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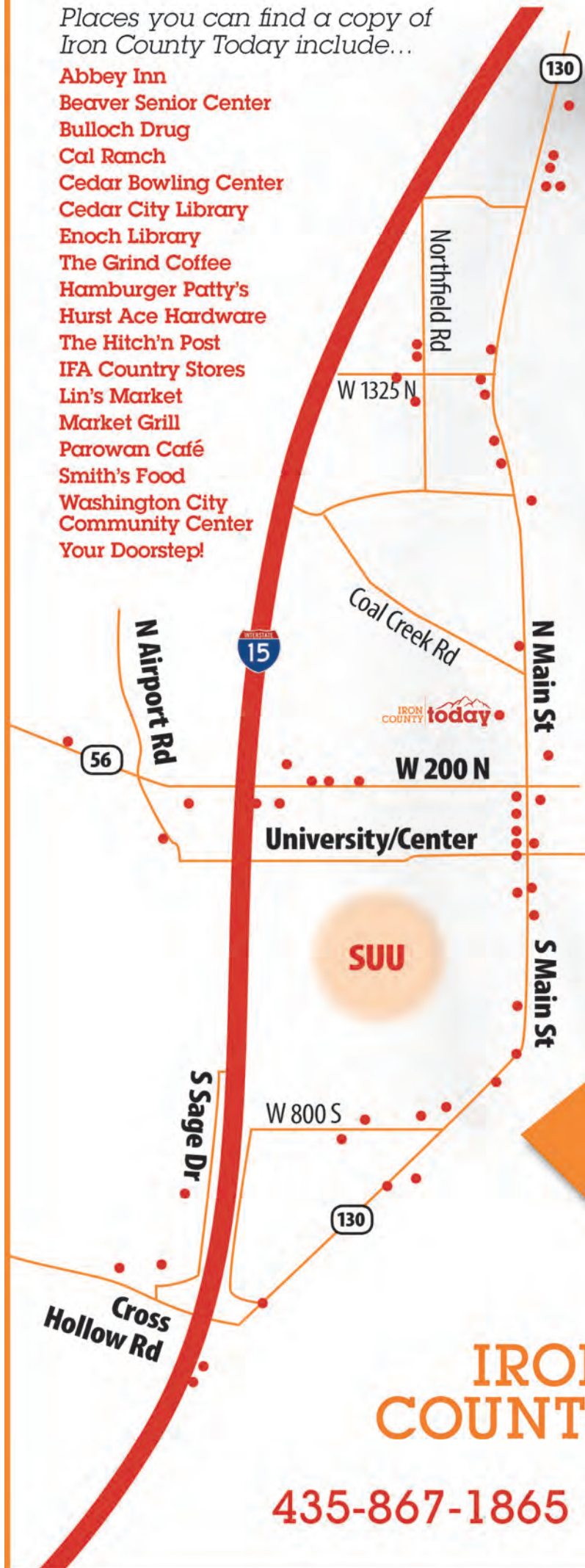
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ARSON SUSPECTED

in torching of four vehicles



A FIERY SCENE AS VEHICLES BURN in a suspected arson fire in Cedar City.

COURTESY OF MARK AXELSON

by Holly **COOMBS**
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — A 23-year-old man was arrested on Jan. 10 in connection with a string of vehicle arsons which occurred earlier that morning between the hours of 1 and 3:30 a.m.

Isaac Wall of Beaver was apprehended and interviewed by detectives after information was received that he was seen fleeing the scene of the first of four vehicle arsons, according to a Cedar City Police Department press release.

“The victims identified him as the ex-spouse of a female living at this location,” the press release said. “Using the victim’s description of the suspect, and knowing which vehicle he had been known to drive, an attempt to locate was broadcast and an off-duty Cedar City officer located the vehicle near Ridge Road and Rose Hill Dr.”

Cedar City Police officers took Wall into custody and interviewed him before booking him into the Iron County Correctional Facility on six counts of arson, which is a second degree felony. The arson involved six vehicles with estimated tens of thousands of dollars worth of damage. An exact estimate was still being finalized.

According to the police report, four of the six cars were totally destroyed and the other two were significantly destroyed.

Detectives determined that only the first fire was intentional, as the other fires spread to vehicles of victims who did not know the suspect, Cedar City Police Sgt. Jerry Womack said.



TWO OF THE VEHICLES damaged in the fire.

COURTESY OF CEDAR CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Care and Share facility seeks help with flood damage

by Holly **COOMBS**
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — The Iron County Care and Share is seeking monetary donations to aid with fixing damage from a flood that occurred on Dec. 19 in the emergency shelter, located at 222 W. 900 North in Cedar City.

Iron County Care and Share Executive Director Peggy Green said she got a call on Dec. 19 at 6:30 a.m. when a pipe in the fire alarm sprinkler system burst and caused damage in the men’s quarters, the shower area and one family room.

