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IT WAS AN AFTERNOON OF GRATITUDE AND REFLECTION FOR OUR IRON COUNTY VETERANS

who gave their all so we could all enjoy the freedoms we have in our great nation.



PHOTOS BY COREY BAUMGARTNER & RICHARD CROMMIE

Cedar City honors veterans with wreaths, ceremony

by Richard **CROMMIE**

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Hundreds of people were gathered at Cedar City's cemetery on Saturday to take part in the Wreaths Across America ceremony to pay their respects to the veterans who lay there. Cedar City was one out of more than 2,400 locations that participated in this powerful and patriotic event, a tradition more than 20-years-old, honoring the veterans of all branches of the armed forces and of all wars. Over 200 volunteers signed up to help organize and lay wreaths on graves. Many others also came to lay wreaths on the final resting places of their family members and friends.

A low flyby of helicopters from SUU Aviation kicked off the ceremony. The Missing Man formation, in which they were flying, was an aerial salute to all fallen soldiers. The pilot of the aircraft to the right of lead pilot pulls up, breaks out of formation and heads west, flying off into the

sunset, symbolizing the soldiers that have died while the rest of the formation continues on.

After the National Anthem, beautifully sung by Megan Goodrich and Ashley Stackhouse, and the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Police Chief Darin Adams, Cedar City Councilman R. Scott Phillips welcomed the guests and gave his opening remarks.

"We are all proud to be Americans living in a free society, made up of many people, made up of many walks of life. The freedoms we enjoy today have not come without a price. Lying here before and around us and in cemeteries throughout this nation are men and women who gave their lives so we could all live in freedom without fear. We can worship as we see fit. We can raise our children to believe as we do. We can travel from one end of this great nation to the other without permission to do so." As his heartfelt words captured the attention of the crowd he continued, "We are free to vote for whomever we

feel should be in government office without no explanation whatsoever. We have the right to succeed at whatever endeavor we choose to pursue."

Cedar City's Honorable Mayor Maile Wilson-Edwards spoke next and reminded those listening that being thankful requires action and that, "The United States of America was founded on the ideals of freedom, justice and equality. Our nation stands as a shining beacon of liberty and freedom to the world. We thank those who gave their lives to keep us free and we shall not forget; we shall remember."

She added, "Today many of you here are veterans of wars and conflicts that America has had to fight to protect the innocent and oppressed. This nation has always been the first to stand up for the freedoms of people here and around the world. Many of you here have answered that call and have served our country well. We are here today to say thank you

and to offer our deepest gratitude."

During the celebration of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for each of us, special tributes were given by Boy Scout Troop #360 and members of each branch of our nation's great military. Brian Vaughn (USF Artistic Director), who read the powerful poem, "A Soldier's Silent Night." Brandon Burk delivered a rousing rendition of "America the Beautiful." Brandon Brinkerhoff played a solemn "Taps" and Dan Jones and Scott Sharps played the humbling, "Amazing Grace" on the bagpipes.

Finally, as the special wreaths were laid upon each veteran's grave, the name of the veteran was spoken out loud to honor their memory. Beyond this Saturday ceremony, these veterans' names and memories will not be forgotten or go in vain as shown by those they made free in Cedar City and many other cities around our great nation. Truly, they will never be forgotten.

Wreaths Across America helps honor Enoch veterans

by Shay **BARUFFI**

IRON COUNTY TODAY

The City of Enoch Mayor, Geoffrey Chesnut, welcomed the small but dedicated crowd to the 2nd annual Wreaths Across America ceremony last Saturday at the Enoch cemetery. Though many cities across the nation also held similar ceremonies, the patriotic spirit of Enoch was just as powerful and memorable.

Thanks to the help of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)—Bald Eagle Chapter, and the devotion of the community leaders and citizens of the City of Enoch, a special wreath was able to be placed on the grave of each veteran who sacrificed their life so we could live ours.

“I believe these wreaths are super important to help our children understand the sacrifices that have been made on our behalf,” shared Chesnut. “This event is something that we can as adults, families and loved ones pass on, along with great respect, through this ritual.”

Following the opening remarks, a prayer was given to honor those who, “...served our country and sacrificed their lives to preserve our liberties and freedoms for our posterity.”

Daniel Hewlett was then invited to speak about one of Iron County’s heroes, Henry Melling Jones (WWI), who was killed in France in 1918 and was the first veteran interred in the Enoch Cemetery.

Hewlett, who is the great-grand-nephew of Jones, shared words from the local newspaper, the Iron County Recorder, and from Jones’ parents.

“Private Henry M. Jones gave up his life (the supreme sacrifice) in defense of human liberty,” the story read. His parents who had recently received a letter filled with hope, were shocked to hear the news that, “Henry (Harry) was the first Iron County boy to yield up his life in the action of service to his country in that great war and the news of his death came as quite a blow, not only to the community, but the county.” His parents remarked, “He was a clean, manly and courageous man. It was an honor to be his parents and of such a boy and a greater honor to offer him to our country and to the world in this cause.”

Hewlett ended by saying, “We must school ourselves to look upward, upon them as necessary and unavoidable sacrifices in the great cause for which many of our progenitors bled and died and the birth of our beloved nation.”

Special wreaths were then placed in remembrance of those who continue to serve in all branches of the military along with a special wreath to honor the 81,900 service members who are either listed as a Prisoner of War (P.O.W.) or Missing In Action (M.I.A.) “We shall not forget you,” said Mayor Chesnut.

Afterwards, family members of veterans were invited to place a wreath upon the grave of their loved ones and then those in attendance who wished to help place the remaining wreaths were also invited to do so in honor of their service, sacrifice and the appreciation from each of us who embrace and enjoy the freedoms their sacrifices have bestowed upon and entrusted to each of us.



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OPINION

Thought of the Week

from the desk of R. Gail Stahle, publisher

"It came without ribbons! It came without tags! It came without packages boxes or bags! And he puzzled and puzzled till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before! What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas...perhaps... means a little bit more!"

» Dr. Seuss, How the Grinch Stole Christmas!

From the Editor

The perfect gift

I think the hardest part and the consequences of this current pandemic have not come from wearing a mask, having to wait longer in lines, or even in creating and distributing a vaccine; it's been learning to maintain relationships with friends and loved ones, despite social distancing. Especially now, during this season of Thanksgiving and Christmas, I know many won't be able to share traditions in person with those people love.

We don't need to wait for a vaccine or a vision, mandate or commandment to love (and be loved) right where we are. Love will not be discouraged or dictated by distance. If that means wearing a mask, or using a screen to be able to be together, so be it. But don't let anything or anyone be an excuse for not showing love and compassion. We still have life to live and things to do.

So, while we're out shopping for that last-minute "perfect" gift, remember that the greatest gift we will ever be able to give—the one we should give most often and most of all—now and at any other season of our lives, will always be our Time.

With that, have a safe, memorable Merry Christmas!



COREY BAUMGARTNER
MANAGING EDITOR



To the Editor

Sen. Lee, Rep. Stewart and Sen. Romney have lost touch with America. President Vladimir Putin of Russia has beaten them to congratulating President elect Joe Biden on his overwhelming win in the 2020 general election.

While we know the GOP doesn't like his policies, they are going to be stuck with him. We, the people of America—who are also their employers—demand they acknowledge Biden's win. Their blind faith in President Donald Trump has cost Americans hundreds or thousands of lives.

We could have easily had this pandemic under control if we had simply bit the bullet and shut everything down. Instead of loans to businesses we should have given them grants to shut their doors. We could have given workers their wages so that they could have afforded to stay home. Instead, my elected officials are signed on to a person—not a party—not their country—a person who is raising money not for running in the next election but for paying off his debt.

Aaron Hansen

4 PINPOINT WEATHER

IRON COUNTY FORECAST

GENERALLY, A FAIR-WEATHER STRETCH THROUGH THE END OF THE HOLIDAY WEEK, WITH A CHANCE FOR LIGHT SNOW SHOWERS, THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS. NOT SEEING A WHITE CHRISTMAS, AND WHILE SO MANY OF US PROBABLY HOPE FOR A WHITE CHRISTMAS, AT LEAST THE CHRISTMAS COMMUTE WON'T BE AFFECTED BY ANY SNOW. INCREASING CHANCE FOR MORE SNOW SHOWERS; HOWEVER, FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THE WEEKEND AND TO KICK OFF THE LAST WEEK OF THE YEAR!

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| WEDNESDAY | Mostly Sunny 33°/13° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: N 10-15 |
| THURSDAY | Sun and Clouds 41°/19° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: WNW 5-10 |
| FRIDAY | Partly Cloudy 46°/23° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SSW 5-10 |
| SATURDAY | Chance of Snow 45°/22° PRECIP: 15% WINDS: SSW 5-10 |
| SUNDAY | Partly Cloudy 42°/21° PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 5-10 |
| MONDAY | Chance of Snow 35°/19° PRECIP: 35% WINDS: SW 5-10 |
| TUESDAY | Chance of Snow 33°/18° PRECIP: 30% WINDS: NNW 5-10 |

OPINION

A Cyclops Christmas Carol



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
COLUMNIST

Bryan Gray is an affiliated columnist from Northern Utah and the opinions stated in his article are solely those of the author and not of Iron County Today.

Bob Dylan just sold his songwriting catalog for over \$300 million. I cannot compete with him, but I can present the 2020 Cyclops Christmas Carol (sung to the melody of "Away in a Manger").

*Utahns were voting. The election was firm
Ben McAdams was denied an additional term
Democrats lost the landslide they sought
Burgess Adams said Ben was a Communist plot.*

*Sean Reyes denied the election was fair
Trump had him scurrying hither and there
Saying ballots were counted after the date
Nevada told Sean, "Get out of our state!"*

*Mike Lee chided Facebook and democracy
With broad support from his right-wing posse
But Senator Romney was much more restrained.
"Thank goodness!" I said, "at least one is still sane."*

*Herbert asked Utahns to stay in their homes
Said COVID spreads when good Utahns roam
But Utah County students, all hale and hearty
Despite the pandemic, continued to party.*

*"Stay six feet apart," says Dr. Dunn.
"If not, the virus will continue its run."
But convincing the spreaders is no easy task
They think it's their right to not wear a mask.*

*Church meetings were held remotely with Zoom
Disappointed members wanted church to resume
But some faithful members felt no such traumas
They enjoyed attending services in their pajamas.*

*The holiday will come, then it will fade
Credit card charges must then be repaid
Utahns agree, shedding many a tear
"2020 is gone. What a terrible year."*

Donation challenge extended to Iron County businesses to help local non-profits

As co-owner of D&D Variety and on behalf of our family, I would like to take a moment to thank our wonderful community for their continued support of our locally Veteran owned & operated business here in Festival City, USA. This has been a challenging year for many business owners and their employees, sadly not everyone in our community has been as fortunate as we have been and have been forced to make many hard decisions regarding their employees and business'.

Due to the lack of tourism and the forced shutdowns of our festivals & community events this past year, numerous business owners have seen a drastic drop in sales, which has caused cuts in employee's hours or even worse as they have been forced to close their business.

Because of this year's challenges, many non-profits are also struggling to make ends meet. If you are a business owner in Southern Utah who has not been poorly affected by the "2020 Economy," D&D Variety would like to put out a donation challenge to you. The Donation Challenge is to donate one day's TOTAL SALES to a "Local Non-Profit" on top of normal donations done throughout the year.

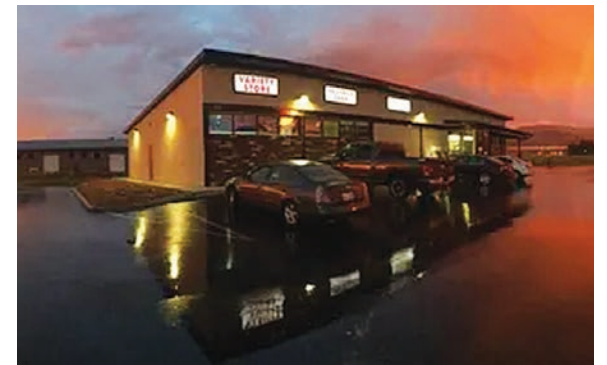
We have chosen to donate one day's gross sales to Canyon Creek Services. We appreciate all that they do for people here in our community. Some of the services they offer are: immediate shelter needs, 24-hour crisis intervention, hotline & sexual assault hospital response. They also offer a great prevention program to the local schools, educating students about healthy relationships and preventing domestic violence. Every day throughout the year Canyon Creek Services, is there to help those in need and for

this, we thank you.

I would also like to encourage people in the community to continue helping out their neighbors in need. Let's also remember to be generous, kind & considerate to others as we are going about our daily activities. Hopefully, by continuing to work together, we as a community can keep Southern Utah the wonderful area that we know it to be for many years to come. And remember that a little happiness and generosity can go a long way.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Davis Family to yours.

Jeremiah Davis - Co-Owner of D & D Variety



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Dec. 15

KRISTY P BARKER

CDAR CITY, UT
Dangerous Animal at Large

JASON D AMES
SUN VALLEY, NV
Retail Theft

JAMES G HATCH

HURRICANE, UT
DV - Kidnapping, Assault, DV - Interruption Comm Device

BRANDON S KRAYDICH

HENDERSON, NV
DRUG - Poss C/S Sched I/II/ Analog, Drug Paraphernalia

TRISTON C RIVERA

CDAR CITY, UT
DRUG - Poss C/S Sched I-V/Analog, Marijuana/ Spice, Drug Paraphernalia, Drive w/Measurable Controlled Substance, Drive on Denied, Obstructing Justice, Prob/ Parole Violation.

