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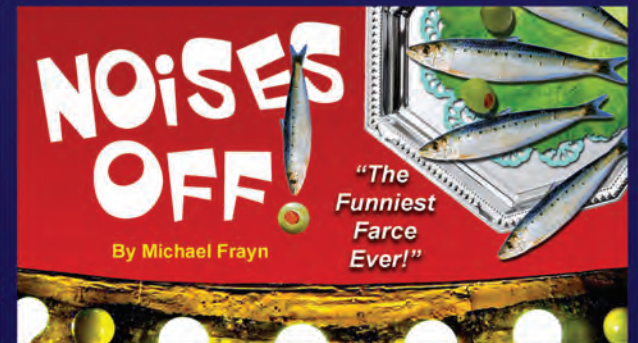
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Brian Head residents return home, firefighters obtain more control of fire

by Holly COOMBS
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Evacuations for Brian Head, Dry Lakes, Panguitch Lake and Mammoth Creek have been lifted and Highway 14 through Cedar Canyon is open to residents and visitors as firefighters have obtained 60 percent containment of the Brian Head fire as of Saturday morning.

While the fire has spread into more than 60,000, firefighters are making progress, according to a Brian Head Fire update.

Evacuations still stand for Upper Bear Valley, Horse Valley, Beaver Dam, Clear Creek, Castle Valley, Blue Springs, Rainbow Meadows, and Second Left Hand Canyon. All evacuations are being evaluated daily. Evacuees can contact the Red Cross for shelter information.

Closures Five Mile and Three Mile Roads are closed. Highway 143 is closed from the cemetery in Parowan to Brian Head and from the junction of 148/143 to Panguitch Lake. Mammoth Creek Road is closed from Mammoth Creek to the north, with no access to 143. The Dixie National Forest has an area closure on lands north of Highway 14. Please check your route before planning recreational activities. Maps of the closure area are posted at inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/5253/. Anyone violating these closures may be cited.



MAKING PROGRESS

FIRE CREWS CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS with 60 percent containment of the Brian Head Fire.

Friday, firefighters made significant progress toward containment of the fire.

With 14 helicopters, 86 engines and 50 crews, 1,809 personnel continue to mop-up as well as planning for contingencies in the event of future perimeter growth.

“Dozers have been used extensively in the northeastern flank of the fire where there is little containment,”

according to a recent update from Brian Head Fire Department. “Firefighters will continue to patrol the fire perimeter around the Town of Brian Head and along Highway 143 through Parowan Canyon (Saturday). Increasing containment has allowed numerous resources from the west side of the fire to be transferred to the northern perimeter, where most of the fire growth has

occurred in the past three days.”

Lighter winds have helped keep the fire growth down.

“Firefighters are beginning to remove a great deal of equipment and supplies that were used in the suppression of the fire,” according to the update. “Nearly 50 miles of hose have been used thus far – each section of hose is 100 feet long, totaling over 2,600 individual sections of hose. About 60 small engine pumps have been used to pump water from area creeks and lakes onto the fire.”

On Thursday, aerial operations dropped over 300,000 gallons of water in numerous locations on the fire to help slow its progression.

“Firefighters made good progress (Thursday) with containment along the southern flank of the fire,” the update stated. “Suppression efforts will be concentrated on the northern flank of the fire where threats still exist for growth. With increasing containment, hand crews that have been working on other sections of the fire will be moved

Share your memories, photos of the Brian Head Fire...



COURTESY OF BRIAN HEAD FIRE

The Brian Head wildfire has been an event that no one in Iron County and surrounding areas will soon forget. Iron County Today is interested in hearing the experiences any of our readers have had, and sharing any photos you have taken.

We invite you to reach out to our assistant managing editor, Holly Coombs, at holly@ironcountytoday.com, or to managing editor Tom Haraldsen, at news@ironcountytoday.com. Send us your thoughts and/or photos and we'll work to publish some of them along with our ongoing coverage of this fire.

Be careful out there!

Cedar City Council debate to take place at SUU, Mcaffee presents his campaign



COURTESY OF ANDREW MCAFFEE
ANDREW MCAFFEE

by Holly **COOMBS**
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As City Council candidates have been announced, the first debate has been scheduled and set for July 25 at 5 p.m. in the Starlight Room within the Sharwan Smith Student Center at Southern Utah University.

The night will begin with a meet-and-greet from 5 to 5:30, where community members can interact and learn more about the candidates and their views on local issues.

From 5:30 to 6:45 the debate will begin.

The debate is open to the community and all are encouraged to attend.

In the June 28 issue of the Iron County Today, an insert was placed with information on city council and mayoral candidate minus Andrew Mcaffee, who could not be reached in time.

Mcaffee, who is one of six candidates vying for a council spot, reached out to the Iron County Today staff with his responses.

"I am running for city council because I believe that Cedar City is at a crossroads," Mcaffee said. "The city that I have grown up with and love has some big decisions ahead, and I want to help preserve and improve what has made Cedar so great to for me, so that future generations can enjoy it as I have. I believe I can help, and I want to give back to this community."

He said he has three goals:

- » Tourism
- » Ensuring the water needs of the city
- » Zoning that helps the city grow wisely

Mcaffee elaborated on tourism specifically.

"There is a group of tourists that are already coming to our general region, but we haven't yet brought them to Cedar City," he said. "They do not require new facilities to be built to accommodate their activity, and are guaranteed to spend the night. That means Dinner, Hotel, and Breakfast at a minimum. They call it 'Astro tourism'"

People are flocking to the city's backyard to have a look at one of the last places

in the United States where they can still observe the night-sky pristinely, Mcaffee said.

"With almost no expense on our part, we can draw on this group whose estimated yearly spending is 250 Million," he said. "Right now, a lot of that spending on the Colorado Plateau is going to Arizona, but we can capture that market. It's an amazing opportunity for our city, and we can see returns very quickly."

Mcaffee grew up in Cedar City where he attended Cedar High School and Southern Utah University. He participated as a board member and volunteer in several non-profit groups.

"I have run a business here in Cedar City for the past 4 years, and know the challenges that businesses face," he said. "(I have) six years of experience in the hotel industry in Cedar City, which has given me perspective on why people come, and how they spend their money. I hope for the opportunity to serve you on the City Council.

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BRIAN HEAD RESORT HAS OPENED for Summer Operations.

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Brian Head Resort open for the summer season

by Holly COOMBS
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As Brian Head and Dry Lakes residents are being welcomed back home after evacuation as a result of the current wildfire, Brian Head Resort has also opened for the summer season.

Highway 14 in Cedar Canyon through Cedar Breaks National Monument is now open and providing access for guests to make their way to the resort. However, Highway 143 to Panguitch Lake from Brian Head to Parowan will remain closed until further notice.

Due to the extraordinary efforts of firefighters, the Town of Brian Head, Brian Head Resort and the other local

businesses in Brian Head have been unaffected by the fire.

“The Town of Brian Head is still as green and beautiful as ever,” Burke Wilkerson, Vice President and General Manager of Brian Head Resort said. “We are extremely grateful for the hard work and countless hours put in by all the brave firefighting crews.”

Last Saturday, the resort has had a full slate of activities for a four-day holiday in celebration of Independence Day.

The resort included food, live bands, mountain biking, hiking, and other fun activities for the whole family to enjoy.

The Resort’s lift-served Mountain Bike Park and hiking trails were opened last Saturday; however, closures will remain in effect for many other mountain biking and hiking trails in the Brian Head area.

“We ask that visitors please obey all trail and road closures,” according to a press release.

Visit brianhead.com for additional information and a full list of summer events and activities.

“The Town of Brian Head is still as green and beautiful as ever,”

— Burke Wilkerson

Red Hills Automotive replaces Miner’s Auto Repair

by Holly COOMBS
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Red Hills Automotive has replaced Miner’s Auto Repair at 590 N. Main St. with new ownership.

In April 2016, Jerrod Robker bought Miner’s Auto Repair and officially took over the business in January of this year and named Red Hills Automotive. Robker said the Miner’s Auto Repair owner retired and had not been getting the best reputation, which Robker said he hopes to change with his business.

“Since January, we’ve had a great response and business from customers,” he said.

Robker said he is not a mechanic, but has learned along the way and had great staff to take care of customers.

“I think honesty is the most important



part of this business,” he said. “If you are letting the customer know exactly what’s going on and not pulling the wool over their eyes they trust you and want to work with you.

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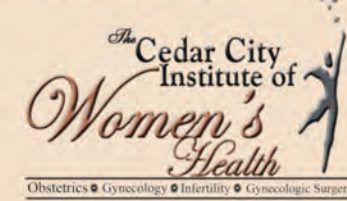
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Opinion



What is the value of the Press?

Humans attempting to “pull a fast one” hate the news media. So, do politicians voicing fabrications and partisan stooles with “stupid” pasted on their shirts.

The news media makes mistakes.

Columnists like myself make a lot of them. But the media is also the last barrier to idiocy and dictatorship. No wonder Hitler derided Jews and journalists equally – and did something about it!

In her 2016 novel “News of the World”, Paulette Jiles describes a sign in a printing office (frequently the same place where the news was printed) back in post-Civil War Texas. In bold type the sign read:

“THIS IS A PRINTING OFFICE.