“We only have three family rooms and one family room is now being used for the men to take showers,” Green said. “When you’re already limited on space, there is not much flexibility.”

The insurance company will cover all but \$2,000 worth of repairs, Green said the care and share is seeking donations because they are short on cash

donations to take care of the remaining amount.

Since the flood, the pipe has been repaired and the bathroom is being put back together, but there is still much to do, she said.

“Things are happening little by little,” Green said.

The Iron County Care and Share has just under 20 people in need of assistance at the shelter, which could change at any time because

“When you’re already limited on space, there is not much flexibility”

— Peggy Green

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Residents offer input on Leisure Services master plan

by Holly COOMBS
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — With about 40 people in attendance, the Leisure Services Committee conducted a public meeting on Jan. 10 in the Heritage Center to receive community input regarding its master plan.

The Leisure Services Master Plan, a decision regarding recreation in the community, is under consideration regarding goals about service in the community for the year and the possibility of construction on new facility as approved by the City Council for city funding.

“Our mission is to provide citizens and visitors with innovative, inclusive and affordable programs to inspire them to be healthier and socially engaged; to maintain state-of-the-art clean and safe venues; and give citizens the fitness, recreational, competitive athletic programs they want,” according to Cedar City Leisure Services Information Packet.

To further receive input from the community, members of Leisure Services Committee presented results from a survey filled out by the public and their opinions regarding what recreational activities are important to them. The survey, which will continue

for another month online at www.cedarcity.org will help the Leisure Services Committee decide what facility might be considered to be built in the next year, Cedar City Leisure Services and Events Director Bryan Dangerfield said.

The survey can be filled once per household and within the last month 10 percent of the community have already voiced their opinions, according to the results.

“One thousand surveys were filled out in representing 3,482 people,” Dangerfield said. “That is 10 percent of Cedar City’s population. That’s a lot. We are grateful for that response and more to come.”

In the previous month, another public meeting was conducted with less attendance.

The surveys were done on paper, but because of one particular interest group having kids fill out surveys it presented skewed results because some of the questions regard income per household, he said. Since that meeting, the survey has gone online and has been revised.

Dangerfield said that he was happy with the turnout at the meeting and that with both the meeting and surveys it helps that every voice is heard.

“We have a very, very active community,” he said. “We have camping, outdoor competing, cardio. It is interesting now we can see where to go with the survey results and comments.”

He said once the survey results come through and the comments are looked over they can prioritize them and see if whichever facility is decided if it can be done and funded.

Cedar City Mayor Maile Wilson said the fact that so many people have replied to the online survey shows that the community is engaged and involved.

Cedar City Councilmen Fred Rowley and Ron Adams said that they look forward to seeing what the public decide so it will help them make a decision.

“If it’s what they want we will support it,” Adams said. “Like Fred said,” Yeah, We will

take the data and look at it all and consider it.”

Adams continued to say that the council members do not want to make the decision themselves in regards to the new facility choice, but know what the public wants and make the best decision from there.

One young citizen said she hopes for an indoor ice rink to further her hockey career.

“Hockey gives me something to do, get out with my friends, practice and enjoy competitively,” Canyon View freshman Alyssa Fain said.

Fain said she has already had opportunities to compete across the country and show others what a 14-year-old from a small town can do. Additional information and the survey can be found at www.cedarcity.org.



HOLLY COOMBS

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ATTEND the Leisure Services Master Pan Town Hall Meeting on Jan. 10.



HOLLY COOMBS

ONE OF THE MEN'S QUARTERS AT IRON COUNTY CARE AND SHARE suffered significant damage from a broken water pipe in late December. The shelter is trying to raise funds to repair the damage.

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in extreme cold or hot weather more people come for help.

“For the first time in a long time, we have under 20 people here--since May, we’ve never been that low,” she said. “It’s manageable, but we don’t know when that will change. It can be under 20

one day and the next be at 30 or 40.”

Besides providing food to those in need, the Iron County Care and Share provides laundry facilities, sack lunches and toiletries, Green said. Currently, the only thing they can offer is the sack lunches because of the result of the flood.

Iron County Care and Share can be contacted at 435-586-4962.

Nation’s race issues to be discussed at seminar

CEDAR CITY--The Michael O. Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service is hosting a presentation titled “America’s Race for Solutions.” Panelists for the event will be SUU professors Michael Stathis and Angela Pool-Funai and students Matt Laws and Justin Douglas.

The presentation will consist of four different perspectives of America’s race problems and how they can be solved. It will be

held on Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Sterling R. Church Auditorium in the student center at SUU.

Over the past few years America has seen an increase in racial divides across the country. This problem and solution type of presentation will give insight on the racial problems that the country faces, as well as ways that SUU students, faculty, and staff can help find and work towards solutions. Admittance is free.

