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Government shutdown impacting Iron County

by Kelsey **KEENER**
Iron County Today

After the longest government shutdown in American history and the potential for another one to begin on Friday, residents may start to feel an impact in Iron County.

The government was shut down on Dec. 21, 2018, when Congress and

President Donald Trump could not reach an agreement regarding a border wall. After 35 days, the government reopened for three weeks on Jan. 25.

Assistant Professor of Political Science at SUU Douglas Bennett said his main concern about the situation is the political message that is being communicated to the country.

"I do worry about the economic

impact," Bennett said. "But I worry more about the erosion of trust in government that this causes, and that, I think, is going to be longer-lasting than the economic effect."

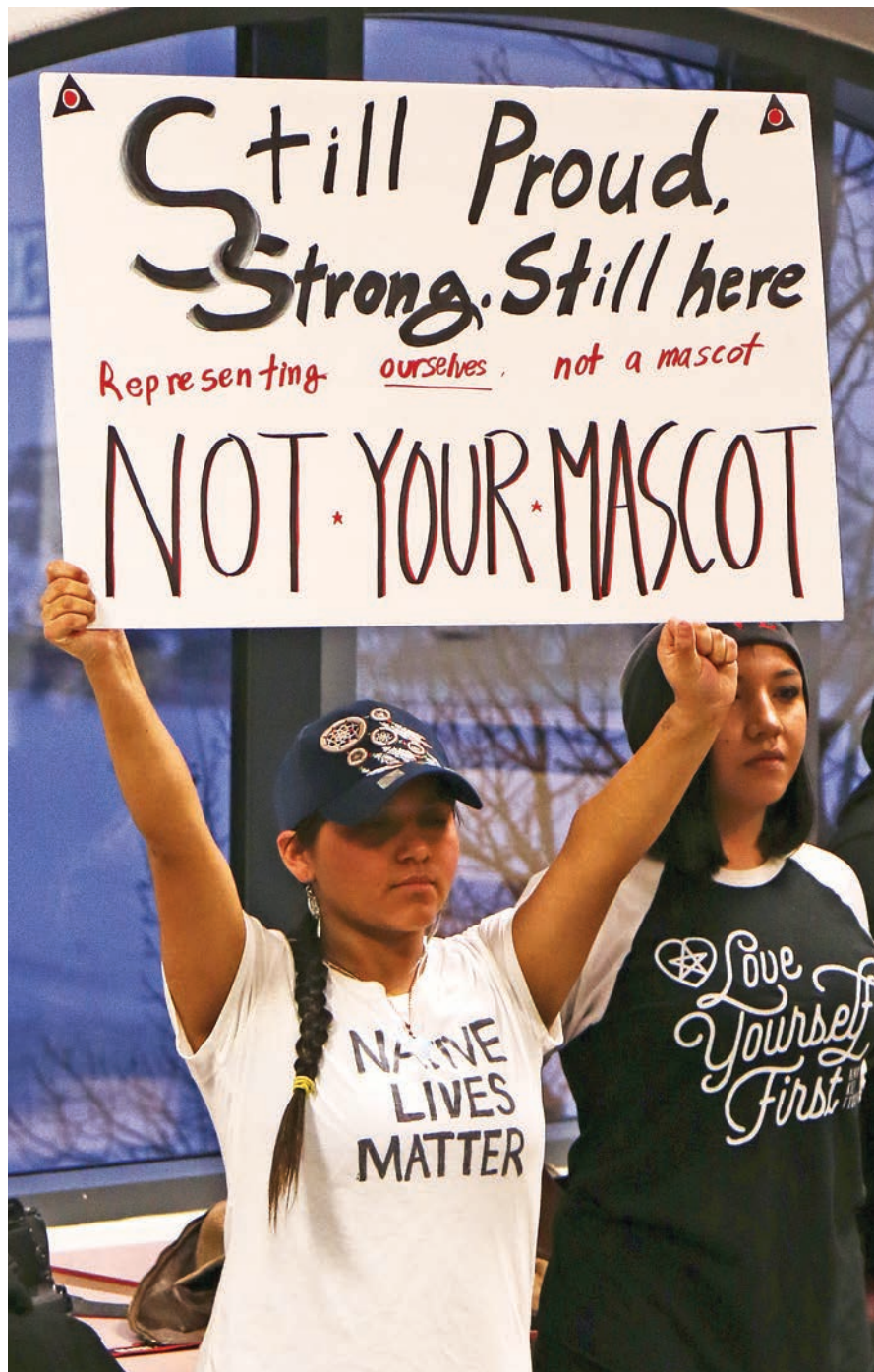
Bennett explained that the public may not understand why political leaders cannot compromise and find middle ground, as that is the purpose of legislation.

"No side is going to get everything they want," he said. "So, to shut the government down because you don't get everything you want just doesn't make sense."

He added that the shutdown had an impact on his classes as well.

"I teach political science," Bennett

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A YOUNG NATIVE AMERICAN WOMAN HOLDS UP A SIGN in favor of changing the name and mascot for the Cedar High School.

SCHOOL BOARD VOTES TO CHANGE CEDAR HIGH MASCOT

by Kelsey **KEENER**
Iron County Today

The Iron County School District Board voted 3-2 to change Cedar High School's mascot during a board meeting last week on Feb. 5.

School Board President Stephen Allen began the meeting by reviewing the process of considering this change and then allowing comments from board members before the vote was held.

Allen shared his thoughts first, saying this has been quite challenging but he feels it has been an honor to serve as a school board member during this issue and he feels optimism for the schools in Iron County. He continued by saying he ran for the board motivated by his passion for education and the desire for all children to have access to education. He said by considering what is best for students has been a guiding tool for him in decision-making.

"When I look at this issue from more of an objective point of view, the evidence is clear," Allen said. "Psychologists, sociologists, the National Congress of American Indians, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and professional agency after professional agency, all recognize that native mascots are not appropriate for

public school systems."

Allen said this is why he feels the Cedar High School Mascot Committee's recommendation to change the mascot should be respected.

Board Member Mary Ann Kemp thanked the committee and the community for their input throughout the issue. She said she feels we are in an age when it is fashionable to be offended, which makes it difficult to know when real offense occurs, and posed questions such as 'who decides what it honorable or

not honorable?' and whether this issue is a political issue or a cultural issue. Kemp also discussed the meanings of "Redmen" and "Redskin" that were frequently cited as being offensive and derogatory, but mentioned that after much research the derogatory nature

of the term appeared to be created for political reasons. Ultimately, she feels as an elected representative she is charged with representing the people.

"I decided to go back to the basics," Kemp said. "The School Board is a representative form of government. I am here to represent the people, and it appears that the people overwhelmingly desire to keep the Redmen mascot so

"Let's as a community write the next chapter in our story"

— **Michelle Lambert**

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Smart visits Cedar City

by Kelsey **KEENER**
Iron County Today

Elizabeth Smart presented at Southern Utah University's America First Event Center to share her experience of being kidnapped at 14 years old, with Iron County residents.

After she was introduced, she began by explaining that the fear of being kidnapped was distant and went on to describe what happened to her. Smart said her captors changed her name, explained the rules they set for her and said they manipulated her through religion and she was raped frequently – all to demonstrate their power and control over Smart. Due to her captors' manipulation, Smart said she began to question things like whether she was worthy to be saved and to be loved.

She went on to say that she shares her story in an attempt to educate on what it's like to be a victim, as well as the struggle of moving forward. "We all have choices," she said. "No matter what's happened to us, it's our choices that define who we are."

Smart went into detail about some of the things that occurred while she was abducted, such as being forced to watch her captors have intercourse under the threat of not receiving food or water or being forced to consume alcohol until she became sick. She said she was taken to southern California, but convinced her captors to travel back to Utah because she knew that was her only hope of rescue.

She recalled the moment when police officers appeared and began confronting her captors in northern Utah. She said

she was frequently asked why she didn't scream or immediately tell the officers who she really was.

"After nine months of being so abused and so threatened ... my captors became, what seemed like to me, invincible," she said. Her captors frequently threatened her with her life and with her family's life.

She went on to talk about being found and reunited with her family and her recovery afterward. She explained one of the things that helped her the most when she returned home was the freedom her parents enabled her with to make choices, like what clothes she wore, what she ate and what high school she wanted to go to.

Smart said her mom had told her that the best punishment for her captors would be for Smart to live and to be happy and not let them take any more of her life. She explained to the audience what her mother's words meant to her. "You need to make the decision to be happy," she said. "If you can't be happy right now, believe that one day you will and never lose sight of that goal."

She also said to the audience that one of the best things anyone can do for a victim is allow them the freedom of choice,

allow them to choose when they want to talk about their trauma and do what is necessary to be able to be there for them.

"If you are in someone's network, if you're someone's family, make sure that you're taking care of yourself so that you can be there for someone," Smart said. "If you're not taking care of yourself then it's really hard to be there for someone else."

Following her presentation, Smart took several questions from the audience.



KELSEY KEENER

ELIZABETH SMART shares harrowing stories from her life to inspire the lives of others.



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that's my vote."

Board Member Dale Brinkerhoff counseled that whatever can be done to decrease threats and harassment in school and in public is necessary, but people cannot be employed to police every action of every person. He said he also doesn't feel money should be a determining factor in all matters and then referenced a letter from the Cedar City Band of Paiute Indians of Utah Chairperson, detailing several suggested changes to the Iron County School District's educational system. The letter suggests a curriculum change to include a history of the Paiute Tribe and other Utah tribes and increasing resources to help Native American students succeed, among several others.

Brinkerhoff also said he does not feel this is a change that needs to be made.

"There are too many people from the outside trying to tell those on the inside that they should be offended," he said. "I'm afraid we're being asked to whitewash the beautiful Native American culture and heritage out of American history. I think it's terrible, I can't agree with it -- leave the Redmen alone."

Board Member Michelle Jorgensen thanked the committee and community members who reached out and voiced their opinions. One of her main concerns was a lack of discussion between board members, but ultimately, she felt that Cedar High School has not had a mascot for around a decade.

"We have been a school without a mascot," she said. "So, my thought is, why don't we give the school a mascot, give them something they can be proud of, keep the heritage going at Cedar High that's been going on and make some minor changes."

Board Member Michelle Lambert said she considered why this process can feel threatening, the importance of names and people's need for both a place that feels comforting and safety, and a space that allows for growth and risk-taking. Lambert feels that CHS needs to provide both of those things for students and staff. She also feels that every voice matters and there are no villains or bad people in this discussion. Lambert also brought up a CHS alumni's difficulty later in life having to explain why the Redmen symbol was on her transcript and the potential negative impact of the mascot on students' futures.

"My personal feeling on this subject is that we need to make a place in the community for our Native American friends and neighbors to share their culture, to celebrate their heritage with them and let them tell their story in their own way," said Lambert. "And I believe the drain this puts on the school district of having this mascot is not worth it. I believe that we have an opportunity here to come up with something to give them, as (Jorgensen) said, a mascot. Let's as a community write the next chapter in our story."

After further discussion, Lambert made a motion to respectfully retire the Redmen mascot at the end of this school year. Her motion passed 3-2.



COREY BAUMGARTNER

MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY HOLD UP SIGNS in favor of keeping the Cedar High School Redmen name.

First Historical District sign placed in Cedar

by Klarrissa **WILLIAMS**

Iron County Today

The Cedar City Historical Preservation Commission placed their first Historical District sign Tuesday, Feb. 12. The sign was placed on the corner of 200 West and Shakespeare Lane.

Aleese Cardon, Chairperson for the Cedar City Historical Preservation Commission, invited the community to attend the event and explained the importance of having a Historical District in Cedar City. "The Cedar City Historic District is an important historic resource to our community. It represents the settlement and the development of our beautiful town," Cardon began.

She went on to describe the buildings within the new Historic District. "The historic buildings within this district represent a wide range of architectural styles starting in the 1880s and continuing to the mid-1960s. It contains 174 homes, many of which are historically relevant and play an important part



KELSEY KEENER

ALEESE CARDON ADDRESSES THE CITY COUNCIL on the importance of dedicating and protecting Cedar City's Historical District.

in our community's character and is integral in telling Cedar City's unique story."

The Historical Preservation Commission is able to place the first Historical District sign due in large part to a donation from the Cedar City-Brian Head Tourism Bureau. And according to Cardon, there will be many more placements to follow.

"This will be the first of many sign placements to be unveiled in this district. Our desire with this sign is to facilitate learning and appreciation for our National Historic District."

Cedar City's National Historic District is located from Shakespeare Lane to 200 South and from 100 West to 300 West.