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“From this place, words may fly abroad, not to perish in the waves of sound...but fixed in time having been verified in proof. FRIEND, you stand on sacred ground. THIS IS A PRINTING OFFICE.”

Some will label anything they disagree with as “fake news”; for every one of them, there are five other people who simply couldn’t care less about facts, events, and journalism. These people, shifted by any prevailing wind, are the most dangerous.

But for those of us who care about society and civilization, we value the “printing office” as a protection against ill-founded statements and rumors. It is the “printing office” that holds people accountable for their actions and accusations.

At the recent Utah Democratic Convention, for instance, one Bernie Sanders supporter told delegates Utahans should not have to “sell their labor” to support a family. To this person, it is up to journalists to reply loudly, “You are

talking about a job! What is wrong with having a job, contributing to society, and being paid for your labor?”

Similarly, journalists and columnists make Pres. Trump accountable for his views and statements. This month, for example, he halted Pres. Obama’s policy allowing average Americans to travel to Cuba. “We are rejecting the Cuban people’s oppressors,” he bellowed, saying American would halt most travel and trade with Cuba until the small country freed its political prisoners and became more democratic.

But Trump has nothing to say about Russia, where this Spring Putin’s government beat



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
Columnist

up dozens of protestors, detaining thousands in Moscow alone, regularly locks up political opponents, and is ranked 45th worst of 176 countries for corruption. Yet Trump has praised Putin and hasn’t cut off flights to St. Petersburg.

These seemingly opposite reactions to dictatorships should be analyzed and evaluated by journalists and columnists, the often-non-splashy grunt workers assigned to the “printing office.”

You might not like what they say. You might indeed ignore what they write. But you do so at your own (and Democracy’s) peril.

The opinions stated in this article are solely those of the author and not of Iron County Today.

To the Editor

Dear Editor:

Just want to say to you a great big “Thank You” for your very responsible and appropriate article in the Iron County Today. Would have liked to see it blasted on the front page, but at least it was presented as an important stand-alone article and I am grateful for your reporting on this very important issue.

It appears from reports that just ONE human who was extremely careless and negligent caused this horrific Brian Head fire with a weed torch. The July 4th holiday is quickly approaching and I’ve been thinking about all of the people who will (yes, stupidly) choose to launch fireworks without any regard for the consequences. We certainly do not need another wildfire in this area.

After seeing the plumes of smoke from my house and watching this raging fire get worse each day, I was on the phone one morning for hours contacting various state and municipal officials, elected and appointed, to find out if any bans or restrictions would be applied and enforced with regard to the use of fireworks this July 4th. I got quite a run-around until I finally reached the Iron County Commissioner Chair Dale Brinkerhoff. He informed me that community leaders had met the evening before and enacted the Fire Restriction Order to be effective June 21, 2017 at midnight. The next day, however, when I called and spoke with the Iron County Sheriff dispatch. They did not know about any Fire Restriction Order -- EVEN though it had gone into effect that very morning at midnight.

I have not seen anything specific in The Spectrum or online (i.e., St. George News) to alert people in this community about this very important Fire Restriction Order. Even the local TV news has not covered this. THANK YOU once again for such responsible reporting. I am hopeful your article will be read by many and people will make the responsible decision this year NOT to purchase and launch FIREworks!

Kathy Kaminski
Iron County, Utah

Opinion

AMAC says it's time to show respect for President Trump

It turns out that passing legislation has taken a back seat to a coordinated attempt to disrupt the legislative process as a means of attacking President Trump," according to Dan Weber, president of the Association of Mature American Citizens.

"Now, it appears, the hatred spreading among liberals in Congress who seek to sow discord and dissension against the duly elected president is spilling into the streets. It was widely reported that a would-be killer may have been hunting Republicans when he attacked Congressmen at a baseball field in the DC suburb of Alexandria, Va, last week. Four people were wounded, including Louisiana Representative Steve Scalise, the Majority Whip of the House of Representatives. He and his Republican colleagues were practicing for an annual Congressional baseball game when the shooter attacked," Weber said in a statement.

He said the recent spate of hearings seeking to find collusion between the Trump presidential campaign and Russia is a "distraction" whose real purpose is to slow the administration's agenda including a new health care law and tax reform. The Alexandria shooting may have been "an unanticipated consequence of the hate with which Trump's opponents are going about their mission."

The latest hearing took place last week and the focus was on Attorney General Sessions. The AG became visibly annoyed at the manner in which he was being grilled. One liberal

Senator after another sought to link the campaign and Sessions to Russians. Finally, he raised his voice and called the unfounded assertion that he had clandestine links to Russian officials an "appalling and detestable lie." It is interesting to note that not one of his detractors provided a shred of evidence to back up the allegation.

Weber said, "Democratic lawmakers are supposed to be the loyal opposition. But on more than one occasion they have blatantly come clean about their deliberate attempts to undermine the Trump administration by any means at their disposal. House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and other liberals in Congress seem upset that the president is doing the job he was elected to do. She was direct and to the point when she told her liberal colleagues that if he continues to do the will of the people who elected him 'there is nothing Democrats can work with him on.'"

In other words, Rep. Pelosi issued a clarion call to "disrupt, disrupt and disrupt some more," according to the AMAC chief. He said that the Senate's Minority Leader, Chuck Schumer, is no better. "Instead of compromise, he has repeatedly taken a 'drop dead' attitude toward his Republican colleagues in the upper house and the president."

Weber admits that Republicans, in general, were not very fond of President Obama during his tenure. But, he says, they treated him with the respect he was due although they disagreed with him on numerous issues. "There was none

of the spiteful and disruptive activity that we are seeing today. It's hostile and mean spirited at best and a show of absolute hatred at worst."

Recently the Washington Examiner reported in an editorial that the Democrats are putting party politics ahead of the interests of the American people. "It began when Rep. John Lewis [D-GA] and nearly 70 other Democrats boycotted President Trump's inauguration. Ever since, there's been a steady stream of protests and posturing, outrage and obstruction, accompanied by incessant fundraising, by Democrats who claim Trump is, to quote Lewis, 'not legitimate' and has no right to govern."

No one can argue that Donald Trump was not duly elected President of the United States last November, noted Weber. "They can lament the fact that Hillary Clinton was shunned at the polls because 'she had nothing to offer,' as many pundits have argued. But, once President Trump took up residence at the White House his opponents were duty bound - for the sake of the nation - to accept the fact that his administration would steer the ship of state and needs their help. This does not mean they have to agree with his positions,

but it does mean that they need to contain their personal animosities and let him get on with his duties."

Warren Buffet, who backed Hillary Clinton last November, pointed out in an interview shortly after the election, that: "we need a country united. He [Mr. Trump] deserves everybody's respect."

Weber praises Buffet's attitude and calls on the American people to take his advice and put partisan politics aside. "We live in dangerous times. We need a united front if we are to confront terrorism and the threatening machinations of rogue nations such as Iran and North Korea. We need to be undivided in purpose if we are to restore jobs, improve the economy and provide a rational approach to health care. We need positive and productive input from both sides of the aisle to resolve the problems and issues the country faces; not hateful, disruptive speech. And, no matter what party our lawmakers belong to, the opposition, if they are loyal, needs to show solidarity for the needs of the nation."

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Biology Professors work to fight wildfires with wildflowers



COURTESY OF SUU

SUU BIOLOGY PROFESSOR JACKIE GRANT was awarded \$67,949 from the BLM Colorado Plateau native Plant program to collect seeds from the native plants for research and restoration.

by Nikki **KOONTZ**
For Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY, Utah — Jackie Grant, a biology professor at Southern Utah University, was recently awarded \$67,949 from the Bureau of Land Management's Colorado Plateau Native Plant Program to collect seeds from native plants for research and restoration.

These seeds are used to restore plant life after wildfires destroy forests and seeds in the underlying soil.

The project couldn't have come at a better time with the Brian Head Fire raging only 32 miles away from the University. Grant's project will simultaneously train students on proper seed collection to treat the damaged land and help accelerate plant regrowth after the fire.

As of June 26, the Brian Head Fire has burned over 43,440 acres of land, destroyed 13 homes and 8 outbuildings and displaced more than 1,500 people. It will take 60 to 100 years for the forest to regrow, but thanks to Grant's seed collection project, she can prevent non-native plants from slowing the process of reforestation. Native plants are crucial to maintain pollinator populations and feed wildlife such as elk and mule deer. However, fires the size of the Brian Head Fire sterilize the soil and kill most of the seeds.

"Native plants are important in Utah because this state is part of a fire-adapted ecosystem, which means that fires happen on a regular basis here," Grant said.

"We need plants to return to the land as soon as possible after a fire to prevent heavy rains from eroding the soil and filling streams with sediment that kills fish. Although we often overlook them, native plants provide the groundwork for what makes this state special."

An associate professor of biology, director of the Garth and Jerri Frehner Museum of Natural History, and a conservation biologist, Grant focuses her teaching and personal research on green infrastructure and organismal biology.

Grant's project highlights the importance of public lands in Utah.

"We need an incredible number of seeds to restore plant communities after a fire of this size," Grant said.

"We get most of our seeds from public land where native plant populations are somewhat protected. However, private landowners can also play a role in wildfire restoration by granting permission for us to collect seeds on their land."