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Jan. 6

Gregory J. Blackham, Cedar City
DUI, Driving on Revocation

Pollyann L. Reyes, Enoch
Probation/Parole Violation

Jan. 8

Tanner L. Roberts, Cedar City
Controlled Substance, Drug Paraphernalia, Forgery

Jan. 9

Kyle R. Espinoza, Cedar City
Domestic Violence presence of Child, Intoxication

Joshua V. McCarthy, Cedar City
Possession, Drug Paraphernalia

Shane R. Swensen Jr., St. George
Resisting Arrest, Violation of Protective Order

Molly J. Gricius, Cedar City
Domestic Violence in presence of child, Assault, Fugitive from justice

Gustavo Groll, Cedar City
No valid license, head lamp violation, FTA-Warrant

Ray M. Hall, Cedar City
Agency hold

Tyler L Hoopes, Hurricane
FTA-Warrant, Theft, Retail Theft, Stop Lamps-Turn Signals

Dallas R. Tillahash, Cedar City
Probation/Parole Violation

Jan. 10

Johnathann E. Garcia, Price
Retail Theft

Brandon D. Lund, Cedar City
Retail Theft

Isacc J. Wall, Cedar City
Arson

Gregory J. Blackham, Cedar City
Alcohol Restricted Driver License

Marquis L. Floyd, Los Angeles
Possession of Stolen Credit Cards

Paul R. Jones, St. George
Federal Contract Prisoner

Jan. 12

Randall G. Benn, Cedar City
Aggravated Assault

Daneil L. Bowen, Ogden
Fradulant Use of Credit Cards, Domestic Violence, Aggravated Assault

Michael W. Stein, Cedar City
Intoxication

Stephanie M. Stein, Cedar City
Intoxication

Joseph R. Murphey, St. George
Agency Hold

Jan. 13

Marlena Jim, Cedar City
Probation/Parole Violation

Jan. 14

Ramiro Mejia, Cedar City
Intoxication, Sexual Battery

Jan. 15

Jess A. Hancock, Iron County
Threats against Life/Property, Assault

Jennifer R. Martin, Sherman Oaks, Calif.
Fraud Use Credit Card

Mueller Industries to open copper manufacturing in Iron County

SALT LAKE CITY — Mueller Industries and the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) have announced the manufacturer will expand to Utah, adding up to 125 jobs to the community when it opens a facility in Cedar City.

"I commend Mueller industries for its resourcefulness and investment in Iron County," said Val Hale, executive director of GOED, in a release. "The company's state-of-the-art facility and access to a skilled workforce from surrounding communities provide a strong foundation as it expands in Utah."

Mueller Industries, founded in 1917, is a leading manufacturer in the copper and brass industries. Headquartered in Tennessee, company operations are located throughout the world. The Iron County operation would be dedicated primarily to copper tube products.

The Mueller Industries project will create up to 125 jobs over the next eight years. The total wages in aggregate are required to exceed 110 percent of the county average wage. The projected new state wages over

"This is a great example of state and local teamwork to recruit new jobs to Utah"

— **Michael Flynn**

the life of the agreement are expected to be approximately \$31,291,115. Projected new state tax revenues, as a result of corporate, payroll and sales taxes, are estimated to be \$2,475,952 over eight years.

"We are pleased with Mueller Industries' decision to build operations in Cedar City," said Michael Flynn, chief marketing officer and acting chief of staff at the Economic Development Corporation of Utah. "Mueller Industries is a well-regarded company with a history of success. This is a great example of state and local teamwork to recruit new jobs to Utah."

Mueller Industries may earn up to 20 percent of the new state taxes they will pay over the eight-year life of the agreement in the form of a post-performance Economic Development Tax Increment Finance (EDTIF) tax credit rebate. As part of the contract with Mueller Industries, the GOED Board of Directors has approved a post-performance tax credit rebate not to exceed \$495,190. Each year as Mueller Industries meets the criteria in its contract with the state, it will earn a portion of the total tax credit rebate.

