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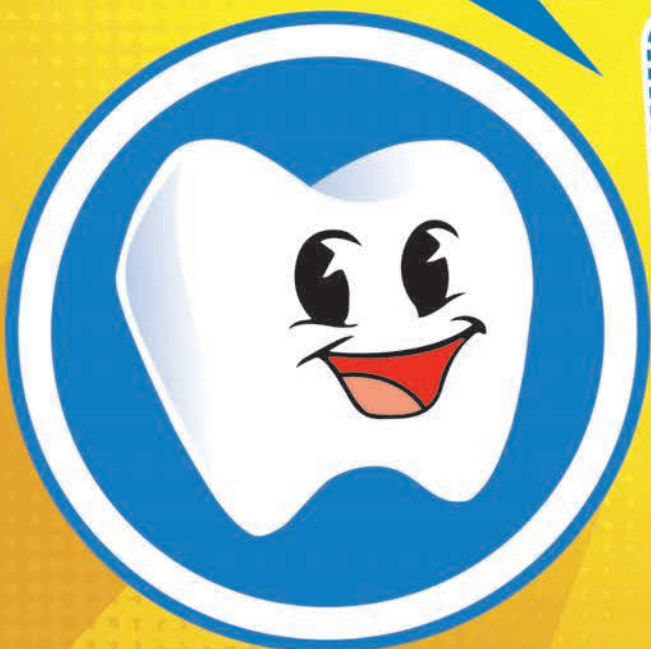
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## Pioneer Parade to honor local residents

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — The Pioneer Parade on July 24 will feature three floats honoring Grand Marshall Edward (Ted) Nelson, Outstanding Citizen of the Year Tamara Borchardt-Slayton and the Modern Pioneers of the Cedar City Temple.

Grand Marshall Nelson was born in Cedar City in 1925 and grew up on his family's sheep ranch. He was drafted in World War II and chose to serve

in the U.S. Navy. When he returned, Nelson attended what was then Branch Agricultural College, Utah State University and Kansas State University. After earning a doctorate in animal science, he taught at Cal Poly University. Nelson developed many innovative programs, was elected to serve on the statewide Academic Senate and honored as an outstanding professor. After retirement, he returned to Cedar City and has spent the past three decades working land and livestock with his family.

Borchardt-Slayton currently serves as the Chairwoman for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah and is a member of the Indian Peaks Band. She lives in Enoch with her husband Michael Slayton, and two children Chanel and Carver. In addition to a Bachelors Degree in Sociology and History from SUU, she recently acquired a Master's Degree in Tribal Administration and Governance from the University of Minnesota Duluth. She also holds a Professional Indian Housing Manager Certification from the

Native American Indian Housing Council Leadership Institute.

The Modern Pioneers are Cedar City LDS Temple President Daniel Jones, Matron JoAnn Jones, First Counselor James Johnson, Assistant to the Matron Debra Johnson, Second Counselor Rick Holman, and Assistant to the Matron Kaye Lindquist Holman.

The Pioneer Parade is scheduled for July 24 at 10 a.m. on Main Street in Cedar City, and is sponsored by the Sons of Utah Pioneers and Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

## HERBERT MEETS *with Utah* Aerospace Pathways students



UTAH GOVERNOR GARY HERBERT HELD A MEET AND GREET with students from the Utah Aerospace Pathways program in Cedar City.

KLARISSA WILLIAMS

by Klarissa **WILLIAMS**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — On July 12, Utah Governor Gary Herbert travelled to Cedar City for a meet and greet with students from the Utah Aerospace Pathways (UAP) program. He sat with the students at the airport, taking time with each student to hear about their experience within the program and about their current employment.

Graduates of the program have found employment at Metalcraft Technologies, a manufacturer of aircraft parts and aerospace structures, located in Cedar City. The Utah Aerospace Pathways program gives students an introduction to the technical knowledge they need

*"...I think this is a model that can be translated into other areas of need throughout the state and throughout the country"*

— Utah Governor Gary Herbert

to enter the aerospace manufacturing industry upon graduation, presenting them with a different pathway to success.

"The challenge that we face is that have a diverse, healthy economy in this state, but that doesn't translate

to rural Utah," Herbert said about the goal to bring more economic success to the rural areas of Utah. The Utah Aerospace Pathways program was launched by Herbert

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# Sprint to the Finish bike races at Tour of Utah



**KIDS WILL GET TO RACE ON THE TOUR OF UTAH COURSE** when it comes to Cedar City on Aug. 7.

TOM HARALDSEN

*Kids ages 5-12 have the opportunity to race their bikes across the finish line*

at this year's Larry H. Miller Tour of Utah. To participate, kids and parents must visit the University of Utah Health Care booth in the KUTV 2 Healthy Living Expo. No preregistration is needed. Parents must sign waiver before child can participate.

All kids must wear closed toe shoes and a bike helmet.

All participants receive a prize and a chance to win a free bike at each stage.

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**CEDAR HIGH TEACHER STEVE SHIRTS, LEFT**, received a music educator award from Neil Hendriksen from the Utah High School Activities Association.

# Cedar High teacher wins Outstanding Music Educator Award

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — Cedar High School Fine Arts Teacher Steve Shirts was awarded the Outstanding Music Educator Award from the National Federation of State High School Associations earlier this year at the Utah Music Educators Association meeting.

The criteria to receive this award includes significant or long-term con-

tributions to interscholastic high school music activities and nominees go through rigorous screening. Neil Hendriksen, Chair of the Utah High School Activities Association, acknowledge Shirts' accomplishments in his nomination letter.

"(Shirts') program is not just recognized locally, but statewide, as a shining example of how important music education is in the lives of children and high school age young adults," he said. "It also shows how that influence carries on into adulthood."

# Strangulation Awareness training is set for Aug. 2

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — A Strangulation Awareness Training will be offered on Aug 2 at 9 a.m. in the Starlight Room of the Sharwan Smith Student Center at SUU.

The training is being offered through the Utah Domestic Violence Coalition and will focus on identifying and documenting strangulation related to domestic violence investigation and prosecution. Law enforcement, prosecutors, healthcare

providers and victim advocates are encouraged to attend.

Several topics will be covered, including who is at risk of strangulation, what strangulation is, identifying visible and non-visible signs of strangulation, short and long-term effects of strangulation, as well as documentation practices for those professionals involved in the investigation and prosecution of strangulation.

To register, go to [satironcounty.eventbrite.com](http://satironcounty.eventbrite.com). Contact Jorge Barraza with questions as [jbarraza@udvc.org](mailto:jbarraza@udvc.org).

# Rummage sale for CVHS Theatre Department

**CEDAR CITY** — The CVHS Theatre department is having a large rummage sale on the front lawn of Canyon View High School,

on July 28, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All proceeds will go towards the expenses of our upcoming musical, Disney's Beauty and the Beast.

# HERBERT

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and Utah Aerospace industry partners in 2015 in the attempt to bring more jobs to the area.

Prior to meeting with the students, the governor met with leaders from MSC Aerospace (Metalcraft Technologies and SyberJet Aircraft), Southwest Tech College, and Southern Utah University Aviation. The higher education institutions have partnered to work with UAP to offer dual enrollment to high schoolers in the program, giving

them a chance to earn college credit with the completion of the program.

"Thanks to all of you for your collaboration in working together, because I think this is a model that can be translated into other areas of need throughout the state and throughout the country," he said. The governor commended the schools and industry leaders on the innovative ways they are working to merge higher education with technical education.

The governor's visit ended with a photo op in front of aircraft from the airport and from SUU's Aviation program.

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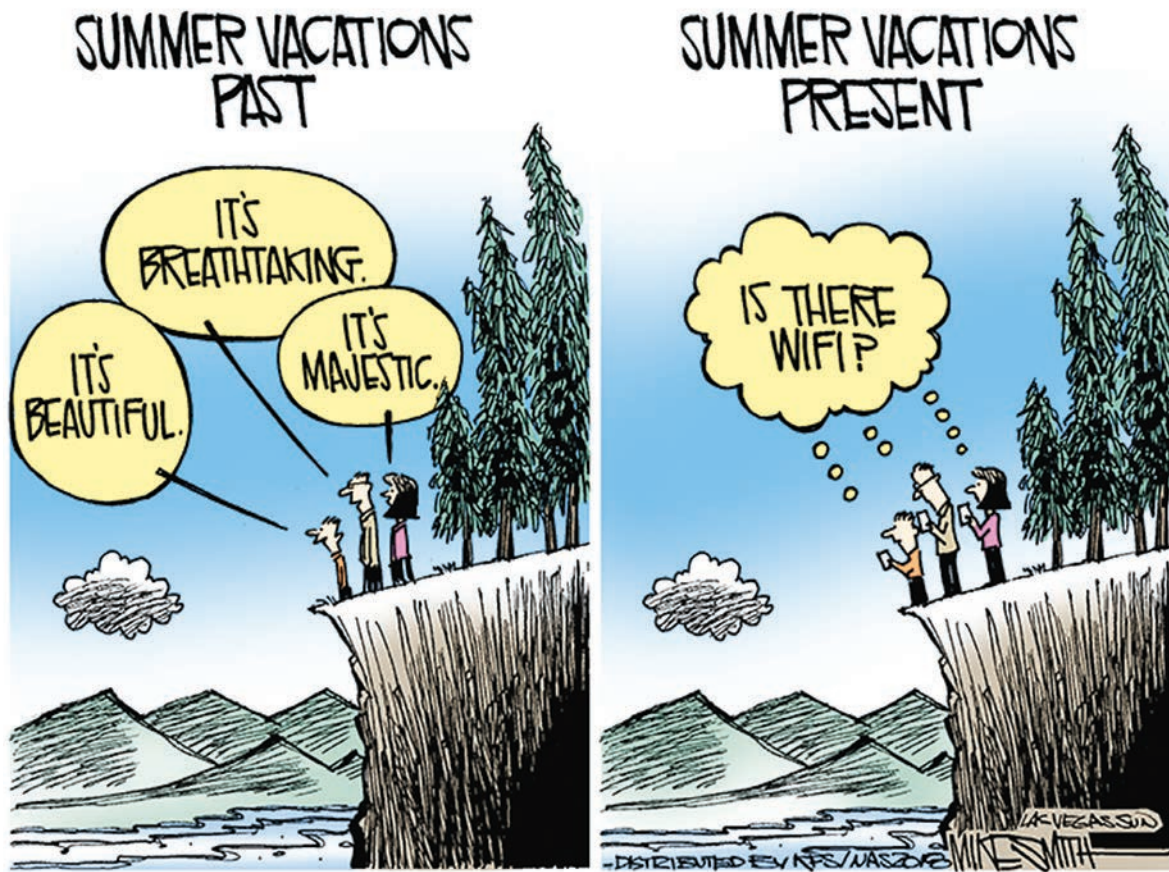
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Opinion



Don't demonize those who want to be Americans

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In time of highly-charged partisanship, there is one issue almost all of us can agree upon: our immigration policy is broken. To enter legally, immigrants must do a backflip, have their spleen harvested, and fill out 10 years of paperwork. Since legal immigration is so onerous, thousands either pay coyotes or find ways to sneak past the border patrol.

Our economy needs immigrants. (If you don't agree, ask your daughter to fill out an application for work as a hotel maid or a fast food line cook.) Our social security system needs new workers. (We have an aging population.)

And in the meantime, the shouting and the arguments fly. "Families shouldn't be separated." "If the parents had not broken the law, the kids would still be with their parents." "Illegals are causing crime and victimizing American citizens."

"Sorry, but a study of Southwest prisons found that undocumented men and women are 25 percent less likely to commit crime than good old U.S. citizens." "They are taking our jobs." "No, your sons and daughters are lazy and won't work hard jobs."

You can pick and choose statistics to prove your case on both sides. For me, I understand the arguments, but fall on the side of compassion. I recently saw the documentary about Fred Rogers ("Won't You Be My Neighbor?"). I was struck by the innate goodness of the man. When considering an issue, he veered to the side of the humane.



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY Columnist

The LDS Church has basically taken the same stance when it comes to immigration, but it doesn't seem to have convinced a good share of its members. The same goes for many Roman Catholics despite their Pope's condemnation of anti-immigration measures.

Unlike a few shrill Democrats, I don't want to abolish the immigration control office. We need to lock up Democrats and Republicans in a stuffy room and not let them out until they approve a policy allowing immigrants to easily enter the country, receive work permits, pay taxes, and contribute to our communities while having the opportunity to apply for full citizenship.

We also need to crack down hard on immigrants who would rather join violent gangs than seek the rewards of the American Dream.

But in the meantime, we shouldn't demonize those who suffer immensely to place their feet on U.S. soil. Don't forget that illegal entry is a mere misdemeanor. (How many of you have never received a traffic ticket?)

It comes down to this... There is a Native American story of an elder explaining humanity to his young son.

"All of us have two wolves in our body, competing for attention," he tells the boy. "One wolf is full of goodness, empathy, kindness, and compassion. The other wolf exhibits rage, meanness, hard-hearted ego, and contempt for weaker wolves."

