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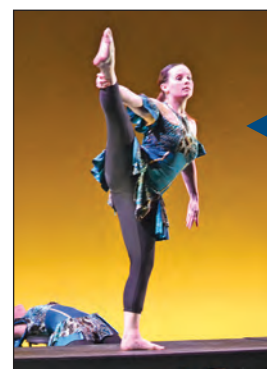
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Master falconer shares wildlife wisdom about birds of prey

BY COREY BAUMGARTNER
Reporter

CEDAR CITY – Since the age of 12, Martin Tyner, wildlife rehabilitation specialist, has been perfecting his knowledge and skills working with local wildlife.

Now, 48 years later, Tyner is well known throughout Utah as the man to call when critters need rescuing. Whether they have legs or wings, Tyner has trained to rescue and rehabilitate all creatures great and small.

Tyner's specialty, however, is eagles, and he was the first person in North America licensed to trap, train and fly wild eagles. Now he uses his skills to rescue and rehabilitate injured animals and to teach the importance of enjoying and protecting the wonders of the wildlife in Southern Utah.

Each year Tyner travels across the state and the U.S. to deliver special educational programs to schools and communities. His latest presentation was at North Elementary School in Cedar City Feb. 29.

Tyner began by showing an informational slideshow about the many types of birds, from the tiniest owls to largest of birds, the California Condors. He also shared stories of dramatic animal rescues, one of which included an injured Bald Eagle that had been hit by a vehicle and was unable to fly.

The eagle survived two snow storms – being buried by the snowplow each time – and people driving by were sure it



MARTIN TYNER introduced community members to Scout, a 14-year-old Golden Eagle, during a presentation at North Elementary Feb. 29.

COREY BAUMGARTNER

Martin Tyner has devoted his life to making sure future generations can enjoy the wonders of the wilderness

was dead. Thankfully, one passerby saw it move and notified Tyner. He raced to the scene and brought the barely alive bird back to his rescue center. The next few days of Tyner's

patience and care stabilized the eagle from hypothermia, dehydration and starvation. Four months later it was released back into the wild with the help of the local 222nd National

Guard Unit before its deployment to Iraq.

Tyner's eagle releases have touched many people throughout the community including a young girl with terminal cancer,

who recently received her wish of helping with the process. When asked about whether he ever gets sad when the birds just fly away, Tyner said, "No, that is my reward."

By the time he's done with their stitches, feeding tubes and any other necessary rehab, the birds hate him, Tyner said. However, he also explained that it's a good thing because it means they're ready to survive on their own. And thanks to Tyner's training techniques to help make sure the birds can not only fly, but hunt on their own; they are released capable and confident back into the wild.

Tyner also shared some warnings about wildlife. He cautioned drivers to slow down when they see birds feeding on road kill and also not to feed wild animals because it puts them in danger. He cautioned everyone to stay away from nests because this may scare away parents who may leave their young behind to die.

At the conclusion of his presentation, Tyner brought out three special friends, a Harris Hawk, a Prairie Falcon, and his 14-year-old Golden Eagle, Scout. He displayed the beautiful birds for the audience and answered any questions they had.

While rescuing and rehabilitating animals is not easy, it's worth it to Tyner, who has devoted his life to making sure future generations can enjoy the wonders of the wilderness. Thankfully, he hasn't had to do it all alone. His wife, Susan, has been right by his side. Tyner spoke of their first date;

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City council approves moratorium on tobacco specialty retail businesses

BY COREY BAUMGARTNER
Reporter

CEDAR CITY – Nearly one month ago, at the Feb. 3 Cedar City Council meeting, members from the Iron County Prevention Coalition discussed the use of e-cigarettes and vaping products in the community.

While they pointed out the dangers of these products to the youth, the ICPC also proposed that a moratorium be placed on new tobacco specialty businesses coming into the community.

Currently, there are at least 42 retail locations that sell e-cigarettes or vaping products in Iron County with 33 of them located in Cedar City.

The city council approved the moratorium that will prevent any future tobacco specialty retail businesses—defined as a business with at

least 35 percent of its gross income in tobacco sales—from being able to build, or make sales. The six-month moratorium also gives the council enough time to await current legislature

Because this is still a relatively new issue, the moratorium will also provide a window of time during upcoming city council meetings that will include discussions based on new

to offend or create contention, but to make sure that the best decisions and laws will be made for both the sales and safety of the community, retailers and consumers both now and in the

with state law.

The previous city ordinance made it illegal to discharge a firearm in the city limits, even in the event of self-defense. The change will now be compliant with state law, which allows a person to discharge a firearm in the act of self-defense. The new changes will be subject to applicable state law defenses or justifications and bring uniformity to the firearm ordinance in Cedar City.

Also, as the tourism season gets underway in Southern Utah, the council will be discussing parking plans near the current and future biking trails in the Shurtz Canyon area. Of the 50 miles identified in the project, five trails have been built with five more to be built this year, which

makes parking and restroom facilities a much needed part of the plan to help make the trails more enjoyable for everyone.



COREY BAUMGARTNER

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS Fred Rowley, Paul Cozzens and Ron Adams discuss a proposed moratorium to be placed on new tobacco specialty businesses coming to the community at a March 2 meeting.

and the health department decisions concerning e-cigarettes and other inhalation (i.e. vaping) devices.

legislation and business audits to make sure each retailer is in compliance.

The moratorium is not meant

future.

The council also discussed bringing the city's current firearm ordinance into compliance




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New North Elementary School Improvement Plan presented

BY COREY BAUMGARTNER
Reporter

CEDAR CITY – North Elementary Principal Ray Whittier recently addressed the Iron County School District Board to update its members on the North Elementary School Improvement Plan.

The extensive plan focuses more on building the students rather than the building itself and consists of several objectives aimed to “create a school culture and climate that is focused on student learning and inclusive for all students, families, and school staff,” Whittier said.

“This is our launch pad and we’re going to come out of this with the kind of school that we’ve always dreamed of having,” he added. “With a lot of help, we’re finally going to be able to nail this plan down in the next year and a half and be ready to go when the new school opens.”

Beyond creating and spending a wise budget, there are five main objectives to help make the school worthy of its most precious asset, it’s students. They include: 1) alignment of standards and curriculum, which includes the systematic teaching of the Utah Core Standards in all classrooms; 2) classroom instruction and student engagement; 3) assessment practices; 4) culture and collaborative relationships, including involving the parents more in the education process; and 5) leadership that includes not only improving the teachers through coaching and collaboration, but making the school environment a place where all families in the community can be engaged

and where communication fosters openness to new ideas that benefit the students.

At the same meeting, Steve Schofield, principal of the Southwest Education Academy, an alternative high school in Cedar City, recognized three outstanding individuals who help work with the youth at both the academy and local Youth in Care program. They were presented with special awards for their dedication

“This is our launch pad and we’re going to come out of this with the kind of school that we’ve always dreamed of having”
–Principal Ray Whittier

to helping the youth live better through education and making better choices. The three recipients were Melanie Coon, a teacher at SEA, Jodi Simmons and Lamar Jordan, who are both mentors in the YIC program.

Speaking of a group of 91 students currently in foster care or in the care of the state who need education from pre-school to high school, Schofield said,

“It’s a daunting process to keep track of that many students and it’s a lot of work and I’m so grateful for the team we have.”

After Schofield presented the awards, three of his students were invited to share their experiences and successes at the academy, which provides unique advantages such as smaller class sizes and individual instruction to help students thrive outside of a regular high school education environment.

Junior Katie Haag was able to make up lost credits and raise her GPA.

“The small classes allowed me to make friends more easily and the teachers at SEA have gone above and beyond to help me believe in my potential,” she said, adding, “If it were possible for all the public schools to follow the model of SEA there would be a big change in the youth.”

Another SEA student, Jonny Denman, has learned valuable real-life skills such as job interviewing techniques and the importance of budgeting money.

“Realizing that I can succeed and go to college has been a big motivator for me to finish high school,” he said and added, “The teachers at this school really care for us.”

Austin Bennett, who will graduate SEA this year, felt that SEA was not just his last option, but that it was his best chance to make something of himself and he is making the most of it.

“At the end of my sophomore year, I felt like I had no chance of graduation,” he said. “I felt like I had no future and I wasn’t going to get anywhere in life.”

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Opinion

TO THE EDITOR

'Claiming to be wise, they became fools'

I did not attend SUU's Convocations lecture given by Bart Ehrman entitled, "Did the early Christians forget Jesus?" However, I did attend the group discussion meeting with Mr. Ehrman that preceded his lecture.

In that meeting, Mr. Ehrman made clear that he was an agnostic and did not believe in God, particularly the God of the Bible. He made clear that he rejects the historical accuracy of the Old and New Testament, even stating that most persons mentioned in both the Old and New Testaments never existed.

Though he portrays himself as a NT scholar, I am amazed that someone so far removed from the 1st Century is able to so dogmatically state that certain persons or events recorded in the Bible are historical impossibilities.

In the group discussion, Mr. Ehrman described as "close-

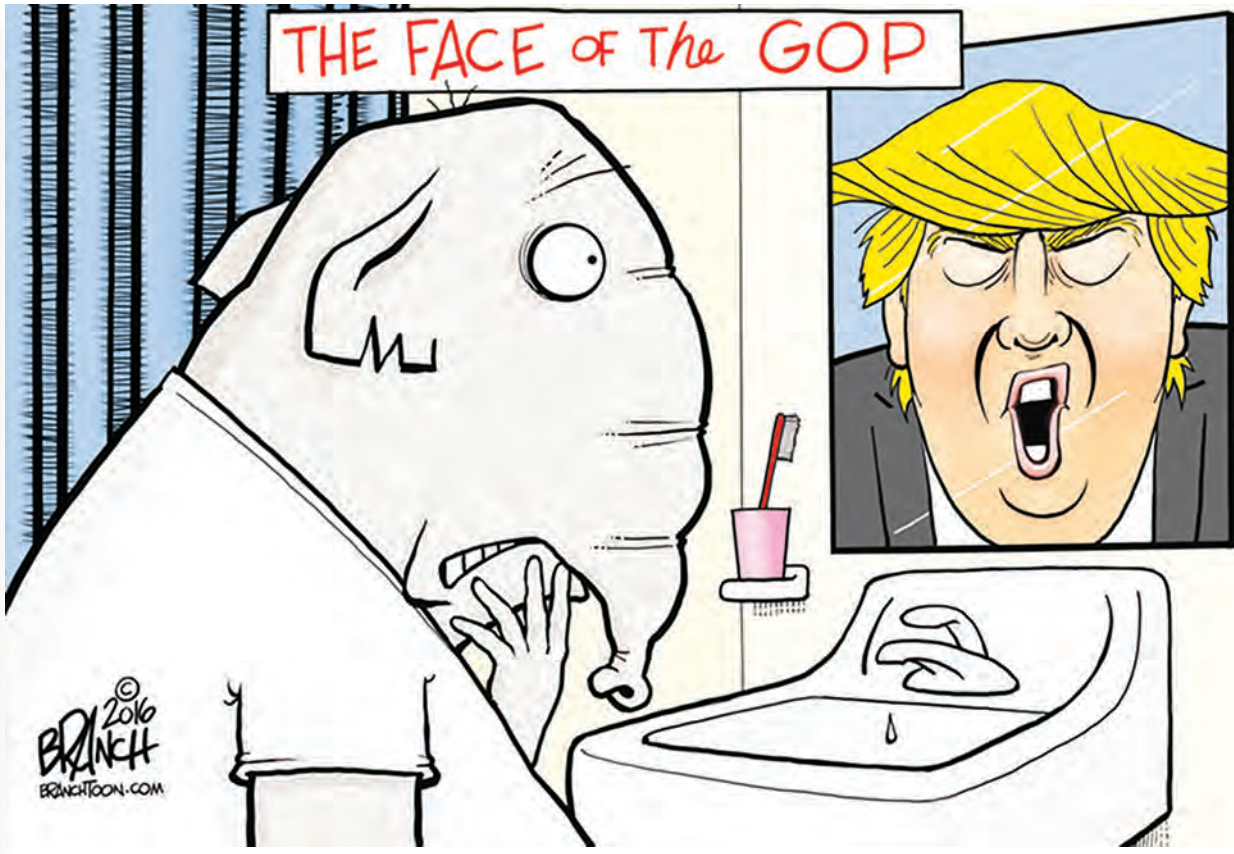
minded" those who actually believe the Bible to be historically accurate and to be the Word of God.