STEVEN D WALKER

CDAR CITY, UT
Telephone Harassment, Dist of Intimate Image.

Dec. 18

MATTHEW R BOTHELL

CDAR CITY, UT
Retail Theft

DANIEL T ROUNDY

CDAR CITY, UT
Forgery, Rec/Poss Stolen Vehicle

VIVIANNA P WOLFE

CDAR CITY, UT
Disorderly Conduct, Revoked/ Susp Reg, DUI, Obstructing Justice, Resist/ Interfere w/Arrest, Accident Prop Damage, Duties of Operator, Alcohol Restr DL, Interlock Dev Req

Dec. 19

STEPHEN A MCPHEETERS

CDAR CITY, UT
Assault w/ Substantial Bodily Injury

MADDISON S ACKLIN

MILFORD, UT
Purch/Poss/

Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

BAELI N COX

ENOCH, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

BRIDGER L COX

IRON COUNTY GRID
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

COURTNEY DOFELMIRE

VERNAL, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

ALLYSSA GATES

BEAVER, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

DANNALEE HAYDEN

ENOCH, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

CHASE M HUNTER

CDAR CITY, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

SYDNI K LINDSTROM

CDAR CITY, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

JOHN W SIMS

KANAB, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

BRADLEY UTLEY

CDAR CITY, UT
DRUG - Dist/Offer/ Arrange/Dstbon of C/S, Drug Paraphernalia, Marijuana/Spice, Fugitives From Justice

Dec. 20

LYDIA BITSOIE

ENOCH, UT
DRUG - Poss C/S Marijuana/ Spice, Drug Paraphernalia

ALEC T WILLIAMS

MILFORD, UT
Purch/Poss/ Consume by Minor - Measurable amounts

Iron County residents lead state in low water use

from Jessica STAHELI

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Iron County residents' water conservation efforts are being noticed, as a Utah Division of Water Resources report ranks the county fourth of Utah's 29 counties in least amount of daily water used per person.

Iron County is one of only six counties that fall below the state average of 240 gallons per person, per day. The report lists Iron County at an average of 223 gallons of water use per person, per day. Only San Juan, Salt Lake and Utah counties use less per person.

Paul Monroe, General Manager at Central Iron County Water Conservancy District (CICWCD), said in an area where water is limited and aquifer levels are continually dropping, it is crucial to optimize every drop of water in the valley, and this ranking shows that residents are taking that seriously.

"We're all in this together, and I'm excited to see people realizing how important water is," Monroe said.

The ranking takes into consideration reporting by Cedar City, Enoch and the CICWCD and includes water use by both homes and businesses in those service areas. Monroe said that according to our usage per person in Iron County, we have reduced water use by 18 percent in the past 25 years.

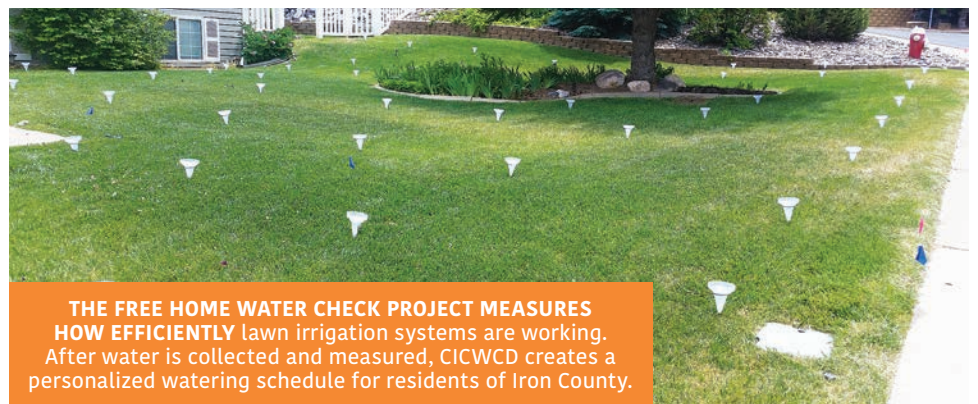
The CICWCD is working to build a culture of conservation in Iron County by offering public education programs and home water checks each summer. Additionally, Cedar City, Enoch and the CICWCD all offer tiered water rate programs to encourage residents to keep their water usage low.

Cedar City Engineer Jonathan Stathis said the water department has been good to educate people on the summer ordinances that do not allow outdoor watering during the heat of the day. The city sees its peak usage in the summer months, and "anything we can do to reduce that is a benefit," he said.

Also, during the summer season, the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District partners with the Utah State University Extension Office to offer free water checks throughout the Cedar Valley. The Water District and USU Extension staff members visit residents' homes and help them identify how much they should be watering their lawns and how they can maximize their landscape irrigation. The Water District also partners with SUU Community Education and instructor Candace Schaible, USU Extension's horticulture and water wise landscape expert, to



AERIAL VIEW OF THE CICWCD QUICHIPA RECHARGE PROJECT at Highway 56. As water moves through the lazy river, it cleans itself and is then pumped to the settling basin shown in the top right-hand corner.



THE FREE HOME WATER CHECK PROJECT MEASURES HOW EFFICIENTLY lawn irrigation systems are working. After water is collected and measured, CICWCD creates a personalized watering schedule for residents of Iron County.

PHOTOS COURTESY CICWCD

offer a Locascapes class. This course helps community members create better landscape functionality, less yard maintenance, enhanced curb appeal, lower water bills and simplified irrigation.

Iron County has also allowed some neighborhoods to be created with much smaller lot sizes than in the past, or with rules about the amount of grass allowed in the landscaping, which works well for some residents and reduces water use. Stathis said Cedar City has seen more multi-family developments, such as townhomes, constructed in recent years instead of just single-family homes. These developments have much less yard space, which results in less water used per person.

All these efforts are in addition to the more than \$1 million CICWCD has spent in the past five years to recharge the local aquifer. The District measures the recharge water, and has recorded more than 14,000 acre-feet that has been added to the aquifer over the past three years.

"We are doing everything we can to help absorb water and keep it in our community before it goes out of the area and evaporates," Monroe said. "Recharge stations throughout the valley are now working to help the area retain our water resource."

All conservation and efforts of community members are significant as the district moves into the Pine Valley Water

Supply Project, which will help sustain the valley long-term. "It is important to be responsible stewards of our natural resources," Monroe said.

For more information on water usage in the state and the Utah Division of Water Resources' goals, visit <https://water.utah.gov/regional-conservation-goals/>. The website www.cicwcd.org includes information on the Locascapes Landscape Design class, water conservation tips, a list of water-wise plants, a lawn watering guide and a link to sign up for free water checks. To get rebates for upgrading to more efficient toilets and for using smart controllers to manage landscape water, visit www.utahwatersavers.com.

The Central Iron County Water Conservancy District is charged with conserving, developing and stabilizing the Cedar Valley water supply for the benefit of all current and future water users/consumers in the region. The Water District educates residents about conservation, reuse and water import strategies as it strives to meet the challenges of an overdrawn aquifer, community growth and development, drought and the state's Groundwater Management Plan. Current efforts include sustaining and bolstering the declining aquifer with recharge projects, agricultural sprinkler conversions, and managing the Pine Valley Water Supply Project for meeting Cedar Valley's water needs into the future.

COVID-19/Legislative Update

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The Christmas season is here. Thinking about the gift exchanges over the years, I'm going to wager you're like me in that the gifts you remember most are the ones you've been able to give. I think the opportunity to spread kindness and help one another is what truly makes this season magical and significant and special.

Several years ago, in the summer, I got a letter one day in the mail from a woman that lived in Cedar City. I did not know this woman, she didn't include a phone number or other way to contact her, only a return address. It didn't even have her last name on the letter. The letter talked about how she was struggling and needed help, including food to eat. I wasn't sure why she sent it to me and wasn't entirely sure how to respond or what to do to help her. I set it aside, but it kept coming back to my mind.

A few months later it was getting to be about Thanksgiving time, and I decided I needed to do something about that letter. I found her address and knocked on her door. It turns out the letter was legitimate; she really was in need. She had one son, but they hadn't been in communication for a long time and it appeared their relationship was not good. She was a very intelligent lady, and somehow through the circumstances of ill health, found herself in a situation with virtually no money and support. She was well educated and at one time had held some very important positions that paid reasonably well but had now fallen on very hard times. She was surviving by purchasing a bag of potatoes that made up most of her meals. I immediately went to the grocery store and got food to fill her cupboards. She had some food allergies so I was careful not to purchase anything she couldn't eat but I stocked her shelves the best I could for a while at least.

Christmas time came around and I thought I needed to visit her again, this time including my grandkids Taylor and Tyler, who were in their young teens. We bought much food and gifts and went to visit this woman again. I'll never forget the look on her face and the way she smiled as she talked and interacted with my grandkids. She was grateful for the food, but every bit as much grateful for the chance to visit with my grandkids and talk and laugh with them. My grandchildren tell me that was one of the most special Christmas memories they've ever had. Taylor and I went back and visited her again a couple of times and have talked about her on a number of occasions and remember back about how good we felt when we visited her.

She lived in the same general area that I live. She did not belong to the same religion that I do, and in fact, said she was agnostic and didn't believe in God. I reached out to some friends of mine who lived in close proximity to her. They reached out as well as some other neighbors and started watching out for her. They befriended her, made sure she got to her doctor's appointments, had food to eat and even invited her to attend church with them, which she did.

This woman eventually moved to Las Vegas and I still get a card from her once in a while. She later told me that her she and her son had reconciled their differences and were talking again which makes me smile even more. But as I reflect on my most memorable Christmas, it was there in that meager home of this wonderful woman, who was so happy and grateful for the show of kindness and love.

I think that's really the heart of the meaning of Christmas. The ability to give a gift to another I think is a small token reflective of an eternal gift given to all who have lived or ever will live; the Gift of a baby boy, God's Son, to our world, and the gifts that Son gives each of us, so freely, so fully, with such grace and love. I hope you have the opportunity to enjoy the season and involve your family in spreading kindness and good will and happiness to others.

Shifting gears now, let's cover the latest on what's

happening with COVID in our state and area. It was an important week for Utah as the first COVID-19 vaccines were administered to some of our frontline healthcare workers. It is exciting to have the end in sight as we have approved vaccinations and a plan to distribute the vaccinations in place. Please still be cautious this holiday season. While there is a light at the end of the tunnel, health care experts warn that the next few months might be some of the worst as this pandemic begins to overlap with cold and flu season. Stay safe and stay healthy! We can make it through this.

On Friday, December 18, the Utah Department of Health reported 2,447,384 total COVID-19 tests administered, 246,562 total positive cases, 188,846 estimated recovered cases, 9,883 total hospitalizations, 539 current hospitalizations, 1,140 total fatalities and 1,347 vaccinations administered. Utah's rolling seven-day average of new cases is 2,570, and the rolling seven-day percent positivity is 22.3 percent. The Southwest Utah Public Health Department reported 16,459 total positive cases including 10,412 total recovered cases,

41 currently hospitalized and 124 total fatalities. Included in these numbers are Washington County (4,422 active cases) and Iron County (1,190 active cases). Both counties continue to have a high transmission level.

This week our Executive Appropriations Committee (EAC) convened for their final meeting of the year to announce the latest budget estimates. During the meeting, they shared that the state will see a 1.5 percent increase in revenue in the current 2021 fiscal year and a 6.5 percent increase in the 2022 fiscal year. They also recommended appropriating \$121 million of this new revenue to a one-time COVID-19 educator assistance stipend for teachers and school staff. We know our educators have worked hard to keep schools open during this pandemic and we are grateful for their hard work and dedication. In addition, EAC recommended appropriating additional funds to the weighted pupil unit (WPU) to show the Legislature's commitment to education following voters' approval of Constitutional Amendment G, and to keep the promises we made a year earlier than planned.

During the weekly COVID-19 press briefing, the Governor and Department of Health announced a number of changes pertaining to our schools. Students who have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 will no longer have to quarantine if both wore masks at the time of exposure. Data has proven that there is a low risk for transmission when both students wear masks. Students who do not wear masks will still need to abide by current quarantine protocols.

The Utah Department of Health (UDOH) is recommending schools modify their COVID-19 case threshold. New case threshold recommendations for schools with a population of more than 1,500 is now one percent. The case threshold recommendation for schools with a population less than 1,500 is 15 cases. The UDOH also recommends that the classroom case threshold only apply to elementary schools.

Schools that reach the COVID-19 outbreak threshold will now have two options going forward. Schools can either move to all virtual learning for 10 calendar days or follow Test to Stay protocols. These protocols include having all students and staff get tested for COVID-19. Those who test negative can continue in the classroom. Those who test positive or chose not to get tested will move to virtual learning. The Utah Department of Health will also offer targeted testing to schools and surrounding communities experiencing a COVID-19 outbreak after the holiday break. Finally, as part of the Test to Stay program, every teacher who wants to be tested for COVID-19 can be tested weekly.

