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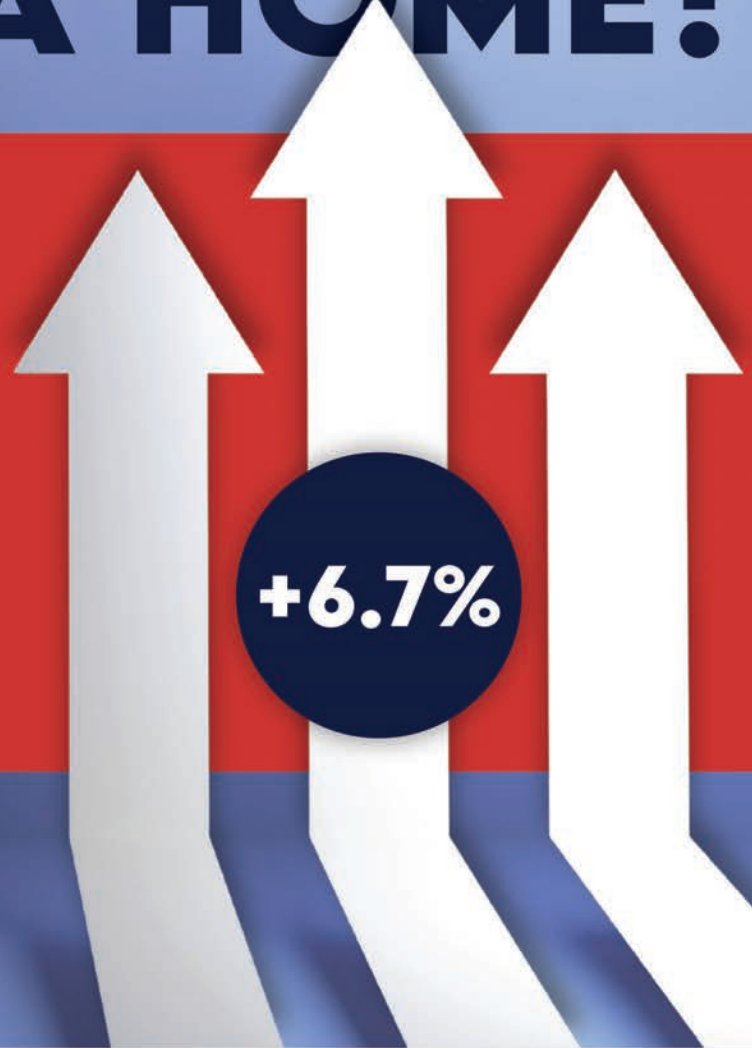
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STORY IN SPORTS

COVID-19 vaccines available locally through Intermountain Healthcare

Intermountain Healthcare is now offering COVID-19 vaccines to eligible Utahns at designated locations. Currently, Utahns eligible to receive vaccines (following the guidance of the Utah Department of Health) are:

- » Individuals age 65 and older
- » Individuals 16 and older with certain medical conditions (Pfizer vaccine is for individuals 16 and older, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson for individuals 18 and older)
- » Healthcare workers
- » First responders like EMS personnel, law enforcement officers, dispatchers, and corrections officers
- » Long-term care facility staff and residents
- » K-12 school teachers or staff

Vaccines are free of charge to individuals, with or without insurance, but an appointment is required. To schedule the first dose, go to <http://Intermountain.com/covidvaccine> or call the Intermountain COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline at 1-877-777-0566 (available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week). Individuals can also find help through their local health department or coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine.

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Covid-19 Vaccine Q&A

Many Americans have questions about Covid-19 vaccines – and rightfully so. There's lots of information out there, and researchers are learning new details about the virus daily.

But the science is very clear: Getting communities vaccinated is a crucial step to returning to "normal" life.

Here are some answers to frequently asked questions about Covid-19 vaccines:

Q: Should I get the vaccine with pre-existing conditions?

A: People with certain pre-existing conditions, including cancer, diabetes, obesity, and heart disease, are more likely to experience severe complications from contracting Covid-19. For this reason, they're strongly encouraged to get vaccinated.

In clinical trials, the Covid-19 vaccines showed similar safety and effectiveness in folks with some underlying medical conditions as in patients without pre-existing conditions. Talk to your doctor in more detail about your specific concerns before getting vaccinated.

Q: Are there side-effects to the vaccine?

A: Yes, it's possible to have side-effects to the Covid-19 vaccine. Side-effects vary depending on the individual and the vaccine. Many people may have mild side effects, including pain or redness at the site of the injection, fatigue, headache, muscle ache, fever, and chills. Most let up within a day.

Although rare, some people have reported allergic reactions to the vaccines. An extraordinarily tiny fraction of vaccine recipients have experienced anaphylaxis -- a severe allergic reaction that can impair people's breathing. However, you're about six times more likely to be struck by lightning than you are to experience anaphylaxis from a Covid-19 vaccine.

Speak with your doctor or visit the Cen-

ters for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website for more details.

Q: Where do I get vaccinated?

A: The federal government is delivering vaccine shipments in bulk to states, which are then responsible for distributing the doses to different vaccination sites, such as pharmacies and clinics. Therefore, the vaccine is available in different places in different states. Depending on your state, you may be able to get the vaccine at a healthcare site (like a doctor's office, pharmacy, hospital) or a temporary clinic (like a school gymnasium, community center, church, or library).

Visit your state health department website or www.covidvaccinefacts.org states to learn where and when you can receive a vaccine.

Q: Will I still need to wear a mask and practice social distancing after I get vaccinated?

A: Yes. Research shows vaccines protect individuals from contracting and experiencing severe reactions to Covid-19. However, it's possible to spread the virus to people post-vaccination. Until we know for sure there is minimal risk of infecting others post-vaccination, you should continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

More questions?

Visit www.covidvaccinefacts.org to find a comprehensive list of answers related to vaccine technologies, clinical trials, the FDA-approval process, and more.

Michelle McMurry-Heath, a physician scientist, is president and CEO of the Biotechnology Innovation Organization. She previously served as a senior official in the FDA's Center for Devices and Regulatory Health, the top science and health legislative aide for Sen. Joe Lieberman, and on President Obama's science transition team.

By Dr. Michelle McMurry-Heath

Feed Utah food drive coming to a neighborhood near you

On Saturday, March 20, 2021, the first annual statewide Feed Utah food drive will bring together the power of Utah's diverse civic organizations and religious communities in the fight against hunger—all while adhering to strict social distancing recommendations and safety protocols.

Utah Food Bank and their network of 203 partner agencies, in partnership with Associated Food Stores, JustServe, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Bonneville Salt Lake (KSL TV, KSL Newsradio, FM100.3 and 103.5 The Arrow) and the NAACP will be coordinating the statewide effort. The goal is to provide food to the estimated 511,000 Utahns who will face hunger this year, many of whom are facing hunger for the first time due to economic fallout resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Even more alarming is that 1 in 5 Utah kids are unsure where their next meal will come from.

Residents across the state will receive door hangers during the days leading up to the food drive, and

Utah Food Bank asks the public to help by placing a bag of non-perishable food outside their front door by 9am on the day of the food drive for pickup by volunteers. Donated food will be distributed to Utah Food Bank, and its 203 partner agencies across the state.

Interested individual can volunteer to help staff the drop-off sites throughout the State on the JustServe site: <https://www.justserve.org> and search for the Feed Utah projects posted therein. Also visit, <https://feedutah2021.org> for more information. To register to volunteer on JustServe.org:

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WHERE: 489 East 200 South, Cedar City, UT
More information: 435-586-0832

WHAT: Tour the new facility & see the recreation room, exercise equipment, computer room, elevator and much more.

Upcoming events:

April 5th: All Activities at both Cedar and Parowan Senior Centers will open.

May 3rd: Meals at the Centers will be served.



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OPINION

From the Editor**Lightning strikes for Cedar Reds**

Last century (1999), country artist Chad Brock wrote a song called, "Lightning Does the Work." Those familiar with the tune will recognize the line, "Thunder's just a noise, boys, lightnin' does the work." Ironically, it was also last century (1995) when the Cedar Reds won a championship.

They made history during last week's Utah 4A State Championship victory over Desert Hills. While the Thunder came out strong and made a lot of noise, it was the lightning strikes from the Cedar Reds boys basketball team that got the

work done. Despite all the noise, it was the poise of the boys from Cedar that quieted and quelled the Thunder quickly.

**COREY BAUMGARTNER**

MANAGING EDITOR

I have been honored to photograph many of Cedar's games (boys and girls) and I've seen some great shots and great misses. I've watched the players enjoy the thrill of a victory and endure the agony of a defeat. Through many games and thousands of pictures, I've learned one thing, sometimes the way to victory isn't just about scoring more points but in courageously hanging on to final buzzer.

That's what the Reds had to do last week to make history. Even with their red-hot shooting and suffocating defense, they had to keep fighting, defending and hang on until the very end. That's an electrifying lesson we could all learn something from.

Thought of the Week

from the desk of R. Gail Stahle, publisher

"If you don't think every day is a good day, just try missing one."

» Cavett Robert

**A concerned letter from U.S. Senators to CDC on need to reopen schools**

Dear CDC Director Walensky,

We write to express our concern for the well-being of American families with school-aged children. A fully remote or hybrid model of K-12 education is straining the mental health of parents, students, and teachers, while simultaneously increasing developmental, learning, and economic losses. Some schools have already reopened and others have begun the process of reopening, but many schools have either remained closed or decided to cancel their reopening plans.

A recently published study by the United States Congress Joint Economic Committee found that as of this school semester, "24 percent of schools remain fully remote, and 18 percent are teaching fully in person. . . the majority of schools (51 percent) are operating under some type of hybrid model."

Research has identified increased anxiety and stress among American families and students due to school closures. So much so, a Pew Research Center survey conducted in October found that 59 percent of parents with school-aged children reported they are concerned for their child's emotional well-being. In addition to this concern, school closures have had negative ramifications for the

labor force and the economy. Closing schools has separated students from important learning tools that are used in the classroom, this separation has been found to possibly hinder children's education and sensory and social development. Further, school closures have led to poorer academic outcomes, which may result in potentially worse economic outcomes later in life.

McKinsey & Company has estimated that, assuming in-school instruction resumed in January of this year, the average K-12 student in the United States could lose \$61,000 to \$82,000 in lifetime earnings. For students who have not yet returned to the classroom, it is reasonable to assume that these losses could be even larger. As outlined by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in a report published on January 29, 2021, observing the reopening of schools in Wood County, Wisconsin, "K-12 schools can have in-person learning with limited in-school COVID-19 spread." Further, throughout the 13 weeks of in-person learning in Wood County, Wisconsin, of the 191 cases of Covid-19 identified in students and staff members, "only seven cases, all among students, were linked to in-school spread."

Other studies conducted throughout the nation have yielded similar results. In the fall of 2020, 11 school districts in North Carolina with more than 90,000 students and staff were reopened for

OPINION

My thoughts about the Utah Legislature



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
COLUMNIST

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

This year's session of the Utah Legislature is particularly calm, mostly devoid of "hot button" culture and morality bills that conservative legislators often use to fundraise and build up name recognition. One reader asked how I felt about this year's session, so I offer scattered opinions about some of the proposals.

The NAME CHANGE for Dixie State University. This stalled briefly when some legislators noted that a majority of Utahns opposed the name change. My answer is simple...I don't care what an electrician in Davis County thinks about the issue any more than we should care about what a land developer in Utah County thinks. The University's Board of Trustees voted in favor of the name change after students claimed the reference to Dixie harmed their employment prospects and devalued their degrees, especially with out-of-state employers. The students and former graduates are the ones we should be concerned with, not a legislator with no cards in the game and with little connection to the institution.

Allowing CONCEALED WEAPONS without a permit. I'm not a gun owner, but I generally support the right of Utahns to own weapons unless there is a serious reason to deny them the right. Therefore, I initially supported the bill since, even if a bad guy is denied a permit, it is not difficult to obtain one illegally. However, I then heard a concerned father explain on KSL-Radio that of his two sons, one of them "lacks the maturity and level-headed thinking" to have access to a firearm. Without the training the permit requires, he was afraid for the safety of his son and others. It made me think, so today I'm not sure where I stand on the bill.

Establishing a deadline for investigation of POLICE MISCONDUCT. This makes sense. A police officer and his victim should not have to wait an extraordinary amount of time to receive vindication. It's not fair to either the cop or the person he or she shot or hurt.