However, because Mr. Ehrman rejects so much of the Bible as historically possible, because he rejects Genesis 1 as a reasonable answer for our existence, rejects the miracles recorded in the Bible, and, as a result, rejects, among other miracles, a literal, bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, I wonder who is close-minded.

His rejection of the Bible and the Lord Jesus Christ as revealed in the Bible simply reveals the accuracy of the Bible when it says of persons, such as Mr. Ehrman, "Claiming to be wise, they became fools." (Romans 1.22)

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Trump's behavior not condoned in your children

In the boisterous and inflammatory candidacy of Donald Trump, there is a cultural disconnect. The same people who find him appealing would probably reject the same behavior from their son or daughter.

A friend told me last week, "I'm not a real Trump fan. However, he is saying what Americans feel and are afraid to say."

If that is true, our culture is in a miserable state.

If your son came home with a note from the principal claiming that little Johnny called a female classmate a "fat pig" and made fun of the girl's menstrual cycle and physical looks, what would you do?

I doubt you would call the principal back and say, "Geez, all the boy was saying is what the other kids think. Ease up on the



boy; he's just telling it like it is!"

If you said that to the principal, you would be an awful parent. And how would you react if in

'losers'?"

Would you excuse the behavior? Would you reward the girl with a donut?

Yet that is exactly

I have to believe that Americans want a president to act presidential

attending parent-teacher conference you were told, "Your daughter has been making fun of a handicapped boy and calling other girls in the class

what Trump supporters are doing when greeting The Donald's comments with wild cheers. And that is what non-Trump supporters are doing

when rationalizing his sneering as "just saying what Americans feel."

Well, I don't believe Americans feel that same way.

I don't believe they excuse a politician suggesting that an opponent be punched in the face. I don't believe Americans dismiss the heroism of John McCain's military service while spending years as a P.O.W. in Hanoi. I don't believe most would support a man making light of a woman's bathroom habits. I don't believe most Americans agree that Pope Francis is "disgusting."

Neither do I believe that Utahns will cheer the Trump comments that Mitt Romney was a loser, a terrible candidate who "walks like a penguin."

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SUU professor speaks of war and hope in Middle East

BY JEFF **LOWE**

Managing Editor

CEDAR CITY – Michael Stathis, tenured professor of political science and international relations at Southern Utah University, addressed the ongoing threat of ISIS March 3 at the 2016 Distinguished Faculty Lecture as part of SUU's Convocations speaker series.

Stathis was selected by the university's Faculty Senate to deliver this year's Distinguished Faculty Lecture.

"The selection process for the Distinguished Faculty Lecture is highly competitive," said Danielle Dubrasky, director of Convocations and professor of creative writing at SUU, in a press release from the university. "An accomplished scholar, Professor Stathis offers important perspective and prognostication at a time when turmoil in the Middle East is at an unprecedented level."

Stathis said in all his years studying the Middle East, he has come to focus on the conflict over the Persian Gulf. In addition



JEFF LOWE

MICHAEL STATHIS, right, answers questions following his Distinguished Faculty Lecture presentation at SUU's Gilbert Great Hall March 3.

tion to seeing three Gulf Wars since 1980, there is the threat of a fourth Gulf War, and many have suggested it has already started, he said.

"Whatever the immediate

cause or context, and there may be many, there is major concern and sadly there must be major concern that such an additional conflict is inevitable," he said, adding that the inevitability

has to do with the dynamics of power in the region, including growing, "even ominous" Iranian power, "which increases day by day."

The intent of the United

States' invasion of Iraq in 2003 was to bring stability to the region, Stathis said. However, it also unleashed a host of other problems.

"Forces that had been held in check by fear and force in the country of Iraq, divisions between religious groups ... suddenly came to the fore," he said. "A weak government in Bagdad really couldn't hold them in check."

"Civil conflict developed with the United States caught in the middle," he said.

From these conflicts came the rise of ISIS with the idea of resurrecting an old form of Islamic government, Stathis said, adding that the United States has been involved in a military campaign, if not a war, with ISIS for quite a long time, even though Congress refuses to pass legislation to officially recognize it.

Stathis said the ISIS conflict has taken attention away from another great problem in the area, the Arab-Israeli conflict, which he called "the oldest con-

SEE **ISIS** | 8

Paiute Tribal Council responds to Cedar High drill routine

BY CODY **SMITH**

Reporter

CEDAR CITY – The Tribal Council of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah stated its disappointment in Cedar High School's Mohey Tawa drill team for performing a dance routine it called culturally insensitive.

In response, John Dodds, Cedar High School principal, has assured the Tribal Council the dance will no longer be performed.

"The dance routine imitates the fancy shawl dance which is known as the 'Butterfly Dance' or 'Graceful Shawl Dance,'" Tribal Chairwoman Corrina Bow said in a recent press release. "The performance by the drill team showed no comprehension of this dance style. The way it was performed, with the dancers wearing wigs, holding fans and making dramatic movements, such as legs raised high in the air and bending over, misrepresented the beauty and graceful style of actual fancy shawl dancers."

According to the release, Mohey Tawa coach Janene McCurdy, along with other representatives of the drill team, met with the Tribal Council last April to inform council members they were developing a routine that incorporated Native American culture. Members of the Tribal Council reportedly expressed concern of the use of headdresses, eagle feathers, face paint and wigs.

Bow said, "There was a tremendous missed opportunity for the drill team, its

coaches and the Tribe when an idea had no follow up to developing a routine that would celebrate the relationship between Cedar High School and the Paiute Indian Tribe, or honor the dancing style of our fancy shawl dancers."

Bow said Native Americans live in two worlds – one with traditions, culture and sacred beliefs, and the other within modern society.

"This was unfortunate it happened but we must not let this hold us back in moving forward and demonstrating how we can come together – the Tribe and the school – and learn from this lesson," Bow said.

CHS student Braden Deschine said he has lived in Cedar City his entire life and has never felt as though the school system ever intended to do anything to offend the native peoples.

"Cedar High School was built around pride, and not disrespect," Deschine said.

Deschine served as the mascot at CHS for some time before giving it up due to an injury. He said he understands why some native people are offended. However, he said he believes people are too quick to judge the performance and believes the dance to have been meant to show respect rather than insensitivity.

"It would be nice to see everyone come together to make the school great and prideful; instead of trying to tear down the name and the school," Deschine said. "I believe there are bigger problems in this world that need to be solved rather than trying to tear each other down."

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2016 Week 6 Legislative Session Update

Week six is in the books, and now only four session days are left with a lot of work still to do. Preliminary numbers show our budget is balanced, and that's even with the \$80 million less we had to spend this year, due in part to the decrease of sales tax revenue, and decreased gas, oil and mineral extraction.

PUBLIC AND HIGHER EDUCATION

Public education will receive an additional \$440 million in funding this year, \$22 million more than even the governor recommended. The basic funding mechanism for public education, called the WPU (Weighted Pupil Unit), will be increased three percent, and \$90 million will go to cover growth in public education.

Higher education will receive \$5 million for performance-based funding, to help encourage increased higher education graduation and retention. Higher education employees (along with state employees) will receive a two percent salary increase, along with money to cover the increased costs of health care.

On a local level, SUU will receive \$8 million to go along with the \$9 million raised privately to construct a new business building on campus; \$1.5 million will be allocated to Dixie State University to work in cooperation with the University of Utah and Intermountain Healthcare to implement a physician assistant (PA) school in St. George.

A FEW OTHER FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS

There will be additional funds going into paying for state prisoners housed in county jails, including Beaver, Iron, and Washington County jails. Also, \$350,000 was approved to continue the very successful prairie dog management program, which we implemented last year. That program allowed for the Utah Division of Wildlife to trap and relocate the Utah prairie dog off private property onto protected federal lands; a win for everyone involved.

SAGE GROUSE

In a similar vein to the prairie dogs, the sage grouse issue has been difficult for our state because of personal property rights, state property, and federal lands. SB200 passed the senate and is now being heard in the house. That's a bill that creates the Sage Grouse Compensatory Mitigation Program, which helps protect sage grouse habitat while respecting personal property rights.

DEATH PENALTY

A bill called SB189 wants to abolish the death penalty as a form of punishment in our criminal code, for any sentences handed down after May of 2016. This bill passed in the senate by a very narrow margin of 15-12 on the third reading, and will now be heard in the House where it will face a stiff challenge for passage. Many Utahans, like myself, grew up with the concept the death penalty is a good deterrent to crime, and it's difficult to change those personal philosophies.

HATE CRIMES

Back in early February, Sen. Urquhart's bill, SB 107-Hate Crimes Amendments, was given a favorable recommendation from the Senate Judiciary, Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Standing Committee. But right after that, the LDS Church voiced concern the bill might throw off the balance of the compromise reached last year in the form of the Anti-Discrimination and Civil Liberties bill.

SB 107 generated lively debate in the senate, and did pass a second reading (part of the process of passing a bill are "readings," where the bill is repeatedly reviewed and debated), but the bill failed to advance on the third reading by a vote of 11-17 in the senate.

BODY CAMERAS

Senate Bill 94 passed committee and will now be heard on the floor of the senate. It directs Utah POST (Peace Officer Standards Trainings) to set state-wide policies regarding the use of police-worn body cameras, but still allows each local law enforcement agency to set their own standards, practices, and policies, provided they still conform with the standards established by POST.

A competing bill passed out of committee with a vote of 9-2. HB 300-Body-Worn Cameras for Law Enforcement Officers is different from SB 94. It requires Utah to create minimum guidelines for the use of body cameras for all agencies in the state, and that body-cam video be released to the public in certain situations where there's significant public interest. Most in the media support this bill, while those in law enforcement generally oppose it.

PORNOGRAPHY

Concurrent Resolution on the Public Health Crisis, a resolution designed to bring attention to the dangers of pornography, especially to developing minds, passed both the second and third readings this week. The resolution sponsor, Sen. Weiler, says every word in the resolution was written and supported by research from the National Center on Sexual Exploitation.

WILDLAND FIRE POLICY

SB 122 and SB 212 are both bills I've sponsored to shift policy toward prevention and mitigation regarding wildland fire. These bills are the culmination of three years of work to improve upon state policy and save our state a significant amount of money when it comes to wildfire suppression. The bills would require cities, municipalities and counties to implement local ordinances for homes that are built in at-risk areas, to have defensible spaces around them. They will also better train local firefighters and do projects in their areas that will reduce fire risk.

Only a few more days to go and then the session is complete. I appreciate your support more than you know. Thank you for the trust you've put in me. I hope my hard work and dedication to our area of southern Utah and to our state has proven that I don't take your trust in me lightly. Contact me anytime on my cell (435) 817-5565, or email evickers@le.utah.gov.



SEN. EVAN VICKERS
Utah State Senate



REP. JOHN WESTWOOD
Utah House of Representatives

The Utah Legislature is down to five days remaining (at the time this column was written) and now the long hours and work begins, as we will start early in the morning and go until late in the evenings.

Bills are starting to move quickly or will die as the budget numbers become more clear. The budget will be over \$14.5 billion and it is a moving fluid instrument now. Priorities remain the same: education and fiscal responsibility. We are truly protective of our educators and our children in their education.

Controversial bills will come to the House committees tomorrow and the final week. The two marijuana bills were passed in the senate and are in the house to be heard by house committees next week.

The Hate Crimes Bill was voted down in the senate. The Daylight Savings Time bill died in the committee again. It will be back next year as most bills do see a return the following session.

Violent altercations between some in the homeless population with law enforcement have prompted bills to help:

HB 436 Housing and Homeless Reform bill passed the house and is in the senate. This is a hard bill for me, as we need to take care of this population that seems to be ever-growing, but we could spend all of our budget here, and, ironically, by spending all our budget on the homeless it would create even more growth in this population.