"Which wolf wins?" asks the boy.

"The one you feed," says the old man.

It's a question we should all ask ourselves.

To the Editor

Always look forward to Brian Gray's column

Dear Editor:

Every week I look forward to reading Brian Gray's column. I find his column is always funny, rational, intelligent, and/or factual. He will often build his opinions based on various points of view and conclude with ideas that would benefit the majority of people in our community.


In the United States of America, it is our patriotic duty, and right, to be able to debate our personal views, and, in the end, to come to a majority consensus as to what is best for our nation. What is crucial to making these debates meaningful, however, is that they be based on the facts and the truth.

The free press (or what some people refer to as the mainstream media) goes to great lengths to verify the facts that they report. They base their information on scientific data, professional expertise and any other credible source that can be verified - these are the facts!!!

Opinion commentators, on the other hand, often don't base their comments on facts or scientific data, but rather on how they want to interpret the news. Their statements may also be influenced by the agenda of the private owners who own the business that the commentators work for. Therefore, this information is biased!!!


Because there is so much distressing news lately, I always look forward to your column, Brian, to provide me with valuable insight, and a little joy. Keep up the good work.

Anonymous, Kanarrville





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# EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

**BRUCE BURT SHAKES HANDS WITH MAYOR MAILE WILSON-EDWARDS** after being named Cedar City Employee of the Month.

KELSEY KEENER

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — Building Facilities Supervisor Bruce Burt was awarded Employee of the Month by the Cedar City Employee Advisory Committee during last week's city council meeting.

Leisure Services Executive Assistant Ruth Sessions nominated Burt for the award and said he is very dedicated to his job and the community.

“(Burt) is beyond dedicated to the services he provides, not only for Leisure Services, but for the several other departments he assists within the city,” she

said. “In addition to all these duties, Bruce has also taken on the challenge of working with the adult special needs community, offering employment to special needs adults. He is very dedicated to his job, often spending long days and even longer nights to make sure all the maintenance needs are completed.”

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# Utah earns first Michelin Three Star honor

**SALT LAKE CITY** — After a century of rating restaurants and destinations, Michelin, publishers of the iconic Michelin Guides for travelers, has awarded Utah the very first three-star designation for a state.

“Utah is a beautiful state, a destination worth making a special trip for American and international visitors, including the French who love it,” said Philippe Orain, Editorial Director of Le Guide Vert Michelin. “I am happy and glad to give this recognition for the high quality of service, the beauty of its world class landscapes, and the concentration of three Michelin Star National Parks (the highest of the U.S. with Zion, Bryce, Arches and Canyonlands).”

According to a release from the company, the Michelin Green Guides allow travelers to quickly identify a destination’s most outstanding attractions thanks to a “star” system. The Michelin rating system for destinations is similar to their restaurant ratings. One star indicates an “interesting” attraction or destination, two stars indicate a place “worth a detour” if travelers are already in the area, and three stars means “exceptional, worth a special journey in itself.”

The editors of the guide use nine weighted criteria to evaluate a destination, and three stars were awarded to Utah mostly

**“This coveted... recognition is a huge honor to our state”**

— **Vicki Varela**

in recognition of local hospitality, visitors’ accessibility to hidden gems and Utah’s national parks. Usually, Michelin stars are awarded to a particular destination within a state. This is the first time the editors have awarded an entire state the prestigious three star distinction.

“This coveted Michelin recognition is a huge honor to our state. It will attract visitors from France and all around the world -- those who appreciate our spectacular landscapes and western hospitality,” said Vicki Varela, Managing Director of the Utah Office of Tourism and Film, in a release. “This fits beautifully with our Red Emerald business strategy to attract discerning customers who will stay longer, spend more and get off the beaten path.”

Utah is included in Michelin’s Green Guide for the Southwest United States. The authors regularly visit the destinations included in the guide. They pay their admission to sites and may then introduce themselves and ask for more information about the attraction. Michelin receives more than 1,000 letters from readers every year, providing valuable information used in selecting destinations. Michelin’s independence and legacy of identifying the very best travel destinations around the world make this recognition a remarkable honor for the state of Utah.

# Interim Utah Legislative Report

## Increasing Safety in Schools

For the past several months, the Utah Safe Schools Commission reviewed policies and programs directed at increasing safety in Utah schools. Dialog among elected officials, stakeholders, parents, teachers, community members and students helped develop solutions that will increase safety and protect children across the state.

Reps. Ray Ward, Steve Handy and members of the Commission released a report containing recommendations on improving school safety during a press conference on June 20. It ranked suggestions in three tiers.

Tier 1 contained recommendations that had a strong consensus among members of the Commission, as well as a sentiment that there would be community support. The Commission would like these suggestions implemented as quickly as possible, possibly through a special session. Tier 2 suggestions had majority support from the Commission, though not a consensus, believing these items worth consideration with additional research. Tier 3 items had the lowest level of support and were unable to garner a majority.

The Education Interim Committee was briefed on the commission recommendations during June interim.

## Fireworks

Firework season is fast approaching, bringing with it many celebrations and concerns. During the 2018 session, bipartisan legislation to address these issues passed the Utah Legislature and was signed into law. HB 38, Fireworks Restrictions, is the result of extensive discussion with law enforcement, firefighters, fireworks retailers and manufacturers, citizens and local elected officials.

Here are some highlights of the new law:

» Fireworks will now be permitted July 2-5 and 22-25, rather than July 1-7 and 23-27.

» Fireworks may be purchased June 24-July 25, down from June 23-July 27.

» Stronger penalties will be enforced for using fireworks outside of permitted dates, times and locations, including up to a \$1,000 fine.

» Clarity and increased flexibility are provided to local governments and the state forester to prohibit the discharge of fireworks due to hazardous environmental conditions.

» Local governments and the state forester are required to create and provide maps showing where fireworks are prohibited so it is easier for the public to understand restrictions and penalties.

» Retailers are required to display maps showing these restricted areas, and signs that indicate legal dates and times, as well as penalties for violations.

» Civil liability is increased for negligently, recklessly or intentionally causing a fire with fireworks, potentially including any damages caused by the fire and any costs of suppressing it.

## Utah Honor Flight

Veterans are some of our nation’s greatest heroes, serving selflessly during times of war. We owe an immeasurable debt to those who have served in harm’s way to defend the freedoms we enjoy every day.

Recently, members of the Utah House of Representatives raised over \$13,000 for the Utah Honor Flight program, which sends veterans to our nation’s capital to tour war memorials built in memory of those wars and the individuals who fought. The trip for some veterans may be the only opportunity they have to visit the memorials dedicated to their service, as well as pay their respects to friends lost in combat. Veterans who participate in the Honor Flight program do so at no cost.

Utah Honor Flight Chairman Mike Turner and

U.S. Army Vietnam veteran Ron Thorn visited the Republican caucus to share information about the program during the 2018 session. We express our deepest gratitude to all veterans who have honorably served our country and in doing so, safeguarded our liberty. We thank them for their service, sacrifice and dedication.

## White House Visit

All members of the Utah Legislature were invited to the White House on Friday, June 22. The purpose of the bipartisan meeting was to improve collaboration among local, state and federal agencies.

Vice President Mike Pence spoke to Utah officials about how the current administration is working to empower states to solve problems closest to the people.

Legislators provided input regarding issues western states are facing and were connected with staff at the White House and federal agencies who can assist in navigating the federal government with issues important to Utah.

It was an excellent opportunity for our public officials to be able to discuss and share ideas with others, at all levels of government, to support the success of Utahns.

## What is a ballot initiative?

Most laws go through the legislative process, which includes drafting a bill, holding a committee hearing, having a vote in the House or Senate chamber, repeating the process in the other chamber and then being signed by the governor. A ballot initiative is another way to create laws, where private citizens propose an initiative that they would like to see become law.

The initiative is reviewed by the lieutenant governor to make sure it is constitutional, as well as to determine if there are any costs to the state. For instance, does it spend or collect public funds? The initiative’s sponsor must hold seven public meetings throughout the state to collect public input, then the official language is presented to voters. Once this point is reached, no further changes may be made to the text.

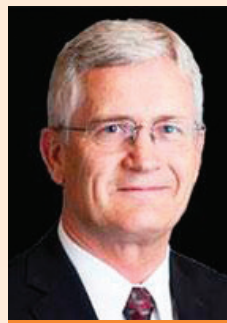
The sponsors of the initiative must collect at least 113,143 signatures from registered voters, meeting specific thresholds for 26 of the 29 state senate districts throughout the state.

Citizen involvement is an important part of our system; however, negative consequences can occur when there is not a proper, deliberative vetting process, especially when dealing with such complex issues as controlled substances and the state budget. Getting it wrong could have severely negative ramifications for all Utahns.

This November, Utah voters will be deciding whether or not to support three ballot initiatives that raise significant concerns – Utah Medical Cannabis Act, Utah Independent Redistricting Commission and Standards Act, and Utah Decides Healthcare Act.

## Damages

Under Utah statute, licensed establishments such as restaurants and bars can be held liable for serving alcohol to individuals who cause death or injury as a result of their intoxication. Currently, juries award damages based on the perceived contribution of each party involved. The Business and Labor Interim Committee was briefed this month on possible legislation that would put more blame on the actions of the drinker rather than the bar or restaurant, as long as the alcohol is served within the law. This proposal would also look into whether an establishment that follows the law and acts responsibly should even be held liable at all. Listen to the committee discussion here.



**REP. JOHN WESTWOOD**  
Utah House of Representatives

# Plasma donations are a health essential

by Dawn M. **AERTS**  
Iron County Today

You will need to answer an 85-question health inquiry, undergo physical checks, an evaluation, prove you are between the age of 18 and 69 years old, list medications, tattoos, complete an interview, assessment, and set up an appointment to let a white-coated attendant prick your arm.

All this to become a paid, plasma donor.

In the high-tech world of laboratory research, advanced medical technique and demand for the unique blood-products that research, big 'Pharma' and sick patients demand, Grifols (Biomed) has opened 170 plasma collection centers across the U.S. and is part of a multi-million-dollar industry that continues to grow internationally.

According to Polly Johnson, Medical Operations Supervisor, Grifols' donors undergo the Plasmapheresis process which separates the liquid plasma, roughly 90 percent water from the red blood cells while the protein-depleted blood flows back into the donor's arm. But, it's the remaining 10 percent of the plasma that contains hundreds of essential proteins, antibodies and other substances vital to body functions that is preserved.

"Basically, the plasma is separated out, collected, and later, 'fractionalized' for products vital to the body's ability to maintain critical functions such as controlling bleeding for the hemophiliac or for use in fighting infections," said Johnson, "Without enough of any one of these proteins, a person can have a life-threatening disorder."

Grifols is one of five multi-national pharmaceutical, plasma-companies that collect and produce a range of products used in research, patient treatment and to manufacture refined pharmaceutical ingredients. Johnson is certified as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician who oversees 40 donor couches, up to 70 staff people and 150 miles in radius collection.

It's here that approved donors will be asked to lounge in big comfy chairs, while they view movies and allow technicians to exact a specific quantity of plasma that corresponds with their actual body weight. Most plasmapheresis collections will take up to 90 minutes of time (or more), and donors can generally schedule up to two collections in a 7-day 'rolling period.'

According to experts in the field, plasma collection is different than whole blood donations at the American Red Cross. "The plasma is immediately analyzed and run through lab testing to ensure healthy properties," said Johnson, "It has to be stored within 30 minutes in minus 30 degrees temps which can then be kept frozen for a 56-day shelf life."

This time-frame allows for distribution with 80 percent of plasma products collected from U.S. paid-donors produced and distributed to the global marketplace. Johnson, who previously instructed Emergency Medical Technician classes for Southern Utah University and Southwest Tech, has previously served on an ambulance unit and as a medical unit leader for wildland fire crews in California.

"It really is a win-win," said Johnson, who has worked at Grifols since opening in 2015. "Plasma can be regenerated more often... so products can be used to treat tens of thousands of people with various diseases, and to provide them quality of life and even life, period."

The experience of 'plassing' (plasmapheresis pro-

cess) involves a twice a week draw that rewards a donor for their time and any small discomfort involved in the extraction process with monetary and other special bonuses. Grifols accepted donors are given a debit-card

The white-coated lab workers are usually college students or someone who has an interest in pursuing a career in the medical field. "Grifols' employees are generally young and very enthusiastic," said Johnson.

"They are ready to make the experience a pleasant one for donors, and we now see some high school seniors who begin donating once they turn 18."

It was the Grifols' family who pioneered the 'plasmapheresis' technique in 1950's Spain which is now one of five main international operations. According to Johnson, potential donors must undergo physical testing (under supervision of a medical doctor), oral examination, blood sample testing, along with weight, blood pressure, temperature and other health qualifiers. Broken bones, tattoos (outside of certifiable conditions), poor health, low weight, disease, virus, serious to mild conditions are all potential reasons for 'deferred status' or a temporary or permanent rejection.

Once collected, plasma is sent to a Grifols laboratory in California for fractionalization which further separates bulk plasma into specific products, and then to sales and distribution. It is the extended shelf life of plasma, once frozen and stored, that has advanced use and demand for plasma purchase world-wide.