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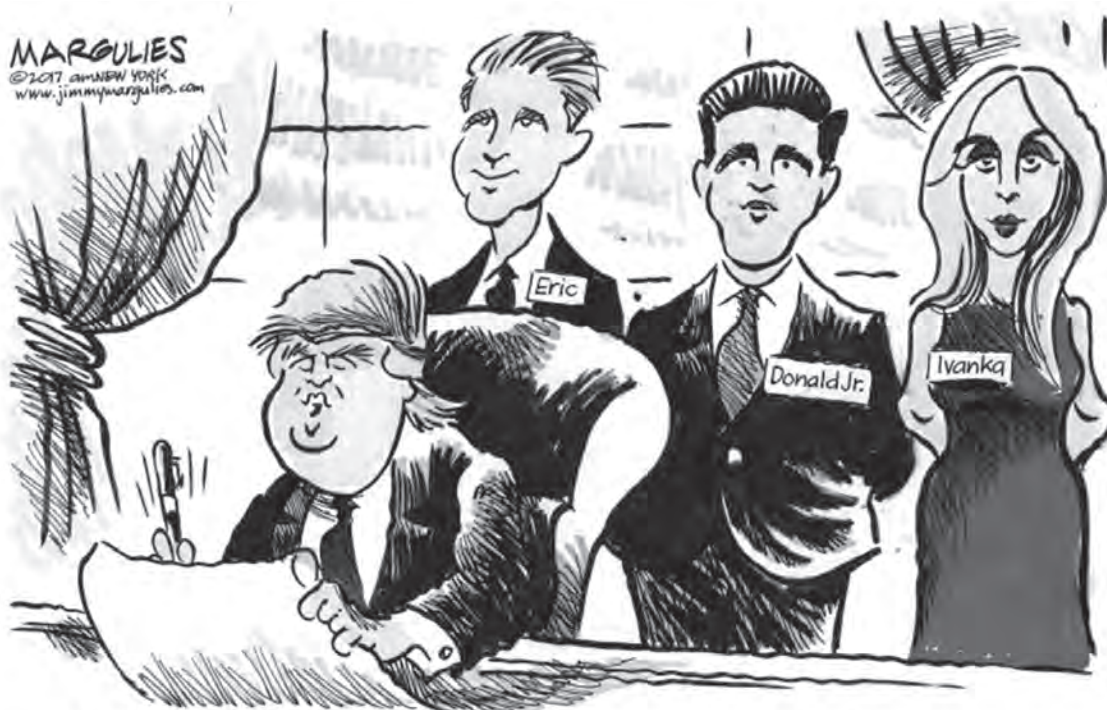
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Opinion



“My first proclamation is to declare every day
‘Take Your Children To Work Day’”

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Cyclops confident on 2017 predictions

As we slide into the new year, we all have things we would like to see happen in 2017. How about peace in the Middle East and an end to ISIS? Or no more embarrassing tweets from President Trump? Or the Utah Jazz winning the NBA championship?

Sorry, but we are out of luck on those. But though I am skeptical on much, I am fairly confident that the following will occur:

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Utah's airwaves will continue to be filled with advertising about a coming recession/depression and proven success methods of protecting your assets (usually tossing money at gold and silver complete with high commissions for their gold bug salesman). By the end of the year, I suspect a cautious and diversified blend of stocks will offer investors a 10 percent increase – about the same as the S&P index did last year and the average gain each year for the past 90 years. Though I am not a stock expert, I know that paranoia increases blood pressure more than it can your IRA or retirement plan.

NANCY PELOSI WILL STILL EMBARRASS DEMOCRATS

If you want to appeal to white working class voters

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While it is difficult to repeat as World Series champs, the Cubs have the talent and the payroll to do

BYU SOAR, UTES FALL BACK

The new Cougar coaching staff has revitalized the program and a Polynesian head coach doesn't hurt when recruiting valuable linemen. With the Utes losing a host of starters, their fans should be more excited about Joe Williams playing in Sunday NFL games than the Utes success (or lack of) this fall in the PAC-12.

CONSERVATIVE GROUPS WILL OPOSE TEACHER RAISES

Organizations like the Sutherland Institute will fight against the education-funding tax increase by arguing that Utah teachers already do a pretty good job when their students are compared to those in other states. In other words, Utah teachers are their own worst enemy. Stop being so darn effective!

THE UTAH LEGISLATURE WILL CONSIDER SOME SILLY BILLS

Already we have one in Sen. Todd Weiller encouraging Utahns to sue the porn industry. Let's see...it's not okay to sue a gun manufacturer if a gun is used in a violent crime or a beer company due to a drunk driving death, but it's fine to sue a porn movie producer if the husband acts up after watching a film? I hope taxpayer money isn't thrown away on this unconstitutional legislation!

This brings to mind a riddle from Rep. Ray Ward, a Davis County legislator. "What is the difference between jalapeño peppers and politicians? Answer: With jalapeños, you know ahead of time they are going to burn you, but with politicians, you never know until after they are elected."

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Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
Columnist

We all have things we would like to see happen in 2017

it, and the Cavaliers and Warriors are easily the toast of the NBA. (Don't count out the Houston Rockets or San Antonio Spurs to upset the Warriors, but don't bet on them doing it either!) Meanwhile, the only thing for sure in the National Football League will be increased demands and payments for retired players suffering from concussion-caused health injuries.

ONLINE & GIFT CERTIFICATE SALES WILL KEEP CLIMBING

Retail stores will be hurt once again by on-line sales, but they will recover some ground through gift cards. Gift cards are now the second most popular holiday gift, accounting for more than 25 percent of Christmas expenditures (compared with only 13.5 percent in 2003). In addition, most of the cards are purchased for retail outlets.

