fees and signup: Parowan Visitors Center 435-477-8190.

PB&J Therapy Groups

These two groups teach skills for different areas of life by utilizing recreational activities and engaging in other forms of expressing emotions. INFO: 435-267-4212.

College: forms.gle/SmGytGcfvQ1tS2pB7

Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9

Rock Club

1st Thurs, 6 pm • Gateway Academy, 201 W Thoroughbred Way, Enoch. Learn about geology, find gems, fossils and minerals. Learn to cut and polish and make jewelry. southernutahrockclub.org

Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild

Wed, 9:30-11:30 am • Grind Coffee House (19 N Main, Cedar City). Knit, crochet, weave, spin, etc. Come learn a craft, work on a project, or just socialize. Beginners welcome! Questions: Jane 435-233-8366.

Senior Yoga Classes

Mon, 10-11 am & Wed, 1-2 pm • Cedar City Senior Center (489 E 200 S). Easy to do. Please bring own mat. (435) 586-0832

Sewing Group

Wed 9-2:30 pm • Cedar Senior Center (489 E 200 S). Bring machine, cord, projects, supplies. No fees. All abilities welcome. Annie Anzalone (702) 232-0063.

Southern Utah Woodturners

2nd Sat, 9 am, Cedar High School wood shop, 703 W 600 S.

StrongBoard Classes

M-W-Fri, 9 am • IFS Studio, 2390 UT-56 #9, Cedar City. Improve core strength, balance, stability. All fitness levels welcome. Class size limited to 8. Call (661) 436-0259 to register/reserve your spot.

Tai Chi For Health

Wed & Fri, 9:30-10:30 am • Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. FREE low-impact, health for Seniors. Helps coordination, balance, flexibility. Maria Bailey, 435-673-3548 x103. Pre-registration not required. Space limited.

Top Bar Hive Bee Keeping

1st Tues, 7 pm • Cedar City Library 303 N 100 E. (435) 586-6661

TOPS—Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Wed • Weigh-in 9 am, mtg 9:30 am., Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E. Lose weight affordably • 586-3233 (am mtg)

Water Aerobics Class

Tues, Thurs, 9 am • SUU pool, 2-56 N 600 W., Fun, up-tempo workout to music. Intensive cardio, full body muscle toning. Any fitness level. All ages. \$3/class, including pool admission. (435) 327-2091 (no text)

Wellness Place

583 S Main Suite #5, Cedar City. (435) 592-5308. Classes: thewellnessplacecc.com/upcoming-classes

Wellness Wednesdays

Wed Noon-1 pm • Create Better Health. ZOOM Mtg ID: 841 6308 8990, PW: health, Info: Kristi Sharp (435) 986-2564, ksharp@swuhealth.org

Youth Group

Wed, 6:30-8 pm • Ages 12-18. Meal, games & Bible Study. @ Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisechurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

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THURS, MAY 2

FAMILY SEARCH CENTER CLASS (10am & 6pm) at 95 North 2125 West Cedar City, UT 84720. This weeks class will focus on Obituaries and Newspapers and taught by Cathrine. The entrance is on the West side of the building. Please bring a flash drive to make a free copy of the handouts. OR a Research book will be available for the cost of printing.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER (7PM) THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER will be celebrated in the SUU Gilbert Great Hall. SUU President Mindy Benson will give the welcoming address. Troop 1848 will do the flag ceremony. Musical numbers will be performed by the Village Singers, Master Singers, and In Jubilo. There will also be prayers and refreshments.

YOGA (9:30-10:30AM & 7-8PM) RECEIVE HEALTH & WELLNESS WITH our infrared heaters for Hot Yoga classes offered at Red Peak Gym on Thursdays 9:30-10:30am, or 7-8pm. Drop-in's always welcome. 435-233-7671.

FRI, MAY 3

SPRING FIESTA 2024
in Historic Downtown

LIVE PERFORMANCE BY THE W DUO (6PM-8PM) AT DIAMOND Z Arena (11 S Cross Hollow Dr, Cedar City). Join us for a FREE community appreciation event. Bleacher seating is available or bring your own chairs for a close-up & lively interactive show. Food is available to purchase onsite. Doors Open at 5PM. MUST REGISTER FOR YOUR FREE TICKET at Eventbrite.com.

SAT, MAY 4

POETRY READING (6-7PM) BILL SMITH WILL BE RECITING HIS poetry in the gazebo behind the library in Parowan. Any questions, please call 559-471-6443.

LABYRINTH WALK IN OBSERVANCE OF WORLD LABYRINTH DAY (1PM), St Jude's Episcopal Church, Cedar City, Utah (70 N 200 W, 1 block north of W University Blvd) No Charge. In collaboration with the Labyrinth Society's "Walk as One at One for Peace". Every year thousands of people around the globe participate in World Labyrinth Day as a moving meditation for world peace and celebration of the labyrinth experience to create a rolling wave of peaceful energy. We will walk the tiled labyrinth inside the church, a replica of the Chartres Cathedral labyrinth (ca. 1200 A.D.). Readings, music and Tibetan bells will be used to create a mindful experience. Please join us at 1:00 pm. No prior experience needed, facilitators will be present. For more information please call Anne at (702) 539-3400.

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET (10AM-1PM) - @ IFA (905 S MAIN ST, Cedar). FREE. Farmers, food, artisans. Drawings, bingo, more! INFO: Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or Nancy 435-463-3735.

FESTIVAL CITY MARKET (10AM-1PM) @ (CENTER ST. & 100 W) BY Bristlecone Coffee. FREE. Handmade treasures and a bounty of local farmers, backyard gardeners, fresh fruits, veggies, with local artisans for jewelry, art, wood, pottery.

MIDVALLEY FARMERS MARKET & ARTISAN FAIRE (5-8PM) @ (780 Midvalley Rd. Enoch). Live music, jump house, face painting, and more. Beautiful, unique items. Have dinner, listen to music, let the kids play in the jump house. INFO: Text: 435-704-6916.

THURS, MAY 7

HOMESCHOOL PLAY (T&W AFTERNOONS) NEED A KID OUTLET during the week? Explore our Tues & Wed afternoon open gyms @ Red Peak Gym to let the wiggles out & refocus their energy exploring something new! Trampolines, loose foam pits, & bouncy mats included! 435-233-7671 or redpeakgym.com

THE ART OF MAKING MUSIC AND MOTION (1-2PM) A CEDAR CITY arts Council funded project is having a workshop at the Johnson's arts Center ,59N 100W, for intellectually disabled adults. No cost. Info.@ (702)917-2151

PARK, PEDAL & PICNIC (6PM) @ WEST CANYON PARK. JOIN US FOR Screen-Free week where adults & youth can participate in community events/activities to connect & enjoy life beyond screens! Bring a picnic to enjoy in the park and ride bikes/scooters/walk up the Canyon trail.