Before I close the update, I want to wish you the most wonderful Christmas. It's been a crazy year and no one will argue that. But it's the little things that mean the most and this holiday season I would imagine most of us are going to very much appreciate and enjoy those opportunities. Almost 30 years ago I got this idea to write a personal letter to each one of my family for Christmas. At the time that was Chris and my five children. I did that for a couple of years then I just didn't have time one year. My kids revolted and I had to sit down after Christmas and write the letters. Since then, I have continued every year and now write over 25 letters every Christmas. I thoroughly enjoy it every year even though it takes a lot of work. I usually sit in my office at home, put on some quality music and type one to two letters a day until I get it done. I then put them on the Christmas tree for everyone to take down and read. It is a way for me to express my love to my family and encourage them to do good things in their life. Most of the kids say they really enjoy them which makes me feel good. It has been a nice tradition in our family.

I hope you have wonderful traditions of your own and that you get to enjoy them with the ones you love. Thank you for your support over this year and we are all looking forward to a better, brighter year in 2021. Please email anytime at evickers@le.utah.gov with your feedback and thoughts.

Sincerely, Evan Vickers, Utah State Senate



SEN. EVAN VICKERS

UTAH SENATE DISTRICT 28



COURTESY THE VICKERS FAMILY

WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS from the Vickers, Evan and Chris.

by Macy HUNTER

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

When we think of Christmas music, one of the first pieces that come to mind is “O Holy Night.” (Lyrics by Placide Cappeau (1808-1877), music by Adolphe Adam (1802-1856) with the English translation by John Sullivan Dwight (1813-1893).

The imagery and melody of this particular carol sweeps us back to that long-ago night of mystery, beauty, and peace. Few of us realize that this Christmas song has a history filled with controversy. It was once not only banned by the clergy in France but also sparked political hostility in United States.

It started in 1847 when a French priest wanted an original poem for his Christmas Eve mass. The church organ had recently been restored and to celebrate the event, the priest asked a poet Placide Cappeau, a native of the town, to write a Christmas poem. Placide Cappeau was a gifted poet, the priest respected his talent and asked him to compose some appropriate verse.

On a train to Paris, shortly thereafter, the poet penned the verses of a poem he titled “Cantique de Noel.” Looking over his verses, Cappeau decided it would be more impressive set to music. After arriving in Paris, he met with his friend and composer, Adolphe Charles Adams. Within a few days, he produced an original composition for Cappeau.

Upon his return to Roquemaure, Cappeau presented the finished Christmas song to the priest, who was delighted with both the beautiful melody and heartfelt words. Three weeks later, “Cantique de Noel” was played in the church on Christmas Eve. Within a few years, it became a popular part of Christmas services in France.

Back in Roquemaure, however, all was not well. The songs composer, Cappeau, was not liked, the song was deemed inappropriate entertainment for Christians. These findings prompted the conservative religious establishment to condemn “Cantique de Noel,” claiming it possessed a “total absence of the spirit of religion.” Although they banned the carol from church services, the people continued to sing the beloved carol in their homes and on the streets. Soon, musicians had exported “Cantique de Noel” all over Europe and even across the Atlantic to the United States.

There, in 1855, John Sullivan Dwight, a minister, was busy developing new material for church hymnals. When he came across Cappeau’s carol, Dwight recognized within the

lyrics a message that resonated not only with his theology but also with his political views regarding freedom and equality: “Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother; and in His name all opposition shall cease!”

Dwight translated the French lyrics into English and renamed the hymn “O Holy Night.”

Now, over 150 years later, this beloved

carol is a Christmas tradition in most services around the world. With the current challenges and conflicts we face today, its message rings especially true as it draws us to a quest for peace and equality.

In the inspiring words of “O Holy Night” we hear a hope that sends us into the Christmas season and looks beyond it to a time when “Love and Compassion” might one day rule the “Whole Wide World.”



O Holy Night

A CONTROVERSIAL CAROL

Tradition, traditioooooon

by Mary Anne **ANDERSEN**

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

“One dollar and eighty-seven cents.” That’s how one of our family’s most beloved traditions begins. It is the opening of O. Henry’s “The Gift of the Magi,” the heart-breaking, heart-mending story of the young couple who sacrifice their dearest treasures to buy Christmas gifts for each other. Our family has read it on Christmas Eve for decades, first with our children, then with squirrely grandchildren, and now with just the two of us. The tradition was so entrenched that one year, when I actually finished the story myself, my family was horrified. You see, I always got too choked up to read the last page and had to hand it over to my husband to finish, but that year I finished it myself. “Mom! This isn’t right! You’re not supposed to be able to finish it.” Such is the hold that tradition has on us.

We all have those traditions

that seem like the only correct way to celebrate the holidays. Other family’s ways are just weird. During our years in Arizona, Christmas Eve never happened without tamales for dinner. At least that’s how many of our friends felt about it. And on Christmas night, the LDS ward had a Christmas dance for the grown-ups. We went the first year, looked around, looked at each other and asked, “What are we doing here?” We went home, put on our new pajamas or robes, and started the new Christmas puzzle, as normal people did. The dance was supposed to be on New Year’s Eve. Everyone knows that.

In the home I grew up in, five girls and two parents were crowded into a two-bedroom house. Mom’s Christmas budget, I learned years later, was \$25.00 per child, and yet, I’m telling you, Christmas was a party! Twenty-five dollars bought a lot of coloring books and NEW

crayons, books, sweaters, and games back then. Those opened gifts stayed under the wilting tree for days; one of the joys of the season was to “straighten our stuff.” My friend lived in a home where everything had to be put away by noon. When I would visit in the afternoon, you couldn’t even tell it had been Christmas. Sad.



We opened those presents one person at a time, starting with the youngest child, taking turns and then starting over. It took us hours because Santa Claus wrapped everything separately—pajama tops separately from the bottoms, etc. We were aghast at the style where everyone tore into his/her gifts at once, with the festivities over in fifteen minutes. What was the fun in that?! We continued that tradition with our own girls, and they now do it in their homes. Really good traditions can last for generations.

“ We all have those traditions that seem like the only correct way to celebrate the holidays. Other family’s ways are just weird.”

Holiday foods involve traditions of their own, and will be addressed another day. I’m just sayin’ that roast beef is a weird holiday meal, meant for Sunday dinner, not for Christmas Day. That is the day for ham, homemade rolls, and ice box cake. You don’t know ice box cake?!

 The advertisement features a scenic winter landscape with snow-covered evergreen trees and mountains in the background. In the foreground, a person wearing a red knit hat and a backpack is seen from behind, looking out over the valley. The text "WINTER PHOTO CONTEST" is prominently displayed in large, bold, white letters with a blue outline. Below this, a quote in white italicized text reads: "Winning photos will be featured in our next issue of Color Country Magazine!". At the bottom, a call to action in white text says: "Complete contest details/rules & enter your photo at IRONCOUNTYTODAY.COM".

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GIVING IN THE Spirit of Christmas

by Shary **BARUFFI**

IRON COUNTY TODAY

Every year, Stratum Real Estate's annual Spirit of Christmas Festival raises money for an organization or family in need. This year Stratum chose The Fife Family. Jameson Fife, a local resident of Cedar City and a caring father of six children, has been out of work for many months due to a work-related incident.

Jameson is self-employed and is the singular financial support for his family. With medical bills piling up and more months of healing to go, the Fife family needed some Christmas kindness. Stratum Real

Estate stepped up, stepped in and committed to contribute money to the Fife family for every individual who attended their 2020 Spirit of Christmas Festival.

Stratum Real Estate's 6th Annual Spirit of Christmas Festival raised \$4,200 and several additional items

to help make this an extra special year for the Fife family. In addition to funding, many visitors donated necessary items listed on Stratum's Giving Tree for the family.

Kelsea Burton, a realtor with Stratum Real Estate shared, "We donate to a different group or

cause every year. Our agents volunteer nominees and we decide as a group about one or two months before the Spirit of Christmas Festival."

In years past Stratum has donated to many local families and organizations including: The Iron County Care and Share and many Elementary schools in Iron County.

If you would like to learn more about Jameson Fife or to donate to the Fife Family's GoFundMe account visit: www.gofundme.com/f/jameson-fife-injury-fund. For more information about and photos from Stratum Real Estate's event visit: <https://stratumrealestate.com/christmas>.

"We donate to a different group or cause every year."

» **Kelsea Burton, Stratum Real Estate**



SHAY BARUFFI

A GRATEFUL JAMESON AND JENNIFER FIFE (CENTER) are presented the check from generous donors, by Joel Hilbert and the other members of the Stratum Real Estate Team.

CAREER CHANGED

I recently watched a heartfelt “dog-umentary” about the life of a guide dog. It explained how they were picked because of their potential to become leaders from their litters. It showed how they were trained, tested and then transferred to those people whose lives would be transformed and would benefit from their assistance.

Guide dogs are such a blessing to so many. They allow the blind to live more productive lives and they provide companionship to those who need extra comfort and courage on the battlefields of life. Entire books and other movies have been written and produced on the blessings of our furry “best friends.” Anyone who has ever had experiences with dogs—from working, playing and protecting, or being protected by—they know that it’s not a coincidence that canines can help us to conquer our challenges and enjoy life when things get ruff.

That being said, not all puppies chosen to be

guide dogs pass the test. It doesn’t mean they aren’t still useful and needed, but there is a certain criteria required for a dog to be able to help a blind person navigate the world. Some of the tests include the dog being willing to disobey a command to protect their person from danger.

“*We each have the abilities and responsibilities to not only make our own lives better, but to then help others navigate and live better lives.*”

This means that if the dog sees approaching danger like a hole (rut), or something that their person could trip over or be injured by, they will stop even if they are commanded to go forward. There is a lot of trust and responsibility involved and some dogs don’t make it. It doesn’t mean they’re bad, it just means they need to be “Career Changed.”

Sometimes in life we each need a career change. Where we’re at now in our lives may have been the perfect place for us and our families. However, there are times when some people and places are also meant to prepare us for what lies ahead. If you feel stuck and stagnant in any area of your life,



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

IRON COUNTY TODAY

it’s worth a look to see if something needs to be changed, upgraded, improved or removed. It’s tough to see the road from the ruts, especially when we’ve been stuck so long that we’ve become blind and no longer realize that we’re not seeing things as clearly as we need to.

Also, experiencing a career change isn’t always about changing careers or companions as much as learning to see more clearly how to remove the obstacles, fill in the ruts and pot-holes keeping us from becoming more successful and loving within our current careers and companionships.

Because despite the dangers out there waiting to discourage us and drown us in despair, we each have the abilities and responsibilities to not only make our own lives better, but to then help others navigate and live better lives. Helping others is the greatest career we could ever have. No, we’re not perfect. We will fall and fail some tests. Nevertheless, as the new year approaches, may we keep getting back up, overcoming challenges, making changes, course corrections and help each other endure, enjoy and live better.

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CALENDAR

Support Groups

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org • Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829

Meetings at KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

Thank God it's Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Women's Meeting • Sat, 10:30 am

What a Way to Start the Day • Su, W, F

7-8 am • All are welcome

Red Road to Sobriety • Mon, 6 pm Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, 440 N Paiute (435) 586-1112 Ext. 307

The Great Fact • T, F, Noon • Call for location • (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856

Red Creek Group • Wed, 7 pm • Canyon Park, Lions Pavilion • (435) 477-8925

The Great Fact • T, Fri, Noon. Call (435) 559-7777 for location.

AL-ANON

Meetings at KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm

Community Presbyterian Church, 2279 N. Wedgewood, Cedar City. (435) 559-3333

Al-Anon • 1st, 3rd Tues, 7-8 pm, Parowan Senior Center, 685 N 300 E (435) 477-8925

Hope for Today (Family Groups) Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

www.nasouthernutah.org • (435) 635-9603
Most classes meet at 203 E Cobblecreek Dr, unless otherwise listed

Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm

Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

Hope Without Dope • Thurs, 8 pm

Live and Let Live • Fri, 8 pm

Candle Light Meeting • Sat, 9:30 pm (Small room)

Women Only • Sun, 11 am

Dopeless Hope Fiends • Sun, 8 pm

The Meeting Hall, 1067 S Main St, Cedar (877) 865-5890.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER

Online Meetings: 2nd Fri, 5:30 pm
4th Mon, 5:30 pm • RSVP to mjmiller@alz.org or (435) 238-4998 x8773

PARKINSON'S

2nd Thurs, 3 pm • Cedar City Library

CAREGIVERS

1st Tues, Noon • Five County Aging Offices, 585 N Main St, Ste. 1, Cedar City

ARP—ADDICTION RECOVERY

1st Wed, 7 pm • Parowan Seminary building, Main & 300 N, Parowan

SENIOR BLIND/VISUALLY IMPAIRED

3rd Thurs, 1:30 pm • Cedar City Library

NAMI BRIDGES & FAMILY TO FAMILY

Thurs, 7 pm • SW Behavioral Health Center, 245 E 680 S, Cedar. Free • (435) 590-7749

PREGNANCY, INFANT LOSS

1st Wed, 7:30 pm • Share Families of So. Utah • 565 N Main Street, Ste. 6, Cedar City www.southernutahshare.com

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

3rd Thurs, 6-8 pm • Cedar Visitor's Center (581 N Main) Caregivers and those with MS

Service Clubs

LION'S CLUB

Tues, 12 pm • Call Pres. Roger Shurtz for mtg. info. Everyone welcome! (435) 590-2896

ROTARY CLUB

Tues, 12:15 • Southwest Tech 757 W 800 S, Cedar City • (435) 233-0244

CEDAR CITY ELKS LODGE #1556

111 E Freedom Blvd. Cedar City (435) 586-8332

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Detachment 1315, 2nd Wed, 6 pm
Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N, Cedar City.