We are in a state of reserved excitement as our new SUU Business Building remains high on the priority list for funding. STEM Center, Beverley Taylor Sorenson Elementary Arts, and Business Resource Centers are some of the funding issues for our area that we continue to fight for.

The House recognized educators who have received additional certifications in their profession. There was a moment of silence for 13 fallen soldiers in the armed forces that were killed during the past year, and their families were also recognized.

Some of the bills of interest that have been passed out of the House during the past week are as follows.

HB 279 – Statue of Limitations – Sexual Abuse of Children extends to 53 years for the time to bring forth claims that victims have been sexually abused.

HB 86 – Post-Retirement Employment Restrictions – Allows state employees to return to work after 60 days, which is reduced from one year. This action will help reduce shortages with

our educators, policemen and firefighters.

HB 276 – Utah Public Lands Management Act – Sets up the management framework to manage public lands when received from the federal government.

HCR 11 – Parks Reimbursement from Federal Government – Resolution to request reimbursement of funds from the federal government that was used to reopen parks, which amounts to \$1 million. Part has been paid, but part has not been paid. The state put this money up to reopen closed national parks with the promise that monies would be repaid.

HB 322 – State House Designation – A bill that seeks to rename the House building the Rebecca D. Lockhart House Building, in memory of the first woman Utah Speaker of the House and Representative, who passed away a few years ago.

HB 310 – Review of all Tax Credits – Bill calling for the review and audit of all tax credits for the state in an effort to eliminate those not used currently and determine the amount of credits given to taxpayers.

HJR 8 – Joint Resolution to Call for a Convention to Amend the Constitution – Resolution to call for a convention of states to amend the constitution of the United States, a limited agenda to call for a balanced budget, for example. Recommendations from the convention would have to be approved and ratified by three-fourths of the states and only 13 states attending could kill any recommendation.

HB 296 – Transportation Funding – Monies are being returned to the general fund to reduce fund level. All bonding for transportation funding will be paid off by 2030.

HB 300 – Body Worn Cameras for Law Enforcement – Guidelines bill to help agencies setup procedures for wearing of body cameras by law enforcement. Many issues of privacy and operations remain.

HB 405 – Juvenile Sentencing – Bill that prohibits the sentencing of youth 18 years and younger to life in prison without parole and changes to 25 years to life.

HB 439 – Retirement Amendments For Felony Convictions – Bill requiring forfeiture of certain retirement benefits by State employee if convicted of a felony.

Thanks again to all those who have taken time to send emails and texts on bills. It is most helpful to me. Thanks for your trust and the opportunity to represent Iron County District 72.



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SEN. EVAN VICKERS speaks to a group of 8th grade students during the 2016 Legislative Session.



THINKSTOCKPHOTOS

Women in Wildland Fire introduce women to careers with U.S. Forest Service

BY CRAIG BENNETT

Reporter

SOUTHERN UTAH – For women who love the outdoors, want to help their communities and country, and want to be leaders and role models, there are career options available.

According to a press release from Megan Saylor, with Women in Wildland Fire, four Utah National Forests have partnered to introduce women to career possibilities in wildland fire with the U.S. Forest Service. The Women in Wildland Fire program provides an opportunity to gain preparatory wild-fire training and experience and introduce participants to career options with natural resource management in the U.S. Forest Service.

The Dixie, Fish Lake, Manti-La Sal, and Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forests are looking for motivated hardworking individuals to train and become part of the Women in Wildland Fire program as “call when needed” wildland firefighters. Applications are available and accepted

online until March 11, 2016 at bit.ly/UTwiwf2016app.

Work as a wildland firefighter can be physically demanding and involve work in close proximity to open flames, heat and smoke, but it also lends itself to achieving teamwork skills and leadership development. Work consists of hiking, carrying heavy equipment, working near heavy machinery and using fire hand tools such as shovels and chainsaws.

“If you are considering being a wildland firefighter, this program provides female mentorship and training to be successful. Why not give it a try?” Saylor said.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old at time of employment, in good mental and physical condition, pass provided basic wildland firefighter training, pass agency work capacity test at the arduous level, and be able to make a three mile hike on flat ground with a 45 pound pack in 45 minutes or less.

For more information regarding WIWF, contact Megan Saylor at (435) 826-5478 or msaylor@fs.fed.us.



BIRDS

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a romantic rendezvous to collect roadkill to help feed his animals. Now, 38 years later, their relationship has not only survived, but thrived through thick and thin, gross and

gruesome.

Together, Martin and Susan Tyner began the Southwest Wildlife Foundation (www.gowildlife.org) and are continually improving the Cedar Canyon Nature Park so everyone can learn about how to protect and enjoy Southern Utah’s wildlife.

They also co-authored a book, “Healer of Angels,” describing Martin’s experiences as a master falconer and wildlife rehabilitator. Earlier this year, Tyner also received the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce award for being Cedar City’s Man of the Year.



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ISIS

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flict in the world going on today.”

“In spite of these inevitabilities, some of them ominous, some of them rather frightening, I’m going to do something controversial today in this presentation,” Stathis said. “I’m going to introduce an element of hope.”

With the election of Hassan Rouhani, a moderate, as the president of Iran, someone “who very much wants to better relations with the west,” Stathis said change is coming in Iran, “but it’s going to take a while.”

Talks have progressed to open Iran to international inspection, limit its nuclear program and prevent development of a nuclear weapon for a minimum of 10 years. Stathis said the plan has been berated on all sides, but it’s important that it happened because it marks the re-opening of positive relations between Iran and the west.

“Is there hope in this area? Yes, it’s minimal,

it’s small, but it is a beginning,” he said, noting that the war with ISIS will continue.

Stathis said the suggested remedies of carpet bombings, “making the sand glow,” and a dramatic infusion of American ground troops in the area, are exactly what ISIS wants.

“They would like nothing better than to see legions of American troops marching into this particular area, indeed much of their bloodshed has been designed to irritate us in the west, to goad us into an irrational reaction,” he said.

Stathis said there are long-term solutions to the problem and warned about the possibility of fanaticism in reaction. He suggested moderation of all kinds and a long-term need to deal with the effects of war in the area. “This is a wonderful place, a place with wonderful and very warm people,” he concluded. “Keep that in mind.”

Copies of Stathis’ lecture will be made available to the public, courtesy of the Faculty Senate.

CYCLOPS

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And I bet a lot of Ted Cruz supporters will remember that Trump labeled their candidate “a liar” and many Marco Rubio fans will recall Trump calling Rubio “a choke artist.”

Yes, I have to believe that Americans want a president to act presidential. It is not a matter of being politically correct; it is simply demanding that your president refrain from behavior that would earn your son or daughter a suspension or a cuff to the collar.

Maybe I’m Pollyannish. Maybe Americans really harbor hatred and

delight in making fun of U.S. prisoners of war, disabled individuals, and female reproductive cycles. Maybe Americans would vote for a man who resembles a loud-mouthed bully in a tavern, a man who applauds the “poorly educated” and makes frivolous promises about forcing Mexico to build wall.

But I doubt it. I have more faith Americans will find Trump entertaining, but not of presidential stature.

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Letterpress artist shares inspiration with members of the community

BY JEFF LOWE
Managing Editor

CEDAR CITY – Vida Sacic, an assistant professor in the College of Arts and Sciences at Northeastern Illinois University, recently shared her story and art inspiration with students and community members during Southern Utah University's Art Insights March 3 at the university's Auditorium Theatre.

Sacic, a native of Croatia, focuses her art expertise in letterpress printing and the intersection of graphic design and fine arts. After obtaining a degree in graphic design, Sacic felt unfulfilled working in the advertising industry and decided to return to school at the University of Indiana in Bloomington to rekindle her passion for art born from the castles and old ruins of her native country.

"Somehow I found my own space ... in the things that were around me," Sacic said

of growing up in Croatia. "If you look at the city itself, it's painted in beautiful baroque colors, so it was interesting growing up in this space that had (a) color scheme that was very much from another time and another space. It was interval with everyday life."

"All of these places that were magical, I feel kind of set me up to think that I wanted to try to pursue a charmed life and see what that meant for me."

While in Indiana, as part of a class project, Sacic was assigned to work with a printing plate, which sparked a lifelong interest in the medium.

"I found ... that not only did I enjoy this new print making process, this process of making work that was tedious, but more engaging and more alive and making me move more than my previous job, I also found that I really enjoyed teaching and working with students."

After graduating, Sacic moved to Chicago to pursue

a career in teaching and continue her passion for art.

Sacic drew inspiration from the architecture of Croatia as well as the urban architecture and cityscapes from her new surroundings to create prints and a book of her work. Sacic's work has been published in "For the Love of Letterpress: A Printing Handbook for Instructors and Students" as well as in "Fingerprint No. 2: The Evolution of Handmade Elements in Graphic Design," according to a press release from SUU's College of Performing & Visual Arts. Her work has been displayed in exhibits all over the country.

SUU's Art Insights is a weekly program where students and community members meet to experience presentations delivered by local and visiting artists and art instructors. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information about Art Insights, visit www.suu.edu/pva.



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SUU hosts high school dance festival

BY JEFF LOWE
Managing Editor

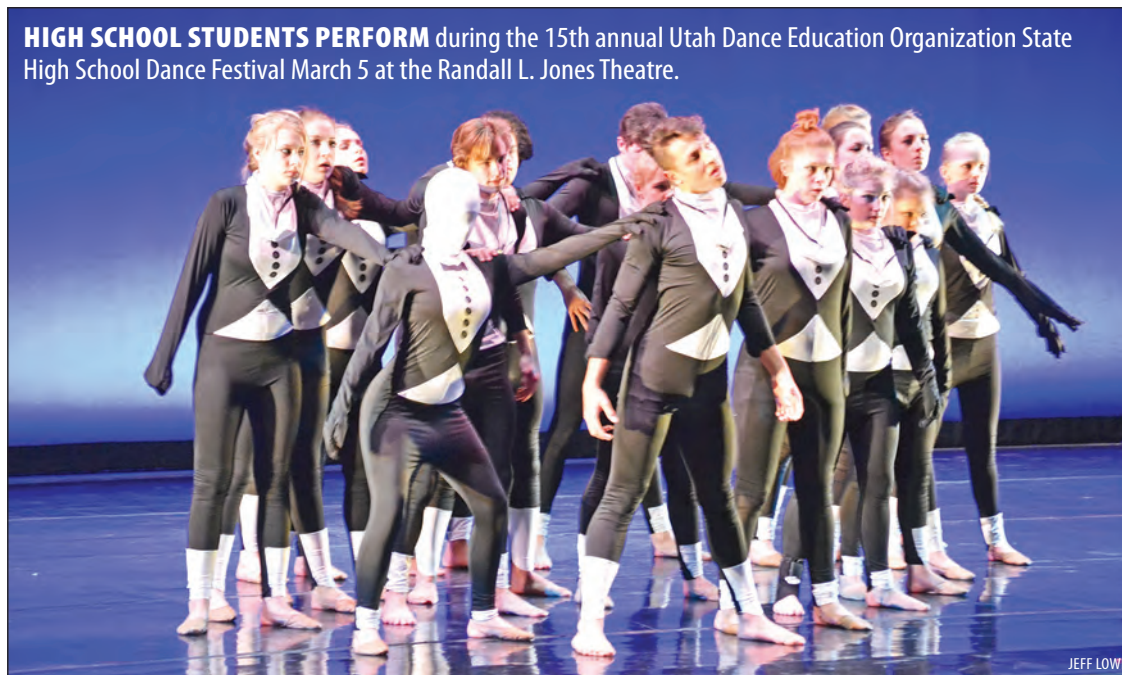
CEDAR CITY – High school dance students from across the state convened at Southern Utah University March 5 to participate in the 15th annual Utah Dance Education Organization State High School Dance Festival.

Approximately 400 students representing 20 high schools participated in classes early in the day and performed for each other and for community members at a gala concert Saturday evening at the Randall L. Jones Theatre.

"This is an opportunity for high school dance programs throughout Utah to share their work with their peers and the community of Cedar City," said Denise Purvis, SUU assistant professor of dance, in a press release from SUU's College of Performing & Visual Arts.