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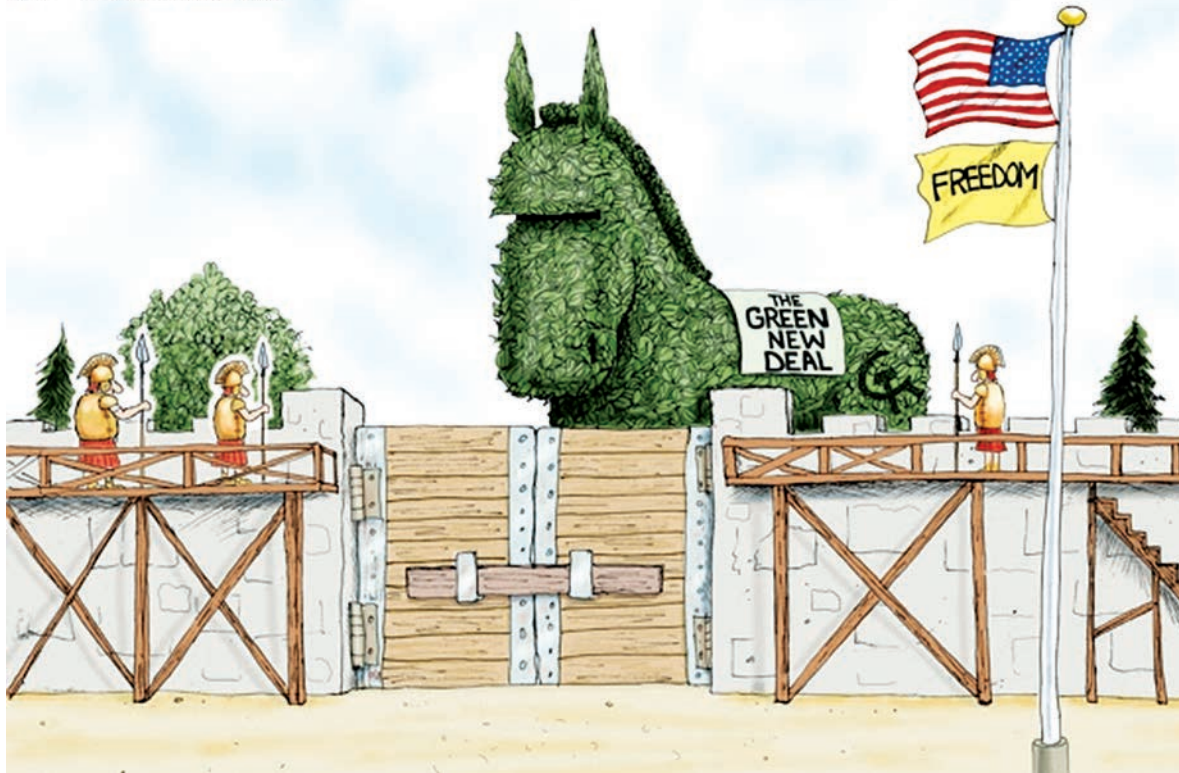
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The certainty of change

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Author Aldous Huxley once wrote that the only thing a man (or a woman) can be certain of improving is themselves.

We all change as we age, hopefully for the better. All of us can shudder at half-baked statements we made as teenagers or young adults. The 1960s activist who declared, "Trust no one over the age of 30" presumably had second thoughts when he reached age 31.

And sometimes the changes are delivered by societal expectations. Words and phrases that we used 50 years ago may not be acceptable in 2019.

My father was certainly not a racist, but even at the end of his life he had a difficult time calling Brazil nuts anything except a racial slur. We are brought up with ideas and cultural values which are acceptable in one era and look horrific in another.

News junkies are seeing this first-hand in the controversy over "black-face" playing out in the state of Virginia. Yearbook photos and editorial decisions have roped in the governor, attorney general, and the state senate leader. (The lieutenant governor is also under siege on a claim of sexual assault, one he denies.)

Today few of us would agree to don black facial paint and perform a Michael Jackson dance. But "blackface" was a cultural norm up into the 1990s in many parts of the nation. Young adults in large metropolitan areas saw the practice differently than young adults in the South. What was generally accepted in North Carolina could start a race riot in San Francisco.

Should we hold a person responsible for conduct – sometime immature and offensive conduct – that occurred in 1984? And if so, should repentance alter our view of that conduct? A lot can happen in 35 years. Maturity, awareness, and wisdom hopefully increase with age. People change. Words and meanings change. Societies change.

Change isn't limited to racial issues. Think of how society views gender and gender roles. A man was criticized last week when, in an address at a Utah technology summit, he mused that the young women attendees might have been more interested in seeing a special guest (muscle baseball legend Alex Rodriguez) than they were in learning about a career in science. His comment was rightly challenged with disdain, yet a similar statement 30 years ago might have been shrugged off with laughter.

We've come a long way, baby – well, at least most of us! In the 1960s, one could jokingly argue that women had a great

point of view – especially from the kitchen window. Today, that view is increasingly coming from the corner office.

Phrases used to depict same-sex orientation have changed dramatically as has the percentage of Americans supporting same-sex marriage. The same can be said for terms used to describe Latinos, Jews, or Asians.

As we progress, we should never forget or condone despicable past conduct. At the same time, we shouldn't denigrate men and women who have grown and learned.

I am not the same person I was when I was 18. Neither are you.



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
Columnist

To the Editor

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Dear Editor,

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Opinion

From the Editor

Preserving our unity

We live in a great state and in even greater communities. I know this is true because I work for the best newspaper in one of those communities. While there are always terrible and tragic things to report on, we try to focus more on the positive and productive things throughout Iron County. We want to put our time and talents into stories that create and celebrate unity, not just illegality and iniquity.

With this in mind, I hope that the recent and difficult decision by the Iron County School Board to change the name and mascot of the Cedar High School will not cause further contention amidst our communities. I know in some ways it seems like it already has or will cause issues.



COREY BAUMGARTNER
Managing Editor

However, I am hopeful we can regain and maintain our unity and not let anything supersede the integrity of the character of our community.

Whether we are parents, teachers, students, or other citizens, we are setting an example for future generations of our Iron County family members. We have a significant responsibility to each of them to do all we can to work together—not in spite of our differences, but because of our differences—to create a community of unity and to maintain civility for generations yet to come. In this, we honor more than a name, place, or people. We leave behind a legacy that will continue to be honored long after we

too are retired.

President Trump's State of the Union Address: greatness or gridlock?

by Justice **CAMPBELL**
For Iron County Today

President Trump's State of the Union Address had a clear message of bi-partisan unity and cooperation, a message that was a stark contrast to the very obvious division in the House Chamber on Feb. 5.

A group of Democratic Congresswomen decided to show up wearing white to honor the suffragette movement. Either the Republican women didn't get the memo, or they saw through the

again that America was best when the two parties worked together.

And yet, issue was definitely taken. Pelosi and her fellow white-wearers noticeably did not applaud when Trump mentioned eliminating the Obamacare individual mandate penalty. Arms were folded when he made a jab at "ridiculous partisan investigations." And when he called for legislation that would prohibit late term abortion, the hands of democrats, both men and women, stayed firmly at their sides.

likes of President Donald Trump and the Republican Congress. But what message does this send to the public?

On one hand Trump is announcing his desire for both sides to act as a unified government, with both parties putting America first. And on the other hand, the Speaker of the House, with her clan of white clad congresswomen are sending the message that they are unwilling to do so.

Personally, I'm all for wearing white as a way to pay tribute to

OP/Ed

The effect of the mass of white remaining seated while the rest of the room stood for an ovation was a profound one.

not-very-well-concealed plan to separate themselves from the rest of the audience. The group in white definitely stood out, especially when Trump said something with which they, taking cue from Nancy Pelosi, did not approve.

It seemed to me that Trump's speech had little to take issue with, and that this was done intentionally. He kept the room applauding with phrases like, "Victory is not winning for our party. Victory is winning for our country." Stating over and over

And of course, there was the wall. Trump urged both sides to join forces in ending illegal immigration saying, "Tolerance for illegal immigration is not compassionate. It's actually very cruel." The effect of the mass of white remaining seated while the rest of the room stood for an ovation was a profound one.

Even with the government reopened, it looks like the stalemate isn't over yet, and the democratic Congresswomen are making a strong point that they will not be lumped in with the

amazing women. But this was very clearly more than that. This was a group of politicians making a statement against what turned out to be a very cheerful and optimistic State of the Union from President Trump (with only a couple self-congratulatory moments).

Ultimately, I leave you with the predominate theme from Trump's speech: "The decision is ours to make. Will it be greatness or gridlock?" With such deeply divided parties, I wonder if we can even get to a decision.

IRON COUNTY FORECAST

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We're now two weeks into the Utah legislative session, and we've already passed our base budgets, so I'd say we're off to a great start for 2019.

I want to thank all of you who completed the recent survey I sent out. I received over 1,000 responses, which is by far the most responses I've had yet to one of my surveys. Thank you for this invaluable feedback. I want to share with you the insightful results of this survey below. You may or may not be surprised at the finding in this survey.

Top Priorities for the Session

I asked for your top three priorities for this legislative session, and no one option got the majority of votes. The results of the survey showed the top priority as water, with 14.5% choosing this, second was education with 12.95% of the vote, and third was tax reform, with 12.03%.

Budget Priority

Survey respondents chose public education as their top budget priority for the Utah Legislature, with 23.16% of the vote.

Education Funding

On November's ballot, there was a question for voters that asked, "To provide additional funding for public education and local roads, should the state increase the state motor and special fuel tax rates by an equivalent of 10 cents per gallon?" The question failed in every county in Utah, and it made me wonder how my district feels about education funding. I asked you how you would like to see the state proceed with education funding, and it was interesting to see that 49.15% of survey participants indicated that they would support increasing funding of education. A portion (21.22%) indicated they would like to see no change to funding, and a small group preferred decreasing funding for education.

School Safety

At the Utah Legislature this year, we are considering a number of approaches to school safety. I asked in the survey for you to select all approaches with which you agree. There was the strongest support for retrofitting old buildings to include one point of entrance and additional security cameras and measures, with 33.52% supporting this option. There were also 27.26% of respondents who supported increasing funding for on-campus mental health professionals in our public schools, and 21.37% supported red flag gun laws that would allow guns to be removed from homes of individuals that are deemed as violent and unstable. There were 9.54% of participants that did not support any of these measures.

Tax Cuts

Governor Herbert has announced his desire to offer a tax cut this year to Utah taxpayers in the form of reducing sales tax. In the last couple of years, the Utah Legislature has discussed offering a tax cut in the form of lowering income tax. When given the option between either lowering sales tax or lowering income tax, 57.97% of respondents selected income tax as their preferred method for a tax cut.

Food Tax

A number of years ago the Utah Legislature removed the sales tax on non-prepared foods. One idea for tax reform is to restore the food tax at a lower rate but apply it to more items as a way of broadening the tax base and lower the overall rate. I asked if you would favor restoring the food tax under these conditions and 49.34% of participants said no, you do not favor restoring the food tax under those conditions and 28.56% of participants said yes.

Office Holders

I am running Senate Bill 50, which would prevent elected officials from holding multiple offices. For example, this would mean you could not be a City Councilman and a County Commissioner at the same time, or hold any other combination of elected offices simultaneously. When I asked if you believe that an elected official should be allowed to hold multiple offices a resounding 87.02% of participants answered no, an elected official should not hold multiple elected offices at the same time.

Beer

Utah is one of two states that limits the alcohol content in beers sold in grocery stores to 3.2%, which is causing the market to shrink. When asked, 69.19% of survey participants answered yes, they would like to see the legal alcohol limit sold in stores to increase to up to 4.8%.

Medical Cannabis

The Utah Legislature convened in December to work on medical cannabis legislation that would follow the will of the voters to allow for medical cannabis, while including medical professionals as part of the process, and enhancing public safety measures. After a state legalizes medical cannabis, it is common to see many bills every year altering the law as it pertains to cannabis. I asked you to select all that you support and 17.28% said they would like to see no more changes to the law, 50.4% said they would like to see additional medical conditions, like autoimmune disorders included in the law, and 8.28% said they would prefer to see the state do away with medical cannabis. There were also those who were undecided on this issue or had other ideas to suggest.



SEN. EVAN VICKERS
Utah State Senate
District 28

Public Lands

On the survey I asked if you would support legislation allowing for more local control of public lands and 58.2% of survey participants answered yes, they would support more local control.

Convention of States

The U.S. Constitution allows states to propose amendments to the constitution through an Article 5 Convention. To call a convention, 34 states need to pass legislation supporting a call. When I asked if Utah should support a call for an Article 5 Convention to require a balanced budget amendment 49.21% of participants said yes.

Healthcare Transparency

Most people involved with state healthcare policy agree that changes need to be made. Many also agree that one of the biggest problems, and one that is possibly easiest to fix, is price transparency. I asked you to select all that applied and 29.92% indicated they support requiring healthcare providers, clinics and hospitals to advertise the cash price for all services, procedures and products in the office, 21.99% support requiring health insurers to provide prices for some common services in their listing of in-network healthcare providers, 18.36% support establishing maximum rates for healthcare services, and 8.95% believe the free market performs best without government interference and would not support any of the other options.