"What we don't want to do is to put individual health at risk or put any public health at risk," said Johnson of plasma center procedures that fall under the standards of the Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Other corporate-based plasma centers are Baxter International (Illinois); CSL (Australia); Talecris Research (North Carolina) and Octapharma (Switzerland).

"Our full-time college students may apply for tuition reimbursement at the end of the semester as they pass classes," said Johnson of employment perks. "We also

give money to many charitable causes here - and we offer free child care for donors. I'm actually the only 'old' person who works here."

**"Without enough of any one of these proteins, a person can have a life-threatening disorder"**

— Polly Johnson



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**MEDICAL OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR, POLLY JOHNSON**, is certified as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician who has instructed (EMT) and AEMT classes at SUU and Southwest Tech. She previously worked on an ambulance unit, and as a medical unit leader for wildland fire in California. Johnson oversees the Grifols (Biomed) Plasma Collection Center in Cedar City, which is one of 170 other centers scattered across the U.S.

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**STUDENTS FROM SEVERAL LOCAL SCHOOLS** were among those attending the Southern Utah Area Health Education Exploration Camp.

# Local students attend Health Career Exploration Camp

**ST. GEORGE** — Eighty high school students, including seven from Iron County, gathered at Dixie State University June 18-20, to attend the Southern Utah Area Health Education Center (AHEC) annual Health Career Exploration Camp. This event was aimed at exposing these students to the diverse options for careers in the ever-growing field of health care. Students who attended ranged from incoming freshmen to recent high school graduates. Several of these students were able to attend thanks to the gracious sponsorship of local school districts, hospitals, and Educational Talent Searches.

Local students in attendance included Heidi Stewart, Britney Smith, and Christy Younger from Parowan High School, Sabrina Miani from SUU Success Academy, and Davette Serrano, Aaron Stinson, and Jessayln Warhurst from Canyon View High School.

During the three-day event, students attended several hands-on workshops presented by a variety of community partners including Dixie State University (Nursing, Dental

Hygiene, Surgical Technology, Physical Therapy Assisting, Respiratory Therapy, Emergency Medical Services, Medical Laboratory Science, Health Education, and Athletic Training), the University of Utah (Physician Assistant, Medical, Public Health, and Pharmacy), Washington County School District (Physical Therapy), and Red Hills Animal Hospital (Veterinary). The camp also included team building activities, a healthcare quiz bowl, a trip to the Washington County Recreation Center, and a special keynote speech from Dr. Eliezer Bermudez, the Dean of Dixie State University's College of Health Science. A group of current Rural Health Scholars students from Dixie State University and Southern Utah University led the participants during the camp as counselors.

Following the three-day camp, 29 students remained to attend the first ever extended camp, "A Day in the Life of a Medical Student," which was co-hosted by Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine. During the additional day students took part in discussions about osteopathic

medicine, a campus tour, a manipulative medicine demonstration, an anatomy activity, an ultrasound activity, and a discussion on the path to medical school. Rocky Vista University was an amazing host for this activity, and their hospitality certainly made an impression on these young aspiring physicians.

The Southern Utah AHEC office anticipates holding both the Health Career Exploration Camp and the extended camp at Rocky Vista University in 2019. For more information about the camp, please contact Kasey Shakespear at [Kasey.shakespear@dixie.edu](mailto:Kasey.shakespear@dixie.edu) or at (435) 897-4362.

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# Local guardsman working to become 'Best Warrior'

by Dawn M. AERTS  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — It's a Spartan-type race that includes day and night land navigation, a 12-mile-ruck march at 7,000 feet elevation, treading water in boots, and finishing a grueling competition where the 'Best Warrior' on an imaginary battlefield not only survives, but wins the ordeal.

For Guardsman Eric Armijo, the competition replicates a series of real-world scenarios that can be mentally and physically tough while forcing the soldier to master the event under extreme pressure. "That's all that matters in the process," said Armijo. "When people around you are injured or endangered, what we do matters." Armijo's parents, Joe and Jill Armijo, live in Cedar City.

Armijo is one of hundreds of soldiers who have competed in past years for the coveted Region VII Best Warrior Competition that begins at each unit with individual soldiers from each state competing in the Battalion and then, Brigade Levels. From there, one Utah National Guardsmen or Non-Commissioned Officer moves on to compete at the state title.

"These soldiers are tested mentally, physically and emotionally," said Michael Miller, former State Sergeant Major (retired) who has worked with the "Best Warrior" Competition in previous years.

"They are evaluated in everything from board interviews, written exam and ruck march, to practical skills in land navigation, combat leadership, and weapons criteria."

In Utah, the eight winners at Brigade level competed for the National Guard Best Warrior title held at Camp Williams. But it was then Specialist Armijo, a medic with the 65th Field Artillery Brigade, went on to earn himself a top spot at the Region VII Best Warrior Competition held in Raton, New Mexico, in May.

During that four-day competition, 15 warriors from eight states were tested in a battery of mental and physical matches. According to Public Affairs Officer Maj D.J. Gibbs, Armijo battled competitors representing (lower) West Coast National Guard States of Nevada, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, California, Hawaii and the island of Guam.

Armijo, a graduate of Canyon View High School joined the Utah National Guard in 2012, and completed Basic Training at Ft. Benning, Georgia and Advanced Occupational Skills training at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, before serving in his role as field medic and working for the Ski Patrol in Park City.

"I was encouraged to enter this," said

Armijo, "Unfortunately, I only had one day to prepare for the first competition and didn't know much about what it could eventually entail." Armijo describes himself as a super-competitive person that has found his niche in the military. "I (basically) love to win, so once I got into this, I looked at it as a great opportunity and something I would totally commit to."

Over the past six months, Armijo has given hundreds of hours to 'brushing up' on basic soldier skills, advanced physical fitness training, and refreshing himself on combat readiness and his ability to shoot, navigate, problem solve and survive challenging and exhausting combat-warrior conditions.

"During the four days at Region, you don't get much sleep or time to eat, so the event tests you in every possible way it can. It is really the 'little brother' event comparable to training with the Green Beret or combat-rescue operations – and I love this stuff."

Armijo will next compete against soldiers from across the country at the All-National Guard competition set for July 22 through July 28 in Fort Indian Town Gap, Pennsylvania. Should the recently promoted Sergeant Armijo win this event, he will represent the Army National Guard in the U.S. Army's worldwide Best Warrior Competition set for Fall 2018.

"The hardest thing is that these are complicated tasks for four long days and there's a lot of pressure to perform and to do

them well." Armijo who was known for his swimming prowess and endurance in high school-level-events, said his future goal is to re-enlist in special operations or for rescue missions.

According to Gibbs, soldiers must complete tasks that are relevant in today's battlefield, testing aptitude and proficiency in urban-warfare conditions. "The event consists of four, 20-hour days, that include survival-water training, a Spartan-type race, the use of DAGR's, water tasks, medical, weapons, written and board tests."

Armijo, who joined the Utah National Guard in high school, said he is not disappointed in opportunities to train and excel. "I tell people who ask... that the overall experience is what you make of it. You have the chance to be a great soldier once-a-month and you can write your own destiny."

While the details of events are undisclosed, soldiers must master problem-solving, and be able to think and react quickly under pressure. Armijo's strategy is to work through each event as it appears. "You can't over think it, so you take a step back and use the tools you've been given in training -- to make the right choice."

*"These soldiers are tested mentally, physically and emotionally"*

— Michael Miller



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**UTAH NATIONAL GUARDSMEN, SGT. ERIC ARMIJO**, a graduate of Canyon View High School, Cedar City, and member of the 65th Field Artillery Brigade, has won "Best Warrior" competitions at the Battalion, Brigade and at the Regional Competition held in Raton, New Mexico this past May in a match-up against guardsmen from 7 West Coast States and territories. Armijo's parents, Joe and Jill Armijo, live in Cedar City.



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## Bookings

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### July 9

**Terry V. Evans, St. George**  
DUI

**Floyd V. Fiechter, Enoch**  
Assault

**William E. Johnston, Baltimore, Maryland**  
Assault, Aggravated Assault, Criminal Mischief, DV-Presence of Child, Child Abuse Injury/Reckless

**Alison R. Thornton, Stephens City, Virginia**  
Resist/Interfere w/Arrest

**Ronald B. McEwen, St. George**  
Burglary/Vehicle, Assault

### July 10

**Edmund S. Nieberger, Washington**  
Robbery, Controlled Substance

**Brandon S. Walters, homeless**  
Assault w/Substantial Bodily Injury, Assault-Threat

**Ulysses J. Monroy, Cedar City**  
Drug Paraphernalia, Controlled Substance, False Information

**Jessica L. Robison, Cedar City**  
Items Prohibited in Corr. Facility, Possession

### July 11

**David L. Stockard, Cedar City**  
Drive w/o insurance, Drive on Susp/Revoked License, Possession

**Megan M. Culligan, Cedar City**  
Retail Theft

**Ron R. Hansen, Syracuse**  
Federal Contract Prisoner

**Charles P. Fallon, Cedar City**  
Stalking, Assault, Firearms violation

**Sterling N. Tomaino, Cedar City**  
Protective Order violation

**David J. Woolsey, Cedar City**  
Possession

### July 12

**Shamika D. Bridges, Los Angeles**  
Federal Contract Prisoner

**Joshua D. Finnegan, Cedar City**  
Protective Order Violation

**Gerald A. Ginn, Kanab**  
Federal Contract Prisoner

**Brian H. Norris, Murray**  
Federal Contract Prisoner

**Steven E. Pendergrass, Cedar City**  
Disorderly conduct, Intoxication

**Allen C. Thorne, Cedar City**  
Drug Paraphernalia, Possession, Poss. Dangerous Weapon by restricted

### July 13

**Cody L. Curtis, Cedar City**  
Criminal Mischief

**Baylee M. Labass, Cedar City**  
Retail Theft, Drug Paraphernalia, Possession, Consume Alcohol by Minor

**Nathon R. Yardley, Cedar City**  
Controlled Substance

### July 14

**Jacob M. Roebuck, Cedar City**  
Retail Theft

# INSPIRING A NEW GENERATION

## Teacher 'movement' aimed at development

by Nikki KOONTZ  
SUU Marketing Communications

**CEDAR CITY** — Teachers are one of the most influential groups in our society and their importance can't be overstated. However, there has been a decline in students majoring in education fields over the past few years, which is why Southern Utah University has been working with the #BeATeacher movement to spread awareness and recruit students into the education profession.

"Recently, we've seen similar declining trends of enrollment in traditional teacher education programs," said Dr. Shawn Christiansen, SUU's Dean of the College of Education and Human Development.

One of the goals of the campaign is to change the narrative about teaching as a profession.

"Some people like to think that anyone can teach, and while anyone can go into a classroom, not everyone can teach," said Christiansen. "Anyone who has ever taught realizes the challenge of being a master teacher. It takes time, energy and is a skill that is acquired like any other profession."

Caitlin Jones earned her Bachelor's of Science in Elementary Education with an emphasis in English as a Second Language from SUU in 2014. She soon started working at a Title One Elementary School in Salt Lake and knows first-hand the challenges and rewards of being a teacher.

"For seven hours a day, I get to be the support system for roughly 20 students," said Jones. "I get to be their mentor, teacher, and cheerleader. The relationships I get to build and the growth I see throughout the year is what makes me feel accomplished. I do my best to protect, love, and teach my students. I can't say for sure that I make a difference in all of my students' lives, but they all make a significant difference in my life. That is why I teach, and that is why I love my job!"

At SUU, incoming education students

are encouraged to share their memories of impactful teachers using the hashtag - #BeATeacher. This helps foster a sense of community and reminds people of those who have influenced them along the way.

"Education Professor Peggy Wittwer was probably the most outstanding professor I had," said Jones. "She breathed compassion and experience into hard Title One schools. She was kind and approachable, and she made learning fun. Hers was a class you wanted to go to, where I knew I would learn a ton, and have so many resources and knowledge that I could confidently go out and find a job."

As for the big question of why someone should want to be a teacher, Christiansen says that prospective students need to ask themselves two questions: "Do I want to do something meaningful and do I want to do something that makes a difference?"

"Teachers impact students on an individual level and have the potential to change their lives for the better. And when you look at all those individuals together, you can see how you're impacting society as a whole."

Created by Weber State University, the #BeATeacher campaign is an incentive supported by the Utah Council of Education Deans (UCED) which serves as an advisory and action committee for teacher education state-wide. The UCED consists of college education deans from across the state with a "purpose to positively impact the development and ongoing effectiveness of teacher education programs to meet Utah's need for high quality, licensed teachers today and in the future." No other state has a similar council of college deans addressing education issues.

The College of Education and Human Development prepares caring, competent and knowledgeable professionals empowered to be productive citizens, socially responsible leaders, high achievers and lifelong learners. The mission of the Department of Teacher Education and Family Development is to prepare new teachers who possess the knowledge, skills and dispositions necessary to positively impact learning for all students in diverse classroom environments.