Opinion

The water need challenges in our valley

by Paul **COZZENS**

Cedar City Council, CICWCD Board member
GMP Committee member

Dear Friends and Constituents, Utah is one of the fastest growing states in the country and Iron County is one of the fastest growing counties in the state. This is good news, however, it can sometimes be a bit of a challenge where water is concerned.

I just completed the first year of my second four-year term on the City Council. I have had the privilege the last five years to serve as a board member on the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District (CICWCD). The opportunity to serve in this capacity has been a great learning experience for me. Due to this assignment and my position on the Cedar City Council, I feel it necessary to give you a report on a few things that have been on my mind.

Many of you are already aware of the serious challenges we face regarding our water needs in this valley. The state water engineer and other experts have determined that the annual safe yield is about 21,000 acre-feet. However, we (municipalities, agriculture, CICWCD, and private) are depleting about 28,000 acre-feet—creating a deficit of about 7,000 acre-feet per year.

The state water engineer is tasked with the responsibility of monitoring these situations, protecting this precious natural resource, and ensuring that the water supply is sustainable. He traveled to Cedar City twice in 2016 and met with the public to discuss the need for our basin's groundwater management plan. Recently, in response to a request from the state engineer he has recommended that the water users in the valley form a Groundwater Management Plan

Committee (GMPC). The 10 members of the committee will be meeting monthly in an effort to solve some of our water challenges and help prevent the loss of personal water rights.

In our first meeting, we discussed many issues including: importing water, water conservation, unused water rights (not factored in), future growth, and recharge projects. If we don't solve this problem, the state engineer will be forced to begin reducing water rights until a balanced equilibrium is reached in the aquifer. This means that if you had water flowing into a 55-gallon barrel full of holes (with each hole representing a water right), as the water drops, you would not lose that right, but the flow to holes at the top of the barrel would cease sooner than those with higher priority rights at the bottom.

A large percentage of the City's water rights would become junior and could become unusable in the future, in today's market the value of that water is tens of millions of dollars. Please be aware that the CICWCD; the municipalities of Enoch, Cedar City, and Kanarrville; Iron County; and agriculture users are taking this seriously.

Cedar City has been successfully recharging about 1,800 acre-feet of water near the airport for the past 10 years and is currently looking at options which involve putting the 2,600 acre feet of effluent from the wastewater-treatment plant to better use through agriculture and gravel pit recharge. These projects are expensive and we have limited funds, but it is critical that we solve these challenges.

Last year, the CICWCD successfully completed a recharge project in Enoch and are working on another project near Quichapa Lake where the water is largely

wasted because the layer of clay under the Lake prevents water from recharging into the aquifer and is wasted through evaporation. Efforts have been made in the past to reclaim this water. However, once the water reaches the lake, it becomes so contaminated it can't be pumped to another area and used for recharge. Currently, we are working on a new diversion structure near Quichapa Lake which will divert excess water before it hits the lake. The water will then be channeled northwest, under State Route 56, and pumped to an area of land that has excellent percolation qualities. This is an exciting venture due to the fact that this is the area of extraction for the lion's share of Cedar City's water and is the aquifer most critically in decline.

These recharge efforts are critical because they will help tremendously in bringing our aquifer into balance.

Another project being considered is to import water from the west desert valleys of Wah Wah and Pine (West of Milford). The state engineer has approved portions of our filings and we are working to import up to 12,000 acre-feet from Wah Wah and 15,000 acre-feet from Pine Valley. This long-term project comes with a price tag of about \$250

million (a little over half of what the Lake Powell pipeline would have cost), but is critical for the future growth and sustainability of our valley. Conservation projects by the Iron County School District, Cedar City Corporation, CICWCD, and private efforts have been very positive as well. However, much more can and should be done.


In Cedar City, we are currently going through the process to create a parks and recreation master plan and are soliciting input from our citizens to determine priorities. Some of the venues being considered are high ticket items that I am struggling to even discuss as we wrangle with the issue of water in our county. I believe water has to be our first priority. In order to do that, we have to distinguish between needs and wants. We also have to realize that taxpayers' money is not endless and we need to find more ways to create opportunities for private and public partnerships that will allow us to have parks and recreational activities and venues without having to take from resources that are currently needed elsewhere.

I'm open to any additional ideas you may have. Please don't hesitate to call me or email me at Paul@CozzensCabinets.com if you would like to discuss this important issue.

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COURTESY OF SUU NURSING DEPARTMENT

SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF NURSING honored Chanda Hutchings, Amanda Potter, Erma Kaye May, Phyllis Maughan, Aubrey Lauritzen, Carly Ashworth, Lauri Baumgartner, Dr. William Clayton Petty and the graduating class of Fall 2014 at the Feb. 19, 2016 celebration.