Once again, thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with me. It helps me serve you best as your Senator to have your experience, insight and knowledge. I appreciate the opportunity I have to serve as a State Senator. Please feel free to share your thoughts and concerns with me, particularly during the legislative session. I can be reached at evickers@le.utah.gov, or 435-817-5565

Thank you,
Evan Vickers

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Pizza and politics hosts discussion on banned books

by Klarissa WILLIAMS
Iron County Today

This week's Pizza and Politics, hosted by SUU's Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service, was centered around the topic of 'banned books,' specifically referring to books that are banned from libraries. The moderators for the event were SUU students Cynthia Hawk and Victoria Stephens.

The moderators began with listing 10 most commonly contested books, including titles such as 50 Shades of Grey, To Kill a Mockingbird, The Bible, and Harry Potter. The audience was asked whether they had read the books and whether they agreed that they were inappropriate.

The students that responded stated that they had read most of the books on the list. While they could understand the banning of books, like 50 Shades of

was a difference between banning books with factual information and books with historical themes. The audience seemed to agree that banning either type of book would cause students to miss out on important lessons, and would in some cases could even begin to erase history and the lessons learned from it.

There were two sides presented with the question of whether controversial books should be included in school curriculum. Some believed that it was acceptable because the school setting provides a good structure for students to learn about controversial issues within books, while others believed that books should not be taught for the sole reason of being controversial, but should offer literary value.

The majority of the room believed that if books were to be regulated at all, it should be at a school district level rather than at a federal level. However,



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SUU STUDENTS ASK QUESTIONS AND SHARE OPINIONS on banned books during last week's session of "Pizza and Politics."

Grey in certain libraries, they believed that books like To Kill a Mockingbird were time-pieces that showed what life was like during the time periods in which they were written.

The moderators introduced the 1982 case of Island Trees School District v. Pico, where parents in the school district petitioned to ban 11 books from the school district, including Slaughter House Five and The Fixer. The Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that "local school boards may not remove books from school library shelves simply because they disliked the ideas contained in those books," and to do so would violate the First Amendment.

The 5 reasons books are banned fall within the categories of social, political, sexual, religious, and security. Students argued that keeping certain books, like 50 Shades of Grey, from younger age groups would not be considered against the First Amendment but just seems like common sense. One commentator compared it to not allowing a 4th grader to see an R rated movie.

The mediators asked whether there

they did state that the less books are regulated, the better society would be. The argument for regulation was that schools would be able to protect young children from books that may be inappropriate for their age.

The mediators brought up the differences between banning, censorship, and burning, and asked whether censorship would be a reasonable alternative to banning. The room had mixed feelings on this, some believing it would result in the masses being misinformed and that it takes away from the whole message of the book. However, some believed censorship made sense as a middle ground between free access to books and banning.

The discussion ended on the question of how is society impacted by book regulation and the general consensus seemed to be that too much regulation would prevent students from seeing outside of their cultural bubble, and yet certain books should not be read until students are old enough to understand the controversial, or questionable material therein.

VALENTINE'S COLORING CONTEST WINNERS

ALLSTATE INSURANCE

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Madeline, 10

AGES 13-18

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AGES 19+

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Torie McNeil, 4

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Ben Randall, 7

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Brooklin Whicker, 16

BOULEVARD HOME FURNISHINGS

Joseph Cooke, 11

CEDAR VIEW PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

AGES 0-6

1st: Cameron, 6

2nd: Emma Niles, 6

AGES 7-12

1st: Avie Jessop, 12

2nd: Elizabeth Niles, 9

D&D VARIETY STORE

AGES 0-5

1st: Tucker Thompson, 5

2nd: Mylee Sherratt, 3

3rd: Joel Randall, 5

AGES 6-11

1st: Elizabeth Niles, 9

2nd: Ziona Jessop, 6

3rd: Emma Niles, 7

AGES 12+

1st: Cynthia Roberts, 26

2nd: Maddie Sherratt, 13

3rd: Raynold O. Jessop, 14

ERA REALTY CENTER

AGES 0-5

1st: Sammi Hall, 5

2nd: Macy Monroe, 3

3rd: Henry Hillier, 5

AGES 6-10

1st: Elizabeth Niles, 9

2nd: Natalie Martinez, 10

3rd: Brayden Palladino, 8

GRIFOLS

ALL AGES

1st: Elizabeth Niles, 9

2nd: Megan Zufelt, 14

3rd: Violate Steed, 49

JRI INSURANCE

AGES 2-10

1st: Cambree Gyngard, 5

2nd: Olivia Gunter, 8

AGES 11-18

1st: Elisha, 12

2nd: Mirgam Barlow, 14

LEGACY FLOORING CENTER

ALL AGES

1st: Missy Keate, 10

2nd: Vilate, 49

3rd: Sula: 15

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Mylee Sherratt, 3

Avery Randall, 4

Oaklen Black, 5

Emery Randall, 6

Taylie, 7

Nikae Knudson, 8

Elizabeth Niles, 9

Cindy Lee, 10

Shanessa Knudson, 12

Rhoda Holm, 13

Brianne, 14
Amber Paige Bailey, 16
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ALL AGES

Anthony Courser, 5

Salecah Eggett, 12

Keziah Hall, 4

Willow, 7

PIZZA HUT

AGES 0-5

1st: Anthony Courser, 5

2nd: Ruby Flint, 5

3rd: Mylee Sherratt, 3

AGES 6-10

1st: Desna Mae White, 10

2nd: Madeline, 10

3rd: Olivia Gunter, 8

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AGE 3

1st: Lillie

2nd: Ryder

3rd: Ben

AGE 4

1st: Esmeralda

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GETTY IMAGES



KELSEY KEENER

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR RYAN MARSHALL introduced City Council members and city staff to the new manager of the Cedar City Airport, Nick Holt.

The Wellness Place celebrates grand opening

by Corey **BAUMGARTNER**
Iron County Today

Known for helping people create healthier lifestyles, The Wellness Place has relocated to a more spacious building. With a larger classroom, a separate retail space and a play-room for children, their new location at 583 South Main, in Cedar City, will allow them to better serve Iron County.

The Wellness Place will continue to provide quality products from doTERRA, Dr. Christopher and other vendors which promote health and wellness. They also provide oils support, bottles, books and charts to help determine your best path to a healthier lifestyle.

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Bookings

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

Feb. 5

Justine Laney, St. George
Failure to Comply w/Court

Richard S Peterson, Homeless
Threats Against Life/Property

Feb. 6

Todd E Warr, West Valley, UT
Federal Contract Prisoner

Feb. 7

Joey J Hartwick, Cedar City
Drive on Suspended/Revoke License, Retail Theft

Emilio Kanosh, Cedar City
Telephone Harassment, Poss. of Drug Paraphernalia

Juan C Jimenez, New Castle
Theft

Kendrick R Johnson, Cedar City
Mental Health Court Violation

Tyler W Mackay, Enoch
Theft, Theft/firearm, Burglary of a Dwelling

Douglas C Mortensen, Iron County
DRUG-Distribute, DRUG, Poss/use of controlled Substance

Jayden L Ness, Cedar City
Burglary of a Dwelling, Theft/firearm or operable vehicle

Jessica L Robison, Cedar City
Mental Health Court Violation

Jeremiah Rojas, Cedar City
DRUG-Poss of Drug Paraphernalia, Minor Purch/Poss/Cons Alcohol

Feb. 8

Verna L Titensor, Cedar City
CHILD ABUSE-CRIM NEG, CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT

Feb. 9

Deshaun M Knight, Salt Lake City
DUI

Tailgate party propels T-birds to win over rivals

On Thursday, February 7, Southern Utah University kicked off the men's basketball game with an indoor tailgate party. The community flocked together for food, fun and prizes, to help support their Thunderbirds for their rivalry game against the Weber State Wildcats. Entering the America First Event Center,

the Wildcats had one mission, avenge their overtime home court loss to the Thunderbirds (90-82) back on January 5th. However, thanks to the encouraging support of the tailgate party and a redout crowd, this time the Thunderbirds didn't need overtime to rout their rivals 65-53.



PHOTOS BY COREY BAUMGARTNER

WEARING RED AND READY FOR ANOTHER SUU THUNDERBIRD VICTORY, members of the community flocked together in support of their hometown men's basketball team.



SHUTDOWN

Continued from page 1

said. "And I'm trying to teach my students how to be respectful of others and work with others, that politics is compromise, that legislation involves giving up a little something to get something of what you want -- and neither side is doing that. As long as their heels are dug in, they're not going to do that."

Based on Bennett's observations, an immediate impact may not have been largely felt in Iron County economically.

Iron County Commissioner Mike Bleak appeared on an episode of Color Country Politics to discuss the potential impacts another government shutdown may cause in the county.

Bleak said Iron County receives several types of federal funding

that play a large role in the county's budget. For instance, Payments in Lieu of Taxes, due to the large amount of federal property in Iron County that cannot be taxed, is a source of around two million dollars of income that could be lost.

Additionally, Bleak mentioned that organizations like Canyon Creek Services and the Children's Justice Center may lose significant amounts of federal funding and many of the services those organizations provide could no longer be available. He noted the recently-appointed victim advocates at the Cedar City Police Department and the Iron County Sheriff's Office as well.

"We have progressed leaps and bounds over the last few years in providing really comprehensive victims services," Bleak said. "Everything goes through the county, but those jobs are based on

those (Victims of Crime Act) grants. If we lose those VOCA grants, we don't know that we'll necessarily be able to fund those positions."

Bleak added that there is an ongoing project by the Natural Resources Conservation Service to fix flooding damage in the Parowan Valley and help fortify the area against future problems.

"If this a long-term shutdown, it could really hinder that project and leave that valley vulnerable," he said.

Furthermore, Bleak said Iron County has been able to foster productive relationships with federal partners. If another shutdown occurs and it is prolonged, those relationships may suffer and create difficulty for the county.

If an agreement still cannot be reached between President Trump and Congress by this Friday, another government shutdown may occur.

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by Corey **BAUMGARTNER**
Iron County Today

It was an afternoon of music and magic as the Orchestra and Youth Choir of Southern Utah presented the "Fairy Tale Adventures" children's jubilee. Conductor, Carylee Zwang, dressed as the original Avenger, Peter Pan, took the audience on a musical adventure from Middle Earth to Neverland and back again. Several of the musicians, singers and audience members also dressed as their favorite fairytale characters. The final highlight of the afternoon was Debra Carter, who gave a rousing narration of the story of Peter Pan, set to a backdrop of stirring orchestral music.

Prior to the concert, the lobby of the Heritage Center was transformed into a kingdom of learning for children to explore science, technology, art and music hands on. There was also face painting, storytelling, a planetarium, and princes and princesses of all ages could pet miniature dragons and other creeping, slithering beasts, thanks to the Southern Utah University Animal Ambassadors. It was an afternoon of adventures to remember. For more information about upcoming events, visit: www.myosu.org

BYU Young Ambassadors coming to Cedar Feb. 22

Group highlights the importance of family in Broadway revue

by Heather **STONELY**
For Iron County Today

Now in their 48th year, the BYU Young Ambassadors have literally circled the earth. Beginning with their premiere performance at Expo '70 in Osaka, Japan, they have performed in 67 countries, appearing before millions of appreciative audience members, often including royalty and government leaders from many nations.

Welcome Home is a stunning kaleidoscope of family fun in an upbeat scrapbook of cherished memories; the BYU Young Ambassadors deliver dynamic choreography and a musical lineup of international hits. With songs and dances from many eras, Welcome Home features music by international recording artists



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Billy Joel, Judy Garland, the Beach Boys, Nat King Cole, Rascal Flatts, Brad Paisley and Frank Sinatra. The show will highlight pop, rock, jazz, folk, and movie music alongside staples from hit musicals like West Side Story, The Phantom of the Opera, The Greatest Showman, Aladdin, Footloose,

In the Heights, Singin' In the Rain, and the beloved The Wizard of Oz. Audiences will be captivated by stunning new choreography and colorful costumes representing decades of the best in entertainment.

"It's meant to emphasize families and all of the fun and joy and love that a family can

have," said musical director Eric Hansen. "It's done in the context of a family going on a road trip across America, so it begins in California, goes to Seattle, goes to the Midwest, to New Orleans, and ends up in New York on Broadway. A lot of care has been given to design the show. There will be

something [everyone will] like, whatever their interest is."