The Canyon View High School dance program, led by Jennie Grimes, participated in the

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PERFORM during the 15th annual Utah Dance Education Organization State High School Dance Festival March 5 at the Randall L. Jones Theatre.



JEFF LOWE

festival and gala concert, performing "Revolution" choreographed by Camila Causey and Autumn Williams. Canyon View dancers

included Causey, Williams, Shawn Barnhurst, Olivia Chavez, Carissa Christiansen, Laura Fillman, Morrigan Gillespie,

Victoria Heaton, Bethany Jake, Morgan Jenson, Danielle Kurtz, Geniveve Lopez, Kasei McGhie, Talise Mosley, Amelia Plummer,

Kimberli Rich, Celes Snedeger, Brandon Stone, Sarah Terry, and Katie Tremelling. Lopez was named Canyon View's Outstanding Dancer at the gala concert.

"The Utah Dance Education Organization, a state affiliate of the National Dance Educational Organization, is dedicated to the art form of dance as an essential component of life-long learning," according to the program notes for the gala. "UDEO offers vital support to the dance and education community in Utah by offering quality dance events, advocacy, and professional development. Some of the direct benefits to the k-12 setting include: the State High School Dance Festival, the Middle School and Junior High Festival, the National Honor Society for Dance Arts, and collaboration with the Utah State Office of Education."

For more information about the Utah Dance Education Organization, visit www.udeo.org.

NEARLY 200 MUSICIANS from Iron County, ages 4 through high school aged, gathered at CanyonView High to display their musical talents March 5 at the annual Strings Music Festival.



COREY BAUMGARTNER

Annual Strings Music Festival provides opportunities for youth

BY COREY BAUMGARTNER
Reporter

CEDAR CITY – The halls of Canyon View High School were filled with classical music and the sounds of instruments being tuned as the 33rd annual music festival for Iron County got underway on March 5.

Nearly 200 musicians from Iron County, ages 4 through high school aged, gathered at Canyon View High to display their

musical talents and earn cumulative points toward a gold cup trophy and a scholarship to Southern Utah University.

Students practiced for months memorizing two pieces of classical music that they performed in front of a panel of judges at the festival. The judges rated the musician's ability on a scale ranging from Fair (2 points) all the way to Superior (5 points). The musicians receive

points according to their ratings each year and a gold cup is earned at 15 points. Achieving a gold cup allows the musician to play in a special upcoming recital.

Following their performance, students also receive written critiques from the judges to help them become better musicians and build character through the discipline and passion it takes to play a musical instrument.

Children invited to audition for roles in USF's 'Mary Poppins'

BY JOSHUA STAVROS
Utah Shakespeare Festival

CEDAR CITY – Auditions for child actors to play the roles of Jane and Michael in this summer's Utah Shakespeare Festival production of "Mary Poppins" will be conducted March 19. The general call auditions will be in the Southern Utah University Auditorium Theatre (Room 109) on the corner of 300 West and Center Street from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

"These are exceptionally important roles in telling the story of 'Mary Poppins,'" said USF Artistic Director Brian Vaughn. "Whoever we select will need to be skilled enough to carry these large parts throughout the summer performance season."

Children auditioning should be between the ages of 9 and 13 and be able to play the ages of Jane (11) or Michael (9). They must be available for rehearsals and performances in Cedar City,

Utah from May 9 to Sept. 3. The chosen actors will be paid and, if not from Southern Utah, provided with housing.

Those interested must fill out the online registration form and also download sides and music for the audition at www.bard.org/auditions. Hopeful actors should arrive by 2:15 p.m. to check in and should come prepared to perform both sides and sing both songs. The general call will be followed by callback and dance auditions.

How to write a column through the Cedar City Arts Council for Iron County Today (Part One)

BY DEB SNIDER
Past President,
Cedar City Arts Council

In the spring of 2013, the Cedar City Arts Council and Iron County Today shook hands on a relationship that has proved to be beneficial to both parties, or so we like to think.

Since June of that year, the Arts Council, with very few weeks off, has run a weekly column in the paper on a wide variety of topics, all of them dealing with the state of the artistic culture of Iron County. The pieces have highlighted individuals, organizations, and events that have made contributions to the rich artistic climate in which we live.

We want to make it known that artists, arts groups, and arts organizations in the literary, performing, and visual arts may use this space to educate the population and promote their agendas. This two-part series will give vital information on how an interested party might make use of this opportunity. Today, we want to present some advice on how to write an informative, engaging article. Next week, we will discuss the procedures required to get the article published.

An article promoting a specific event should include the name of the individual, group, or organization sponsoring the event, the title of the event, the date(s) and time(s) of the event, its exact location, with street address and phone number, in case location verification is required, and information on the relevance of the event to the mission/vision of the individual or group, and

any other narrative of potential interest to the reader.

We also invite general interest columns about specific artists, information about arts groups, or profiles of arts organizations in Iron County. These topics might be information on how a particular group was formed, the philanthropic activities of the group, and interesting, behind-the-scenes glimpses of how the arts organization works.

There may be historical aspects of the organization, or educational application of the group that would be new information to your readers. Does your art have a particular medium, technique, or process that the community would find of interest?



Is there special application for children, inter-generational or family arts activities? Information on technique, medium, or process might provoke interest

in the nature of your particular art.

If you should feel uncomfortable about writing your piece yourself, all pertinent information may be emailed to Mary Anne Andersen at maryandersen@suu.edu and we will compose the article for you, and after your proof-reading input, see to it that your article appears in just the manner you had hoped.

Please do not submit these columns directly to Iron County Today; to make use of our space, they must be channeled through the Cedar City Arts Council editor.

Next week, we will present specific information on how to submit your work to the Arts Council and eventually see it in print.



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Wherever there was Big Paul, there was Little Paul

BY BECKI BRONSON

Special to Iron County Today

Paul Provost ("Big Paul") has driven trucks for Maverik Gas for the better part of his career and also drives a bus for the Iron County School District.

Provost has driven some difficult roads in his life, but it was in his second marriage where he found the pride and joy in life, his constant sidekick, his son, Little Paul.

"I'd take him to Smith's to go grocery shopping, and I had a hard time getting out of there," said the proud dad. "My Little Paul loved people; it didn't matter if they were strangers or friends, or anything else that makes people different from one another. He loved them all, and they loved him back."

Little Paul was born Feb. 16, 1985. Even before he was born, his parents knew he would have mental and physical challenges.

"He was born too early, and an ambulance rushed him from Wasatch County Hospital to Primary

Children's," said Provost. "A paramedic kept him alive with a hand respirator for over an hour until we got there. Little Paul was so small he could fit in the palm of my hand. We didn't know if he was going to live."

Little Paul stayed at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, off and on, for the better part of a year. He had to be fed by a tube for the first couple of years and could not eat solid food or by himself at all. He required constant care.

"Little Paul's mother was an angel, but home became a kind of a prison for her," said Provost. "When Little Paul turned four, she decided it was too much. Little Paul and I

were on our own from then on."

The duo became virtually inseparable.

"I bathed him, fed him, cared for him," he said. "He was my life ... He'd come and lay by the TV, and we'd watch Mr. Rogers Neighborhood over and

over and over again. He had a doll, a Nana doll, that he held and loved and was his favorite doll. We had to replace the body of the doll four different times!"

Provost chuckles when he remembers the unique and delightful things about Little Paul.

"Little Paul loved peanut butter sandwiches, and Cream O' Weber chocolate milk, but it had to be Cream O' Weber, not Nesquik or Meadow Gold. He loved

musicals, like 'The Sound of Music,' 'Jungle Book.' He was so cheerful. His words could sometimes be hard to understand, but only until you got to know him."

Provost had help from many people to watch Little Paul while he worked. "I had some wonderful caregivers that helped me. The school bus would drop him off at a caregiver's house after school until I got off work to come and pick him up," he said. "And every time, it didn't matter how many times, or where he was, every time I came to pick him up he would clap and clap and say 'Daddy's here!'"

Provost paused to wipe away tears. "I don't care how many times I heard that, it always made me so happy," he continued. "There were neighborhood teenage girls that would come to stay with him to watch him and just loved him. They'd watch him and when I'd come back, he'd say 'Go away Daddy.' He wanted those girls to stay!"



PHOTO COURTESY OF PAUL PROVOST

LITTLE PAUL PROVOST



PAINTING BY JENNIFER PALTRINERI

A PAINTING OF BIG PAUL AND LITTLE PAUL by Jennifer Paltrineri. The two were virtually inseparable.

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Leap Year babies at Valley View are c-section twins



PHOTO COURTESY OF VALLEY VIEW MEDICAL CENTER

DEANNA, FROM PAROWAN, holds her twin babies born Leap Year Day, Feb. 29, 2016, with Valley View Medical Center nurse Amber Morris by her side.

BY BECKI BRONSON

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To be born on a day that only occurs once every four years would be tricky, but for a Parowan mom, it really is more a lucky thing.

with husband Chris, have a 15-year-old daughter, Remington, and a 13-year-old daughter named Harley.

After having their two oldest, the Volks decided to have a tubal ligation, but a few years later felt

again, and tried one more time, and when two embryos were viable, we wanted to try for both, hoping that maybe one could stay viable."

They both stayed viable, and apparently the babies wanted to stay

"We've joked, of course, saying 'It will save us money ... because we'll just celebrate once every four years!'"

—Deanna, mother of Leap Year twins

The birth is lucky in more ways than one. Deanna gave birth to twins on Leap Year Day, Feb. 29, 2016, via c-section. The twins, a boy, Colton, and a girl, Oakley, are a double blessing. Deanna, along

it was too soon and that there were more children they wanted to have.

"Seven years ago I had a reversal surgery, and saved up enough to try in vitro last year, and it didn't work," said Deanna. "We saved up

right where they were, because finally, at 37 weeks, there was nothing to indicate labor was going to happen anytime soon.

"Dr. (Travis) Bilanzich

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Calendar

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 9

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

BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE COLOR COUNTRY CHAPTER MEETING, 7 to 8 p.m., Crystal Inn Cedar City, no dues, non-profit organization empowering abused children, for more information call 559-4505 or email colorcountrychapter@hotmail.com.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING, 10 a.m., Cedar City Library, for more information call Betty at 586-9790.

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.

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AWANA BIBLE CLUB, for youth ages 3 through sixth grade, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at Valley Bible Church, AWANA is a non-denominational children's Bible ministry with more than 60 years experience, for more information contact the church at 586-0253 or Keith at 865-1704.

ACTIVITY CLASS FOR THOSE WITH ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA, 11:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Cedar City Senior Center, \$25 includes lunch, snacks and materials, for more information call LuAnn Lundquist at (435) 319-0407.

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 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.

"STOP COMPARING YOURSELF TO OTHERS" BY VERNON HOWARD, "if I stopped comparing myself with others, would I begin to be real?," 7 p.m., a 25-minute video followed by casual discussion, free, Cedar City Library in the Park rare books room, The Literary Club, 559-7777.

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.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS WOMEN'S MEETING, noon, Cedar City Library in the Park.

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

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PAROWAN CITY COUNCIL, 6 p.m., Parowan City Office Building.

IRON COUNTY CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD, 7:30 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park, for more information visit www.ironcountycitizenreviewboard.org.

CEDAR CITY LIBRARY BOOK CLUB MEETING, 7 p.m. at the library, this month we will discuss "The Hired Girl" by Laura Amy Schlitz, the selection for April is "The Wright Brothers" by David McCullough.

COLOR COUNTRY NIGHTWRITERS MONTHLY MEETING, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park, rare books room, meeting open to all writers and would-be writers, no cost, if you are interested in writing or learning to write please attend.

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CEDAR CITY MASONIC LODGE #35 MEETING, 7 p.m., 2120 W. Skyview Road, Cedar City, for more information visit www.cedarcitylodge.org or call (435) 704-0045.

COLOR COUNTRY COMMUNICATORS, Cedar City Toastmasters, 7 a.m., 86 W. University Boulevard, Pastry Pub Banquet Room back door. Find your voice. Shape your future. Be the leader and speaker you want to be, www.cedarcitytoastmasters.org.

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

AL-ANON HOPE FOR TODAY (FOR THE FAMILIES OF ALCOHOLICS), 8 p.m., The KKCB Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main St., Cedar City, for information call (435) 531-1045.