SAT, MAY 8

SWIMMING (4-6PM) @ CEDAR CITY AQUATIC CENTER. JOIN US FOR Screen-Free week where adults & youth can participate in community events/activities to connect & enjoy life beyond screens! Buy One Get One Free Admission *Must mention screen-free week*

SAT, MAY 9

SWIMMING (4-6PM) @ CEDAR CITY AQUATIC CENTER. JOIN US FOR Screen-Free week where adults & youth can participate in community events/activities to connect & enjoy life beyond screens! Buy One Get

One Free Admission *Must mention screen-free week*

YOGA (9:30-10:30AM & 7-8PM) RECEIVE HEALTH & WELLNESS WITH our infrared heaters for Hot Yoga classes offered at Red Peak Gym on Thursdays 9:30-10:30am, or 7-8pm. Drop-in's always welcome. 435-233-7671.

FRI, MAY 10

FISHING @ LAKE ON THE HILL (6-8PM) JOIN US FOR SCREEN-FREE week where adults & youth can participate in community events/activities to connect & enjoy life beyond screens! The DWR will bring poles and have experienced anglers available to help you enjoy an evening of fishing in the outdoors! *12 & older must bring fishing license*

SAT, MAY 11

FARMERS MARKET SCAVENGER HUNT (10-NOON) FESTIVAL CITY Farmer's Market Scavenger Hunt Come on a Scavenger Hunt at the weekly Farmer's Market! Join us for Screen-Free week where adults & youth can participate in community events/activities to connect & enjoy life beyond screens!

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Selling the Scenery

Parry Brothers sold "Zion National Park" scenery to Hollywood's movie making industry.

by *May Hunter*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cedar City has long been known as the "Gateway to the Parks" thanks to brothers Gronway and Chauncey Parry, who not only ran a hotel but also a transportation company that shuttled passengers. Once the railroad came to Cedar City, these enterprising young brothers saw a clear future in driving tours from the railroad depot to any one of the five majestic national parks surrounding Cedar City.

The history of moviemaking in Utah begins in Cedar City with brothers Gronway and Chauncey Parry who established themselves first as promoters of tourism to Zion Park, Bryce Canyon, and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, and second as salesmen of the scenic mountains and canyon vistas to Hollywood's movie makers.

The story begins at the turn of the century with two Parry brothers growing up in Salt Lake City, Utah. The elder Gronway was born 1889 and named after his father, Gronway Parry Sr, the son of Welsh pioneers immigrants. The younger brother, Chauncey, was called "Chance" by family and friends. He was born in 1896. The Parry boys had a foot

in Utah's pioneer heritage, but lives that faced the age of automobiles and airplanes.

During the next thirty years, as the boys became men, they would change the economy and ultimately the history of rural Southern Utah. They started the "Golden Circle" auto and bus tours of Utah's almost unknown national parks in 1917. Together they began the Utah-Grand Canyon Transportation Company. Using a second hand 7 passenger Hudson and a Model T, the brothers took tourists to the scenic sights of Southern Utah. The initial route crossed the Virgin River 22 times. The company was bought out by Union Pacific in 1925 and became the Utah Parks Company (UPC)-which existed until 1973. Gronway became the first Transportation Agent for the UPC, a position he held for 17 years.

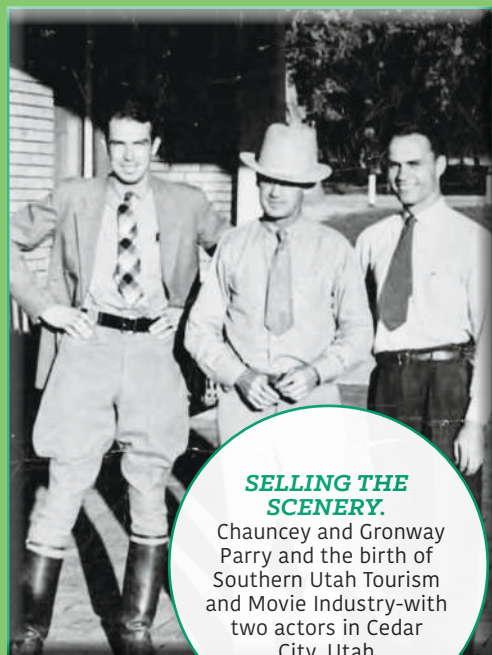
The horse-drawn vehicles and much of the farm equipment on exhibit at the Frontier Homestead in Cedar City came from the collection of Gronway Parry. Gronway developed an early love of horses and horse-drawn vehicles. He worked his way through college by buying, reconditioning and selling racehorses. After graduation, Gronway became the first County Agent in Iron County, managed the Cedar Hotel and opened the first Buick

dealership in Cedar City. During his years in Cedar City, Gronway served one term as Mayor, became instrumental in bringing Hollywood to Southern Utah, pioneered the road over Cedar Mountain, and worked as a sheep rancher, carrot and potato farmer, land developer, and college professor at BAC, now SUU.

During the 1930's Gronway began to actively restore and display his wagons and coaches. He later stated, "An era was dying and its relics should be preserved." He bought or made his own tools and his wife, Afton, sewed the upholstery. His collection quickly became nationally known and many of his pieces were used in motion pictures. Gronway felt strongly that his collection remained whole and in Cedar City. In 1968 he sold everything in the Iron Mission State Park for half of its value. He considered the rest as a gift to the people of Cedar City.

These adventuresome young men explored Southern Utah on horseback and then by small airplane, photographing the scenery wherever they went. Moving pictures, once filmed in front of cardboard mountains on Hollywood's back lots, were beginning to be filmed outdoors, and the Parry

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SELLING THE SCENERY.

Chauncey and Gronway Parry and the birth of Southern Utah Tourism and Movie Industry-with two actors in Cedar City, Utah

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brothers imagined the grandeur of Southern Utah exposed to America's audiences. In 1924-25 several movies were filmed here, but they were silent, black and white movies which did not achieve the Parry brothers' goals.