"I like the idea that people can come to a show and be uplifted and set aside all the things in the world that get us down," said Hansen. "For 90 to 100 minutes, they can be entertained, tap their feet, smile and listen to great performances. It's an adventure, it's a journey with a lot to see and hear. We hope that everyone comes away feeling the closeness and fun, the happiness and joy that families can be!"

The group is comprised of nearly 40 students, including the performing cast, a 10-piece live band, and technical crew. Most of the involved students come from the BYU School of Music and Department of Theatre and Media Arts.

Don't miss BYU Young Ambassadors' performance in Cedar City on Friday, February 22nd at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available online at heritagectr.org or at the Festival Hall office (next to Little Caesar's and Tae's Teas) during regular business hours. Student discounts are available at Festival Hall.

Children's musical theatre to perform fairytale fundraiser

by Corey **BAUMGARTNER**
Iron County Today

It's time to get a date and remember the date for this year's "Once Upon A Time Warp," Valentine's dinner fundraiser. This year's show is to help raise money to find a new location for the theatre to call home. Produced and performed by the talented adults of the Cedar City Children's Musical Theatre, the show promises plenty of princesses,

villains, magical mischief, music and a delicious dinner. Of course, there will also be plenty of laughs and even true love. Get your tickets early for this year's enchanting show and may you discover your own happily ever after. The performance dates are Feb 14th (for adults only) and Feb 15th, 16th and 18th (for all ages.) Dinner includes a main entrée, 2 sides, roll, salad, dessert and drink. The show will begin each night at 7 p.m. To purchase tickets, visit: www.cccmt.org



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Brett Young in concert at SUU on Mar. 21

by **SUU ALUMNI & COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

For Iron County Today

Southern Utah University presents Brett Young, fresh off the release of his newest album, in concert on Thursday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the America First Event Center. Tickets can be purchased online at tbirdtickets.com, by calling (435) 586-7872 or at the Thunderbird Ticket Office.

For most artists, following up a debut album is a serious creative challenge. But when that debut happens to be a meteor of breakout country success like Brett Young's, the stakes get even higher.

"Going into this project, I was terrified," Young admits about *Ticket to L.A.*, his second album for BMLG Records. "A lot has happened, the first record has been really good to me and I'm really, really proud of it. But just having a new batch of songs – it's like breathing new life."

After nearly a decade of under-the-radar work, Young made his PLATINUM-certified entrance in 2016 with the restless romance of his #1 hit, "Sleep Without You," then proceeded to own the top of the charts with three more singles from his self-titled PLATINUM-album debut. The tender "In Case You Didn't Know" spent two weeks at #1, selling over 3 million copies and becoming the second-most purchased/streamed country song of 2017, followed by the three week #1 "Like I Loved You" and the heart-rending "Mercy" – another pair of PLATINUM certified smashes.

Co-writing each of those career-defining hits himself, Young's emotionally fluent brand of country soul didn't exist elsewhere in the genre, and fans connected with it deeply. But it was all born from a painful time in the Southern Californian's life – one he's since emerged from.

"I think the first album was a really good way for me to introduce myself," Young explains. "It was extremely honest and vulnerable, but me and my girl were broken up, and I was new to Nashville and hadn't built a friend base yet, so that made it easy for me to go a little bit somber."

With his hotly anticipated sophomore album, *Ticket to L.A.*, Young once again embraces his gift for vulnerable honesty – but this time in a much different capacity. That girl from the first album is now his wife, and Nashville has become the easy-going crooner's second home. So rather than double down on brokenhearted balladry, he's inviting fans to explore a brighter chapter, as he turns up the heat on his mellow SoCal-meets-Music-City style.

"There's a lot of Southern California's DNA all over the record," Young says. "It's very light – intentionally – and sonically it's very upbeat. That doesn't exist as much on the first album, so I wanted to showcase a bit more versatility this time around. We're still doing the same thing, it's just coming from a completely



BRETT YOUNG

different moment in my life."

Sticking with same studio team behind his extraordinary debut – producer Dann Huff, executive producer Jimmy Harnen and engineer/mixer Justin Niebank – Young doesn't reinvent his sound so much as build off what was uniquely him to begin with. The tempos on *Ticket to L.A.* are indeed quicker – but the heart behind each track remains front and center. The sonics are more vibrant – still sophisticated but emboldened with a pinch of R&B playfulness. And the themes have shifted away heartbroken, sliding easily toward a sense of romantic serenity.

Over 13 new tracks – 10 of which Young co-wrote with hit makers like Shane McAnally, Hillary Lindsey, Lady Antebellum's Charles Kelley and more – the star brings fans ever deeper into his world, basking in the transformative power of love.

Lead single "Here Tonight" shows off the new approach with a rush of romantic energy. Passionate, dynamic and framed by that smoldering, sensual vocal, it feels like a soundtrack to moments you wish would never end. "When I hear it, it actually makes me go to the night I proposed," he admits. "When she said yes, that was one of the best moments of my life."

The title track, "Ticket to L.A.," follows a similar emotional flight plan, opening the project with a laid-back combo of country charm and left-coast cool. The plot twister may not trace the contours of Young's own relationship, per se, but it does reveal his renewed faith in love, imagining a couple who fall head over heels while waiting out a delay at New York's JFK airport. "What made me

excited was when we decided he wasn't even on her flight, but he never told her that the whole time," Young explains, a mischievous grin betraying his usual calm-and-collected demeanor.

Revisiting his signature honesty, Young goes on to lead fans through a soulful country-pop ballad, a home-town-to-hit maker look in the rearview at his path to stardom which finds him teaming up to write and sing "Chapters" with one of his inspirations Gavin DeGraw. Naming the album *Ticket to L.A.* was no accident, Young explains, saying that for him it represents a connection to his roots which no amount of distance can break.

Meanwhile, classic-R&B grooves pepper the project, with tracks like the flirtatious "Reason to Stay." The irresistible "Catch" feels like the musical equivalent of a beachside sunset, toasting the moments that take our breath away in relaxed perfection. And the smooth blues-pop of "Where You Want Me" puts Young's smoky baritone on blast, lamenting a courtship which would feel right at home on any 1960s-era Stax hit.

"Change Your Name" and "The Ship and the Bottle" add more territory to Young's kingdom of slow-burning romance, laying bare the supercharged emotions intrinsic to the start – and end – of any life-changing love, while "Let It Be Mine," takes quiet devotion to new heights.

"1,2,3 Mississippi" offers a playful coming-of-age-anthem – a winking nod to Young's time as a baseball-slinging undergrad at the University of Mississippi. And "Used to Missin' You" is straight-up fun, with its upbeat tone never losing interest in the pursuit of happiness.

But it's "Running Away From Home" and "Don't Wanna Write This Song" which put a poignant cap on the album, with Young taking the laid-back longing and unvarnished honesty he's become so famous for, and pushing it into the present tense. Defined once again by romantic regret, they're actually much different than his past hits – perhaps because now, he has so much that's worth fighting for.

Coming into this project, Brett Young had as much to lose as any young artist in country's history, but he's never been one to hold back. There is far more to his story, and he's learned that in life and music – just like in love – growth is really nothing to fear. With *Ticket to L.A.*, the journey continues.

"It's a super lofty goal to try and chase down the artist dream," he admits. "But I've never known any other way than taking the thing I'm passionate about, and running with it no matter the consequences."

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Couple opens first brewery in Cedar City

by Kelsey **KEENER**
Iron County Today

Policy Kings Brewery has been providing Cedar City with a relaxed atmosphere to enjoy specialty beer since it opened its doors on Nov. 2 of last year.

Sara and Deandre Ridgel have always been interested in owning a bar or brewery where community members can have a good time, and had been working on opening one for about eight years.

"We just learned how to homebrew and we got addicted to it so we decided this is what we want to do," Sara Ridgel said. "And we were tired of working for someone else; we wanted to be our own boss and we didn't want to wake up when we were 80 and say 'Well, I wish we would have tried it.'"

Sara Ridgel said most breweries can take up to a few years to open, but she and her husband were able to open Policy Kings in just eight months. She added that the biggest hurdle to opening was construction for the building the brewery is located in.

"It was a complete gut of the entire building," she said. "(The building) was pretty much a shell when we came in here. ... We did it in eight months because this was our life; we had to get started because this is our income."

She added that opening the business was scary, but they knew what they were in for ahead of time.

"The thing I tell everybody is that we just didn't give up," she said. "We knew what we were getting ourselves into with alcohol and beer and creating something like this, but we also did the research on the city before and we're from



DEANDRE AND SARAH RIDGEL ARE THE PROUD OWNERS and operators of Cedar City's first brewery.

grading papers, they're on their laptops, they're just talking and interacting."

She added that the brewery has been welcomed by a large part of the community.

"Everybody needs to understand that this brewery, once it gets going and once tourism really peaks, is going to be huge

because people are going to stop here instead of driving through, and we've already had that happen," Sara Ridgel said. "People search breweries and think they're not going to have one in Cedar City. They search it and they see us and they stop and then we tell them to go to a restaurant, we tell them activities to do in the area, it just helps everybody as a whole ... I don't discriminate, I haven't had any backlash from anybody."

Sara Ridgel also said that brewery is the first black-owned brewery in Utah.

"It's huge to have that in Cedar City where they don't have a lot of diversity," she said.

Additionally, they hope to begin hiring part-time employees next month and eventually expand with a home-brew supply store and home-brew competitions and classes. The Ridgels do all the brewing themselves, and have produced over 10 beers since opening.

Policy Kings Brewery is located at 223 north 100 West in Cedar City, and is open Wednesday and Thursday from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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— Sara Ridgel

southern Utah so we knew what they were looking for, we knew that it was needed here."

The Ridgels host a variety of activities, including trivia and open-mic nights, at the

brewery. Sara Ridgel said their goal is to create a unique atmosphere for residents in the area.

"We're trying to make it so even if you're not a drinker you

can come here and bring your family when they're in town," she said. "People are rarely on their phones unless they're posting on social media. They're reading books, they're



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COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 7-10 a.m., 155 East 400 South in Cedar City. Paddles and balls supplied. For more information call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

BAND: COLOR COUNTRY WINDS, Call Debbie at 435-559-9609 for time and location. Come brush up on your band skills to share with the community.

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NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS JUST FOR TODAY, 8 p.m., KKCB, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890 or (435) 635-9603.

HEY CEDARS SQUARE DANCE CLASS, 6:30 p.m., Cedar City Senior Center. Info from Pat at 435-531-6811 or Ralph at 435-669-4867.

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

Thurs, Feb 14

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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PAROWAN CITY COUNCIL, 6 p.m., City Center

BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE (B.A.C.A.) COLOR COUNTRY CHAPTER MEETINGS, 7:30 p.m., 593 N. 1450 W., Cedar City.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP, 2:30 p.m., Brookdale Sr. Living Center, 995 S. Regency Rd., Cedar City.

CEDAR CITY LIBRARY BOOK CLUB, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

VALENTINES' DAY CANDLELIGHT COUPLES YOGA WITH CHOCOLATE MEDITATION. 7:00 PM AT SPIRIT FITNESS, 1615 N. Main Street, Cedar City. Free to members, \$8 for Non-members. Easy to do, not required to know yoga, fun, and romantic. Connect with your partner fully.

Fri, Feb 15

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon. Speaking from the Heart AA and 6 p.m. AA Misfits, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS TWISTED SISTERS MEETING, 7 p.m., KKCB, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS LIVE AND LET LIVE, 8 p.m., KKCB, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City, for information call (877) 865-5890 or (435) 635-9603.

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

Sat, Feb 16

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.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS CLOSED, Candle Light meeting, KKCB, 203 Cobblecreek, Cedar City. Info at 435-635-9603 or 877-865-5890.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon Speaking from the Heart AA, 6:30 p.m. AA BB Study, and 8 p.m. My Story speaker meeting, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DETACHMENT 1315 MONTHLY MEETING, 9:30 a.m., Springhill Suites, 1477 S. Old Hwy. 91, Cedar City.

SOUTHERN UTAH WOODTURNERS, 9 a.m., Cedar High School wood shop, 703 W. 600 South, Cedar City.

Sun, Feb 17

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. (TGISS) AA and 6:30 p.m. 12x12 Book Study, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City, for information call (877) 865-5890.

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS WOMEN ONLY, 11 a.m., KKCB, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. Info at 435-635-9603 or 877-865-5890.

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

Mon, Feb 18

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL, 7-10 a.m., 155 East 400 South in Cedar City. Paddles and balls supplied. For more information call Ed Severance at (435) 586-6345.

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

FREE DANCE AEROBICS CLASS, 9 a.m. Class is medium to high impact but can be adapted to any fitness level. Beginners and people of all ages welcome. Moms can bring young children. For more information, call Allison at 435-327-2091 (no text).

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon. Speaking from the Heart AA, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MONDAY NIGHT BASIC TEXT STUDY, 8 p.m., KKCB, 203 E. Cobblecreek, Cedar City. For information call (877) 865-5890 or 435-635-9603.