Barring TRANSGENDER students from athletic competition. While the first draft appealed to the "morality police," Gov. Cox asked for a re-write. But the second draft was even worse, comically stating transgendered students could be on the

team but not play in a game! The sponsor of the bill framed it as a fairness issue, saying female athletes should not have to compete against a male who later transitioned to a female. While that may seem sensible, physicians responded that the hormone treatment in such cases dramatically reduced the edge a trans athlete would have. Passage would also cost taxpayer money in a predictable lawsuit, money which one legislator noted could be better spend on public education or COVID-related issues. At this writing, the bill is bottled up, a position I support.

Reducing the Governor's powers in an EMERGENCY. This is simply jealousy on the part of lawmakers. In an emergency, we need a fast decision, not a multi-voiced partisan assembly, so I oppose this bill.

And finally, creating a new STATE FLAG. Hey, 99% of Utahns can't tell you what the current flag looks like, so why is this an issue? Stop wasting our time!



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

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March 3

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SCOTT E COOK
CEDAR CITY, UT
DUI

CARL A GRAVES
CEDAR CITY, UT

Burglary of a Dwelling, Aggravated Assault, Obstructing Justice, DRUG - C/S

March 5

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CEDAR CITY, UT
Criminal Mischief - Intentional Damage, Deface, Destroy Property

March 6

JOSEPH B CROUCH
NEWCASTLE, UT
DUI w/BAC at/over .08, Open Container in Veh., Drive w/o Ins, Speed Regulations

JOSHUA L LISTER
CEDAR CITY, UT
Fail to Remain at Accident - Damage Only, Drive on Susp/ Revoked License

JOSHUA L TINKLER JR
LAS VEGAS, NV
Intoxication, Consume Alcohol by Minor, Assault w/Substantial Bodily Injury

March 8

CHRISTY K BEAM
CEDAR CITY GRID, UT
Child Endangerment, Fail to Wear Seatbelt Properly, DURG - Poss C/S, Drug Paraphernalia

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Utah Legislative Update - Week 7

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We adjourned "Sine Die" on Friday, March 5, officially concluding the 2021 General Legislative Session. This year marks the 125th year anniversary of the convening of the Utah State Legislature. I am grateful to live in the Great State of Utah and for the freedoms afforded here in our state and nation. It has been a true privilege to represent you at the Capitol this legislative session.

Week 7 Highlights:

Budget

Passing a balanced budget is the most important responsibility we face as a Legislature during the session. This week we passed our "Bill of Bills," which is a nickname we use for our full budget bill. The actual title of the bill is "Appropriations Adjustments." This year our budget came to roughly \$23.5 billion for fiscal year 2022. With this healthy budget we allocated \$100 million for tax cuts, appropriated historic levels of funding for education, with nearly half a billion dollars in ongoing money going to public education, and replenished our Rainy Day funds that were utilized during the pandemic.

Dixie State University Name Change Process

Over the last few months, I have received hundreds of emails from constituents regarding the proposed Dixie State University (DSU) name change. This is truly a divisive issue in our community, and I appreciate the various perspectives shared with me. The responses I received from you varied, and it seemed clear that there has been a lack of communication on this issue between groups in our communities. Public engagement is crucial in this decision and H.B. 278 Name Change Process for Dixie State University facilitates an opportunity for input from the southern Utah community regarding the university's name.

DSU may determine a name that better reflects the university's mission. If the DSU Board of Trustees and the Utah Board of Higher Education recommend a name change later this year, then \$500,000 will be appropriated to the Heritage Committee to preserve the regional heritage, culture and history on DSU's campus. Your conversations helped shape this legislation, and I hope you will choose to participate in the community dialogue over the next few months.

Suicide Prevention

The fight against suicide continues to be a priority in the Legislature as suicide is the leading cause of death for Utah children ages 10-24. H.B. 336 Suicide Prevention Amendments, creates a reporting process for the Utah Medical Examiner to obtain youth suicide data for the Health and Human Services Interim Committee to study. The Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health will also be required to provide training to healthcare organizations. It also changes a coupon program to a rebate program that incentivizes individuals to obtain a biometric gun safe.

Another bill, H.B. 93 Youth Suicide Prevention Programs Amendments, expands the education of suicide prevention to elementary and secondary grades and requires the language of the programs to reflect ages. Both of these bills passed in the Senate and will now be sent to the governor for consideration.

Free Speech

Recently, there have been numerous accusations of censorship leveled against social media corporations. It has become apparent that social media platforms are not transparent in the way they moderated content,

and more specifically, that the platforms are harsher in moderating certain political and religious beliefs. S.B. 228 Electronic Free Speech Amendments, requires social media companies to clearly state their moderation practices and policies, as well as give users advance notice of their policies before they limit speech. If the company removes a user's content, they need to tell the user why it was removed and provide an opportunity for appeal. S.B. 228 also requires each social media company to have an independent review panel. The bill passed in the Senate and House and will go to the governor for his consideration.

Teacher and School Counselor Pipeline Program

Utah is currently experiencing a shortage of teachers and school counselors in public schools. Several school districts are working on innovative approaches to meet teacher needs. This week, the Senate passed H.B. 381 Grow Your Own Teacher and School Counselor Pipeline Program, which supports school districts by creating a three-year pilot program to provide scholarships for paraprofessionals working toward becoming licensed teachers or licensed school counselors. This allows school districts to work with individuals they already know will be excellent teachers and counselors to become licensed professionals. This bill passed in both the Senate and House and will now go to the governor for his signature.

Higher Education for Incarcerated Youth

Access to education in prison can lower the odds of an individual committing additional offenses. H.B. 279 Higher Education for Incarcerated Youth, provides students in custody with concurrent enrollment credits through a virtual learning program administered by Dixie State University. These credits can help individuals obtain certificates, associates or bachelor's degrees. Creating an educational pathway for incarcerated youth will help them succeed and reintegrate into society. Educational opportunities are proven to reduce the risk of re-offending and provide safer environments in juvenile facilities. H.B. 279 passed in the Senate and will now be sent to the governor.

COVID-19 Update

On Friday, March 5th, the Utah Department of Health reported 3,884,886 total COVID-19 tests administered, 373,868 total positive cases, 350,198 estimated recovered cases, 14,841 total hospitalizations, 203 current hospitalizations, 1,970 total fatalities and 816,934 vaccinations administered. The Southwest Utah Public Health Department reported 26,991 total positive cases including 25,557 total recovered cases, 16 currently hospitalized and 235 total fatalities.

This data includes: Iron County (286 Active Cases, 5,036 Total Cases, 32 Deaths) Washington County (752 Active, 20,189 Total, 184 Deaths) Both counties maintain a High Transmission rating.

Governor Cox announced this week that now adults 50+ are eligible to sign up for the vaccination. He also announced additional medical conditions that qualify for the vaccine. You can find the full list of medical conditions here. <https://coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine-distribution/#eligibility>

Once again, thank you for allowing me to represent you this session at the Capitol. I appreciate the many emails, calls and texts I received from you throughout the session. Your input is essential!

Thanks, Evan Vickers, Senate District 28



SEN. EVAN VICKERS

UTAH SENATE DISTRICT 28

USF Education Tour going online

from Parker BOWRING

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY — One year ago, the Utah Shakespeare Festival's Shakespeare-in-the-Schools touring production of Romeo and Juliet was on the road performing for students across the Intermountain West. And then, it suddenly stopped and was called home.

The COVID-19 pandemic had another victim as theatrical productions around the world were canceled. Now, twelve months later, many schools and theatres are still closed and activities have been curtailed; but the tour will go on, relaying a message of hope and perseverance—although in a different format.

This year's "tour" of Julius Caesar will be filmed and made available free to schools, other organizations, and even individuals—beginning on March 15, the Ides of March, the day Julius Caesar was assassinated.

And this won't be a fast and easy production filmed on a phone. Artists have worked for months planning the production, and professional actors have been in Cedar City living and rehearsing in a quarantine bubble for weeks. The play is filmed by a professional media company, with multiple cameras, both stationary and hand-held. The cameras will move throughout the theatre, with actors at times speaking directly into the cameras and to the audience. This attention to detail will give "playgoers" an experience similar to being in the theatre with the actors.

"It is important to the Festival that the production has the look, feel, and aesthetic of a theatre production," said Education Director Michael Bahr, "and that it be visually stimulating and exciting."

"These are talented, experienced actors, designers, and artisans bringing this timely story of political intrigue and division to the Anes Studio Theatre and ultimately to schools and homes through this exciting format," he continued.

Festival tours in the past have also included workshops for students, something that Bahr and his cohorts are making available this year through digital means. Live, interactive workshops led by the Julius Caesar cast and crew will be available March 15 to May 15. The workshops were created specifically for a virtual format and for the themes in Julius Caesar. With the help of modern technology, discussion questions, theatre exercises, breakout rooms, and chat functions the workshops will be a wholly immersive experience.

Because of generous funding from the Utah State Office of Education/POPs program, these workshops are free for Utah public schools. Private schools and organizations and schools outside of Utah may purchase the workshops for \$50.

Anyone can request a link to the free video, and schools and organizations can request the workshops. To do so, visit www.bard.org/tour, click on the associated link, and fill out the short request form. More information and answers to questions are available by emailing the Festival Education Department at education@bard.org.

Bahr said this format has been both challenging and exciting: "The first week the company held rehearsals over Zoom. This scene work allowed actors to engage with their scene partners and connect in a virtual face-to-face setting. Following that week, the actors entered the space for the first time. Masks were worn throughout the rehearsal

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in-person education for a period of 9 weeks. During this time, within-school transmissions were found to be very rare with only 32 infections acquired in schools and no cases of student-to-staff transmission. Further, in Mississippi, a case-controlled study of exposures among children aged 0 through 18 years found that in-person school attendance was not associated with increased risk of infection. These observations have led the authors of a comprehensive study on the safety of reopening schools to conclude that “as many schools have reopened for in-person instruction in some parts of the US as well as internationally, school-related cases of COVID-19 have been reported, but there has been little evidence that schools have contributed meaningfully to increased community transmission.”

Dr. Fauci has affirmed that “The default position should be to try as best as possible within reason to keep the children in school or to get them back to school. . . If you look at the data, the spread among children and from children is not really very big at all, not like one would have suspected.” Additionally, you recently stated that the “vaccination of teachers is not a prerequisite for safe reopening of schools.” This should further instill confidence that the health and safety of American teachers in their classrooms is not dependent upon access to the vaccination.

CDC recommendations released on February 17, 2021 state that schools “already open for in-person instruction can remain open, but only if they strictly implement mitigation strategies and have few cases.” With more than 70 percent of nationwide K-12 student enrollment currently falling within the “high transmission” threshold, these recommendations wrongly encourage the majority of schools across the country to remain in or return to virtual-only instruction, even though some of them are already currently offering in-person instruction safely. Additionally, these recommendations thwart the Biden administration’s goal of reopening schools for in-person instruction, five days a week, by April 30. It will be difficult to ensure that community transmission levels decrease enough to comply with the CDC guidelines before

EDUCATION TOUR

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process, until final tech rehearsals.”

Students watching the play will see themselves in these actors and the characters they create, including a female Caesar, Cassius and Octavius. “This will increase the students’ connection and amplify their voices,” said Bahr. “Students will hear these famous lines that they’ve heard before, but with new meaning because of the way these actors are saying them.” Through the workshops, students will receive the opportunity to engage with the actors and really dig deep into the themes, plot, and production of Julius Caesar.

“This virtual and digital format of the tour is new and innovative,” concluded Bahr. “We are proud of it and hope it will allow Shakespeare to teach and touch students from all across Utah and neighboring states.”

then, despite it being possible to reopen for in-person instruction, five days a week in a manner that scientific evidence has indicated is safe.

In September of last year, President Biden stated that “we need straight-forward commonsense solutions” when discussing reopening schools.¹⁴ The most common-sense solution is to share with K-12 schools throughout the country that science-based information has confirmed schools are currently reopening without serious risk of transmission. For the health, safety, and economic well-being of American families, the federal government should not restrict, discourage, or delay reopening schools. Instead, the federal government should work in coordination with states and local education agencies to ensure that American students return to in-person instruction as soon as possible.

If the reopening of schools is not achieved, American families and students will only continue to suffer, as there will be even larger developmental, learning, and economic losses. We ask that the CDC revise these recommendations, and urge you and other acting administration officials to work in coordination with, not against, states and local education agencies so that schools can promptly reopen in accord with the scientific evidence that has signaled it is safe to do so when proper precautionary measures are put into place.