AMERICAN LEGION AUX

3rd Wed, 6 pm, Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E Amer. Legion Conf. Room • (435) 704-6654

DAR – BALD EAGLE CHAPTER

2nd Tues, 4 pm, Cedar City Library
ajsbball@aol.com

BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE

1st Thurs 7 pm • 593 N 1450 W, Cedar City. Helpline: 435-559-4505

Classes/Activities

ADULT BARRE/MODERN DANCE

Wed, 11 am-noon, Spirit Wellness Club, 1615 N Main, Cedar City • All levels, Free to members, or \$8 drop-in fee.

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATIONS EXERCISE

Wed, 1 pm, Cedar City Senior Center 489 E 200 S • 435-586-0832. FREE. Trained instructors. Range-of-motion exercises, endurance-building activities, relaxation techniques, and health education topics.

AWANA BIBLE CLUB

7th-12th grade, Mon, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
3 yrs-6th grade, Wed, 6:30 pm - 8 pm
Valley Bible Church, 4780 N Hwy 91, Cedar City • (435) 586-0253 or (435) 990-1638

BOOK CLUB

2nd Thurs, 7 pm • Cedar City Library 303 N 100 E. Next month (Jan) we will discuss "The Zookeeper's Wife" by Diana Ackerman

CEDAR CHEST QUILTERS' GUILD

Thurs, 10 am • Cedar City Senior Center 489 E 200 S • (435) 586-0832

CEDAR CITY RADIO CONTROL CLUB

4th Thurs, 7 pm • Cedar City Library 303 N 100 E.

CEDAR CITY TOASTMASTERS

Thurs, 7 am • The Pastry Pub 86 W University Blvd. Find your voice & shape your future. Be the leader and speaker you want to be. (603) 731-0116

CEDAR PROFESSIONALS

Tues, 7:30 am • Springhill Suites, 1477 S Highway 91, Cedar City. An organization of business people. Stimulate business for members through exchange of ideas, information and business referrals. www.cedarprofessionals.org

COLOR COUNTRY WINDS

Wed • Come brush up on your band skills to share with the community. Call Debbie at (435) 559-9609 for time and location.

COLOR COUNTRY PICKLEBALL

M-F, 7-10 am • 155 E 400 S (Cedar Stake Ctr) Paddles & balls supplied. (435) 586-6345

HEY CEDARS SQUARE DANCE

Wed • Beginner's, 6 pm, Mainstream Dancers, 7-9 pm • Cedar City Senior Center 489 E 200 S. (435) 531-6811 or (435) 669-4867

Government

IRON COUNTY COMMISSION

2nd & 4th Mon, 9 am
Commission Chambers
68 S 100 E, Parowan.

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL

Wed (except 5th), 5:30 pm • City Hall
10 N. Main St (435) 586-2950

ENOCH PLANNING COMMISSION

2nd & 4th Tues, 5:30 pm • City Hall
900 E Midvalley Rd • (435) 586-1119

ENOCH CITY COUNCIL

1st & 3rd Wed, 6 pm • City Hall
900 E Midvalley Rd • (435) 586-1119

PAROWAN CITY COUNCIL

2nd & 4th Thurs, 6 pm • City Hall
35 E 100 N • (435) 477-3331

IRON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

3rd Wed, 11:30 am. Tickets \$20, https://www.ironcountyrepublicanwomen.com

DUE TO THE COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY to help prevent the potential spread of COVID-19, please check with the event and activity sponsors to make sure that the event is still taking place. Everyone's patience is greatly appreciated during this time.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

ROOTS DAY



A RED ACRE CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM (9AM – 5PM)

Red Acre Farm CSA (2322 W 4375 N, Cedar City). Get your complimentary hot apple cider every day, and maybe even fresh-baked cookies. We've decked the halls and the farm has plenty of space to roam. The farm stand has unique gifts and stocking stuffers from small artisans. There are fresh greens, wreaths, and Christmas trees waiting to be brought home. The farm and farm stand will be open 9-5, M-Sat closed Sunday. (no admission fee ever).



NATURE HILLS: CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM

(10am – 6pm) Nature Hills Farm (4326 N 2100 E, Cedar City). Christmas on the farm continues through December, as always, through our self-guided farm tour. We have beautiful Christmas trees, holiday gifts, and the farm store is stocked with delicious food. Come enjoy the farm especially in the snow, it's even more enchanting!

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE

EGGNOG DAY

DRIVE IN CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE (5:30PM)
Community Presbyterian Church (2279 N Wedgewood Lane, Cedar City). Join with us as we celebrate the gift of the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ. There will be Scriptures, Carols, Candles and Communion. Dress warmly. A special online communion will also be available at 6pm (see below).



CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE (ONLINE) – “To Us a Child is Born; to us a Son is Given” (6pm) www.cedarpress.org.
CHRISTMAS LANE STORY DRIVE – 5 TO 10 PM (400 E 1250 N, Cedar City, UT (behind Cedar City Motor Co. at the Golf Course). Admission is FREE for this winter wonderland. The homes in the loop participate in telling Clement Moore’s classic poem, “A Visit from St Nicholas” better known as, “The Night Before Christmas.”

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25



PUMPKIN PIE DAY



CHRISTMAS LANTERN WALK – (THRU JAN 2ND) 5 pm. Iron Springs Adventure Resort (3196 Iron Springs Rd, Cedar City) This is a free event sponsored by many churches in the community that will surely put you in the Christmas Spirit! Dress warm and bring your own lantern or purchase one on site. Enjoy a beautiful Lantern Walk through the Christmas Nativity displays. Info: sage@netutah.com, 435-851-6434.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

CANDY CANE DAY

RENTWAPO-WORKS FARMERS MARKET – 9AM TO 1PM, (4871 N Enoch Rd.) Eggs, Fruit, Vegetables, Hand-crafted items, Jewelry, Clothing, Homeopathic items and Home Décor. Good weather – Inside. Bad weather – Outside. Info: 435-559-1657 (Linda).

CEDAR CITY YEAR-ROUND DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET, 10am to 1pm, Every Saturday rain or shine, in the parking lot behind the Stratford Hotel, (18 S Main Street) or inside the building behind the parking lot in the cold weather months. Definitely worth stopping by for artwork, baked goods, crafts, custom semi-precious stone and costume jewelry, farm fresh produce, homemade brownies & candies, home style treats, homemade jams & jellies, homeopathic items and 100% real honey. Admission is FREE.

SATURDAY FARMER’S MARKET, 9AM TO 1PM, Saturdays @ IFA, 905 S Main. Good weather outside, bad weather inside. Farmers with vegetables, fruits, eggs, honey, baked goods &

bread, meats, tamales, food vendors, hand-crafted items including soaps, lotions, jewelry, clothing, home décor and gifts for all ages. For info call (435) 463-3735.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

FRUITCAKE DAY

PAROWAN WINTER WONDERLAND LIGHTS: Presented by the Parowan Chamber. From dark to 10 pm in the Parowan Main Street. Every night until January 3rd. Join them every Saturday for FREE hot cocoa & cider while supplies last. Bundle up and celebrate a “Winter Wonderland.”

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

CARD PLAYING DAY

HISTORY (1945) – THE US CONGRESS OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the Flag. The Pledge should be rendered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. "I pledge allegiance to the Flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

TICK TOCK DAY

HISTORY (1925) – IN NEW ORLEANS, MRS. PREMOS was putting together a turkey dinner for Christmas when she found a diamond in the neck of the turkey. The gem was worth thousands of dollars. Might be worth a trip to the farm to see if the treasured turkey has relatives with the same rich appetites!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

BACON DAY

PRECEPT UPON PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY – 6:30 TO 8:30 PM (Thurs 1-3 pm), Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). A 6-week study (Thru Feb 10) of 2nd Peter. Precept Bible studies are nondenominational. Call 435-267-2234 or 435-238-3078 for info and to register. The cost of the workbook is \$18. www.precept.org.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

LAST DAY OF 2020!

CHAMPAGNE DAY



BRIAN HEAD RESORT: NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY – “We Believe” (3pm to 12:30am) Brian Head Resort (329 S Hwy 143, Brian Head). Come for great food, live music from ‘Muddy Boots,’ the traditional Torchlight Parade and Fireworks Extravaganza to ring in the New Year. Info: (435) 677-2035.

POLICY KINGS: NEW YEAR’S EVE BASH (9PM to 12:30am) Policy Kings Brewery (223 N 100 W, Cedar City). There is a \$5 cover charge with tons of new cocktails and beer! Come and say farewell to 2020! The Austin Gray Band will jam and ring in the new year with all the hits! You don’t want to miss this group w/a special song at 12:01 am! This is a 21 yrs. and over event.

NOTE: UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WILL BE NO ENOCH ORCHESTRA (1851 thru 2020) this year. However, please watch the special video at: fortjohnson.org. We hope to return and restore this wonderful tradition next year!

There is no charge for calendar items. Your 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. The deadline is Friday at noon. The calendar is not to be used for advertising. Items will be printed at our discretion.



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SCHOOLS

ICSD News Nuggets

from Le Ann **WOOLSTENHULME**
IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiddlers Elementary

On Thursday, December 10th, students at Fiddlers Elementary were delighted to have a very special early visit from Santa, Mrs. Claus, and a couple of elves. They flew in on SUU Aviation helicopters. Santa spent time singing with the students and helped make some much-needed joy this holiday season. The visit was orchestrated by an organization called Angel Flight West. They corresponded with the Utah National Guard, the PTA, Sphere One FBO and SUU Aviation. They brought in so many donations and every child in the school benefitted from it. There are lots of thankful students at the end of a very tough school year.



Mrs. Tracy Womack. The letters formed festive trees to brighten up the halls.



Students and staff will enjoy Winter break through January 1. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to our community!

Escalante Valley School

Striving to improve our students' math facts, Escalante Valley School held its first ever math challenge, at the end of the 2nd Quarter. The top 3 students from each grade level competed against the rest of the school in each operation (+, -, x, and /) to determine who the overall top achievers were. Although many thought the 6th grade students would dominate the challenge, there were a few upsets. Future math fact challenges will take place at the end of each quarter through the rest of this school year. Based on the excitement levels of our students, the math challenge may quickly become a favorite tradition of our school.



East Elementary

To gear up for the holiday season, East Elementary celebrated with a 10 Days to Christmas Break Countdown! Everyone, including students, were invited to join in the jolly festivities throughout the last two weeks of school. Some of the activities included Holiday Sweater Day, a staff coloring contest, Christmas Spirit Dress-Up Day, decorating paper gingerbread houses to display in the school, and a visit from Santa Claus.

Everyone enjoyed this chance to come together and spread Christmas cheer. "It truly makes a difference to be in a happy place (of work)," said Engst, a fourth-grade teacher. One student shared, "I loved the dress up days because it made me hyped to go to school! It wasn't just a normal

day anymore!"

2020 has been an interesting year to say the least, but at least East was able to end the year on a positive, cheerful, and memorable note.



South Elementary

Each month at South Elementary we choose one student from each grade level who has shown that they are safe, kind and responsible. Each of these students get spotlighted in each of their grade level classrooms, they also get spotlighted over the intercom by Mr. Oldroyd. Then they each receive a South Elementary Eagle shirt as well as a picture with the principal that gets displayed in the front of our school. We are so lucky to have such amazing students at South Elementary.



SOUTH ELEMENTARY EAGLE PRIDE SPOTLIGHT STUDENTS

Three Peaks Elementary

The winners of the DARE essay contest were announced during the 5th grade DARE graduation ceremonies on December 11. Deputy Pires was proud of all of the essay entries and had a very difficult time choosing just one winner from each class.

2020 essay winners: Reagan Robinson-Mrs. Tiffany Young's class, Jacob Vargas-Mrs. Sherrie Mackelprang's class, Olivia Maloney-Mrs. Debbie Melling's class, and Kallie Neilson-Mr. Jason Robison's class.



Three Peaks Elementary would like to thank the PTA, and especially Stacy Halladay, for helping with our holiday festivities on Friday, December 18.

We hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday season! School will resume on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Enoch Elementary

The students at Enoch Elementary have been drumming in their Beverley Taylor Sorenson art class, taught by Mrs. Kirsten Anderson. The school received a grant from the Mockingbird Foundation to purchase their own classroom set of tubano drums. The students love practicing their musical skills. Mrs. Barton's first graders learned about the science of sound and are creating their own rhythm patterns.



The halls were decorated with Christmas wishes as each student typed a letter to Santa during Computer Class taught by

SCHOOLS



GATEWAY PREPARATORY ACADEMY

GATEWAY STUDENTS RECORD THEIR PARTS FROM SCENES of the play, "A Christmas Carol" to be presented for online listeners.