Chauncey, having trained as a pilot in WW1 combined his love of flying and photography, and spent many hours creating amazing aerial footage that he would soon market to the film studios in Hollywood. Finally, Cedar City was in the viewfinder of Hollywood movie studios. Gronway and Chauncey devoted themselves to photographing every likely motion picture location in Southern Utah and in the winter of 1928, Chauncey and his wife, Helen, set off for Hollywood with a portfolio of color photographs to sell Southern Utah's scenery to the Hollywood establishment. It was later said that "With his good humor and vibrant leadership, Chauncey charmed MGM, 20th Century Fox, and Paramount studios into serious consideration of Southern Utah as a movie location." These photographs and Chauncey's sales pitch to Hollywood turned Southern Utah into "little Hollywood" between 1920 and 1940. The pay for locals to be extras in multiple movies was a great boon to the economy during the Depression years.

The Gem Photoplay became the first theatre in Cedar City. In 1919 Thomas A. Thorley built the Thorley Theatre, replacing the Gem. Throughout the following decades, the Thorley would undergo a series of name changes including the Avalon and the Utah. By 1950's it became known as the Cedar Theatre.

Chauncey soon recognized that companies also needed transportation, housing and meals for stars, extras, and crew. The El Escalante Hotel and their bus fleet provided some of these services. Gronway's

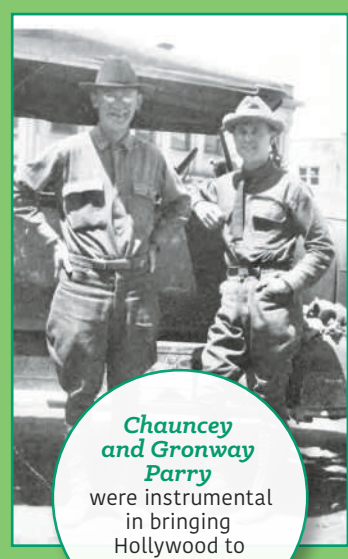
role was to provide horses and props for the films. He noticed old horse-drawn vehicles sitting idly in fields or on ranches and rebuilt them so they could be used in the movies. Into his 70's Gronway continued to restore western stagecoaches and wagons, now centerpieces for Cedar City's Frontier Homestead State Park.

In January 1917, Gronway made the following statement. "We will state at the start that we have ample capital and financial backing to make the concession good. As to the ability and experience in serving the public, will say the handling the public is our business. We are in the hotel and transportation business at Cedar City, Utah. We own and operate a stage line of Buick and National cars from Lund to Cedar City and St. George.

In conjunction with this passenger line we operate a truck-freight line between Lund and Cedar City. We have just completed a first class modern steam laundry at Cedar City, which will enable us to be further service to the public."

The Parry brothers' investment in rural Utah during difficult economic years attracted tourism and the movie industry, achievements that tell us that Gronway and Chauncey were Southern Utah's greatest salesmen. Movie companies brought millions of dollars into the Southern Utah Community over the next five decades. As with most success stories, the Parry brothers' contribution to Utah history is by some luck, some dreaming, some genius, and plenty of hard work.

Frontier Homestead State Park Museum in Cedar City Utah. The museum was opened to the public in 1980, originally named Iron Mission State Park. The name was changed in 2009, as the park grew and expanded around Gronway Parry's collection of horse-drawn vehicles and agricultural implements. Located at 635 N Main Street, Cedar City Utah, open everyday 9:00 AM-6 PM.



Chauncey and Gronway Parry were instrumental in bringing Hollywood to Southern Utah.



Parry Brothers turned Southern Utah into "Little Hollywood" for motion picture location-including Bryce National Park

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PRESIDENT NELSON REDEDICATES MANTI UTAH TEMPLE

Latter-day Saints arrive at the Manti Utah Temple for a rededication ceremony on Sunday, April 21, 2024.



from *The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Newsroom*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

President Russell M. Nelson of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints rededicated the Manti Utah Temple in an evening session on Sunday, April 21, 2024. The prophet of the worldwide Church arrived earlier in the day in Sanpete County in central Utah, the home of his pioneer ancestors who helped settle the valley.

We build temples to honor the Lord,

said President Nelson during the rededication.

They are built for worship and not for show. We make sacred covenants of eternal significance inside these sacred walls.

He continued, "We rejoice in this renewed temple. ... And we cherish the blessings that come from obedience to the solemn promises made here."

In the prayer, the prophet said, "We thank Thee for Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Redeemer. We are grateful that, because of His

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MANTI UTAH TEMPLE

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Atonement, we have the possibility of eternal life with Thee and with our families.”

“We rededicate this magnificent temple to Thee from its foundation to

its towers. We rededicate each room for its intended and sacred purpose,” President Nelson said.

President Nelson was joined at the rededication ceremony by his wife, Wendy; Elder Ronald A. Rasband of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and his wife, Melanie; Elder Kevin W. Pearson, Utah Area President, and his wife, June; and Elder Kevin R. Duncan, executive director of the Church’s Temple Department, and his wife, Nancy.

President Nelson’s father was from Manti and his mother was from nearby Ephraim, where he presided over the groundbreaking of the Ephraim Utah Temple in August 2022. His grandparents and great-grandparents also have ties to the Sanpete Valley.

“This sacred temple is particularly special to me because my family history is so closely connected to it,” said Elder Rasband. “By divine design, the Manti Utah Temple is built on sacred land and has been consecrated by those who for more than a century have faithfully made and kept sacred covenants.” An open house for the renovated Manti temple was held from mid-March through early April to allow the public to come and see the house of the Lord.

MANTI UTAH TEMPLE HISTORY

Refurbishment of the Manti Utah Temple began in 2021 after President Nelson announced the renovation of the historic structure in April 2019. The renovation included mechanical updates and other changes, in preparation for future generations. Work was also done to preserve the original murals inside the temple.

Original plans to construct the temple in Manti were announced by then-President Brigham Young on June 25, 1875. Ground was broken on April 25, 1877, and Wilford Woodruff, then president of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, dedicated the temple in a private service on May 21, 1888. A public dedication was held a few days later under the direction of Elder Lorenzo Snow.

This is the second renovation of the Manti Utah Temple. In June 1985, President Gordon B. Hinckley of the First Presidency rededicated the Manti Temple after its initial renovation.



President Russell M. Nelson (center) arrives at the Manti Utah Temple for its rededication on Sunday, April 21, 2024. President Nelson is joined by his wife, **Wendy**; **Elder Ronald A. Rasband of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and his wife, Melanie**; **Elder Kevin W. Pearson (left), Utah Area President, and his wife, June**; and **Elder Kevin R. Duncan (right), executive director of the Church’s Temple Department, and his wife, Nancy**.

Farmers Markets – Local Foods – Your Neighbors

Sponsored by Cedar City Farmers Market
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY, UT – With Summer just around the corner, your local Farmers Markets will be getting more local produce every Saturday morning and there will be NEW benefits to the Farmers Markets’ Food Assistance Programs starting in May.

FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Starting May 1st, the Double Up Food Bucks program for SNAP/EBT users will increase to \$60 each Saturday. “For every EBT dollar spent, the Double Up Food Bucks program will match it with \$2 up to a maximum of \$60,” said Nancy

Dalton, Market Manager at the Cedar City Farmers Market at IFA. The Double Up Food Bucks can be spent on fruits and

vegetables.

Then in June, eligible Seniors (60 years old or better) will receive two \$50 Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program to spend on buying fruits, vegetables, and honey. “The increases in both programs will really help families and Seniors who are struggling with increasing food prices,” said Dalton.

The Farmers Market at IFA also participates in the ProduceRx program. Family Healthcare Clinic healthcare professionals will provide qualifying

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schools

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Braylie Tullis

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Enoch Elementary



Enoch's PTA showed their appreciation for our teachers with a week of breakfast, lunches, a soda trailer, treats, and prizes. It

was a nice way to encourage and fuel our teachers during end of the year testing time. We also thanked our administrative secretary Mrs. Meladie Winters for all that she does for our staff and families.

Mrs. Jill Davis' 5th grade class raised and released trout into Minersville Reservoir.



This class project was provided by Trout Unlimited. The students enjoyed fishing as part of the trip, as well. During their travels, they explored the petroglyphs and dinosaur tracks in the Parowan Gap.

Iron Springs Elementary

5th graders at Iron Springs Elementary graduated from the DARE program last week after a 10 week course where they are taught good decision making skills

for healthy and safe lives by Officer Banz. Among the things they learned were refusal skills, communication skills, and positive things they can do in their school and community. It was Officer Banz birthday and they took the opportunity to celebrate him with a fun party hat and everyone singing Happy Birthday to him. We are grateful for the time and effort he puts into helping our students.

Kindergarteners had the opportunity to go to St George on a field trip last week as well. They were able to visit the St George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm



where there are fossils of dinosaurs, fish, plants, and more. They then ventured to Mill Creek Park for lunch and to play on the climbing net, ropes, and playground.

Three Peaks Elementary



Three Peaks Elementary second grade classes had the opportunity to attend the Bard's Birthday Bash on the campus of SUU on April 23, 2024. They ate cake with the Queen, played jousting games, watched portions of Shakespeare plays performed by students, and participated in a Maypole activity. Students in Mrs. Hunter's and Mrs. Parker's class were excited to perform in front of their peers on the stage at the Randall Jones Theater.



The evening before, the 2nd grade students in Mrs. Hunter's class and Mrs. Parker's class performed a student version of "Midsummer Night's Dream" to parents and family members. Each class did a great job with their speaking parts and acting skills. Thank you to SUU for providing fun activities for students to attend and learn from. Also, a big thank you to Tonya Hunter and Susan Parker for taking the time to teach their students about William Shakespeare and helping the students memorize lines and act our parts for one of Shakespeare's famous comedies.



Canyon View Middle School

Congratulations to Emaline Fife and Adalyn Glazier (and their teachers) for winning the Iron County Story Contest!!!



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individuals with vouchers, that the individual can redeem at participating Farmers Markets for tokens to purchase fruits and vegetables.

YOUTH ENTREPRENEURS

The Farmers Market at IFA provides opportunities for young people to develop their business skills by selling their baked goods and hand crafts at the market. On the second Saturday of June, July and August, their booth fee will be FREE. The rest of the time, Youth Entrepreneurs pay a reduced fee.



“As the youth are our future business leaders, this is a great opportunity for young people to earn money and learn what it takes to run a business,”

said Dalton.

Several of our farmers and bakers involve their children and grandchildren in operating the family booth each Saturday. “It’s awesome to watch how these young people get more confident in talking with customers and making sales,” she added.

LOCAL GARDENERS

Whether you raise a big or small garden or have lots of extra fruit from your fruit trees, local gardeners are always welcomed at the Farmers Market at IFA. “You can come one time or a few times or all season,” said Dalton, adding that the booth fee for just selling fruits and vegetables is \$5 each Saturday. And, friends and neighbors are welcome to share a booth.

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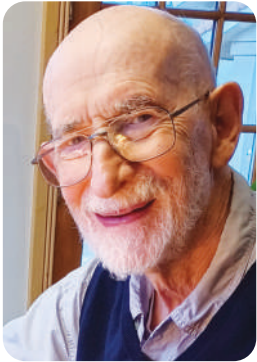
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obituaries

LeRoy Robert Kuehl (August 15, 1931 – April 20, 2024)



After a long and beautifully rich life, LeRoy Robert Kuehl passed away on Saturday, April 20, 2024 in Cedar City, Utah surrounded by his loving wife and two sons.

LeRoy was a much-admired biochemistry professor, a scientist, and a life-long outdoor enthusiast. More importantly, he was a devoted and adoring husband to Barbara and wonderful mentor to his children. To his progeny, he imbued his sense of humor and the ability to sit transfixed as he spun adventure yarns where the hero had a name very similar to that of the listener. While LeRoy was a stickler for order, his stern demeanor quickly softened when he was near Barbara. One could practically see his heart melting.

LeRoy was born in Ketchikan, Alaska to Eric and Marie Kuehl and grew up in Springville, Utah and Davenport, Iowa. He graduated from Iowa State University in 1953 and received his master's degree from Oregon State University in 1955. After serving two years in the U.S. Army as a draftee, he enrolled in a PhD program in Biochemistry at the University of California/Berkeley in 1957. It was there, in the International House, he met Barbara

Eschmann, his "Boo."

They were married in 1959 and moved to Tübingen, Germany in 1961 where LeRoy worked for three years as a post-doc at the Max Planck Institute of Biology. Returning to the States in 1964, LeRoy began a 30-year career in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Utah.

Ever the modest man, LeRoy never touted his astonishing array of awards including the 1982 University of Utah Distinguished University Teaching Award. His legacy lives on through his poetry. The Paradox poem is often cited by university professors throughout the country. Amino Acid Tales, written in the style of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, is widely used in biochemistry courses for freshman medical students when presenting an otherwise tedious topic. LeRoy's students were frequently surprised when Dr. Kuehl greeted them on the first day of class by name. Throughout the summer prior to when fall classes began, he would create an index card for each of the 100 freshman medical students with their picture and short biography. It was not uncommon to see LeRoy with a stack of index cards tucked into his shirt pocket which he would shuffle through whenever he had a spare minute. LeRoy loved teaching and the students loved him right back. He took two one-year international sabbaticals at the University of Calgary and the University of Malta where he was a Fulbright Fellow teaching biochemistry to medical students.

