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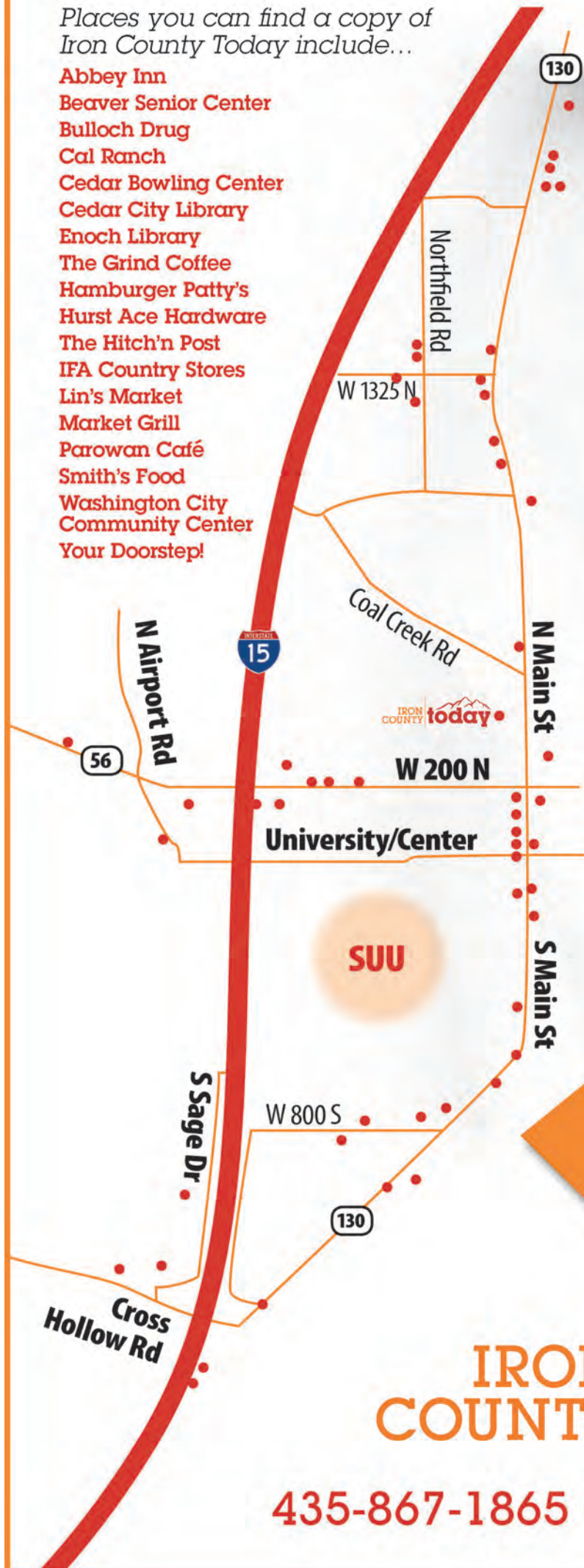
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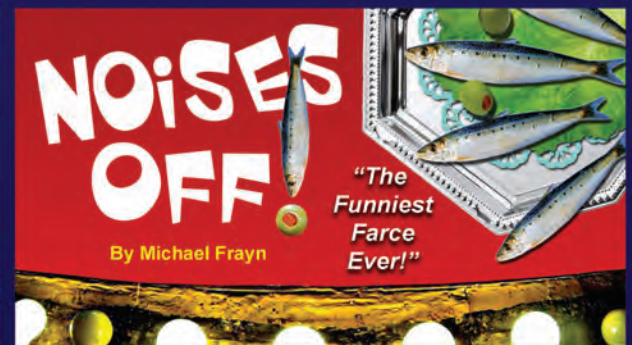


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CEDAR CITY COUNCIL DEBATE

WITH A FULL HOUSE, SIX CANDIDATES vied for a spot on the city council at the primary debate last Tuesday.



COREY BAUMGARTNER

by Holly **COOMBS**
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With a full house in the Starlight Room of the Sharwan Smith Student Center on the Southern Utah University campus, six Cedar City Council candidates took on their first debate.

With three weeks until the primary election, the debate took place as a hosted event by the Michael O. Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service at Southern Utah University.

With about seven questions presented on issues including water, tourism, zoning and the Leagues of

Cities and Towns, the council candidates were eager to present their views.

Throughout much of the debate, the candidates shared similar viewpoints on most of the topics including a consensus on city growth.

Among the things that the council candidates emphasized were Candidate Scott Johnson, Rainbow Sign and Banner, said he revitalizing the downtown and working on the expansion.

R. Scott Phillips, former executive director of the Utah Shakespeare Festival, said his main focus is to revitalize

“I want our community to be a first-class commu-

nity,” Phillips said. “We don’t have to be second class to anybody.”

Candidate Andrew McAfee, manager of Thunderbird Storage, said the effect of the city to be a Dark Sky City and keeping the city a great place to view the stars is important. He also emphasized proper thought in zoning.

“We don’t want to have zoning that puts R1 housing next to high density, but growing in a way that best serves everyone,” he said.

Bruce Hughes, a CPA in the community, said

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BAER prepare recovery of land torched from Brian Head wildfire

by Craig **BENNETT**
& Holly **COOMBS**
Iron County Today

With a full house, a meeting at Brian Head Town Hall took place with a presentation by The Dixie National Forest and Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team regarding the Brian Head wildfire regrowth.

Veronica Magnuson, Cedar City district ranger for the Dixie National Forest, said the team and forest service are currently assessing what will need to be done as nearly 72,000 acres have been burned from the Brian Head fire.

Magnuson said trails wise Bunker and Spruce are two trails in Brian Head that are a priority to get back in good shape.

“Crews will be working Monday on falling trees and getting that loop open,” Magnuson said. “I know there is a lot of trails we want to get going, but some are not as easy as others.”

She said Spruce will take a bit more rehab.

Yankee Meadows will take a lot longer to open with the damage needing assessing for possible reseeding. The Parowan Half Marathon will run down Highway 143 at a different route, Magnuson said.

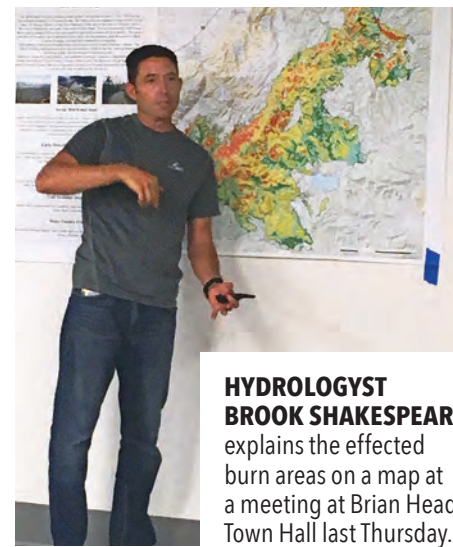
Brook Shakespear, Hydrologist and a leader of the BAER team spoke of the plan regarding three phases of recovery:

» Identify post threats to human life and safety, property and critical natural or

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“Regrowth and repair will take years to come. But we are working to see where to start”

— Veronica Magnuson



HYDROLOGIST BROOK SHAKESPEAR explains the effected burn areas on a map at a meeting at Brian Head Town Hall last Thursday.
HOLLY COOMBS

Eagles released, foster care recognized, concert launches

by Holly COOMBS
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An eagle was released last Thursday at the C Overlook above Cedar City, dedicated to our brave fire fighters, for those who couldn't make it to the Brian Head Peak Eagle Release.

This time, a Forest Service fire fighter representative, Robert Lopez, had the honor of releasing the eagle.

This eagle was found near Red Cliffs Recreational area by visitors. It was a juvenile who was dying from the oppressive heat and was too weak to fly so was starving to death.

Following the release, the July Campfire Concert in the Canyon was last Friday with a Utah Foster Care educational speaker, according to a press release.

A special children's release with kestrel falcons dedicated to foster

kids earlier this month, where three children who were or had been in the foster care system, took place there earlier in the month as the falcons were healed and ready to be released.

The Utah Foster Care, additionally, has put on a creative works contest called "Take Flight", where children are encouraged to submit their creative works. There will be prizes for those who participate and some of the creative works will be featured at our Campfire Concert.

Food vendors, Pronto Pups and Dutch Oven Delights were in the parking area serving food along with a campfire with free s'mores, and free face painting for the kids again.

Musician, Jerje Lee, performed at 7 p.m.

Last Saturday, a second eagle release at the C Overlook look place at 11 a.m. This release was dedicated to Operation Underground

Railroad, a nonprofit organization that works to rescue children from human sex trafficking all over the world.

"The golden eagle is the considered the world's eagle," according to a press release. "It symbolizes courage and strength and believed in many cultures to be God's messenger. It is a common belief among many native peoples that if you say your prayer on an eagle feather, that feather will take your prayer to God. With all of this symbolism, we feel that this is the perfect bird for this organization to release to bring awareness to their great mission and send hope and courage to all those who may be trapped or suffering."

The eagle was a juvenile golden eagle discovered trapped in a mine pit. It was dehydrated and starving and is now fully recovered and ready to be returned back into the wild where it belongs.



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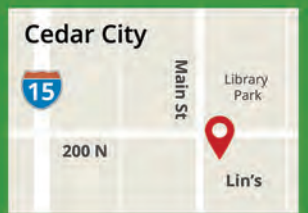
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Parowan council consider post damages of Brian Head fire

by Craig **BENNETT**
Iron County Today

Firefighters did a fantastic and heroic job in keeping the Brian Head Fire out of the city of Parowan, members of the Parowan City Council expressed, but the worry now, is flash flooding that is occurring and debris that may come into the town, due to the current monsoon season.

The Brian Head Fire torched more than 100 square miles at a cost of approximately \$34 million dollars to fight and forced some 1,500 people from their homes.

At last Thursdays Parowan City Council meeting, an estimate sourced

by National Weather Service, stated that the damage done by the fire would bring flash flooding in the area for the next five years and Parowan taking the brunt of it. Mainly because of the canyons that feed down into the town.

The council decided on a set of priorities that could take place immediately. Number one would be to use heavy machinery to dredge out the current gravel pit to use as a retaining pond in the case of flash flooding. They would also leave a piece of heavy equipment on site, such as a Trackhoe to remove the ash and debris as it accumulates in the retaining pond.

Council members stated that residents are currently experiencing a black ash

like sludge coming out of their hoses and sprinkler pipes from the runoff of debris from the fire. If the sprinkler hits the side of a building or house it has to be scrubbed off with soap and water.

Another option the Council is considering is buying and installing storm gauges to be placed in the runoff or flashflood areas. These would be linked by satellite to Parowan to advise the water company when to open flood gates to keep flooding to a minimum

Of course, the council knowing this is all of these would be expensive, an estimate for the storm gauges would be about

\$30,000 each and the cost of leaving the Trackhoe at the site of the current gravel pit to be used as a flood water retaining pond is roughly \$6,900 per month.

Council members also expressed the need to advise residents that there is sand and sand bags behind the Parowan Fire Station.

They are also requesting all residents to make sure they are signed up to the reverse 911 system now called ever bridge. This will alert you by phone, text or email if there is a major problem in the area. Residents can sign up by calling the Parowan City Office.

DEBATE

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economic development is created by businesses that receive support from the local governing body. The government's role is to offer its support to help new and current businesses be successful.

"When they're willing to invest, we need to be willing to help them accomplish their goals," the longtime accountant said. "That's how we foster economic development."

Hughes' view on water is that it will require effort from all stakeholders to conserve water, not just the Cedar City Council or residential users. More than 80 percent of the water is used for agriculture.

"As a city, we are pretty much maxed out in capacity because of growth in the water we have for residential use," Hughes said. "We need to plan for those things. Drilling new wells, having the capacity and working with all of the stakeholders who are involved is they key to solving this problem."

Phillips expressed his gratitude to the current council and Iron County Water Conservancy District for the work on conserving water. He continued to emphasize roads and sewer systems to be a top priority to create a place where families want to work and live.

Candidate views differed when it came to the current council's support of the Utah League of Cities and Towns. Macafee said he was on the fence because he didn't know all the information on the topic, Johnson, understood the merits of the organization, and he questioned why the council opted not to make their disappointment known when the State Auditor's Office determined the lobbying group had misused funds.

Ron Adams, who serves on the council, said he felt the league serves well and despite the actions of individuals within the league, that they are worth investing money in.

"Did they misuse some funds evidently?" Adams questions. "They did, but I don't fault the entire organization for a couple of individuals who misused it.

Realtor Rich Gillette said he understood the re-zoning issue for more housing for students at Southern Utah University.



PHOTOS BY COREY BAUMGARTNER

COUNCIL CANDIDATES PARTICIPATE IN THE PRIMARY DEBATE. Top: Bruce Hughes & Scott Johnson, Middle: Andrew McAfee & R. Scott Phillips, Bottom: Ron Adams & Rich Gillette.

He said each decision needs to be made in a way that accommodates both the residents and the university. Adams and McAfee shared a similar view – as long as the project meets the standards of the city and the needs of the area.

Phillips said the question of re-zoning was not a simple yes or no because each situation is different.

"As a whole, I think we need to follow the general plan of the city," he said. "Very smart people have worked a lot of hours in developing how our community should look, where people should live and where businesses should be mixed. I think we can't just abandon that when something comes up."

The primary election is Aug. 15, where the six will be cut to four. Mail-in ballots were sent out July 18 and need to be postmarked by August 14.

The two mayoral candidates – incumbent Maile Wilson and Cedar Middle School teacher Ryan Durfee – will debate on Oct. 17 prior to general election on Nov. 7.


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We have a duty to help others

Attending the funeral of our publisher's loyal wife, I heard an older couple console the grieving family that the deceased had simply begun the next part of her life.