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**STUDENTS STUDYING EDUCATION AT SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY** are part of the #BeATeacher movement designed to recruit more students into the program.

## Concessionaires sought for National Forest campgrounds

**CEDAR CITY** — Dixie National Forest Supervisor Angelita S. Bulletts has announced the solicitation of proposals for campground concession under a Special Use Permit (SUP) for numerous campgrounds and recreation areas on the Forest. A permit to provide high-quality public services in the operation and maintenance of government-owned recreation facilities will be issued.

One SUP will be issued for developed sites located on the Pine Valley, Cedar City, Powell, and Escalante Ranger Districts. The Dixie will likely issue the SUP in November 2018, with the intention of the successful applicant beginning operations during the 2019 recreation season. The SUP will be issued for the following sites: Pine Valley Ranger District: Honeycomb Rocks Campground, Pine Valley

Recreation Area: Crackfoot Campground, Dean Gardner Campground, Ebenezer Bryce Campground, Effie Beckstrom Campground, Equestrian Campground, Mitt Moody Campground, Yellow Pine Campground, Thomas Forsyth Group Area, Nancy Courtney Amphitheater, 17 Day Use/Picnic Areas, and Four-Mile Bench Trailer Dump Station and Sewer Lagoon. Cedar City Ranger District: Deer Haven Campground, Duck Creek Campground, Navajo Lake Campground, Panguitch Lake North Campground, Panguitch Lake South Campground, Spruces Campground, Te-ah Campground, White Bridge Campground, and Yankee Meadow Campground. Powell Ranger District: Coyote Hollow Campground, Kings Creek Campground, and Red Canyon Campground. Escalante Ranger District: Barker Recreation Area,

Pine Lake Campground, and Posey Lake Campground.

Prospective applicants can find details about the application process by reviewing the Prospectus for Campground and Related Granger-Thye Concessions documents posted on the Forest website at [www.fs.usda.gov/dixie/](http://www.fs.usda.gov/dixie/) or by contacting Kevin Wright, Public Service Staff Officer, at (435) 865-3741. Applicants must submit the required processing fee and business plan evaluation fee with each proposal submitted. The selected applicant may be responsible for the costs of preparing and issuing the permit. Additionally, the selected applicant will be required to undergo a Financial Ability Determination (FAD), unless the Forest Service has conducted a FAD for the applicant within the past year and no changes are necessary to bring it up to date.

# Thank You Dr. Stults!

Before making the first cut in any trauma-related surgery, Dr. Michael G. Stults is known for checking in with his surgical team with a warning about the need for precision and organization, and the simple question: "Are we ready?" Now his team, as well as his patients, family and friends, are turning that question back on him as he looks toward retirement.

After 51 years in the medical field – the last 40 years practicing in Cedar City – Dr. Stults' exodus from career into the next stage of life is no small leap. Luckily, Dr. Stults has a history of being sure-footed in the most precarious places, whether in the operating room or while scaling a host of towering cliffs.

## The Climb

Growing up in Estes Park, Colo., Dr. Stults developed a passion for climbing at the tender age of 8. On occasion he would get in trouble for bringing his dog along on a climb, the dog nestled in a backpack.

Eventually Stults turned his passion into a way to earn money as a rock-climbing guide in Yosemite National Park. Then, during his medical training, Dr. Stults was able to transfer his steady hands, clear-headed problem solving style, tenacity and endurance from the craggy walls of his favorite climbing spots to the sterile surroundings of the operating room.

"He is very precise in his surgeries," says Peggy Stults, Michael's wife of 20 years and former surgical nurse. "He doesn't move quickly. Everything he does is deliberate."

That includes his decision to move to Cedar City, Utah.

After studying at Tufts Medical Center in Boston, Mass., Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas and working with well-known surgeons and mentors including Dr. Michael Debakey, Dr. John Kirkland and Dr. Denton Cooley, Dr. Stults was drawn in by the beautiful surroundings of southern Utah and a strong desire to add the challenging cliffs of Zion National Park and Kolob Canyon to the his list of climbing conquests.

When he is not scaling these well-known rock faces, Dr. Stults has been known to literally climb the walls, honing his skills on the exterior of his office building, the hospital and a nearby elementary school.

In addition to ascending new heights in the climbing world, Dr. Stults enjoys stretching himself musically. He plays the piano, a skill he originally developed by playing by ear. He later learned to read music and can't wait for the extra time during retirement to tickle the ivories. He also hopes to learn to play the violin. But don't expect to hear him perform any time soon. Even his wife, Peggy, seldom hears him play at home. He prefers to plug into the electric baby grand piano with a pair of headphones, and plans to use a similar method while learning violin.

## Heading the Call

Dr. Stults' drive to fulfill his medial philosophy to "do no harm" seems to go beyond treating and saving patients at the hospital. For him, saving lives is a way of making up for the lives lost during his time as an American soldier in Vietnam.

According to Peggy, Dr. Stults carried an emotional burden for actions taken by he and his men during their time in Vietnam. The unfavorable reception he received when he returned home from the war only fueled his determination to make recompense. Thanks to his medial career, he has saved thousands of lives.

Recently, after saying an emotional goodbye to his OR team, he told Peggy, "It's time. I think I've paid my penance."

"He's my hero, really," Peggy says. "I've never met anyone like him."

Peggy is not the only one feeling this way. Casey Caldwell, office manager for Southern Utah Surgical Associates, says, "He will definitely be missed by his patients, his community and his staff."

## Behind the Mask

Those working closely with Dr. Stults are certainly familiar with his face behind the surgical mask. And his close relationship with his patients means a certain degree of transparency in his personality. But there are several

things the average person likely does not know.

For example, Peggy says, in addition to being a general surgeon, he is an internal specialist, endocrinologist, and is board certified in emergency. He was also very close to completing a heart surgery fellowship when he contracted a serious illness from a patient. Although he was ultimately cured, he was forced to take a month off near the end of his fellowship and was unable to return.

During another period of his life, Stults contracted malaria and was in a coma for a time. All of these death-defying experiences confirm to Peggy and others that Dr. Stults had a great purpose to fulfill.

"He's done so much good for people," Peggy says.

Dr. Stults has become a pillar in the community of Cedar City, having been actively involved in the Sandra L. Maxwell Cancer Treatment Center, among many other things. He is known among his patients and coworkers as one who prefers to say it like it is. It's a kind of bluntness many have come to appreciate about him.

Others, including the staff at Southern Utah Surgical Associates, will definitely miss his sense of humor, his kindness, generosity and his work ethic.

"His patients always come first," Caldwell says. "I've had several patients tell me that he sat with them all night when they were really sick, which is unusual for a surgeon."

Even though he doesn't think of himself as a hu-



morous person, Caldwell says he is funnier than he thinks. In fact, it is his humor is one reason she enjoys coming to work.

"I look forward to coming to work when he's here," Caldwell says.

## Preference for Privacy

One thing Dr. Stults is not known for, however, is seeking any kind of notoriety.

Despite the preconceived notions many people have about surgeons' incomes and potentially lavish lifestyles, Stults' home can be considered modest by any standard. His tastes are simple. And his desire to share his excess with those around him is a natural part of his personality.

"He practically gives money away to people," Peggy says.

She recalls one example of a boy who, after years of perfect school attendance, was in line to win a bicycle from the school as his prize. But appendicitis and a subsequent appendectomy shattered his dreams. Shortly after the surgery, Dr. Stults was spotted at a local store, riding bikes up and down the aisles, testing out the perfect one to purchase for his patient.

In his early years while running his own medical practice, Dr. Stults was not above taking his payment in a variety of ways. One woman, grateful for the care she received, gave him a prize-winning quilt. Another woman gave Stults her husband's truck as payment. And another would often bring eggs from her farm as payment. His response to her was, "Pay what you can. No hurry."

Because of the genuine love and concern Dr. Stults has for his patients, one of the greatest challenges of his career has been to keep patients alive when their body has resigned itself to death; comforting the family and dealing with the loss he feels when he loses a patient who simply couldn't be saved.

## Grateful Community

His dedication and service has been deeply appreciated by so many in our local community. Cedar City Hospital CEO and Administrator Eric Packer says "We are so grateful to Dr. Stults for the 35 years of service he's provided our hospital and the communities we serve. Dr. Stults is a loyal, hardworking surgeon who has unselfishly shared his many talents and skillful knowledge, and has made a difference in tens of thousands of lives. I know his extraordinary commitment came at a price, so want to thank him and his family so much for the many sacrifices they've made throughout his career. He's missed countless family events, church and community functions, and experienced many sleepless nights. On behalf of the hospital and many, many grateful patients, I thank Dr. Stults."

## Post-op Plans

No trip to the hospital to see Dr. Stults, or any other physician, would be complete without a post-op plan, and Dr. Stults has been working on his.

Initially, retirement seemed like a daunting decision and Dr. Stults felt as if he was abandoning his patients. But as the time drew nigh, he knew it was his turn, and he's excited about all that he will have time for now.

Travel is at the top of the list, but Stults will not be a passive traveler. He's already accumulated stacks of books about the places he'd like to visit.

"I'm going back to school," he told his wife. Only this time, he's studying the best places to climb in Switzerland and France, and how to plan the best motorhome excursion across America and Canada.

He'll likely keep up to date on current medical trends as old habits die hard. Plus, Peggy imagines neighbors and friends will still pop by with an occasional medical question. But on the whole, Dr. Stults is excited to try the next big thing.

He's calling it his summer vacation.

If you would like, you may go to Cedar City Hospital's Facebook page to post your well-wishes to Dr. Stults! They will be shared with him.

## Ye Olde RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL Returneth!



**THE MIDDLE AGES RETURNED TO CEDAR CITY**, during the 36th annual Renaissance Festival. Knights, knaves, lords and ladies, of all ages, enjoyed a beautiful and bounteous bouquet of medieval merriments. The city park was enchanted by magic, mermaids and all the bellytimber one could eat. If you missed this year's faire, then perchance you may come hither to enjoy next year's fine festivities.

# USF'S "BIG RIVER"

## delivers mesmerizing, emotional production

by **Rachelle HUGHES**  
*Iron County Today*

**B**ig voices, big personalities and big talent turn the Utah Shakespeare Festival's 2018 production of *Big River* into an experience that begs for an encore and a standing ovation.

There is a reason *Big River* is a Tony Award winning musical; the music and the script are beautifully written. When William Hauptman penned this adaptation of Mark Twain's "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" and Roger Miller wrote the music and lyrics for *Big River*, they had a time tested and well-loved piece of American literature from which to work. Twain's Huck Finn and Jim are two of America's most irrepressible fictional characters and their story of adventure, friendship and the fight against intolerance is moving, especially when accompanied by Miller's music.

The script of *Big River* uses much of Twain's original language and so playgoers get to see Finn and Jim and their other supporting characters, including the iconic Tom Sawyer (Michael Doherty), come to life. As Huck (Rob Riordan) escapes his abusive and drunk father Pap Finn and Jim (Ezekiel Andrew) makes his break for freedom from slavery they take to the Mississippi River on a raft bound for free land. Along the way they will find friendship, extraordinary characters, intolerance and danger as they confront a country embattled over slavery, and their own strength to fight injustice.

Such an iconic story with such an illustrious history both in literature and on stage demands some big talent. The Festival certainly found a cast that delivered mesmerizing performances. The play opens with the rousing number, "Do You Wanna Go to Heaven" by the entire cast that immediately had me sympathizing with the carefree and wild Huck. There was not a cast member that failed in the singing department during this musical and together they

blend well. There was also not a musical number in this play that did not elicit some type of emotional reaction. As the musical numbers continued throughout the play, I found myself on a beautiful emotional rollercoaster.

Riordan as Huck and Andrew as Jim had a genuine rapport on stage and their very different but very compatible voices harmonized perfectly. When they sang their duet ballads like "Muddy Water" and "River in the Rain" I truly wanted to beg for an encore right in the middle of the play. An Americana style painting backdrop of the Mississippi River created just the right atmosphere for a trip down the river in the scene design by Jason Lajka. When beautiful voices and stirring music meet as they do in this musical, time slips by unnoticed.

Along the way, Huck and Jim meet a couple of funny scammers who they take into their little world on the river. The Duke played by Jim Poulos and

The King played by Chris Mixon bring silliness, worldliness, humor, and betrayal into the two friends' lives. Poulos and Mixon are both charismatic and fearless in their take on their roles. While you truly want Huck and Jim far away from their bad influence, it's impossible not

to applaud the way they light up the stage. Tom Sawyer also makes several appearances in the play bringing with him his talent for trouble. Doherty's sawyer is energetic to the extreme and impossibly dynamic.

This is a musical filled to the brim with moments of love, and Director Melissa Rain Anderson took advantage of every single moment to move the cast towards helping the audience feel hope, anguish, grief, and glimmers of frivolity. Fortunately, there are many more opportunities to see *Big River*, as it is a must see of the 2018 Utah Shakespeare Festival season. I will be back for an encore performance, bringing every theatre lover I know with me.