Gateway students perform on-the-air version of "A Christmas Carol"

from Andy **BURT**

DIRECTOR, GATEWAY PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Gateway Preparatory Academy traditionally performs a community concert at the Heritage Theatre. This year, due to COVID restraints, Gateway made professional recordings of the performing groups as well as a "radio broadcast" of, A Christmas Carol.

School Director, Andrew Burt said, "While our goal is to provide our students opportunities to put on a 'professional' performance every year, and we were sad to not have that opportunity this winter, this is a pretty cool alternative."

Students in band, orchestra and choir were professionally recorded this week. Those recordings were shared with Gateway families. Additionally, the drama class, with the help of Mr. Burt, performed and recorded a classic radio version of "A Christmas Carol On the Air," with sound effects; acted and produced by the drama class. The community can listen to the performances on the school's YouTube channel. <https://youtu.be/gGcSzXpPdrq>.

PEOPLE

93RD BIRTHDAY

Ray Valenzuela

December 15th was a special day for all of us. It was Ray's 93rd birthday. He is our energizer bunny; he keeps going, going and going. He continues to do the things he likes the most such as, mowing lawns and clean-up and with his son. We can't celebrate with him now but will soon. Happy Birthday, Love.



Brian Head Resort's favorite family chairlift—Navajo Express—is open

from Mark **WILDER**

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

After another good week of hard work by the snowmaking and grooming crews, we are excited to announce that we are opening more lifts and more terrain. Navajo Express (Chair 4) will be opening in addition to the already open terrain of Giant Steps Express Chair # 2,

Blackfoot Chair # 3 and Pioneer Chair # 6. While still operating on limited terrain, accessible ski and snowboard trails are more than double what they were last week. Buy your tickets online and early for the best possible prices. www.brianhead.com/tickets. Also remember our Navajo Snow Tubing Park is open for some great family fun for the non-skiers in your

group. The Snow Tubing Park is open daily from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Remember, proper face coverings are required at all times. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at Brian Head Resort!

For further information and updates, please check: www.brianhead.com, www.facebook.com/Brian.Head.Resort/, and www.instagram.com/brianheadresort.

Christmas WINNERS

COLORING CONTEST

ALLSTATE INSURANCE MIKE HAIGHT OFFICE

AGES 0-7
1st: Aarav Parshotam
2nd: Emmiline Davenport

AGES 8-13
1st: Isaac Jessop
2nd: Mandallae Barlow

BLVD HOME
Ethan Arnold, 8

CEDAR DRUG & GIFT

AGES 0-5
1st: Brenna McCoy
2nd: Alayah Jessop

AGES 6-11
1st: Isaac Jessop
2nd: Vivian Darger and Joseph Meyer

AGES 12+
1st: Megan Zufelt
2nd: Avalon Jessop and Jared Barlow

COLOR COUNTRY PEDIATRICS

AGES 0-5
1st: Brock Hardman, 5
2nd: Brenna McCoy, 5
3rd: Beckett Williams, 4

AGES 6-11
1st: Madison Carling, 11
2nd: Aarav Parshotam, 7
3rd: George Meyer, 10

ERA REALTY

AGES 0-5
1st: Reese Welch
2nd: Brenna McCoy
3rd: Beckett Williams

AGES 6-10
1st: Brandon Barlow
2nd: Emree Arnoldson
3rd: Tina Rowley

JONES PAINT & GLASS

AGES 0-4
Alex Brown, 4

AGES 5-9
Brian Barlow, 8

AGES 10-13
Madison Carling, 11

AGES 14-18
Stormie Barlow, 17

AGES 19+
Mildred Fischer, 35

JRI INSURANCE

AGES 2-10
Aarav Parshotam, 7

AGES 11-18
Jennie Jessie, 18

PALLETE BAKERY

AGES 0-5
Emmiline Davenport, 4

AGES 6-10
Aarav Parshotam, 7

AGES 11-15
Mandallae Denali Barlow, 13

AGES 16-20
Jennie Jessop, 18

PIZZA HUT

AGES 0-5
1st: Brenna Mclay, 5
2nd: Heber Allen, 4
3rd: Kiowa Palmer, 2

AGES 6-10
1st: Caleb Cole, 9
2nd: Elizabeth Linn, 10
3rd: Lane Davenport, 9

SC BROADBAND

PRE-K - 1ST GRADE
Wade Arnoldson, 6

2ND - 5TH GRADE
Madison Carling, 11

6TH - 8TH GRADE
Mandallae Denali Barlow, 13

SUU HEADSTART

Contact SUU Head Start office at 435 586-6070 after Jan. 5th for winner information

CONGRATULATIONS!

FAITH

Prepare, invite, keep

LUKE 2:1-14

Luke 2 contains the beautiful story of the birth of Jesus. From these sacred verses have come many life-changing books, plays and songs, each praising the Miracle from the manger of so long ago; a Miracle whose light and love still resonate throughout the world today...at least in the hearts of those who choose to Prepare, Invite and Keep Him room. Sadly, there are still some “innkeepers” who are too busy, blinded, cramped and crowded by worldly things to make room, let alone hear the gentle, genuine knocking of the Savior upon their door (Revelation 3:20).

While the scriptures do not fully reveal the real reason there was no room in the inn that night, nor do they chide the busy innkeeper (would he have saved a room if he knew Jesus was coming?), they do charge each of us with the challenge, “Let every heart prepare Him room.”

We’re each familiar with this line from the famous refrain, “Joy to the World.” And yet, is Christmas the only time when we prepare Him room? Perhaps it’s the most convenient, but then who are we preparing room for the rest of the year, or do we just let our hearts sit vacant? Also, it is not only important to prepare Him room, but imperative to Invite Him in and then Keep preparing and inviting the whole year long. Because the Savior of the world (John 3:16-17) does not just want to be a vision or godly guest; He wants to be with us always (Romans 8:28-29).

When we prepare Him room, do we give Him our best room, or substitute a mangy manger out back? Do we visit Him, check in on Him, or just give Him a room key and a checkout time? Some people have sealed off whole wings of their heart from God—perhaps they don’t want to be hurt, or bear the responsibility of righteousness. Others do well to prepare Him room with all the paintings (are our walls more worthy than our hearts), bookshelves and coffee tables with the latest books and even bumper-stickers...everything is ready to receive Christ except for the one place He wants to be even more than on our

cars, walls and bookshelves...our hearts. Jesus has been born. He lives! He no longer needs a manger, He needs our hearts. May we each prepare Him room (our very best one) and invite Him in during this season of celebration of His birth on earth and let Him stay the



GOD'S Porch
by Corey BAUMGARTNER
IRON COUNTY TODAY

whole year. Because Christmas is only the beginning; the key that opens the door and invites Joy into the world. Thus, if we truly want peace on earth and goodwill towards mankind, we must not only Prepare Him room in our hearts during this Christmas season, but Invite and Keep Him in our hearts every other day of the year. May we each experience the “wonders of His love” now and in all the years to come.

Christmas Eve is not cancelled!

As people of faith, one of our most treasured traditions of the Christmas season is going to church on Christmas Eve. Many of us recall Christmas Eve’s where we’d enjoy a wonderful music and message filled worship service and exit the church building to beautiful falling snow. What a peaceful, beautiful, serene way to celebrate!

This year our celebrations look different—from the ways we’ve shopped (online in our homes) to the gatherings we’ll enjoy (smaller and more intimate) and the greetings with our extended families and friends (on Facetime and Zoom). Christmas Eve looks different too as we will not gather in the warmth of church sanctuaries to sing side-by-side the familiar Christmas carols.

But Christmas Eve is not cancelled! The manger still holds the Christ child. Mary and Joseph still gaze upon the baby, and we still can hear in our hearts the strains of “Silent Night.” Maybe you’ll bemoan the fact that you

cannot dress in your Christmas finery to attend a worship service, but you can still experience the Christmas story. Perhaps you’ll be inspired to create your own worship experience in your own home this Christmas Eve. Light candles, read the familiar story from Luke 2:1–20. Pray a prayer asking God to light your lives with the joy of Jesus’ love. And bask in the glow of what God has done for the world in sending his Son to earth.

And if you’re feeling adventurous, you might come out to Community Presbyterian Church’s first ever Drive-in Christmas Eve service. We’ll start at 5:30 p.m. in the parking lot at 2279 N Wedgewood Ln. in Cedar City. Dress warmly and join us for carols, candles, communion and a reading of the Christmas story.

Merry Christmas, and may the love and joy that Jesus brings enter your hearts in a new way this blessed season.

*Pastor Nancy Pearson
Community Presbyterian Church*

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In Memory

(George) Michael Dearden 66 (6-24-1953 to 12-24-2019)

Michael was born in Wichita, KS and raised rural western KS before becoming a resident of Cedar City, UT.

Michael was a very loving, caring husband, father & friend. He loved horses and animals of all kinds, country living, cooking, nature, reading, stargazing, camping, fishing, and hunting, gathering of family and friends, having fun and being silly.

Michael was a hard worker all his life; spending his early years as a feedlot cowboy & driving heavy equipment. He went into restaurant management upon moving to Utah in the Early 80's and later became Employed to PCi of St. George, UT for 25+ yrs., driving heavy equipment in the rock quarries.

Michael is survived by his wife, Brenda Dearden; sister, Jana Poff of Wichita, KS, brother, Kirk Dearden of Oklahoma City, OK and stepsister, Dee Shull of Dighton, KS. He is also survived by daughter, Whitney Minefee of Orting, WA, son, Stetson Dearden of Enoch, UT, former daughter, Michele Britton of Brewster, KS and former Son, Michael Paul Dearden of Cornville, AZ. Michael is also survived by many cousins, nephews & nieces.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, Arthur, his mother, Helen and brother, Steve.

1Thess 4:14-17

Rest high on that mountain, until we meet again.
FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS.

OBITUARIES

James "Jimmer" Ray Ferguson



James Ray Ferguson, "Jimmer", was born on November 3, 1966 in Provo, Utah. Jimmer was a wonderful son. We all loved him so very much. When Jimmer was growing up, he was very active in sports, he played football and baseball was his passion.

Jimmer married Aleta Hoyt years ago. They got married in Las Vegas, Nevada. He had 3 step sons and 1 step daughter; Jade, Corby, Randy and Jess. After the kids grew up, they raised their granddaughter and great grandsons; Sadie, Kash and Karsen.

There were many more grandkids.

Jimmer was a year-round hunter. He and his wife, Aleta, were always out hunting all year long. He loved to go scouting with his best buddies, Bandit and Bentley. Jimmer loved fishing too. He and Joe would go ice fishing every winter.

Jimmer was an electrician for 35 years. He worked for his father, Jim, who taught him his trade. He also learned from other electricians. His uncle Pete helped him along the way. He was with Marshall and Evans at the end.

He left his loving family on December 18, 2020. He is survived by his wife, Aleta; parents, Jim and Bonnie; sister Cheryl and many more family members. He is preceded in death by four grandparents, two uncles and his little sister, Shawn.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 29, 2020, at 1pm at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W. Cedar City, UT). A viewing will be held prior to the service at 12pm. Interment will be at the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Live streaming of the service can be found at the bottom of Jimmer's obituary. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com.

OBITUARIES

Michael "Mike" LaRell Adams



Michael "Mike" LaRell Adams, 72, passed away with his children by his side on December 9, 2020, after a hard-fought battle with COPD. Mike was born to Homer and Alta Adams on August 11, 1948, and was their first-born son. He was born in Cedar City, Utah, but grew up in Parowan, Utah - a place he loved with all his heart. Mike attended Parowan Elementary and graduated from Parowan High in 1966. He had a love for all sports, but especially football and basketball. He lettered in every sport, which is impressive regardless of his small class size of 45! Mike received his Eagle Scout and was also chosen to go to "Boys State" which was an honor and held for students with only the highest of grades. After graduation, Mike attended SUSC (now Southern Utah University) in Cedar City and earned a bachelor's degree in Business.

Mike made the decision to move to Salt Lake City to pursue a career in real estate with his uncle Ken Prothero at Mt. Olympus Realty. He later opened his own company known as Microvest, which he ran out of his home. He was very successful with this, but later decided to obtain his contractor's license and start his business, Mike's Custom Tile.

In 1972, he met and fell in love with Laura Wilcox. They were married on April 9, 1974 in Salt Lake City, Utah and were later divorced. Together, they share three children and 11 grandchildren. Jaci, Jodi and Ryan were Mike's pride and joy and there isn't anything he wouldn't have done for them! Mike loved seeing his kids happy and thriving and was always there to offer his famous words of advice - always! His real joy came in his later years with his grandkids who affectionately called him, "Grandpa Mike." He looked forward to their visits, calls, swapping jokes and having them help out with his computer needs, which was often.

Mike settled in Paragonah, Utah or "Paradise" as he called it. He wondered why everyone didn't live there. He felt like he had his own little slice of heaven. Mike loved the slower-paced country life where he could hunt, fish, ride horses and visit with friends and family. He loved the Iron County Fair when he could pitch horseshoes, go to the rodeo and watch the horse races. Always the flirt, Mike looked forward to the dances where he could show off his fancy foot work.