LeRoy imparted his love of wilderness first to his family through backpacking, hiking, and camping trips and later to his grandchildren through many adventures in the southern canyons of Utah. He was a strong advocate for preserving the natural beauty of the wild lands. He was active in the Wasatch Mountain Club, serving in several positions including president. Challenging the need for more coal fired power plants kept him busy by training others and testifying before various government agencies including the Public Service Commission.

Upon LeRoy's retirement from the University of Utah in 1994, he and Barbara moved to New Harmony, Utah where they built their dream home with glorious views of Zion Park's Kolob Fingers. Their travels extended pole to pole - from canoeing the Coppermine River into the Arctic Ocean to traveling to Antarctica aboard an icebreaker. Together they visited 85 countries on all seven continents. Just as they introduced their grandchildren to Utah's red rock, they shared their wanderlust with family trips to Guadeloupe, Belize, France, Costa Rica, and Spain. LeRoy enjoyed classical music including opera. He attended the Community Presbyterian Church and was a member of the Outback Club of Southern Utah and the Cedar Mountain Nordic Ski Club. One proud affiliation was his membership and emeritus status in the Western Geezers Association, made up of a large group of canoeing friends.

LeRoy was preceded in death by his parents, brother Grant, and daughter Laurel. He leaves behind his wife Barbara, children Eric (Janet Bogus) and Brian (Michelle Sullivan), son-in-law John Martinak, and seven grandchildren: Alex and Laurel Kuehl, Peter and Andrew Martinak, and Patrick, Maggie and Catie Kuehl. He is also survived by his sisters Viviann Kuehl, Sue Pederson, and Jeanne Correll.

A celebration of his life will be held at his beloved home in New Harmony on Saturday, June 15, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Please text 435-592-9784 if you plan to attend. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, The Nature Conservancy, Conserve Southwest Utah, or Orchestra of Southern Utah.

Want to submit an obituary?

There is a charge of \$100 for obituaries to be published. Submissions can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought in typed/digitized format to 479 N 100 W, #1, Cedar City. A single submission may be up to 600 words and may include up to two photos. Submitted obituaries over 600 words will be charged an additional 10¢ per word. The deadline for submissions is Monday at 11 am for Thursday's publication.

A plaque given to LeRoy by a class of students bears this fitting tribute.

*The Man Knocked On The Pearly Gates,
His Face Was Scarred And Old.
He Stood Before The Man of Fate,
For Admission To The Fold.
"What Have You Done," St. Peter Asked,
"To Gain Admission Here?"
"I've Taught Med. Students Biochemistry,
For Many And Many A Year."
The Pearly Gates Swung Open Wide
As St. Peter Touched The Bell.
"Come In And Choose Your Harp My Son
You've Had Your Share Of Hell."*

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FARMERS MARKET ACTIVITIES

Each month during the summer there will be a FREE Kids Activity, entertainment, and other activities for the whole family. Cedar City IFA Country Store also donates items for the Kids Activities. "We are grateful for IFA's continued support of the Farmers Market," said Dalton.



FARMERS MARKET LOCATION – TIMES

The Cedar City Farmers Market is located in IFA's parking lot every Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm. IFA is located at 905 South Main in Cedar City, UT.



VENDOR INFORMATION

Farmers, Bakers and Artisans who handcraft their items are welcome to join the Farmers Market at IFA by contacting Dalton at 435.463.3735. "We do limit the number of bakers and artisans selling the same items, so that everyone can do well at the market," added Dalton. Most importantly, the Farmers, Bakers and Artisans at your local Farmers Market are your neighbors!

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Nelson Signs for Track with Knights

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

When the time came for her to choose a college, Canyon View's Andee Nelson had the perfect opportunity for the taking. One of her friends already plays basketball at the school, and her father's best friend serves as one of the coaches of the track team.

It all added up to Nelson signing her letter of intent April 25 to join the track team at Southern Virginia University, and she did so in front of family, friends, coaches and teammates at the CV library. Primarily a long jumper, Nelson shares the Canyon View school record in

the event with a leap of 16 feet, 9 inches, and she finished fifth at the 2023 state meet with a jump of 15-11.25.

Nelson had conversations with 2021 CV grad Addie Newman about attending SVU, but a meeting with another assistant coach at state helped seal the deal.

"He said 'you should come here,' and I said OK," Nelson said. "It'll be like having family there."

CV head track coach Mariam Steffensen believes Nelson can handle the challenges that lie ahead for her senior season and when she arrives at college next fall.

"If she puts her mind to something, she's gonna get it done," Steffensen said of Nelson. "That program she's going to at

SVU is going places."

Assistant coach Bailey Thurgood is working with Nelson for her senior season, and the adjustments are being made to help her get better with the goal of setting a new school record.

"This season, it's been a lot of taking of old habits she's had in the past and changing them up," Thurgood said. "We saw her do the 16-9 and she walked away with her hands on her head thinking 'did I seriously just pull that off?' She's definitely on the road to something special and we're gonna get that record. She's capable of it and I'm really excited for her."

The 3A state track meet runs May 16 through 18 at BYU.



Canyon View's Andee Nelson signs her letter of intent to join the track and field at Southern Virginia University in the school library April 25

Falcons split pair with Wasps, await Playoff Fate

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

In fashion in its previous outing, the Canyon View Falcons learned that you don't always have to hit the baseball hard to be successful. The visiting Juab Wasps showed how that was done to perfection and walked away with a key region split.

Juab scored six runs in the first inning and added on later to secure a 13-4 victory over Canyon View on April 25, spoiling Senior Day for four

After winning in come-back

Falcons players. The first inning was a source of frustration for Falcons head coach Jason Jacobsen.

"Baseball's a funny game. You don't have to hit the ball real hard sometimes to be beneficial," Jacobsen said. "They came out like their pants were on fire. We were focused and had opportunities, but couldn't convert."

CV (15-9 overall) got back in the game by scoring all of their runs in the bottom of the third inning, highlighted by a two-run double from C.J. McClellan, but Juab responded

immediately with two runs in the top of the fourth to regain control.

The Wasps outhit the Falcons, 16-6, led by three each from Austin Park, Luke Marostica and Kai Hansen. Park scored three runs and added three RBI in the victory.

In the opening game of the week, Canyon View put together a three-run rally in the top of the sixth inning on the road and beat Juab, 3-2 on April 23. Bubba Ludlow and Zach Maine had the only two hits for the Falcons, but they produced all three runs.

Zac Millett went the distance and earned the complete-game win on the mound for Canyon View, holding Juab to one hit with three walks and seven strikeouts.