On a sidenote: *Big River* is based on Mark Twain's "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" and addresses the inhumanity of slavery and intolerance that took place during the story's timeframe. There is frequent use of the "n-word" as it pertains to this intolerance. It may be a good idea to have a discussion about this word with younger viewers.

*Big River* will run through September 1 in the Randall L. Jones Theatre. Tickets can be purchased online at [bard.org](http://bard.org) or by calling the box office 800-Playtix.



**ABOVE: ROB RIORDAN (LEFT) AS HUCKLEBERRY FINN AND EZEKIEL ANDREW AS JIM** in the Utah Shakespeare Festival's 2018 production of *Big River*.



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PHOTOS BY KELSEY KEENER

AT LEFT, SHAY BARUFFI, CCAC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; Mary Anne Andersen, CCAC President Debbie Drake; board member Adrienne Anderson; CCAC Vice President Sara Penny. At right, In Julio performs.

# Cedar City Arts Council celebrates mini-grants

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**CEDAR CITY** — The Cedar City Arts Council Social was held July 10 at the Frontier Homestead Museum and featured a celebration of all the grants the CCAC has granted during the past 10 years.

CCAC President Debbie Drake welcomed guests to the social,

thanked the Frontier Homestead Museum for co-sponsoring the event and announced the Southern Utah Watercolor Society Exhibit, the Sagebrush Fiber Artists display and the display by Blaine DeMille. Mary Anne Anderson explained some of the groups and artists that have received grants from the CCAC.

To celebrate the grants, artists who have received them performed for

guests. Rebecca Shelley of the Escalante Valley Arts Council explained that a grant from the CCAC helped make a performance of the Nutcracker possible, and her daughter, Harmony, performed an excerpt from the ballet. Mini-grants from the CCAC also helped to establish the singing group In Jubilo. The group performed “Singing in the Rain,” “May You Always Have a Song,” and “The Poet Sings.” Harpist

Carla Carpenter performed “Angel of Music” from The Phantom of the Opera on her harp and offered guests the opportunity to play her instrument after her performance.

The CCAC awards grants of up to \$500 to artists to help pay for anything from art supplies to venue rentals and from production costs to travel expenses. The next deadline for mini-grant applications is Aug. 31.

## Merrill Osmond’s “Youth Pioneer Production” returns to St. George July 24

**ST. GEORGE** — Merrill Osmond is excited to bring back The Pioneer Legacy & Firework Celebration to southern Utah on Tuesday, July 24. In partnership with Dixie State University, this year’s celebration will be held at their beautiful, new Trailblazer Stadium.

Before the youth musical production begins, there will be a pre-show of great entertainment, skydivers, a tribute to our military armed forces & many more fun surprises. There will also be a special presentation in providing two local deaf individuals with the gift of hearing.

The Pioneer Legacy & Firework Celebration is based on Merrill’s strong belief that today’s youth are the hope and future of tomorrow. Wagons, handcars, tepees, local entertainment, special guests, and one of the largest firework displays in the valley will delight all in attendance.

Through song and dance, this year’s production features more than 100 youth and celebrates the journey and sacrifice of the Dixie trailblazers and their attempt to settle the untamed expanse of southern Utah. Reenactments of Catholic missionary colonizers, Greek and Italian pioneers, Chinese, Jewish, and Mormon settlers, as well as Native Americans will showcase Utah’s history.

This Youth Pioneer Production features original music written by Merrill Osmond, Sam Cardon, Cliff Maag, and Sam Payne. The Pioneer Legacy & Firework Celebration is FREE to the public, so come early to get the best seats.

“Come and join us as we celebrate the trailblazers of Dixie,” said Merrill Osmond. “While the Mormon pioneers are a huge part of Utah’s history, this production is non-denominational and celebrates all pioneers who made the trek to southern Utah and sacrificed so much for what we enjoy today.”

Proceeds from this charity-based event will go to the Olive Osmond Hearing Fund and the Osmond Center for Arts & Production, which is under the DSU College of the Arts. This year we will provide two local

deaf individuals from Washington County with the gift of hearing. Thanks to Sound of Life Foundation, one of our wonderful sponsors, for helping to make this possible.

Over the years, the Youth Pioneer Production has raised more than \$110,000 to help local children hear life’s precious sounds. The Olive Osmond Hearing Fund was established in 2010 by Merrill’s son, Justin. Since its inception, the Foundation has helped more than 3,000 children with hearing loss. [www.hearingfund.org](http://www.hearingfund.org)

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Southern Utah Museum of Art  
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**FAMILY DAY**

Southern Utah Museum of Art  
Saturday, August 18  
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# Don't be afraid to see Big River

by Mary Anne **ANDERSEN**  
Cedar City Arts Council

**F**irst of all, let me say that I am very language sensitive. I once stormed next door to knock on the door of some college guys to let them know that their music was polluting my airways and that I was being forced to hear some words that I didn't want to hear. They were very apologetic and immediately turned down the volume.

That being said, I do not have an attack of the vapors when I hear a culturally appropriate word in the theater that I would never expect to hear or use myself in this day and age. I refer specifically to the current Utah Shakespeare Festival production of Big River. The source of the narrative is the American classic Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain. Some of the lines are taken directly from the book itself, and

they include, in more than one instance, the offensive n-word. I have had several people ask me—because they knew I would have seen the play and would have an opinion—if they should take their children to see it and

expose them to this racist term that we no longer say in polite society.

Here is my firm reply: by all means go see it! It could be a great teaching opportunity. All theater experiences are enhanced when we prepare ourselves and our children by learning about a show before we go. In this case, you tell those delicate ears that that is how people talked in those days, that it was a symptom of a cultural that we no longer accept and so banish the word from our vocabulary. They will see how offensive that word is when used to apply to the noble character of Jim and maybe come to some realization on their own that words matter and we have a choice of how we use them. Follow up the performance with some old-fashioned conversation and I think you'll get an A for good parenting.

Besides, if you don't go, you'll miss the fabulous voice of Ezekiel Andrew and that would be a tragedy.

This is not the only time that the Festival has had to consider the impact of the text of its shows. Several years ago, 1776 caused no small amount of alarm in this conservative community with its liberal use of profanity. No amount of claiming that that is how the Founding Fathers talked could soothe the ruffled feathers. A semi-solution was reached when some spoken oaths were changed and sung lyrics were left intact. I had some friends who boycotted the popular Stones in His Pockets; I admit I winced at the language of those young Irish men. Their strong brogue helped mask things a little.

There are some words that I can't tolerate even when culturally appropriate. But in this case, I can separate the culturally authentic from the superficial shock-only inclusion of some words we hear in the media today. That is my opinion. You asked.



CELEBRATE THE OLD WEST AT COVE FORT DAYS, happening Aug. 3 and 4.



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## Cove Fort Days set for Aug. 3 -4

**COVE FORT** — The annual celebration of Cove Fort Days takes place Aug. 3 and 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is an opening ceremony each day at 9 a.m., with

a closing ceremony on Aug. 4 at 5 p.m. Activities will continue each day until 6 p.m.

Hot dogs, live music, wagon and stage coach rides, a pioneer

village, living history exhibits and more will all be part of the celebration. And it's free.

Cove Fort is located near the I-15 and I-70 intersection.

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*revs up the  
Summer fun  
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**NOT EVEN RAIN COULD DOUSE THE FLAMES** from the parade of hot-rods and other classic vehicles, during this year's July Jamboree. Over 100 of the hottest and coolest cars ever built and driven, parked up and down Main Street, proudly displaying all of their restored glory. One didn't have to kick the tires to appreciate the historic collection of cars, trucks, motorcycles and even diesels on display.



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# Kids Create gets youth in the kitchen

Summer is more than halfway over for school-age children and youth! How are they getting along with stretches of down-time at your house? If they could use a little infusion of energy and meaningful activity, you might check out Utah State University Extension's Kids Create website.

Kids Create is part of Utah Food Sense Education Program (SNAP-Ed) specifically offering nutrition education to families and youth eligible for SNAP (food stamp) benefits under the general jurisdiction of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA). However, the website and its resources are open to the general public for use at <https://kidscreate.wordpress.com/>.

**For Mom and Dad »** Not only does Kids Create have information to help your kids learn tips and tricks for general food preparation and cooking, there are also optional fitness and general health challenges. Plus, there are ideas for the entire family to keep active. Additionally, there are links for adults to register for free Food Sense lessons at home through the link: <https://usu.instructure.com/courses/345410> and you have access to a wonderfully fun and informative blog endorsed by Food Sense, Snappily Ever After (A spin-off from the name- SNAP Ed). That link is available at: <http://snappilyforever.blogspot.com/>.

## Activities for healthy kids »

Click on the Kids Create "Jump Zone" link and you will find answers to Why and How kids should be active. For example, it is suggested to choose four new ways of being active that have never been tried before using suggestions to get ideas started:

Shoot some hoops/learn to play basketball; find a 30-minute workout video on YouTube, ride a bike for with a friend choosing a new route every week (approved by parents). Your kids may think participating in physical activity mainly provides health benefits. However, social, emotional and intellectual benefits are also described.

## Activities for Kids in the Kitchen »

Depending on the age of your child(ren), parents can help their youth select food to prepare from a wide variety of recipes. Categories of recipes include: breakfast, fruity desserts, healthy snacks, main dishes, and side dishes.

Simple Salsa is an example of a simple healthy snack. This particular recipe is similar to Pico de Gallo. The step-by-step process is accompanied by related photos. Lest parents think asking a younger child to prepare salsa would be overwhelming, this recipe only has four ingredients: 4 Roma tomatoes, ½ yellow onion, 1 bunch cilantro, ½ fresh lime (or 1 Tbs. bottled lime juice) and then salt may be added to taste.

Yes, younger children will need some knife skills or supervised use of knives to prepare the recipe but it is very simple; the instructions are very straight forward. There are even ideas of different ways to include the salsa in conjunction with other foods like scrambled eggs or burritos.

Scrumptious Strawberry Sorbet is a simple refreshing dessert on the list under fruity desserts category. Again with only four ingredients: ½- ¾ cups



## Kathy's CORNER

by Kathleen RIGGS  
Utah State University Extension

*What else will you and your kids find on the Kids Create site? You'll never know unless you visit*

buttermilk, 1 16 oz. bag of frozen fruit (or 2 cups), 1 Tablespoon lemon juice, ½ C. sugar. The recipe does require the use of a food processor or blender and 4-5 hours in the freezer to complete a perfect sorbet. Other favorite fruits may be substituted for the strawberries.

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*Kathleen Riggs is the Utah State University Extension family and consumer sciences professor for Iron County. Questions or comments may be sent to [kathleen.riggs@usu.edu](mailto:kathleen.riggs@usu.edu) or call 435-586-8132.*



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

## Thurs, July 19

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

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**SENIOR BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED SUPPORT GROUP**, 1:30 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

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## Sat, July 21

**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**, 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.

## Sun, July 22

**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.

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

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

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**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.

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**WOMEN'S AA OPEN CANDLELIGHT MEETING**, 5 to 6 p.m., KKCB clubhouse, 1067 S. Main, Cedar City. All are welcome. For more information, call 435-559-7777.

**IRON COUNTY COMMISSION**, 9 a.m., commission chambers, Parowan.

## Tues, July 24

**A STATE HOLIDAY—CHECK WITH YOUR CLUB OR GROUP TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE MEETING**

**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.

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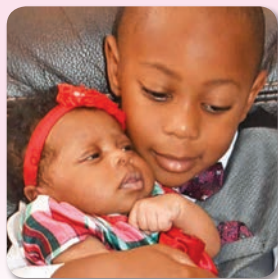


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# People

## Birth



### Miley Nicolas

Jayden Alexander welcomed his new little sister, Miley Grace, at 9:42 am on Wednesday, June 13, 2018. Ms. Miley Grace was born at Cedar City Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and measured 19 inches. They are the children of Nick and Kim Nicolas.

## Weddings

### Brown-Climer

Jim and Shellie Climer are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Sydnie Melisa Climer to Calvin Arthur Brown, son of Scott and Leah Brown. The couple will be married July 21, 2018. Reception will be held that night at the Hunter Conference Center in the great Hall from 8 to 9:30 p.m. and in Kimberly, Idaho at the Twin



Falls Park on August 3 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.



### Belnap-Whicker

Sydney Belnap and Dallen Whicker will be married July 21, 2018 in the Cedar City Temple. Their parents are Blake and Patricia Belnap of Enoch and Greg and Sheral Whicker of Cedar City. The couple will reside in Price, Utah, where they will work and attend school at USU Eastern.

## Missions

### Elder Roundy

Elder Jace Harrison Roundy, son of Richard and Lynnette Roundy, will return home Wednesday, July 18 after serving a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Comodoro Rivadavia, Argentina mission. He will speak in the Hillcrest ward on July 22 at 1 p.m. (Cross Hollow Stake Center: 2830



West Cody Dr, Cedar City). Welcome Home, Jace!!!



### Elder Zufelt

Elder Mitchell Zufelt served faithfully in the Oregon Portland Mission and has recently returned home. He will speak on Sunday, July 22, 2018 at 9 a.m. in the Cedar City 17th Ward, 265 South 900 West.