There is comfort in that belief, the idea of families joining each other in eternity. While it doesn't erase loneliness, it blunts the sting of the inevitability of death and provides a framework for how a person lives their life. As former United Nation leader Dag Hammarskjold wrote, "It is our conception of death which decides our answers to all the questions that life puts upon us."

Not everyone, of course, has the same conception. Some, like Apple Computer co-founder Steve Jobs, studied Buddhism along with Christianity, but on his deathbed was still intrigued by the mystery of what lie ahead.

But regardless of whether you "know" or merely "hope you know" or even "fear not knowing", there is one thing most of us should agree upon: we have a duty – and one that may or may not be rewarded in a "next life" – to help others who are struggling in the here and now.

I thought of this while reading of an early July incident in a small Florida town. A 31-year old man drowned in a retention pond. Police discovered later that five teenagers, ages 14-16, had made a video of the drowning in which they can be heard laughing at the man and telling the screaming victim that he was going to die.

At first blush, I figured the teens would be held liable for their actions, but it turns out Florida, like most states, does not require people to call or give help when someone is in distress. In a 2012 legal argument, Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy noted, "You don't have the duty to rescue

good people. But morality, whether or not connected to religion, should dictate kindness and a responsibility to look out for the well-being of others. And this should be especially true of those who believe in a final judgement beyond the grave.

It is not moral or humane to make fun of prisoners of war and Gold Star families – yet so many Utahns gave Donald Trump a pass. I feel the same way about child abuser priests, the law enforcement officers who shot a 911 caller simply because he heard a loud noise, an unarmed man because he had a broken taillight, or the teenage girl who goaded her "boy-friend" into committing suicide. Actions (and non-actions) matter.

I don't know what should happen to the teenagers in Florida who laughed at the dying man. If the law cannot pound them into the soil, we can only hope for reasonable karma. But all of us should agree that these punks are a danger to a civilized society, as are people who set fire to cats and torture dogs.

As to whether lawmakers should impose penalties for people showing callous indifference to other people's pain, I'm on the bubble. Laws will not increase compassion. In this life, the best we can do is look in the mirror and hope a bright light is reflected.



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
 Columnist

I suppose the law cannot force any of us to heed our better angel. Statutes cannot force any of us to be good people

someone if that person is in danger." He used the example of a blind man walking in front of a moving car.

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Opinion

To the Editor

Dear Editor:

Today, when I read the editorial by Bryan Gray (Cyclops) claiming that the free market in medicine cannot work, I thought his comments display a total lack of knowledge that he either chooses to live in, or maybe he is just not very well educated in the strides free market medicine is making in bringing down the costs of medical and surgical care.

Perhaps he has never heard of the phenomenon of outpatient surgery centers that charge much less than hospitals, and offer online transparent cash pricing for patients who are uninsured (many still are either despite or because of Obamacare). Also, in the era of Obamacare, many people have HUGE deductibles. I know that mine is \$11,500 annually, and my coverage totally stinks! However, if needed, I could skip using the insurance and get several surgeries done locally for anywhere from \$1,850 to \$8,800 or so that would be at least three times that, if not more, in a hospital. I am not using the names of any facilities here because my goal is to make a point, and not advertise. So, my point is that with price transparency for third-party-free surgery, it is clearly a better deal, and most importantly, people have a choice. That is what the free market is all about.

There is also a new primary care phenomenon that continues to grow in popularity called Direct Primary Care, which is third-party-free and is based on the principle of a monthly membership that is very reasonable - in the neighborhood of \$50-\$75 per person with a membership for a family of four (two parents and two children) being approximately \$130 and \$10 for each additional

child. The monthly memberships pay for a wide range of routine medical care with additional low fees for other procedures as well, and in many of these practices, doctors are able to dispense medications that they buy at a wholesale price. This probably would not succeed for any large corporate-type physician group, The model better fits an independent group practice because it is very personalized.

Gray used an outlandish example of why free market medicine cannot work. Of course, in an emergency situation, people are not going to be able to shop for hospitals and preferred medical or surgical pricing at that time. No one expects that could happen, and most likely whether the person in a health crisis is covered by insurance or not, the hospital will make sure it gets a handsome price for that person's moments of vulnerability and possibly complete defenselessness. The hospitals have the power to exact their pound of flesh, so to speak, from people in those times the way some stores do in the face of a community emergency. I know that was happening in the area where I lived after the 1994 Northridge earthquake.

For anyone who wants to learn more about the regularly corrupt dealings between hospitals and insurance companies, I would refer you to a column by Dave Chase on Forbes, entitled "Have PPO Networks Perpetrated the Greatest Heist in American History?"

I have so much more to say about this, but I have limited space. So, to conclude, there is much room for free market medicine to have the effect of lowered medical and surgical prices while increasing quality. It has been flourishing behind the scenes in the age of Obamacare, but it would be very beneficial for everyone if it could be further unleashed. If you would like to know more about this movement, contact me at my email address: wentzsusan@gmail.com.

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Division of Wildlife Resources have 30,000 elk hunting permits available

by Mark **HADLEY**
Division of Wildlife Resources

If you want to hunt bull elk in Utah this fall, it's easy to get a permit to hunt during the general season. Just log onto www.wildlife.utah.gov, or visit a Division of Wildlife Resources office or your nearest Utah hunting license agent, and buy one.

A total of 30,000 rifle and muzzle-loader permits went on sale July 11.

If you didn't get a permit on July 11, don't worry: it usually takes a few weeks for general elk permits to sell out. "Don't wait too long, though," said Lindy Varney, wildlife licensing coordinator for the DWR. "If you want to hunt elk in Utah, I'd encourage you to buy a permit as soon as you can."

General archery elk permits are one type of elk permit that won't sell out. They aren't limited in number, so you'll have no problem getting one.

General archery elk permits also went on sale July 11. They'll be available until the extended archery elk hunt ends on Dec. 15.

Two types of units

Before you buy a rifle or muzzle-loader permit, you need to decide which units you want to hunt on: any-bull units, where you're allowed to take a bull of any size, or spike-only units, where only spike bulls may be taken.

If you buy an any-bull permit, you can hunt on all of the any-bull units in Utah. If you buy a spike-only permit, you can hunt on all of the spike-only units in the state.

While many hunters dream of taking a large, branch-antlered bull, Varney says a hunt on a spike-only unit provides several advantages.

"One of the neat things about hunting on a spike-only unit is the chance to hear and see big, mature bulls," she said. "The spike-only hunts are held on the same areas where the limited-entry hunts are held. You can't take a branch-antlered bull with a spike-only permit, but you can still experience the

thrill of being near these big elk." The spike-only units are mostly public land, so you'll have lots of places to hunt. And—just like taking a branch-antlered bull—taking a spike bull will provide you with lots of tasty, healthy meat.

If you'd rather hunt branch-antlered bulls on an any-bull unit, Justin Shannon, big game coordinator for the DWR, says two units in the Uinta Mountains—the North Slope unit and the South Slope unit—are the most popular units in the state. "Hunting any-bull units can be a challenge," Shannon said, "but they hold some big bulls."

A map that shows Utah's spike-only and any-bull units is available on pages 54 and 55 of the 2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations Guidebook. You can get the free guidebook at www.wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks.

Utah Hunt Planner

As you prepare for the hunt, Shannon encourages you to visit www.wildlife.utah.gov/huntplanner. That's the url for the agency's Utah Hunt Planner website.

As you navigate the site, you'll find notes from the biologists who manage the units you're thinking about hunting, general information about the units, and safety and weather information. Information about the number of bulls on the units is also given. You'll also find maps that show the units' boundaries, which land is public and which is private, and the various types of elk habitat found on the units.

Shannon says DWR biologists want you to have a great experience hunting bull elk in Utah this fall. "We want you to have a successful, enjoyable time," he says. "The experience you have is important to us. We're hoping the information on the site will help you plan your most successful hunt yet."

If you have questions about hunting elk in Utah, call the nearest Division of Wildlife Resources office or the DWR's Salt Lake City office at (801) 538-4700.

Beaver girls struck by lightning, recovering

Two girls who were struck by lightning while camping during a family reunion in the Tusher Mountains of Beaver County last Friday are healing from injuries.

At approximately 10:45 on Friday Beaver County Dispatch on Friday Beaver County Dispatch received a call reporting two young females had been struck by lightning near Big Flat in the Beaver Mountains, according to a Beaver County Sheriff's Office press release.

The girls were camping as part of a family reunion and were from Payson and Springville, Utah. They had been riding an ATV and gone off to take a look around with a family dog and when they walked back to get on the ATV they were lightning struck the girls.

The dog returned to the camp alerted the family. The family followed the dog back to the site where the girls were found on the ground unconscious, according to the release.

The two girls, ages 8 and 16, were picked up by helicopter and taken to Beaver Valley Hospital.

The girls were then transported by Life Flight from Beaver Valley Hospital to Primary Children's Hospital. Upon leaving Beaver Hospital the eight-year-old was in critical condition and the 16-year-old was in serious, but stable condition.

In a statement from the family, they said the eight-year-old has made steady improvements and is responding to medical interventions from the staff at Primary Children's Hospital.

"The 16-year-old has made great improvements and is responding to the

medical interventions as well," according to the statement. "She is in stable condition and healing."

The family gave their gratitude to a stranger who stopped and gave aid to the victims as well as the medical staff that assisted.

"As a collective family, we would like to express our gratitude to the stranger who stopped to render aid to our two daughters who were victims of a lightning strike in Tusher Mountains," according to the statement "We also like to express our deepest appreciation to our family in Beaver County who supported us during this event with selfless acts of kindness.

We as a family are very thankful to all the good Samaritans and first responders who came so quickly to render aid to our daughters. Their heroic efforts and rapid response were very appreciated. We especially want to thank the pilots and flight crews from the Department of Public Safety and Life Flight. Thank you for your selfless care. We hope to personally thank each of you in the future.


We are very thankful of the support, words of kindness, and kind gestures in our daughters' behalf. As a family, we would like to take some time to focus on the healing of these two girls and we would ask for some time to focus on their immediate needs.

We would like to clarify that the girls were from Payson, Utah and Springville, Utah. We were in Beaver County attending a family reunion with members of our extended family in that area.

Thanks for everyone's thoughts and prayers."

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Cedar City mayor engaged, continues re-election campaign

by Holly COOMBS
holly@ironcountytoday.com

Just a day before the Primary Cedar City council debate, Cedar City Mayor Maile Wilson accepted a proposal to be married to her sweetheart, Jayson Edwards.

Wilson announced the event as one of the best days of her life.

"Today could quite possibly be the best day of my life. Jayson Edwards proposed and of course I said YES! We are both beyond excited" She said announcing the engagement on Facebook last Monday.

The couple had been in Salt Lake City and at the state capital where Edwards got down on one knee and asked Wilson to marry him.

The ring, a temporary until the real custom-made ring is finished, is one of special meaning, which was from Edwards' family.

Wilson said she is excited to go from single to married and her family is ecstatic.

"My family is so excited," she said.

The main question that people have been asking, that Wilson wants to resolve, is "Does this mean you won't be running for Mayor?"

Wilson said nothing has changed other than the fact that she will be going from single to married. She said she is excited to run for re-election.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF MAILE WILSON

CEDAR CITY MAYOR MAILE WILSON BECAME ENGAGED to Jayson Edwards this last week.

"I love my job," Wilson said. "It's so much fun and there are such great people to work with."

Edwards and Wilson have been dating since November. He is a surgeon at the Zion Eye Institute in

St. George and also has a practice in Cedar City.

The couple will reside in Cedar City and Wilson will continue her campaign for re-election and put the wedding plans off and decide

on an official wedding date after the elections.

"We are waiting until after the elections to do any wedding plans," she said. "I am just still at that point where I'm excited to be engaged."

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\$1 Million grant to support Middle Emerald Pools Trail at Zion National Park

WASHINGTON, UTAH — The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Foundation has awarded the National Park Foundation a \$1 million grant – the largest private contribution ever awarded to the foundation to enhance the national parks in Utah.

The grant, part of the National Park Foundation's Centennial Campaign for America's National Parks, is earmarked not only for extensive critical repairs and upgrades at Zion National Park, but also for programs to provide Utah's youth with opportunities to visit the parks and programs in their home state.

The Middle Emerald Pools Trail – one of Zion National Park's most beloved hiking trails – has been closed since December 2010 when heavy rain caused rock falls and extensive mud slides destroying much of the trail. The Eccles Foundation grant will

fund needed repairs and improvements to the trail. With constraints requiring extensive reengineering, realignment and reconstruction, the anticipated completion date for the trail project is in December 2019, at which time it will reopen to the public. The grant will also make it possible for up to 20,000 school children from throughout Utah – including many who have never before visited a national park – to participate in engaging, hands-on, in-park experiences through programs such as the National Park Foundation's Open Outdoors for Kids initiative and Concrete to Canyons.

"Thanks to funding from the Eccles Foundation, Middle Emerald Pools in Zion National Park will get an essential infusion of support to restore and reopen the trail," said National Park Foundation President Will Shafroth. "Private support like that

from the Eccles Foundation plays a vital role in meeting critical needs within our parks."

Spencer F. Eccles, Chairman & CEO of the Eccles Foundation and longtime supporter of the National Park Foundation and board member from 2003 to 2009, said the national parks are among the most incredible places anywhere in our country.

"...and we're so fortunate to have more than a dozen of them right here in our backyard," Eccles said. "Our foundation's directors take special pride in Utah's national parks, and as we welcome the 101st year of our National Park Service, we remain committed to ensuring its vibrant future in our state."

Zion National Park Superintendent Jeff Bradybaugh said that the park staff greatly appreciates the support from the Eccles Foundation.

"Their generosity will restore an exemplary hiking experience in Zion National Park for millions of future park visitors," Bradybaugh said. "With the Foundation's support, our greatest resource, our children, will have the opportunity to experience our treasured parks and gain a sense of responsibility as the future stewards of Utah's amazing national parks."