Nominations sought for nursing awards

by Holly **COOMBS**
Iron County Today

Southern Utah University's nursing department seeks nominations for outstanding nurses in the southern Utah area to honor at a banquet at the end of February.

Nursing Department Chair Donna Lister said nominations can be made from the ad in the *Iron County Today* as well as submitted through an email or mailed to Southern Utah University.

Once nominations are submitted, nursing students will look through the options and choose a winner to be honored with a five-course meal served by the nursing students and presented with a pendant as an award, Lister said.

The categories on nurses awarded are: medical/surgical, home health and hospice, small hospital generalist, labor and delivery, long-term care, critical/emergency and public health.

"It's really fun to get nominations from people in the community who have received such excellent care and be able

to recognize the nurses that don't always get a lot of recognition," she said.

This is the nursing department's ninth year to celebrate nurses in southern Utah that include hospitals as far north as Richfield, Lister said.

"A lot of people don't know what this is all about," she said. "If they have been cared for or have a home health nurse they can nominate them."

The dinner will take place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Feb. 23. Time has not been determined.

"It's really fun to get nominations from people in the community who have received such excellent care"

— Donna Lister

Blood drive to be held in Cedar City on Jan. 23, 24

The State Bank of Southern Utah is hosting a two-day blood drive on Monday, Jan. 23 and Tuesday, Jan. 24, both from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The blood drive will be held at the new Cedar City office located at 1322 South Interstate Drive. (By the I-15 South Interchange)

The Red Cross nationally and locally has issued a blood collection emergency and issued an emergency request for eligible blood and platelet donors. Hectic holiday schedules for many regular blood donors contributed to 37,000 fewer donations in November and December. Snowstorms and severe weather have also impacted supplies. More than 90 blood drives were forced to cancel in December, resulting in thousands of uncollected donations. Right now, blood and platelet donations

are being distributed to hospitals faster than they are coming in. Donors with types O, B negative or A negative are especially needed and encouraged to give a Power Red (Double Red) donation if possible.

The Red Cross has asked the bank to collect 152 units during its drive to help restock the blood bank during these two days. In the Utah service area, every 8 minutes someone needs blood. The American Red Cross strives to collect an average of 2,350 units of blood in the Utah service area each week to meet patients' needs.

There will be donation times available every 15 minutes. More information is available from Tyler H. Brown, director of marketing for the bank, at 435-865-2348.

Council honors employee, discusses Leisure Services

by Holly **COOMBS**
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — Recognition of an employee of the month and discussion about a Leisure Services meeting were part of the Cedar City Council agenda last Wednesday.

Kirk Haymore, a Leisure Services employee was presented with an employee of the month award by the Employee Advisory Committee. Haymore was nominated by Leisure Services Director Bryan Dangerfield.

"Kirk's enthusiasm and can-do attitude makes him a valuable member of the Leisure Services and Parks Division team," a statement from the Employee Advisory Committee said. "He has worked with them since 2015. He has worked in a lot of the outdoor facilities. He spends his busy schedules working with the parks, facilities and activities."

Haymore was recognized for his professional attitude, his ability as a supervisor and make sure the downtown area looks its best. He was presented with a certificate for his service and received applause and handshakes from all the city staff in the meeting.

"I've spent time with Kirk," city councilman Fred Rowley said. "He's a good man."

Dangerfield also commented about the enjoyment of working with Haymore and his crew.

Reflection on the Leisure Services Town Hall Master Plan meeting last Tuesday was also a part of the city council meeting (see separate story in this issue of *Iron County Today*).

The meeting was conducted to receive public input on Leisure Services' goals and the decision on funding for an indoor ice rink, gymnasium with basketball and volleyball courts or additional soccer fields.

Rowley presented a proposal he would like the Leisure Services Committee to consider in the master plan.

"It appeared to me that basketball, soccer, ice skating and hockey are important sports in the community," Rowley said in his proposal. "A lingering question has been whether we use the land north of the (Cedar City Aquatic Center) for a basketball court or an ice rink?"

He continued to say that the question hinders on what would be the most liable venture.

"After three years of solid activity, I believe that we can answer that question in the affirmative," Rowley said. "Does it stay where it is or does it move?"

Aquatic Center Manager Chris Hudson informed Rowley that there is enough room at the front of the center for a gymnasium of basketball courts to be built.

"It is preferable for the ice rink

because people at the desk can monitor the gym where they sit," Rowley said. "I propose that we use the front of the building for the basketball courts and use the property for an ice rink site. There are private entities interested enough to make it so."

He also proposed that at the east end of the Lake at the Hills can be a place for one more soccer fields. If proposed by May, it can be put in the works within the year.