Grant's team has already started collecting the thousands of seeds needed to contribute to the restoration of native plant communities. This funding will also feed into other projects, including development of native plant and pollinator gardens at Iron County schools and determining which native plants

can be used to improve green building infrastructure for water conservation in southern Utah.

Grant and her colleague Dr. Matt Ogburn, assistant professor of biology, have hired two SUU students to

"Although we often overlook them, native plants provide the groundwork for what makes this state special"

— Jackie Grant, SUU Professor

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HOLLY COOMBS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT CHRIS MCCORMICK STANDS WITH BRUCE ANDERSON AND HIS FAMILY as they were presented with the June "Make Cedar Sparkle" award at Cedar City Council last Wednesday for their work on the "Make Cedar Sparkle" campaign.

Residents reject zone change, council tables for two weeks

by Holly COOMBS
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An item on the agenda for the last two Cedar City Council meetings has caused concern to residents in the area of 10-acre lot at 1000 S. 450 West.

A proposed zone change which would change the area to high density for Leavitt Land to develop a 240-unit apartment complex for married student housing caused more than an hour-long public hearing with concerns from neighbors.

Many neighboring residents moved into the nearby areas with the belief the area would remain unchanged. With many families with young children, home owners voiced concern for their children's safety with complaints of an already increased speed limit on their street.

"Traffic is one of my biggest concerns," said Rachel Robinson, one homeowner.

Robinson's home is located next to

where a current road would most likely be used to access the property.

"If (new residents) use that road," Robinson said. "They would go right by my driveway and my house where my kids play."

Other concerns were the condition of the land and if it was well off for a new zone change and new neighbors.

City Engineer Kit Wareham and two council members Fred Rowley and Craig Isom were not present and the remaining council members tabled the item to be discussed and all issues taken into account before a decision would be made.

Cedar City Mayor Maile Wilson and Chamber of Commerce President Chris McCormick also presented the second "Make Cedar Sparkle" award to Bruce Anderson, manager of the Iron County Landfill, for his work on the service project to launch the campaign.

Cedar City Council will not have its next meeting until July 12.

FIRE

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to the northern flank to assist in digging hand line and working to contain the most active portion of the fire."

In light of the fire progress Congressman Chris Stewart had a press briefing on the subject at Navajo Lodge Parking Lot last Saturday. The Red Cross also continues to serve the firefighters and refugees.

Cedar City Mayor Maile Wilson said anyone interested in supporting the firefighters are welcome to donate.

"I have had a number of people ask me what they can donate to our firefighters at the Brian Head Fire and where they can take their donations," Wilson said on a post on social media. "After speaking with them these are the items they would like (and that are easy for them to pack around with them): Juice, pudding cups, fruit cups, trail mix, nuts, jerky, squeezable apple sauce and cliff bars. The donations can be taken to the Cedar City Fire Station at 291 N 800 West in Cedar City. I know the firefighters truly appreciate the love and support shown from our community."

The Brian Head Fire started around midday on June 17, and grew very quickly through dense timber on lands administered by Brian Head Town, Iron County, in cooperation with the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands. It has since burned on to lands managed by Dixie National Forest and Color Country District Bureau of Land Management. Cedar Breaks National Monument remains open, with access via Highway 14.



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Business Tip of the Month:
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR (SELF-EMPLOYED) OR EMPLOYEE?

Many times business owners have a hard time determining if a worker should be considered an independent contractor or an employee. There are tax ramifications for both options. Each individual case is different, however the general rule is that a person is an independent contractor if the payer has the right to control or direct only the result of the work and not what will be done and how it will be done. Think of these rules when determining whether an individual is an employee or an independent contractor:

- **Control:** Does the company have the right to control what the worker does and how they do their job?
- **Financial:** Are the business aspects (how the worker is paid, if expenses are reimbursed, who provides tools/supplies, etc.) controlled by the company?
- **Relationship:** Is there a written contract or are there employee type benefits?

It's critical that business owners correctly determine whether the individuals providing services are employees or independent contractors. Misclassification can result in tax liabilities for the business owner.

Information obtained from <https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/independent-contractor-self-employed-or-employee>

Cedar City Chamber of Commerce (435) 586-4484 www.CedarCityChamber.org

Stonehenge opens seventh Utah facility in Cedar City

by Holly COOMBS
holly@ironcountytoday.com

Stonehenge of Cedar City opened its doors at 333 W. 1425 North, to assist patients in need of rehabilitation June 16 and will have an open house July 12 from 3 to 7 p.m. where a ribbon cutting ceremony, refreshments and tours will take place.

The Cedar City building marks Stonehenge's seventh building in the state of Utah. The facility currently has 20 long-term residents and 30 short-term.

With Orthopedic, stroke, neuroglial, Cardiopulmonary, and Dysphasia management rehabilitation programs, Stonehenge is able to serve patients and go along with the golden rule of treating others the way you want to be treated.

Kent Stemmons, Stonehenge of Cedar City administrator, said he came from the American Fork facility to work in Cedar City. Other facilities are in Ogden, Orem, South Jordan, Richfield and Springdale.

Short term care in the facility is about three weeks, Stemmons. Patients on Medicare and have a 3-day hospital stay after surgery are able to have up to 100 days at Stonehenge. He said the first

20 days is fully paid at Stonehenge. More than 20 days require a co-pay

"Most of our rooms are three weeks," Stemmons said. "We assist those in post-surgery for hips, knees, back and some stroke."

He said the patients get the therapy and recovery they need that can often not be obtained at home.

"Therapy is a huge thing because it helps (patients) recover a lot quicker," Stemmons said. "It is a better recovery too. When they are at home they don't get all of the recovery they need. They can get up to 2 hours of therapy per day here."

Larger beds, a wall to divide for semi-private shared rooms are among some of the highlights of the facility.

Vice President and Co-Owner Chris Yates said when he personally has been through much life threatening medical issues in the past two years including cancer and a stroke. Yates also has been in the medical field for 30 years.

"I have seen how I want to be treated and I've created that with Stonehenge," he said

Yates and his business partner, who specialized in stone masonry, created Stonehenge

"when he and his business partner

first established Stonehenge, his partner was a stone mason and wanted to have the buildings built with stone.

"When it came to the name, I came up with 40 different names and all were rejected," he said. "A day or two later he said 'Stonehenge? You mean that pagan place over in England?' and he said 'yeah.' I said, 'well, work on an angle.'"

Not much later a friend contacted Yates about something he had seen on the Today show about Stonehenge and the latest theory being that is a place of healing and evidence was found from 10,000 years ago that people would travel long distances to touch the stones so they could be healed from their infirmities.

"I said, 'well that's perfect because that's what we're doing here people come to Stonehenge and we get them better and send them home so we are healing them from their infirmities and sickness," Yates said. "We send 82 percent of people home, which is really good."

He said Stonehenge is not a last resort.

"We have had great success," Yates said. "It is our seventh and most likely, last building. We have the whole state of Utah covered. We are happy to be here."

Bookings

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

June 26

Scott Byars, Las Vegas, NV
Federal Contract Prisoner

Donald J. Madlung, St. George
Possession

Joseph J. Piklyavit, Millard County
Probation/Parole Violation

Tracy R. Richardson, Jr., St. George
Controlled Substance, Stalking

Dean A. Shallenberger, Cedar City
Open Container in Vehicle

Kurtis L. Tolley, Washington
Federal Contract Prisoner

June 27

Justin J. Hewitt, Cedar City
DUI

Weston A. Johnson, Cedar City
Theft, Controlled Substance, Theft of Rental Vehicle

Tory K. Moreno, Tremonton
Possession

Justin W. Nelson, Cedar City
Drug Court Violation

Tonia W. Bailly, Enoch
Child Endangerment, Possession

Carlos Duarte, Cedar City
Assault

June 29

Bailey Gillies, St. George
Possession

Anthony B. Rendon, Desert Hot Springs, Calif.
Possession

David A. Ruder, Cedar City
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Shandra L. Tucker, Elsinore
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Southwest Applied Technology College makes name change

During the legislative session earlier this year, the name of Southwest Applied Technology College was changed to Southwest Technical College.

This change was part of Utah Senate Bill 238 "Higher Education Governance Revisions."

This bill changed the name of all eight Applied Technology Colleges in the state of Utah including the parent organization, Utah College of Applied Technology, to the Utah System of Technical Colleges.



SOUTHWEST TECH

While this is not a drastic change, it does alter the college's acronym, SWATC, in which the college has been referred for several years by our local

community.

Going forward, the college will no longer have an acronym, but rather will be known by their new nickname

"Southwest Tech." In addition, the college's website has been changed to: www.stech.edu.

"I believe 'Southwest Tech' is more descriptive of what our college is all about," Cordelle Morris, Marketing and Recruiting Director at Southwest Technical College, said. "It's exciting to be a part of the great changes taking place at the college. As Southwest Tech continues to grow each year, we are thankful for everyone's continued support."

WILDFLOWERS

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travel across southern Utah and identify native plants as directed by the Colorado Plateau Native Plant Program of the BLM. Grant's team will contribute to research performed by Magda Garbowski at Colorado State University, where scientists are trying to determine how to keep damaging non-native plants out of our ecosystems.

The team also plans to collect genetic tissue samples to send to their partner Rob Massatti and the United States Geological Survey in Flagstaff, Arizona. USGS researchers are using genetics to make seed collection and distribution more efficient and effective. Grant and Ogburn are also collaborating with the US Forest Service to find seeds from plants that improve sage grouse habitat, and plants that provide nectar for butterflies.