FREE AEROBICS CLASS, 9 a.m.—fun easy dance moves to current pop hits, Latin, jazz, hip hop, and 80s choreography all included. People of all ages and fitness levels welcome. Moms can bring young children. For more information, call Allison at 435-327-2091

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

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

Tues, Feb 19

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

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CEDAR CITY LION'S CLUB, Southwest Tech, 757 W. 800 South, Cedar City. For more information, visit www.lionsclubs.org.

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

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING, 6 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park, American Legion Conference Room. Info from Georgia Johnson 435-704-6654



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Sewing a huggable world

by Dawn M. AERTS
Iron County Today

Laura Zufelt is all about creating something soft, and huggable.

In her small studio she has boxes of colorful penguins, plushy hedgehogs with an assortment of other animals or cozy characters that children and adults find mostly sweet and 'comforting.'

Her craft-sensibilities began with her mom, Carol Lyman, who always kept busy making clothes for the five children in their family. "I would say that working with patterns and learning on that old sewing machine was always enjoyable for me," said Zufelt, "So that has carried over into sewing projects for my own children and coming up with new projects too."

When Zufelt isn't creating a new cozy creation on her Brother quilt and embroidery machine, she works as a student teacher and shares her background in French as a second language. In the 1990s she pursued elementary

education at Southern Utah University and began raising a family with her husband, Matt.

Still, her passion for creating animal-buddies is what she calls the 'go to' enjoyment at home. Her shop is stacked with fanciful patterns, samples of fabrics, plush and faux, with the details that make each fiber creature unique.

"I would say that each one has it's very own special personality," said Zufelt of her craft. "Sometimes that is looking a little crooked, or curious, with a sew-on smile and the sparkly eyes – the features always come together as a surprise."

She works with a production-line eye for quality and standards. "I might cut out 10 of the same patterns, or stuff 10 in a row before adding any details," said Zufelt, "So there's a lot of handiwork involved, from cutting to finish." She lines them up in front of the television while her creative inspiration slips into hippie bags or catch-all pouches.

Some of her most popular creations are the friendly

"Working with patterns and learning on that old sewing machine was always enjoyable for me"

— Laura Zufelt



LAURA ZUFELT AND DAUGHTER MEGAN were two of 30 craft vendors featured at the Frontier Homestead Christmas event, where her collection of cuddly penguins, puppies, polar bears and hedgehogs were available for purchase.

hedgehog, polar bears, or penguin-pairs. "Whenever I have time, if there is an open afternoon or just a long weekend, you'll find me at a sewing machine." Over the years she has filled her shop with bags of colorful fabric for linings and matching clothes, bags of fluff and fleece for the animals dressed in hat and scarf.

"My goal right now is to finish my degree and then, more teaching in French, but my passion is to create something huggable."

While most of her children are off to junior High and high school, they have all been introduced to the joy of sewing. "I would say that my oldest son took an interest for a while, and my oldest daughter has helped with past projects," said Zufelt, "But they mostly sew -- as needed."

It's her youngest daughter Megan who often assists with the display of fuzzy creations at weekend boutiques and craft shows. "This has always been a satisfying way to spend time,"

said Zufelt of her part-time craft. "I love to see these little stuffed creatures become something cute and cuddly."

According to Zufelt, she is always surprised by the complements of her customers. "I have to say it surprises me; I didn't know there was something like this that I would love to do, that people would want to take home, and I can earn some extra money too."

For information go to business site Home Spun, at laura@zufelt.org.

Brian Head town, Duck Creek Village host annual Snowmobile Poker Ride

BRIAN HEAD — Brian Head Town and Duck Creek Village are hosting the Annual Jokers Wild Snowmobile Poker Ride to be held on Saturday, February 16, 2019. This year the event will be a charity run for the Iron County Care and Share. Bring two cans of food and receive a \$1 off registration, or better yet, bring four cans and receive \$2 off. Come and support a good cause, the Iron County Care and Share. As if riding 60 miles of the most scenic trails in Southern Utah and supporting the Iron County Care and Share is not sufficiently appealing, there are also chances to win prizes.

The ride will kick off at 9am Saturday morning, and riders are welcome to depart from either Duck Creek Village or Brian Head.

Rider information is provided during registration at Cedar Breaks Lodge, 223 Hunter Ridge Road, in Brian Head or at Loose Wheels Polaris in Duck Creek Village. A registration fee of \$20.00 will get riders a poker card and a grab-bag of goodies and a chance to win door prizes. Martin's Deli and Aunt Sue's Chalet in Duck Creek will be offering a special lunch deal for the participants beginning at 11:30 am. The ride will follow trails through the Dixie National Forest and Cedar Breaks National Monument and will include five stops to pick up additional poker cards. Be sure to snap beautiful photos along the ride! Brian Head will post photos of the day on the town's website and Facebook page.

The ride will conclude at 3:00 pm at Cedar Breaks Lodge in Brian Head where riders will turn in their cards. At 3:30 pm, winners of the poker hand draw will be announced for the best hand, 2nd best hand, worst hand and oldest snowmobile, along with door prizes donated from our sponsors. Grab your family and head up to Brian Head on February 16th for the Annual Jokers Wild Snowmobile Poker Run!

Registration forms and additional information can be found on the Brian Head Town website: www.brianheadtown.utah.gov. More information is available by calling the Brian Head Town offices at 435-677-2029, or by calling Loose Wheels in Duck Creek at 435-682-2526.

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We would like to thank the parents, grandparents, and families for the support felt during SEPs and our spring book fair. We feel that education is a partnership between school and families, and appreciate the strong family-school connection that continues to be fostered through collaboration, communication, and sharing of similar goals.

Please remember that we will not have school on Monday, February 18th because of President's Day.



CONGRATULATIONS to the top 3 students from our recent school spelling bee!

Enoch Elementary

Enoch Elementary held its annual spelling bee Friday, February 1st. Congratulations to our first-place winner, Tonya Degroff, and Daimian Jones, who took second. We would also like to thank Mrs. Jeanette Shumway for her time and effort coordinating the bee, and our two judges, Mrs. Ann Walker and Mrs. Jana Dettamanti.

Thank you, parents and students for coming to SEP Conferences this week! It was a great time of collaboration and celebrating success. Thank you, PTA, for the awesome book fair!

Congratulations to the top four 5th grade students of the "You Be the Chemist" science competition! Faith Riddle, Hailey Ames, Sarah Chamberlain, and Noah Sandoval will be going to the next level of the competition on March 14, at SUU.

Family week is February 11-15. Monday: Family Art night 5:30-7:30. Tuesday: parents leave a love note for their child. Wednesday: hang a leaf on our Enoch Family Tree. Thursday: dress up as a person from your family tree. Friday: 8:20-8:50 parents are invited to enjoy donuts with their children!



YOU BE THE CHEMIST TOP PARTICIPANTS
Sara Chamberlain, Hailey Ames, Faith Riddle, Noah Sandoval

Three Peaks Elementary

Thank you to all the parents/guardians who attended SEP conferences last week. The shared information will improve your child's education and will help them succeed in future career and college pursuits. We appreciate all the support you give your students and our school. The students enjoyed a presentation from Melissa Leavitt with the Orchestra of Southern Utah. She introduced a fun version of Goldilocks and had Three Peaks students dress up and act out the story. She also invited students to attend the Children's Jubilee concert titled, "Fairy Tale Adventures" which was held on February 9.

Dental lessons were presented to both 1st and 2nd grades during the week of February 11. We would like to thank the school nurse, Crystal Shakespeare, and local dentists for helping with these presentations.



South Elementary

Congratulations to our wonderful art teacher, Mrs. Debra Davis. She is the recipient of the Utah Art Educator of the Year Award. Our DARE Graduation on January 31 was an impressive event, with Mayor Wilson-Edwards attending, along with our uniformed police officers. In addition to a rousing song by our 117 students, Officer Taylor handed out diplomas and announced the winners of the DARE essay contest. Those winners were Cannon Sullivan, Collin Corry, Bailey Hunt, and Max Esplin. We are proud of all of them!



The case against 'Confucius'

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

Twelve major U.S. colleges (University of Michigan, Texas A&M, University of South Florida, Penn State, University of Chicago and Rhode Island), along with Stockholm, Sweden, Frances' Lyon University and McMaster in Canada have severed ties with the Confucius Institute; while U.S. Congressman caution educators about foreign influence in the classroom.

In Chinese history Confucius was known as a wise teacher, editor, politician and philosopher. His teachings were about government and individual morality, social relationships, justice and sincerity; a philosophy known as 'Master Kong' during the Tang Dynasty.

Today, Confucius has been re-birthed in American classrooms.

The Hanban/Confucius Institute with Hunan Normal University (Beijing) is part of a global outreach, with packaged curriculum and Chinese 'scholars' who are dispatched to teach from anything from calligraphy and chop-stick use to language or cultural lessons for children.

According to Ray Whittier, Confucius

campus into secondary, middle and elementary schools: with a program that offers a two-week summer-camp experience for selected high school/college students to attend a host visit to Beijing; student exchange program, and 'clubs' for children.

Under the direction of Dr. Jacob NK Ng, Global Affairs, (RO) Responsible Officer; Confucius Institute, SUU campus, the agreement with Provost Dr. Brad Cook, Vice Provost, Dr. Stephen Allen and President Scott Wyatt has aimed to broaden cultural ties in language, academic programs, and in community outreach.

At North Elementary School, Clara Dong Ye, lead scholar, oversees Angelena Peng, who teaches everything from traditional ink-blown straw art and chopstick use, to speaking Mandarin (standard Chinese language) and using pinyin phonetics. "We have been excited to do more outreach," said Ye of clubs and the Chinese (Lunar) New Year's Celebration held on campus this month.

"I think we are opening more doors to China, to visit, to experience and embrace the culture and also, to broaden the vision for children."



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THE SIGNED-AGREEMENT WITH (SUU) OFFICIALS, May 18th 2015 in Beijing, China. The Hanban/Confucius Institute, Headquarters; Hunan Normal University is a global-outreach initiative with an estimated 500 Institutes; (97 schools in the U.S.), and 1,193 classrooms in 150 countries. The Hanban (Chinese Language Council) is an affiliate of the Chinese Ministry of Education, People's Communist Party of China.

club at North Elementary School began as an afterschool program in Oct., 2017, following the agreement signed by Southern Utah University (SUU); the Confucius Institute (Hanban), and Hunan Normal University in Beijing in 2015.

Today, you can find those academic partnerships at more than 100 American Universities and in 150 countries – from Africa and Latin America to Europe. More recently, Confucius Institutes have come under public scrutiny for lack of academic autonomy and the risk of spill-over in cultural propaganda.

"To be awarded as a Confucius Institute is a rare gift," wrote Stephen Allen, Associate Provost, SUU, International Affairs, of the 2015 agreement. "Typically, this is given to large research universities." That said, over the past year, major U.S. Universities have severed ties and abandoned agreements with Chinese-government initiatives.

In Iron County, the Confucius-curriculum has spread from the (SUU)

According to China-based xinhuanet.com and the People's Daily Overseas network – The Confucius Institutes (Hanban, Language Council) and Hunan Normal University is a partnership and 'bridge' for medium and long-term strategic cooperation plans in fields that provide people-to-people, cultural exchanges between China and other countries.

In the U.S., that has led to 'second thoughts' among U.S. Congressmen and academic leadership. Partnerships with Confucius Institutes (Hanban) and Hunan Normal University may include anything from corporate sponsorship and donations to joint talent training, internships, job offerings, exchange programs and into the 'digital construction' of Confucius Institutes in shared research laboratories.

In June 2014, the American Association of University Professors, wrote a report further 'opposing' Confucius Institutes and restrictions on

People

60th Birthday

Debbie Cowley Judd

Debbie Cowley Judd, a beautiful mother of five children and grandmother to 24 children, is known for her compassion and outgoing personality, and fun but quirky sense of humor. When she isn't spoiling her grandkids, Deb likes to spend her time going on adventures with her husband Mark, working in the Temple, and



watching feel-good movies. We are so glad you're a part of our lives. hApPy blrThDaY! We Love You!

Mission



Elder Hinton

Austin Lorenzo Hinton has been called to serve in the Indianapolis Indiana Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He will be speaking Sunday, February 17th at 9 am. at the Cedar West Stake Center 725 S 1100 W, He will report to the Provo MTC on February 20th. Austin is the son of Kyle and Jennifer Hinton.