Sincerely,

United States Senators, Michael S. Lee, Joni Ernst, Tim Scott, Ben Sasse, Mike Braun, Steve Daines, CC: Acting Secretary of HHS, Norris Cochran, CC: Acting Secretary of Education, Phil Rosenfelt

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CEDAR LIBRARY TO DISPLAY ARTIST'S PICTURESQUE VASES

from Harriet **PRISKA**

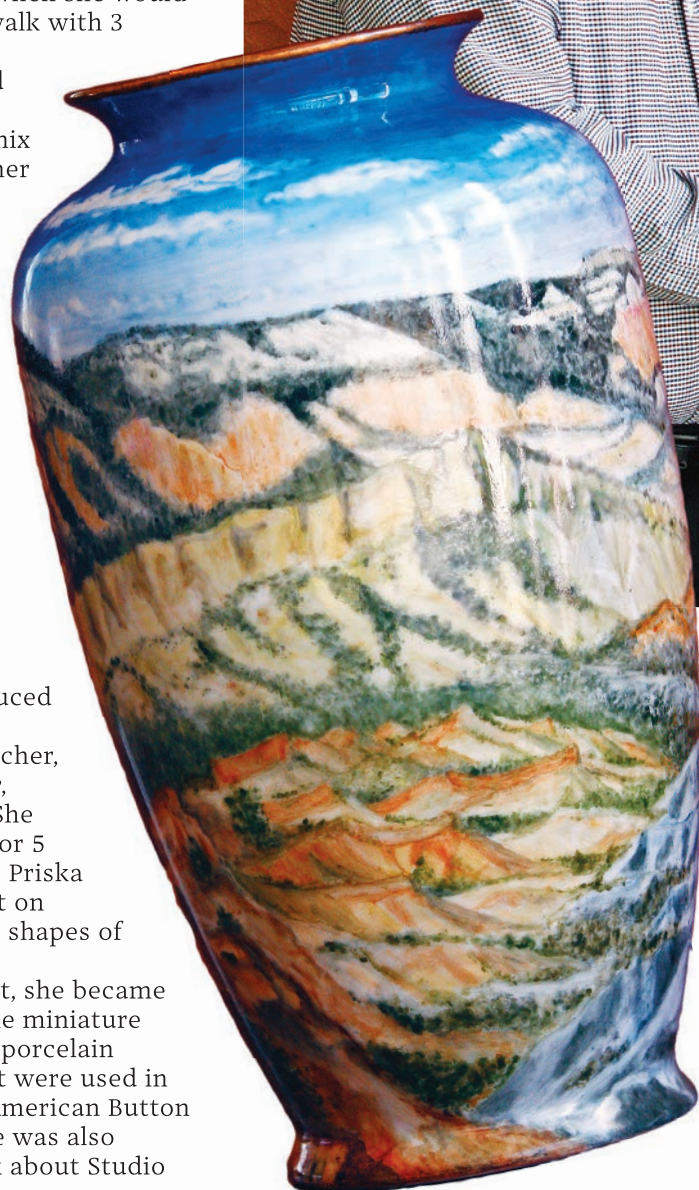
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar City Library is currently showcasing a new collection of beautiful hand-painted vases donated by Escalante artist, Harriet Priska. Each 12" porcelain vase depicts a 360 degree wraparound scene from southern Utah's lush landscapes and magnificent monuments, including, Zion Canyon, Bryce Canyon and the Escalante River Canyon.

Priska began her artistic career at the age of five when she would draw on the sidewalk with 3 pieces of colored chalk. She realized if she spit on the colors she could mix them, increasing her palette of colors. Since that day she has continued experimenting with many types of media over the years. She also received a minor in art from the University of Wyoming, along with a bachelor's in anthropology and education.

In 1977 her mother, Winnie Washburn, introduced Harriet to a Swiss china painting teacher, Elizabeth Uttinger, in San Francisco. She studied with her for 5 years, after which, Priska continued to paint on various forms and shapes of china for 33 years.

With this talent, she became well-known for the miniature art of painting on porcelain button blanks that were used in competitions by American Button Collectors and she was also featured in a book about Studio



**UTAH ARTIST
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presents Cedar City's
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Steven Decker with one of
seven porcelain vases that
she hand-painted a 360
degree wraparound view
of Utah's beautiful
scenery.

PHOTOS BY COREY BAUMGARTNER

“ *Each 12" porcelain vase depicts a 360 degree wraparound scene from southern Utah's lush landscapes and magnificent monuments* ”

Button Artists.

She began to portray her paintings in 360 degrees when she and her husband, Philip, moved to Escalante, UT. She painted contiguous landscapes on classic-shaped porcelain vases, tiles and plates.

Visit the Cedar City Library (303

N 100 E) to view her beautiful vases on display. Priska also has many beautiful pieces of artwork which she displays in her one-of-a-kind gallery in Escalante. To visit please call 435-826-4720 and visit her Facebook page (Serenidad Gallery) to learn more about the unique works of this talented artist.

SUU students bring laughter with 'The Importance of Being Earnest'

by Ashley H. PALMER

SUU THEATRE, DANCE & ARTS ADMIN.

SUU's Department of Theatre, Dance, and Arts Administration is bringing theatre to life with radio-style performances of *The Importance of Being Earnest* on March 12, 15, 20, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. virtually at go.suu.edu/virtualtheater. Pre-registration is encouraged at least 15 minutes before showtime. It will also air on SUU's Thunder 91.1 on Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

In the wake of COVID-19, technology has provided a way for SUU Theatre students to work with and learn from Dawn Monique Williams as the director of *The Importance of Being Earnest*. Williams has worked with Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Shakespeare & Company, California Conservatory Theatre, Hayward Greek Festival, and Folger Theatre. Her study of heightened language plays has helped students find their voice in the language and wit of Oscar Wilde's play.

A 2021 SUU THEATRE STUDENT REHEARSES HIS LINES for the upcoming radio show. The performance will be live-streamed and also played on SUU's Thunder 91.1 radio station.



SUU DEPT OF THEATRE, DANCE, AND ARTS ADMINISTRATION

Nathan Holley, freshman in the Musical Theater BFA program from Sandy, Utah, shares, "What's been wonderful about working on this show is the absolute focus on the script. Since there's no need to block, costume, or light anything, we get to focus solely on the lan-

guage. In a witty, text-heavy play like Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, radio-style is the perfect way to perform it. I think the moment people tune in they'll understand just how fun the play is. Every second is full of humor and wit. It's a show people will be

able to sit back and enjoy as the language pours over them."

The Importance of Being Earnest is a farce written to poke fun of social propriety. This play is one that will have people laughing through the confusion and misunderstandings that come from double identities.

Holley goes on to say, "I'm so grateful to be part of this show. It has been a blessing to work with such a talented cast in such a demanding role as a freshman. I've never seen so much talent in one room. I learn just as much from my fellow cast mates as I do from my professors. They're a wonderful little family and have made me feel so loved and welcome. I can't wait for everyone to relish in this fantastic show!"

Laugh along with your friends and family as you enjoy *The Importance of Being Earnest* on March 12, 15, 20, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. For more information about the Department of Theatre, Dance, and Arts Administration at SUU, please visit www.suu.edu/pva/ta.

March music festivals will play on

from Sara PENNY

FOUNDING DIRECTOR, SO. UTAH STRING FEST

The Southern Utah String Festival was held on Saturday, March 6, 2021. All of the 214 performances were held virtually this year. Students prepared two memorized pieces and work towards Gold Cup trophies.

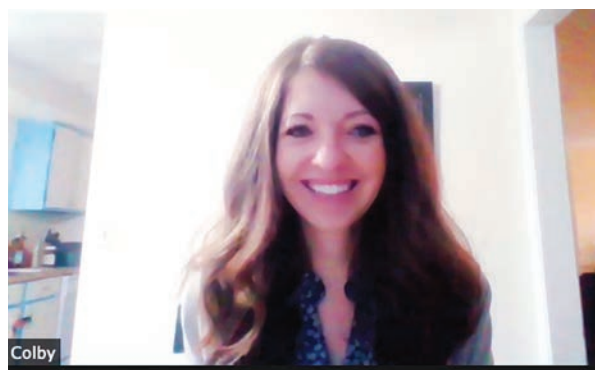
The in-person National Federation of Music Clubs Piano Festival is set for Saturday, March 20th, at the SUU Music Building. They will be following University Covid guidelines as well as NFMC and State guidelines. Over 200 piano students will each perform two memorized pieces for adjudication in smaller groups, all wearing masks and sanitizing piano keys and performer hands before every performance.

High school seniors who have earned a Gold Cup trophy

through either Music Festival may apply for a \$100 scholarship if they are attending SUU in the fall. The Music Festivals have given scholarships for over 30 years. For strings, the application form is at <https://www.southernutahstringfestival.org/students.html>. For piano, contact the directors for

the application form.

Thanks to all of the teachers, judges, and volunteers who make this opportunity available for area music students.



PHOTOS COURTESY SARA PENNY

FESTIVAL DIRECTOR MARIN COLBY (TOP) AND FESTIVAL TREASURER KARALY WHITESEL utilized technology to help direct their students, judges and moderators making the performance sessions more enjoyable and successful for the musicians.



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'The Matchmaker' performs over the airwaves from SUU

by Ashley H. PALMER

SUU THEATRE, DANCE & ARTS ADMIN.

Students of SUU's Department of Theatre, Dance, and Arts Administration are learning to act and convey expression with their voices during this pandemic. They are continuing the art of live theatre with radio-style performances of *The Matchmaker* on March 13, 16, 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. virtually at go.suu.edu/virtualtheater. Pre-registration is encouraged at least 15 minutes before showtime. They will also air on SUU's Thunder 91.1 on Saturday, March 13, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

Professor Richard Bugg, director of *The Matchmaker*, shares, "In the great storytelling tradition of old-time radio, we are presenting this classic farce, which normally relies on a lot of visual humor. The listener's imagination, if triggered with the right aural clues, will create even more imaginative, engaging, and hilarious visuals in the mind."

The Matchmaker, written by Thornton Wilder, is about Dolly Levi working her matchmaking magic to get couples together. In the mayhem, she is trying to secure a match for herself with Mr. Horace Vandergelder. The complications and near run-ins make this story hilarious and a delight to experience.

Savannah Selbach, senior BFA candidate in Acting from Bakersfield, California, states, "I have learned a lot about myself as an actor while working on this show. I am a very physical actor and tend to rely on my

face and body to do the work for me, so it is nice to push myself as a voice actor."

Spencer Watson, sophomore BFA candidate in Musical Theatre Performance from Layton, Utah, says, "This particular production has shown me the persistence of the arts, even in the midst of a pandemic, and the challenge of creating remote theatrical experiences. I have really had to hone telling the story through the inflections in my voice, the delivery of my lines, and the sounds I make in between."

Watson goes on to say, "A show like *The Matchmaker* is vital to allow people to decompress, lighten their load, and laugh for a minute. It's filled with romance, messy coincidences, and witty quips, perfect for forgetting about life for a while. The show has such optimistic charm and quaint simplicity, I think listeners will find they need its light hearted message more than they know."

Enjoy this exciting story on March 13, 16, 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. virtually at go.suu.edu/virtualtheater and on SUU's Thunder 91.1 on Saturday, March 13, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

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>> Spencer Watson

AN SUU THEATRE STUDENT REHEARSES FOR RADIO SHOW which promises a light-hearted message to make listeners laugh and lighten their load from the stress of the pandemic.



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Moving from one normal to the next

by Mary Anne ANDERSEN

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

On May 7th of 2020 I wrote a piece about what our new "normal" might look like, talking about how we wouldn't dream of leaving home without a mask, how we would have most of our doctor visits online, how our entertainment screens would be our TV's, not a theater big screen, how we would need some sort of medical history document to see a big sports event or fly. Large gatherings or conferences would be things of the past; why travel when you can do everything necessary at home?

The thing of it is, the column was written tongue-in-cheek, a sort of wink at a dystopian future that was too ridiculous to be real. As it turns out, it was almost spot on. Who would have thought that what looked laughable a year ago became our everyday experience?

Let me show you how the last year has impacted the music department at Southern Utah University, things that you haven't thought about. Things that WE didn't think about until they became the "normal" ways of doing things.