The research conducted this summer builds on previous work Grant has done with iUTAH, the state's National Science Foundation EPSCoR grant. Benefits extend to more than SUU students because water, outdoor recreation, hunting, fishing, and access to the state's incredible scenery are important to most residents of Utah.

Grant's collaborations with iUTAH, a statewide research infrastructure improvement grant aimed at water research, education, and outreach, have been recognized with both a Research Catalyst Grant and an Education and Outreach Catalyst grant. A third award for time-release gave Dr. Grant the time to write the proposal for seed collection.

"Dr. Grant exemplifies what it means to be an 'engaged scholar,' said Andy Leidolf, assistant director of iUTAH. "She embodies the objectives of iUTAH's research catalyst grant program and one of our project's core missions: to build capacity at primarily undergraduate institutions."

"We are now able to weave science, education and our research through multiple levels of the community while providing experiential learning opportunities to SUU students and recent graduates," Grant said. "The BLM grant is a fantastic opportunity for the university as it allows us to work with a federal program to provide economic and educational opportunities for the local community of Cedar City."

Other funding obtained by Dr. Grant has come through the Utah Division of Arts and Museums and the Society for the Study of Evolution. Grant is currently developing a proposal with the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to create a trio of gardens devoted to native and culturally important plants.

Grant recently finished a DNA Barcoding course through the University of Guelph and is the current Vice President for Education Outreach for the Society for Conservation Biology where she serves on the board of governors and organizes educational activities at their international meetings. Locally, she contributes to Cedar City as a member of the Trails Commission, a partner with K-12 science teachers, and a board member of the Southwest Wildlife Foundation.

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COURTESY OF TUACAHN

Newsies Musical at Tuacahn brings high energy

by **Rachelle HUGHES**
Iron County Today

A grandiose set mimicking 1899 New York's steel and brick buildings rises against the red rock backdrop of Snow Canyon for Tuacahn Center for the Arts' production of Disney's *Newsies*.

The set, that fills the entire stage of Tuacahn, elicits excitement for the spectacle to come. Brad Shelton outdid himself designing a set that offers some historical eye candy and plenty of opportunity for this energetic cast to climb, leap, slide, and dance through New York.

The plot of this musical is loosely based on the 1899 New York strike and tells the story of the fictional young Jack Kelly (Ryan Farnsworth) as the charismatic leader of a band of *Newsies* selling "The World" paper. They are scraping by on pennies and their wit when paper owner Joseph Pulitzer (Matthew Tyler) decides he needs to

make a bigger profit and the way to do that is at the expense of his *Newsies*. Jack rallies his fellow *newsies* to strike with the help of a savvy newcomer Davey (Daniel Scott Walton) and his spunky kid brother Les played by Will Haley. Soon a journalist Katherine (Whitney Winfield) trying to claw her way out of the social column is writing the *newsies'* story and

a romance between Jack and Katherine starts brewing along with the simmering tempers of the strikers and paper owners.

There are some magnetic actors in this musical that truly bring the story line (which could easily become a little boring) to life. Farnsworth plays a swaggering dreamer in Jack and his chemistry with Winfield as the unflappa-

ble Katherine feels real. Jack's best friend Crutchie (Jordan Aragon) is endearing as the feisty but lovable friend who wants everyone to look past his bad leg and crutch. But Walton as Davey brings some strong musical pipes to Alan Menken's songs like "Sieve the Day" and "King of New York." Haley, who is making his debut at Tuacahn, easily steals the scene

on numerous occasions as the spitfire Les who, despite his ten years, is unafraid to take on the job, the paper and even the ladies. I also enjoyed hearing Jennifer Leigh Warren (who is the Dragon voice in *Shrek*) sing again as Miss Medda, the vaudeville theater owner.

While there are some rousing musical numbers, like my favorite "The World

Will Know," in this musical, this production really is meant for those who love spectacular dance numbers. Director and choreographer, Jeffry Denman, did an outstanding job using every inch of that stage to push a large cast to wow the audience with some high flying, tap dancing, in-sync leaping choreography. I would go back just to see the choreography because there is so much detail to each dance number.

If I have one complaint, and it is small, is that there is a sense of sameness in some of the numbers and the visual tableau. However, for the most part I really liked this energetic musical that moves quickly from scene to scene leaving few moments to catch your breath before the next spirited number. If you are a fan of Alan Menken's musical score of *Newsies* and the original Disney film and stage version this is a must see this season at Tuacahn.

Newsies runs through October 18 at Tuacahn Center for the Arts. For more information on tickets visit tuacahn.org

This production really is meant for those who love spectacular dance numbers

Children's book highlights Mother Earth's protection, homelessness

Joni Franks announces release of 'Corky Tails Tales of a Tailless Dog Named Sagebrush'

Author Joni Franks has a strong passion for mountain beauty, environmental protection and animals. In

her recently published book "Corky Tails Tales of a Tailless Dog Named Sagebrush: Sagebrush Meets the Shuns." Franks addresses the plight of the vanishing forests and the consequences of deforestation.

The book follows main protagonist Sagebrush, who journeys into the deepest recesses of the forest. Sagebrush discovers the tiny unknown creatures called Shuns, who are now homeless

due to the giant tree-cutting machines that the humans have sent to clear the forest. Sagebrush befriends the Shuns and vows to save them.

"The tale is told through Sagebrush, who sees the world thru innocent eyes. Sagebrush and a young ranch woman work together to offer the homeless Shuns a chance to live out their dreams," the author depicts the story of the book.

A snippet from the book:

There was a deep, low grumbling, groaning noise coming from deep within the forest, where no grumbling, groaning noise should be heard. Sagebrush, the tailless puppy, felt the vibration of the earth before she heard the noise, as the sun began to rise over the Rocky Mountains and the cattle ranch she called home.

Artist's work depicts SUU's beginnings

Painting completed using traditional Chinese technique

by Nikki **KOONTZ**
For Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY, UTAH — As a visiting professor and guest artist from Renmin University of Beijing, China, Yidan Guo enjoys teaching students and working alongside her colleagues in the Southern Utah University Art and Design department. Guo's latest project includes the portrayal of SUU history using Chinese watercolor.

In 2015, President Wyatt commissioned Guo to create a painting depicting the inspirational story of the institution's beginnings. In determining a concept direction, Wyatt pointed out that most artwork about SUU's origin depict cowboys or a harsh winter weather, rarely portraying the women and children important in the institution's establishment.

Honored and eager to take on the challenge, Guo researched the early history of SUU and gained great respect for the Cedar City community and the school's founders. She learned the story of the townsmen who traveled up the mountain during a treacherous winter to retrieve supplies needed to build the school.

After numerous drafts and sketches, the selected scene focused on a touching moment where the townsmen returned from the mountains and celebrated a successful trip with loved ones. This moment led to the painting's title, *The First Load of Lumber*.

The artwork was painted on silk - the oldest substrate of Chinese painting - and was created with traditional Chinese painting techniques and materials. Silk was used by ancient Chinese artists before the invention Xuan paper, also known as rice paper. Chinese painting is traditionally water-based.

"It is a precious opportunity for me to share Chinese art with American people through this painting," Guo said. "This has been a very important project for me in my art career."

Guo's work was created in the Gongbi style, or meticulous style, that uses highly detailed brushstrokes and is one of the oldest Chinese painting techniques. The style usually depicts figural or narrative subjects. Guo prefers this method as it allows her to share a deeper emotion through people's faces and body posture.

The entire 46- by 73-inch painting took a year to complete. For Guo, art is a mode of communication. Her artwork has been recognized as the best produced by the rising generation of Chinese artists.

"I enjoyed the entire process because it made me feel peaceful and happy," Guo said. "I had to keep pushing and pushing. I just wanted to do a good job of showing a piece of SUU history."

To see the project and other samples of Guo's work, check out her online portfolio. The original painting is on display in the Southern Utah Museum of Art.



GUEST CHINESE ARTIST YIDAN GUO will be teaching students along side other Art and Design faculty at Southern Utah University.

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Arts are an Economic Force for Iron County

by Sara PENNY
Cedar City Arts Council

A new national study by Americans for the Arts finds that the nation's nonprofit arts and culture industry generated \$166.3 billion in economic activity in 2015—\$63.8 billion in spending by arts and cultural organizations and an additional \$102.5 billion in event-related spending by their audiences.

This activity supported 4.6 million jobs and generated \$27.5 billion in government revenue.

The Cedar City Arts Council led the local effort on the study showing the impact of the arts on the local economy with cooperation from the Utah Shakespeare Festival, Cedar City/Brian Head Tourism Office, and Cedar City Economic Development. Several local arts groups submitted data and helped with patron surveys.

“By every measure, the results of Arts & Economic Prosperity 5 prove that the arts are an industry—a generator of government revenue, a cornerstone of tourism, and an employment powerhouse both locally and across the nation,” Robert L. Lynch, president and CEO of Americans for the Arts, said. “Leaders who care about community and economic vitality, growing tourism, attracting an innovative workforce, and community engagement can feel good about choosing to invest in the arts.”