"“Thanks to funding from the Eccles Foundation, Middle Emerald Pools...will get an essential infusion of support to restore and reopen the trail”

— Will Shafroth, National Park Foundation President

Study shows economic value of quiet recreation in southern Utah

by Carter **LIVINGSTON**
For Iron County Today

Business and outdoor recreation leaders joined a conference call last week to discuss a new report highlighting the economic contribution from quiet recreation on Utah's economy. Non-motorized (quiet) recreation activities like camping, hiking, hunting, mountain biking and wildlife viewing on public lands are a significant economic driver in local communities near where the recreation activities take place according to a new report by the independent firm ECONorthwest.

The report titled "Quiet Recreation on BLM-Managed Lands in Southwest Utah" shows that in 2015 the 364,000 quiet

recreation visits to SW Utah BLM lands generated \$17.4 million in direct spending within 50 miles of the recreation sites. The study shows 204 Utah jobs are supported locally as a result of quiet recreation visits to BLM Land.

The report comes as the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is updating their resource management plan for the Cedar City Region. The BLM's Cedar City Field Office in Southern Utah oversees 2.1 million acres of public land within Iron and Beaver counties. This report is the first ever to quantify both the amount of quiet recreation and the spending associated with quiet recreation specifically on BLM lands in this region of Southern Utah.

"This report reaffirms the impact of

outdoor recreation as an economic driver in Cedar City and throughout the state. Although this study looks at just one part of Utah, the numbers validate the work we have done statewide," said Tom Adams, director of the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation. "Collaborating with local, state and federal land managers, we have created world-class outdoor recreation opportunities for Utah residents and visitors from around the world. Recreation opportunities like hunting, fishing, hiking and biking help diversify our economy and improve our quality of life."

Brynn Strain, senior manager at Cedar Sports said the staff is proud of the opportunity to share the beauty of the Cedar City area with our amazing patrons and friends.

"The value beyond our own personal investment both in dollars and sweat is gratefully shared by so many as witnessed in the impressive economic impact numbers shown in this new report," Strain said.

Researchers calculated the local economic contribution — jobs and income — generated by spending visitors who engaged in "quiet" recreation on BLM lands in the Cedar City Field Office. They based their calculations on 2015 visitation data from the BLM and spending data from the National Visitor Use Monitoring program. The study was commissioned by The Pew Charitable Trusts.

Bookings

Below are bookings as reported by the Iron County Sheriff's Department and Cedar City Police Department. Those arrested are innocent until proven guilty.

July 23

Antonio Braget, Pinon, Ariz.,
Poss of Stolen Credit Cards

Christopher A. Parra, Cedar City
DV in presence of child, Assault, Damage/Interrupt Commercial Device, Criminal Mischief

July 24

Sean C. Hatcher, Cedar City
Controlled Substance, Drug Paraphernalia, Poss. Alleged Forged Prescription

July 25

Patrick C. Bugg, Cedar City
No Proof of Insurance

Frank T. Johnson, Iron County
Reckless Burning

Leonel A. Garcia-Carrillo, Cedar City
DV in presence of child, Assault of Pregnant Person

Marian R. Tarasovich, Cedar City
Retail Theft

July 26

Albert J. Hernandez, Cedar City
Consume Alcohol by Minor

Eric A. Burch, Enoch
Possession, Drug Paraphernalia

Brandon M. Jacobson, Cedar City
Assault, Possession, Drug Paraphernalia

Rhiannon S. Williams, Cedar City
Drug Court Violation, Driving on Denied License

July 27

James C. Barton, Cedar City
Probation/Parole Violation, Weapon Possession restricted

Mark P. Kaiser, Cedar City
Intoxication

July 27

Jamie Aaron, Redmond
Obstructing Justice, Controlled Substance

Ben R. Anderson, Torrey
Possession, Drug Paraphernalia

Kristy M. Morris, Washington
DUI

July 28

David L. Stubbs, Hurricane
DUI

Lyndsey L. Burkett, Cedar City
Possession

Olajuwon L. Dixon, Cedar City
Criminal Mischief, Driving on Suspension

Jonathan M. Geminiano, Cedar City
Witness Tampering, Stalking, Unlawful Sex Conduct, Protective Order Violation, Assault

Roderick Tsosie, Winslow, Ariz.
Intoxication

Joseph O. Williams, Cedar City
DV-Presence of Child, Criminal Mischief, Assault, Intoxication

Lyndsey L. Burkett, Cedar City
Probation/Parole Violation

Kurtis K. Gardner, Cedar City
Drug Court Violation, Possession

Sean C. Hatcher, Cedar City
Theft—less than \$500, Threats Against Life/Property

Savannah M. Valenzuela, Cedar City
Assault by Prisoner

July 30

Michael G. Williams, Parowan
Retail Theft

Angela K. Davis, Washington
DUI



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AFTERMATH OF TREES BURNED during the Brian head wildfire on Highway 193.

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cultural resources on National Forest System.

» Implement response actions or emergency stabilization when planned actions substantially reduce risk with first year following the fire.

Shakespeare said three things the team looks for with burned area is the values at risk, risk assessment and treatment recommendations.

He pointed out the areas of high risk, moderate and low on a map of the land all effected by the wildfire.

“We have to consider the soil burn areas,” Shakespeare said. “You don’t always know what soil has been burned until you consider the hydrophobicity, if the roots are charred and the soil structure.”

“We are currently looking for state funding for seeding,” he said.

Shakespeare and Magnuson said that it is likely replanting 72,000 acres will not be possible, but 20,000 is more likely.

By August, straw and seeding will be dropped in by helicopters, Magnuson and Shakespeare said.

“Regrowth and repair will take years to come,” Magnuson said. “But we are working to see where to start.”

In the most recent Cedar City Council meeting, Cedar City Fire Chief Mike Phillips said that the fire is not classified 100 percent contained because of hot spots underground that can still spark up.

“They don’t want to say it’s really fully contained until the first snow is on the ground,” Phillips said.

In lieu of the regrowth, the USDA Forest Service Plant-A-Tree Program is taking place for those who want to donate. The program was established in 1983.

“It allows individuals or groups to voluntarily contribute funds directly to the Forest Service for planting small seedlings in areas where floods, fires or logging have had an impact,” according to a Dixie National Forest press release. Donations can always be made to the National Headquarters Office or to



DIXIE NATIONAL FOREST DISTRICT MANAGER for Cedar City Veronica Magnuson, speaks to public at a meeting at Brian Head Town Hall last Thursday.

PHOTOS BY HOLLY COOMBS

a specific National Forest. According to the IRS these donations are tax deductible.

The suggested minimum donation is \$10, which can usually plant approximately 10 seedlings which are generally conifers. The contributed funds are exclusively used to acquire seedlings and also to cover the cost of the planting.

The Forest Service will take care of the trees as part of their normal reforestation activities. Trees cannot be individually identified as a memory to someone. Those that donate do receive a certificate to commemorate the contribution. If the donation is on behalf of another person or family, please indicate the name of the person.

The funds received in the National Headquarters Office over the course of the year are pooled and distributed annually toward selected projects. The projects are funded where the greatest reforestation need exist

For donations to the National Headquarters Office or a National Forest, make checks or money orders payable to “USDA, Forest Service.” Contributions are non-refundable. It may take between 4-6 weeks for the donation to process after the letter/check has been received.

For more information regarding donations to the Dixie National Forest, please contact (435) 865-3200.



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The 30th annual Utah Rural Summit will be hosted by Southern Utah University’s Utah Center for Rural Life in the Hunter Conference Center on August 3 - 4. Attendees include government and business leaders from across the state, including planning professionals and policy makers from state and federal government offices.

This year’s Rural Summit will feature the statewide rollout of Governor Herbert’s 25k Jobs Initiative, a commitment to the creation of 25,000 jobs in rural Utah. The public is invited to learn more about how to take advantage of this small business effort at a launch event outside on the SUU upper quad on August 3rd from 4-6 p.m.

The importance of local leadership is echoed by Rural Summit keynote speaker, Doug Griffiths who believes communities are the foundation on which we build stronger families, stronger businesses, and stronger nations. “Build strong communities, and success will follow.”

Register with the Chamber of Commerce to attend Thursdays lunchtime keynote address by Mr. Griffiths at <http://web.cedarcitychamber.org/events/August-Chamber-Luncheon-30th-Annual-Utah-Rural-Summit-416/details>.

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The once-daily roundtrip flight is well timed for business and leisure travelers, providing ideal connection opportunities in Los Angeles. The flight begins Oct. 6 and will be scheduled as follows (all times local):

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City of St. George Mayor Jon Pike said the city staff are excited to see SkyWest offer another destination through the St. George Regional Airport.

“This further expands the opportunities for residents and visitors to fly to four major hubs and three major airlines via SkyWest and St. George,” Pike said. “We greatly appreciate the partnership between SkyWest Airlines, Washington County and St. George to make this possible.”

From United’s Los Angeles hub, travelers can access over 150 daily departures to 77 nonstop destinations around the world. St. George customers who fly United may also accrue MileagePlus Miles as members of United’s MileagePlus loyalty program.

The new 90-minute United Express service to Los Angeles will be operated by SkyWest utilizing the 50-seat Canadair Regional Jet (CRJ200). SkyWest is a leading CRJ200 operator and has been named the manufacturer’s most reliable operator in North America five times.

Customers flying SkyWest-operated flights out of St. George Regional Airport currently enjoy United Airlines service to Denver, Delta Air Lines service to Salt Lake City, American Airlines service to Phoenix, and with the new service in October, Los Angeles will become the fourth major airline hub served from SGU.

Customers may book Los Angeles flights immediately at www.united.com or by calling United reservations at (800) 864-8331. The lowest fares can always be found at www.united.com.

This press release and additional information about SkyWest Airlines can be found at www.skywest.com.

Ask a Specialist: how can i keep my landscape looking lovely in the heat?

by Kelly **KOPP** & Trun **BEDDES**
Utah State University Extension

The heat is on, and many lawns are struggling. Consider these suggestions for keeping your landscapes and gardens healthy while also saving water.

» In almost all circumstances, plants tolerate or prefer to have variations in soil moisture. This means that it is perfectly fine for soil to dry out moderately between irrigations. Soil that is kept overly wet reduces vigor and can actually harm plants.

» Do not rely on a sprinkler clock or irrigation controller to irrigate lawns on a set schedule. Instead, determine when the lawn actually requires irrigation and manually activate the system as needed. A common sign of drought stress in turfgrass is grass blades not quickly springing back upright when walked on, leaving a trail of footprints in the lawn. Additionally, walking on a lawn barefoot can let you feel how dry the soil is. Relatively dry soil under the grass is hard, does not “give” when stepped on and is slightly uncomfortable to walk on. Wetter soil depresses a bit when weight is applied.

» Do not water between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. During this period, up to 50 percent of water emitted from sprinklers is lost to evaporation. Instead, irrigate when the sun is down or low in the sky.

» Small areas of the lawn can brown during hot weather because of variations and inefficiencies in sprinkling systems. Instead of increasing the amount of time the entire sprinkling system irrigates, supplement water to the brown areas with a small hose-end lawn sprinkler or water by hand with a hose.

» Mow the lawn to a height of at least two inches. This allows roots to penetrate deeper into the soil and increases overall drought hardiness.

» When irrigating turf, water long enough for the water to penetrate 6 to 12 inches into the soil. This encourages deeper root development and reduces the frequency of required irrigations.

» Irrigate shady and sunny areas according to need. Shady areas require much less irrigation than sunnier areas.

» Cover bare soil in the garden and flower beds with 2-3 inches of mulch. Not only does this save water, it greatly reduces the need for weeding. Inexpensive mulch can be obtained from many local green waste recycling centers. Grass clippings also work well and are free.

» Hand-water or use drip irrigation to irrigate flowerbeds, vegetable gardens and shrub beds. Water should be placed near plants and penetrate the soil 6 inches deep for flowers and veggies, and 2 feet into the soil for established trees and shrubs.

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RESIDENTS ENJOY THE FINAL FRIDAY ART WALK in July, hosted by the Cedar City Arts Council.



A WALK WORTH WHILE

Cedar City Arts Council presents opening of Final Friday Art Walk

“We need something to express our humanity, and art is the perfect way to do that”

— Steve Yates

by Holly LINFORD
Iron County Today

Cedar City had its third annual Art Walk hosted by the Cedar City Arts Council last Friday from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event included art demonstrations and live music from the Artisans Gallery from University Boulevard to 300 West at the Southern Utah Museum of Art.

The two artists featured at the Artisans Art Gallery were Clayton Rippey and Liddy Hedden.

A summer networking social took place at the Southern Utah Museum at 7:30 p.m.

Presenters included, Danielle Dubrasky, a Southern Utah University professor presented some of her poetry, and Debra Stillman who performed two of her songs.

Anne Jensen, president of the Cedar City Arts Council, said Cedar City’s foundation is all about the art walk and other events that center around art.

Sara Penny, a Cedar City Arts Council Board Member, said the council has two to three socials every year and has monthly meetings to plan them out.

Penny said the art walk is important because it makes people more human. “We want people to be civil and

kind to each other,” she said. “With art, it doesn’t matter religious, or political affiliation. The art is what matters.”

Steve Yates, gallery director of the Artisans Gallery, said the council features artists every year for events. The rest of the time, they showcase work from over fifty artists, but Rippey and Hedden’s work will be featured for the week.

Rippey said the Artisans Gallery asked him if he would present some of his artwork during art week, so he picked out some of his pieces to showcase.

He said he has been an artist for

..... see **ART WALK** | 15



CLAYTON RIPPEY AND LIDDY HEDDEN pose with their art at the Final Friday Art Walk last Saturday.



MUSICIANS JOE MORSE AND ANDREW SUZHAY perform at the Final Friday Art Walk in July hosted by the Cedar City Arts Council.