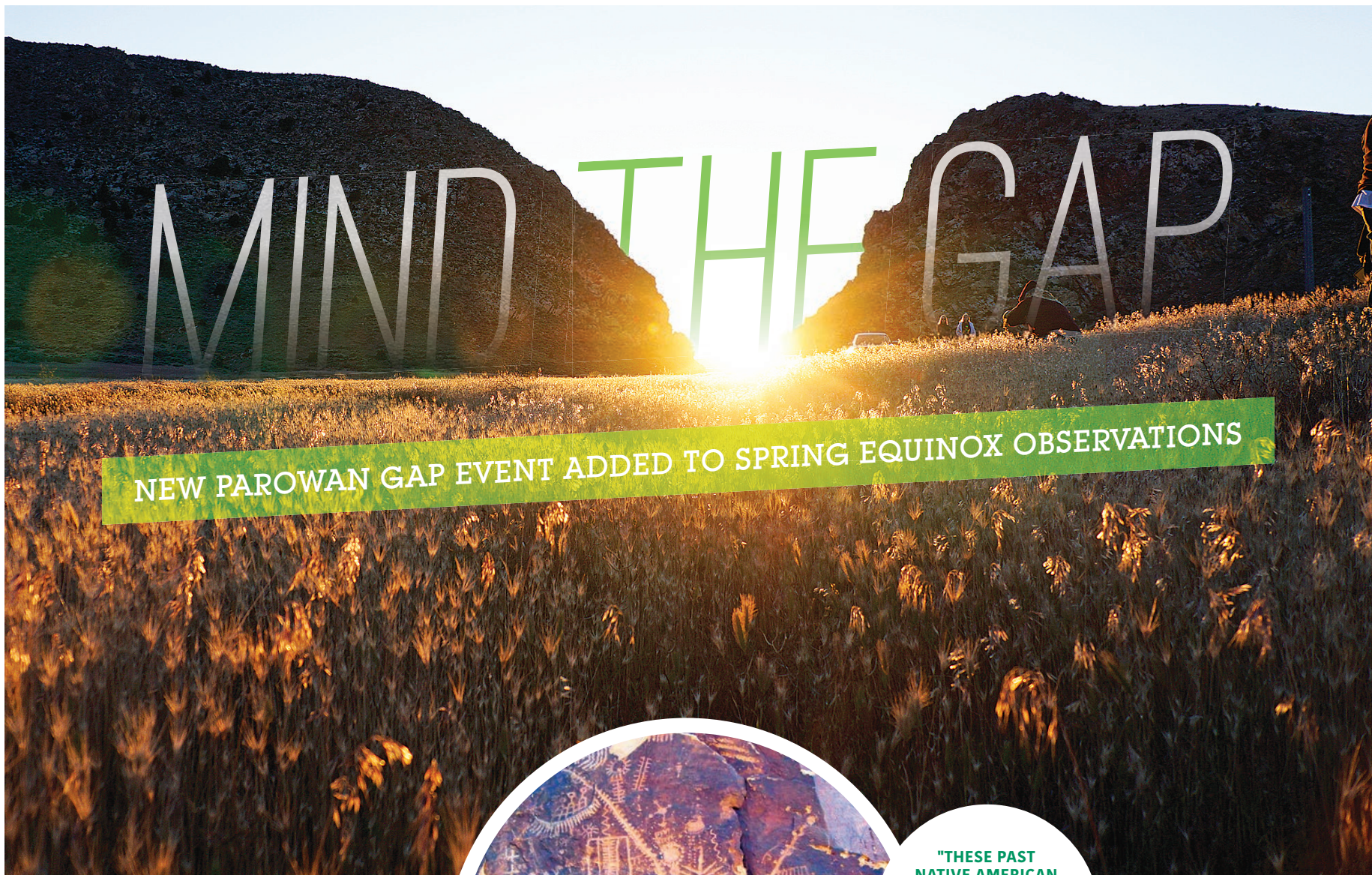
My colleague said to me with great joy, "The singers can now perform on the auditorium stage without their masks!" Yes, that is right. Vocalists have performed their required individual presentations while wearing masks for the past several months. I have since learned that that liberation pertains only to a solo recital or testing situation. In recitals of several successive participants, everyone must still wear masks while back stage and performing. But still, for the student at the end of a four- or five-year degree, that is happy news indeed. A year ago, none of us had thought that just being allowed to stand and sing would seem so celebratory.

More joy: now live audiences will be allowed in the auditorium to witness an all-important junior or senior recital. What a welcome change! Students have been performing in a vacant auditorium as their presentation was live-streamed. However, only ten live audience members will be allowed, and the student must decide on a group of ten local friends or ten out-of-town family guests. The department does not want any cross-contamination between local or non-local populations. The names of those invited to attend must be provided to the door keeper. Who would have thought that ten audience members would be so exciting?!

I also learned that, alas, string players, pianists/accompanists, and percussionists will still be required to wear masks during all performances. Wind players, who obviously cannot wear masks while performing, must continue to use bell covers—masks for their instruments, as it were, that cover the end of their instruments and prevent the spraying of droplets into the air.

And when we got our second vaccine shots, the nurse said, "Hang onto this little card with the history of your vaccines. It is possible that airlines might require it to allow you to board a plane." So, as it turned, I wasn't as outrageous last spring as I thought.





NEW PAROWAN GAP EVENT ADDED TO SPRING EQUINOX OBSERVATIONS

by Nancy **DALTON**

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

PAROWAN — Experience what ancient people did as they watched the morning darkness give way to the morning sun as it traveled across the valley and entered the Gap, casting its early rays on the pointed rock outcropping and casting its shadow along the Spring Equinox Countdown marker.

This new observation event at Parowan Gap will take place on Saturday, March 13th by 6:30 am, just before sunrise. Then the following Saturday, March 20th will be the Spring Equinox Sunset Observation beginning that evening at 6:30 pm in the Parowan Gap parking lot.

From inside the Gap, watch the sunlight glide across the western

valley and washing up inside the Gap before striking the pointed end of the rock outcropping and casting a distinct shadow on the north cliff wall. “Thousands of years ago, ancient people carefully observed this natural phenomenon as the morning shadow slowly moved south and then back north during the Spring Equinox. From these observations, they carved lines into rock face. They marked the shadow’s movements in two-day



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increments – thus every two days, the shadow will move over one mark until three days before the Spring Equinox. And, then beginning three days after the Spring Equinox, the shadow moves back across the markings,” said Nancy Dalton, Parowan Heritage Board member, who documented this process for the researchers for a Federal Highways ISETEA Archeological Grant back in the early 1990s.

“This is one of several observation events, that really humbles me and has allowed me to gain a deeper appreciation for the rich cultural heritage that Native Americans possess,” said Dalton, adding, “These past Native American cultures were very brilliant people who possessed a deep reverent understanding of their relationship with their Creator and the movement of the earth, sun, moon and universe.”

This event is Free to the public. Please dress for cold weather, as morning temperatures will be in the low 30s. The public is welcomed to bring their own coffee/hot chocolate or bottled water to drink.

FILE PHOTOS

The High Dive

I remember my first jump from a high dive. I felt fine as I began climbing that long ladder to the top. I was finally going to do it! However, with every rung I could feel dread catching up with me. In such situations people always tell you not to look down, but when you're all

alone on a diving board that high up, everywhere you look seems down! While I didn't crawl out to peer over the edge, I did walk cautiously towards that point of no return...



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

IRON COUNTY TODAY

I'm certain we could each agree that this Rockwell illustration applies to more experiences and opportunities in life than just diving. That famil-

can also take comfort in noticing that the sign says the diving board is only 20 feet up. Wouldn't it be great if life had such signs to tell us exactly how high we'd have to climb, or fall before we reached success? Sometimes, no matter how long it takes to climb, or how far we have fallen before, we just need to get back up, start climbing and make another jump into the pool of opportunity.



NORMAN ROCKWELL

iar moment of dread before a "dive" can be experienced when we move to a new city, find a new job, break-up, or when we seek the courage to ask someone on a date, or to get married. There are many types of "high-dives" in life we know we need to climb and jump from, but they can still paralyze

down of success and realizing I was still alive was worth it. When I got out, I courageously went right back up that ladder for another jump.

The moral of this story...it's okay to be afraid, but I hope today you'll have the courage to make that climb. I dare you to dive!

sees a welcoming pool of cool water, not a pit of pythons or pride of hungry lions. All we can see is a diving board but is there really a swimming pool below? He's prepared with swimming trunks, so it's probably safe in assuming there's a swimming-pool. We

NON-PROFIT SPOTLIGHT

Silent Auction to be held on Mar. 20

Join us for Hope Pregnancy Care Center's first ever "HIGHEST AND BEST" SILENT AUCTION OPEN HOUSE (and fellowship).

Hope Pregnancy Care Center is a non-profit 501c3 organization located in St. George, Utah. Founded in 2005, Hope exists to provide accurate life-affirming information and services through Christ-centered practical, emotional, and spiritual support.

person will write their "highest and best" bid and place their card in a box for that item. Whoever has the highest bid will win that item. The value of each item will be displayed as a bidding guideline.

Bid boxes will be collected at 5:00 p.m. and highest bidders will be notified to pick up their item the same evening. Because this is an open house, guests can come and go as they please. No need to wait around for the winning bid announcements. There will be food trucks available and fellowship is encouraged.



We offer a wide variety of services including pregnancy tests, parenting lessons, community referrals, and material support in the form of baby and maternity supplies. All services are free and confidential.

We will be meeting at South Mountain Community Church located at 3158 E. 2000 S. in St. George on March 20th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. (2:00-3:00 PM masks are required). This auction will be a little bit different than previous Hope auctions held in conjunction with our annual celebration banquet.

Registration will begin at 2:00 p.m. During registration, guests will receive a bidding number. Bid cards will be located adjacent to each auction item and participants will use a separate bid card to place a bid on as many items as they choose. Each

We have over 60 items available for auction. There will also be an opportunity drawing for a beautiful handmade quilt. As in the past, all proceeds will benefit Hope Pregnancy Care Center of St. George.

We have missed all our friends and supporters since we were not able to hold our celebration banquet last year. We want to honor those who donated to last year's banquet by holding this auction, as well as have a time to reconnect. We hope to see you there. If you have questions or would like to help, you can call Rhonda Tommer at (435) 680-1168.

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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 • True Life Center (TLC) 2111 N. Main. • (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856

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

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Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm • (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.

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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

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

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BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE

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

Classes/Activities

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

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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. March: "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" by Kim Michele Richardson

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.

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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

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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

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IRON COUNTY COMMISSION

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

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PAROWAN CITY COUNCIL

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

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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, MARCH 10

NO SMOKING DAY

WONDER WEDNESDAY – LIBRARY IN THE PARK (2nd Wed) 303 N 100 E. (435) 586-6661. 2-4pm. FREE for students K-5. Come discover how wind works through a variety of fun activities!

PRECEPT UPON PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY – "Sermon on the Mount" – 6:30 to 8:45pm (Also Thurs 1-3pm), Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). A 6-week precept study of the Sermon on the Mount. Bible studies are non-denominational. Call 435-267-2234 or 435-238-3078 for info and to register. Workbooks \$22.50, www.precept.org.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

MORTUARY RECOGNITION DAY

CONCERT (ONLINE) – LUMINOSA'S "INTO THE LIGHT" – SUU Music Department is rolling out an exciting concert. This will be Luminosa's first solo concert. Luminosa is a treble choir and they are very excited for the opportunity to share their talents with the SUU and the Cedar City community. The concert will be livestreamed at www.suu.edu/pva/music/webcasts.html on March 11, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. Info: www.suu.edu/pva.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

ALFRED HITCHCOCK DAY

SUU THEATRE – "THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST" (12th, 15th, 20th) Live Stream Event at 7:30pm at go.suu.edu/virtualtheater. Pre-registration is encouraged at least 15 minutes before showtime. It will also air on SUU's Thunder 91.1 on Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 7:30pm. For more info visit www.suu.edu/pva.

CEDAR CITY JUNIOR BALLET: CINDERELLA – (12th and 13th) 7:30pm, Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City). General admission \$15 at the Heritage Center Box Office (435) 865-2882. Come enjoy the classical ballet company which is designed to involve community talent of all ages. Masks must be worn at all times. Children 4yrs and older are welcome to attend. Info call Lise Mills (435) 867-4719 or visit www.cedarcityjuniorballet.org or Facebook: CedarCityJuniorBallet.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

K9 VETERAN'S DAY

PAROWAN GAP SPRING EQUINOX COUNTDOWN – Shadow Marker Observation at 6:30 am, just before sunrise, at the Parowan Gap Petroglyphs. Includes interpretive info while waiting for the morning sun to rise. The program is FREE and those attending are encouraged to dress for cooler weather and bring water to drink. Info call Nancy Dalton (435) 463-3735.

CALENDAR

SHEEP TO SHAWL - FRONTIER HOMESTEAD STATE PARK (635 N Main) – In partnership with the Sagebrush Fiber Artisans. Join us from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm to have fun with the whole family. Shearing demonstrations will be given once per hour starting at 10:15 am, with the final shearing at 4:00 pm. Demonstrations include shearing, washing, carding, spinning, dyeing, and weaving. Cost \$2.00 per person, \$8.00 per family. Friend's Group members are free with membership card. Preregistration is required and spots are limited to ensure the safety of those attending. Masks are required in all state buildings. Call 435-586-9290 for info or to reserve your spot.