# Choose the right

**H**eading west on Center Street, in the small rural town of Milford, Utah, you will come to an intersection at 300 North. If you choose to turn right, you will pass Milford High School (Go Tigers!) and find your way to the quaint city park and pavilion. It's a great place for family reunions and for cheering each other on during family contests. Should you decide to turn left, you will soon find yourself at the city cemetery. I've been to both places. For very different reasons, and thankfully, only to visit. One place brings tears, while the other place brings cheers.

During the journey of your life, there will be many intersections, or crossroads, that you will encounter. Each day you must make decisions that have the potential to lead towards dead-ends, or towards your destiny. They can take you to places of peace, or places of pain. Sometimes, you will choose the wrong road. Sometimes, you may not even realize it until you hit a dead-end, or drop-off. It's a normal part of life. However, just because you hit a dead-end, doesn't mean you have to stay stuck there. Just because you wanted to enjoy the park, but ended up at the cemetery, doesn't mean you have to dig a grave. However, it does mean you have to be willing to make better, not just different, decisions moving forward.

I think sometimes, we're so hard on ourselves when we do make mistakes and dead-end decisions, that we get so discouraged and figure we might as

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## The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

well give up, instead of getting back up, making a U-turn and finding another, better direction. No, not every decision is life or death or will lead to a dead-end. Those that do lead you to places that you'd rather not be, or become, don't need to ruin your whole journey. Learn to use reverse and don't rehearse the curse of any bad decision. Make a U-turn and move forward.

As for mistakes you've already made and are learning to leave behind; keep in mind that your rear-view mirrors—the ones in your car and in your mind—are meant to glance in, not glare in. You won't reach the parks, perks, and peaks of life if you're always focused on failures. I'm not saying every day will be a walk in the park, but bad days don't have to be another nail in your coffin. Yes, your daily decisions are critical to your success and happiness but remember that dead-ends are not the end, unless you choose to not turn around.

Someday, I will make that final left turn. Until then, I'm not going to let wrong turns and mistakes etch my epitaph early. My tombstone can wait. Therefore, I'm going to keep choosing the right turns and not let the fear of wrong-turns keep me from enjoying my life. I hope you won't either. I'll see you at the park.

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**CHEF JEFF CROSLAND PREPARES A DISH AT GATHER**, a new restaurant on top of Kolob Mountain.

## New restaurant opens on Kolob Mountain

Gather is a new restaurant on top of Kolob Mountain near Cedar City. Recently, guests in Southern Utah University's most popular community education class, Southern Utah Chef, got to taste a unique old seafood dish prepared by the owner with local ingredients such as prickly pear cactus.

Chef Jeff Crosland presented two variations of the popular Latin American dish ceviche. The dish is common in the Pacific and coastal regions of South America, and is considered the national dish of Peru, made with fresh vegetables, seafood, and prepared with no heat.

"The seafood is basically cooked, or cured, using the acids from citrus juices such as lemons or limes," Crosland said in a release from SUU. "Since most versions are prepared using raw fish, the dish must be prepared and consumed fresh to get the best flavor. I like to use as much fresh produce as possible from local growers in my restaurant."

Although Crosland has been in the culinary industry more than 25 years, his latest venture is something he has dreamed about for quite some time. Gather is an off-the-grid eatery surrounded by some of the most breathtaking scenery in southern Utah.

Crosland cooks the food he serves using wood-fired smokers, coal-fired Dutch ovens, and prepares all of his dishes much like a chef would before modern-day ovens and grills.

"We are trying something different that you will not see in most restaurants in the country," Crosland said. "We serve up fresh salsa fresca and pico de gallo, steelhead salmon, and our grass-fed Angus ribeye steaks are roasted on peach wood giving them a flavor that is hard to find elsewhere."

Since graduating from Le Cordon Bleu in Portland, Oregon, Crosland has worked with some of the best chefs in the business at places like Le Meridian in Chicago, James Beard House in New York and Red Mountain Spa in Ivins.

Crosland also earned several honors while operating Springdale restaurants Spotted Dog and Parallel 88, including "Best Restaurant in Southern Utah" and "Best in the State," before taking a five-year excursion to Jackson Hole, Wyoming and cooking off-the-grid.

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# CHURCH Directory

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

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

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

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

**Christ the King Catholic Church**  
690 S. Cove Drive, Cedar City  
**5:30 pm - Saturdays**  
**8:30 am - Sundays**  
**11:15 am Spanish - Sundays**  
586-8298

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

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

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

Enoch Stake  
3600 N. Minersville Hwy., Enoch  
**9 am, 11 am & 1 pm - Sundays**  
586-5950

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

Parowan Stake  
90 S. Main St., Parowan  
**9 am & 1 pm - Sundays**  
477-8929

**Sonrise Christian Fellowship**  
6843 W 1800 N, Cedar City  
(Just off Iron Springs Rd.)  
**10 am - Sundays**  
586-3640

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

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

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

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

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

**Grace Christian Church**  
845 W 200 S, Parowan  
**10:30 am - Sundays**  
**7 pm - Wednesdays**  
590-1663

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

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

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

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

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

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## Religion

### Free soccer camp at Valley Bible Church

Valley Bible Church is sponsoring a free soccer camp for boys and girls ages 6-12 beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at noon from July 25 to 27. The camp will be held at the soccer field located at the Enoch

Rec Complex (4820 North Hwy 91, Enoch, UT).

Coaches will work with individual age groups and skill levels. A free lunch will also be served on Friday. Registration and more

information is available online at vbcfamily.com/soccercamp. Kids should bring their own soccer balls and equipment if they have them. Please meet at the soccer field at 10 a.m. for the first session.

### LDS Divorce Group sets annual retreat for Heber Valley

The LDS Divorce Survivors group, a Facebook-centered community of more than 3,800 members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will conduct its annual retreat at the LDS Heber Camp on July 27-28.

The third annual retreat offers activities intended to instruct and encourage LDS Church members as they make this often emotionally shattering transition from marriage to single adulthood once again. This year the retreat offers added incentive by taking place at the camp located about two miles east of Heber City, as well as at points around Heber Valley and Provo Canyon.

Hank Smith, Ph.D., a motivational speaker and author who teaches at Brigham Young University, will give a keynote address at the retreat. Smith has more than 40,000 followers on Instagram and a Facebook fan page with more than 70,000 likes. Smith speaks at events around the world virtually every weekend.

Unlike previous retreats that featured many speakers and workshops, this year's retreat will focus more on activities to help each participant know that support is available from individuals who have been through the same experiences.

Lisa McDougale, who organized the group in 2011 and serves as chief administrator, said the retreat is a valuable resource for divorced members who so typically feel they no longer fit into a church culture that emphasizes marriage and families.

"Without proper validation of the experiences of a divorced member of the LDS faith, these victims struggle to move on and heal from the past," said McDougale. "They lose trust in their closest associations, and fear their existence is meaningless when important relationships turn into abuse or neglect."

The LDS Divorce Survivors Retreat, like the Facebook group, provides a forum where divorced members can see they're not alone and learn good ways to cope with their situation and focus on Jesus Christ.

"Through emotionally rejuvenating activities and speakers, participants can learn how to hold themselves and their loved ones together during this stressful time of life," McDougale explained. "We want them to be instructed but also to exchange experiences and to have fun with others who share their same situation."

Activities of the retreat will include river rafting down the Provo River from the base of Deer Creek Dam, chair lift rides at Sundance, a zip line course, ropes courses at the Heber Camp, and other events.

BYU communications professor Robert Wakefield says the LDS church offers several means to assist its members. But even with those systems in place, it is not difficult for divorced members to feel isolated and unsupported.

"As sincere as local church members or leaders may

be, it is hard to appreciate the crisis that leads up to and through a divorce unless you have gone through it," Wakefield said. "Unfortunately, too many end up even leaving the church and walking away from their one true means of support—the Savior, Jesus Christ."

Wakefield is involved in the group because his own son was divorced six years ago and still deals with custody battles from that breakup. Wakefield recognizes the great need for such a support group to exist.

*"...it is hard to appreciate the crisis that leads up to and through a divorce unless you have gone through it"*

— Robert Wakefield

"The LDS Divorce Survivors Facebook group offers a private community of support from those who have been there and have remained in the church. Any church member or former member who is divorced can join, but they are screened first to make sure their intentions are to gain support and not to harrass ex-spouses."

"We have no doubt that there are many more church members out there who are desperate for help," McDougale said. "We want to let them know that real support exists online on a daily or even an hourly basis, and at this retreat as well."

Registration for the entire retreat, including meals, is \$75. To pick up additional information or to register, interested participants can go online to LDSDivorceSurvivors.com.

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# MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAIL NOW RE-OPENED AFTER BRIAN HEAD FIRE

COURTESY OF BRIAN HEAD RESORT

by Kelsey **KEENER**  
*Iron County Today*

**BRIAN HEAD** — The right fork of the Bunker Creek mountain bike trail has been officially reopened since July 4, and an official ribbon-cutting took place last Friday afternoon.

Several mountain biking trails in the Dixie National Forest were damaged in the Brian Head Fire last summer, and Forest Service employees have been working alongside the Brian Head community as well as the Dixie Mountain Bike Trails Association to restore and even improve the affected trails. The Forest Service took advantage of the opportunity to make improvements to some trails in order to make them more

sustainable and family-friendly.

The American Conservation Experience was brought in by the Forest Service to work on the Bunker Creek trail in the fall of last year, and the restoration was completed on July 3. While plans to repair several other trails are still in place, the opening of the right fork of Bunker Creek is an important milestone for Brian Head as it relies on mountain biking for a large part of its summer economy.

The Dixie National Forest and its partners, including the Iron County Restaurant Tax Board and the DMBTA, were awarded a matching grant fund from the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation to complete \$200,000 worth of mountain biking trail improvements.



KELSEY KEENER

**BRIAN HEAD MAYOR CLAYTON CALLOWAY OFFICIALLY OPENS** a fork of the Bunker Creek mountain bike trail, months after the wildfire and shut it down.

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# Obituaries

## Merilyn Whitney Wilson



Merilyn Whitney Wilson, 88, passed away on July 11, 2018 in Cedar City, Utah. She now joins her beloved husband, Wilbur J Wilson, who preceded her in death and has been waiting to be reunited with her.

Merilyn was born January 1, 1930 in Mapleton, Utah to McKinley Whitney and Fern Hurst Whitney. She was fourth in a family of six children. Her family moved to Springville in 1937, where her dad supervised the construction of the Springville Art building. She attended Springville High and graduated in 1948. She was yearbook editor and valedic-

torian of her class. She married her high school sweetheart, Wilbur, September 10, 1948 in the Salt Lake City Temple. They were together 65 years and raised eight children.

She was a faithful member of the LDS church, and served in many positions, including primary and gospel doctrine teacher, primary and ward chorister for many years, but especially enjoyed working with the cub scouts. She was also an avid genealogist.

Merilyn and her family lived in Hawaii for two years, while Wilbur served an LDS Building Mission. They later moved to Cedar City where he taught at Cedar High School and Junior High, and she has enjoyed living in Southern Utah. Merilyn lived a full life as a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker. She had artistic talent and many hobbies, including sewing, crocheting, quilting, baking, gardening and writing. Later she took up oil painting and was a very good artist. She made paintings, many quilts, and large crocheted doilies for her family and others. She always gave of herself.

She was very musical and enjoyed teaching her children and grandchildren to perform. She also enjoyed the outdoors and traveling in a motor home. Her quick wit, sense of humor, and creative mind helped her through life and her life was dedicated to her husband and family.

Despite her debilitating mental ailments, she was able to live out the last four years of her life in the comfort of the home that Wilbur built for her.

She is survived by her eight children; Larry (Debra) Wilson, Mindy (Norlen) Dalton, Michal Ann (Ron) Adams, Leslie (Tom) Timmerman, Pamela Wilson, Lani (Wayne) Lee, Tim (Shirley) Wilson and Eric (Jean) Wilson, 29 grandchildren, 47 great grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren, 8 step-great grandchildren and one sister Kay Ennis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two grandchildren, and her siblings Ruth Weseloh, Donna Johnson, Keith Whitney and Nedra Walker.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, 2018 in the Cedar Stake Center, 155 East 400 South in Cedar City, Utah. There will be a viewing prior to the funeral service at the Church from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Interment will be held in the Cedar City cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at [www.sumortuary.com](http://www.sumortuary.com)

## Robert L. Gardner



Robert L. Gardner passed away on Saturday, July 7, 2018. He was born in Cedar City, Utah on December 20, 1929 to Arthur and Ina Leigh Gardner. He married LaRue Bauer on October 13, 1948 and settled in Cedar City where they raised five children.

Robert obtained his Bachelor of Science Degree from BYU and his Juris Doctorate from the U of U. He served as Iron County Attorney, City Attorney, Legal Counsel for So. Utah State College and Assistant Attorney General for the State of Utah.