CV learned its 3A playoff fate from the UHSAA on Wednesday morning and opened play in the best-of-3 Super Regionals at home Thursday.

FALCON SOFTBALL HAS MIXED SUCCESS

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Needing to make up multiple Region 12 games last week, the Canyon View softball team struggled toward the end, dropping its last three games, including an 8-7 loss to the Carbon Dinos that was played April 27. The Dinos scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning after the Falcons scored three in the top of the frame to take a short-lived 7-5 lead.

Eight of the nine starters in the Carbon lineup had at least one hit and the team outhit CV, 19-7. Kylan Sorenson went 4-for-5 and drove in three runs to lead the Dinos. Three other Carbon players added three hits each.

Canyon View led 4-0 after the top of the second, but Carbon answered with runs in the next three innings to take a 5-4 lead. Maylee Spencer and Saige Hancock had two hits and scored twice

When a Team is Good, its Stars should get Paid

As I sat down to write, Day 2 of the NFL Draft was almost ready to begin. Detroit proved to be more than a worthy host site, especially if you saw how well 300,000 people packed themselves into the Campus Martius area downtown. The sheer volume of humanity was a sight to behold, and the Lions didn't do too badly with its opening-round selection.

Instead of sticking to the No. 29 pick, Detroit engineered a swap with the Dallas Cowboys and moved up five spots to No. 24 to take cornerback Terrion Arnold of Alabama. It's always a nervous feeling for the fans and the uninitiated, but the analysis from the writers covering the happenings has been overwhelmingly positive.

Arnold reunites with college teammate Brian Branch and was called "a massive steal" by Steven Muench on ESPN.com. General manager Brad Holmes saw how productive Branch was – he had a pick-six on Opening Night against the Kansas City Chiefs and finished his rookie season with 74 tackles.

The feeling here is Arnold can be similar, and the challenge will be there with the NFC North well-stocked with quality wide receivers. In the bigger picture, the arrivals of Branch and Arnold only add to a good problem the Lions have right now.

When you're really good, teams take notice. And when the time comes to discuss contracts, your superstar types need to get paid. Happily, Holmes and Lions management have been more than willing to throw the checkbook wide open.

On April 24, wide receiver Amon-Ra St. Brown agreed to a four-year contract extension worth more than \$120 million, and \$77 million is guaranteed. He'll be catching passes in Honolulu blue and silver through the 2028 season.

And Penei Sewell – whose ties to

this area at Desert Hills are already legendary – signed his name on a four-year extension of his own totaling \$112 million, \$43 million guaranteed, and a \$15 million signing bonus.

With a fifth-year option, Sewell could be staying in Detroit through the 2029 season. Fresh off a 12-5 regular season that included

its first division title in 30 years and first playoff wins (yes, that's plural) in 32 years, the Lions proved to be ferocious and for real under head coach Dan Campbell. The results of this success require investment, and the players who made it possible are getting paid star-worthy money.

All the fan base can and should say to team owner Sheila Ford-Hamp is thank you. She let the folks with the football minds – Holmes, Chris Spielman, and more – do the work and backed them up with the wallet as necessary to make sure the good ones build a better legacy for the next generation and beyond.

The Lions still haven't won a championship since 1957, but the loss to the San Francisco 49ers in the NFC Championship game feels different. There won't be another 32-year wait between appearances, and the power of belief is manifesting itself.

This isn't quite the same as the 2016 Chicago Cubs – who endured 108 years of waiting and lost three different National League Championship Series (1984, 1989 and 2003) along the way before tasting World Series glory – but quite frankly, 67 years is enough of a wait for Lions fans. Here's to finishing the job and holding the Lombardi Trophy at long, long last. In the immortal words of Capt. Jean-Luc Picard, may we make it so.

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RANDOM thoughts

Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY



TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

After last week, and with the calendar officially in May (already!), our thoughts for this week's dozen turn to the NBA and NHL playoffs along with the fun and surprises therein. Have fun, embrace the chaos, and please remember...no wagering!

1. For the second straight season, the defending NBA champion Denver Nuggets had a chance to sweep what team out of the playoffs heading into Game 4 of its first-round series played at Crypto.com Arena on April 27?
2. The Boston Celtics nearly made history a season ago, rallying from a 3-0 series deficit in the Eastern Conference Finals before losing Game 7. Name the team that not only beat the Celtics, but is facing them again in the first round in 2024.
3. True or False: Before this season, the Indiana Pacers had never faced the Milwaukee Bucks in an NBA playoff series.
4. The Minnesota Timberwolves haven't won a playoff series since reaching the Western Conference Finals 20 years ago. Name either team the T-Wolves defeated in the 2004 NBA playoffs.
5. What Timberwolves player immortalized in a Jeopardy interview was named the NBA's Sixth Man of the Year?
6. True or False: The Los Angeles Clippers have defeated the Dallas Mavericks in two prior playoff series between the teams.
7. The Vegas Golden Knights are traveling a different road in the quest to repeat as Stanley Cup champions. Who was VGK's first playoff opponent, the top seed from the Central Division?
8. What two players led the NHL in assists with 100? Both are in this year's Stanley Cup Playoffs – one with the Tampa Bay Lightning and the other with the Edmonton Oilers.
9. The New York Rangers won the President's Trophy for the NHL's best regular-season record. Who was the last team to win the President's Trophy and the Stanley Cup in the same season? It happened in 2013.
10. What playoff team has gone the

longest without winning the Stanley Cup?

11. In its run to the 2023 Stanley Cup Finals, the Florida Panthers played the sixth-longest playoff game in NHL history, beating the Carolina Hurricanes 3-2 in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference finals after 79:47 of overtime. How many extra periods were needed?
12. Of 20, 22 or 24, what was the number of overtime games played in the 2023 Stanley Cup Playoffs?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Detroit.
2. Bryce Young, quarterback selected by the Carolina Panthers.
3. The offense had 130 players and there were 123 defensive players taken in the 2023 NFL Draft.
4. Penei Sewell. The older Sewell brother agreed to a four-year, \$112 million contract extension with the Lions on April 24.
5. Puka Nacua.
6. Mr. Irrelevant.
7. Shannon Sharpe.
8. Baltimore/Indianapolis Colts.
9. Warren Moon. Moon began his career in the Canadian Football League with the Edmonton Eskimos.
10. Alabama and Georgia.
11. The Utes and Cougars each had three players taken in the 2023 NFL Draft.
12. Big Ten.