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IRON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING, 7 p.m., Frontier Homestead State Park, 635 N. Main St. in Cedar City, this month's meeting will feature high school students Amy Zortman, Allyson Berri, and Miriam Schryver presenting on three different historical topics

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AWANA BIBLE CLUB, for youth ages 3 through sixth grade, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at Valley Bible Church, AWANA is a non-denominational children's Bible ministry with more than 60 years experience, for more information contact the church at 586-0253 or Keith at 865-1704.

ACTIVITY CLASS FOR THOSE WITH ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA, 11:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Cedar City Senior Center, \$25 includes lunch, snacks and materials, for more information call LuAnn Lundquist at (435) 319-0407.

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 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.

"YOU ARE THE SOURCE OF LOVE" BY JAMES SWARTZ, "expecting permanent love from objects, situations or others," 7 p.m., a 25-minute video followed by casual discussion, free, Cedar City Library in the Park rare books room, The Literary Club, 559-7777.

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

Schools



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THE CEDAR MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVANCED ORCHESTRA has qualified for the State Middle School/Junior High Orchestra Festival at University of Utah's Libby Gardner Hall on March 15.

East Elementary takes part in performing arts

Two weeks ago, East was honored in hosting SUU's traveling Play Team directed under Michael Bahr. They are a traveling performing group.

Seven from this fabulous group made their way to our school assembly. They put on a few different skits, and involved students in grades K-5. The students loved being a part of performing arts, and they were really excited about it during the performance and when it was over.

It's always fun when a school can get groups like this to come in and work with our students. It opens their eyes to new and exciting possibilities in their future.

Gateway Academy students go skiing

"The secret of good teaching is to regard the child's intelligence as a fertile field in which seeds may be sown, to grow under the heat of flaming imagination." Maria Montessori

Gateway Academy's middle school students had a wonderful time this week at Brian Head Resort learning how to ski and snowboard. Students took lessons and practiced on a beautiful, sunny day. Thank you to Brian

Head Resort for this opportunity for our students.

We have also been celebrating "Love of Reading" week. Students decorated their classroom doors like various children's books. The middle school students have been going into the lower elementary classrooms and reading books to the students. This has been a great opportunity for both ages to learn and read together. Our Director, Mr. Burt, spent a day reading his favorite stories to students.

Last week Cedar View Pediatric Dentistry came to our school to talk about dental hygiene. Students loved learning about their teeth and how to take care of them better.

Three Peaks to host science activities

Three Peaks Elementary will host Science Festival activities March 14-18. On March 14, the Animal Ambassadors from SUU will bring their animal friends and teach the students about caring for animals and their habitats.

On March 15 and 17, SUU students will bring a planetarium and let students enjoy gazing at the stars projected on the roof of the giant blowup bubble. ArtsFusion, made possible by the Sorenson Legacy Foundation, will teach the students about circuits by making greeting cards with built in circuits. The Natural History Museum will sponsor another activity involving circuits.

The second annual Science Festival will take place on March 18.

Classroom teachers will host a science share in their rooms for parents to attend and witness the work their child has been studying about a particular science concept. We believe elementary students learn science best when they are involved in first-hand exploration and investigation and when inquiry/process skills are nurtured. The Science Festival setting will be a place where students feel comfortable sharing their ideas and where they will be given opportunities to interact with their peers.

Science share times will be 2 to 2:45 p.m. for third through fifth grades and 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. for Kindergarten through second grades. Please feel free to visit; the students would love to share their science ideas and creations with you.

North Elementary works together for common good

North Elementary is thrilled with the participation we had in our second parent/teacher conferences of the year. All but three students in the entire school were represented. That's more than 99 percent participation! Way to go parents and teachers!

Our goal is to be completely



PHOTOS COURTESY OF GATEWAY PREPARATORY ACADEMY

GATEWAY CELEBRATED "Love of Reading" week last week. Students decorated their classroom doors like various children's books.

transparent and informative regarding your child's progress and what we can do to support parents in their efforts to ensure their children at North receive a GREAT education.

On a separate note, we wanted to let parents know that our "Leader in Me" habit for this month is "Synergize!" This means working together for the common good. We believe strongly that helping others succeed will help us succeed! Please help emphasize this habit with your children as you do chores around the house, work on homework, or even as you work to solve family disagreements. TOGETHER IS BETTER!

Cedar Middle qualifies for state orchestra festival

The Cedar Middle School Advanced Orchestra has qualified for the State Middle School/Junior High Orchestra Festival! The students of the Advanced Orchestra worked hard to demonstrate their best playing on one slow and one faster/more technical piece to show dynamic contrast, excellent intonation, great balance and blend, and beautiful tone.

We recorded our playing and sent the CD to the judges. They listened to all of the submissions and chose the top

18 middle school and junior high orchestras in the state to participate in the festival. Our CMS Advanced Orchestra will be traveling to Salt Lake to perform at University of Utah's Libby Gardner Hall on March 15.

These students have been working so hard and improving every day. This will be an exciting festival opportunity for them.

CV Middle Jazz Band attends jazz festival

Canyon View Middle School is proud to announce that the Cougar Jazz Band attended the SUU High School Jazz Festival this past Saturday. It was an honor to attend and participate with so many great bands. The band performed a few charts it has been working on this semester.

The clinicians were highly complimentary and said the band sounded great and "more mature than a middle school ensemble." We want to thank all the parents who were so great to come out and support our bands.

Also we have a busy bunch of science coming up: March and April will be very busy for Accelerated Science students in 7th and 8th grade. Many students will be participating in the regional Science Fair, Science Olympiad, and "You Be The Chemist" competitions.

NEED of the WEEK

The Need of the Week comes from the Bread of Life soup kitchen. Bread of Life needs bone-in hams for a special meal for the poor during the Easter holiday. The hams do not necessarily need to be sliced. Any other holiday foods will also be glad-

ly accepted and appreciated.

Call Laura at (435) 559-7737 for information on how to help. If you have any other questions, please email me, Robert McCoy, at help.for.the.homeless.one@gmail.com.

People

MISSIONS

Sister Miranda White



Sister Miranda White will return from serving in the Georgia Atlanta Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on March 10, 2016. Sister White will report on her mission March 13, 2016 at 11 a.m. at the Cross Hollow Stake Center. She is the daughter of Garret and Melinda White. Welcome home Sister White.

Sister Sarah Lynn Kunzler



Sister Sarah Lynn Kunzler has returned home from serving her 18-month mission in the Virginia Chesapeake Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She will speak in church March 13, 2016 at the Cedar City West Stake Center (725 S. 1100 West) at 1 p.m. She is the daughter of David and Carol Kunzler.

SWATC receives scholarship donation from The Three Corners Women's Giving Circle

BY PEGGY GREEN
Special to Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY – Southwest Applied Technology College has announced a \$1,250 scholarship donation from Three Corners Women's Giving Circle.

The Three Corners Women's Giving Circle has granted Southwest Applied Technology College \$1,250 to use toward two scholarships of \$625 for girls or women to enroll in computer science programs.

According to the National

Center for Women and Information Technology, in 2014, 26 percent of computing workforce was comprised of women, and 20 percent of Advanced Placement Computer Science test-takers were female.

Southwest ATC seeks to increase female enrollment in computer science programs by offering these and other scholarships. The scholarships of \$625 each will be awarded to graduating female high school seniors and/or nontraditional female students.

The scholarship represents up

to 30 percent savings on an entire SWATC Computer Science Program. Scholarships, along with federal financial aid and veterans education benefits assist students with the financial necessities of enrollment.

Student Services Director James Mullenau said, "This generous gift from Three Corners Women's Giving Circle will support the goal of increasing female enrollment in computer science programs. The growth and job skills of these students (are) vital to our service region and the economic development of Iron County."

PAUL

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wanted those girls to stay! Then I'd smile and say 'OK,' and go to leave and he'd say 'Don't mean it!'"

Big and Little Paul lived in Hurricane, where Little Paul graduated from high school and became well known for his pure heart, his friendliness, and genuine love of all.

"What was really neat, when he graduated, they had the ceremony there in the Burns Arena, and when he came through the truss on his wheelchair, his whole class stood up and cheered and applauded," he said. "Then the whole arena was on their feet applauding. I couldn't believe the love people had for him."

On the afternoon of Little Paul's 16th birthday their lives unexpectedly took a difficult detour.

"We were eating his birthday cake, when suddenly I thought he was choking on his cake," said Provost. "I started thumping on his back until I realized he was having a major seizure."

An ambulance was called and Little Paul was taken to Dixie Regional, where it took him several hours to fully come out of his seizure. And inexplicably, from then on, Little Paul was forced to endure daily seizures, sometimes up to 20 a week.

"The medication we put him on helped to make them happen less and less, but he slept in the same room as me, so I could hear him when he would have a seizure," said Provost. "I would help talk him through it, I'd say 'Breathe, Little Paul, it will be OK, just breathe, hang on.'"

As years went by, mercifully the seizures gradually subsided, to where they had seemed to stop happening. On June 12, 2014, Big Paul needed to have knee surgery, so arrangements were made for Little Paul to stay with some good friends, who also drove school bus.

Provost stayed at Kolob Rehabilitation, across from Valley View Medical Center, for the night, when early in the morning of June 13, he got a call from his friend.

"(He) tried and tried

but couldn't bear to tell me," Provost said. "They were beside themselves with grief."

During the night, Little Paul had had one final seizure, this one taking his life.

Provost wasn't supposed to be on his knee that soon after his surgery, but he asked the workers from Kolob to help him outside.

"We stood there just in time to see the ambulance coming back to the hospital, driving so slow, you know. I just said, 'This can't be happening, this can't be happening,'" he said.

Provost said he has faith that there was a reason he wasn't there that night that Little Paul died.

"I wasn't there to help him like I normally do in a seizure," he says quietly. "I think the Lord must have wanted him home. I really do."

His eyes filled with anguish and tears as he said, "We all go through our trials, you know. And I was fortunate enough to have Little Paul for 29 years. And because I know where he's at now, I gotta live my life right so

that I can be with him."

Featured during Little Paul's funeral program was Maverik's Jerry Argyle, who spoke about the beautiful love between father and son, and presented Big Paul with a plaque commemorating Little Paul's travels with his father (The plaque says: "Honorary Maverik Fuel Driver, Presented to Little Paul. A Recognition of your Positive Attitude and Sweet Spirit out on the Road and in Life.>").

Now, a year and a half later, Provost continues to carry on with his journey, but without his adored son.

"The phrase I will miss the most is hearing Little Paul say, 'I love you, my Daddy!'" said Provost. "We had a special bond, and time and space won't ever break it."

"There are things in life other than family that can seem really important at the time, but put those things aside," he continued. "To be there with your children, for your children, all you can be is such a gift. To be the kind of person Little Paul was, who loved everyone the same, is all that really matters."

90TH BIRTHDAY

Bob Jensen



Who can believe this man will be celebrating his 90th birthday? An open house will be held in his honor Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the LDS Church Relief Society room, 90 S. Main St., Parowan, Utah. Light refreshments will be served. All those who know him are invited to attend.

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, Suite 12, Cedar City. The deadline is Wednesday at 5 p.m. for the next week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Call 867-1865 ext. 6 for pricing for all other announcements.

What's Inside the Cedar City Clinic?

We are a full-spectrum medical clinic for patients of all ages with acute and chronic medical problems. We offer Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Neurology, and OB/GYN services with emphasis on prenatal care, preventive care, and wellness. We're available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call (435) 868-5500 to schedule an appointment or for more information.



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Interfaith Alliance sewing day to benefit local children

BY JEFF **LOWE**

Managing Editor

CEDAR CITY – The Cedar Area Interfaith Alliance will host a sewing day March 16 to benefit local children in need.

Community members are invited to join CAIFA starting at 10 a.m. at the Young Single Adult Stake Center (60 N 900 West near the Southern Utah University) to sew teddy bears and quilts that will be donated to the Cedar City Fire Department and the Cedar City Police Department to bring comfort to children in crisis.

No experience is necessary and community members are encouraged to bring personal supplies including pins, scissors, cloth, sewing machines and quilting frames.