Iron County shows a significant impact from arts participation from both local residents and visitors. For example, direct arts industry expenditures were over \$76 million with a population of 47,000 compared to Logan City with \$31 million and a similar population to Iron County. “The Utah Shakespeare Festival is a strong force for economic impact for the area. It is interesting to contrast Iron County with another Shakespeare Festival area: Eugene, Oregon which came in with \$45 million spent on arts

expenditures contrasted with Iron County's \$76 million. That means that we have a lot of arts impact in addition to the Festival which adds up to a lot of jobs and local spending,” said Sara Penny, CCAC Board Member. “In contrasting Iron County with comparable communities all over the country it is clear that the arts are an increasingly important economic resource for our area.” This information will be valuable for community leaders, arts organizations, and individual artists. The arts spending is far-reaching: organizations pay employees, purchase supplies, contract for services, and acquire assets within the community.

Nationally, 34 percent of arts events attendees travel from outside the area and they spend about twice what local residents spend in addition to event tickets. Nearly 70 percent of visitors indicate that they came to the county specifically to attend an arts or cultural event.

The arts are a big business and a contributor to government revenue through the economic activity generated above the investment of government grants. For example, a typical NEA grant requires matching funds plus a rigorous review and stewardship process. Nationally the government investment in the arts is about \$5 billion and the government revenue generated by the arts is over \$27 billion so there is a significant return on investment.

Locally, the average cultural attendee expenses are \$126 per person plus admission costs to arts events. This results in over \$62 million into the Iron County economy plus admission revenue.

Links for the complete Arts in Prosperity report include a map to check locations throughout the country: blog.americansforthearts.org/2017/06/17/arts-economic-prosperity-5-how-the-nonprofit-arts-culture-industry-impacts-the-economy-in-your



Economic Impact of the Nonprofit Arts & Culture Industry (2015)



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

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

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

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

"STOP ARGUING WITH WHAT IS"—BYRON KATIE, "Resistance to what life presents in any given moment equals pain. The thoughts that I believe about myself cause my suffering." A 25-minute video then casual discussion. 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park (Rare Books room). The Literary Club. For more information, call 435-559-7777.

Thurs, July 6

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

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

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

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

IMMUNIZATIONS/WIC/VITAL RECORDS, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (walk in), Southwest Utah Public Health Dept., 260 E. DL Sargent Drive, Cedar City. Call 435-586-2437 with questions.

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 8 a.m., Southern Utah Sports Academy, 494 N. 2150 West, Cedar City.

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

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

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

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., The Meeting Hall, 1067 S. Main. More info at 877-865-5890.

CEDAR CITY COMMUNITY CLINIC, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 435-865-1387 for an appointment. Accepts Medicaid, Medicare and all private insurances.

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

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

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

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

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

SOUTHERN UTAH ROCK CLUB MEETING, 6 p.m., Cedar City Aquatic Center. New members welcome, door prizes, rock drawings.

Fri, July 7

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

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

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

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

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

BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT MEETINGS WITH THE LA LECHE LEAGUE OF CEDAR CITY, 10 a.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

INFORMED WOMEN OF AMERICA, 11 a.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

Sat, July 8

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

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

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

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DETACHMENT 1315 MONTHLY MEETING, 9:30 a.m., Marriott Springhill Suites, 1477 S. Old Highway 91, Cedar City. Veterans of all services welcome.

SOUTHERN UTAH WOODTURNERS, 9 a.m., Cedar High School Wood Shop, 703 W. 600 South.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR MONTHLY MEETING, 11 a.m. Contact Kim Fiero at 435-867-6222 for more info.

Sun, July 9

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

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

Mon, July 10

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

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

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

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

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

IRON COUNTY COMMISSION, 9 a.m., county complex, Parowan.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 74 IN CEDAR CITY, 6 p.m. meeting, Cedar City Library in the Park.

Tues, July 11

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SUU DISCOVER STORY TIME, 6:30 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

DINING FOR WOMEN CEDAR CITY CHAPTER, Join us tonight at 5:30 p.m. for a delicious potluck and short presentation. We meet once a month and all are welcome. The 400 chapters fund grassroots programs for helping women and girls in education, health, business and self-worth. We join the community in being agents for change. For questions, the address of this month's gathering or if you need a ride, please email bethgaines54@gmail.com or call/text Beth at 435-201-3529. The nonprofit's website is www.DiningForWomen.org or on Facebook.

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

IRON COUNTY BOOKMOBILE PRESENTS CHILDREN'S STORYTIME FOR KIDS, up to age 8 10:45 a.m., Old School Library, 4763 N. Santa Fe Trail, Enoch. Info at 435-586-6715.

Wed, July 12

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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People

Birth

Gibson Leo Barney

Gibson Leo Barney was born on April 27, 2017 to Scott and Megan Barney of Cedar City. He weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 inches long. Gibson was welcomed by his big sister, Olivia. His grandparents are Craig and Terry Barney of Hatch, and Danny and Suzanne Stewart of Cedar City. We love this sweet



boy so much and are excited to have him in our family!

Wedding

Corry- Francis

Laura Eve Corry, daughter of Jeffrey and Julia Corry of Cedar City, Utah and Richard Samuel Francis, son of Arthur and Shari Francis of Yorba Linda, California, are getting married in the Payson LDS Temple, Payson, Utah on July 7. There will be a reception at the 'Startup Building' in Provo, Utah, that evening. An open house will be held August 5 in Yorba Linda, California. The couple both served LDS Missions in the Idaho Pocatello Mission.



Missions

Sister Shellie Rae Williams

Sister Shellie Rae Williams has returned home from serving in the Alaska Anchorage Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. A homecoming open house will be held on Saturday, July 15 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Williams' residence at 277 S. 2050 West in Cedar City. She will speak on July 16 at 9 a.m. in the



Cedar City 16th Ward Chapel at 1925 W. 320 South in Cedar City. Shellie is the daughter of Bruce and Lori Williams.

Elder Jacob Keith Maloney

Elder Jacob Keith Maloney returned June 27 from serving in the Oregon, Portland Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day

Saints. He will be speaking in the Enoch 4th Ward in the Homestead Chapel at 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 9. He is the son of Keith and Andrea Maloney and grandson of Derral and Karen Stratton, Dean and Jolynn Maloney and the late Bernice Cannon.

Have a People Announcement?

There is no charge for birth, first birthday, mission, Eagle Scout, 50th anniversary (and up), wedding and 80th birthday (and up) announcements.

Announcements and photos can be submitted to news@ironcountytoday.com or at 389 N. 100 West, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon for the following week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Please call 435-867-1865 ext. 5 for pricing for all other announcements.

Brody's Mexican Restaurant named business of the month

by Holly LINFORD
Iron County Today

Brody's Mexican Restaurant has been named Business of the Month by the Chamber of Commerce for the month of June.

Christopher McCormick, President and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, said Brody's was nominated because of its customer service and exceptional food quality.

"The owners are always there to address the concerns of their customers," McCormick said. "They have a very friendly and fun atmosphere as well."

He said businesses are nominated by anyone in the community, which are then turned into the chamber of commerce in writing.

McCormick said the nominations are given to the ambassadors of the Chamber of Commerce where they are narrowed down to three. The three business names are then given to a community review committee where they pick the winner.

McCormick said the eligibility requirements for becoming business of the month include, being a member of the Chamber of Commerce, being in business for at least a year, and offered superior service or been an ambassador for the community.

Abimael Garcia, Owner of Brody's Mexican Restaurant, said Brody's stands out in this town because the food is authentic and because of good customer service.

"We're here to please the customer," he said. "I tell my staff all of the time to make (customers) happy because if they leave happy you'll end up happy."

Garcia said another key factor in business is listening to the customer.

"I ask my customers all the time how I can fix things," he said. "I tell them I can't fix anything if I don't know there's a problem. It's also important to interact with your customers and really get to know them."

Luis Arriaga, an employee of Brody's Mexican Restaurant, said their business stands out because everything is consistent.

"Everyday, everything is made fresh and the same," he said. "We also work like a team here to take care of the customers. Making people feel happy is our goal."

Ron Flud, who lived in Cedar City for years still comes down to Brody's and is a regular there.

Flud said Brody's Mexican Restaurant is one of his favorite restaurants because of how good they treat you.

"We came in today and haven't been in in a while, but



COURTESY OF FOODIE BLOG

CUSTOMERS COMMENT THAT BRODY'S Mexican Restaurant has the best homemade salsa and chips in Cedar City.

we were greeted at the door," he said. "They know who you are."

Flud said Brody's has always stood out to him because the staff actually cares.

"Al always comes over to make sure everything is fine," he said. "Brody's is special. Most places they want you in and out. Brody's has great food and excellent customer service."

Garcia said he and his family started the restaurant in Cedar City in 2013, though they started as a taco stand in 2009 in Minersville.

In 2013 when they moved, the owners of Sears who happened to have lived in Minersville told him about the Mexican restaurant next to Sears that had been closed for a while. He said he had tried their food and let them establish their own restaurant.

Garcia said the restaurant is named after his son, Brody and got the name when his son was small and rolled his blanket into a taco shape.

Garcia said the business is a family effort, and his wife deserves most of the credit since she is the main cook.

"She will not skip any ingredient which makes it special," he said. "She doesn't have any of her recipes written down either, she knows them all by heart. She's the main person of Brody's and I think all of the staff knows that and keeps her happy."