Nine candidates vie for city government in upcoming elections

Parowan City prepares for its primary elections with four candidates vying for mayor and five for city council.

★ Mayoral Race ★

Dennis Gaede said he decided to run for mayor because he enjoys giving back to the community and feel that many of his personal concerns coincide with many of the citizens.

"My vision for Parowan City is; A solid financial Base, harmony between all City employees, Improvement of City infrastructure within financial budget, as well as esthetically improving Parowan and enabling the citizens to be proud of our beautiful little City," Gaede said.

He said he would like the public to know that he has an unconditional love for Parowan and he is committed and hard-working.

"Being that I am retired, I will have plenty of time to focus on what Parowan City needs," he said. "Most of my children, grandchildren, and great-grand children reside here, and I feel the utmost importance in passing on our heritage and family values to our future generations."

Gaede said he feels the most important duty of the mayor is to be a genuine active liaison between the concerns of the citizens and city departments.

"I feel the biggest concern for the improvement of Parowan City is to have financial stability, which will catalyze and generate open lines of communication between Parowan Citizens and City Officials," he said.

Up for re-election, current Parowan City Mayor Don Landes, said Parowan is the MotherTown of southern Utah and that implies it is a special place filled with special people.

"We recognize and appreciate the place Parowan occupies in the history of the State of Utah," Landes said. "It was with this thought in mind that everything we have been involved in the past eight years was to maintain that visibility and to encourage sustainable growth."

He said that because of the limited amount of revenue, the city has had to be and should always be careful with what public funds and what the city has to work with.

"Sometimes we just don't have the funds and must look to grants in order to accomplish some of our needs," Landes said. "Parowan is not just a place where we sleep and eat. It is a place where we grow and raise our families. It is a place where we enjoy our parks and our theater. It is a place that has a vision for the future."

Landes said the office of the mayor of Parowan has been both an exciting and humbling experience. Many times, it has also been frustrating but always moving forward, he said.

"The next four years are filled with a myriad of potential problems," Landes said. "We do not know the extent of the damage the Brian Head fire has left us."

He said the city is faced with unbelievable change in the energy area that could have major impact on our power company, and how we acquire power in the future and at what cost.

"The future is changing right before our eyes," Landes said. "The next administration must be ever diligent to potential change and be prepared to deal with that change. We have a great and hardworking staff that need our support and appreciation for all that they do. We can rely on them to adjust to whatever needs to be done to keep the city of Parowan running smoothly."

Steve Thayer, a current city council member, is also running for mayor. Thayer said his priorities includes maintaining all existing assets, including city employees as the most important.

"By spending time in each department, I hope to understand the challenges of our work force and hopefully boost morale," he said. "At 67, I am partially retiring at year's end allowing the time needed to serve," he said. "New challenges face our community because of the recent fire, such as interruptions in pressurized irrigation water and potential flooding. Some of these challenges may last for years."

Thayer said his vision for Parowan includes bringing more dollars to downtown by working with the Chamber of Commerce and the events coordinator to more fully promote the ball fields, parks, trails, and fairgrounds. "Attracting more tourism is essential for our community; however, local dollars as well as tourist dollars are needed," he said. "If our community would earnestly get behind a project like they did for the Valentines Peak ball fields to promote more tourism or benefit the youth, I would support it."

Thayer said his experience as a member of the city council has brought him an education on what is important in the city.

"It is not easy to maintain our amenities with our population size and corresponding small tax base, such as the library, pool, fairgrounds, airport, roads, cemetery, police department, theater, parks, and trails," he said. "My council experience has been invaluable as we have planned as a council to keep our various enterprise funds self-sustaining with surpluses, including the culinary water, irrigation water, solid waste, sewer, and electrical. I am fiscally conservative and believe we should limit debt and operate as efficiently as possible."

Thayer said he and his wife of 42 years, Bonnie, four of his five children, eleven grandchildren, and one great grandchild live in Iron County.

"I have successfully operated a drilling business since 1980 and since 1993 in southern Utah," he said. "My career refined many skills, such as problem solving, money management, and government and public interaction. Businesses require a lot of dedication, hard work, and common sense. I would be honored to give Parowan of my time and experience to serve as your mayor."

Former Parowan City Police Chief Preston Griffiths is also seeking the spot for Parowan City Mayor.

"As citizens of Parowan, my wife Marcy and I have spent most of our lives in Parowan," Griffiths said. "We have been married for 23 years and have three children. I served on the Parowan City Police Department for 21 years, nine of those years I was the Chief of Police. We have shared a love for and have a vested interest in our community. Parowan is where we hope to continue to live."

He said he has had the opportunity to talk daily with many residents of Parowan and listen to the concerns they have.

"They are voicing the same concerns that I have, some of which are, debt, roads, aging infrastructure and unnecessary projects which add to the indebtedness of the citizens," Griffiths said. "My vision for the city would include, keeping our unique traditions alive and supporting the quality of life we have here. The main function of City Government is to provide and maintain the infrastructure."

He said a mayor should be courteous and respectful, listening to the concerns and suggestions that people bring to the Mayor.

"He should act as a liaison between the City Council and the citizens," Griffiths said.



DENNIS GAEDE



DON LANDES



STEVE THAYER



PRESTON GRIFFITHS

★ City Council Candidates ★

Patti Vesely was voted in by the current city council to take over former member Jay Orton's spot as he left his position more than a month ago because of employment obligations.

Vesely ran for city council with the desire to stay in long term.

"To be honest, I actually decided to run for office after reading an article in the (Iron CountyToday) publication," Vesely said. "The article was about the 'Best Small Towns in the Country' Parowan was included in that list, in fact ranked 2nd in the nation."

She said after reading the article, she felt a sense of pride on hearing the information and that there was a need to give back to the community and help to preserve the lifestyle that is enjoyed in Parowan.

"My goals are quite simple," Vesely said. "I would like to see transparency and fiscal responsibility high on our priority list. I want to see accessibility for all citizens who are interested in contributing in the process."

She said she taught Special Education for 30 years and have a Master of Administration Degree.

"I have been a resident of Parowan for over 15 years," Vesely said. "I have been very active and have held elected positions in many organizations over the years; including PTO, PTSO, Community Council and Parowan's Branding Committee."

Vesely said she is an avid community volunteer and actively supports the events that take place in the community.

"I strongly encourage community interaction with the Council and sustain an open-door policy," she said.

Vesely said management and morale of city employees is one of the most important issues.

"We need leadership and consistency in all departments which would include clear and defined responsibilities for each," she said. "We have exceptional employees that we need to capitalize on, as well as acknowledge their efficiency and expertise."

Feeling that her time on the council already being rewarding, Vesely said she has learned the advantages

Of thorough research, investigation, and assessment of each item that comes before the Council, which allows her to make informed decisions.

"This time has educated me on the importance of representing my City," she said. "City Council is an important job, but only as important as the people it serves."

Jim Harris, a long-time resident and graduate of Parowan High School said he loves the place that is his hometown.

"Parowan has been my hometown since 1965," Harris said. "I spent 30 years working in Las Vegas, but always considered Parowan my home, and I love being home. I have forty years of experience in residential and commercial construction: ground-up construction consisting of onsite and offsite work and a knowledge of all aspects of that construction. As I go about my activities in the city, I see an opportunity to help Parowan City organize and schedule greater use of our resources."

Harris's vision is to see Parowan to be neat, clean, friendly and well-kept.

"Parowan City can't afford all special projects while many of the facilities that we have need to be maintained properly," he said. "The citizenry needs to be informed of city projects,

utility expenses - loss and profit, and the feasibility of projects to save tax dollars as well as out of pocket dollars."

Harris, 67, served two years in the United States Marine Corps and worked 40 plus years in the school of hard knocks. "I have worked hard and know the rewards of hard work and doing it right," he said. "I am a husband, a father, and grandpa, and am proud of my heritage."

Fiscal responsibility and a pride in work are paramount, are Harris's concerns of the city.

"We should have a smile on our face when we tell people that we are from Parowan, Utah," he said. "And that comes from a personal pride in our city: its appearance; its friendliness, its uniqueness; and its financial self-reliance. We need to have a friendly relationship between city and citizens."

Jimmy Shurtleff, a Parowan resident for 37 years, has taught at Parowan High School for 27 years. He is married



PATTI VESELY



JIM HARRIS



JIMMY SHURTLEFF



NATE THAYER



SHARON DOWNEY

Shurtleff said balancing the needs and desires of the community with the available resources is one of the biggest concerns he has in the city.

Also, encouraging economic growth while maintaining the things that make Parowan unique and special," he said.

Nate Thayer, said his mother's side of the family helped settle Parowan and he moved his family there in 1992.

"I own and operate Irongate Custom Homes based here in Parowan and my firm builds many homes here and throughout the county," Nate Thayer said. "I'm a member of the Parowan Chamber of Commerce and I have been president of the Iron County Home Builders Association in 2016, and still hold a seat on their board."

He said he is on the board of directors for the Utah State Builders Association.

"My business dealings have given me the opportunity to work with many of our state representatives and I will use those connections to further Parowan's interests," Nate Thayer said. "I have been a member of the Parowan Volunteer Fire Dept. since 2009."

He said his plans for time on the city council is to develop a management plan with the city manager.

"I want to reduce work load and overtime of city employees by setting a maintenance schedule for all current infrastructure," Nate Thayer said. "This most definitely includes roads. I'm positive that with firmer management our city departments can cut waste, be more efficient, and cost effective. Our city staff does a tremendous job and I will work to help the city manager set schedules, make plans for maintenance, and

reduce the burden of administration on our city staff so they can focus on keeping Parowan the great place it is."

He said he wants to do all in his power to stop needless spending and not vote for large recreational projects while our infrastructure crumbles around us and while we hold numerous large bonds on recent major projects. "As many residents know, the power fund is Parowan's cash machine and I will help get each department self-sustaining without reliance on power fund money," Nate Thayer said. "That being said I want to improve Parowan and am open to any ideas. I'd like to improve our ATV trail system and parks, and encourage growth."

He said as a member of the Parowan City Council, he won't hesitate to make tough decisions.

"I understand the value of every dollar paid into the city coffers by Parowan citizens and I will spend them carefully and reluctantly," Nate Thayer said. "As your city councilman, I will be a loud voice for responsible spending, maintaining infrastructure and encouraging growth."

Sharon Downey, said she has heard many concerns from citizens about spending and her desire to serve on the council will be to heard citizen concerns and encourage people to speak out.

"It's sad to go to council and see only about five people there," Downey said. "This is your town and there are concerns that people need to get their voice out for."

She said she will encourage that money is spent in important ways within the city to bring great improvement.

Downey said Parowan has become a great part of her life and she wants others to feel the importance of being involved in the government and keeping it as a great place to live.

Sham delivers 'Under Construction: The Blue Collar Musical' at Neil Simon Festival

by **Rachelle HUGHES**
Iron County Today

Peter Sham is at it again -- writing an out of the box play and releasing it as a world premiere musical on Cedar City's theatre scene. "Under Construction: The Blue Collar Musical," Sham's latest musical, is making its debut at the Neil Simon Festival's 2017 season. Sham fills the roles of playwright, lyricist and co-director for this touchingly funny production. His past writing efforts include the internationally performed "Lend Me A Tenor the Musical" and the local favorite, A Christmas Carol

on the Air (written with Brad Carroll). Sham's work typically has a twist or two, letting us see the entertainment world from a different perspective. "Under Construction" is no exception.

Immediately, it's clear this musical is going to challenge some boundaries. The audience is immediately invited to participate in the plot. Piercing the fourth wall is essential to the story of this play. While breaching the fourth wall is not a new technique it can be

awkward if used poorly. Sham avoids this pitfall by not using it as an aside or a "technique." No, the audience's existence is the motivation for the musical. In fact, the first number "The Blue Collar Way" has the audience singing with the cast.

When construction workers, a theatre manager and teenage box office worker discover an audience sitting in their theatre that is currently under construction they are at a loss

of how to appease the ticket holders. Two "audience members" come to the rescue as they demand that the audience get a show and offer to lend their long past high school theatre experience to creating an on-the-spot musical revue with the construction workers and theatre staff.

Turns out the construction crew has a band on the side that can play pretty much any musical genre as they accompany the fly by the seat of your pants plotline that ends up revealing the deeper life struggles of the cast as they try to work as a team to entertain their audience.

One of the most delightful surprises of "Under Construction" is the songs. Each song plays homage to a different musical style of both classic and current musicals while being completely original. There is a nod to musicals like "Sound of Music" with "What do you Love?," a rap reminiscent of "Hamilton," and even some gospel music where Don (played by Christopher Whiteside) proves he was born to sing gospel. Sound musically confusing? It's not. The variety of genres in one musical creates a unique experience. Some of the songs hold real promise of becoming musical classics if this musical finds its way beyond Utah's borders. Olivia Sham, who plays the teenager Betsy, gives some real traction to her solo, "It's Only a Moment," making it an easy favorite. Olivia Sham brings a lot of youthful vitality to the production but it's obvious she is not an amateur singer as she offers her beautiful voice to the musical pieces.

All of the actors bring energy to this script. Henry Ballesteros who has been seen on both Neil Simon Festival and Utah Shakespeare Festival stages brings his typical comedic intensity to his role as Steve the plumber audience member that puts on a new musical. Jourdyn Aspy plays an overworked and personally troubled theatre manager Jeanine. Whiteside's Don the construction worker feels authentic in his role good nice guy and Nate Marble's Terry seems desperate to please while holding back a few secrets. Sham's plot while predictable is endearing. There are a few dialogue moments that could use a little polish in wording and delivery but Sham willingly discloses that the script itself may experience some changes as it develops on the stage. It too is still a work in progress as the actors, the director, the playwright find the perfect groove for this new musical. However, this world premiere has a short run and is one of this season's must sees. This is the chance to see the birth of a new musical with lots of promise.