RENTWAPO-WORKS FARMERS MARKET (Saturdays 9-2pm), (4871 N Enoch Rd.) Cold weather inside. Warm weather outside. Apples, Art, hand-crafted items, eggs, home décor, homeopathic items, Avon, furniture, pecans, apples, un-popped popcorn, pecans, potatoes and homemade goodies. A free, fun and unique shopping experience. COVID compliant. Info – Linda 435-559-1657



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

SUU THEATRE – “THE MATCHMAKER” (13TH, 16TH, 19TH) Live Stream event, 7:30pm at go.suu.edu/virtualtheater. Students of SUU's Department of Theatre, Dance, and Arts Administration are learning to act and convey expression with their voices during this pandemic. They are continuing the art of live

theatre with radio-style performances of The Matchmaker. Pre-registration is encouraged at least 15 minutes before showtime. They will also air on SUU's Thunder 91.1 on Saturday, March 13, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. For info visit, www.suu.edu/pva.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

PI DAY (3.14)

“THE ONLY THING NECESSARY FOR THE TRIUMPH OF EVIL is for good men to do nothing.” Edmund Burke

MONDAY, MARCH 15

IDES OF MARCH

HISTORY (1957) – GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE 20TH ANNIVERSARY – A search took place in nine counties for the most photogenic girls. They would represent the Golden Gate Bridge during the 20th Anniversary celebration.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

PANDA DAY

SUU SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA – “JOY OF MUSIC” – Live Stream event. 7:30pm at www.suu.edu/pva/music/webcasts.html. Music brings human emotion to life. Being able to experience a live concert can bring joy in the most difficult times. The SUU Department of Music will live stream an engaging performance by the SUU Symphony Orchestra. For more information, please visit www.suu.edu/pva.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

IRON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN – (11:45am – 1pm) Park Place Eatery (23 W University Blvd.) Join us for our Utah Legislative Wrap-up Lunch event with special guests, Sen. Evan Vickers and Rep. Rex Shipp. They will share an overview of the latest session followed by a Q&A, RSVP at ironcountyrepublicanwomen.com. Click on “Monthly Lunches.” \$20 in advance. \$25 at door.

WONDER WEDNESDAY – SOUTHERN UTAH MUSEUM OF ART (3rd Wed) 2-4pm, 13 S 300 W. (435) 586-5432. FREE for students K-5. Please call to confirm event.

Come make a difference with the Youth Service Learning Club

from Malorie HUNT

YSL YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD LEADER

The 4H Youth Service Learning club (YSL) is full of service opportunities to assist others while having fun. This club is open to youth in grades 8th through 12th. We meet the first Wednesday of every month; 3:30 – 4:30, in the Visitors Center conference room

in our community! We oil cars at Happy Factory and volunteer with Stonehenge Assisted Living Facility and the amazing residents living there. We also help people at TLC, volunteer at local community events and so much more.

One of the upcoming projects will be by tying fleece blankets for those in need. We first need to collect, ask for donations of fleece



COURTESY YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING CLUB

THE YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING CLUB IS A GREAT WAY for young people to build both character and the community.

to learn about upcoming service projects while interacting with peers that share the same love for service.

Youth Volunteers are able to pick and choose what projects they are able to volunteer for without interrupting their daily schedules. Whether you are looking to have some volunteer hours for resumes or scholarships, or you are just wanting to have another fun thing to do, YSL is the way to go!

Although it has been challenging to volunteer through this pandemic, we are slowly finding more and more ways to serve

and/or money to purchase the fleece, then we tie the blankets and donate them accordingly. This is one of my favorite projects!

Volunteering has positively changed my life and a big thanks is to this YSL club! The only commitment you will ever make, is what you chose to commit to. Come join us to see what we're all about...it will be worth it

A couple of other youth clubs through 4H include the Teen Council for grades 8 – 12 and Region Ambassadors for grades 9 – 12.

Please note: At this time YSL follows the COVID-19 guidelines.



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SCHOOLS

ICSD News Nuggets

from Le Ann **WOOLSTENHULME**

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Enoch Elementary

Enoch's 2nd graders were getting squirmy when worms joined the class this week. Students in Mrs. Webster's class discovered the differences between living and nonliving things, as they compared real worms to gummy worms. They measured, touched, and observed the worms. They only tasted the gummy worms!



The Cat in the Hat and some crazy "Things" visited each class to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday. The PTA in disguise handed out "One fish, Two fish, Red fish, goldfish" treats, along with some other Seuss goodies.



Fiddlers Canyon Elementary

Congratulations to Mahtaya Hulet and Lydia Banks for being state Reflections winners in Dance Choreography and 2D Visual Arts, respectively. This is a huge accomplishment as there were thousands of entries throughout the levels, and we couldn't be prouder of our two Mustangs! Way to go, Mahtaya and Lydia!

Fiddler's Canyon students smashed their food drive goals with a total of 7,838 items that were donated to the Iron County Care & Share. Thank you to everyone who participated, and congratulations to our 2nd graders who donated the most items!

During Dr. Seuss Week, Principal Michelle Hall dressed up as the Cat in the Hat to

pass out pencils and smarties to students. Students also participated in various themed dress-up days and ended the week with a day of reading in the PJs. Thanks to all the teachers, parents, and staff for making this week special!



Escalante Valley Elementary

To wrap up the 3rd quarter, the students of Escalante Valley School competed in their 2nd math challenge of the year. Our school's math goal for 2020-2021 is to help students obtain proficiency in their math facts using all operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division). That being said, the idea of creating a math challenge was born. It has been exciting to not only watch our students develop further academically throughout the year, but also to have fun while learning!



Three Peaks Elementary

Three Peaks Elementary celebrated Dr. Seuss week, March 1-5. Thing 1, Thing 2, and the Cat in the Hat recorded a reading of "The Cat and the Hat" which was shared with all grade levels. Thank you to Cori Adams and Fred Rowley for their willingness to share their talents and to Mrs. Torrie Rice for putting together the video. Other festivities included dressing up every day based on one of Dr. Seuss' books, pajama day, treats, and a read-a-thon. Thank you to

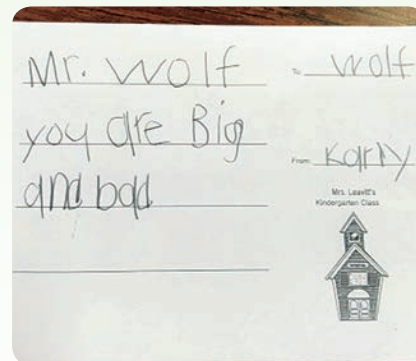
our awesome PTA volunteer, Liz Okeson, for planning this fun week.



A reminder that March 15 & 16 are teacher contract days and no school will be held for students. Also, March 18, is STEAM night at Three Peaks Elementary. Fun activities and learning projects will be held in classrooms and/or outside from 6-8 pm. Details will be posted on our website and sent to parents via REMIND.

South Elementary

The kindergarten students at South Elementary are having a fun time with literacy. They enjoy both hearing and reading stories in our CKLA literacy program. These smart students get excited to write about what they read. What amazing readers and writers they are becoming!



SOUTH ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTENERS are becoming young writers.

Gateway's Love of Reading week a bestseller

ENOCH — Every year in March Gateway celebrates "love of reading week." This special tradition brings books to life and engages students with a variety of literature. Every classroom door is decorated with a scene or cover art from a popular children's book and activities are focused on reading and of course on Dr. Seuss, whose birthday is on March 2nd.

On Monday, Cat in the Hat day, students wear their favorite hat to remind them to tuck those stories away in those big brains under silly hats.

On Tuesday for Thing 1 and Thing 2 day, visitors to Gateway see students and teachers with only the craziest of hairdos like those terrible twins from Dr. Seuss's imagination.

I Can Read with My Eyes Shut Day sees students wearing "readable" clothes (school appropriate of course!) and on Thursday the Lorax collides with Fox in Socks as students wear their favorite crazy socks and this year sported Lorax moustaches over their masks!

The week concludes with Dr. Seuss day; students dress as their favorite storybook character and parade around the school to see the library of decorated classroom doors. Then, school director, Andrew Burt, reads some of his favorite Dr. Seuss books – Virtually!

"This is one of the highlights of our year," Burt said. "We love sharing how important reading is in a fun, approachable way."



PHOTOS COURTESY GATEWAY ACADEMY



SCHOOLS

Fiddlers food drive a huge success

from Ashley MILLER

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



Fiddlers Canyon Elementary students participated in the annual PTA Share the Love Food and Hygiene Drive benefiting the Iron County Care & Share from February 22-26. Students battled to see which grade level could donate the most items.

Brianna Hulet, Fiddler's Canyon PTA member and organizer of the drive, said that teachers heard stories of students going door to door in their neighborhoods asking for donations, raiding their parents' pantries, seeking help on social media, and even getting their parents' co-workers to donate.

All that hard work and generosity really paid off! Although the school had a goal of donating 2,021 items, they ended up with 7,838 items totaling 4,906 pounds. The 2nd graders came in first with 2,245 items, and the kindergarteners finished close behind with 2,152. Both grades will receive a prize as a thank-you for helping Iron County Care & Share fulfill its mission to provide hunger relief, emergency shelter, housing assistance and access to supportive services for homeless and low-income individuals and families.

Fiddler's Canyon Elementary would like to thank all the students, teachers, staff, parents, and community members who made this drive such a success.



A TRUCKLOAD OF DONATED ITEMS ready for transport to Iron County Care & Share

PHOTOS COURTESY ASHLEY MILLER

PEOPLE

WEDDING

Makayla & Wyatt

Rod and Robyn Frandsen are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter Makayla Frandsen Braun to Wyatt Cox, which took place in Cedar City, Utah. The couple will reside in Cedar. Our hearts were saddened because due to COVID-19 regulations we were unable to invite all our friends and family that we had hoped for. We truly love you all and missed having you there.



7TH BIRTHDAY

Kaden McCoy Hunter

Kaden McCoy Hunter turned 7 on March 7th, 2021. Parents are Brady and Cami Hunter of Cedar City. We are so proud of this smart, sweet boy! Love you Kaden! Love, Mom and Dad.



HELP WANTED

REFRIGERATION SERVICE TECHNICIAN

Comfort Systems USA is looking for a commercial refrigeration service technician in Cedar City and surrounding areas. 3-5 years' experience required. Full time employment, great pay with great benefits.

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CORRECTION

Last week it was reported that Iron County School District head nurse, Lauri Baumgartner, was awarded the ICSD Nurse of the Year award. The real story is even better and more fitting. Nurse Baumgartner was awarded Nurse of the Year, but it was for the entire State of Utah by the Utah School Nurse Association.

The award was only presented in Iron County and not during the Utah Nursing Convention which was cancelled due to COVID concerns. Congratulations once again!

Corey Baumgartner, Managing Editor

FAITH

OBITUARIES

"The Garden" (Kari Jobe)

ISAIAH 58:11

Make no mistake, we are surrounded by opposition. Sometimes it can seem like it's easier to give up than get back up when things get difficult. In such a world, how blessed are the believers who know that God's love and light are greater than any hate and darkness in this world. Yet, even with such a testimony of God's grace and goodness, there are moments when we can become desperate for a sign—something good, something kind, a gesture of love from up above the cruelty and despair of this world.

In such moments know that God will never leave you (Deuteronomy 31:6). He planned (planted) ahead for every doubt and despair. Nothing takes Him by surprise and He can make all things right. While He may not make all things right right now, you must trust that He's doing more than just pruning a problem. He's reinforcing your roots and fortifying your fruit. He doesn't just



COURTESY KARI JOBE

want you to grow up, He wants you to become the beautiful garden He created and planted you to be. It may have become covered in decay, debris and ashes of regrets and unrighteousness, but it's still there, waiting for Love's light to bring your faithful foliage back to life.

Speaking of the ashes from the fires of your past; ashes are a necessary fertilizer for your future. The Master Gardener knows which ashes to use to help provide nutrients for your seeds and which ones to sweep away and replace them with beauty (Isaiah 61:3). The caveat being that we have to be willing to give our ashes to Him, not keep burying and hiding ourselves in them. As you keep reaching through the ashes for the Gardener's light and love He will lift you from sorrow, catch and use every tear to water new seeds of hope



GOD'S
Porch

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

IRON COUNTY TODAY

and healing in your heart. Your past has died, but you are still alive. You still have seeds to plant, seedlings to protect, fruit to enjoy.

Yes, there are many enemies constantly trying to keep you from blooming and blossoming. Don't listen to the devil's lies that the soil of your soul is no longer good enough to grow godly things. Don't let the torment of past failures prevent you from planting new seeds of hope for a harvest of wholeness, holiness and happiness (2 Corinthians 4:8-18).

If you feel like the devil will stop at nothing

to destroy you, then don't doubt that God will stop at nothing to heal you. His light and love can reach through all the walls you've built to protect yourself and heal your broken soul. That's what the Gardener is great at...not just planting and pruning, but healing and helping you have a plentiful harvest hope and joy. His perfect love will crush all your fears and foes trying to destroy your garden.