Arriaga said his personal favorite item on the menu are the carnitas with rice and beans and tortillas or the fajitas.

Flud said his favorite item on the menu is the Molcajete

"The way it's served is special," he said. "The presentation of it is amazing."

Out of patience

Of all the things technology has disrupted, our patience has taken the biggest hit. Once we were a people who could wait four to six weeks for our Disco Fever albums to arrive from Columbia House Records, but now if our iTunes playlist takes more than 15 seconds to download, we're screaming obscenities and kicking chairs.

We've become angry, impatient individuals.

We keep saying we want patience, even pray for it, but when we get the chance to demonstrate patience, \$%&* usually hits the fan.

Remember when microwaves were a luxury? Remember when we had to chop, slice and actually cook our food on the stove? Now we don't have time for that! We want our food fast 'cause we have things to do!

When I wrote a report for school, I loaded a piece of paper in my mom's Smith Corona typewriter and typed about 13 words a minute, or until all the keys stuck



Life & LAUGHTER

by Peri KINDER
Columnist

together and I had to pry them apart. If I made a grammatical mistake and didn't have any white-out, I sighed and rolled in a new piece of paper to start over.

Now we type 80 words a minute—on a keyboard the size of a bar of soap—grammar be damned! Who has time for the spelling and the punctuation and the sentence structure? Not us. We've reverted to sending text messages made up entirely of images because who has time to make words?

Independence Day



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

Life can often be a funny phenomenon. It can be a conundrum of contrasts and contradictions. For example, in our youth, life seems to move too slowly. We can't wait to grow up, learn to drive, get a job and get out on our own. Then, as we get older, life seems to move too fast. We feel too old, drive too much, work too much and realize that being independent may not be all it's cracked up to be. Many of us have come to realize that responsibility increases, not diminishes, with age. However, we also come to realize that age does not dictate or deliver wisdom, but it comes from our perspectives and directives through our experiences as we 'grow up'.

What is being independent all about? As we recently celebrated the 4th of July and other patriotic tributes to our freedom, we understand the crucial necessity of having a country and a home independent of any other rule and reign. A one nation under God where we can truly be indivisible and free to choose. Whether it's our country or our character, independence is a calling, a challenge, to prove our self-worth and ability to be self-sustaining. However, being self-reliant and independent doesn't mean we don't need other people,

We can learn to be self-governing without being selfish with our time and our hearts

or shouldn't ever try to rely on others to assist us during different seasons in our lives. We can be both independent and dependent according to our personal circumstances. One thing is certain, no matter our situations, we all need friends and allies in this life. Don't get stuck in the rut of being reclusive and reckless with those who care about you and want to be a part of your life. We need our families, teachers, leaders and true friends. We can learn to be self-governing without being selfish with our time and our hearts. Some of the greatest celebrations in life can come from standing together with others who share a common cause; who hear the same drummer, but who know that to make a difference in this world sometimes one must stand alone. Nevertheless, don't ever be afraid to let those who want to share your dreams and desires stand with you, or to let go of those who do not.

Therefore, whatever your age and whatever page you are on in the story of your life, it's time to declare your own individual Independence Day from any rotten ruts, relationships and rabble-rousers that are keeping you stuck. From this moment on, declare your independence from anyone or anything that is frustrating your freedom and suffocating your soul. Yes, you may need to depend on others to help you—after all, it is easier said than done—but the battle can be won. You can be victorious and life can become more celebration than frustration. Defend your dreams, improve your talents and enjoy the journey. This is your time to shine and show the world what you're made of.

Health Department advises safe health in presence of wildfire

by David HEATON
For Iron County Today

The Southwest Utah Public Health Department is encouraging local residents to be aware of health impacts from wildfire smoke.

Wildfire smoke contains fine particles that can cause burning eyes, running nose, scratchy throat, headaches, and bronchitis.

They can also worsen chronic heart and lung disease. People at greater risk of having their health affected by wildfire smoke include:

- » People who have heart or lung diseases (like asthma)
- » Older adults
- » Pregnant women
- » Children

If it looks and smells smoky outside, it's probably not a good time for outdoor activities. If visibility in your neighborhood has decreased to less than five miles, smoke has reached levels that are unhealthy, even for people not on the above list.

Protect yourself from wildfire smoke by doing the following:

- » Keep indoor air as clean as possible.
- » Keep windows and doors closed.
- » Run an air conditioner (with the fresh-air intake closed and filter clean), but evaporative air conditioners (swamp coolers) can pull smoky air into the house.
- » Consider using a portable evaporative cooler inside the house or seeking shelter at an alternate location,

- » especially if heat is also an issue.
- » Don't add to indoor pollution by burning candles, smoking, or vacuuming.
- » Follow the advice of your doctor or other healthcare provider about medications and respiratory management if you have asthma or another lung disease.
- » Consider evacuating the area if you are having trouble breathing.
- » Call for further advice if your symptoms worsen.
- » Do not rely on dust masks for protection. These masks will not protect your lungs from the small particles found in wildfire smoke.
- » Evacuate if instructed by local officials.
- » Take only essential items with you and follow designated evacuation routes.
- » Pay attention to local TV and radio reports, along with official social media sources, for up-to-date information for your area.

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Obituaries

Ruth Naomi Moxley



In the precious words of Ruth Moxley, "Home James, and don't spare the horses!" Ruth Naomi Moxley has been called home after 95 years on this earth to join her family members in Heaven.

Ruth was born on April 27, 1922 in Abbingdon, Illinois to the late Frank and Ina Rossell. She loved life and she loved to laugh, sing, and dance.

Fishing and boating on Lake Mead with her family and friends occupied many of her weekends in the early days, although one trip ended abruptly when her nose was ensnared by a fish hook that had to be removed by a

doctor. Camping and cooking outdoors made her happy because she said that food always tasted better when it was cooked and eaten outdoors. She enjoyed weekends at her son's cabin feeding the squirrels, chipmunks, and birds, and arranging rocks in borders around the large pine trees. She insisted on cooking large holiday dinners so her family could all be together, but would often forget a dish in the refrigerator and discover it after the meal was over.

She loved movies and going out to dinner and she loved to make people laugh. She could start up a friendship just standing in line at a buffet. One of her favorite pastimes was playing Bingo and visiting with her senior friends - she called them her "ladies." She loved to sing scary nursery rhymes to her grandkids - like the Ladybug song where she flies home to discover that "her house is on fire and her children are all burned."

She enjoyed evenings in the summer at barbecues, and sitting on the driveway or porch watching the wild turkeys, deer, antelope, and jack rabbits stroll by. One evening, she drove her golf cart up to her son's house to see a skunk that he had trapped, but on her way back to her house, she drove her cart into the ditch and had to be rescued.

After she retired the first time, she took a job as a courier delivering mail for Clark County Parks and Recreation and as she delivered the mail, she also delivered joy and laughter to everyone at the community centers. Her boss once said that she was the best employee she'd ever had, and on one occasion, one of the community center leaders pointed out that she was wearing tennis shoes that didn't match. They had a good laugh over that.

She loved visiting with her children and grandchildren, including the four-legged grandchildren; speeding through her "Days of Our Lives" recordings; feeding her hummingbirds and watching them fight for a turn at the feeder. Ruth was always excited about traveling to new places and having big adventures. She appreciated life, enjoyed it to the fullest, and loved taking care of her family.

Although Ruth left a large hollow space in her wake when she left this world, she would not want anyone to weep for her, but instead be joyful in the fact that she lived a good life for 95 years and passed with family members by her side.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband Burt, her brother Arnold, and her son Bob, as well as her mother Ina, and father Frank Rossell. She left behind her daughter Debbie Thompson and husband Paul; her son Neil Moxley and wife Cindy; her daughter Robin Concannon, her sister-in-law Carole Gibbs, three nephews, 11 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and many friends.

She will be remembered dearly and missed by all who love her.

A celebration of her life will be held at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery Chapel - 1900 Veterans Memorial Drive in Boulder City, Las Vegas, Nevada on Friday, July 14 from 11:20 until noon. Following the service, her remains will be placed in the plot with her husband, Burt Moxley.

Larry Evertt VanMeter



Larry Evertt VanMeter, age 84, passed away in his home in Parowan, Utah on Saturday, June 24, 2017, surrounded by family.

He was born on September 11, 1932 to Precilla Smith and Leonard VanMeter in the town of Tecumseh, OK. His family moved to California in 1946. Larry met and married his wife, Delores McNealy on August 28th, 1952. They lived in Big Delta, Alaska while he was in the army and later made their home in Colton, Calif. Together, they had 2 children; Lynette and Brett, whom they raised in Colton.

Larry retired from Norton Air Force Base in 1987, and he and Delores moved to Parowan

in 1995. They purchased land, built a home, and kept themselves busy by hunting, fishing, and taking care of their home and property.

Larry and Delores are members of the Church of Christ in Cedar City.

Larry is survived by his wife of nearly 65 years, Delores VanMeter; daughter Lynette (Dennis) Cummins of San Luis Obispo, CA and son Brett (Tina) VanMeter of Summit, Utah; granddaughters Amber Schultz, Aimee Wirz, Mallori McRoberts, Tiffani VanMeter and grandson Cory VanMeter; great-grandchildren Lyndsey, Josh, Ashlee, Savannah, Cody and Weston; sister Janice Pryor of Fort Mohave, AZ, and many nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service was held on Saturday, July 1, 2017 at Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

Larry will always be loved and remembered for his contagious laugh and fun sense of humor. He loved the outdoors, friends and family. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, talented musician an overall genuine person that could fix just about anything. Mostly he will be remembered for the way he made everyone around him feel; because if you knew him, you smiled more, you laughed often, and you felt appreciated.