Mike is survived by his three siblings, Eugene (Kathy) Adams, Kenny (Shari) Adams and Darla (Julian) Rollins; his three children, Jaci Cyphers, Jodi (Brant) Bennett, and Ryan (Bridget) Adams; his eleven grandchildren and greatest loves, Austin, Blakely, Aiden, David, Cason, Brody, Laney, Lizzie, Liam, Adelaide and Brooks; and many loving nieces, nephews and dear friends - too many to name here, but are remembered, nonetheless.

Mike is preceded in death by his mother, father and nephew, Kyle Adams. He will also be greatly missed by his long-time and cherished companion, old Chili Jack. A dear friend of Mike's said it best that "Mike wouldn't want a big fuss made over him, but maybe just a little bit of a fuss." In that spirit, we will have a small celebration of life for our dad on Monday, December 28th, at 11:00am at the LDS Church cultural hall in Paragonah. After which, Dad's ashes will be spread at The Yankee, his favorite spot and at his request.

We are aware of the unique circumstances that surround us due to the pandemic and ask that only family members attend the celebration. We will have a Zoom link for those unable to be with us. We would like to thank the many people that served our father during his final time here on this earth. It meant more to him and to us than you'll ever know. Our hearts are forever changed through you and by your example of love and pure kindness for our Dad. You know who you are. Thank you! Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at SerenityStG.com. Arrangements and memorial tree planting by Serenity funeral Home of Southern Utah, 986-9100.

Sharyn Ellen Wood Humphreys



Our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, Sharyn Ellen Wood Humphreys of Taylorsville, Utah, passed away on Saturday, December 12th, 2020. She was 73 years old. She fought a long and debilitating battle with early-onset Alzheimer's Disease.

Sharyn was the first child born to parents Paul Webster Wood and Catherine Badger Wood on June 6th, 1947 in Cedar City, Utah. She attended Cedar High School where she was active with the Girls Organization, the Cedar Pep Club Suah Kahne, United Nations, and the Girls Glee Chorus. She was homecoming queen and graduated in 1965. She went on to study elementary education at Utah State University where she graduated in 1969. Sharyn also married the love of her life, Michael Dale Humphreys in 1969 when they were sealed for time and all eternity in the St. George, Utah Temple. Together they raised four sons: Ryan, Paige, Nicholas, and Garrett.



Sharyn enjoyed spending time with family boating, skiing, golfing, and supporting her four boys in all their school and extracurricular activities.

She was a loving mother who was willing to do anything for her family and friends. She had a fun personality and was always up for an adventure and a good time. She loved her monthly Bonco group and laughing with friends and family. She was very gifted in her talents of sewing, making homemade crafts and decorations. She served diligently in her various callings in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. This included serving in the primary, young women's president, and stake Relief Society presidency. The Lord blessed her with a creative mind which she magnified by going above and beyond each time she taught a lesson or planned an activity in the ward. She also used these talents to bless neighbors and friends and in her own home.

Sharyn is survived by her husband Michael Humphreys, three sons: Paige (Erica), Nicholas, and Garrett (Megan), brother Michael (Paula) Wood, sisters Marilyn (Larry) Milne, Paula (Dave) Trimble, and Joanne (Laine) Sutherland, and nine grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son Ryan, and her parents.

The family has entrusted Redwood Mortuary with the arrangements. A funeral service was scheduled for Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 2:00 PM at Memorial Redwood Mortuary located at 6500 South Redwood Road in West Jordan, Utah and Bishop Rogan Ishino officiated the ceremony. A viewing was held from 12 to 2:00 PM.

Submitting an obituary...

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OBITUARIES

Gerald Williams Prince



Gerald Williams Prince, the oldest of four children of Marion Francis and Lola Williams Prince, was born in Cedar City, Iron County, Utah, September 10, 1931. He passed away at home in Cedar City December 10, 2020.

He grew up in New Harmony, Utah and was always proud and pleased to call it home. He attended school grades 1-8 in New Harmony in a two-roomed school building. He was a graduate of Cedar City High School. He graduated from Southern Utah University and from Brigham Young University. He was an active Latter-day Saint, having served a mission to the California Mission for the LDS Church.

He married his eternal companion and the sunshine in his life, Marilyn (Sunshine) Sorensen February 3, 1961, in the Logan, Utah LDS Temple. They are the parents of three children, Gregory Sorensen (Debra Bohne) of Ogden, Utah, NanciAnne (Jeffrey) Evans of Cedar City, Utah, and Michael Ameer (Bernadette Chappell) of Yucca Valley, California.

He is a grandpa to eleven grandchildren: Michael Ameer, Ashley Marie, Justin Cole, Mandolyn (Lindy), Natalie (Ann), Cason Dayanand (deceased), Cordell Devanand, Lindsay (Lou), Jordan Tylor, Marion Ishaan, and Kaylee (Sue). He has three great-grandchildren: Sawyer Feltner, Sophia Marilyn Feltner, and Gregory Flynn Prince.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn, of Cedar City formerly of Sacramento, California, children and grandchildren, sister Lana Jean Prince Grant of New Harmony, Utah, sister-in-law Dawn Prince of Holladay, Utah, and brother-in-law Ronald B. Sanders of Cedar City, Utah.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, Cason Dayanand Prince, sister Sharlene Prince Sanders, brother Paul F. Prince, brothers-in-law Dr. Sheldon Kerry Grant and Dr. Charles Cordell Sorensen.

Funeral services were held on Friday, December 18, 2020, at 11am at Southern Utah Mortuary, 190 North 300 West, Cedar City, Utah. A viewing was held prior to the services from 9:30 - 10:30am. Interment was in the New Harmony, Utah Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com. The services were also livestreamed and can be found under Gerald's obituary.

David Aaron Ricks



David Aaron Ricks, age 79, passed away on December 13, 2020, in Enoch, Utah. He was born on April 15, 1941, in Rexburg, Idaho to Aaron and Miriam (Scholes) Ricks.

David was a forester, fisherman, pilot, chicken hypnotizer, rock thrower, Eagle Scout, bear killer, guitarist, Army Veteran, master gardener, ski bum and a weatherman.

He gave his service freely and loved his Family and the Gospel.

David is survived by his wife of 42 years, Karen, and his children Nichole

(Frank) Hammons, Justin Ricks, Michael (Kat) Ricks, and Ashley (Hayden) Werber, and his three grandchildren.

A viewing was scheduled from 5-7 pm on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at Affordable Funeral Services, 2002 N Main St #7, Cedar City, Utah. Interment was at the Teton Newdale Cemetery in Madison County, Idaho on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 1:00 pm. Under the direction of Affordable Funeral Services (435)586-3456.

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

Sara Lynn Jones



Our Sweet Angel, Sara Lynn Jones, peacefully passed away in the wee night hours of December 13th 2020, thankfully in the comfort of her own bed under the loving care of family and friends.

Sara was born in Pasadena California to George Dayton Jones Sr. and Susan Corrine Putman on January 30, 1976 she was raised here in Southern Utah where she attended Cedar High School and upon graduating worked for her favorite place Dairy Queen on Main Street

Cedar City for 25 years. Sara loved having her nails done and listening to her favorite music and playing with all the children of the family and spending time with her Danville Family and friends and her chickens and camping. She is proceeded in death by her father George Dayton Jones Sr. and Brother Bruce Jones as well as other Grandmothers, Grandfathers, Aunts, and Uncles.

She will forever survive in the memories of her loving Family, Mother Susan Putman Jones, Sister Bonnie Koehl (Benjamin Koehl), Sister Becky Jones, and Brother George Jones (Cindy Jones). She also leaves behind many adoring Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, and Nephews the Koehls, Stovers, Jessup, Ashdown, Hall, Harris, Keitz, Wagners, Martinez's and Garcias.

Sara Lynn will forever be the light of our family.

Online condolences can be sent to her memorial page at www.affordablefuneralservices.com.

Edgar Scott Chamberlain



Edgar Scott Chamberlain (85) went peacefully on to his next estate on December 12, 2020, in St. George, Utah. He was born to Edgar Cram Chamberlain and Norine Jones Chamberlain in Cedar City, Utah, on July 27, 1935. They taught him well to be a hard worker, and he progressed through life always wanting to be busy.

He married Karen Porter on September 11, 1959, raised a family of two girls and two boys and worked hard to provide for them—including working for 30 years for CSU/SUU where he retired.

Scott was a dedicated worker in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in many callings including scouting, teaching Sunday School, Executive Secretary to two different bishops, Bishop, High Councilman, Stake Missionary, and High Priest Group Leader in two different wards.

His love of country and the Constitution were obvious to anyone who knew him. He was very patriotic and served in the local artillery unit of

the National Guard from 1958 to 1964.

Scott is survived by his wife and children, Jennifer, Jonathan, Joseph and Joanna. He has 8 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. His parents and his sibling, LoRaine Jones Chamberlain (Lila Stapley), DyAnn (Garry Pollock) and Larry Chamberlain, preceded him in death. Also preceding him are a foster daughter, Elvira Thompson Boyd and her daughter, Jennifer Boyd.

Thanks to those at Southgate Senior Living and Integrated Hospice for their compassionate care during the last years of Scott's life and for the special care he received during his last few days.

A private viewing and funeral service was held on December 17, 2020 at 1pm at Southern Utah Mortuary. All were welcomed to attend the interment at the Cedar City Cemetery at 2:00 pm under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Live streaming of the service was available on Scott's obituary page. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com.

Daniel Bow Growler



Daniel Bow Growler, 72, passed away December 11, 2020, at Dixie Regional Medical Center in St. George, UT. He was born May 31, 1948 in Cedar city, UT to Jessie Jacks and Jackson Bow. He grew up in Cedar City, UT went to school at Cedar High. He was married and divorced to Helen Growler.

Daniel was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His interest and hobbies were to paint, draw, and travel. This year Daniel completed two memoirs in

Utah, one in Santa Clara and Cedar City.

He is survived by his four children Jason, Shannon, Whitney, and Aerial Growler. He has 14 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. 2 brothers Marcus and Merton Bow. 2 sisters Marcella Snow and Tania Growler.

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, 3 older brothers, 1 sister, 2 nephews, and 1 niece.

Funeral Services were held Friday, December 18, 2020, at 1pm at Southern Utah Mortuary. A viewing was held prior to the service on Friday, December 18, 2020 from 12:30pm-1:00pm. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery, under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com.

Eric Lee Brinkerhoff



Eric Lee Brinkerhoff, age 70, passed away on December 11, 2020, at his home in Glendale, Utah, with his family at his side. He was born May 8, 1950, in Panguitch, Utah to Leah Levanger and Mark Jones Brinkerhoff. Eric married his eternal sweetheart, Colene Crofts on June 23, 1973, in the St. George Temple. They were inseparable for 47 years.

Eric graduated from Valley High School in Orderville. He attended Dixie College and then went on an LDS mission to the Northern States

Mission which included helping start the restoration of Nauvoo. After his mission, he attended Salt Lake Technical College. He returned back to Glendale to work on the Kaibab as a skidder. He moved his young family to Elsinore, Utah to attend Sevier Valley Tech in Richfield for a year then returned back home to Glendale. He was then employed by South Central Communications for 26 years and helped everyone with phone and internet troubles. Eric formed many lasting relationships throughout his work.

Eric and Colene were called on 3 LDS service missions: 1) Cascade Park in the Everett, Washington Mission 2) Camp Ho-Nok in Soda Springs, Idaho. 3) Bishop's Storehouse in Cedar City, Utah. They were also called to be ordinance workers in the St. George Temple. Eric served in 4 bishoprics and was scoutmaster many times. He faithfully served in several callings.

In Glendale, he was known to walk through town stopping to visit or help anyone and everyone. He served on the town board and was Mayor of Glendale. He was constantly calling, texting, and streaming his grandkids and their activities. Eric loved each and every one of his children and grandchildren.

Survivors include wife Colene Brinkerhoff of Glendale; children Tanya (Ricky) Rose of Milford, Marcus (Patty) Brinkerhoff of Cedar City, Marilyn (Mark) Stewart of Richfield, Laura (Jason) Sherwood of Kanab, Raymond (Amanda) Brinkerhoff of Glendale, and Natalie Church of Kanab; siblings Kurt (Ina Mae) Brinkerhoff of Kanab, Dale (Suzanne) Brinkerhoff of Cedar City, Christine Tait of Tropic, and Annette Cornia of Riverton, Utah; and eighteen grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A viewing was held from 5-7 PM Sunday evening, December 20, 2020, at the Glendale Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. A graveside service followed the next day, Monday, December 21, 2020, at 11AM in the Glendale Cemetery. Arrangements were made with Mosdell Mortuary of Kanab.

Cougars spoil Falcons' home hoop opener

CEDAR BOYS TAKE DOWN PAYSON LIONS 79-62 AT PINE VIEW

by Tom ZULEWSKI

IRON COUNTY TODAY



The Canyon View Falcons boys basketball team had been idle for two weeks as they welcomed the Kearns Cougars to the Nest on Dec. 19. The rust showed at times, and the 6A visitors took full advantage.

Amare Ames scored 14 points and Kearns used a 13-0 second-quarter run to break the game open and cruise to a 63-47 victory over Canyon View to spoil the home opener. The Falcons fell to 1-3 on the young season.