PREP SCOREBOARD

SCORES

BASEBALL

Region 9

- 4/23** Cedar 11, Hurricane 4
Snow Canyon 4, Dixie 2
Desert Hills 15, Pine View 5
- 4/25** Hurricane 4, Cedar 3
- 4/26** Dixie 13, Snow Canyon 7
Desert Hills 18, Pine View 2
- 4/27** Snow Canyon 8, Stansbury 3
Lehi 3, Snow Canyon 1

Region 12

- 4/22** Carbon 6, Union 3
- 4/23** Canyon View 3, Juab 2
Manti 11, Richfield 7
Carbon 4, Emery 1
North Sanpete 10, Delta 0
- 4/24** North Sanpete 5, Millard 4
- 4/25** Juab 14, Canyon View 3
Manti 13, Richfield 2
Delta 11, North Sanpete 7
- 4/26** Carbon 4, Emery 2

2A West

- 4/23** Parowan 26-18, Water Canyon 0-2
Kanab 3, Millard 1
South Sevier 5, Milford 2
Beaver 11, Enterprise 1
- 4/24** North Sanpete 5, Millard 4
South Sevier 19, North Sevier 0
- 4/26** Kanab 10, Millard 0

SOFTBALL

Region 9

- 4/23** Cedar 7, Hurricane 6
Desert Hills 18, Pine View 1
Snow Canyon 18, Dixie 0
- 4/25** Cedar 10, Hurricane 8
Desert Hills 18, Pine View 0
- 4/26** Snow Canyon 17, Dixie 1
Ridgeline 12, Desert Hills 1

Region 12

- 4/22** Juab 22, Richfield 9
- 4/23** Canyon View 16-16, Manti 5-14
North Sanpete 8, Emery 2
Carbon 7, Richfield 0
Juab 15, Delta 0
- 4/24** Richfield 14, North Sevier 4
Providence Hall 4, Manti 3, 8 innings
Carbon 10, Union 4
- 4/25** North Sanpete 9, Canyon View 3
- 4/26** Emery 10, Canyon View 7
Carbon 14, Juab 4
- 4/27** Carbon 8, Canyon View 7

2A South

- 4/23** Millard 13, Kanab 3
South Sevier 15, Milford 0
Enterprise 19, Beaver 7
- 4/24** Parowan 11, Panguitch 0
South Summit 13, Millard 1
Beaver 9, Milford 0
Duchesne 15, South Sevier 0
- 4/25** South Sevier 14, Milford 0
- 4/26** Altamont 5, Parowan 4
Millard 12, Kanab 3
- 4/27** Duchesne 7, Parowan 3

BOYS SOCCER

Region 9

- 4/23** Cedar 3, Hurricane 2, OT
Desert Hills 3, Snow Canyon 2
Crimson Cliffs 2, Pine View 0
- 4/25** Crimson Cliffs 7, Cedar 1
- 4/26** ADesert Hills 3, Dixie 1
Snow Canyon 8, Hurricane 0

Region 12

- 4/23** Carbon 2, Canyon View 0
Richfield 4, North Sanpete 0
Manti 4, Emery 0
- 4/26** 3A playoffs, first round
Richfield 8, Summit Academy 2
North Sanpete 1, Providence Hall 0
- 5/1** 3A playoffs, second round
(scores will appear in the May 9 edition)
Canyon View at South Summit
North Sanpete at Manti
Richfield at Morgan
Delta at Judge Memorial
Union at Carbon
Grantsville at Ogden
Emery at Juab
Juan Diego at Ben Lomond

2A South

- 4/23** Millard 2, Parowan 1
Grand 8, South Sevier 2
Beaver 7, San Juan 0
- 4/26** 2A playoffs, first round
Parowan at Freedom Prep, no report
Waterford 4, San Juan 1
Merit Prep 11, Telos 2
Wasatch Academy 8, South Sevier 2
Am. Leadership 10, UMA Hill Field 0
Millard 5, Wendover 0
- 5/1** 2A playoffs, second round
TBD at St. Joseph
Beaver at Gunnison
Wasatch Academy at Am. Heritage
APA West Valley at Draper APA
Waterford at Intermountain
Christian
Am. Leadership at Grand

Merit Prep at Rowland Hall
Millard at Maeser Prep

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Region 9

- 4/23** Hurricane 3, Cedar 1
Crimson Cliffs 3, Pine View 0
Desert Hills 3, Snow Canyon 0
- 4/26** Desert Hills 3, Dixie 1
Snow Canyon 3, Hurricane 1

STANDINGS

RPI RANKINGS IN PARENTHESES

Region 9 Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Snow Canyon (2)	11-1	20-5
Dixie (1)	10-2	22-3
Desert Hills (4)	8-4	17-8
Crimson Cliffs (6)	7-5	14-8
Pine View (10)	4-8	14-11
Hurricane (17)	1-11	7-13
Cedar (19)	1-11	6-19

Region 12 Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Juab (2)	11-2	17-6
Canyon View (4)	11-3	15-9
Carbon (3)	8-4	14-7
Manti (5)	8-5	13-6
Emery (7)	7-7	14-11
Richfield (12)	4-9	6-15
N. Sanpete (14)	2-11	4-17
Delta (15)	2-12	5-17

2A West Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Beaver (2)	11-2	17-4
Kanab (1)	10-2	14-4
Enterprise (3)	10-3	18-5
S. Sevier (7)	9-4	15-7
Milford (8)	6-7	11-11
Millard (11)	4-10	4-17
Parowan (13)	2-12	3-14
Water Canyon (14)	0-12	2-14

Region 9 Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
Desert Hills (1)	12-0	20-3
Cedar (4)	9-3	16-7
Snow Canyon (3)	8-4	17-7
Crimson Cliffs (12)	6-6	11-10
Hurricane (7)	5-7	15-9
Dixie (19)	1-10	6-15
Pine View (21)	1-10	3-18

Region 12 Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
N. Sanpete (3)	10-2	14-8

Carbon (7)	11-2	16-10
Emery (1)	10-4	17-6
Canyon View (9)	8-5	13-11
Manti (12)	6-7	9-15
Juab (6)	5-7	12-7
Richfield (14)	1-11	5-14
Delta (16)	0-12	2-16

2A South Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
Enterprise (1)	14-0	25-1
S. Sevier (2)	12-3	16-5
Beaver (5)	11-3	16-9
Parowan (4)	7-5	10-7
Millard (13)	6-8	7-13
Milford (11)	5-9	10-13
Kanab (9)	5-11	6-11
Panguitch (12)	2-8	6-10
Water Canyon (18)	0-14	0-16