Elmo Pendleton Orton



Elmo Pendleton Orton passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at his home in Cedar City, Utah surrounded by loving family members.

Dad was born October 25, 1917 in Parowan, Utah to Silas Taylor Orton and Mary Berzella Pendleton Orton. He was the second youngest of 7 children and had a deep love and respect for his parents and siblings.

On December 2, 1941 Dad married his eternal sweetheart (of 72 years) Glenis Simkins Orton in the St. George Utah LDS Temple. They have three children, Elma Lee (Ward) Halterman, Francie (Alan)

Pace, Dale Simkins (Netta) Orton. They have 12 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

Dad was a veteran of WWII serving from 1942 to 1945. Shortly after their marriage, Dad began his military training at Camp Kohler, Calif. before embarking to New Guinea and the Philippines where he served in the Signal Corp Supply Unit.

Though he experienced many hardships and continued bouts of Malaria, he considered it to be an honor to have served his country. He was humbled to be a veteran and had a deep sense of reverence and gratitude for our country and for others who have sacrificed for the cause of freedom. One could see appreciation in his eyes whenever he saw an American Flag or an individual in military uniform.

Upon returning from the Philippines, he commenced working for the State Road Commission and later secured employment at the US Postal Service in Cedar City where he worked for over 33 years until his retirement in March 1984. His employment at the Post Office offered the opportunity to associate and establish lifelong friendships with many people in the area.

Dad spent his life actively engaged in church service. He served as a Stake Clerk for 24 years for three separate Stake Presidents in the Cedar City Utah Stake. Dad and Mom served a Mission for the LDS Church in Manchester England in 1985-86, and served several years as ordinance workers in the St. George LDS Temple.

Music and yard work were a few of his passions. Dad played the saxophone in the "Rhythm Kings" dance band where all the young adults from Iron and Washington Counties flocked to dance to their music. He always maintained an immaculate yard, flower and vegetable garden, and he loved to share the harvest with everyone.

In September 2014, Dad was honored to be named Grand Marshal of the Iron County Fair. He has given countless hours serving his community, family and neighbors. Over the years he found opportunities to serve neighbors in a myriad of ways such as shoveling their walks when the snow fell, helping with yard or repair work, or simply lifting those around him by providing a witty comment to bring a smile.

Always one to champion those less fortunate, he willingly provided needed support. Dad was happiest when his service was done anonymously. He cherished the opportunity to serve the public and contribute to the community.

Dad is preceded in death by his wife (Glenis Simkins Orton), 6 siblings, and a granddaughter (Jacque Halterman Ward).

A special thanks to Maree Prince, Lynette Hansen, Dawn Jones, and others at Iron County Home Health Agency, and Dr. Garrett and staff who were so compassionate in caring for our Dad. Dad was very grateful to his wonderful neighbors, friends and members of the Cedar East Bench Ward who were so compassionate, loving and caring.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 1, 2017 at 11 a.m. in the Cedar Stake Center at 155 E 400 South in Cedar City, Utah. A viewing was held Friday, June 30 at Southern Utah Mortuary at 190 N 300 West in Cedar City, Utah from 6 to 8 p.m. A viewing was held Saturday, July 1, 2017 at the Cedar Stake Center from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

PATIENCE

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If you had pioneer ancestors, patience should be an intricate part of your DNA. After all, these stalwart men and women walked for weeks to bring their families to Utah. They walked and walked with no distractions, barring the occasional oxen breakdown. Now we sit in traffic, honking and barking at fellow commuters who don't move fast enough when the light turns green.

It used to be we had to wait YEARS between "Star Wars" movies. We had to wait an entire WEEK to catch up on our favorite TV show. And if we missed an episode? We were out of luck until summer reruns. Now people binge-watch entire seasons of shows in a weekend and download pirated movies before they're even in theaters.

Before cell phones, there were no middle of the night conversations unless you were lucky enough to have a pair of walkie talkies with a range of about 10 feet. But if

Carl Robert Crofts



Carl Roberts Croft, 91, of Cedar City Utah, passed away June 26, 2017 in Cedar City, Utah. He was born November 11, 1925 in Cedar City to George and Tryphena Prudence Croft.

When Carl was three he lived with his family in the Grand Canyon for two summers while his father George supervised the construction of the power, pumping and housing facilities. Working together with George on various projects, cars in particular, he became an accomplished mechanic. His first car was a small Austin. After many hours of rework, he was able to drive it around the neighborhood. Without a license, he had to stay off the streets, sometimes driving on sidewalks. He had great sport chasing his sister, Mary Kay on her tricycle.

Carl attended Cedar City public schools and was a member of the LDS church. He enlisted in the US Army Air Force in February 1944, and trained as a fighter pilot, graduating as a 2nd Lt. on August 4, 1945, just 11 days before the surrender of Imperial Japan ending World War II. He was honorably discharged October 30, 1945.

Carl married Jane Urie, his high school sweetheart, on December 26, 1946. After graduating from Branch Agricultural College in 1947, he and Jane moved to Logan, Utah, for further studies at Utah State University, graduating in May 1949. During the two years at USU they lived in a trailer that Carl had built.

During the summers of 1947 and 1948 Carl and Jane lived in the Grand Canyon where he served as chief power house operator and overseeing the water pumping station for the facilities on the rim. Jane was the cook and housekeeper for five men. Carl continued to work for the Utah Parks Company as assistant to his father until 1966 when he became Supervisor of Maintenance. He held this position until 1985 when he retired. His family would occasionally accompany him to the Parks where they would get a full run down of the park infrastructure such as pump houses, power and water lines and water tanks. He made many friends during the years he worked at the parks. His favorite park was Zion because maintenance was easiest there.

The high point of Carl's retirement was traveling the West from Canada to Mexico with friends in an RV. He and Jane also made two trips to Europe.

His leisure time while working and in retirement was occupied by a continual procession of projects ranging from building a home, a cabin, a ski area, and rebuilding a Model A truck. He was not happy if he wasn't fixing something. Many years' work went into the mountain cabin which he called his labor of love. With his family he enjoyed picnicking, camping, hunting, fishing, pine nut picking, and skiing.

Carl spent the last eight months of his life at The Retreat care center in St. George and the new Beehive Home in Cedar City. The family appreciates the tender, loving care he was given at both facilities.

Carl is survived by sister Mary Kay (Croft) Powers of West Valley City; four sons, Alan (Anita McEntyre), Douglas (Elaine Lawrence), Scott (Diann Spencer) and David Croft; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his wife, Jane; two sisters, Carmen Jones of Cedar City and Marjorie Dill of Sharon, Pennsylvania; and daughter-in-law, Brenda Riley (David).

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, July 8, 2017 at 11a.m. at the 9th Ward Church on 256 S. 900 West in Cedar City, Utah. A viewing will be held at the Ninth Ward Church on Friday, July 7, from 6 to 8 p.m. and again on Saturday July 8 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery following the funeral. The funeral will be under the direction of the Affordable Funeral Services of Cedar City (435)586-3456.

Online Condolences can be sent to his Memorial Book at www.affordablefuneralservices.com

you stuck your head out the window and leaned toward your friend's house, and if she did the same, you could almost hear each other on the walkie talkie. By that point, you could just yell across the yard to each other.

Now we're stuck to our phones having never-ending conversations by text, instant messaging, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook, etc. But we're not saying anything. Meaningful discussions seem to have gone the way of the typewriter and handcart.

We're too busy to send handwritten thank-you notes. We don't send postcards from trips. No one knows what a treat long-distance phone calls were to grandparents. We've forgotten the tolerance we needed as the telephone line connected to the Internet, making that horrible data sound that rattled your back teeth.

Patience is more than a virtue. It makes us empathetic, hopeful, optimistic and kind. It reminds us not everything has to be fast. It gives us the chance to look forward to something, like listening to the Disco Fever album from Columbia House Records, delivered by the mailman in only six weeks.

ONE MORE for the FAMILY

Nielson brothers get chance to play hoops together at Summer Games

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

They played for the same varsity basketball team at Cedar High, but the Nielson brothers – Kyler (class of 2012), Kordan (2014) and Keenan (2017) – never played together at the same time.

While the trio offered their own styles to help the Redmen succeed on the court, they all drove and pushed each other in their own brotherly way – through trash talk, good-natured humor, and a desire to help reach their own level of success.

For two days at this year's Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games, the Brothers Nielson came together and made memories on the same basketball floor they won't soon forget.

Kyler described how the opportunity to bring everyone together came into being for the Monstars team.

"Last year, I played with Keenan because Kordan wasn't home from his mission (in Argentina) yet. We had all Dixie State players," Kyler said. "I had co-workers, ex-region 9 guys, and said I'd be able to play and had two little guys to get in. It was a blast, and we had a lot of fun."

The Monstars advanced to the quarterfinals, but lost in overtime to a team from West Valley. They would finish at the top of the consolation bracket and ended up playing seven total games.