As you spend more time in God's garden He will show you how to take care of your garden. His faithfulness can replace your grief with greenery, despair with hope and where once were only scarred and charred remains of your righteousness, God will plant His perfect love to replace your disgrace with His grace so you can keep going, sowing and growing.

Florence Prince Alvey



Florence Prince Alvey passed away Saturday, February 27, 2021, at the age of 102 at her daughter, Lucinda's home in Cedar City. Florence was born on November 23, 1918 to Agnes Sarepta Heywood and Joseph Oscar Prince in Panguitch. She married Melvin Alvey on September 2, 1952 in the Manti Temple. He preceded her in death on November 8, 2003. Florence is survived by their three children: Helen, (Rick) Pruitt, Lucinda

(Neuman) Duncan, and Melvin Wayne (Siri Draper) Alvey; 18 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; brothers and sisters: Alice, Mildred, Della, Cecil, Grace, Sarepta, Rulon, Helen, Howard, Laurence (twin); an infant grandson, Christopher Wayne Alvey and infant great-granddaughter, Lucy Anita Duncan. She was a pilot and served in the WASP during World War II. Florence had a strong testimony of her Savior Jesus Christ and His restored gospel. She was very active in church and community, serving in many callings in both ward and stake Relief Society. She was a 4-H leader, PTA president, DUP officer.

She had glorious handwriting and wrote many letters to family and friends. She loved to read good books, do all kinds of handwork, and was the family genealogist. The family would like to express appreciation for Maree Prince and the Iron Country Home Health care givers for their loving care of Florence.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 8, 2021 at 12:00 Noon in the Escalante Stake Center where friends called from 10:30 to 11:30. Burial was in Escalante Cemetery with military honors by the Escalante American Legion Post #0114 and Utah Honor Guard.

Live streaming of the services and online guestbook can be found at www.maglebymortuary.com under Florence's obituary. Due to COVID-19, all attendees must wear a mask and adhere to social distancing guidelines. Funeral Directors: Magleby Mortuary, Richfield, Salina, and Manti.

EQUINOX

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Spring Equinox sunset observation

The public is invited to attend a Free interpretive program and observation of the Spring Equinox sunset at the Parowan Gap beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 20th.

A short interpretive tour of the Gap narrows will be given. After which, the group will hike about 5-tenths of mile to the Equinox cairn (rock monument) to observe the setting of the sun down the middle of the Gap mountain profile. The sun will set about 7:30 p.m.

"Because of the cold temperatures and the icy wind that blows through the Gap at this time of the year, those attending need to dress for cold winter temperatures, along with wearing good hiking shoes, and bringing bottled water to drink," said Nancy Dalton, Parowan Heritage Foundation Board member.

These events are sponsored by Parowan Heritage Foundation through a permit with the Bureau of Land Management who manages this area. For more information contact Dalton at 435-463-3735.

OBITUARIES

Ella Genevieve Asay (Smith)

Our loving mother and grandmother Ella Genevieve Asay Smith passed away peacefully at the age of 98 on February 26th, 2021 at the home of her daughter Lorri Smith Bradshaw in Parowan, Utah.

Ella Genevieve Asay was born on March 25th, 1922. Delivered by her grandfather, Christian Kjarulf Jensen in Clawson, Emery, Utah to Jerome Asay Jr. and Mary Louise Jensen.

Genevieve will be remembered for being a loving, talented, extraordinary, involved mother to 8 children who taught through example. Putting her family and the gospel first in life, and showing us the importance of serving others in church, education and civic duties.

Genevieve grew up fishing at Asay Creek, having 'hootenannies', corn roasts, and watermelon busts and trips to Zion Canyon. She loved to attend "Old Timey" dances in Hurricane and Washington. She played hooky a few times, but said in her own words, "I was quite an apple polisher." She was a good student who loved art, English and spelling, and eventually learned to love history. Education was very important to her. She attended 1 yr. at Dixie College in St. George, UT, and 1 yr. of night classes at Excelsior Junior College in Artesia, California.

Genevieve fell in love with her sweetheart while she was bedridden with tuberculosis. Her future mother-in-law nursed her for months, while telling Genevieve all about her wonderful son Raymond Larkin "Lark" Smith. On June 28th, 1941, Raymond Larkin Smith and Genevieve Asay were sealed together for all eternity in the St. George Utah Temple.

She had no problem rolling up her sleeves for hard work. As newlyweds, Larkin and Genevieve built their first of several homes together in Artesia, CA 1941, and another in St. George, UT., but lived most of their life together in Henderson, NV (25 yrs. on Atlantic St. and later many years too, on Galena Dr.). She spackled, taped, painted, wall papered, and laid yards of ceramic tile and pieced carpets into their homes. Their homes were beautiful, accented with Larkin's rock work and Genevieve's artwork and sewing.

Genevieve became a talented artist, starting at the age of 5. She was well known and loved by everyone for her paintings in watercolor and oil, which she presented in many art shows. Her paintings have hung in the Henderson City Court House. She also has a painting of her famed roses currently still hanging in the Las Vegas Temple bride's room. She served many years as a fine arts instructor in the Henderson Recreation Dept. and at senior citizen groups in Boulder City and Las Vegas.

As a busy mother, Genevieve was a talented and accomplished seamstress, sewing matching dresses for her girls every Christmas and Easter. She served as co-chair for the Henderson Industrial Celebrations Days, organized and participated in art shows, roadshows, parades and many church fairs. Genevieve was also an avid genealogist, and served in many church callings with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints over the course of her lifetime.

Larkin and Genevieve served an 18-month mission at the Mormon Battalion Visitors Center in San Diego, California.

Genevieve was honored and chosen as the "Nevada Mother of the Year" in 1978 (chosen for her contributions in community service, civic duty, education and religious service). She also served as PTA president several times at local Henderson elementary schools.

She had a strong sense of civic duty and worked hard to put good men and women in political offices in Nevada. Genevieve was not afraid to stand up for what was right. She had an incredible network of family and friends to help campaign. As chairman, she organized and gathered 120 speakers for a Senate hearing and spoke out against pornography. She spoke up and campaigned against abortion, and helped organize a 4-mile candle light march for "Right to Life."

Grandma taught her children and grandchildren all love and care for one another, and leaves behind a beautiful legacy of like-minded descendants with large loving families of their own.

Genevieve is survived by her children, Vae Don (Maureen), Annalee Bunch (Eddy), Dianna "Danne" Lynne Morris, Penny Taylor, Chris (Julie), Lorri Bradshaw (Mike), 59 grandchildren, and several hundred great and 2nd great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Raymond Larkin Smith, son Gene Smith (Linda), and daughter Teddy Sue Ludlow (Raymond), great-grandchildren Titan Bradshaw, Rigden James Bradshaw, William Wainwright, Zachary Smith Madison and Ariana Lane.

A graveside service was held Saturday, March 6th, at 11:00 a.m. located at the St. George City Cemetery, 650 E. Tabernacle St. in St. George, Utah.

Bart Wayne Mortensen



Bart Wayne Mortensen, age 80, passed away peacefully, at his home in Parowan, Utah on March 2, 2021. His struggle with Alzheimer's disease is finally over. He was born April 14, 1940 in Parowan, Utah, to Bart and Vera (Robinson) Mortensen. Wayne was raised in Parowan, along with his five older sisters and one brother. During his twenties, he served an LDS mission to Toronto, Ontario Canada,

obtained his Bachelor of Science at College of Southern Utah and served in the 222 Unit of the Army National Guard based in Cedar City. In the 1970's, he switched to the 405th Air Force reserve unit based at Hill Air Force Base. This more closely aligned with his life-long interest in aviation. He received his private pilot license at age 16 and eventually had his own small plane.

During his mid-twenties he moved to Fullerton, California, where he taught high school science and math. California is where he met and married his life-long companion, Yetta Marie Hanson in the Los Angeles Temple on March 21, 1970. In 1974, they moved to Murray, Utah where they raised their four children. He loved anything outdoors and spending time with his family. He was never complacent, and was always working. He included his children in many of his home projects. Being a master carpenter and skilled in many areas, he taught his children well. His main church assignment was in scouting. He is greatly loved by family and friends.

He is preceded-in death by his parents, siblings: Lila, Norman, Elma, Florence and Dolline; and grandson, Joseph. He is survived by his sister Zella (Darryl) Schramm; wife Yetta; daughter Gayle; and sons Ryan (Pamela), Branden (Trina) and Travis (Mallory); 5 grandsons and 6 granddaughters.

A viewing was held March 8, 2021 from 9:30 -10:30 am at Parowan's 3rd Ward. A service was held at 11:00 am. The interment was at the Parowan City Cemetery under the direction of Affordable Funeral Services.

The family wishes to thank all medical personnel over the last few years who provided service to Wayne. Online condolences can be sent to affordablefuneralservices.com.

Terry Kay Moran



Terry Kay Moran was born to Betty and Pat Moran in Granite City, Illinois on September 25, 1951. Terry passed away peacefully, at the age of 69, on February 27, 2021.

Terry grew up in Torrance, California and graduated from Lawndale High School in 1969. Terry spent many years living in Cedar City, Utah. Terry gave birth to two beautiful girls who she raised by herself. Terry raised Shelley and Kim with a positive attitude and a smile on her face. Nothing could bring Terry down or get in her way. She was a mother figure to so many, a sister, a grandma, aunt, friend, but most of all, she was a selfless, caring person that anyone could rely on. Terry was known by her "I got this!" phrase.

A Celebration of Terry's life will be held on March 27, 2021 at the Lions Side Pavilion, Main Street Park (200 North Main Cedar City, Utah 84721), starting at 2:00 pm.

Final arrangements are under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to her memorial page at sumortuary.com.

Ira Millet Schoppman



Ira Millet Schoppman passed away February 28, 2021. Ira was born January 24, 1933 in Cedar City, to John Vorley Schoppmann and Nora Millett. When Ira was a sophomore in high school, he had to go help his father on the cattle ranch at House Rock Valley on the Arizona Strip, 150 miles from Cedar City, as his 3 brothers and brother-in-law were called to serve in the Army. He helped his father until they returned, and they ran 300 head of cattle.

When he was 16, he went to work for the city, cleaning ditches with his best friend, Lamara Clark. He married his sweetheart, Beverly Jean Olds on May 29, 1952, and later solemnized the marriage in the St George Temple on May 29, 1959. Ira worked for the city road department for Leland DeMille. He worked Iron Springs Construction building a crusher that crushed the rock to get the iron ore. When they laid off the employees, he then worked at the North Iron Mine, where he ran the crusher and sampled the iron ore. He worked in three different coal mines; Lou Webster, Floyd Tucker and Grant Tucker, where he was the Foreman. He then decided to apply to the Cedar City Police Department, which he did for two years. Then Otto Fife was retiring as the Sheriff and asked Ira to run. He ran against 5 people and won. He was Sheriff for 32 years, the longest at the time in the United States. He was President of the Tri-state Police Officers Association, Director of the Civil Defense for Iron County, Chairman of the Iron County and Beaver Drug Task Force, chairman for the United States Crime Lab, graduated from Backsters Lie Detector School.

Ira was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in many callings, including in the Bishopric in the University Ward.

Ira was active in the community serving in many positions; he was Chairman of the United Way and Salvation Army, Honorable member of the PTA, Board member of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, Hospital board member, active member of the Lions Club and always enjoyed the camaraderie he had with his friends there. He enjoyed hauling the Lions Club members in his 1969 Chevy flatbed ton and 1/2 truck in the parades!

Ira was a friend to everyone, a true peace officer. He was fair with everyone, always giving them the benefit of the doubt. His work never stopped work at 5:00 pm; he was always available 24/7 to help anyone. He had people call or come to his house at night to help with their problems, he always had time for them, He loved people and it showed. Everywhere you go, someone has an Ira story of how he helped them out and taught the greatest lessons; patience, kindness and understanding. People respected him for helping them and not making it hard on them, and treated everyone with the same respect and kindness: his motto was to treat people the way you want to be treated. He truly was the Andy Griffin of Iron County He was Sheriff not just by badge but by the heart. He never let the job go to his head.

Ira owned a ranch on the Arizona Strip that was started by his father. He loved the ranch that he ran with his brothers and worked there at the weekends.

Ira loved life, he made life fun, he was fun to be around. He had a great sense of humor and would tell you about the areas he had travelled and stories, and always had a lot of goodies. He brought joy and happiness just being in his presence. He always made you feel special and important. He was always cheerful and you always left feeling good about yourself. I never once saw him mad; you can't say that about anyone.