Pizza and salad will be provided for lunch, along with homemade cookies for dessert, according to a press release from CAIFA. Representatives from the police and fire departments will also attend the event to speak to the sewers during lunch.

Members of CAIFAs “Cookbook Ladies” are known for the “Joy of Cooking” cookbook, which contains over 600 recipes including appetizers, beverages, soups and salads, side dishes, main dishes, breads, desserts, and some recipes just for fun, according to the release. Cookbooks will be available for purchase at the sewing party. Money raised from the sale of the cookbook has been given to the Iron County Care and Share building fund, according to the release.

CAIFA is comprised of members of St. Jude’s Episcopal, Christ the King Catholic Church, Westview Christian Center, Trinity Lutheran, Parowan United Methodist, Community Presbyterian, Sunrise Christian Center and The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints.

For more information, contact Gayle Horn at (435) 867-6132 or Diane Molnar at (435) 867-9163. If you are able to bring a sewing machine, contact Barbara Shakespeare at (435) 586-9795 or Anne Leavitt at (435) 590-3550.



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PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Interfaith Sewing Day!

Wednesday, March 16, 2016 | YSA Stake Center 60 N 900 W | 10:00AM – Until Finished!

Lunch will be served at noon!

Please come and enjoy the camaraderie and fun, while we work to bless children in crisis.

We will be sewing many quilts and cuddly teddy bears for children in crisis. These will be donated to the Cedar City Police Department and the Cedar City Fire Department to be given to children in need of comfort.

Please bring scissors, pins, irons, and a sewing machine (if possible).

If you are able to bring a sewing machine please call:
Barbara Shakespeare: 586-9795 | Anne Leavitt: 590-3550

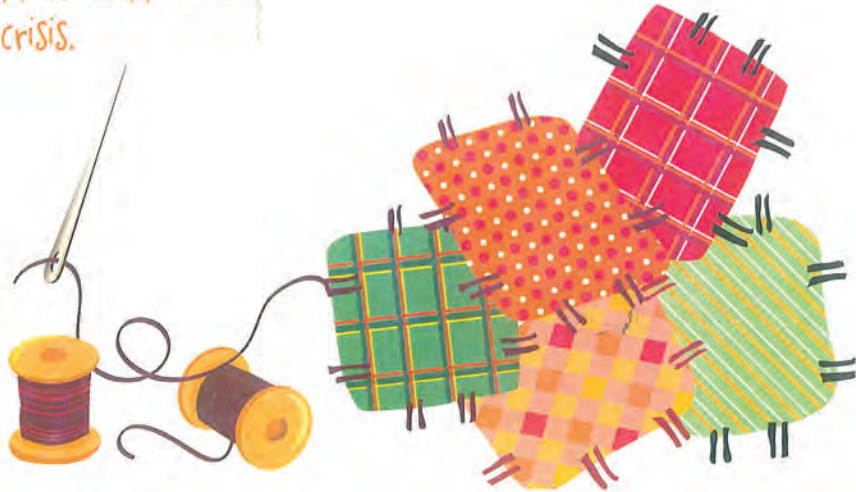


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Church Service Directory

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

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

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

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

9 a.m. & 11 a.m., -
Sundays

Enoch Stake
3600 N. Minersville
Hwy., Enoch
586-5950

9 a.m., 11 a.m. &
1 p.m. - Sundays
Parowan Stake
90 S. Main St.,
Parowan
477-8929
9 a.m. & 1 p.m. -
Sundays

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

Community Presbyterian Church
2279 N. Wedgwood Ln.,
Cedar City
10 a.m. - Sundays
Childcare Available
586-8891

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

Grace and Truth Fellowship
A Church of Christ
195 W 650 S, Cedar City
10 a.m. & 11 a.m. - Sundays
6 p.m. - Wednesdays
238-3886

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

Light of the Valley Fellowship Church
995 S. Regency Rd.,
Cedar City
(Emerald Pointe)
1:30p.m. - Sundays
590-7362

Mountain View Baptist Church
1160 S. 860 West,
Cedar City
11 a.m. & 6 p.m. -
Sundays
865-1211

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

Parowan United Methodist Church
190 N. Main, Parowan
10 a.m. - Sundays,
6:30 p.m. - Thursdays
477-1334

Red Hills Southern Baptist Church
4277 N. Wagon
Wheel Dr., Enoch
10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. -
Sundays
865-7068

Sunrise Christian Fellowship
201 E. 3800 N.
Enoch
(Gateway Academy)
10 a.m. - Sundays
586-3640

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

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

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

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

Westview Christian Center
2624 W. Hwy 56,
Cedar City
11 a.m. - Sundays,
6:30 p.m. - 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

Elwood Decker Benson

A Life Well Lived



Elwood Decker Benson passed away on Feb. 25, 2016 at age 82 in the Iron County Nursing Home, Parowan Utah.

Elwood was born to Richard and Pearl Benson in Parowan, Utah on Oct. 21, 1934. He had two older brothers, Keith and Clair, and a younger brother, Wayne. He graduated from Parowan High School in 1952 then served an LDS mission in the Tennessee area. After returning from his mission, he joined the US Army and served from May 1957 to April 1959 then continued in the reserves until 1963.

He attended the Branch Agricultural College in Cedar City, Utah for a short time; afterwards he went to work for Sears in California and then back to Salt Lake City. In 1965 he started his career with the US postal service in Salt Lake City, Utah and retired in 1992 and moved back to Parowan.

Elwood was very devoted and active in the LDS Church. He was very charitable and gave to many organizations throughout his life. He also had many hobbies, some of which were night sky watching, model trains, and having an avid interest in Military History, Native America history and learning about other cultures.

Elwood is survived by Keith and Barbara, Clair and Pat, Wayne and Alice, 11 nieces and nephews, and other great- and great-great-nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by both of his parents, Richard and Pearl Benson, and one sister-in-law, Marcaine.

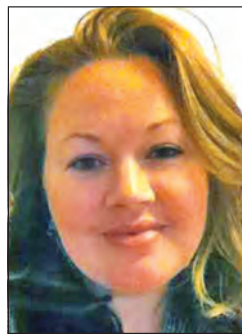
Graveside services were March 5, 2016 at the Parowan Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. A viewing was on Friday, March 4 at Southern Utah Mortuary - Parowan (15 E. 100 North, Parowan, Utah). On Saturday, March 5 a viewing was held at the mortuary (in Parowan). Condolences can be made online at www.sumortuary.com.

Blue Skies: "God Hath not promised Skies always blue, Flower-strewn pathways All our lives through; God hath not promised Sun without rain, Joy without sorrow, Peace without pain.

"But God hath promised Strength for the day, Rest for the labor, Light for the way. Grace for the trials, Help from above, Unfailing sympathy and Undying Love . . ." (Author Unknown)

Obituaries

Tavia CV Christensen



Tavia CV Christensen, 35, passed away on the morning of Feb. 29, 2016 in Cedar City, Utah. She was born on March 18, 1980 in St. George, Utah to Stanley and Sandra Schlosser Christensen.

She spent her early years in Hurricane, Utah, and her secondary years in Logan, Utah.

Tavia loved her family and being a mom. When she was young, she loved taking girls' camping vacations with her sisters, cousins, aunt, and grandma. She loved being in the outdoors and this passion continued when she became a mom. She loved spending time in the mountains or at a lake with her sons and doing the "boy's stuff."

One of the things people will remember about Tavia is her sense of humor. She loved to joke and would never turn down a dare. The sound of her laughter will remain with us always.

Tavia had a generous heart. She would take anyone into her home, reached out to those in need, was concerned about everyone else's well-being, and was always a good listener. She was a people person. Tavia was loved by many and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Tavia was preceded in death by her son Thomas H. R. Christensen; her grandpa Rolin Christensen; and her cousin Hillary Erin Gerber.

Tavia is survived by her sons Skyler Masterson, Shawn Fox Masterson, and Davin Jamie Hamlin; her mother, Sandra Louise Christensen; her father, Stanley Lorel Christensen, her brothers and sisters, Kyle Ray Fletcher, Natasha C. Everton, Shawn Thomas Lahammer, Kerry Thayne Christensen, Kimberly Ann Higginson, Taren Leigh Christensen, and Brittney Marie Christensen, her Grandma Schlosser, Grandma Christensen, along with a loving and large extended family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to State Bank of Southern Utah under Tavia Christensen.

Close friends and family members may share condolences on Saturday, March 5 from 3-5 p.m. at the 2nd Ward building located at 256 S. 900 W. in Cedar City, Utah. Arrangements are being handled by Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

Richard Thomas Harris



Jan. 15, 1924 - March 4, 2016

Richard Thomas (Tom) Harris passed from this life to the next in Parowan, Utah, on March 4, 2016, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Jan. 15, 1924, in Magna, Utah, to Roy Elmore Harris and Martha Vilate Deland, the fourth of nine children. Tom's family moved to Mesa, Ariz. in 1927.

Tom enlisted as a Marine in 1942 and served his country in WWII as a tail-gunner in a dive bomb squadron. He and his childhood sweetheart, Beverly Blackburn, were married on March 16, 1943, in the Arizona LDS Temple, just days before he departed for the South Pacific.

In Mesa, he built a thriving construction business, served as an LDS bishop for many years, participated as a city councilman, and all seven of Beverly's and his children were born: Anna, Tom Jr., Dan, Jim, Bev, Chuck, and Becky.

Tom and Beverly moved their family to Parowan, Utah, in 1965, following Tom's lifelong dream to become a farmer. In Parowan, Tom also served as an LDS high councilman and on the city council. Their only time away from Parowan was when they served a three year LDS building mission in England.

Following Beverly's passing in 1998, Tom married Carol Henderson, then later Nadine Davis, both of whom preceded him in death.

Parowan has been his home for the past 51 years, and most people in town could tell you a story of some way Tom Harris has positively touched their lives. Tom loved the Boy Scout program and has been a leader and teacher to countless young men. His devotion to God, family, and country was unmatched. His greatest possession was his testimony of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Handing out silver dollars to everyone in town has long been his signature gesture, his way of making sure people knew they were loved.

Tom is survived by his children: Tom (Linda) Harris, Jim (Gail) Harris, Bev Slaughaupt, Chuck (Dianna) Harris, Becky (Stewart) Gower; daughter-in-law Andrea (Bob) Augenstein; 44 grandchildren; 100 plus great-grandchildren and sisters Ann (Ben) McKernan and Pat (Richard) Barrett.

He is preceded in death by his wife Beverly Ann Blackburn; daughter Anna Charee Mecham (Frank Mecham); son Daniel William Harris; grandson Jimmy Harris; granddaughter Heidi Stephensen; grandson Benjy Mecham; and great-grandson Tyler Stephensen.

Funeral services will be Saturday, March 12 at 11 a.m. in the West Ward building, Center Street and 100 West, in Parowan, Utah. A viewing will be Friday night, March 11 from 6 to 8 p.m., Parowan West Ward building, and Saturday from 9 to 10 a.m. in the West Ward building. Interment will be at the Parowan Cemetery.

Local Marine Corps League Auxiliary seeking new members

BY MARTHA MCCLURE

Special to Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY – Cedar City is the home of the Major David John Richsteig Unit No. 490 of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary.

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary was chartered on Sept. 4, 1937 as a subsidiary organization of the Marine Corps League. On Aug. 25, 1950, the Auxiliary was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia as an affiliate of the Marine Corps League. Cedar City received its charter on Jan. 30, 2010 and

has been serving the community for six years.

The purpose of the charter is to serve veterans, their families and the community; its primary project focus has been the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen. The organization has also donated to Deseret Industries and Catholic Relief. It has raised money with yard sales, bake sales, and has assisted the Marine Corps League with the Rose Program and Toys for Tots. Its members visit veterans in local senior care living facilities and have participated in local parades.

As patriots, members of the Marine

Corps League Auxiliary preserve the traditions and promote the interests of the United States Marine Corps, and maintain true allegiance to American institutions. They hold sacred the history and memory of the men and women who have given their lives to this country. They foster love of honesty, loyalty, truth and a reverence to God, country, families and homes.