"We got more than more than money's worth," Kyler said. "It made wish we were all playing at Cedar." In what may have been a sort of fantasy hoops flashback moment, Kyler got the better of the three in terms of scoring output with 25 points in one game to 18 for Keenan and 15 for Kordan.

But winning wasn't the only thing for them.

"We were still having a lot of fun," Kyler said. "It got intense at times, and we were getting after each other. At one point, Kordan and I made eye contact, I moved toward the three-point line, and his pass went out of bounds. He gave



BROTHERS KYLER, KORDAN AND KEENAN NIELSON enjoy chance to compete on the same team in the Utah Summer Games

COURTESY OF KEN NIELSON

"Be competitive on court and get best out of each other. At same time remember that you're brothers"

— Kordan Nielson

me flak for it."

Kyler Nielson has one season of eligibility left at Dixie State.

Kordan Nielson called playing alongside both of his brothers "one of better experiences had in a long time. It was awesome, fun for the little guys to play with the guys Kyler's age and older, a good group to play with."

As for Kordan's impressions on the bad pass to Kyler: "We had a

few words with each other and he gave me a dirty look. I shook it off. Be competitive on court and get best out of each other. At same time remember that you're brothers."

Kordan, who got married in January, has been home from his mission for 10 months. He received some offers to play college ball in Oregon, but is attending school at

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SUU Gymnast is nominated for 2017 NCAA Woman of the Year award

by SUU ATHLETICS STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS
For Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY, Utah — Former Southern Utah University gymnast Tyly Bozzuto has been nominated for the 2017 NCAA Woman of the Year award.

This is the 27th year the NCAA Woman of the Year award has been given out, which honors female student-athletes that have proven themselves in academics, athletics, service and leadership throughout their collegiate careers.

"Tyly was a dream to coach," SUU head coach Scotty Bauman said. "You don't get kids very often like that, who will go the extra mile in everything they do. We could use her at any time on any event. She was always ready, prepared and hungry to do whatever she could for us. She had a team first mentality, which showed through and the team appreciated that, and led to her becoming a fantastic leader for us in and outside of the gym. She's one of those kids that came in and goes above and beyond in every aspect."

Bozzuto was a senior leader for the Flippin' Birds last season, in one of their most successful seasons in the history of the program. The T-Birds set the highest score in school history with a 197.025, in a meet that Bozzuto scored a 9.900 on bars and floor.

Following the 2017 season, Bozzuto was named Academic All-MRGC, which she also earned in 2015 and 2016. During the course of the last season she was named Specialist of the Week by the Mountain Rim Gymnastics Conference three times.

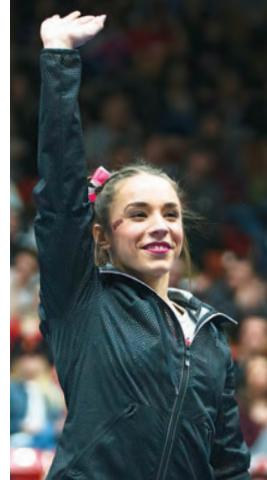
She also competed in NCAA Regional competition all four seasons she competed for the Thunderbirds, and SUU finished high in the national rankings in all four seasons Bozzuto was part of the competition team.

In total, 543 female student-athletes have been nominated for the award, and 229 of those came from the Division I ranks.

Bozzuto is just one of seven gymnasts that have been nominated for the award.

The next step in the process is for conferences to select up to two nominees from the pool of names, and then the Woman of the Year selection committee will narrow the field down to 30 honorees from the conference selections. Those honorees will be recognized at a ceremony in October that will be held in Indianapolis.

For all things, SUU Gymnastics follow @suugymnastics on Twitter and Instagram and like the SUU Gymnastics page on Facebook.



COURTESY OF SUU ATHLETICS

TYLY BOZZUTO

It's not a holiday without baseball

The calendar may read July 5 as you read these words, but there's something special when it comes to our country's birthday and the game of baseball. The season has barely reached the halfway point in Major League Baseball, and there's more than enough worth talking about.

Last year's participants in one of the more memorable World Series ever played are struggling just to stay at or near the top of their divisions. Through games of June 29, the defending champion Chicago Cubs are 40-39, a game behind the Milwaukee Brewers in the National League Central, and the Cleveland Indians are 42-36, just a game and a half ahead of the surprising Minnesota Twins.

Heck, Milwaukee's lead is just as surprising, but we digress.

To see how hard it can be to wear the crown, the Cubs released catcher Miguel Montero last week after he blamed pitcher Jake Arrieta for the Washington Nationals stealing seven bases in a 6-1 loss. Judge this as you wish, but the Associated Press game story noted that Montero was 0-for-31 in throwing out would-be base stealers on the season, but 15 of 17 runners stole successfully with Arrieta on the mound.

Meanwhile, the Houston Astros (54-26) and Los Angeles Dodgers (52-28) have the best records in

baseball. The Astros lead the majors in batting average (.283), home runs (128), and hits (783). They also lead the AL in runs scored (445) and RBI (420).

On the pitching side, the Dodgers lead the majors in earned-run average (3.25) and opponents are hitting a paltry .226 against the likes of Clayton Kershaw and the rest of the rotation.

If you want to put them in as this year's World Series favorites, it's far from a guarantee at this point, though.

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» Due to an earlier deadline, this week for the July 4 holiday, I wasn't able to include the opening day of games for the annual Little League All-Star tournaments that will be happening at Veterans Park and Fields on the Hill starting July 10. For more information, a

Facebook page with the schedule of games should be up and running by the time this column is published.

Use Cedar City Little League All-Stars as the search term, and that should get you started.

Of course, the winners from the four main divisions July 15 – majors and junior's baseball and softball – will advance to their respective West Regional tournaments. Here are those dates:

Little League Baseball:
San Bernardino, Calif., Aug. 6-12.



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

Junior League Baseball: San Jose, Calif., July 31-Aug. 7

Little League Softball:
San Bernardino, Calif., July 21-28.

Junior League Softball: Tucson, Ariz., July 20-27.

» A clarification is needed from last week's column. I mentioned that Kevin Harvick was the 10th different NASCAR Monster Energy Cup Series race winner after his victory at Sonoma Raceway. There are actually 11 if you include Joey Logano's win at Richmond, but there's a twist.

Due to a major violation found in post-race inspection, Logano's win was ruled "encumbered" by NASCAR and does not count for his standing in the run to the 10-race playoff that will determine the 2017 champion. He was qualified based on points before the Coke Zero 400 at Daytona, but the margin was just seven in front of Clint Bowyer and 11 ahead of Matt Kenseth.

Of course, another win without a penalty will restore order in the racing universe.

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SUMMER CAMP

PHOTOS BY TOM ZULEWSKI



FOOTBALL PLAYERS DONNED THE SHOULDER PADS AND HIT THE FIELD for a series of scrimmages as part of a camp held at SUU last week. Players came from several schools, including Cedar, Desert Hills, Dixie, Kearns, and three from Las Vegas.

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SUU now and has a big batch of memories from the experience.

"I put my medal on the night stand and posted some photos to social media," he said. "I'm getting some more developed to remember the good times."

With Keenan leaving for his LDS mission to Berlin, Germany on July 12, he knew, like his brothers, it was a moment that couldn't go to waste.

"We all loved every second," Keenan said. "We didn't want to take it too seriously, but we knew we probably wouldn't get this opportunity ever again. When a game got close, our competitive nature took over and we played harder than anyone wanted to."

Each brother has his own brand of personal bragging rights from their days at Cedar. Kyler was part of the 2012 Redmen team that reached the 3A semifinals, Kordan was part of the 2014 team that played for the 3A title, but Keenan scored more points than either of them.

"He lets us know about that," Kordan said.

"Their teams had a ton of talent, but I was a better player. That's what I keep telling them," Keenan countered. "It was the coolest thing for us to play together."

Keenan has his medal in a room at home and one picture was printed out to hang in the office of their dad, Ken.

With the time to leave for his mission closing in, Keenan has his mind set on his German.

"I have no plans for when I return. I'm leaving my options wide open," he said. "My German isn't where could be, but I'll do work at the MTC. My brothers tell me from experience no matter how much you study, you never really know. You're thrown out into the fire to learn from there.

"All the sports lessons I've been taught will apply. It's not easy, it won't be perfect, but I'll push through. It will turn out well."

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LEGAL NOTICES

DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

In the Family Court of the Navajo Nation Judicial District of Tuba City, Arizona. Notice is hereby given to Ryan Butler, that Petitioner, Sherilynn Butler has filed a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage with Tuba City Family Court. Ryan Butler if you want to deny the claim and have the Court hear your side of the case, you can request for a copy of the Petition and file your written answer with Tuba City Family Court and DNA Legal Services at Post Office Box 784, Tuba City, AZ 86045, no later than thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice; otherwise all claims will be forever barred. The final hearing date as set by the Family Court is on 24 day of August, 2017 at 9:30 am.

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Notice is hereby given that on Friday, July 7, 2017, at 10:00 A.M., at the Parowan Storage Company Units, 250 South 200 West, Parowan, Utah, the contents of the following described storage unit will be sold or disposed of because of delinquency of account. Unit #20 Alberto Hernandez (current address unknown) Unit #34 Alberto Hernandez (current address unknown) Content contains miscellaneous items.

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