"Part of this was having two full weeks off," Canyon View coach Robbie Potter said. "Kearns has played eight games already and three this week. For us, we came out thinking 'oh yeah, we're playing someone else

“Kearns was a good Region 9-type team and we need that type of competition.”

» Robbie Potter, Canyon View coach

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|  | Kearns 63 |
|  | Cyn. View 47 |

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| Kearns | 16 | 17 | 13 | 17 | -- | 63 |
| Cyn. View | 8 | 7 | 13 | 19 | -- | 47 |

Kearns – Juang 9, Mowlid 4, Wanhi 5, Lavizzo 3, Gasolaga 6, Smith 1, Lockart 3, Ames 14, Deng 6, Daw 10, Crosby 2. Totals 23 14-19 63. 3-pointers – Juang 1, Lockart 1, Ames 1.

Canyon View – Allred 8, Maine 10, Zobell 2, Farrow 5, Tom 2, Barnes 4, Greenhalgh 14, Malcom 2. Totals 16 12-18 47. 3-pointers – Farrow 1, Greenhalgh 2.

now.' Once they get on top of you, they're like sharks in the water. They'll keep coming after you."

Kearns (6-2) broke a two-game losing streak behind a balanced scoring effort as all 11 players on the roster scored at least two points. The Cougars led 33-15 at halftime and pushed the lead to as much as 20 points in the second half.

Canyon View was led by 14 points from Brenden Greenhalgh and 10 from Tyler Maine. The Falcons outscored the Cougars 32-30 in the second half, but couldn't push the deficit under double figures.

"The thing we found out



BRENDEN GREENHALGH MAKES A STRONG MOVE to elude his Cougar defender and get to the basket for the Falcons.

With realignment final, Canyon View looks forward

As is the custom from the UHSAA, the newest high-school sports realignment is official for the next two seasons, starting next fall through 2023. For the second time, the Canyon View Falcons are leaving the Region 9 family for the 3A classification.

The Falcons are returning to 3A, but with a slightly different cast of competitors this time around. CV will be joined by Juab, Manti, North Sanpete, Richfield and Carbon on the football field for the new 3A South, but things get flipped around for all other sports.

While Carbon and Richfield will stay in the new Region 12, only Emery and Grand County come over to complete a five-team region as Juab, Manti and North Sanpete move over to Region 14. As if that wasn't enough to get the head spinning, Region 9 will be no more for Cedar next fall as the Reds join the St. George-area schools in a new Region 10. That move was made necessary due to 5A adding a fifth region as it ballooned to 33 schools.

Meanwhile, 4A shrinks to two regions.

Instead of 4A North and 4A South, we get Region 10 and 11 with a total of just 13 schools between them. That will radically change the dynamic for the playoffs with the RPI system in place now.

CV boys basketball coach Robbie Potter believes we

may have seen the last alignment of regions for Utah high school sports.

"A lot of people get caught up with the travel, but we've gravitated toward a 3A-sized school," Potter said. "The competition won't be any easier for us. With the RPI, in two years the classifications will be gone."

"There will be some exciting things, but I think this is the right fit for us overall."

The realignment is even more interesting for Parowan. The Rams will be returned to the 1A ranks for football, joined in the new South division by Enterprise, Gunnison, Kanab, Milford and North Sevier. Defending state champion Beaver and Millard survived the change and will be joined by Delta, Grand, San Juan and South Sevier. The Rabbits and Broncos are moved down from the 3A ranks.

In a newly-formed 2A Region 19 for all other sports, Parowan will keep its rivalries with Kanab, Enterprise and Beaver, while San Juan and South Sevier join the mix.

While the new realignment makes for interesting travel planning for athletic directors and coaches, this is just the start of things to come. As Utah's population grows and enrollments rise

and fall throughout the state, don't be surprised if regions go away two years from now.

Love it or hate it, the RPI will make regions unnecessary with all games counting and all schools advancing to the state playoffs.

» **With SUU football still a couple months away** from starting a spring season for the first time, we can't let the current state of the FBS ranks pass without speaking up.

In our pandemic-driven world, the NCAA's attempt to play a season with COVID cases all around us has resulted in an embarrassing joke of a College Football Playoff lineup. The Ohio State Buckeyes are the biggest reason why.

As the season unfolded, the Big Ten put a rule in place that said teams had to play a minimum of six games to be eligible for the conference championship game that was played Dec. 19.

In a Dec. 9 story published in USA Today, a statement from the Big Ten said that based on "competitive analysis," the conference determined Ohio State "would have advanced" to the championship game because of its 42-35 win over Indiana last month regardless of if they had played rival Michigan or not.

Karma could be talking after the CFP matchups were announced Sunday,

but the Buckeyes drew No. 2 Clemson for its semifinal game on New Year's Night.

What about the undefeated teams on the outside looking in? Sorry, no can do, according to the selection committee. Excellent season not derailed by COVID be damned, I guess.

We're speaking of you, Cincinnati, Coastal Carolina, and San Jose State. All teams undefeated who are — and will sadly always be — on the outside looking in when it comes to finding a national champion.

San Jose State won the Mountain West for its first conference title in 29 years and first undefeated season in 81 years. Coastal beat BYU along the way to its undefeated season, too, but none of those feel-good stories matter, and it hurts that much more with all the chaos the COVID pandemic has placed on everyone.

So, if you want to celebrate another national title game between Clemson and Alabama, go right ahead. Don't expect the rest of us to jump on the bandwagon.



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI

SPORTS WRITER



JR ROBINSON

ADDISON NEWMAN TAKES FLIGHT FOR THE FALCONS in an attempt to escape the Wolves from Enterprise.

PREP HOOPS

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was getting space and making them play defense for a little while," Potter said. "I wasn't sure if there was something on the basket, but Kearns was a good Region 9-type team and we need that type of competition."

The Falcons hosted Providence Hall on Monday in a game that was too late for press deadline, and it starts a stretch of four games before the end of the year when the Steve Hodson Classic gets under way Dec. 28.

The Canyon View's girls team fell in its only game of the week, dropping a 43-31 decision on the road at unbeaten Enterprise on Dec. 16. The Falcons were outscored 12-2 in the second quarter as the Wolves built a 22-8 lead at the half before cruising to its fifth straight win.

Addie Newman led CV (1-4) with 13 points in the loss. The Falcons will be idle until Dec. 28 when they open play at the Steve Hodson Classic at home against Grantsville in a 5:30 p.m. tipoff.

The Cedar boys basketball team returned to play Dec. 19, coming away with a 79-62 victory over the Payson Lions in a game played at Pine View High. The Reds evened its record at 2-2 on the season, and no other details from the game were available.

Cedar will be idle until the opening game of the Steve Hodson Classic on Dec. 28 when it hosts Stansbury in an 8:30 p.m. tipoff, the first of four games to be played at the Cedar gym.

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

Cougars sprint past Thunderbird women



by Tom ZULEWSKI

IRON COUNTY TODAY

After waiting six days for chance to play — and seeing another potential opponent call off its matchup due to COVID issues — the Southern Utah women's basketball team battled with the BYU Cougars on even terms through the first half.

Thanks to a suffocating full-court press, the visitors flipped the game in the second half and turned it firmly in their favor.

Shaylee Gonzales scored 26 points as BYU used a 28-4 run and went on to beat the T-Birds, 84-74 in a matinee matchup at the America First Events Center. Liz Graves led SUU with a career-high 34 points, but the T-Birds fell to

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|  | BYU | 20 | 15 | 25 | 24 | — | 84 |
|  | So. Utah | 17 | 22 | 13 | 22 | — | 74 |
| | BYU — Gustin 19, Hamson 2, Gonzales 26, Albiero 8, Harding 15, Graham 4, Smiler 3, White 5, Perri 2, Totals 33-61 12-16 84. 3-pointers — Aibeiro 2, Harding 1, Graham 1, Smiler 1, White 1. | | | | | | |
| | SUU — Frandsen 15, Graves 34, Daugherty 11, Eaton 4, Ballena 2, Thornberry 2, Barrington 4, Kamps 2, Totals 27-56 15-17 74. 3-pointers — Frandsen 1, Graves 3, Daugherty 1. | | | | | | |

2-2 on the season.

"They started trapping us and we panicked a little bit," said SUU head coach Tracy Sanders. "We didn't have great organization on the court, but we needed someone to step up and take charge."

BYU (4-1) trailed 49-41 after two free throws from Graves midway through the third quarter, but started its game-changing surge with seven unanswered points that forced a SUU timeout. After a 3-pointer from Graves, the Cougars turned up the pressure and didn't let up.

"When you're struggling offensively, you've got to clamp down on defense. We didn't do that," Sanders said.

By the time the BYU run was finished, the

lead was 76-56 with 4:34 left. Graves, who added 10 rebounds to finish with a double-double, wouldn't let SUU crumble, scoring 10 points in a 14-0 run that made things interesting at 76-70 with 1:13 remaining, but Paisley Harding converted a 3-point play off the fast break on the next possession that put the game away for the Cougars.

"This team really doesn't get demoralized," said Graves, whose single-game effort ranks sixth in school history. "Being able to stay steady on the roller coaster until the end helped with that run."

Darri Frandsen added 15 points for the T-Birds and Charita Daugherty chipped in with 11. Lauren Gustin added a double-double of her own with 19 points and 13 rebounds for the Cougars.

"It's tough being up at halftime, but that's how the game goes," Sanders said. "We can't have long stretches where we struggle, but it's a learning experience."

The learning curve got a little steeper when the T-Birds welcomed Dixie State on Monday, a game that was too late for press deadline.

"It's another in-state team and it's good we have a quick turnaround," Graves said. "We stayed hungry from this loss and we'll be ready to punch them in the face."



COURTESY SUU ATHLETICS

LIZ GRAVES KEPT THE THUNDERBIRDS WITHIN STRIKING DISTANCE with her career-high 34 points, but the Cougars clawed their way to the victory.

TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

In celebration of Christmas Day, here's a dozen dedicated to college football bowl games (pre-pandemic, of course), the NBA, NFL, and whatever else fits the mood. Leave the fruitcake at home and please remember...no wagering.

- The NBA has played games on Christmas Day every year since 1947 except one that came due to a lockout. When did this happen?
 - 1996
 - 1997
 - 1998
 - 1999
- As a result of a separate lockout, in what year was Christmas Day the official NBA season opener?
 - 2011
 - 2012
 - 2013
 - 2014
- Which NBA team has the best record in its Christmas Day games at 10-2?
 - Portland Trail Blazers
 - Washington Wizards
 - Utah Jazz
 - Miami Heat
- Two NBA teams have never played on Christmas Day. The Charlotte Hornets are one. Who is the other?
 - Memphis Grizzlies
 - Dallas Mavericks
 - Minnesota Timberwolves
 - Indiana Pacers
- The NFL had a memorable Christmas Eve playoff game in 1977 that was won by the Oakland Raiders in double overtime. Who was the opposition, a team that moved away six years later?
 - New York Jets
 - Baltimore Colts
 - Cleveland Browns
 - Denver Broncos
- The NFL last played on Christmas Day with two regular-season games in 2017. Which of these teams was NOT involved in the matchups?
 - Los Angeles Chargers
 - Pittsburgh Steelers
 - Philadelphia Eagles
 - Oakland Raiders
- Including this year's matchup that features the Minnesota Vikings and New Orleans Saints, how many regular-season games has the NFL played on Christmas Day?
 - 18
 - 19
 - 20
 - 21
- After the Miami Dolphins beat the Kansas City Chiefs in double overtime in a 1971 Christmas Day playoff game, how many years did the NFL wait before playing again on the holiday?
 - 16
 - 17
- Which of these college football bowl games (with stadium names) is NOT part of the College Football Playoff in 2020?
 - Rose Bowl
 - Sugar Bowl (Mercedes Benz Superdome)
 - Orange Bowl (Hard Rock Stadium, Miami)
 - Fiesta Bowl (State Farm Stadium, Glendale, Ariz.)
- At the 2017 Cotton Bowl, MAC school Western Michigan fell short of a perfect season when it lost to which Big Ten team?
 - Michigan
 - Ohio State
 - Wisconsin
 - Michigan State
- Which one of these bowl games is scheduled for Christmas Day in 2020?
 - Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.)
 - New Mexico Bowl (Frisco, Texas)
 - Independence Bowl (Shreveport, La.)
 - Cure Bowl (Orlando, Fla.)
- Which ACC team opted out of its 2020 game due to COVID issues, ending a streak of 27 straight bowl game appearances?
 - Virginia
 - Virginia Tech
 - Georgia Tech
 - North Carolina

Last Week's Answers:

- A: Tim Wakefield.** The Red Sox overcame the home runs and beat the Detroit Tigers, 11-9, on Aug. 8, 2004
- C: Cleveland Indians**
- B: Baltimore Orioles.** The final score was 30-3 and despite trailing 3-0 after three innings, the Rangers scored 25 runs over the final four innings.
- C: Sixth.** Brady was the 199th selection overall.
- D: Larry Johnson.** Johnson had 21 touchdowns for the Kansas City Chiefs in 2005.
- D: Seven**
- None of the answers in this question were correct.** Woods led in scoring average eight times in the 2000s — every year except 2004 (Vijay Singh) and 2008 (Sergio Garcia).
- A: Los Angeles Clippers**
- A: Washington Football Team.** They beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the first round of the 2005 NFL playoffs for their only win of the decade.
- C: Mark McGwire was elected to the Hall of Fame.** It still hasn't happened today.
- C: Three.** The Buffalo Bills, Detroit Lions and Houston Texans.
- A: Boston College**