Under Construction: The Blue Collar Musical runs through Aug. 12 at the Heritage Center Theater. For more information on show times and tickets visit simonfest.org.

It's clear this musical is going to challenge some boundaries



PERFORMERS SET THE STAGE AT UNDER CONSTRUCTION: The Blue Collar Musical at the Neil Simon Festival.



How have you heard about the Cedar City Arts Council Artists' Mini-grant program?

by Mary Anne **ANDERSEN**

Cedar City Arts Council

Recently, I was at the hospital for some routine screening tests (not the most fun of days) and the receptionist was asking her usual questions: "Are you receiving black lung disease benefits?" (Do I look like a coal miner?) "Are you receiving hospice care?" (I'm sitting here, aren't?) Of course, I was not rude in my answers; she had a job to do. But she was a little chagrined, I thought, and to lighten the mood she said, "Can I change the subject?" (Yes, please.) "I read your column every week in Iron County Today and I really learn a lot of things that I wouldn't know otherwise."



newspaper."

So now that you are reading this, pay attention, because you might learn something you wouldn't know otherwise. Every six months, the Cedar City Arts Council awards grants of up to \$500 to artists and musicians in all genres living in Iron County. Over the years we have bought instruments, instrument cases, instrument repair for performing musicians. We have bought easels, supplies, and lessons for artists and then helped them rent space to show their work. We have helped buy costumes for dancers, music for choirs, and recording studio time for singers. Elementary schools have used our help when tight school budgets would not stretch to cover pre-school choirs or after-school art classes.

My mood immediately picked up! Here was an obviously intelligent, culturally-superior citizen wanting to talk about the important stuff, like the Arts Council's weekly information column. Someone was paying attention. It was very reassuring, to say the least. Once I have submitted an article, who's to know if it ever makes eye contact with anyone at all?!

Another way I know someone is actually reading us is the answer I receive to one of the questions on the Mini-Grant application form. The question is, "How did you hear about the Arts Council's Artists' Mini-Grants Program?" And often the answer is, "From the

The current award application deadline is August 31 and we are hoping that by now, many deserving hopefuls know about this program and are ready to go to our website, cedarcityartscouncil.org, and download the application form. If this is news to you, aren't you glad you picked up this paper today? You, or someone you know, might be able to get a small boost for a legitimate artistic need. Our greatest satisfaction occurs when the modest amount of the award means the difference between business-as-usual and the next step up for an artist whose soul is fed through art or music.



COURTESY OF MARY ANNE ANDERSON

NATHAN WASHBURN, WHO RECEIVED SOME MONEY towards the purchase of a new banjo, might give you an idea of the joy which can be engendered when one feels that his creative.

ART WALK

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75 years, deciding to switch from a music major to art when he got home from World War II because he enjoyed it more.

"I can't pick out a favorite piece of mine, that's like asking to pick out a favorite shoe," he said. "But I did pick a few things to showcase for the week that represented a wide range of ideas on art."

Yates said these art walks alllow people to laugh and have a good time.

"When people come out to enjoy art, they often forget about anything that's bothering them," he said. "We need something to express our humanity, and art is the perfect way to do that."

Yates said this is the third year the art walk has been around, and it just keeps getting better.

R. Scott Phillips, former executive director of the Utah Shakespeare Festival, said the art walk adds to the fact that the arts have an enormous impact on the community.

"Nearly 70 percent of visitors said they came to Cedar City because of the arts," he said.

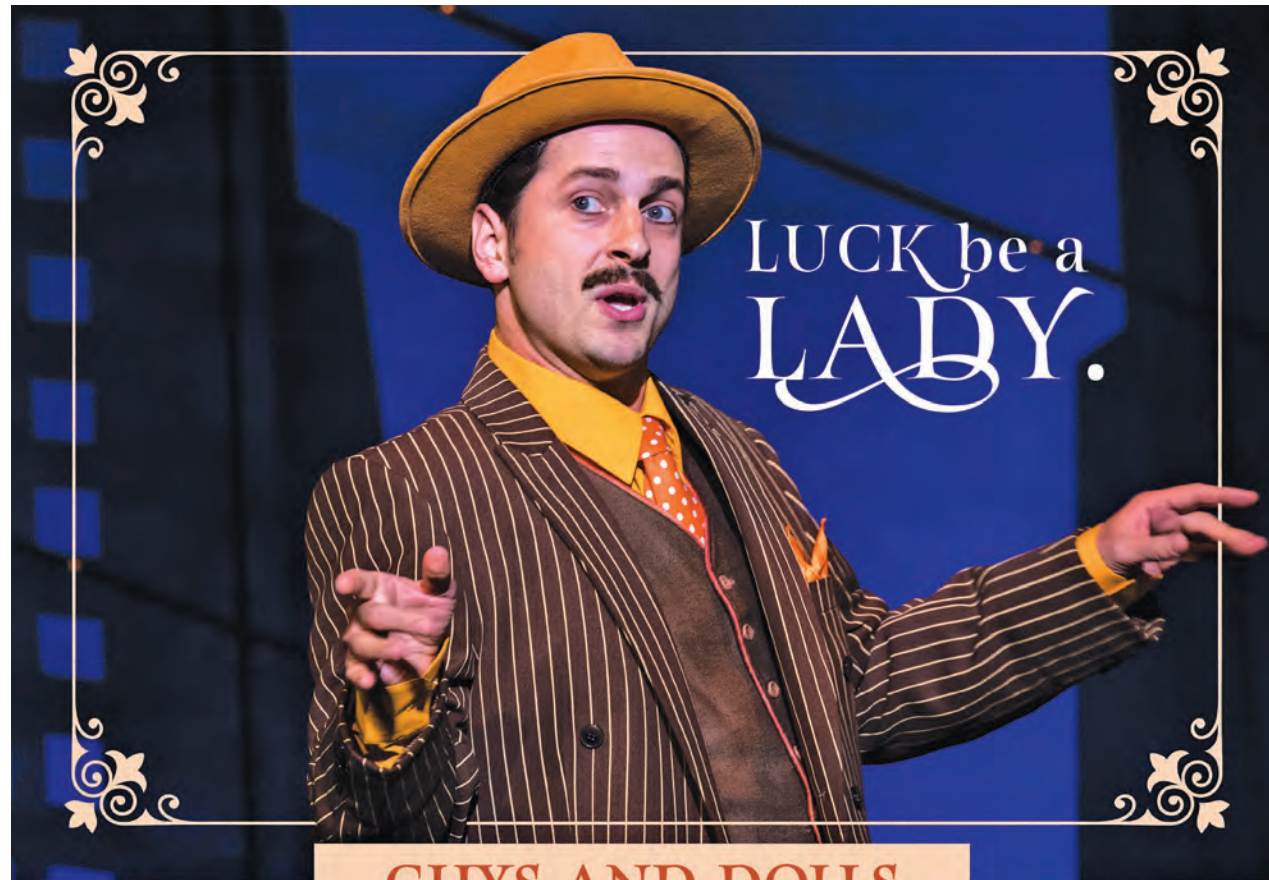
Judy Higbee, resident of Cedar City said she knew there was going to be artists with their displays, so she decided to come out for that.

She said she decided to stay for the social.

"Our ability to be the town we are is based on the arts," she said. "I know people were concerned about the change before the arts museum building was built but I think it's wonderful. It goes along with the cultural feel of this street."

Rippey said he has been an artist for 75 years, deciding to switch from a music major to art when he got home from World War II because he enjoyed it more.

The Final Friday Art Walk will continue on Aug. 25 and Sept 29.



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Photo: Quinn Mattfeld as Nathan Detroit.

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Life & LAUGHTER

by Peri **KINDER**
Columnist

When I was 10 years old, my dream of living as an orphan was swiftly derailed when my parents refused to die. How else could I achieve the spunky, independent status that comes from living without parents who constantly insist on manners and bathing and church on Sundays?

Being orphaned was the best option, but being motherless would work, too. My mom was aware of my wish for a motherless future and seemed to take it personally. She'd tell me to stop lying around the house like a depressed sloth because she had no intention of leaving me motherless. She assumed once I was permanently without maternal supervision I'd start drinking Coca-Cola and swear.

I blame literature for my orphanic life goals. Most of the books I read featured young women who endured their motherless lives with flair.

Jessie Alden, the 12-year-old heroine from "The Boxcar Children," was one of my role models. After her parents' death, Jessie lived with her siblings in an abandoned boxcar, keeping it tidy and preparing tasty meals by picking berries and gathering random kitchen scraps that she turned into delicious stew. It didn't matter that I couldn't even boil an egg, I wanted to live with my sisters and brother in an abandoned train car. Still do.

Several years ago, I found myself without a mom...I discovered it wasn't cool at all

Pippi Longstocking had a big house in a Swedish village and a pet monkey named Mr. Nilsson. With her mother dead and her father lost at sea, Pippi's outlandish behavior never got her grounded from the TV. In fact, she had a horse, a suitcase full of gold, and no one telling her to go to bed before midnight.

Left at a boarding school, motherless Sara Crewe learns her father is missing in the war, and probably dead. She enters a life of servitude at the school and uses her imagination to stay upbeat by telling stories. I could tell stories for food. That's basically what I do..

Scout Finch, the crusading heroine in "To Kill a Mockingbird," got along just fine without a mother. She wasn't afraid to fight for what she knew was right. Scout inspired me to think about what justice really means, and to be outraged when justice isn't served.

And the queen of them all, Nancy Drew, shaped my entire life. With her wealthy father, Carson Drew, and her band of friends Ned, Bess and George, Nancy drove her fancy convertible through River Heights, her Midwestern hometown that seemed to be bustling with international criminals.

If her small town hosted so many depraved lawbreakers, certainly Murray, Utah, could have

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Births

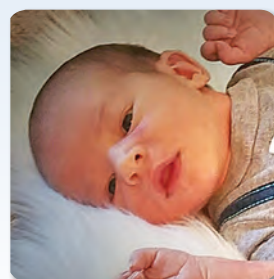


Carson Vern Ille

Carson Vern Ille was born June 6, 2017 at 3:04 a.m. to Cody and Sheryl Ille of Cedar City. Carson was eight pounds, eight ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are the late Vern and Glenda Roundy, Todd Ille and Keli Pederson. Great-grandparents are Tony and Alvina Ille and Ed and Christine Neighbors.

Mason Daniel Barton

Mason Daniel Barton was born July 3, 2017 to his proud parents, Matt and Ashley Barton. Mason weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and was 20 inches long. He has a loving big sister, Mattie. Grandparents are Keith and Renon Savage and Craig and Ann Barton.



Bryson James Forsyth

Bryson James Forsyth was born Friday July 21st to Dallan and Ann Forsyth. He was 7 lbs. 6 oz. and 19 inches long. Bryson has 3 older siblings; Lyla, Brooklyn, and Carter. Bryson is the Grandson of Neil Adams and Wendy Adams Mont Forsyth and Terri Forsyth.

There is no charge for birth, first birthday, mission, Eagle Scout, 50th anniversary (and up), wedding and 80th birthday (and up) announcements. Announcements and photos can be submitted to news@ironcountytoday.com or at 389 N. 100 West, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon for the following week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Please call 435-867-1865 ext. 5 for pricing for all other announcements.

Eagle Scouts



Coy & Kett Einfeldt

Coy and Kett Einfeldt, best friends and brothers, have earned their Eagle Scout Awards. They did a dual project that involved the de-construction of a room for storage and re-constructed it into a bedroom at the Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center.

1st Birthday

Clara Lee Shakespear

Hi, my name is Clara Lee Shakespear. My Mommy and Daddy are Beau and MalLynda. My big sister is Kezia. I get my picture in Iron County Today because I turned 1 on May 1, 2017, and my grandma, DeannaGroke (bless her heart), can't let a moment go by without bragging about her grandchildren. And of course, she thinks I am just ONE-derful!. Dennis



and Brenda Shakespear are my grandparents in Kanab. My Grandpa Robert and Grandma Deanna live in New Harmony.

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Calendar

Wed, Aug 2

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL, 5:30 p.m., council chambers

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II CLASS, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gateway Preparatory Academy, 201 Thoroughbred Way in Enoch, free, for more information call (435) 867-5558 ext. 113, or email instructor Larry Laskowski at larrylas@gmail.com.

TAE KWON DO CLASS TO BENEFIT THE CANYON CREEK WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Cedar City Aquatic Center, \$25 per month, ages 5 and older with any experience level, sign up at the Aquatic Center.

COLOR COUNTRY WINDS COMMUNITY BAND REHEARSAL, 7:30 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church in Cedar City, no audition, must be able to play a band instrument and read music, we even welcome "rusty" players who want to begin playing again.

FREE DANCE AEROBICS CLASS, 9 a.m., class is medium to high impact, but can be adapted to any fitness level. Easy, fun dance moves. Moms can bring young children. People of all ages welcome. For information call Allison at 327-2091 (no texts please).

IMMUNIZATIONS/WIC/VITAL RECORDS, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (walk in), Southwest Utah Public Health Department, 260 E. DL Sargent Drive, Cedar City, for questions call 586-2437.

FREE LUNCH AT BREAD OF LIFE SOUP KITCHEN, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., located at 2569 Freeway Drive between Rally Stop and the Travelodge. Rides available at no charge, leaving the Main Street Pavilion by the library at 11:30 a.m. and returning to same location after the meal. Look for the Sonrise Christian Fellowship van.