Cedar City Councilmen Terri Hartley and Ron Adams both encouraged that the master plan continue as is before deciding on Rowley's proposal.

Rowley said he created his proposal not as an immediate decision, but as good conversation.

Dangerfield discussed with council about the survey available to the public to voice their opinions, which can be found online at www.cedarcity.org. The survey will be available for one more month before the decision of the facility and other Leisure Services goals is considered and presented before the city council for funding requests.

A survey was first created on paper and ice rink supporters had children fill out the surveys in agreement of an ice rink. Dangerfield said his skewed the results because part of the survey asks about household income and it skewed the results as the survey is only allowed to be filled out by one per household.

After the first survey, Leisure Services staff revised and put it online for a better result and received 10 percent of Cedar City residents input.

"I don't think it is fair that (a certain group) came out to that first meeting and made the effort," city councilman Paul Cozzens said. Cozzens continued to say that he supports the ice rink currently because it requires no RAP tax.

Cedar City Mayor Maile Wilson said people in the community are really passionate about their interests.

"This will get us some direction of something beyond the ice rink," Wilson said. "We need to decide the future. This will help us know what the community wants and give us some direction."

Adams said the survey and results of the public input will create the opportunity to get some items and costs and see what the possibility will be for a change in the community activities.

"People have different ideas and passions," he said. "I don't think anyone is against ice hockey and we don't intend to put them under the rail, but we've got other people in the city that are interested in other things, too."

Adams continued to say the reason for the survey is for community input.

"We don't get enough of that," he said. "As a council we try to do what everyone might want. This is not the final deal. We haven't even scratched the surface."

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL

COSMIC CONTEMPLATIONS

by Leesa **RICCI**
National Park Service
& Southern Utah Space Foundation

We all know the difference between stars and airplanes, but what's the difference between planes and satellites for outdoor observers? One of the major differences is that planes flash and satellites don't. Well... until they do.

There is a type of "flash" called an "Iridium flare," and it happens when a satellite, typically with large reflective panels, catches the sun's light. This satellite then "flares" up – that is, brightens significantly. These flares can be seen most commonly from the Iridium satellites because they have door-sized panels perfect for catching the sun's light.

Iridium Communications has 66 low-Earth orbiting satellites that are cross-linked specifically for the purpose of providing communications coverage no matter where you are

on the planet (ocean, the arctic, the Antarctic, etc.)

If you're thinking: "Sign me up! I'm tired of dropped calls!" Well...

you may want to look at the price tag for their services first. Even their (tough-looking but enormous) phones get up to \$3,000 really fast. This is not your normal communications company and a typical client is not an individual, but more in the vein of government agencies, the military, and maritime/offshore companies.

This high price became a problem for the company in the 1990s. Creating that kind of global coverage was extremely ambitious but inevitably

expensive, and in 1999 Iridium LLC went bankrupt. With 66 satellites in low-Earth orbit and the company facing bankruptcy, the fear of them falling back to Earth became a legitimate concern.

According to the Orbital Debris Program, as of October 2016 there were more than 17,000 "satellites" orbiting Earth, most of which are rocket bodies and other debris (satellites or pieces of satellites that are no longer in use). Most of that debris would not pose any threat falling back down to Earth, because it would merely burn up in the atmosphere. However, a large satellite coming down could be a problem, not

because the chances of being hit are high, but it could cause widespread anxiety.

The company got help from the Pentagon, which already owned more than 1,500 Iridium phones. And after filing for bankruptcy it was able to cut enormous costs (partly by switching from Motorola to Boeing).

All of this happened almost 20 years ago, but today Iridium satellites are a backyard astronomer's delight. Iridium satellites have enormous panels that reflect the sun's light and flare up to -8.4 magnitude and outshining even the planet Venus for a few seconds. These flares are actually fairly common, and you can see several of them per week if you know when to look. How can you see these satellite flares? Check out the website (or app) Heavens-Above which tells you when you can see Iridium flares for the upcoming week, how bright they'll be, and where to look.

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COURTESY OF NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

Intermountain Sports Medicine working with SUU Athletics

Intermountain Sports Medicine, a division of Intermountain Healthcare, has signed a three year contract with Southern Utah University's athletic department to provide a certified athletic trainer for all SUU athletic and team events.

Jason Butikofer, Director of Athletics for Southern Utah University, said, "With a strong focus on student athlete wellness, we are excited to partner with Intermountain Healthcare and subsequently elevate all aspects of our sports medicine vertical. This strategic alignment will undoubtedly impact our program in the near term and beyond."

Rhett Farrer, Intermountain Southwest Region Sports Medicine Manager, said, "Most athletics events don't go without injury, and so properly addressing those injuries, and getting athletes back to the field of play in a safe manner is our highest priority. This new three-year agreement upgrades the current athletic training staff to four Intermountain athletic trainers. These licensed athletic trainers will be assigned to cover SUU sports teams both on campus and on the road. SUU graduate assistants in sports medicine will also be hired in part-time roles so they'll be able to continue their education and gain skills to help them in their profession."