Region 9 Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Dixie (6)	8-2	10-2
Snow Canyon (8)	8-2	6-3
Crimson Cliffs (7)	8-3	9-4
Desert Hills (9)	6-4	7-5
Cedar (17)	4-6	4-8
Pine View (25)	2-8	2-10
Hurricane (27)	0-10	0-12

Region 12 Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Manti (1)	14-0	14-0
Carbon (4)	12-2	12-2
Juab (5)	9-5	9-5
Delta (9)	6-8	6-8
Canyon View (10)	6-8	6-8
Emery (12)	4-10	4-10
Richfield (15)	3-11	4-11
N. Sanpete (16)	2-12	3-12

2 A South Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Grand (3)	11-1	11-2
Gunnison (8)	8-4	9-4
Beaver (9)	8-4	8-4
Millard (11)	8-4	9-5
Parowan (17)	3-9	3-13
South Sevier (18)	3-9	3-14
San Juan (20)	1-11	1-12

Region 9 Boys Volleyball

	REGION	OVERALL
Pine View (2)	10-1	20-5
Crimson Cliffs (6)	9-1	16-8
Hurricane (15)	6-6	10-14
Desert Hills (17)	5-6	9-14
Cedar (21)	4-6	7-15
Snow Canyon (18)	4-7	9-15
Dixie (24)	0-11	2-21

Johnson homers twice, Reds softball sweeps Tigers

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

If the Cedar Reds have learned anything from its 2024 softball season, the biggest lesson comes from never giving up until the final out is recorded. Shaylee Johnson carried that message to heart and helped the Reds close the Region 9 season in style.

Johnson hit a two-run homer – her second of the game – with two out in the bottom of the seventh inning as Cedar held off Hurricane in a 10-8 win over the Tigers on April 26 to finish with a 9-3 record in region play. It was the Reds' third straight victory, and they improved to 16-7 overall.

Hurricane (5-7, 15-9) got on the board with a run in the top of the third to cut the Cedar lead to 2-1, but Johnson capped a two-out rally in the bottom of the inning with a three-run homer off starter Austin Terry to rebuild the lead to 6-1. The Tigers would rally from an 8-4 deficit and tie the game at 8-8 with an RBI single by Emma Patterson with two out in the top of the seventh.

After the Tigers got the first two outs in the bottom of the inning, Reds pitcher Sadie Parson drew a walk and set the table for Johnson, who hit the winning home run off reliever Aniston Hutchings on the first pitch she saw.

In the initial game of the week between the teams, Marley Geddes hit a two-run double to cap a three-run sixth-inning rally as Cedar held on for a 7-6 victory over Hurricane on April 23. Geddes' hit broke a tie and gave the Reds a two-run lead, but the host Tigers had one last rally left in them facing Parson. McKinley Wright led off with a single, stole second and went to third on a passed ball before scoring as Abby Stout reached on an error that cut the lead to a run.

Parson would settle down and retire the next three in order, including Lizzy Horsley on a called third strike. The junior struck out eight in the game and went 2-for-4 at the plate with an RBI and run scored.

The Reds finished the regular season with a home game against Enterprise on Tuesday that was too late for press deadline. The final RPI rankings and 4A playoff brackets were announced Wednesday, and the first best-of-3 round in the regionals begins today.

FALCON SOFTBALL

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Sisk had three hits apiece in the Falcons' 15-hit offensive attack.

Katelyn Nielson, Ellie Stoker and Reagan Rhoten all homered for Emery in the victory.

One day earlier, North Sanpete scored runs in each of the first four innings, but broke the game open with four in the bottom of the sixth to secure a 9-3 victory over Canyon View. Katelyn Johnson allowed one earned run, didn't walk a batter and struck out nine to earn the win in the circle for the Hawks.

In its other games of the week, the Falcons swept a pair of games over the Manti Templars, winning the opener, 16-14 and taking the nightcap over the Templars, 16-5. CV trailed 12-7 through four, but rallied for nine runs over the final three innings, including five in the top of the sixth, to earn the victory.

Spencer and Gracie Burt had four hits apiece in CV's 21-hit attack, and Burt finished with two doubles and a home run. Savanna Hutchings and Avery Trujillo also went deep for the Falcons in the victory.

In Game 2, the Falcons broke out of a 5-5 tie by scoring 11 runs between the fifth and sixth innings to end the game early. Burt homered for the second straight game and drove in five runs while Sisk also went deep with a home run.

CV played Region 12 games at home against Juab on Monday and at Richfield on Tuesday. The final RPI and playoff brackets were released by the UHSAA on Wednesday, and the playoff openers will be played Saturday.

to lead the Falcons on offense.

On April 26, the Emery Spartans scored nine runs in the fourth inning and held on down the stretch to beat Canyon View, 10-7. Spencer and Hailee

Cedar Baseball splits pair with Hurricane

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cody Nash went 2-for-4 with three RBI, and the Cedar Reds broke a tie with a seven-run fifth inning as they went on to beat the Hurricane Tigers, 11-4 in the home regular-season finale April 23. The Reds banged out 14 hits to earn its first Region 9 win of the season, and the surge came after the visiting Tigers scored all of its runs in the top of the fifth to tie the game.

Jaxon Burgess and Krew Giles had three hits each, and Nash teamed with Parker Johnson to hold Hurricane to one hit over the final 2 2/3 innings in relief of starter Koden Lunt. Nash added a bases-loaded double in the big fifth-inning rally for the Reds.

In the regular-season finale played at Hurricane, the Tigers scored the winning run on a passed ball with two out in the bottom of the seventh inning to beat Cedar, 4-3 on April 25 and finish tied with the Reds at 1-11 in Region 9 play.

Giles had three hits for the second straight game to lead the Cedar offense, but the Reds couldn't overcome eight walks and three errors. They were able to tie the game at 3-3 in the top of the seventh when Giles singled with two out, but Hurricane came through and was able to produce the winning run.

Cedar learned its opponent for the best-of-3 regional round of the 4A state playoffs Wednesday, and Game 1 of the series will be played Friday starting at 4 p.m.

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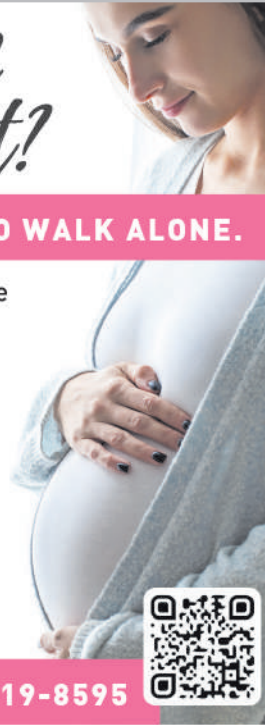
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