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 9:30 a.m., Southern Utah Sports Academy, 494 N. 2150 West in Cedar City. For more information call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) MEETINGS, lose weight without buying special foods, morning meeting weigh-in at 9 a.m. with the meeting at 9:30 a.m., evening meeting weigh-in at 6:30 with meeting from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Cedar City Library in the Park. For more information, call Rhea Church (morning meeting) at 586-3233 or Liz (evening meeting) at 867-4784.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP, 6 to 7:30 p.m., for women 18 and older, Canyon Creek Outreach Center, 95 N. Main St. #22 in Cedar City. For more information call (435) 867-9411.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 to 9 p.m., Parowan United Methodist Church social hall, 190 N. Main St.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 6 p.m. AA Misfits, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS JUST FOR TODAY, 8 p.m., The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY CLINIC, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., call 865-1387 for an appointment, accepts Medicaid, Medicare, and all private insurances, with a sliding fee scale for uninsured patients.

ENOCH CITY COUNCIL, 6 p.m., city offices

BELLY DANCE CLASS AT THE POINTE DANCE STUDIO, 6:30 p.m. All levels welcome. Enjoy a group of supportive ladies in fun and fitness and love of belly dance. Just \$15 a month. More details at <https://www.facebook.com/bellydancezarifa/>

"THE TRUTH IS IN ALL OF US" RUPERT SPIRA, 'Live from the truth and allow what you thought was real to fall away.' A 25 minute video then casual discussion. 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park (Rare Books Room). The Literary Club. For more information, call 435-559-7777.

Thurs, Aug 3

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE III CLASS, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gateway Preparatory Academy, 201 Thoroughbred Way, Enoch.

NAMI BRIDGES & FAMILY TO FAMILY CLASSES (FREE), 7 p.m., Southwest Behavioral Health Center, 245 East 680 South, Cedar City. To enroll, call Robert (435) 590-7749 or Rosie (435) 590-0880.

CEDAR CHEST QUILTERS' GUILD, 10 a.m., Cedar City Senior Center, 489 East 200 South.

COLOR COUNTRY COMMUNICATIONS, Cedar City Toastmasters, 7 a.m., 86 W. University Blvd. Find your voice. Shape your future. Be the leader and speaker you want to be.

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. women-only meeting, noon Speaking from the Heart AA, 6 p.m. AA Misfits. The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main Street, Cedar City. More info at 877-865-5890.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS LUNCH BUNCH GROUP, noon, Cedar Bowling Center, 421 E. Highway 91.

SUMMER STORY TIME FOR CHILDREN, 10 and 10:30 a.m., Cedar City Library in the Park. This summer's reading program theme is "Build a Better World." All ages are welcome.

AL-ANON HOPE FOR TODAY (FOR FAMILIES OF ALCOHOLICS), 7 p.m., the KKCB Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main. More info at 435-531-1045.

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SAGEBRUSH FIBER ARTISANS, the Cedar City area weavers and spinners group, 6:30 p.m., Visitor Center, 581 N. Main, Cedar City.

IRON COUNTY CONSTITUTION PARTY MONTH MEETING, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park

CEDAR CITY MASONIC LODGE #35 MEETING, 7 p.m., 2120 W. Skyview Blvd., Cedar City

COLOR COUNTRY NIGHTWRITERS MONTHLY MEETING, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park (Rare Books Room).

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL ACTIVITY, open to youth ages 12-18, 4 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

SOUTHERN UTAH ROCK CLUB, 6 p.m., at the Kimber Academy, 105 E. Altamire Drive, Cedar City (old hospital) a new meeting location. A club that brings together people who share a common passion for rocks, minerals, and jewelry making from Southern Utah and surrounding areas. For information, visit www.southernutahrockclub.org.

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BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT MEETING WITH THE LA LECHE LEAGUE OF CEDAR CITY, 10 a.m., Cedar City Library in the Park. Bring your babies and small children and enjoy a community of like-minded moms.

Sat, Aug 5

YEAR ROUND FARMERS MARKET, every Saturday rain or shine, 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot across from Pastry Pub. Local vegetables, greens, fruit, herbs, baked goods, artisan cheese, live plants, flowers, jams, raw honey, farm fresh eggs, and more. Also every Wednesday, same location, 4 to 7 p.m.

SATURDAY MARKET, 9am-1pm every Sat. @ IFA, 905 S. Main. Good weather outside - bad weather inside. Farmers with vegetables, fruits, eggs, honey, baked goods & breads, meats, tamales, food vendors, hand-crafted items including soaps, lotions, jewelry, clothing, home décor and gifts for all ages. For more info call 435-463-3735.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. women's meeting, noon Speaking from the Heart AA, 6:30 p.m. AA BB Study, and 8 p.m. My Story speaker meeting, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

OFF THE CUFF IMPROV THEATRE, 7:30 p.m., 913 S. Main, Cedar City. Advanced tickets are \$12 and available at Groovacious Records in Cedar City and at otcomedy.com. Tickets are \$15 at the Door. For more information, call 435-590-2590.

Sun, Aug 6

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. (TGISS) AA and 6:30 p.m. 12x12 Book Study, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City, for information call (877) 865-5890.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information, call (877) 865-5890.

COMMUNITY MINDFULNESS MEDITATION, 4 p.m., St. Judes Episcopal Church, 89 North 200 West, Cedar City. This is facilitated by Amber Gower. This is a guided meditation open to the public. It is non denominational and free to all looking for guidance in group meditation. Phone 435-590-4092 for more information!

Mon, Aug 7

FREE DANCE AEROBICS CLASS, 9 a.m., class is medium to high impact, but can be adapted to any fitness level. Easy, fun dance moves. Moms can bring young children. People of all ages welcome. For information call Allison at 327-2091 (no texts please).

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 8 a.m., Southern Utah Sports Academy, 494 N. 2150 West in Cedar City. For more information, call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

IMMUNIZATIONS/WIC/VITAL RECORDS, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Southwest Utah Public Health Department, 260 E. DL Sargent Drive, Cedar City. For questions call 586-2437.

RED ROAD TO SOBRIETY/AA MEETING, open meeting, 6 p.m., Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, 440 N. Paiute Drive, Cedar City. For more information call Chris at 586-1112 ext. 307.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon Speaking from the Heart AA and 6 p.m. AA Misfits, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MONDAY NIGHT BASIC TEXT STUDY, 8 p.m., The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY CLINIC, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., call 865-1387 for an appointment, accepts Medicaid, Medicare, and all private insurances, with a sliding fee scale for uninsured patients.

Tues, Aug 8

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I CLASS, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gateway Preparatory Academy, 201 Thoroughbred Way in Enoch, free, for more information call (435) 867-5558 ext. 113, or email instructor Larry Laskowski at larrylas@gmail.com.

STORY TIME AT THE FRONTIER HOMESTEAD STATE PARK, 10 a.m., an opportunity for preschool children to learn about the past through stories and history-related activities, story time is free thanks to the support of the Cedar City-Brian Head Tourism Bureau.

CEDAR CITY ROTARY CLUB WEEKLY MEETING, noon, Southwest Applied Technology College, 510 W. 810 South in Cedar City, for more information call (435) 865-7637.

IMMUNIZATIONS/WIC/VITAL RECORDS, 1 to 5:30 p.m., Southwest Utah Public Health Department, 260 E. DL Sargent Drive, Cedar City. For questions call 586-2437.

RAPE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT GROUP, 6 to 7:30 p.m., for women 18 and older, Canyon Creek Outreach Center, 95 N. Main St. #22 in Cedar City. For more information call (435) 867-9411.

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 8 a.m., Southern Utah Sports Academy, 494 N. 2150 West in Cedar City. For more information call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

AL-ANON "EASY DOES IT," 7 to 8 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church, 2279 N. Wedgewood Lane, Cedar City, for more information call (435) 531-1045.

AL-ANON, 7 to 8 p.m., Parowan United Methodist Church social hall, 190 N. Main St.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS LUNCH BUNCH GROUP, noon, Cedar Bowling Center, 421 E. Highway 91, Cedar City.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon Speaking from the Heart AA, 6 p.m. AA Misfits and 8 p.m. AA Cedar Group, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY CLINIC, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., call 865-1387 for an appointment, accepts Medicaid, Medicare, and all private insurances, with a sliding fee scale for uninsured patients.

IRON COUNTY BOOKMOBILE PRESENTS CHILDREN'S STORYTIME FOR KIDS UP TO AGE 8 10:45 A.M., Old School Library, 4763 N. Santa Fe Trail, Enoch. Info at 435-586-6715.

CEDAR CITY TOP BAR HIVE BEE KEEPING ASSOCIATION MEETING, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

Wed, Aug 9

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL, 5:30 p.m., council chambers

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II CLASS, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gateway Preparatory Academy, 201 Thoroughbred Way in Enoch, free, for more information call (435) 867-5558 ext. 113, or email instructor Larry Laskowski at larrylas@gmail.com.

TAE KWON DO CLASS TO BENEFIT THE CANYON CREEK WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Cedar City Aquatic Center, \$25 per month, ages 5 and older with any experience level, sign up at the Aquatic Center.

COLOR COUNTRY WINDS COMMUNITY BAND REHEARSAL, 7:30 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church in Cedar City, no audition, must be able to play a band instrument and read music, we even welcome "rusty" players who want to begin playing again.

FREE DANCE AEROBICS CLASS, 9 a.m., class is medium to high impact, but can be adapted to any fitness level. Easy, fun dance moves. Moms can bring young children. People of all ages welcome. For information call Allison at 327-2091 (no texts please).

IMMUNIZATIONS/WIC/VITAL RECORDS, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (walk in), Southwest Utah Public Health Department, 260 E. DL Sargent Drive, Cedar City, for questions call 586-2437.

FREE LUNCH AT BREAD OF LIFE SOUP KITCHEN, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., located at 2569 Freeway Drive between Rally Stop and the Travelodge. Rides available at no charge, leaving the Main Street Pavilion by the library at 11:30 a.m. and returning to same location after the meal. Look for the Sonrise Christian Fellowship van.

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 9:30 a.m., Southern Utah Sports Academy, 494 N. 2150 West in Cedar City. For more information call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) MEETINGS, lose weight without buying special foods, morning meeting weigh-in at 9 a.m. with the meeting at 9:30 a.m., evening meeting weigh-in at 6:30 with meeting from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Cedar City Library in the Park. For more information, call Rhea Church (morning meeting) at 586-3233 or Liz (evening meeting) at 867-4784.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP, 6 to 7:30 p.m., for women 18 and older, Canyon Creek Outreach Center, 95 N. Main St. #22 in Cedar City. For more information call (435) 867-9411.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 to 9 p.m., Parowan United Methodist Church social hall, 190 N. Main St.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 6 p.m. AA Misfits, The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS JUST FOR TODAY, 8 p.m., The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY CLINIC, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., call 865-1387 for an appointment, accepts Medicaid, Medicare, and all private insurances, with a sliding fee scale for uninsured patients.

BELLY DANCE CLASS AT THE POINTE DANCE STUDIO, 6:30 p.m. All levels welcome. Enjoy a group of supportive ladies in fun and fitness and love of belly dance. Just \$15 a month. More details at <https://www.facebook.com/bellydancezarifa/>

"RULE YOUR OWN KINGDOM," Vernon Howard. You can put the pieces of your life together and see what they mean! A 25 minute video then casual discussion. 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park (Rare Books Room). The Literary Club. For more information, call 435-559-7777.



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Schools



HOLLY COOMBS

THE NEW CEDAR NORTH ELEMENTARY BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION as the first day of school approaches on Aug. 15. An open house and Back-to-School night will take place Aug. 10.

North Elementary to host open house in new building

by Holly COOMBS
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Cedar North Elementary will host an open house for the public to tour the new, STEAM building on Aug. 10 at 550 W. 200 North.

The school's Back-to-School Night will follow the open house at 6 p.m.

North Elementary Principal Ray Whittier respectfully asked that all those who do not have students registered at North Elementary exit the building at that time so teachers can host the parents of our current students.

"Our Back-to-School Night will use an open house format," Whittier said. "All parents and students of North Elementary are invited to come meet their teachers, fill out annual registration and legal forms, pay for lunches, etc."

The building with two stories,

includes two science labs, classrooms, a big lunch room that also works as a gym for physical education and a stage auditorium.

A classroom specific to SUU, who has partnered with the school, is available. Elementary Education majors will work with the elementary students on a regular basis, Whittier said.

Besides two staircases, one elevator is accessible to wheelchairs, and for security only the front west doors will be open regularly during school hours.

As one may walk in the front doors of the school, the administrative office is to the right side. Whittier said the second set of doors will be locked after students come to school.

"All other doors will be locked during school hours. Everyone will have to come through the office to get checked in," Whittier said. "No one will be able to get into the school or be in the school without us knowing."

With School beginning Aug. 15, the construction will not be complete.

Whittier said most of the school and parking will be complete, but the playground will not be complete until October, but a black top will be available for students to play on until the full playground is complete.

The open house to see the school will consist of a by invitation only will be for school and city administration from 3 to 4 p.m. The public is then invited to come through from 4 to 6 p.m. and Back-to-school night for the students and parents from 6 to 7 p.m.

Whittier said during the private invitation the classrooms will be open for teachers to interact, the classrooms will be closed during the public, although people can look in, and from 6 to 7 p.m. the classrooms will be open for students, parents and teachers to meet.

Whittier said he is excited for the new building and all the possibilities

available.

"Some of the programs, the science education, SUU partnership is going to the next level," he said. "Art integration and science integration is going to the next level. There are just lots of possibilities including a lot more safety."

He said it will be the safest building with cameras and other safety including having doors locked during school hours.

Whittier said he knows other schools in the district are working to eventually get security devices eventually as well. He said he is also grateful the playground will be on the opposite side from where it was previously to provide safety from the street for the students.

Whittier said he also loves having a new, bigger office.

"In the old building, I had a lot less room," he said. "Here I have more room than I know what to do with."