Ira Schoppmann is our father and hero, the greatest man in the world. There are not enough words to describe him, we are the luckiest children in the world to be raised by this giant of a man, it is such an honor to have a father of such magnitude. Ira is the greatest example of genuine Christ like love for all mankind.

Thanks, Dad, for caring for each of us everyday we know we are loved by you. In the days ahead when we miss you, we can remember we were loved by you unconditionally. With the upmost respect we pay tribute to your life of unceasingly service to country, county and family. We love you and will miss you and can't wait until the day we are with you again! We love you forever.

Ira is survived by his five children; Trudy Milne, Danise (John) Decuir, Kendall Schoppmann, Jackie (Bobby) Perkins, Rebecca (Greg) DeMille. 20 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife Beverly, parents, brothers, Will, Melvin, Duard, Bill Schoppmann, his sister, Norine Stansworth, two brother-in-law's, and son-in-law Brad Bulloch.

A viewing was held on Friday, March 5, 2021 from 5-7pm at the Mortuary and on Saturday, March 6, 2021 from 9-9:45am at the Mortuary. A private family funeral service will be held. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.sumortuary.com.

REDS REIGN

CEDAR BOYS CAPTURE FIRST STATE HOOPS TITLE IN 26 YEARS



PHOTOS BY COREY BAUMGARTNER

by Tom **ZULEWSKI**

IRON COUNTY TODAY

RICHFIELD — Somewhere up above, Steve Hodson was probably smiling, likely showcased on the face of Cedar boys basketball coach Mark Esplin. Thanks to a relentless defense and hot shooting in the second half, the Reds walked away with history 26 years in the making.

Junior Zab Santana led the way with 19 points and four 3-pointers, and senior Trey Tebbs added 12 as Cedar held off Region 9 foe Desert Hills, 64-59 on March 3 at the Sevier Valley Center. It was the Reds' first state title since 1995, when the late Hodson — who passed away in 2008 — guided the team to the second of back-to-back 3A crowns.

The win completed a 19-6 season overall, and for Cedar's six seniors, it was the perfect finish to an up-and-down campaign. The 4A champion-

ship game was just the ninth that featured a full Reds roster.

"I'm so proud of the six seniors who stayed together through some bad times," said Esplin, who was a senior that played on Steve Hodson's first varsity team at Cedar in 1984. "We had to

**THERE WERE
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HARD FOUGHT FOR TEARS**

as the Reds celebrated their valiant victory with their fans, friends and families.

change a lot of things, but they didn't have to adjust to me. I had to adjust to them."

"For the last four weeks, we've been really good as a team, but it's not the coach in this case. They're better than I am."

Desert Hills had to play without leading scorer Mason Landdeck through the first half, and the offense struggled without him. The Thunder scored the game's first five points, but Cedar closed the first quarter with an 11-0 run and

wouldn't lose the lead the rest of the way.

"It's crazy. I still don't believe it," said senior Gaiage Savage, who scored nine points. "Our main goal was to get stops and do the little things to win. We've been talking about (winning state) since second grade and after the Crimmon (Cliffs) game, we got excited."

Cedar led 23-17 at the half and extended the margin to 32-22 after Santana hit 3-pointers on consecutive possessions midway through the third quarter, but Desert Hills — coming off a last-second win over Juan Diego in the semifinals — was able to cut the lead to 40-35 by the end of the period.

Landdeck hit a layup to start the fourth quarter that cut the lead to three, but Savage hit a fast-break layup off a long-range pass from Luke Armstrong that finished a 10-2 run

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SUU Men's Basketball claims first ever Big Sky Conference regular season title

T-BIRDS EARN BYE TO 2ND ROUND OF BIG SKY TOURNEY ON MARCH 11

by Bryson **LESTER**

SUU ATHLETICS STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION

PORTLAND — For the first time since joining the league ahead of the 2012 season, the Southern Utah Thunderbird men's basketball team claimed the Big Sky Conference Regular Season Championship on Saturday afternoon at Viking Pavilion, knocking off the Vikings of Portland State 73-54.

Southern Utah will enter the Big Sky Conference Championship Tournament as the No. 1 overall seed, and have a piece of hardware to bring back to Cedar City.

As a program the Thunderbirds hadn't won a regular season title since the 2000-01 season, when they were members of the Mid-Continental Conference. They were co-champions of the regular season that year. They hadn't been a lone regular season champion since 1994-95.

"We're so competitive that I just wanted to finish the game strong, but then I started to just feel grateful," SUU head coach Todd Simon said about what was going through his head in the final minutes. "So many people have been part of this journey. Former players, former staff, everyone that's had a hand in building this. This is five years in the making, and so many people have been part of making it happen."

Southern Utah has also set a new school record for regular season winning percentage this year, finishing the season with a 19-3 overall record and a 12-2 Big Sky Conference mark. SUU's .846 Big Sky winning percentage is also the most they've ever had in any league over the past two decades.

The contest was never really in doubt, as the Thunderbirds led 41-25 at the break and held on to the lead through the final buzzer.

SUU jumped ahead 5-0 out of the gate, and quickly turned that into a 17-5 advantage. PSU was able



COURTESY SUU ATHLETICS

WITH TWO 26-POINT GAMES IN A ROW, JOHN KNIGHT III helped the Thunderbirds capture the Big Sky Conference Championship and also earned his 4th Player of the Week award.

“ So many people have been part of this journey...This is five years in the making, and so many people have been part of making it happen.”

» **Todd Simon SUU head coach**

to cut the lead to five a few times as the opening half wore on, but the momentum swung Southern Utah's way late and they took a 16-point advantage into the second half.

In the second half, SUU pushed their lead to as many as 24 as they

ran away with the contest.

"This group is mature, we have a formula that if we follow we know we'll be special," Simon said. "The character of the group is so strong that we know if we play the right way the outcome will be in our favor. This group was confident."

After Eastern Washington suffered a loss to Idaho State on Wednesday, the Thunderbirds controlled their own destiny to the regular season championship, and were able to secure both victories to claim the trophy.

John Knight III was the leading scorer for the Thunderbirds on the day, matching his career high from Thursday evening at 26 points. He was incredibly efficient, shooting 11-of-13 from the field.

Dre Marin finished with 19 points on 8-of-12 shooting. Tevian Jones was the third T-Bird to score in double figures with 13.

Southern Utah has come a long way in a short amount of time. Just five seasons ago, the Thunderbirds won only six contests and had a winning percentage of .182. As the

years progressed, Simon was able to pull the Thunderbirds to their first winning season since 2006-07 in 2019-20 and now to a Big Sky trophy.

The season didn't start on an easy note for the Thunderbirds either, as they suffered an 85-83 loss at the buzzer to Loyola Marymount on the first night of the season. Since that point, the Thunderbirds have only lost twice, once to Weber State and the other to Eastern Washington. Those two teams will be the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds in Boise respectively. In every other contest, the Thunderbirds emerged victorious.

"We've got some time to breathe here, and we're going to take some time to celebrate this one," Simon said when asked how much time he would give the team to celebrate the victory.

The Thunderbirds will have a BYE to the second round of the Big Sky Conference tournament, and will compete for the first time in Boise on Thursday, March 11.

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and pushed the lead back to double figures at 50-39 with 4:44 to play in the game.

No one on the Cedar side was about to let a chance at the trophy slip away.

"This means the world to every single one of us," said Armstrong, who finished with eight points. "We came out of the locker room (at halftime) knowing we needed to keep the lead, keep the momentum, and we rode that all the way through."

And the message was delivered in three simple words.

"One more time," Armstrong said.

With the Thunder well over the foul limit, the Reds made their free throws down the stretch, hitting 16 of 22 in the fourth quarter to keep them in front. When one last Landdeck shot landed as a final air ball, the celebration began when the clock finally hit zero.

As Savage raised the trophy and showed it to the student section that made the 110-mile trip, they broke out and sang "We Are the Champions" as the song played over the public-address system.

It's a memorable moment that didn't surprise Tebbs in the least.

"The way this team has grown and transitioned to become what we are now is incredible," he said. "I would have never imagined it, but I knew we could do it. Here we are. We pulled it off."

The run in Richfield began March 1 as Cedar came back from a 16-point first-half deficit to beat third-seeded Crimson Cliffs, 64-62. Junior Ty Harrison came through with an offensive rebound, got fouled, and turned it into a three-point play with 9 seconds left for the winning points.



In the semifinals, the Reds used an 11-0 run to break a fourth-quarter tie and hold on late to beat the Ridgeline Riverhawks, 66-61. Senior and Utah State commit Dallin Grant led four players in double figures with 16 points while Tebbs and Harrison combined for seven of Cedar's eight 3-pointers in the victory.

On the girls side, Cedar's two-year run as 4A champion came to an end in the quarterfinals March 1 as Pine View rolled to a 56-24 victory. The No. 1 seed Panthers shut the Lady Reds out 9-0 in the opening quarter and cruised from there.

Braylee Peterson led Cedar with eight points in the loss as they finished the year with a 12-11 overall record.



COREY BAUMGARTNER

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Cedar - Savage 9, Grant 8, Tebbs 12, Santana 19, Armstrong 8, Harrison 8. Totals 19-44 19-26 64. 3-pointers - Savage 1, Tebbs 1, Santana 4, Harrison 1.		
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Pandemic can't stop Reds from championship destiny

The Cedar boys basketball team played 25 games in the 2020-2021 season. The entire roster — players and coaches — was intact for only nine of them, mostly due to positive tests for COVID-19.

Not even a pandemic could keep the Cedar Reds away from a moment that waited 26 years to come to life. In front of a noisy student section, a full complement of parents and supporters, and a band that played loud and proud from the opening tap, March 3 proved to be a memorable day for all at the Sevier Valley Center.

The final score: Reds 64, Desert Hills 59. Three days in Richfield, three wins by a combined total of 12 points. For the senior class of Jaron Garrett, Luke Armstrong, Utah State commit Dallin Grant, 3-point shooting specialist Trey Tebbs, Gaige Savage and reserve Jacob Rogers, the moment showcased how far persistence and determination can take you.

In the group's first two years, they won

exactly once in Region 9 play in its own gym (1-11). The playoffs weren't even an after-thought. Following a quarterfinal playoff loss to the Thunder as juniors, the group knew the top of the mountain was in sight.

The tears shed by Savage as he clutched the trophy told the full story, one he had a hard time believing.

"I can't explain how this feels. It feels so good," Savage said. "It's amazing."

When the Reds got by Ridgeline and advanced to the final for the first time since a loss to Morgan in 2014, a second Region 9 opponent was waiting in the wings. The Thunder, who barely slipped by No. 1 seed Juan Diego in its semifinal, was dealing with a big distraction on its own.

Leading scorer Mason Landdeck, who torched Cedar for 50 points in a 101-100 double-overtime victory in St. George on Jan. 27, was suspended for the first half of the final two days after being involved in an on-court incident in the quarterfinals against the Sky View Bobcats.

His absence was clearly felt by his teammates as they trailed 23-17 at the half. Even as the senior transfer from Washington state entered the game, it didn't disrupt the Reds. Cedar never trailed after Desert Hills scored the game's first five points, and the Thunder never got within range in the fourth quarter to potentially tie, take the lead, or even win the game.

That's the power of two-plus decades

of destiny talking. The day clearly belonged to Cedar, and head coach Mark Esplin had a coaching angel watching over his shoulder in Steve Hodson, who he played for during his senior season at the school.

So, it got the research wheels turning. The highlights from pop culture the last time Cedar's boys won a state basketball title are interesting. From the first week of March in 1995, they include:

- » "Seinfeld" and "ER" were the top-rated TV shows. Fox 13 airs Seinfeld reruns every night locally.
- » "Forrest Gump" won Best Picture at the Academy Awards.
- » The UCLA Bruins beat Arkansas for the 1995 National Championship in college basketball.
- » And "Take a Bow" by Madonna was on top of the Billboard Hot 100 chart for the week ending March 4.

That last bit of information is a perfect close to the mood for Cedar's achievement. It's time to take a bow because the group showcased what it means to persevere and fight through the challenges life will throw at you.

The trophy that's in the trophy case at the school is an excellent reminder.

» **It wasn't exactly discussed in local radio circles,** but the Cedar girls had their

two-year run as 4A champion ended by the Pine View Panthers on March 1. It wasn't close as the Lady Reds were eliminated in the quarterfinals by a 56-24 count.

Even so, Cedar's girls still achieved amazing things. They were 49-2 in their championship years, but had to deal not only with the loss of seniors Mayci Torgerson, Japrix Weaver and Denim Henkel, but junior Samantha Johnston graduated early and is now playing at SUU under her mom, head coach Tracy Sanders.