The Major David John Richsteig Unit No. 490 of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary is seeking new members. Interested persons may contact Lucy Venables at (435) 586-9628 or Martha Minnick-McClure at (435) 865-6433.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARTHA MCCLURE

MARTHA MCCLURE, Kay Sheehan, Margaret Reynolds, Lucy Venables, Doris Alger, Dolores Hoepfner and Betty Simvastatin pose for a photo at the annual installation ceremony of the Major David John Richsteig Unit No. 490 of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary. The next installation will be on April 23, 2016.

TWINS

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said he didn't want me to go past 38 weeks, and Leap Year Day happened to be right at 38 weeks," said Deanna. "He asked if it was alright they were born on Leap Year Day, and I couldn't even walk or move at this point I was so huge, so I wasn't about to argue the day!"

"We've joked, of course, saying 'It will save us money ... because we'll just celebrate once every four years!'" laughed Deanna.

On the morning of Feb. 29, at 7:08 a.m. Oakley was born, weighing in at 5 pounds, 7 ounces. Then it was Colton's turn at 7:09 a.m., weighing in at 5 pounds 12 ounces. It turns out one of the nurses that helped her the morning of delivery, Valley View's Bree Rayburn, RN, was herself a leap year day baby. "The nurses were saying, 'Hey, it's Bree's birthday today too, she's 9 now!'" said Deanna.

Deanna has plenty of help with the twins, not only because the twins have two older and excited sisters, but that, luckily, Parowan seems to know a thing or two about twins.

"My husband and girls and I were counting how many sets of twins we knew in Parowan, and we counted 15 sets," said Deanna. "Several of those families are fairly close friends of mine, and have been great to offer support and good advice. It's been fun."

Chris and Deanna decided that for the future, the twins will end up celebrating their birthday on March 1.

"Between Chris and I, we have 12 family member birthdays in February. It seemed to be a good solution to have them celebrate in March, so March 1 it is."

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016

T-Bird gymnasts hit homestretch looking for upswing

BY TOM ZULEWSKI

Sports Writer

By her own admission, Southern Utah gymnast Stacie Webb calls herself “a bit of a perfectionist.” Her T-Bird teammates have kicked their competitive fire into a higher gear as the regular season hits the homestretch.

After closing its home schedule with an impressive showing in an upset of No. 3 Michigan on Feb. 19, SUU followed that up one week later with a second straight 196 team score (196.000) in a victory at BYU.

Even after the 196.300 against the Wolverines, T-Bird coach Scott Bauman isn't letting the team rest on its laurels.

“The ladies had a great showing at Brigham Young University,” Bauman said. “It was a tough meet, close the entire time. I love how they came from behind after the first two rotations and held onto the lead going to the final rotation. It's not an easy thing to do on the road if you're in that position.

“Even though a 196 road score is great, we feel like we can do much better. Our depth is getting better and stronger every day.”

The back-to-back weeks with 196 were the first of the season for Southern Utah, which sat as the 27th ranked team in the country heading into a four-way road meet at No. 12 California on March 4 that included Michigan State and Lindenwood.

“This team is fully capable of high 196s, 197s,” Bauman said. “All of our athletes can score very well and have done so all year. We just have to put it together now.”

For Webb, her personal search for perfection is a symbol of the T-Birds' season-ending push.

“I'm still looking for that 10,” Webb said. “At the Michigan meet, I probably did my worst beam routine of the year. It made me angry, so it only added fuel to the fire for BYU.”

Her end result against the Cougars on beam was a 9.925. Bauman called Webb's routine “pretty legit.”

For senior Natalie Trejo,

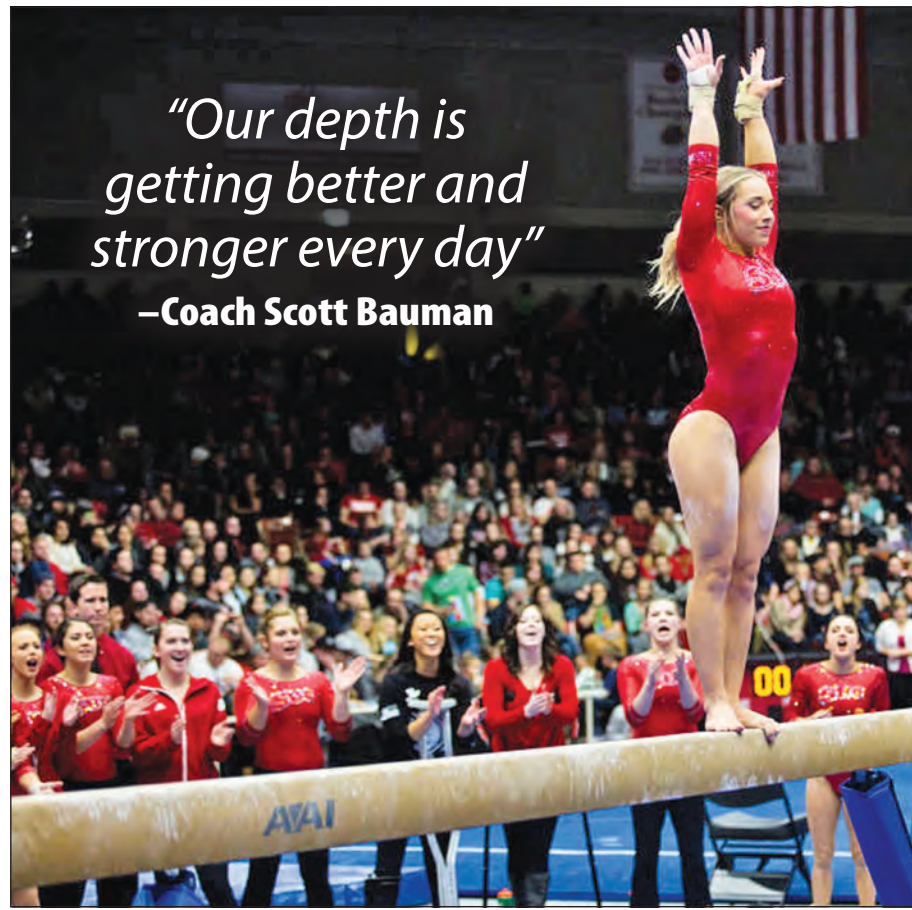
the prestige name of any opponent – California, Michigan, Utah, etc. – doesn't really matter to her or her teammates.

“I don't really pay attention to Pac-12 because it doesn't really matter what conference you're in,” Trejo said. “My motto for this year is ‘we do good gymnastics,’ and that's all I focus on because scoring has been really hard this year with rule changes and everything.”

For Bauman, the scoring standards handed out by the judges has given him a full share of sleepless nights.

“I wish it would be consistent throughout the country, but it just isn't,” Bauman said. “In many ways, we had a better meet at BYU than we did at Southern Utah (against Michigan). The scoring is crazy. The judges keep me awake all the time.”

After this weekend's meet at Boise State, the T-Birds will return there for the Mountain Rim Gymnastics Championship on March 19. The NCAA Regionals happen April 2.



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–Coach Scott Bauman

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Southern Utah – Munns 3, Baird 8, Reid 10, Koerber 8, McDonald 5, Herrud 5, Frandsen 14, Richardson 18, Smith 3. Totals 29-72 12-16 74. 3-pointers – Munns 1, Reid 1, McDonald 1, Smith 1.



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T-Birds overrun by Hornets

BY TOM ZULEWSKI

Sports Writer

The Southern Utah women's basketball team had a good wave of momentum built up after winning its first Big Sky game of the season over Northern Arizona on Feb. 27. A chance to move up a notch from the bottom of the standings was for the T-Birds' taking.

Sacramento State – a team that comes at opponents in waves and shoots more from beyond the 3-point arc – came to the Centrum and made its offensive surges count in the second half.

Adella Randle-El scored 25 points and the Hornets held the T-Birds in check over the final two quarters in an 82-74 victory March 2 to stay in seventh place in the Big Sky standings heading into the regular-season finale. With the loss, SUU fell to 1-16 and into last place after Portland State defeated Northern Arizona in Flagstaff, 88-80, to pick up its second conference win (2-15).

“We executed relatively well in the way we prepared,” SUU coach Chris Boettcher said. “Unfortunately in the second half, we just couldn't get the 8- to 10-foot jump shot to go down.”

SUU led 45-42 at the half, but Sacramento State (9-8 Big Sky) did damage from behind the 3-point line to take control. When Randle-El hit one from long range with 4 minutes, 35 seconds left in the third quarter, it broke a 50-50 tie and gave the Hornets the lead for good.

“Every player has those kind of games where they can't hit a shot or they're getting in their own head,” said SUU junior Jessica Richardson, who led the T-Birds with 18 points. “I don't think it was anything different they tried to do against me. I felt pretty confident on the block and every shot I took felt good. They just didn't fall.”

Richardson was held scoreless in the third quarter and the T-Birds managed just 11 points as the Hornets took a 61-56 lead. Sac State would get 3-pointers from

Randle-El and Taylor Brown in an 8-2 run over the first three minutes of the fourth quarter that built the lead to 69-58, its largest of the night.

The Hornets forced 24 SUU turnovers and made half of their field goals (13 of 26) from behind the 3-point line. T-Bird freshman Darri Frandsen, who added 14 points and six rebounds, said the constant pressure at both ends of the floor was mentally draining.

“We're running up and down trying to transition. They're running up and down, go, go, go,” Frandsen said. “The pace of the game was something we're not used to.”

For the game, SUU shot 51 percent in the first half, but slumped to 29 percent in the second. The T-Birds had a 52-42 rebounding edge, but made only four 3-pointers. Sacramento State was 17-of-22 at the free-throw line to SUU's 12-of-16.

Gretchen Harrigan backed up Randle-El with 17 points and Brown added 12 for the Hornets.

Little Sharks Swim Academy offers swim classes in Cedar City

BY MIKE MCCOY

Special to Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY – Kirstin and Mike McCoy first talked about opening a swim school when Mike was stationed with the Marines in Virginia and their first two sons were taking lessons in a local program.

Mike believed that Kirstin, with more than 20 years coaching experience, would be good at getting young children and adults to swim and improve their confidence.

“It was challenging to think of opening up a business while being in the military and moving around so much so we never really acted on the notion of having our own school,” Mike said.

While on their final tour in Okinawa, Japan, the couple decided to buy a license and start what would later become Little Sharks Swim Academy located in Cedar City at the Southern Utah University’s Aquatics Center.

Since Mike was born in Milford, the couple included Southern Utah on their list of possible places to settle. Southern Utah University Aquatics Center made the decision easy when its director, Blair Bentley, agreed to provide the university’s massive, high quality facility.

“We couldn’t have done this without the support of Blair and his staff,” said Kirstin when talking about how the program has grown.

The program has been open since October and hosts about 75 students with more coming in each week. The current classes are Parent/Tot (6 months to 3 years old), Preschool Age (3 to 5 years old), School Age (6 years old to teen) and Adult. A student must be 6 months old to begin swimming and there is no upper age limit.

“Swimming is great for anyone of any age to learn because it is a lifetime sport,” Kirstin said.

The classes are offered at different times during the week on a year-round basis. Two week summer swim classes

called “Shark Camps” will also be offered this summer starting in the evening for the month of May and in the mornings during June through August. These will take place four days per week for two weeks. Parents can sign their children up for one or all the summer sessions.

Registration will open online April 1 at www.littlesharkswimacademy.com. Children will be placed in age appropriate classes and abilities based on information provided by parents in the registration. At least three swimmers must be registered to have a class.

For Shark Camp 1 (May 2-5, 9-12) and Shark Camp 2 (May 16-19, 23-26) class times are 4:30 to 5 p.m., 5:15 to 5:45 p.m., or 6 to 6:30 p.m. For Shark Camp 3 (June 6-8, 13-17), Shark Camp 4 (June 20-23, 27-30), Shark Camp 5 (July 5-8, 11-14), Shark Camp 6 (July 18-21, 25-28), and Shark Camp 7 (Aug. 1-4, 8-11) meeting times are from 9:30 to 10 a.m., 10:15 to 10:45 a.m., 11 to 11:30 a.m. or 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The one-time registration fee for the summer is \$10 per swimmer. The tuition for each camp is \$45 per swimmer.