Cedar High School Registration

Seniors

Thursday, August 10
1-3pm

Juniors

Friday, August 11
8-11am

Sophomores

Friday, August 11
12-3pm

Freshmen

Monday, August 14
10-1pm

SUU Pre-school

123 South 300 West

- Utah Early-childhood Licensed Teachers
- Early-childhood Utah Curriculum
- Morning Classes (five days a week)
- Afternoon Classes (four days a week)

For more information and registration please visit:
www.suu.edu/ed/preschool
Contact us at: 435-586-5471

Be the One who Saves Me!



Photo courtesy of Humane Society

If you have room in your heart to give an adoptable pet a safe and caring home, visit the Enoch City Shelter, 900 East Midvalley Road, or call Chris at 435-586-9445.

Adorable dogs and cats can also be adopted by visiting the Cedar City Animal Shelter, 1150 W. Kittyhawk Drive, or for adoption information call, 435-586-2960.

Utah Shakespeare Festival Guild hosts annual Christmas in July Faire

by Holly COOMBS
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As a sponsored event of the Utah Shakespeare Festival Guild, the Christmas in July Arts and Crafts Faire took place on the lawn facing 300 West, directly across the street from the Randall L. Jones Theatre last Friday and Saturday.

The craft faire, an event that has been known for years presents the opportunity for shoppers to find items to complete Christmas shopping

early.

The free fair provides numerous art, craft, and food vendor booths were available for visitors and locals.

Among the vendors included costume fabric “Quiltations” and “Memory Globe” ornaments, roll-up “Pencil and Crayon Caddies,” and Festival season key chains are provided by the Guild and was available at the faire and in Randall Gifts and Gallery.

The event was last Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.



VENDORS ENJOY THE CHRISTMAS IN JULY CRAFT FAIRE presented by the Utah Shakespeare Festival Guild last Friday and Saturday on the lawn near the Randall L. Jones Theatre.

COURTESY OF BOB SHELTON



HOLLY COOMBS

YARN CRAFTS WERE AMONG THE VENDOR BOOTHS at the Christmas in July Craft Faire last Friday and Saturday.

LIFE & LAUGHTER

Continued from page 17

its share of brazen jewel thieves. Nancy was plucky and fearless as she investigated broken lockets, whispering statues and tolling bells. Her adventures left me breathless with jealousy because I knew her success could be directly attributed to her motherless stature.

Then there's Anne Shirley, Jane Eyre and even Cinderella—all motherless success stories.

However. Several years ago, I found myself without a mom. I was devastated. I discovered it wasn't cool at all. It certainly didn't allow me to live in a Swedish boxcar while telling stories, crusading for justice and solving mysteries.

I finally realized that her influence is what taught me to be a kind, independent, free-thinking, literate, crusader for justice. Being motherless is not what it's cracked up to be. But my mom was right about one thing—I did start drinking Coca-Cola and swearing.

CHURCH Directory

Calvary Chapel
101 E. Nichols Canyon Rd.
Suite A-6, Cedar City
10 am - Sundays,
7 pm - Thursdays
867-8188

Cedar City Seventh Day Adventist Church
4571 N. Hwy. 91, Enoch
11 am - Saturdays
592-2142

Christ the King Catholic Church
690 S. Cove Drive, Cedar City
9 am & 7 pm - Sundays
Spanish Service
11:45 am - Sundays
586-8298

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Cedar City Stake
155 E. 400 South, Cedar City
586-8381
9 am & 11 am, - Sundays

Enoch Stake
3600 N. Minersville Hwy., Enoch
586-5950
9 am, 11 am & 1 pm - Sundays
Parowan Stake
90 S. Main St., Parowan
477-8929
9 am & 1 pm - Sundays

Church of Christ
1075 S. Fir, Cedar City
11 am Sundays
586-9534

Community Presbyterian Church
2279 N. Wedgewood Ln., Cedar City
10 am - Sundays
Childcare Available
586-8891

First Baptist Church
324 W. 200 North, Cedar City
11 am - Sundays
586-6994

Grace & Truth Fellowship A Church of Christ
195 W 650 S, Cedar City
10 am & 11 am - Sundays
6 pm - Wednesdays
238-3886

Grace Christian Church
845 West 200 South, Parowan
10:30 am - Sundays
7 pm - Wednesdays
590-1663

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness
620 E. Nichols Canyon R., Cedar City
7 p.m - Thursdays,
10 am - Sundays
867-1837

Light of the Valley Fellowship Church
995 S. Regency Rd., Cedar City (Brookdale Senior Solutions)
1:30pm - Sundays
590-7362

Mountain View Baptist Church
1160 S. 860 West, Cedar City
11 am & 6 pm - Sundays
865-1211

New Life Church
Spring Hill Suites
1477 S. Old Hwy 91, Cedar City
10 am - Sundays
233-0047

Parowan United Methodist Church
190 N. Main, Parowan
9:30 am - Sundays
6:30 pm - Thursdays
477-1334

Potters House Christian Fellowship Church
732 North Main, Cedar City
11 am & 6:30 pm - Sundays
7:30 pm - Wednesdays
695-8212

Red Hills Southern Baptist Church
4277 N. Wagon Wheel Dr., Enoch
10:45 am - Sundays
865-7068

Sonrise Christian Fellowship
201 E. 3800 N. Enoch (Gateway Academy)
10 am - Sundays
586-3640

St. Jude's Episcopal Church
70 N. 200 West, Cedar City
10 am - Sundays
586-3623

Trinity Lutheran Church
410 E. 1935 North, Cedar City
10 am Sundays
586-7103

True Life Center
2111 N. Main St., Cedar City
9 am & 11 am - Sundays
867-0405

Valley Bible Church
4780 N. Hwy 91, Enoch
11 am - Sundays
586-0253

Westview Christian Center
2624 W. Hwy 56, Cedar City
11 am - Sundays,
6:30 pm - Wednesdays
865-1550

If your church in Iron County is not listed in this directory or if any information is incorrect, please call 867-1865 or email news@ironcountytoday.com

B.A.C.A. SHOW CARS for a CAUSE



**BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE
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SHOW** along with a poker run, and
empowerment ride last Saturday.

COREY BAUMGARTNER

SUMMER PHOTO CONTEST

Time to get out &
snap those photos
that best capture
the Summer season
here in Iron County!

**PHOTOS DUE
AUG 2 @10PM**

Winning photos will be published Aug 9th

- Limit of ONE PHOTO per entrant
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- Include the name of the photographer city of residence.
- By submitting your photo, you agree to give Iron County Today permission to publish your photo.
- Questions? Call 867-1865 ext. 4

Wait training (Part 1)



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

Have you ever had to wait for something? Did you feel you had to wait too long for it? Maybe it was a package that turned your excited anticipation into disappointment because the product was incorrect, incomplete or damaged? Maybe you waited in the wrong line, or had to wait so long that you gave up and figured it wasn't worth waiting for anyway. Even with a plethora of patience, waiting can be frustrating.

After all, we're a busy bunch these days. And it's arguable that though more advanced, we are still less productive than our predecessors. Understandable given all the distractions that technology coddles us with. Perhaps we just need a little more patience and prodding to find something that's worth waiting long enough for? Easier said than done when we have been trained in a "Want it NOW, get it NOW" society. Speed has become our dominant mentality and motivation. In many cases, if we can't get what we want, when we want it, it's not as worth it to us. If we can't have something shipped in 2 days (for free), delivered in 30 minutes or less, or instantly downloaded, we tend to feel gyped and jaded about our purchases.

We whine in lines, get sour in rush hour, and anything else that detours, or slows us down, we think our lives and future happiness have been unalterably interrupted and we feel completely justified in erupting. More often than not, even with things worth waiting for, by the time we reach the proverbial "end of the line" we can become so immobilized

by impatience that we can't enjoy the spoils of the waiting war because we now have to spend time picking up the pieces from the time and/or temper we lost.

How do we counteract all this wait gain? Perhaps a personal plan to help us manage the monotony from monopolizing our peace, is called for? Now, we may not always, or often, be able to prevent gaining wait, but we certainly don't have to lose our patience in the process. True, patience won't always help us get to places, products, or people faster, but it will help us get along a little longer and make the wait more bearable; whether it's red-lights and traffic jams, or checkout lines and doctor's offices. And have you ever noticed that this frustrating phenomenon only seems to happen when we're already late? The more late we are, it seems the heavier the weight of the wait is on our shoulders.

Even if we could stay safe inside our homes from any possible danger of delays, we would still have to wait for our food to be delivered, our favorite show to come on and suffer through all the commercials, etc. to enjoy, or at least endure, life. At the end of the day, which we also have to wait for, we cannot escape the great wait. But... wait for it... there is hope!

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Obituaries

Roene Bulloch Morris



On July 17, 2017 our dear, sweet mother's prayers were answered and she was able to return to the loving arms of Father in Heaven and to a great Bulloch reunion. As she passed away peacefully, she was surrounded by her family. We are grateful that her fight with cancer was not prolonged.

Roene was born on November 21, 1926 to David Cattle and Caroline Nielson Bulloch in Cedar City, Utah. She married Haymer D. Morris in the Salt Lake Temple on April, 18, 1947. She leaves behind her four children: David (Lesley); Ro Ann (Arnold); Marilyn (Joe); Karen (J.B.); thirteen grandchildren

and twenty-two great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild on the way. She is also survived by a sister-in-law, Lillian Bulloch. Her family meant everything to her. She was fiercely loyal to them. She was our mountain of strength. Like the mountains around us that she loved so dearly, she stood steadfast. Her rock-solid faith and belief in prayer served as an example to us all. We are grateful for her daily prayers in our behalf. We believe she had a direct line to God.

Mom's sense of humor brought joy to family, neighbors, and friends. We are thankful for her sharp memory. The stories of her childhood on the mountain and her life growing up in Cedar City entertained and delighted many. She was the life of the party. Her sense of humor helped her to endure well the difficulties of life.

Mom taught us the value of service. She served faithfully in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She loved serving in the Primary, Young Women, Relief Society and in the family history name extraction program. She was happiest serving in quiet ways. Her greatest service was to her family. She was an extraordinary homemaker and cook. We are deeply appreciative of her example to us as a covenant keeping woman.

At 90 years old, she was preceded in death by just about everyone... including her brothers McRae, Kern and DaVar Bulloch; her sister Vilda Ronnow; and seven half siblings.

Please join us in remembering and honoring our beloved mother. Funeral services were Monday, July 31, 2017 at 11 a.m. at the Cedar 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, 256 S. 900 West. A viewing will be held on Sunday, July 30 at Southern Utah Mortuary from 5:30 to 7 p.m. A viewing will be held before the funeral service on Monday, July 31 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Cedar 2nd Ward LDS Chapel. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

We wish to thank her ward and her neighbors for their love and care of mother. We also wish to thank Iron County Healthcare, especially Brenda Bentley and Lori Dennett for their loving care of Mom. Our thanks to Jannelle Chaffee who provided many hours of care. We are also grateful to Hospice Alliance for their help the last week of mother's life. We are deeply grateful to them all.

Dennis "Snub" B. Harris



Dennis "Snub" B. Harris passed away at his home in Cedar City, Utah with his family gathered by his side in love and appreciation as they said their goodbyes on July 30, 2017.

Dennis was born in Magna, Utah on September 4, 1930 to Roy and Nina Harris; the youngest of six children. Dennis the Menace, you could have called him as a child, he was so mischievous, active and always up to something. His older brother affectionately called him "Snub" and the name stuck.

Dennis graduated from East High School and then went on to serve in the United States in the Navy as a radio operator. Dennis loved to discuss and debate different views and topics.

Upon completion of serving in the Navy, Dennis began working at Mountain Bell. Ennis started as a lineman and then worked his way up to the top as a network supervisor and district manager of southern Utah.

Dad married mom Darlene in 1962. Together they blended a family of 7. Mom brought joy and happiness to dad's heart and filled the kitchen with great cooking. Dad was a great father; he loved all of his children. He was strict, but kind and taught us to be honest and accountable for what we did. He taught us to learn from others and because of his love for books; we would hear him say, "Too much reading is never enough."

Dad loved a new day. He was always happy to wake up each morning. He played his cornet to wake up daily. Dad loved to build things, he loved riding motorcycles, keeping his body strong, traveling and taught himself how to invest in the stock market.

Dennis is survived by his beloved wife, Darlene Harris, his 7 children, 23 grandchildren, and 19 grandchildren. Dennis was preceded in death by his parents and five of his siblings.

Funeral services will be on August 5, 2017 at the Cedar City 17th Ward, located at 256 S. 900 West in Cedar City, Utah. Visitations will also be held there from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Funeral services will take place at noon.

Interment will be at Cedar City Cemetery, in lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Diabetics Association. The family would like to thank Maree with Iron County Home Health and Ethan with Advantage Hospice and Judy Parry for all the great help given to mom and dad through this time.

Dad we love you. Every time we enjoy a root beer float we'll be thinking of you.

Daryl Landon Hulet



Daryl Landon Hulet passed away on July 27, 2017 at Intermountain Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah from issues related to diabetes and heart disease. He was born in Cedar City, Utah on June 1, 1975 to Daryl and Jennie Hulet of Cedar City, Utah.

Landon was living in Wells, Nevada. Landon loved to spend his spare time exploring the countryside and beautiful scenery of the Ruby Mountains. He would go out with his wife, brother, dad, son, family, friends and even on his own to enjoy doing the things he loved. He loved to hunt and fish and spent countless hours watching wildlife

and finding new and beautiful places to photograph.

Landon was kind hearted, loving, adventurous, had a quick wit, and was a notorious tease. He loved his life, family, friends and his three little dogs. Landon was our freckle-faced, mischievous, Mad Cat ghost-riding little prankster. He will be forever in our hearts.