There were injuries suffered by this year's players. Some had to sit due to positive COVID tests. In spite of all of it, Cedar still finished No. 3 in Region 9 at 8-6 and above .500 for the year at 12-11 overall. It may not be the standard they were used to over the previous two years, but like the boys, you get back up, shake the disappointment off, and keep on trying.

The rewards for hard work are out there, and the trophy case will always have room.



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI

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TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

After Cedar's boys basketball team achieved the dream and won its first state basketball title since 1995, this week's dozen is dedicated to sports stuff that happened 26 years ago. Take a safe walk down memory lane and please remember...no wagering.

- Major League Baseball returned from a player's strike that wiped out the 1994 World Series. Who won the Fall Classic in 1995?
 - Toronto Blue Jays
 - Florida Marlins
 - Cleveland Indians
 - Atlanta Braves
- The NHL had similar labor troubles in 1995 and ended up with a 48-game regular season that finished in late June. Which team won that year's Stanley Cup in a four-game sweep?
 - New Jersey Devils
 - Colorado Avalanche
 - Florida Panthers
 - Detroit Red Wings
- Who won the NBA Most Valuable Player award in the 1994-95 season?
 - Grant Hill
 - Hakeem Olajuwon
 - David Robinson
 - Karl Malone
- While Nebraska and Florida played in the Fiesta Bowl for the 1995 NCAA championship, who was ranked No. 3, won that year's Big Ten title and the Rose Bowl berth?
 - Northwestern
 - Michigan
 - Iowa
 - Ohio State
- Which college football conference played its final game in 1995, with four of its schools moving on to join what became the Big 12?
 - Southern
 - Big East
 - MAC
 - Southwestern
- While the Cedar boys were able to repeat as 3A state champion in 1995, Arkansas missed pulling off its own repeat at the NCAA Tournament. Which school beat them in that year's national title game?
 - UCLA
 - North Carolina
 - Oklahoma State
 - Michigan
- Keeping up with the repeat theme, the Houston Rockets were able to go back-to-back as NBA champion in 1995. Which team did the Rockets sweep in the Finals, one that was making its first appearance in franchise history?
 - Phoenix Suns
 - Orlando Magic
 - Chicago Bulls
 - Miami Heat
- On the PGA Tour, who won the 1995 Open Championship at St. Andrews, beating Costantino Rocca of Italy in a four-hole playoff?
 - Corey Pavin
 - John Daly
 - Ben Crenshaw
 - Steve Elkington
- Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi split wins in two memorable duels in Grand Slam tennis finals in 1995. In which one did Agassi take home the championship trophy?
 - Australian Open
 - U.S. Open
 - Wimbledon
 - French Open
- Agassi's wife, Steffi Graf, won three Grand Slam women's singles titles in 1995. Which one got away and denied her the sweep?
 - U.S. Open
 - Wimbledon
 - French Open
 - Australian Open
- The 1995 NFL season welcomed two new teams - the Carolina Panthers and Jacksonville Jaguars. Which team returned to its old home that year after spending the previous 12 years in Los Angeles?
 - Oakland Raiders
 - San Diego Chargers
 - Baltimore Ravens
 - Cleveland Browns
- Which Dallas Cowboys legend set the single-season record for rushing touchdowns in 1995 with 25, a mark that would last only eight years?
 - DeMarco Murray
 - Terrell Davis
 - Emmitt Smith
 - Tony Dorsett

Last Week's Answers

- A: Peter Ueberroth
- A: Chicago Tribune
- B: Two - In 1984, the Padres lost to the Detroit Tigers and in 1998, they were swept by the New York Yankees. Additional note: There are six teams in Major League Baseball that have not won a World Series. Colorado and Tampa Bay are included in the group.
- D: St. Louis Cardinals
- C: Charlie Manuel
- B: Baltimore Orioles. They beat the Philadelphia Phillies to win it all in 1983.
- C: Craig Counsell. Counsell has been the Brewers' manager since 2015. Mattingly and Roberts were hired in November of 2015 after that season officially ended.
- D: Bob Melvin. Melvin is entering his 11th season as Oakland A's manager in 2021.
- B: Miguel Cabrera. Cabrera won titles in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2015
- C: Seven. Henderson pulled off the feat in 1980, 1982, 1983, 1985, 1986, 1988 and 1989.
- B: Nolan Arenado. Arenado led the NL in the category in 2015 (42), 2016 (41) and 2018 (38). He tied for the lead with Bryce Harper in 2015 and Chris Carter of the Milwaukee Brewers in 2016.
- B: Matt Kemp. Kemp led the NL with 39 homers in 2011, but finished the decade playing for the Padres, Braves, Reds and Rockies.

KYLE LARSON CELEBRATES HIS WIN IN THE PENNZOIL 400 on March 7 at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. It was his first win since late in the 2019 season.



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Larson earns first win at Las Vegas

by Tom ZULEWSKI

IRON COUNTY TODAY

LAS VEGAS — Kyle Larson had won six races prior to Sunday, but none came at a 1.5-mile track. Forced to sit out after running four races in the 2020 season, Larson made his return more than memorable, breaking through and earning the win at the Pennzoil 400 at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. The 28-year-old won for the first time at LVMS and first since the fall race at Dover in 2019.

"I didn't know if I'd ever have an opportunity to win a NASCAR race again," Larson said. "To have Mr. H (team owner Rick Hendrick) take a chance on me has been great, and it's cool to get a win this early in the year."

"Once I got to the white flag, I started to get choked up a little bit."

After leading just six laps in the first three races, Larson was out in front six times for a race-high 103 laps at Las Vegas, including 73 of the last 121. He finished more than three seconds ahead of runner-up Brad Keselowski, who gave the race winner plenty of post-race props for the effort.

"Everyone loves a good redemption story," Keselowski said. "He's fought hard to come back and make the most of his chance. He could run as fast as us down the straightaways and was faster in the corners."

Larson won Stage 2 ahead of Keselowski and crew chief Cliff Daniels said the car and driver were strong from the start.

"I'm a little surprised we won this quickly, but we were right when we unloaded," Daniels said. "Kyle's confident enough where he doesn't need a cheerleader."

Team owner Rick Hendrick was just as surprised at Larson's win, but not at the driver.

"To win in the fourth race with no practice is really awesome," Hendrick said. "Kyle and Cliff are going to have a lot of

success together and no one doubts Kyle's ability."

Third-place finisher Kyle Busch agreed.

"Hendrick has good cars and Kyle's a talented driver," Busch said. "We came in for tires, and he shot past us. There was no keeping up with him."

Denny Hamlin and Ryan Blakey completed the top five finishers for a race that had fans in attendance for the first time since last spring, estimated at 12,500. The Pennzoil 400 had 27 lead changes among 12 different drivers and was slowed by cautions six times for 30 laps. Larson's average winning speed was 139.615 mph.

More race coverage from last week can be found at ironcountytoday.com

"I didn't know if I'd ever have an opportunity to win a NASCAR race again,"

» Kyle Larson

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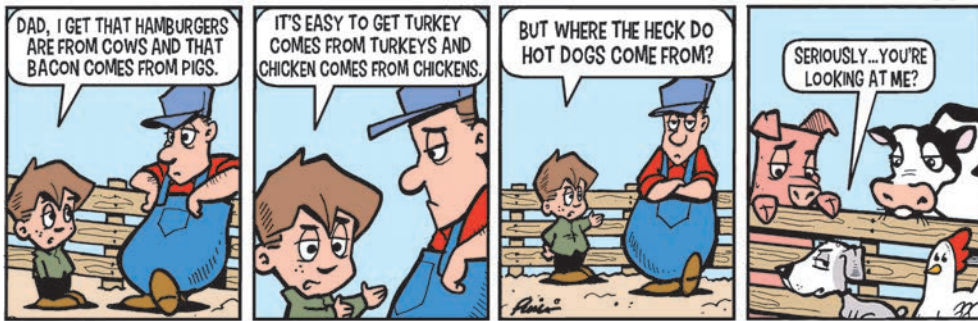
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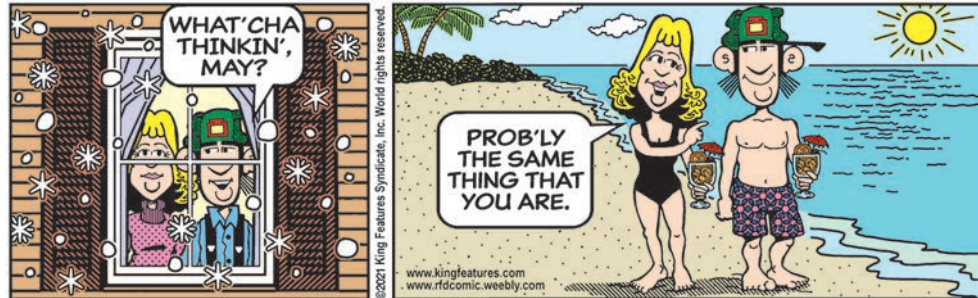
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by Linda Thistle

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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 BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

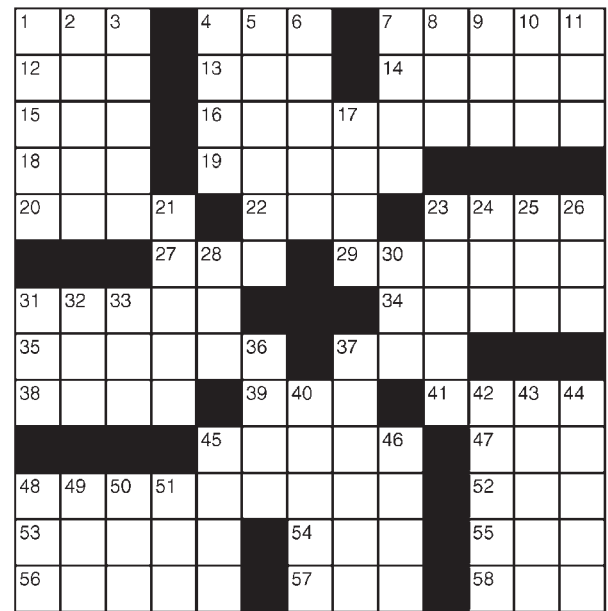
Differences: 1. Boy is moved. 2. Golf club is missing. 3. Tree is added. 4. Golf shoes are different. 5. Hedge is missing. 6. Zipper is added.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Nightwear, for short
4 Rm. coolers
7 Fable writer
12 Decay
13 Prefix with athlete
14 Preamble
15 Mode lead-in
16 Soundly defeated
18 Zilch
19 Berth places
20 Retain
22 Away from NNW
23 Roundish 'do
27 Writer Harper
29 Sitting room
31 Prepared apples for baking
34 Street punks
35 Uproar
37 Rotating part
38 A Great Lake
39 Actor Stephen
41 Dumbstruck
45 Striped equine
47 Hockey's Bobby
48 Performed to the end
52 Gun-lobby org.
53 Broadcaster
54 Code-
- 9 Pigs' digs tor
10 Metal source
11 Group of whales
17 Get ready, briefly
21 West Point freshman
23 Bakery lure
24 "Alice" waitress
25 Scepter
26 Hosp. areas
28 College URL
30 "Eureka!"
31 "Evita" narra-
- 32 Owned by us
33 MLB stat
36 Raised
37 Tenor Enrico
40 Deep, lustrous black
42 Candymaker Willy
43 Goofed
44 Pulls
45 Goose egg
46 — impasse
48 Bit of butter
49 Fib
50 Branch
51 "Uh-huh"



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

P	J	A	S	A	C	S	A	V	E	S	O	P
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Solution time: 26 mins.
Answers

King Crossword

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: Which 19th-century novel begins with the sentence, "There was no possibility of taking a walk that day"?
- CHEMISTRY: Which element's Latin name is hydrargyrum and goes by the symbol Hg?
- HISTORY: Who was the first female detective in the United States, hired by the Pinkerton Detective Agency in 1856?
- ADVERTISEMENTS SLOGANS: What product's 1970s advertising slogan was, "I can't believe I ate the whole thing"?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Only two Catholics have served as president of the United States. Who are they?
- MOVIES: The "Star Wars" movie series was partly filmed in which African country?
- LANGUAGE: What does the name Boca Raton (Florida) mean in Spanish?
- U.S. STATES: The highest and lowest points in the contiguous United States can be found in which state?
- ENTERTAINERS: Which American actor and comedian was born Eric Marlon Bishop?
- TELEVISION: Which 1950s Western series featured the theme song "Happy Trails"?

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Trivia Test Answers
1. "Jane Eyre"; 2. Mercury; 3. Kate Warme; 4. Alka-Seltzer; 5. John Kennedy and Joe Biden; 6. Tunisia; 7. Rat's mouth (named for sharp rocks where ships docked); 8. California; 9. Jamie Foxx; 10. "The Roy Rogers Show"