89th Birthday

Jerry Griffin

Jerry was born on February 9, 1930, in Glendale, California, to Leeroy and Josephine (Middleton) Brimmer. As an only child, she was raised in Southern California. Jerry Married her husband Les in 1948. They have three children, one granddaughter and two great-granddaughters. As a longtime resident of Cedar City, Jerry has been active in many activities in the

community. She has served as a hostess for over 25 years at the Utah Shakespeare Festival. Jerry is a current employee at Christensen's Department Store and really enjoys her job. Jerry has celebrated her birthday for many years by joining her friends at the "Winter Quilt Retreat", held at Ruby's Inn at Bryce Canyon. Along with quilting, she enjoys gardening and traveling. Happy Birthday Jerry!

CONFUCIUS

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CLARA DONG YE, assigned lead scholar, Hanban/Confucius Institute Headquarters; Hunan Normal University; with Jaxon Jensen, SUU assistant, offer afterschool 'clubs' developed through the Language Council (International), Chinese Ministry of Education.

academic openness, noting that "allowing any third-party control of academic matters is inconsistent with principles of academic freedom, shared governance and the institutional autonomy of colleges."

According to Dong Ye, who oversees six instructors, curriculum and campus outreach, Confucius clubs help remove language barriers while promoting Chinese language and culture: "It is about gaining a sense of diversity, and it's good for children."

Religion

Transformers



GOD'S Porch

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

What if God had a porch with a seat just for you? Would you go visit Him? What would you talk about? I've sat on His porch many times and asked many questions. Today, I hope to share with you some of the precious answers I've received. Have a seat. I pray that when you leave, you will have more peace, hope and courage for your life.

[ROMANS 12]

During last week's snow storm, many were temporarily left without power. From computers to curling irons, lives were inconveniently put on hold as electrical transformers began to blow. Transformers are devices that take high-voltage electricity and transform it into a safer voltage for our everyday use, etc. When they blow out, we are often left without power until they are replaced. It's more complicated than that, but the important thing is that transformers help to provide safe and plentiful power to run our lives. Without power, we literally feel stuck and stranded. Life stops.

There are other types of transformers that provide power in our lives. Not the ones at the power plant, or the robotic ones from space, but the righteous ones from the scriptures. Did you know there are transformers in the Bible? There are many of them. God loves transformers. David transformed faith into victory over the "unconquerable" Goliath. Abraham's difficult, but devoted obedience inspired and transformed nations. Noah wasn't just a transporter. His courage to trust in the Lord, despite the doubters, made him a transformer. Moses wasn't just a survivor, he helped rescue and transform the Israelites. Joseph and Mary, the mortal parents of the Son of God, were exemplary transformers. How do I know? Because God trusted them with the greatest and most powerful transformer of all, Jesus Christ. His power heals the wounded hearts, repairs broken lives and transforms not only the life of the sinner, but cleanses and purifies the desires of their heart. Who and what are the transformers in your life? What powers your soul? What people, places and things in your daily life take the mighty power of God and transform it into your faith, courage, light and love? Do these transformers include prayer, scriptures, devoted worshiping and time alone with God on His porch or yours?

Today, God is not only asking you to learn about and lean upon His transformers, He's asking you to become like those in the scriptures. God wants you to not only have a testimony of His truths, but to use them to transform your life and to then help transform the lives of others. There are so many in this world without power and peace in their lives. There may be people in your life who are captured by corruption, drowning in floods, and fighting giants. They need your faith and courage, your obedience and righteous example. Most of all, they need your light and your love. Don't just learn about the power of God, use it to become a transformer.

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Crossover FM celebrates 7 years on the air

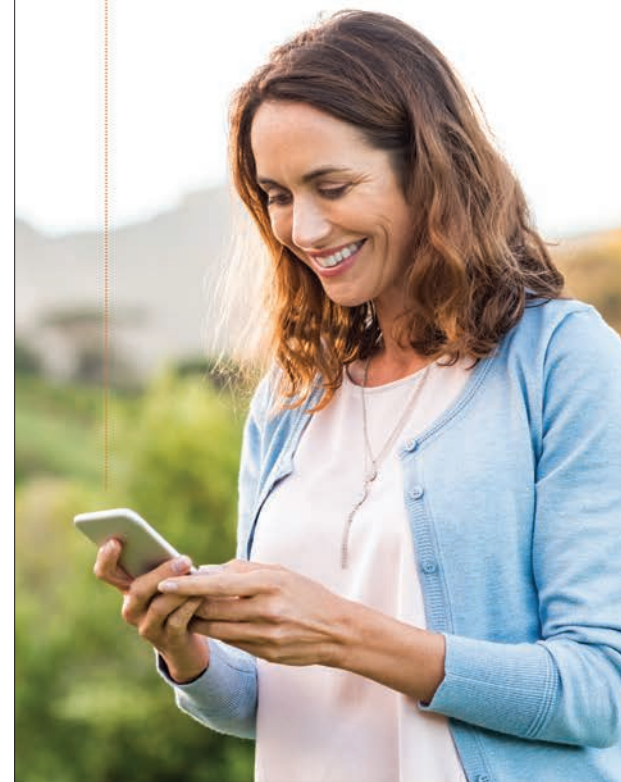
Cedar City's own local Christian music radio station turned 7 yrs. old in February. Seven is the Biblical number for perfection and for seven faithful years, Crossover FM and Calvary Chapel of Cedar City, have brought the gift of encouraging, edifying music and Biblical lessons to listeners and learners in Southern Utah. For inspiring words and encouraging music, tune your radio to 88.9 FM or visit www.crossoverfm.org



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The love less traveled

Happy Valentine's Day tomorrow! Whether you're hoping to be standing in, or avoiding Cupid's crosshairs, don't cross love off your list yet. Why not? Because no matter what seasonal sweets and treats the stores stock their shelves with, love needs to be celebrated every day.

Unfortunately for some, Valentine's Day is the dreaded day that brings back bittersweet moments where Cupid's arrow missed, or he conveniently ran out of arrows at the wrong place and the wrong time. We can talk about that in another rut. For now, let's talk less about romantic love and more about the love we need every day of the year.

When you think of love, do you usually think about the love you give to your family, friends and co-workers? What about the love you need to give to yourself? That concept may sound very foreign, or even funny, but think about it. Can you truly say that you can love others without first loving yourself?

What does loving yourself even look or feel like? It's the kind of love you can have without that "special someone," without flowers, chocolates and all the expectations. Although, chocolate is amazing whether you're single or not. Even if you have to buy yourself some chocolate, do it with love and enjoy it. Regardless, remember that you are always that "special someone."



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

I think you'll find there are plenty of reasons to love yourself

Loving yourself is also about taking care of yourself. It's about hygiene, health and living a life you can be proud of. It's doing things you love, but more importantly, it's being someone you love. No matter who you are right now, you can love yourself.

If I'm speaking to you, then please make time to love yourself more. Yes, it's noble and necessary to sacrifice your time for your kids, career and community. But if it comes at the cost of your joy and happiness on a consistent basis, eventually you will be too worn down and worn out to really be that loving and supporting influence for others.

I'm not suggesting you have to forget or forsake your current commitments. I'm just laying it out there for you that if you don't love yourself more and first, your love for others may miss the mark more often than you think. Therefore, this week's ruddy challenge is for you to make a list of those things you love about yourself. If you need help, ask one of the people you love to help you. I think you'll find there are plenty of reasons to love yourself. I dare you to go look in the mirror right now and say to yourself, "I love you." Remind yourself each day and then show yourself more compassion, patience and love. Remember that we all need love.

If you still can't think of any reasons to love yourself, send me a valentine email and I will help you find some great reasons to love you and to choose the love less traveled.

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Obituaries

Marilyn Diane Lauck



Marilyn Diane Lauck, age 83, passed away February 3, 2019, at Cedar Health and Rehabilitation Hospital in Cedar City, UT.

She was born September 30, 1935, in Tucson, AZ, to Erno W. Gibson and Hazel Henrietta Douthit Gibson. She grew up in Arizona and graduated from Tucson High School.

As a young woman she was involved in ballet and ballroom dancing. As an adult, she worked as a secretary, a switchboard operator for the phone company, and was a dance instructor at Arthur Murray dance studio.

In 1978 she married David Lauck and they lived in McKinleyville, CA, until 1992 when they moved to Parowan. Her hobbies included sewing, genealogy, camping and going on picnics in the mountains. Because of her love of genealogy, she assisted in the Family History Library for several years.

She is survived by her daughters, Cathy Croy (Jim) of Post Falls, ID, Diane Blanco Dauby ('07 Sporty Low) of Farr West, UT, and son, David Mesa (Sandy) of Cedar City, UT. Grandsons: Evan Hicken (Kristin), Matthew Barnes and Aaron Barnes.

Great-grandchildren: Dominic Hicken, Jaxton Hicken, Tyler Archibald, Ashtyn Archibald and Gunnar Barnes.

She is preceded in death by her husband David Lauck, brother William Gibson and parents Erno and Hazel Gibson.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 16, 2019, at 1:00 pm at the Parowan 3rd Ward building, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 90 S. Main Street, Parowan, UT.

Interment will be in the Parowan Cemetery, under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com

William "Bill" Johnson



William J. Johnson "Bill" was happily reunited with loved ones on the other side of the veil on February 4, 2019. Bill was born in Panguitch, Utah, December 28, 1931, as the fourth of six children. He was married for sixty years to his wife Raelynn.

Bill graduated from Panguitch High School where he excelled in sports, and then was drafted into the Army. Bill was sent to Korea and served for two years as a pole lineman building the communication between troops. For his service he was awarded the Bronze service star, the United Nations Service medal, among other commendations.

Bill learned to work hard early with many chores ranging from herding cows, making soap with his mother, and doing a paper route. This hard working spirit coupled with his sense of humor made him exceptional in his career as an electro-maintenance mechanic and supervisor for the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration).

In 1958 while working in Bryce Canyon, he won the heart of Raelynn LeFevre and they were married in Las Vegas, Nevada, and later sealed in the St. George Temple.

Bill's work took them many places to raise their family, Curt and Joni. While in Worland, Wyoming, their son William Kent was born and passed away as an infant. The family enjoyed their time in Worland, but Bill always knew he would have to bring Raelynn back to Utah. So, upon retiring, they settled in the small town of Paragonah.

In retirement, Bill most enjoyed his time camping with family and his dogs. He had a great talent for fine wood-working and mechanics. While in Paragonah, Bill continued serving others on multiple boards and as a "handyman." Bill's capacity to tell a story entertained all his family and friends.

He is survived by: his wife Raelynn, son Curt (Melody), daughter Joni (Phil), grandson Scotty Johnson, granddaughter Kasiah Brinkerhoff, along with many friends. He was preceded in death by his entire birth family: his son William Kent, and grandsons Woody and Phillip Kent Brinkerhoff.

A celebration of his life took place on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at 11:00 am at the Paragonah LDS cultural hall. Interment with military honors will be held in Panguitch, Utah at a later date.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at www.SerenityStg.com. Arrangements and a memorial tree planting are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 986-9100.

There is no charge for obituaries of 400 words or less. Submissions can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, or emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought to 389 N 100 W, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. A single submission may include up to two photos. The deadline for submission is Monday at noon. For pricing information for obituaries longer than 400 words, please call 435-867-1865 ext. 5.

William Kirk Stewart



William Kirk Stewart, a resident of Cedar City, Utah, passed away on January 26th, 2019, at the age of 57. He was born in Las Vegas, Nevada, on November 10th, 1961. He grew up in Las Vegas and attended El Dorado High School. He enjoyed camping with his dog Charlie and liked to draw. He was employed by the Public Works department of Clark County, Nevada, and eventually moved to Cedar City, Utah, where he resided for almost 30 yrs. He was a member of The Oasis House and was active in the Community and Volunteer programs. He is survived by his parents Robert and Ronatta Stewart, sister

Becky, brother Keith, niece Devon and nephews Jason, Zokie and Christian. He held a special place in his heart for his counselor and close friend Rosie Fletcher. Kirk will be sadly missed by his friends, family and loved ones.

Online Condolences can be sent to his memorial page at www.affordablefuneralservices.com.

Ervin Carl Vollet



Ervin Carl Vollet, age 81, passed away peacefully at home on February 7, 2019. Carl was born on February 21, 1937, in Mt. Healthy, Ohio, to Jacob and Mabel Stevens Vollet. Carl eventually made his way west and settled in Las Vegas, Nevada. He spent his whole career in the gaming industry. He started out as a Black Jack dealer and worked his way up to become a Pit Boss. He finally retired after almost 55 years.

While in Las Vegas he met and married Carol. After their time in Las Vegas, they retired to Cedar City, Utah. They have been together for 38 years. While in Cedar City, Carl loved to

go to the gym and swim at the Aquatic Center. Carl was a devout Christian and was a faithful member of the Valley Bible Church.

Carl is loved and survived by 7 step children, many grandchildren, great grandchildren and his loving wife, Carol.

Memorial Services for Carl will be held on April 6, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. at the Valley Bible Church, located at 4780 N Hwy 91, Enoch, UT 84721.