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| January | | July | |
| 6 | Work | 7 | Work |
| 13 | Action | 14 | Action |
| 20 | Work | 21 | Work |
| 27 | Action | 28 | Action |
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| 3 | Work | 4 | Work |
| 10 | Action | 11 | Action |
| 17 | Work | 18 | Work |
| 24 | Action | 25 | Action |
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| 3 | Work | 1 | Work |
| 10 | Action | 8 | Action |
| 17 | Work | 15 | Work |
| 24 | Action | 22 | Action |
| | | 29 | No Meeting |
| April | | October | |
| 7 | Work | 6 | Work |
| 14 | Action | 13 | Action |
| 21 | Work | 20 | Work |
| 28 | Action | 27 | Action |
| May | | November | |
| 5 | Work | 3 | Work |
| 12 | Action | 10 | Action |
| 19 | Work | 17 | Work |
| 26 | Action | 24 | No Meeting |
| June | | December | |
| 2 | Work | 1 | Action & Work |
| 9 | Action | 8 | Action |
| 16 | Work | 15 | No Meeting |
| 23 | Action | 22 | No Meeting |
| 30 | No Meeting | 29 | No Meeting |

The meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the City Office, 10 North Main, Cedar City, Utah.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The committees and boards for Cedar City will hold their 2021 regular meetings at the City Offices, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah. They are as follows:

- Board of Adjustments -First Monday of each month B 5:15 p.m.
- Planning Commission - First & Third Tuesday of each month B 5:15 p.m.
- Redevelopment Agency -Meet as needed
- Municipal Building Authority-Meet as needed
- Other committees appointed by the Mayor will meet as needed.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cedar City Library Board will hold regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month during 2021 except for July and December. The meetings will be held at 12:00 p.m. at the Public Library, 303 North 100 East, Cedar City, Utah.

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SUMMONS

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In the District Court of Utah
Fifth Judicial District Iron County
40 N. 100 E., Cedar City, UT 84720

RICHARD TANGREN SURVIVE TRUST II,
a Nevada Trust, Plaintiff,

v.

FENCING, INC. EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN; FENCING INC. PENSION AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN; PARKER FAMILY LP, a Nevada limited partnership; JUEL PARKER, an individual; LARAE EARL, an individual; WOODROW WAGNER, SR., an individual; WOODROW WAGNER, JR., an individual; ANDREW SAIS, an individual; BYRON UNDERHILL, an individual; FLORIAN HOUSTON, an individual; and all persons unknown claiming any legal or equitable right, title estate, lien or interest in the property described in the complaint adverse to the complainant's ownership or clouding its title as DOES I through X, inclusive, and ROE CORPORATIONS I through X, inclusive,

Defendants.

SUMMONS

Civil No. 200500162

Judge: Ann Marie Mciff Allen

THE STATE OF UTAH TO DEFENDANT TO FENCING, INC. EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN; FENCING INC. PENSION AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN; LARAE EARL, WOODROW WAGNER, SR., WOODROW WAGNER, JR., ANDREW SAIS, BYRON UNDERHILL, FLORIAN HOUSTON, and all persons unknown claiming any legal or equitable right, title estate, lien or interest in the property described in the complaint adverse to the complainant's ownership or clouding its title.

The above-entitled Court has entered an Order granting Plaintiff to serve Defendants FENCING, INC. EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN; FENCING INC. PENSION AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN; LARAE EARL, WOODROW WAGNER, SR., WOODROW WAGNER, JR., ANDREW SAIS, BYRON UNDERHILL, and FLORIAN HOUSTON by publication

You are summoned and required file an answer in writing to the Complaint on file with the clerk of the above-entitled Court, located at 40North 100 East, Cedar City, UT 84720. You are also required to file an Answer with the Court and serve upon or mail to, Plaintiff's attorney, a copy of said Answer within twenty-one days after the service of the Summons upon you if you reside within the State of Utah, or thirty (30) days after the service of Summons upon you if you reside outside of the State of Utah.

If you fail so to do, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in said Complaint, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.

Please be advised that the action seeks to quiet title to certain real property and identified in Plaintiff's Complaint, which is located in Iron County, Utah, and once quieted, the land shall be titled solely in the name of the RICHARD TANGREN SURVIVOR TRUST II who is acting on behalf of a the FLYING CAL-UTE RANCHEROS PARTNERSHIP.

Please be advised that the action also seeks a declaration from the Court establishing that the RICHARD TANGREN SURVIVOR TRUST II has authority to act on behalf of the FLYING CAL-UTE RANCHEROS PARTNERSHIP and further establish the remaining partners and their percentage ownership in the FLYING CAL-UTE RANCHEROS PARTNERSHIP.

A copy of the Complaint in this action has been deposited with the Clerk of the Court, with a description of the Real Property, and can be picked up by anyone claiming an interest in the above matter at no charge.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT COURT, IRON COUNTY

STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF ESTATE

of

AUDREY H SHUMWAY,

Deceased.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Case No. 203500115
Judge Matthew L Bell

Rebecca S Rasmusson, whose address is PO Box 872, Parowan UT 84761 has been appointed personal representative of the above entitled estate. Creditors of the estate are hereby notified to (1) deliver or mail their written claims to the personal representative at the address above, (2) deliver or mail their written claims to the personal representative's attorney of record, Von J. Christiansen, at P.O. Box 1090, Beaver UT 84713; and (3) file their written claims with the Clerk of the Fifth District Court in Iron County and otherwise present their claims as required by Utah law within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or be forever barred, such date of first publication being December 16, 2020.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2020.

/S/

Rebecca S Rasmusson
Personal Representative

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NOTICE OF ORDINANCES PASSED

Notice is hereby given that the Enoch City Council passed two ordinances at a regular meeting of the Enoch City Council held on December 16, 2020. Ordinance No. 2020-12-16-A changed the zoning of property owned by Tapia Construction, Inc. from Multiple Residential M-R-2 to Community Commercial. Ordinance No. 2020-12-16-B amended the Enoch City Code of Revised Ordinances to be in accordance with the Shared Master Offense Table (SMOT) on file with the State regarding fines for various offences. For more information call the City Recorder at 435-586-1119 or view changes on the City website at <http://www.city-ofenoch.org/ordinancespublic-notices.html>

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Cedar City Council will hold a public hearing during its January 6, 2021, City Council Work Meeting to consider a zone change from Annex Transition (AT) to Dwelling, Two Unit (R-2-2) for property located at 1550 West 3000 North. The City Council meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. and be held in the City Council Chambers located at 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah. The public is encouraged to attend.

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BRIAN HEAD TOWN COUNCIL 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Brian Head Town Council has approved their 2021 meeting schedule as follows: Location: Brian Head Town Hall Council Chambers 56 N. Hwy. 143, Brian Head, UT 84719. Time: 1:00 pm. or shortly thereafter. Dates: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month with the exception of November and December 2021 in which meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesdays of these two months. All Council meetings will be held unless otherwise noticed. The Brian Head Redevelopment Agency, Brian Head Municipal Building Authority, Brian Head Special Service District meetings will be held as needed and noticed accordingly. For more information, please contact the Town Clerk at 435-677-2029 or nleigh@bhtown.utah.gov during normal business hours.

Dated: December 15, 2020
Nancy Leigh, Town Clerk

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BRIAN HEAD TOWN NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

The Brian Head Town Council adopted the following ordinance during their regular meeting held on December 8, 2020. Details of ordinances are available on the Town's website: brianheadtown.utah.gov or by contacting the Brian Head Town Clerk at nleigh@bhtown.utah.gov during normal business hours.

- Ordinance No. 20-010 Amending the FY2021 Town Budget.
- Ordinance No. 20-011 Amending the Land Management Code, Chapter 7.4 (Zone District Regulations for General Commercial) and Chapter 12.5 Fencing and Landscaping.
- Ordinance No. 20-012 – Amending Title 8 Building Regulations Chapter 3.3 Winter exemption for working within the Town's rights-of-way.

December 15, 2020
Nancy Leigh, Town Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Cedar City Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Cedar City Planning Commission on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 starting at 5:15 p.m. in the Cedar City Council Chambers located at 10 North Main, Cedar City, Utah. Time will be allowed for public comment on the following items:

1. A Planned Unit Development (PUD) at 331 N 100 W;
 2. An Ordinance amendment regarding SHD zone;
- All in Cedar City, Utah.

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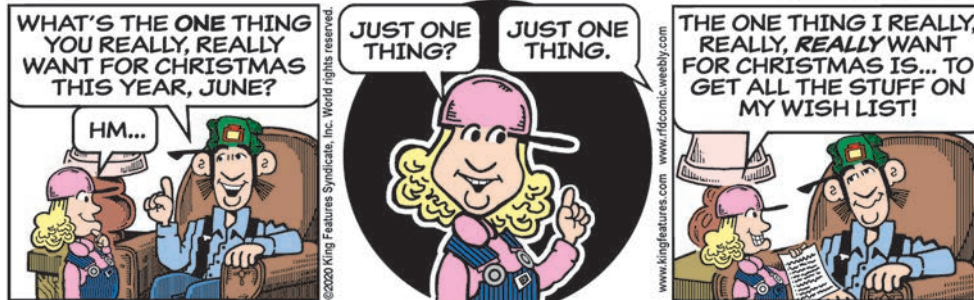
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by Dave T. Phipps



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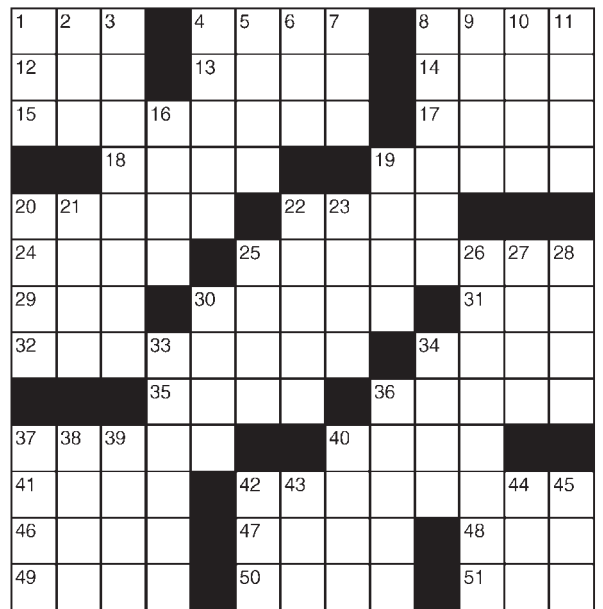
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- 4 Comotions
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- 14 "So be it"
- 15 Wordplay specialists
- 17 Hindu royal
- 18 Locate
- 19 Piece of cheesecake?
- 20 Subsequently
- 22 Reedy
- 24 Concoct
- 25 Good news for bargain hunters
- 29 Bard's "always"
- 30 Unrefined
- 31 Id counterpart
- 32 Ruins
- 34 Touch
- 35 Cincinnati team
- 36 Gets up
- 37 — Valley (California ski resort)
- 40 Family member
- 41 Cather's "One of —"
- 42 Expensive seafood
- 46 Platter



- 47 Between jobs
- 48 Carnival city
- 49 Remain
- 50 Ball-bearing items
- 51 Agent
- 7 "Mayday!"
- 8 Leatherneck
- 9 Mideast nation
- 10 Options list
- 11 Use scissors
- 16 Gush forth
- 19 Snapshots
- 20 Sleeping, perhaps
- 21 Release
- 22 Cafeteria stack
- 23 Greet the villain
- 25 Motivate
- 26 "— Dictionary"
- 27 Chills and fever
- 28 Deteriorates
- 30 Staff
- 33 In poor taste
- 34 "— She Sweet?"
- 36 Strategic tricks
- 37 Turfs
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- 39 — Major
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- 43 Rhyming tribute
- 44 Tear
- 45 Tofu base

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Santa's boots are black. 2. Building is shorter. 3. Brick pattern is different. 4. Car wheel is black. 5. Boy's coat has pocket. 6. Santa's beard is longer.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: In how many movies did Sean Connery play the character James Bond?
2. ADVERTISING SLOGANS: What product is touted as "the fabric of our lives"?
3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many laps do drivers have to complete in the Indianapolis 500 race?
4. HISTORY: How many Pyramids of Giza (Egypt) were constructed?
5. MUSIC: Which pop song repeats the chorus, "Why can't you see? You belong with me"?
6. LITERATURE: What kind of novel is written in a series of letters?
7. MEASUREMENTS: How many cups are in 1 pint?
8. MYTHOLOGY: What is the home of the Greek gods?
9. ANATOMY: How much of the adult human body is made up of water?
10. GEOGRAPHY: What is the most densely populated continent on Earth?

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1. Seven; 2. Cotton; 3. 200; 4. Three; 5. "You Belong With Me" by Taylor Swift; 6. Epistolary; 7. 2 cups; 8. Olympus; 9. About 60%; 10. Asia

Trivia Test Answers

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