He served as President of the Southern Utah Bar Association, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Valley View Medical Center, President of the South West Livestock Association, President and National Director of the Utah Jaycees, President of the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce and two terms as Iron County Commissioner.

Robert served in various ward and stake callings including Bishop and High Councilman. He served 10 years as an Ordinance Worker and Sealer in the St. George Temple.

Robert is survived by five children, Carol (Lloyd) Perkins, Mike (Diane) Gardner, Cheri (Richard) Bellows, Richard (Pat) Gardner and Angie Gardner, as well as 12 grandchildren, 34 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, parents, two brothers, one sister, one daughter-in-law and one great grandson.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 14, 2018 at the Cedarview Ward (320 S 1925 W, Cedar City, Utah) at 11 a.m. A viewing was held Friday, July 13, 2018 from 6-8 p.m. at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W, Cedar City, Utah), and July 14, 2018 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Cedarview Ward. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at [www.sumortuary.com](http://www.sumortuary.com)

Special thanks to his in-home caregivers and the staff at Brookdale.

## Myrtle Campbell Robertson



Myrtle Campbell Robertson, 82, passed away July 8, 2018 in Cedar City, Utah. She was born August 6, 1935 in Hatch, Utah to Cloyd Delton Campbell and Omega Riggs. Being the oldest of eight children gave her many responsibilities in her youth, kind of a second mom. She grew up in Hatch and graduated high school in Panguitch. She married Lawrence Bruce Woodard. They had four children; Steven Wendell, Patricia Jean, Robert Zane and Thad Douglas. Later divorced, she married Phillip Maurice Robertson. They had two children; Isaac Leroy and Sandra Collette. After living in several towns around Southern Utah they made their home in Cedar City.

Myrtle enjoyed reading and sewing. She was an excellent seamstress. She could look at a picture of a dress and make it without a pattern. She worked at Coleman for many years, then Cornet until it closed.

She was a faithful member of the LDS Church, serving in many callings throughout her life. The last one was librarian and program maker for over 30 years. After Phil's death in 1993, they were sealed for time and all eternity in

the St. George Temple.

Her quick wit and one-liners made everyone smile, "Everyone loves Myrtle." She is finally at peace. She will be missed by all.

She is survived by six sisters and a brother; LaRue Holt, Yvonne Wilson and Konny Emery of St George, Nelda Fagg of Las Vegas, Delton R. Campbell of Taylorsville, LeAnne Campbell of Salt Lake City, and Ronda Webb of Cashmere, WA.; children Robert (Raina) Robertson and Sandra Woodard of Cedar City, Thad Robertson of Gunnison, 22 grandchildren and 56 great grandchildren. Myrtle was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to the members of her ward, for the many things they have done for "mom" over the years.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the West Hills chapel (1650 West Center Street, Cedar City). There were viewings on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 from 7- 8:30 p.m. at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W, Cedar City), and on Thursday, July 12 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the West Hills chapel. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at [www.sumortuary.com](http://www.sumortuary.com).

## Paul Carroll



On July 1, 2018, we lost a beloved son, brother and dear friend. Paul Carroll lost an 11 week fight due to complications brought on by pneumonia. Paul was 59 years old.

He lived in Southern Utah for many years in both Brian Head and Parowan. For many years he owned the historic building on Main and Center in Parowan, better known as the Victorian Rose Inn. He relocated to Las Vegas about 9 years ago.

Born in Torrance, California, Paul is survived by his mother May Ann Carroll, sister Meredith and David Swezey and their sons, all of whom reside in Bellevue, Washington, and other family that reside in Southern California. We celebrate what a kind and giving person he was, and will remember him fondly for his friendship, accepting nature, his quirky personality, and his larger than life Newfoundland dogs.

A service will be held out of state at a later date for family and friends.



## Val Hyatt Bentley



Val Hyatt Bentley passed away on Tuesday July 10, 2018. Hyatt was born to Charles F and Nellie H Bentley February 14, 1931. He married Jayne Timmons in the Salt Lake City Temple on October 13, 1954. Together they had 10 children and raised them in Parowan Utah.

Funeral Services were held Monday, July 16, 2018 at 11 am in the 3rd Ward LDS Chapel - 90 South Main Street in Parowan. A visitation was held Sunday evening July 15, 2018 from 6-8 pm in the 3rd Ward Relief Society Room and again on Monday from 9:30-10:30 am.

Hyatt is survived by eight of his 10 children. Valynne Nicholes, Parowan; Charla Cooke (Ted), Paragonah; Michelle Bryant, Orem; Natalie Rogerson (Doug) Parowan; Brooke Bentley (Michele), South Jordan; Misti Wilgar (Dana), St. George; Trisha Robb (Chris), Paragonah; Wyatt Bentley (Sarah), Saratoga Springs. He is preceded in death by his parents, sweetheart Jayne Timmons Bentley, sons Randall and Lance and son-in-law Kendall Bryant.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Brenda Bentley and team from Iron County Home Health, Ethan and his team from Suntree Home Health and Hospice for their loving care. Also to Trisha Robb and Valynne Nicholes for their loving care of Dad. He got to stay home, where he wanted to be because of them.

Friends and family are invited to share condolences online at [www.SerenityStG.com](http://www.SerenityStG.com). Arrangements and memorial tree planting by Serenity Funeral Home, 986-2085.

## Terry D. Alger



Terry D. Alger, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend passed away unexpectedly on July 5th, 2018 surrounded by his devoted family. He was born on January 22, 1940, in Carbon County, Utah to Carl and LaVerda Alger. He was sealed in the Salt Lake City Temple to Kay Killpack on March 17, 1961 and together they raised two children, Mitch and Paula.

Terry attended West Point, where he played football and lacrosse. He went on to earn a Bachelor's degree and Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Utah and completed post-doctoral work at the University of Illinois. 'TD' was a man of tremendous integrity, endless capabilities and possessed an impeccable quality of character. He leaves a pronounced footprint and his irreplaceable influence and positive impact will be felt for generations.

Terry was raised by parents who instilled in him an unconditional love for, and commitment to family, and his efforts throughout a lifetime reflect his devotion. He held his pursuits and associations close to his heart whether personal, professional, intellectual, or theological. Terry was not only dedicated to his family and friends, but was committed to the development of others, through education. After losing his wife of 42 years in 2003, he married Janet Nakken on February 16, 2007. Together they were privileged to serve a mission on Temple Square in 2008.

Terry was an example of selfless endurance and gracefully weathered the 'storms' with strength, dignity, kindness and faith. As his family, we feel it an honor to have shared the years. His love for us was always expressed and unconditional. He will be remembered for sage advice, a logical perspective, comforting words and a genuine warmth. His personality and sense of humor was infectious and will forever be remembered.

He is survived by his wife Janet, his children, Mitch (Penny) Alger, Paula Alger; three grandchildren, Alexis (Aaron) Pena, Brooks (Heidi) Alger, and Madison Alger; two great grandchildren, Olivia and Piper Pena; his sister, Myrna Rasmussen, and sister in laws, Andy Alger and Paula (Paul) Boss.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 13 at the Cedarview Chapel (1925 W. 320 S. Cedar City, UT). Viewings were held from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, July 12 at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W. Cedar City, UT) and Friday morning, July 13 at the Cedarview Chapel from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Interment was on Saturday, July 14 at the Centerville City Cemetery (650 E. 400 S. Centerville, UT) under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at [www.sumortuary.com](http://www.sumortuary.com).

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Perpetual Education Fund for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2018

# CEDAR NATIONAL GIRLS READY

## for another regional run

by Tom ZULEWSKI

*Iron County Today*

As the defending champion of the Little League Softball West Regional, the Cedar National Little League All-Star team isn't feeling much pressure. After all, getting the chance to repeat and return to the Little League Softball World Series is as good as they could possibly ask for.

Cedar National will open defense of its crown in San Bernardino, Calif., on Saturday against the championship team from Hawaii. First pitch is at 10 a.m., and all games from

the regional will be streamed live on the new ESPN Plus service.

"It's starting to come together and we're playing a lot better," head coach Aaron Wheelwright said. "The defense is looking a lot stronger and I'm a little more impressed than a week and a half ago."

Four players who were part of last year's regional champi-

ons have returned for another shot to get back to Portland, Oregon, for the World Series – pitcher Michaela Whitehair, Kylie Wheelwright, Madison Fuller and catcher Kamryn Allen.

"They've been talking it up and explaining to the girls what it takes to win down there, what it takes to compete," Wheelwright said. "That's been a big attribute to have, understanding what they need to do and the level they need to play at."

Having one trip to the

World Series already under its belt only adds to Cedar National's motivation.

"Once we got home from the World Series last year, these four girls and their parents were already talking about next year," Wheelwright said. "The excitement's there, the girls want to be there and the families want to be there. It's just a good time, a good experience."

Allen had minimal doubt herself and pushed the positive messages to her teammates throughout All-Star tourna-

### Little League Softball West Regional Schedule

Cedar National's schedule of games for the Little League Softball West Regional in San Bernardino, Calif.

All games will be streamed on the ESPN Plus service and all times are Mountain.

#### SATURDAY vs. Hawaii, 10 a.m.

» If Cedar National wins Saturday, they play Northern California on Sunday at 1 p.m.

» If Cedar National loses, they play Monday at 10 a.m., opponent TBA

» All other remaining matchups are TBA.

» Full tournament is double-elimination, and the championship game will be played July 26 at 7 p.m.

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CEDAR NATIONAL SOFTBALL PLAYERS HOPE THEY CAN DUPLICATE THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEAR'S TEAM at the West Regional that starts Saturday in California.

FILE PHOTO

# Coach Ed Lamb returning to speak July 26

**CEDAR CITY** — The Iron County BYU Alumni Chapter welcomes Coach Ed Lamb back to Cedar City for a one-night speaking engagement. Former SUU football head coach and current BYU football assistant head coach, Ed Lamb is a well-known and highly-respected figure in Southern Utah.

All BYU alumni, fans, and friends are invited to join us as Coach Lamb presents "Train Ugly: An Inside Look at How BYU Football is Preparing for a Turnaround Season in 2018."

He will speak on Thursday, July 26 at 7 p.m. at 370 N. 4050 West in Cedar City. For further information, or to become more involved with the Iron County BYU Alumni Chapter, please email Troy and Heather Stonely at [ironcountybyualumni@gmail.com](mailto:ironcountybyualumni@gmail.com).



**FORMER SUU HEAD FOOTBALL COACH ED LAMB**, now assistant head coach at BYU, will speak on July 26 in Cedar City.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Cedar City to host Tour of Utah kickoff party Aug. 4

**CEDAR CITY** — Prior to the first pedal strokes by the celebrated professional cycling teams competing in the Larry H. Miller Tour of Utah, spectators will be treated to a Tour of Utah Kickoff Party in Cedar City on Saturday, Aug. 4. Throughout the weeklong, internationally sanctioned stage race on Aug. 6-12, a full schedule of complimentary festival activities will be provided daily for spectators at each host community.

Cedar City will host the Tour of Utah for a fourth time, serving as the race headquarters for the overall start festivities and playing host to the second day of racing with the start/finish of Stage 1 on Tuesday, Aug. 7. Saturday's Tour of Utah Kickoff Party will take place at the Ashton Family Greenshow Commons on the campus of Southern Utah University (200 W. University Boulevard). The Greenshow Commons, used nightly by the Utah Shakespeare Festival performers, provides a grassy hill for seating and a wooden stage for entertainment. Cycling fans are invited to meet and greet the more than 120 professional cyclists competing in this year's Tour during the Kickoff Party, which begins with live music by Wilhelm and games on the lawn at 3:30 p.m.

During the seven full days of racing, the Larry H. Miller Tour of Utah will deliver daily spectator activities for race starts and finishes. These community celebrations are

held at the nine host venues and include the Papa John's Autograph Alley and Rider Sign-In, Kids' Sprint to the Finish Bike Races presented by University of Utah Health, and the KUTV 2 Healthy Living Expo. In addition, online voting will return for the America First Credit Union Fan Favorite award jersey.

One hour prior to the race start each day, the Papa John's Rider Sign-In and Autograph

Alley will permit fans to interact with the world's best cyclists for photographs and signatures. Spectators will be allowed to interact with the professional athletes as they walk along Autograph Alley to the Sign-In stage. Race announcers will interview athletes from the stage, providing insights before the high-speed action commences.

Finish line areas during race week will feature the KUTV 2 Healthy Living

Expo. This year is unique in that five host venues -- St. George, Cedar City, Payson City, Salt Lake City and Park City -- will have both the race start and finish lines, which will offer the expo experience for the entire day. The KUTV 2 Healthy Living Expo delivers an array of interactive exhibits, official Tour merchandise, vendors, and live entertainment, including a jumbo television screen to watch the race live throughout

the course.

The Kids' Sprint to the Finish Bike Races presented by University of Utah Health are recreational bicycle races for children ages five to 12. This is an opportunity for children to ride their own bicycles on part of the course used by the pros. Complimentary registration is available at the University of Utah Health information tent in the KUTV 2 Healthy Living Expo. Races will be held at six venues, using a section of the Tour of Utah race course. All participating children are required to bring their own bicycles and helmets. Details about expo locations, start/finish areas and race times will be available on the Tour of Utah website.