Online condolences can be sent to Carl's Memorial page at www.affordablefuneralservices.com.

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CLINCHER



Falcons sweep week, secure playoff spot

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The Canyon View Falcons knew their mission. Not only would a victory get them in the 4A state playoffs, it would derail their opponent's quest for a perfect Region 9 season. It wasn't easy, but the Falcons found a way to get the job done.

Senior Parker Holmes hit two free throws with 17.4 seconds remaining, and Canyon View came through with a final defensive stop that secured a well-earned 46-44 victory over the Pine View Panthers on Feb. 8. CV won its third straight, improved to 6-5 in Region 9 play, and clinched the fourth and final spot for the 4A postseason. In a game that featured 10 lead changes and four ties, Pine View suffered its first Region 9 loss (9-1) but still clinched the No. 1 seed after Dixie's victory over Hurricane.

"There was a lot on the line for both teams," Canyon View head coach Robbie Potter said, "I thought both teams were over-amped in the first half. All we had to do was knock down shots we had been making all week in practice."

Both the Falcons and Panthers struggled to find any offensive flow in the first half, but a steal and buzzer-beating basket by Michael Moore pulled the visiting Panthers into a 13-13 tie at the break.

The second half restored some order to the flow of the game as both teams started to heat up their shooting. Pine View would stretch the lead to its largest of the night at

25-20 midway through the third quarter, but that's when junior Trevor Farrow helped Canyon View answer.

Farrow hit all of his three 3-pointers in the third quarter, and a late basket from Mason Lyman pulled CV into a 30-30 tie heading into the fourth.

"We knew shots would eventually fall, and we were proud of our defense," Lyman said.

The Falcons scored the first six points of the final quarter and extended the lead to 40-32 with 4:09 left before the Panthers mounted a charge.

Jared Sudweeks, who hit the buzzer-beating 3-pointer that beat Dixie two nights earlier, nailed two more from long-range in a 10-1 run that put Pine View back up at 42-41, but Lyman countered with a triple of his own and Ryan Hopper got a steal and scored to tie the game at 44-44 with 53 seconds left.

After missed shots at both ends, Holmes got fouled and hit both ends of a 1-and-1 at the free-throw line for what proved to be the winning points.

Pine View called its final timeout with 2.5 seconds to play, but Jared Koller's shot at the tie bounced off the rim at the buzzer and set off a celebration as the Canyon View student section stormed the floor.

Farrow led CV with 13 points – all in the second half – and Holmes added 12. The Falcons are idle today and close out the regular season with a road game at Dixie on Friday.

In Canyon View's other game of the week, they hosted Cedar and came away with a 58-52 victory. Other than the game's opening basket, the Falcons led throughout and held on after taking a 13-point lead in the third quarter.

Lyman led the way with 15 points, Farrow added 12 and senior Dallin Brindley helped with 11, including three 3-pointers. Cedar was eliminated from playoff contention for the fourth straight year despite getting 17 points from sophomore Trey Tebbs and 16 from freshman Zab Santana.



Canyon View

46



Pine View

44

Pine View 5 8 17 14 -- 44
Canyon View 6 7 17 16 -- 46

Pine View – Sudweeks 6, Hopper 8, Sheppard 8, Bateman 2, Moore 14, Brooks-by 4, Koller 2. Totals 17 5-6 44. 3-pointers – Sudweeks 2, Moore 3.

Canyon View – Lyman 9, Farrow 13, Holmes 12, Brindley 2, Spencer 6, Sorenson 4. Totals 16 10-13 46. 3-pointers – Lyman 1, Farrow 3.

JR ROBINSON

CANYON VIEW SENIOR MASON LYMAN takes flight over his Pine View opponent to help secure the Falcon's victory.

Rams finish regular season with 19th victory

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

After securing the Region 18 title with a strong second-half effort in a victory over Kanab on Feb. 1, the Parowan Rams fought through adversity and finished the regular season on a high note. To open the week, Parowan

fell behind at the half at Beaver, but came through with a big third quarter and got by the defending 2A champions, 50-45 on Feb. 6. Porter Wood led three players in double figures with 17 points as the Rams outscored the Beavers 20-10 in the third before holding on. Parowan avenged its only Region 18 loss of

the season that came against Beaver.

To get ready for the postseason, the Rams came home to face Enterprise and had to hold on in the second half for a 59-56 win on Feb. 8, behind 22 points from Wood, 11 from Max Topham and 10 from Krue Stubbs. Parowan led 33-21 at the half before

Enterprise rallied.

The Rams will head to the 2A playoffs with a six-game winning streak and a 19-3 overall record. They will open the play-in round against Duchesne in a rematch of last year's semifinal won by the Eagles. Tipoff is at 3:40 p.m. on Saturday at Snow College in Ephraim.



Parowan

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Enterprise

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Cedar's Fakahua signs letter with SUU

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

He had a good example in front of him in former teammate Quaid Murray, but Cedar running back Drake Fakahua had an idea where he wanted to be from the start.

With the help of running backs coach Sam Elliott through the process, Fakahua made his choice known on National Signing Day on Feb. 6, when the senior signed his Letter of Intent to play for Southern Utah as a preferred walk-on.

Fakahua finished his senior year for the Redmen with 689 yards on 91 carries to go with eight touchdowns for a team that finished with a 3-6 record overall. He was offered a preferred walk-on status to join



TOM ZULEWSKI

the T-Birds.

"I'm grateful I get to play again, happy to get on the field," said Fakahua, who will play his freshman season at SUU in the fall before heading

on a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. "I'm comfortable it's still here at home."

Fakahua will be joining a T-Bird program that fell off to

a 1-10 overall record and 1-7 in Big Sky play a season after winning its second conference crown. Cedar head coach Josh Bennett said the effort was all in the corner of his senior runner, especially with Murray as the example before him.

"Drake did a lot of this on his own," Bennett said. "He was very determined and always had a great attitude. I've talked to a lot of the coaches who came by and asked about him, but he did this himself - academic requirements, working hard in the weight room, and working out on the field. That stuff sells itself to the coaches."

"When you go in as a preferred walk-on, sometimes you're playing with a chip on your shoulder and have something to prove. I'm excited to watch Drake play at SUU."

Lady Reds stay perfect, clinch Region

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

With the number of games remaining for the Cedar girls basketball team shrinking to a precious few, the quest for the perfect season found a new challenger on Feb. 5.

For a while, the visiting Canyon View Falcons had the lead and the Lady Reds on their heels. When the final horn sounded, Cedar's quest for perfection remained intact.

Logann Laws and Samantha Johnston scored 14 points apiece, and Laws' 3-pointer beat the first-half buzzer to send Cedar on its way to a 63-44 victory over Canyon View to stretch its overall winning streak to 19 straight.

The Lady Reds (10-0 Region 9) trailed by as many as eight at 15-7 after Jordan Nielson hit a 3-pointer early in the second quarter. Cedar still trailed 22-18 after an Addie Newman basket, but Law's buzzer-beater finished off a 9-0 run and gave them a lead they would build on after the break.

"That changed the whole complexion of the game," Cedar head coach Corry Nielson said. "We may not score off our press all the



COREY BAUMGARTNER



Cedar

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Canyon View

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Cedar 7 20 14 22 -- 63

Canyon View - Nielson 16, Nicoll 2, Whitehair 6, Banks 7, Newman 13. Totals 13 12-17 44. 3-pointers - Nielson 3, Whitehair 2, Banks 1.

Cedar - Laws 14, Ash, Davis 1, Weaver 8, Torgerson 11, Oldroyd 2, Ab. Davis 2, Johnston 14, Henkel 9, Brower 2. Totals 24 10-16 63. 3-pointers - Laws 1, Johnston 4.

LOGANN LAWS LEAPS TO THE HOOP ahead of her defenders to score 2 of her 14 points keeping the Lady Red's streak alive.

time, but when we do, we score in a bunch."

Cedar opened the third quarter with a 6-1 run that doubled the lead to 10 at 33-23, but Canyon View was still within striking distance after a 3-pointer from Ashlyn Banks cut the margin back to 41-34 heading into the fourth.

The Lady Reds would start the final period with a 10-0 run, and the rout was on from there as the dream season stayed alive.

"We came out a lot harder in the second half knowing we didn't get what we wanted and had to work for it," said Johnston, who hit two of her four 3-pointers in the fourth quarter. "They were more ready than we were."

In the end, the Lady Reds left no doubt who was in control.

Mayci Torgerson added 11 points for Cedar, who welcomed Snow Canyon for the home finale Tuesday, a game that was too late for press deadline. Should the Lady Reds win that one, they'll look to finish off an unbeaten regular season with a road game at Hurricane on Thursday.

Nielson led all scorers for Canyon View with 16 points in the loss and Newman added 13.

Canyon View completed its week Feb. 7 with a 54-42 road loss at Pine View to fall to 1-10 in Region 9 play. The Falcons were within three at 39-36 after three quarters, but the Panthers pulled away by outscoring them 15-6 in the fourth.

Nielson led the way with 15 points and freshman Harlee Nicoll added 13 in the loss. The Falcons will close the regular season Thursday with a home game against Dixie that tips off at 7 p.m.

High School Scoreboard

Scores

Boys Basketball

- 2/6 Canyon View 58, Cedar 52
Pine View 60, Dixie 57, OT
Hurricane 58, Snow Canyon 50
Parowan 50, Beaver 45
Enterprise 69, Kanab 52
Gunnison 51, N. Sevier 48, OT
- 2/8 Canyon View 46, Pine View 44
Dixie 64, Hurricane 52
Snow Cyn. 61, Desert Hills 49
Parowan 59, Enterprise 56
Beaver 53, Gunnison 40
North Sevier 58, Millard 51

Girls Basketball

- 2/5 Cedar 63, Canyon View 44
Pine View 56, Dixie 52
Hurricane 57, Snow Cyn. 51
Beaver 58, Parowan 20
Kanab 59, Enterprise 39
Gunnison 41, North Sevier 30
- 2/7 Pine View 54, Canyon View 42
Dixie 60, Hurricane 47
Desert Hills 63, Snow Cyn. 58
Enterprise 65, Parowan 31
Beaver 73, Gunnison 34
Millard 64, North Sevier 60

Standings

Region 9 Boys Basketball

	REGION	OVERALL
Pine View	9-1	12-7
Dixie	7-3	15-5
Hurricane	6-4	10-9
Canyon View	6-5	10-11
Desert Hills	3-7	8-11
Snow Canyon	3-8	7-13
Cedar	2-8	6-14

Region 9 Girls Basketball

	REGION	OVERALL
Cedar	10-0	19-0
Dixie	6-4	12-8
Desert Hills	6-4	11-7
Snow Canyon	5-6	8-14
Hurricane	4-6	8-12
Pine View	4-6	6-11
Canyon View	1-10	6-15

Region 18 Boys Basketball

	REGION	OVERALL
Parowan	11-1	19-3
Beaver	7-5	12-8
Kanab	6-6	12-9
Enterprise	6-6	9-13
North Sevier	5-7	8-12
Gunnison	4-8	10-11
Millard	3-9	5-16

Region 18 Girls Basketball

	REGION	OVERALL
Beaver	11-1	17-3
Kanab	10-2	17-4
Enterprise	8-4	13-9
Millard	7-5	13-7
Gunnison	3-9	10-11
North Sevier	3-9	3-18
Parowan	0-12	0-21

Schedule

Boys Basketball

- 2/13 Cedar at Snow Canyon, 7 p.m.
Dixie at Desert Hills, 7 p.m.
Pine View at Hurricane, 7 p.m.

T-Birds sweep series with win over rivals

by Bryson **LESTER**
For Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — The Thunderbird men's basketball team completed a sweep of in-state rival Weber State on

Thursday night, and led the entire way leading to a 65-53 victory.

The victory moved the Thunderbirds

back above .500, sitting at 11-10 overall and 6-6 in the Big Sky with another league matchup on Saturday.

The T-Birds are 7-2 at home this season.

"Obviously it was a huge win for the program," SUU head coach Todd Simon said following the contest.

"Weber for so many years has been the class of the Big Sky, an in-state rival, the whole deal. To get that in-state

sweep was extra sweet for our guys."

The Thunderbirds scored the first basket, and led by as many as 11 in the opening half. WSU went on a 5-0 run to close out the opening 20 minutes, and the T-Birds led 33-27 at half time.

SUU led throughout the second half as well, but with 57 seconds to play the Wildcats had cut the lead to five.

However, the Thunderbirds made the right plays and big plays by freshman T-Birds secured the victory for SUU.

Freshman Harrison Butler was the catalyst for the Thunderbirds, securing a double-double of 19 points

and 13 rebounds. Three of his rebounds were offensive.