This is no ordinary swim school. The McCoy’s program is sanctioned by Swim America and teaches students the fundamentals of swimming. Coaches are trained to use this specific program and the student to coach ratio is intentionally low.

“We abide by a ratio of five students to every one coach for safety and to enhance the quality of learning for every student,” Kirstin said. You won’t just come here and splash around and sing songs, although we do sing songs. The goal is to get little ones to become water safe. Each child progresses at their own rate, at their own time.”

For further information and to learn how to sign your children up for swimming lessons this summer or year round, go to www.littlesharkswimacademy.com, www.facebook.com/littlesharkswimacademy or contact Kirstin by phone at (435) 868-8490.



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THE CEDAR CITY LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT recently debuted a women’s basketball league that plays its games Tuesday nights at the Cedar Middle School gym.

Women take to court for rec league hoop

BY TOM ZULEWSKI

Sports Writer

CEDAR CITY – After helping coach the Cedar High girls’ basketball team to a 3A state runner-up finish, Jenni Wittwer and Lisa Ballenger knew they needed to get more of their competitive urges out.

regular season games with 20-minute halves for each.

In their game played March 1, Ballenger and Wittwer’s team trailed by 11 in the second half and rallied to within three before dropping a 49-45 decision.

“It’s really competitive. I wasn’t expecting it to be,

and a lot of fun.”

Kami Elison, wife of Cedar coach John Elison, is also part of the team with Ballenger and Wittwer, but had another coaching commitment and didn’t play in the March 1 game.

The league took March 8 off for spring break,

“It’s really competitive. I wasn’t expecting it to be, but it gets pretty feisty out there”

–Jenni Wittwer

For the first time ever, the Cedar City Leisure Services Department gave them the chance with the debut of a women’s basketball league that plays its games Tuesday nights at the Cedar Middle School gym. The season consists of two preseason and four

but it gets pretty feisty out there,” Wittwer said. “In my mind, I imagined moving faster and making a lot more shots, and when I get out there, I do something and my body doesn’t keep up.”

Ballenger called the experience “really slick

but will resume play on Tuesdays through the end of the month with games at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Cedar Middle School gym.

For more information about the league, contact Jennifer Weaver at jweaver@cedarcity.org.



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Blackner named Region 12 boys hoop MVP

BY TOM ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

Canyon View sophomore Brantzen Blackner, who was a big key in the Falcons' quarter-final victory over Pine View at the 3A state basketball tournament Feb. 25, was recognized as Most Valuable Player by the Region 12 coaches for the 2015-16 season.

Blackner scored a season-high 25 points in the win over the Panthers and averaged nearly 12 points per game for a Canyon View team that won 10 straight games in the regular season and finished 18-9 overall. His Falcon teammates Cord Johnson, Lorenzo Camba and Xavier Stoker were named to the second team along with Trey Sorenson of North Sanpete and Porter Robinson of Richfield.

The other team members were:

First team: Aaron Clark, Juab; Kyle Quinton, Carbon; Dakota Anderson, North Sanpete; Matt Griffin, Richfield; Jaylen Steck, Richfield.
Honorable mention: Chet



BRANTZEN BLACKNER

Dalton, Juab; Ryker Osborne, Juab; Gage Daugherty, Carbon; Brad Williams, Carbon; Peyton Fausett, Carbon; Mitch Olson, Carbon; Jake Hadley, North Sanpete; Jensen Magleby, Richfield.

Parowan boys basketball finishes fourth in 1A playoffs

BY TOM ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

The Parowan Rams completed a surprising run through the 1A state basketball playoffs at the Sevier Valley Center in Richfield with a 62-50 loss to Panguitch on March 5 to finish fourth in the state in its return to the 1A ranks.

The Rams split four games in the tournament and finished with a 13-15 overall record.

Parowan started its run March 2 with a 51-22 rout over Whitehorse in the opening round. Brenen Rowley scored 16 points in the win and the Rams rolled out to a 31-14 halftime lead. Whitehorse was held to just eight points in the second half.

The next night, the Rams solved Region 20 foe Wayne, beating the Badgers 48-33 to advance to the semifinals. Again, Parowan had a big third quarter, outscoring the Badgers 21-4 and blowing the game open after taking a 16-15 lead at halftime.

Brett Hunter had 14 points to lead the Rams and Rowley added 13. Parowan avenged a regular season series sweep by Wayne with the victory.

Parowan's dreams of advancing to the 1A title game were derailed on March 4 as Diamond Ranch – who finished second to Panguitch in the Region 20 regular season – posted a big 68-38 victory. The Diamondbacks got 35 points from Tyus Milhollin and outscored the Rams 34-14 in the second half.

In the season finale against the Bobcats, Parowan got 22 points from Rowley and 10 from Hagan Skougaard. Panguitch led 26-23 at the half before steadily pulling away behind 21 points from Dason Houston and 19 from Trey Barney.



DAVID MINEER

THE PAROWAN RAMS recently finished fourth in the state in their return to the 1A ranks.

Brad Keselowski rallies, wins Kobalt 400

BY TOM ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS – Brad Keselowski hadn't seen Victory Lane for a long time. Complicating the moment just a little bit more, his Penske Racing teammate was holding up his progress as the pair worked on chasing down Kyle Busch.

Once the No. 2 Miller Lite Ford Fusion got past Joey Logano and into clean air, the drought would finally come to an end.

Keselowski got past Kyle Busch with just six laps remaining and held on to win the Kobalt 400 at Las Vegas Motor Speedway on March 6, a day that had a little bit of everything in the weather department – from rain to gusty winds to a sandstorm.

Not only was it the first win for the Penske Racing driver since last year at Auto Club Speedway, but it was his second in the last three years at LVMS that locked him into the 2016 Chase.

"We're thrilled to be locked into the Chase this early in the season," Keselowski said. "It's a tremendous feeling for our team, and I wouldn't trade my guys on pit road. They were a large part of our success this week."

Things looked bleak for Keselowski as Kyle Busch, who had won the previous day's XFINITY Series Boyd Gaming 300 in dominating fashion, looked to be heading for a weekend sweep when he took the lead from Logano with 44 laps to go.

But when the race's sixth and final caution came out at lap 226, Busch took only left-side tires on his pit stop. Keselowski took four and once he got past his teammate into second place, the race to the finish was on.

With Busch struggling with a vibration on the right front tire of his No. 18 M&Ms Toyota Camry, it wouldn't take long for Keselowski to take control.

"I knew when I was watching, as soon as I passed Joey, I focused on the 18," said Keselowski, who had a momentary setback when he received a pit-road speeding penalty at lap 180. "When I saw his car, the way it was sliding and the line he was running, I knew after that first lap we could win the race."

Paul Wolfe, Keselowski's crew chief, added, "At that point, listening to Kyle, he pretty much used up everything he had. I can't say it was probably much of a fight getting by him."

For Keselowski, the second

race with the new low-downforce package was even better than the first – a ninth-place effort at Atlanta.

"I think you saw, because of the new rules package, the cars fell off a lot at the end of a run and you really had to drive them sideways," Keselowski said. "Took a lot of balance as a driver, a lot of precise footwork and accuracy with where you put your car and how you place it."

"This shouldn't be easy. This is the Sprint Cup Series. These cars should be very hard to drive. At the end of the run, they were a challenge. It's nice to be a part of that."

Logano was not only second in the race, but second to Jimmie Johnson in laps led with 70. Like his teammate, Logano gave the new package rave reviews.

"I've never seen the leader really check out and go away," Logano said. "It was pretty cool to be able to see some more racing."

Johnson, Kyle Busch and Austin Dillon rounded out the top five finishers. Ryan Blaney was the highest-finishing rookie in sixth. The start of the race was delayed for about 25 minutes due to rain, and a sandstorm forced a shorter delay in the later stages.



BRAD KESELOWSKI HOISTS THE TROPHY at victory lane after winning the Kobalt 400 at Las Vegas Motor Speedway on March 6.

TOM ZULEWSKI

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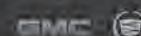
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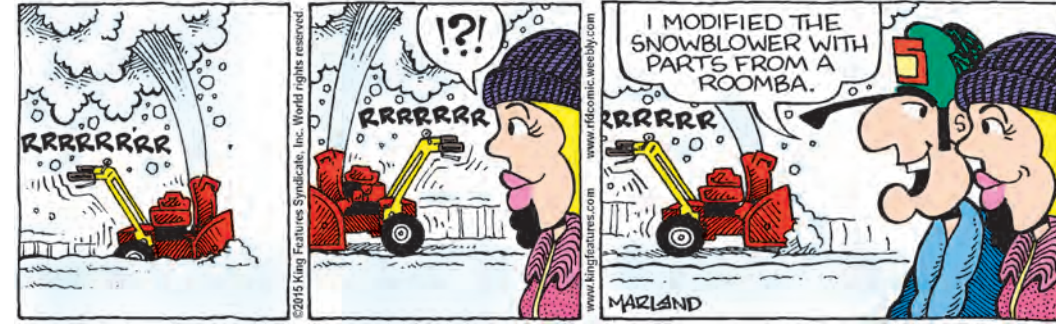
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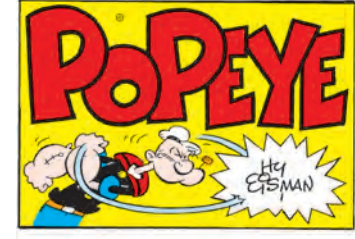
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Vim and vigor
- 4 Go by
- 8 Blueprint
- 12 Glass of NPR
- 13 Between jobs
- 14 Top-rated
- 15 Unreasonably suspicious
- 17 Deteriorates
- 18 Clumsy ship
- 19 Protective wall
- 21 Not quite boil
- 24 Greek consonants
- 25 Past
- 26 Two, in Tijuana
- 28 Sulked
- 32 First course, maybe
- 34 "Golden Girl" Arthur
- 36 Volcanic flow
- 37 First Little Pig's material
- 39 Blond shade
- 41 Prot. or Cath.
- 42 Disencumber
- 44 Expedition
- 46 Ideal
- 50 Tatter
- 51 — out

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- (supplement-ed)
- 52 Toxic herbicide
- 56 Missile shelter
- 57 Ostriches' kin
- 58 Bristle
- 59 Black quartz
- 60 Longings
- 61 Still
- 5 Commotion
- 6 Error
- 7 Auto style
- 8 Sunshade
- 9 Aerobatic maneuver
- 10 Initial stake
- 11 Cardinals' home?
- 16 Branch
- 20 Pirates' quaff
- 21 Back talk
- 22 "— Rhythm"
- 23 Plagiarize
- 27 Red or Black country
- 29 Landlocked
- 30 Always
- 31 Limp-watch painter
- 33 Seeming
- contradiction
- 35 Donkey
- 38 Peruke
- 40 Bother repeatedly
- 43 Grumpy companion
- 45 Online help pg.
- 46 Mexican money
- 47 Related
- 48 Depend (on)
- 49 Appellation
- 53 Scoot
- 54 Really impress
- 55 Stick with a kick

DOWN

- 1 Spot on a domino
- 2 Mound stat
- 3 Lover
- 4 Made a sawtooth edge

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★ ★

- ★ Moderate
- ★★ Challenging
- ★★★ HOO BOY!

Solution time: 25 mins.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MEASUREMENTS: How fast do you have to travel to break the sound barrier?
2. FOOD & DRINK: What food is also known as a groundnut?
3. MOVIES: What film ended with the words "the horror ... the horror"?
4. QUOTATIONS: What 20th-century actor once said, "Courage is being scared to death but saddling up anyway"?
5. MEDICAL: What is the medical symptom called dyspnea?
6. SCIENCE: What is the study of blood called?
7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the predominant language of Australia?
8. TELEVISION: Who was Sonny Crockett's partner in "Miami Vice"?
9. U.S. STATES: How many U.S. states border Mexico?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the longest English word composed only of vowels?

- Answers
1. About 770 mph
 2. Peanut
 3. "Apocalypse Now"
 4. John Wayne
 5. Shortness of breath
 6. Hematology
 7. English
 8. Ricardo "Rico" Tubbs
 9. Four: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas
 10. Euouae, a musical cadence