Landon is survived by his wife, Janine Isom Hulet; son Daniel Bunker; his parents Daryl and Jennie Hulet, sister Sherrie (Tyler) Jacobson; brother Lance (Lacey) Hulet; brother Bevan Hulet; and nieces Ashlee Hulet and Amberlee Jacobson; and nephews Troy Hulet and Chance Jacobson. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Melvin and Isabelle Hulet; and Lawrence and Ellen Davis.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 4, 2017 at Southern Utah Mortuary, located at 190 North 300 West in Cedar City, Utah. Viewing will be from 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, August 4, 2017 at Southern Utah Mortuary. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to www.sumortuary.com

Amy Laretta Morrison Banks



Amy Laretta Morrison Banks, 93, passed away Sunday, July 16, 2017 at her home in Cedar City, Utah. She was born June 30, 1924 in Franklin, Idaho, the youngest of 10 children.

She lived a good life, truly devoted to her loved ones and the Savior, Jesus Christ. She spent many happy hours in her thirty years of service as a temple ordinance worker, and she served four missions with her husband. She also did much family history work.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Alma and Amy Leah Morrison; her siblings Rachael, Edna, Clea, Andrew, Annie, Leah,

Alma, Dilworth, and Louise; and her husband, George Edwin Banks.

She is survived by her five children: George Edwin (Joyce) of Cedar, Carl Alma (Jerrilyn) of Cedar, Ramon Morrison of Iona, Idaho, Renea Hansen (Larry) of Panaca, Nevada, and Gary Lynn (Joyce) of Omaha, Nebraska.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 2 p.m. at the Greens Lake Chapel, located at 1120 W. Greens Lake Drive in Cedar City, Utah. A viewing will be on Friday, July 28 held at Southern Utah Mortuary, located at 190 N. 300 West in Cedar City, Utah from 6 to 8 p.m. A viewing will be held Saturday, July 29 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the church. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

Brooks Dalton



Our sweet and loving son and brother, Brooks Dalton passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by family on July 23, 2017.

Brooks was born October 7, 1960, in Cedar City, Utah to Warren Adams Dalton and Mary Dawn Orton Dalton.

Because of a childhood illness, Brooks struggled physically and mentally throughout his life. His childlike nature kept everyone on their toes and the spirit of childhood alive in the home. Brooks loved unconditionally and had a special twinkle in his eyes when family members visited. He enjoyed his books, puzzles and the tv shows of his childhood, especially Gunsmoke, Bonanza and Disney.

Brooks was lovingly cared for by his parents for 57 years. He was greatly loved and appreciated and a wonderful example of enduring to the end.

He is survived by his mother Mary Dawn of Parowan; two brothers: Rich of San Antonio, Texas and Layne (Dixie) of Santaquin, Utah; two sisters, Sherry Robinson (Jerry) of Parowan, Utah and Jeanne Locke (Haze) of Sandy, Utah; 15 nieces and nephews and 37 grand nieces and nephews.

Brooks is preceded in death by his father Warren A. and brother-in-law Haze Locke.

A graveside service in Brooks' honor was Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Parowan City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

Thanks and gratitude to all who had influence in Brooks' life. A special thanks and gratitude to Tom Walker, Alicia Ibarra, the Danville crew and Zion's Way Hospice.

CEDAR NATIONAL PLAYERS AND COACHES CELEBRATE after they beat Mill Creek, Washington, 1-0 in eight innings to win the Junior League West Regional title in San Bernardino, Calif., last Friday.

REGION REIGN



Cedar National wins Little League West Regional crown

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

If there ever was a truer value in a “W,” Sidney Webster and Michaela Whitehair proved it to perfection for Cedar National at the Little League West Regional in San Bernardino, Calif., last Friday.

With two out, Webster singled down the right-field line to score Whitehair with the game’s only run in the bottom of the eighth inning as Cedar National beat Mill Creek, Washington 1-0 at Houghton Stadium to capture its first title and a trip to the Little League World Series.

The twin Ws combined for six of Cedar National’s seven total hits (three apiece), and the team overcame four errors behind the pitching of Payton Lister to earn the hard-fought win.

“Once we hit the bottom of the sixth inning, it was a complete mood changer,” Cedar National head coach Aaron Wheelwright said. “We went from being on the ropes to a calm that said ‘we got this.’ Payton got stronger as the game went on.”

Lister, who finished with 12 strikeouts,

“We went from being on the ropes to a calm that said ‘we got this’”

— Aaron Wheelwright,
Cedar National head coach

escaped the best threat to break the deadlock from Mill Creek in the top of the sixth. Alexis Sicairos singled and Deidre Delgado walked to start the inning, but the Cedar National defense did the work to keep Washington off the board.

Heleina Ah-Loe hit into a fielder’s choice and Kalia Zellmer flied to center, then Lister struck out Avery Hare to retire the side and



PHOTOS COURTESY OF AARON WHEELWRIGHT

SIDNEY WEBSTER REACTS AFTER DRIVING IN THE ONLY RUN of the game in the bottom of the eighth inning

SUU gymnastics earn top GPA, football opens fall camp

by **SUU ATHLETICS STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION**

For Iron County Today

It was announced by the National Association of Gymnastics Coaches (NAGC) that the Southern Utah University gymnastics program earned the top GPA in NCAA gymnastics this past academic year, and all 18 gymnasts on last year's roster have been named Scholastic All-Americans.

The Thunderbirds finished with a 3.8867 Team GPA, with 100 percent of the team earning the title of Scholastic All-American. They were the only gymnastics program in the country to have their entire team represented on the list and edged out Boise State for the top spot, as SUU's Mountain Rim Gymnastics Conference counterpart came in second.

"The overall strength of your program has to start with the idea that these kids are students. I feel like we have always had a very high set of standards academically and we have always recruited outstanding students," head coach Scotty Bauman said. "When you look at the overall person that you are recruiting, not just the gymnast, you take the level of excellence that they have for themselves outside of the gym and you factor that in too. This award speaks volumes for our athletes' level of commitment inside and outside of the gym."

The Flippin' Birds had two gymnasts hold 4.0's for the entire year, and had nine total over the 3.9 mark. This is the 13th time that Southern Utah has been crowned the Academic National Champion.

The Southern Utah University football program will open Fall Camp on August 1, with their first game of the season set for September 2 against Oregon as Demario Warren will embark on his second season as head coach of the Thunderbirds.



SUU FOOTBALL QUARTERBACK PATRICK TYLER prepares to throw a pass during a routine practice for the Thunderbirds.

COURTESY OF SUU

SUU's first practice will begin at 9:20 a.m. on Aug. 1, with all practices scheduled to start at that same time.

The Thunderbirds were selected by coaches and media in and around the Big Sky Conference to finish seventh this season, but will be on a mission to prove them wrong and climb back into conference championship contention.

Two Thunderbirds, linebacker Mike Needham and defensive tackle Robert Torgerson, were selected to the Preseason All-Conference team and are expected to have big seasons for the Thunderbirds.

SUU will host their first home game of the season on September 16 when they will take on Northern Iowa.

"This award speaks volumes for our athletes' level of commitment inside and outside of the gym"

— **Scotty Bauman, SUU Gymnastics head coach**

Cedar American falls in Junior West Regional title game

by Tom **ZULEWSKI**

Iron County Today

Cedar American didn't let its momentum slow down after dealing with rainy weather through the early part of the Junior League West Regional in Tucson, Ariz. The vision of earning a championship for the first time simply fell one game short.

The team from Garden City, Montana scored all the runs it would need in the top of the fourth inning and they went on to a decisive 12-1 victory over Cedar American in five innings to claim the West Regional crown last Thursday.

The championship game was scoreless until Garden City put its

big inning together. Morgan Holmes doubled twice and drove in six runs to lead the Montana team to a berth in the Junior League World Series.

Cedar American got a run back in the bottom of the inning on an RBI groundout from Laynee Anzalone, but Garden City added its final run in the fifth and put the win away early via the 10-run rule.

Kelsi Oldroyd had two of Cedar American's four hits in the loss.

The team would earn its spot in the final after surviving a late rally to beat Nunaka Valley, Alaska, 6-5 in eight innings July 25. Cedar American led 2-1 after scoring both in the top of the sixth, but Nunaka Valley – who beat Cedar American in its opening game

7-4 on July 21 – got that run back in the bottom half of the inning to tie the score.

With Japrix Weaver in the circle, Cedar American survived two big threats to hang on. Nunaka Valley had a chance to win in regulation as the first two batters reached to start the bottom of the seventh and moved up to second and third after a sacrifice bunt.

Weaver would make sure they were left stranded by striking out Lexie Davis and getting Laura Aunoa to ground out and send the game into extra innings.

The drama hit a fever pitch in the eighth after Cedar American broke the tie with four runs in the top of the inning. Oldroyd doubled to give CA the lead, and a pair of two-out errors from

Nunaka Valley allowed three more runs to score.

They would nearly not be enough.

The Alaska team got a pair of RBI singles and a bases-loaded walk to cut the gap to a run and had the potential winning run at second base, but Aunoa grounded out for the final out that put Cedar American in the final.

Nunaka Valley stranded five of 10 base runners over the final two innings.

Cedar American stayed alive at the West Regional on July 24 with a 12-1 victory in five innings over Modoc, Calif. They would score six runs in the fourth and three more in the fifth to end the game early.

Denim Henkel drove in four runs with a pair of home runs in the win.

Another case for more North Side pride

When he was asked about how exciting his team's win at the Little League West Regional softball championship game, Cedar National coach Aaron Wheelwright made reference to a Little League tournament director named Dave – he didn't have the last name handy – and what he thought of the game.

"He told me it was one of the best games he's seen at a regional – baseball or softball – in 27 years," Wheelwright said.

The final score said it all and made a pretty loud statement for Cedar City in general July 28.

In eight innings, Cedar National beat Washington, 1-0. A normal Little League game only needs six, and there wasn't a whole lot of hitting going on at Houghton Stadium in San Bernardino, Calif.

CN finished the game with seven hits, but six were between two players – Michaela Whitehair and Sidney Webster, including the most important ones. Whitehair doubled with one out in the bottom of the eighth, and after she moved to third on a Payton Lister groundout, Webster drove her home with a single that landed just a couple of feet inside the right-field line.

Webster's hit set off a celebration that carried all the way back to town and the fire-engine victory parade the team was given when it returned home Saturday night.

For the first time, Cedar City has a West Regional tournament champion. For the second year in a row, it's a Little League Softball team heading to Portland, Ore., for the tournament that starts Aug. 9.

It will extend into the first two days of school – Iron County begins a new year Aug. 15 – but it may only motivate these girls that much more. Even better, the karma that came from team members touching the Little League Softball championship banner before they ate at the dining hall on the stadium site while in San Bernardino only piled on the confidence.

For its reward, Cedar National will face Rowan, N.C. or Clarksville, Tenn., in an opening-round matchup at the World Series. After surviving a two-on, none-out threat from Mill Creek, Washington in the West final with the game still scoreless in the top of the sixth, these girls know anything is possible.

Scoreboard on World Series trips now: Softball has three (Snow Canyon juniors 2009, SC Little League 2016 and Cedar National), while baseball is still looking for the first historic trip.

» As another school year gets set to start, there are several

Big Sky schools with strong interest in Canyon View senior Brantzen Blackner. After his showing at an SUU camp in June, head coach Todd Simon put a scholarship offer on the table.

Sources have told me that Idaho State – led by former SUU coach Bill Evans – is interested, as well as Portland State, being led by new head coach Barret Peery, who was hired in April and served as an assistant under Evans at SUU. That's one-quarter of the league, so it's going to be interesting.

While we just achieved a classic redundancy in that last sentence, it's on the coaches to make their programs look and sound like the best thing around.

» At long last, Kyle Busch had his breakthrough in the Monster Energy Cup Series. After more than a full year – 37 races – without a win, Busch was his customary, stubbornly dominating self as he won the pole and rolled to Victory Lane in the Overton's 400 on Sunday at Pocono Raceway.



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

Even though a loose lug nut was discovered in post-race inspection, it's doubtful Busch will have his win reduced to "encumbered" status like Joey Logano's at Richmond. Busch is the 13th different driver with a race win and the automatic ticket to the playoffs that comes with it.

With only three spots left to fill and five races to go until the championship drive starts, it's entirely possible all 16 will have race winners in them for the first time.

Watkins Glen happens this week, and the final road course is always a crap shoot. Logano won there in 2015 and A.J. Allmendinger pulled it off the year before.

After that, the other four tracks – Michigan, Bristol, Darlington and Richmond – are anyone's guess. I'm not Nostradamus, and race fans are a picky sort more often than not.

If their driver doesn't win, it's time for endless dissection of what's wrong with NASCAR.

I'll pass on that bit of unnecessary pessimism, thank you very much.

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keep the game scoreless.

"The girls were more determined after that, more aggressive at the plate," Wheelwright said.

With one out in the eighth, Whitehair doubled to left-center and moved over to third as Lister grounded out to set up Webster's regional-winning heroics.

And adding to the team's motivation as the regional unfolded, Wheelwright mentioned how each team member would touch the West Regional championship banner that was inside the dining hall at the tournament site during their stay.

Call it a superstition, call it karma, but Wheelwright knew it made a difference in the team's mindset.

"Their motivation went up tenfold," he said. "Once Michaela crossed the plate, everyone ran out of the dugout, and it was awesome."

Cedar National opens play at

the Little League World Series in Portland, Ore., against the Southeast champion Aug. 9 at 9 p.m. All elimination games will air on ESPN2 starting Aug. 14 through the championship game Aug. 16.

A full schedule of World Series tournament games can be found at llbws.org.

Cedar National earned the right to play for the West Regional crown with three victories that included a pair of shutouts. They broke out the big bats in the early innings and shut out Gastineau Channel, Alaska, 11-0 in four innings on July 24 to qualify as the No. 2 seed behind Washington. In the quarterfinal, they held on to beat Queen Creek, Ariz., 4-2 the following day.

After an off day, Cedar National shut out No. 6 seed Pendleton, Ore., 5-0 on July 27 to advance to the title game. They scored two runs in the first and added single runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth. Lister allowed only three hits and struck out six in the victory.

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