Fellow freshman Maizen Fausett finished the game with six offensive rebounds, several of which came down the stretch of the contest when the team needed them most.

Dre Marin finished the contest with 15 points, and drew WSU's Jerrick Harding defensively for most of the evening. Harding only scored eight points in the contest, finishing 2-of-14 from the field.

"That's a great program, they have a lot of history, they're well coach, and we knew we had to stay consistent and get good shots and that's what we did," Marin said.

The T-Birds outscored the Wildcats in the paint 28-18, and in second chance points 11-0.

With the loss the Wildcats move to 14-9 on the year and 8-4 in Big Sky play.

The Thunderbirds will continue their Big Sky slate on Saturday as they host the Bengals of Idaho State at 2 p.m. inside the America First Event Center.

Follow the Thunderbirds all season @SUUBasketball on Twitter and Instagram and by liking the Southern Utah Basketball page on Facebook.

Read all about the Thunderbirds on www.suutbirds.com.

Individual game tickets for the 2018-19 Season are available at www.tbirdtickets.com or at the America First Event Center Ticket Office.



So. Utah
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Weber State
53

Weber State 27 26 -- 53
Southern Utah 33 32 -- 65

Weber State - Nero 4, John 11, Harding 8, Kozak 12, Barnes 6, Chapman 6, Braxton 6. Totals 16-49 18-28 53. 3-pointers - Kozak 1, Barnes 2.

Southern Utah - Better 6, Marin 15, Fausett 5, Butler 19, Madunic 6, Oluyitan 10, Adams 4. Totals 22-58 14-23 65. 3-pointers - Better 1, Marin 3, Butler 2, Madunic 1.

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Big Sky Scoreboard

Scores

Men's Basketball

- 2/4 Southern Utah 75, Idaho 64
Ea. Wash. 82, No. Arizona 64
Mont. St. 69, No. Colorado 66
- 2/7 So. Utah 65, Weber State 53
Idaho State 81, No. Arizona 79
Montana 100, Idaho 59
Montana St. 74, Ea. Wash. 66
No. Col. 80, Portland St. 62
- 2/9 So. Utah 78, Idaho State 72
Weber St. 86, No. Arizona 71
Montana State 86, Idaho 72
No. Colorado 65, Sac. St. 59
Montana 75, Ea. Wash. 74

Women's Basketball

- 2/4 No. Colorado 84, Mont. St. 73
- 2/7 Weber State 67, So. Utah 66
No. Arizona 81, Idaho St. 77
Idaho 76, Montana 68
Montana St. 61, Ea. Wash. 47
Portland St. 74, Sac. State 58
- 2/9 Idaho State 80, So. Utah 47
No. Arizona 75, Weber St. 64
Portland St. 85, No. Col. 66
Idaho 90, Montana State 65
Ea. Wash. 67, Montana 64

Standings

Mens Basketball

	CONF.	OVERALL
Montana	10-2	17-6
Northern Colorado	10-3	16-8
Weber State	9-4	15-9
Montana State	8-5	11-12
Southern Utah	7-6	12-10
E. Washington	6-6	8-15
Idaho State	5-8	9-13
Northern Arizona	5-8	7-16
Portland State	4-7	9-13
Sacramento State	3-8	9-11
Idaho	1-10	4-18

Womens Basketball

	CONF.	OVERALL
Idaho	10-2	13-8
Idaho State	10-3	15-7
Portland State	9-3	17-4
Northern Colorado	9-3	14-7
Montana State	7-6	12-11
Montana	5-7	10-11
E. Washington	5-7	6-15
Sacramento State	4-7	8-11
Northern Arizona	4-9	8-14
Southern Utah	3-10	6-16
Weber State	2-11	5-18

SUU track & field has record breaking week

by McKell **HALLADAY**
For Iron County Today

SEATTLE, Wash. — The Southern Utah University Thunderbirds track and field teams broke multiple school records while competing at the Don Kirby Invitational in New Mexico and the Husky Classic in Washington.

Husky Classic

Angie Nickerson started the record streak by breaking her own school record in the 5,000-meter. Nickerson finished the race with a time of 16:06.37 with a 14th place finish. She was followed by Madison Fruchey with a time of 16:42.59. This time places Fruchey fourth overall in school history.

In the mile, Sharlie Dimick finished with a time of 4:48.60.

To conclude the meet, Kasey Knevelbaard competed in the mile where he locked in a fifth place finish. Knevelbaard finished the race with a time of 4:00.96. He was followed by George Espino with a time of 4:03.89.



JEFF PORCARO

Don Kirby Invitational

Frank Harris III continued to break school records at the Don Kirby Invitational when he competed in the high jump. Harris finished with a record-breaking jump of 7' 3" also placing first in the competition.

In the field, Jordan Porcaro improved in his personal best in the weight throw after locking in a throw of 58' 6 3/4". This throw ranks Porcaro fifth overall in school records and placed him tenth in the competition.

Oman Gatoloai also improved on his school record by moving into the seventh all-time ranking in the weight throw with a mark of 57' 1 3/4".

On the women's side of the team, Linnea Saltz broke the third school record of the day when she competed in the 600-meter. Saltz finished the race with a time of 1:30.81 also locking in a second-place finish overall in the competition.

The Thunderbirds will return to the track to finish the Don Kirby Invitational on Saturday, February 9.

CV wrestlers qualify 12 for state tournament

The Canyon View Falcons wrestling team finished strong in second place in the B Divisional qualifying meet for the 4A state tournament Feb. 9, at Mountain View High in Orem. CV earned 329 points, trailing only the 471.5 earned by Uintah, and qualified 12 wrestlers for the state meet.

Cedar competed in the A Divisional qualifying meet at Tooele High and finished seventh overall with 143.5 points. The Redmen qualified six individual wrestlers for the state meet that will be held Friday and Saturday at the UCCU Center in Orem.

Here are the qualifiers who will be competing with weight class and overall seeding:

106: Austyn Ennis (Cedar), 2nd
132: Cole Lake (CV), 4th
138: Dawson Stoor (CV), 6th; Kael Harris (Cedar), 8th
152: Brady Lowry (CV), 3rd; Mike Anker (Cedar), 3rd
160: Ryan Ball (CV), 2nd; Colten Shumway (CV), 3rd
170: Brayden Cavalieri (CV), 1st; Hunter Anderson (CV), 3rd
182: Gavin Carter (CV), 5th
195: Alex Allen (CV), 6th; Payton Murray (Cedar), 8th
220: Nate Ellis (Cedar), 1st; Gabe Blad (CV), 2nd; Joe Pulica (CV), 3rd
285: Kioni Alvarez (Cedar), 2nd; Riley Robertson (CV), 3rd

Lowry is looking to close his career at Canyon View with his second state title in three years. The senior lost in last year's championship match.

» **The 4A state swimming championship** was also held Feb. 8 and 9 at the BYU pool. In its first year without retired head coach Richard Coston, Cedar's boys team was a distant second behind Region 9 rival Desert Hills with 202 points and the girls were ninth overall with 105, the last team to finish above the century mark.

The Thunder swept to win both the boys and girls team titles. Canyon View's boys team was 13th overall with 65 points and the Falcon girls were 14th with 56.5.

Cedar senior Elisa Price had the most success for the meet, winning the 100-yard butterfly in 57.83 seconds, edging out Snow Canyon's Kylie Barber (58.21). Price added a second-place showing in the 100-yard backstroke, touching the wall

in 57.67, just behind winner Caitlin Romprey of Desert Hills (57.22).

» It's hoops playoff time:

With the Region 9 regular season winding down, the four boys teams are officially set for the 4A playoffs after Canyon View denied Pine View an undefeated campaign with a heart-stopping 46-44 win over the Panthers. The Falcons clinched the last spot with the win combined with Desert Hills' loss at Snow Canyon.



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

As things stand right now, CV trails Hurricane by a half-game in the race for the No. 3 seed. The Tigers swept the season series from the Falcons, so the only way CV will finish higher is if they beat Dixie on the road Friday and Hurricane falls in both of its remaining games.

The Tigers will play Pine View at home tonight and travel to Cedar for a game with the Redmen on Friday.

On the girls side, the playoff picture is as clear as mud behind Cedar in the Region 9 standings. Heading into the final week, Snow Canyon holds the fourth spot at 5-6, a half-game in front of Hurricane and Pine View. The Warriors traveled to play the undefeated Lady Reds on Tuesday and needed a win to put pressure on the chasers.

If SC doesn't beat Cedar, the potential for chaos grows exponentially.

Hurricane and Pine View faced each other Tuesday, and the Tigers would temporarily move into the driver's seat with a win over the Panthers. In order to secure a berth, then they would need to beat Cedar at home Thursday.

If Pine View wins, they would need a win over Desert Hills to punch their ticket.

Through all the madness, there is a better-than-average possibility of a three-way tie for the last spot with the Panthers, Tigers and Warriors all ending up at 5-7.

The only wish here for the athletic directors involved is to have extra aspirin on hand to deal with the headaches in the week ahead.

Follow Tom Zulewski on Twitter @TommyZee81 or email tomina-tor19@yahoo.com.

Chanel Barnes leaving SUU for new post



"Chanel has been such a positive asset to our department and we will miss her on so many levels"
— Debbie Corum

COURTESY OF SUU

Southern Utah Assistant Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Engagement and Senior Woman Administrator Chanel Barnes has accepted a position with the Women Leaders in College Sports as their Manager of Marketing and Digital Strategy.

"Chanel has been such a positive asset to our department and we will miss her on so many levels, but I am so excited about this opportunity for her," SUU Athletic Director Debbie Corum said. "She will be joining one of the most dynamic organizations in college athletics, with one of the most positive CEO's ever. I have been a part of Women's Leaders for over 30 years and I am thrilled that they saw this potential in Chanel.

Seeing two people for whom I have so much respect, come together to make things better for female administrators just does my heart good. We will continue to cheer on Chanel from a distance. I can hardly wait to see what the future holds for her."

Barnes originally served as Southern Utah's Assistant AD for Strategic Communication from 2016 to 2017, and was promoted to her current role in July of 2017 by Corum.

A national search will begin immediately to replace this position. Corresponding additions and/or changes to the Thunderbird Athletic Department will be announced at a later date.

Larsen named to Steele All-American team

CEDAR CITY — Thunderbird center Zach Larsen has earned his second All-American honor following the 2018 campaign as Phil Steele's FCS All-American Teams and All-Big Sky Teams

have been released.

Larsen was named to the Third Team Offense. Prior to this announcement Larsen had been named to the Walter Camp FCS All-American team, after earning the title from three different publications following his sophomore season in 2017.

The Phil Steele Big Sky All-Conference Team featured seven different Thunderbirds, including Larsen as a member of the First Team Offense.

Marquez Tucker was named to the Second Team Offense, while Chinedu Ahanonu was named to the Second Team Defense. Kick returner Judd Cockett was named to the Special Teams Second Team after returning two kicks for a touchdown during the season.

Both McCoy Hill and Austin Mikkelson were named to Phil Steele's Third Team Offense, while Taylor Nelson earned a spot on the Third Team Defense.

Southern Utah's 2019 campaign will kickoff on August 31 in Las Vegas against UNLV.



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ZACH LARSEN

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NOTICE OF ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given that the Cedar City Council at its regular meeting of January 23, 2019, passed the following ordinance:

1. Ordinance No. 0123-19-6, an ordinance amending Chapter 23 and Chapter 26 of the Ordinances of Cedar City, Utah, related to business regulations, licenses, parking and Board of Adjustments.

Said Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication.

A Copy of said ordinance may be seen and/or purchased at the office of the Cedar City Recorder, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Cedar City, Iron County, Utah, Case No. 18-08-0285P.

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on television signals received by cable or satellite services.

Iron County plans to begin making these required changes within the next two weeks and continuing for about 120 days. The first of these changes will have primary affect in the Beryl and Kanarrville, Parowan, Paragonah, Summit and Enoch areas. Changes in the Cedar City and Cedar Canyon areas and more changes in the Enoch area will follow during the spring and summer Months of 2019. This should not affect your ability to receive the television signal for any extended period of time. In most cases, any television station should not be off the air for more than a single day. This should require only rescanning your television to locate and continue to receive all stations. All stations in Iron County will continue service.

For those setting up new tele-

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vision antennas in the Beryl, Parowan, Paragonah and Summit areas, UHF antennas are required. VHF/UHF combination antennas are required in the Cedar City, Cedar Canyon, Enoch and Kanarrville areas to receive all signals.

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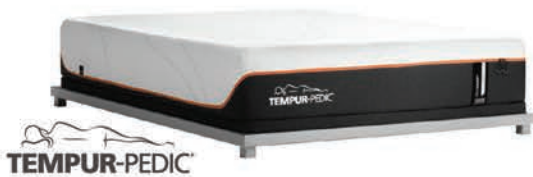


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