Beginning Aug. 6 with the Prologue in St. George, fans can cast daily ballots at [TourofUtah.com](http://TourofUtah.com) to select the America First Credit Union Fan Favorite rider. Six athletes will be nominated each day in various categories, such as a best climber or most promising rookie. The athletes who receive the most votes each day for a specific category will be recognized as the America First Credit Union Fan Favorite.

The Tour of Utah will start on Aug. 6 in St. George for the first time with a Prologue, and conclude seven days later in Park City. Additional host venues are Cedar City, Payson City, Antelope Island State Park, Layton City, Salt Lake City, Canyons Village, and Snowbird Resort.



COURTESY OF LARRY H. MILLER TOUR OF UTAH

**A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION TO WELCOME THE LARRY H. MILLER TOUR OF UTAH** back to Cedar City is planned on Saturday, Aug. 4.

# Strange days of summer

**H**ere we are, in the middle of July. Rain really does exist – who knew? – and the Cedar National majors softball all-starts will be back in San Bernardino, Calif., this weekend to defend their West Regional championship (see their story elsewhere on these pages).

But there's a big world of other sports out there worth mentioning. Let's take a quick trip. Just remember to leave your seats and tray tables in the upright and locked position as we take off.

» **The Snow Canyon junior softball team** is already under way at its West Regional in Tucson, Ariz. They opened last Saturday with a pair of victories, including a tension-filled 5-4 win in nine innings over Burbank, Calif. The Warriors trailed 3-1, but scored twice in the bottom of the sixth to force extra innings.

After Burbank put up a run in the top of the ninth, Snow Canyon scored two in the bottom half and earned two days of rest before its Tuesday night game was played against the Washington-Northern California winner.

» **Say what you will about John Isner**, but the man certainly knows how to get maximum court time when he plays tennis at Wimbledon. For the second time in his career, Isner – who was the No. 9 seed – played a marathon match on the grass courts at the All-England Club. The 6-foot-10 Isner lost a 6 ½-hour duel to No. 8 seed Kevin Anderson, 26-24 in the fifth set.

His other service slugfest came in the opening round in 2010 against Nicholas Malhut. He beat Malhut by a 70-68 count in that fifth set, but the whole match was played over 11 hours and three days before it finally finished.

That's clearly painted officials of the other overseas Grand Slam tournaments – the Australian Open and French Open – into a bit of a corner. The cries have grown louder than ever before for the no-tiebreaker rule in the fifth set to be abolished.

The U.S. Open still has a fifth-set tiebreaker – first to seven points, win

by two.

The other Wimbledon semifinal featured eventual champion Novak Djokovic, and he had to go to 10-8 in that fifth set before beating Rafael Nadal. Anderson also won his quarterfinal match over defending champ Roger Federer by 13-11 in the fifth.

See a pattern here? It's a love-hate-love relationship, and it's losing its appeal for a lot of folks because of the mental and physical grind involved.

It's one thing when you need to win by two points in a tiebreaker to determine a set or match win, but it's something completely different when your legs are rapidly turning into jelly and you have to win games in normal fashion and still win by two.

» **The World Cup soccer final** was a case of France taking advantage when its opponent made a mistake. Aided by an overturned call through video replay, a penalty-kick goal came



## RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI  
Sports Writer

late in the first half that broke a 1-1 tie and helped France beat Croatia 4-2 in Moscow.

After winning twice in extra time – and once on penalty kicks over the host Russians – to get to the final, Croatia finally ran out of gas.

If you're not a fan of the other football – NFL training camps don't hit stride until the end of the month – you should be. Things change on a dime, and you get 90 minutes of game time. No interruptions, continuous action, and the timing of the match is as close to exact as advertised.

Just don't try to figure out how the offside rule works. It's all in the movement.

Follow Tom Zulewski on Twitter @TommyZee81 or email tominator19@yahoo.com.

## SOFTBALL

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ment week.

"After last year, I had a pretty good idea we were going to make it again," Allen said. "We just had to get the rest of the girls to believe that we could do this. Be confident in everything you do. Trust in each other."

Last year's trip to the World Series – the first for a team from Cedar City – only added to the pride Allen felt.

"Even for social media, people from

all around the world were saying 'I saw you on TV,'" Allen said. "It was totally awesome."

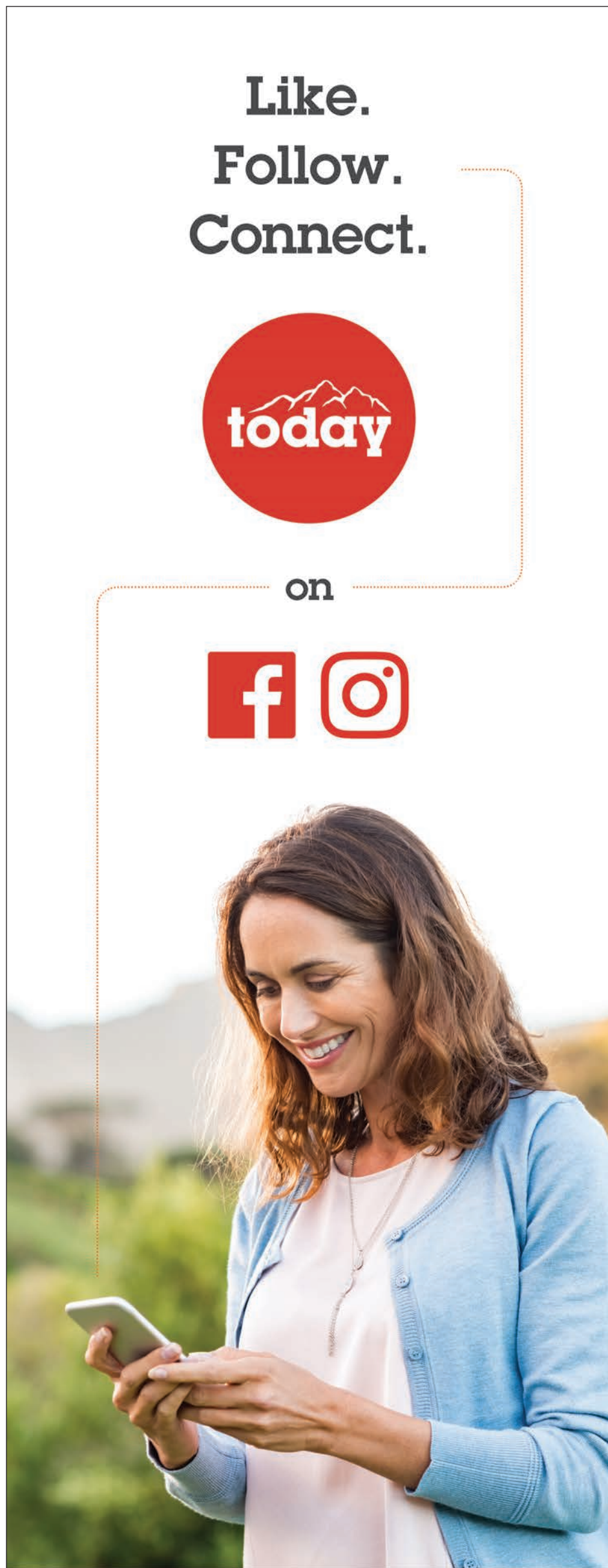
With the success comes the inevitable comparison to the previous year's team, something Wheelwright said isn't the best thing to do.

"There are a lot of ways this year's team is better than last year's team, and in some ways, it's not," he said. "Don't know what the competition level will be like when we get down there. Who knows what we're going to see? We're going there to play one game at a time and going there to win."

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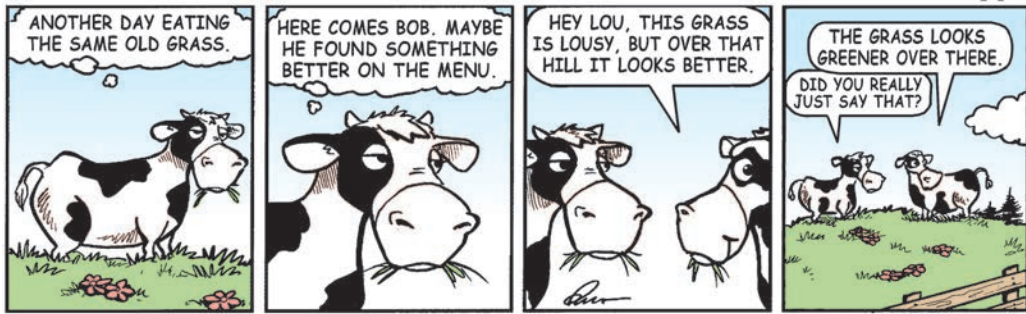
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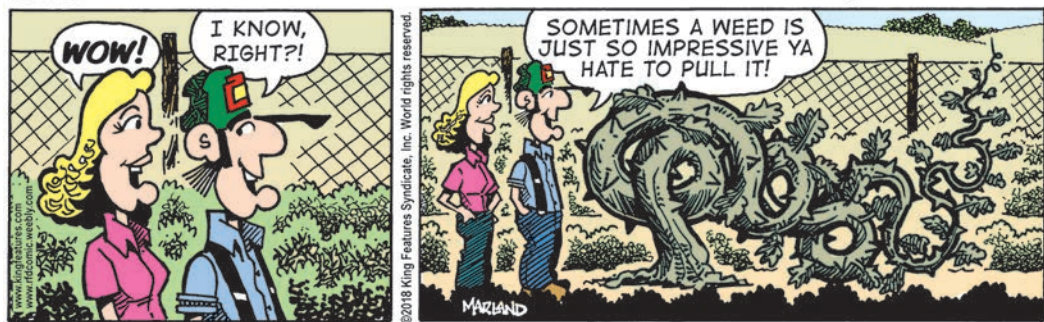
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by Dave T. Phipps



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by Mike Marland



## The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

3			2					1
		6			8			4
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTNOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Throat clearer
- 5 Pinball boo-boo
- 9 Moment
- 12 Transcending (Pref.)
- 13 Distant
- 14 Weep
- 15 Key with a left-pointing arrow
- 17 Khan title
- 18 Them
- 19 Chef's garb
- 21 Smallest st.
- 22 Decorator's theme
- 24 Bankrolls
- 27 Party bowlful
- 28 Donated
- 31 Mess up
- 32 Illustrations
- 33 Spy novel org.
- 34 Boyfriend
- 36 Part of TGIF
- 37 Bartlett or Bosc
- 38 Grind the teeth
- 40 "Hello"
- 41 Soda shop item
- 43 Buck
- 47 401(k) alternative
- 48 Hearth
- 51 "What's up, —?"
- 52 Coffee shop array

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51					52					53		
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- 53 The "I" in "The King and I"
- 54 Storm center
- 55 Plumbing problem
- 56 Clarinet insert
- 7 Fond du —, Wis.
- 8 Halloween candy
- 9 Capone's nickname
- 10 Therefore
- 11 Greenish-blue
- 16 Lanka pre-der
- 20 Glutton
- 22 Merriment
- 23 Makes up one's mind
- 24 Charlotte's creation
- 25 Exist
- 26 Hot-rod-ers' contest
- 27 Raised platform
- 29 By way of
- 30 Listener
- 35 Italian article
- 37 Column
- 39 Horrible
- 40 Bound
- 41 Faction
- 42 Helen's place
- 43 Dilbert's place
- 44 Diane or Nathan
- 45 Dermatology subject
- 46 Peruse
- 49 Rage
- 50 Geneticist's letters

### DOWN

- 1 Early pulp
- 2 Warmth
- 3 Leave a good impression?
- 4 Creators
- 5 Reveille's opposite
- 6 "— picture paints a thousand words, ..."

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3	5	4	1	8	9	6	7	2
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4	6	3	8	7	1	9	2	5
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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

E	D	E	R	E	K	L	E	A	K	E	E	E	
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R	A	R	P	E	A	R	I	T	S	U	B	E	A
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A	G	A	M	E	T	A	V	A	F	I	R	A	C
S	E	C	T	A	M	E	T	A	V	A	F	I	R

Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president was the shortest?
2. HISTORY: What agreement provided for the dissolution of the former Soviet Union?
3. LITERATURE: Which book in the Harry Potter series has a mythical creature in its title?
4. TELEVISION: Who played Thurston Howell III on "Gilligan's Island"?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the method that involves cooking food in sealed bags, usually in water?
6. GAMES: What company introduced the "Hot Wheels" toys and games?
7. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states border the Gulf of Mexico?
8. SCIENCE: What element makes up 47 percent of the Earth's crust?
9. ART: Which art movements was painter Max Ernst associated with?
10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of kangaroos called?

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Trivia Test Answers  
1. James Madison, 5 foot 4; 2. The Belavezha Accords; 3. "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix"; 4. Jim Backus; 5. Sous-vide; 6. Mattel; 7. Five; Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida; 8. Oxygen; 9. Dada and Surrealism; 10. A troop or mob

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5. If you are retired without a driving purpose
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