"We've had a lot of SUU administrative support and Intermountain support,

and that excellent partnership is what has helped bring this about," said Ted Hugunin, Southwest Region Director of Intermountain Sports Medicine. Eric Packer, CEO at Intermountain Cedar City Hospital, added, "I am really excited about this relationship with SUU. I feel it's going to be a definite win-win. I think it's going to be very beneficial for the student athletes, it's going to be beneficial for our community, for families, students, and the university at large."

"We are excited for this new partnership, knowing it will significantly upgrade the student athlete experience," said Ellen Treanor, Southern Utah University Executive Director of Brand Strategy. "Both Intermountain Healthcare and SUU believe in partnerships to expand our contributions to the community. Intermountain's expertise and resources will be a tremendous support to our athletes."

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— **Ellen Treanor, SUU Executive Director of Brand Strategy**



COURTESY OF SUU

FROM LEFT, RHETT FARRER, JASON BUTIKOFER, ERIC PACKER AND ANDREW PARRISH oversaw the signing of a three-year contract between Southern Utah University and Intermountain Sports Medicine.

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Tax filing season begins Jan. 23

The Internal Revenue Service and partners from the states and tax industry are reminding taxpayers that the nation's 2017 individual income tax filing season opens Jan. 23.

The IRS expects more than 153 million tax returns to be filed this year and taxpayers have until Tuesday, April 18, 2017, to file their 2016 tax returns and pay any tax due. The deadline is extended because the Emancipation Day, a holiday in Washington, D.C., will be observed on Monday, April 17, pushing the nation's filing deadline to April 18.

"There are a number of important changes this year involving refunds and tax law changes that we encourage people to keep in mind," said IRS Commissioner John Koskinen in a release. "We encourage taxpayers to plan ahead and take a few minutes to review these changes. As we enter the filing season, taxpayers should know that the dedicated workforce of the IRS and the nation's tax community stand ready to help."

Taxpayers that are e-filing can still submit returns to their software provider before Jan. 23. They will hold the return and transmit it to the IRS when the systems open. The IRS also reminds taxpayers that they don't have to wait until Jan. 23 to contact their tax professional.

In 2016, the IRS issued 111 million individual tax refunds and expects more than 70 percent of taxpayers to receive a refund in 2017.

Also, the IRS reminds taxpayers that a new law requires the IRS to hold refunds claiming the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC) until Feb. 15.

"We encourage taxpayers to file as they normally would, including returns claiming the EITC or ACTC," Koskinen said. "The IRS and the nation's tax community are committed to making this another smooth filing season."

e-File and Free File

More than four out of five returns are expected to be filed electronically, with a similar proportion of refunds issued through direct deposit. The IRS encourages taxpayers to plan ahead and take advantage of the online resources available on IRS.gov.

Choosing e-file and direct deposit for refunds remains the fastest and safest way to file an accurate income tax return and receive a refund. The IRS anticipates issuing more than nine out of 10 refunds in less than 21 days from the time returns are received.

The IRS Free File program, available at IRS.gov, opens Friday, Jan. 13. Seventy percent of the nation's taxpayers are eligible for IRS Free File.

Protecting Taxpayers from ID-Theft-Related Refund Fraud

The IRS continues to work with state tax authorities and the tax industry to address tax-related identity theft and refund fraud. As part of the Security Summit, the IRS made significant inroads against fraudulent returns in 2016. While working to stop the issuance of fraudulent refunds, the IRS remains focused on releasing legitimate refunds as quickly as possible in 2017. Thus far, Summit efforts have led to a 50 percent decline in the number of new reports of stolen identities on federal tax returns.

Health Care Basics

Again this year, meeting the tax obligation of the Affordable Care Act for the vast majority of taxpayers will simply mean checking a box to verify everyone on their return has health coverage. For others, IRS.gov/aca features useful information, tips and interactive online tools to help taxpayers with the premium tax credit, the individual shared

responsibility requirement and other tax-related provisions of the ACA. The Affordable Care Act requires that a taxpayer and each member of their family either has qualifying health coverage for each month of the year, qualifies for an exemption, or makes an individual shared responsibility payment when filing their tax returns.

Delayed Refunds

1099 from banks and other payers, and for those claiming the premium tax credit, Form 1095-A from the Marketplace. Doing so will help avoid refund delays and the need to file an amended return later.

The IRS expects to issue more than nine out of 10 refunds in less than 21 days. However, the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act mandates the IRS hold refunds on tax returns claiming the EITC or the Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC) until mid-February. The change helps ensure that taxpayers get the refund they are owed by giving the IRS more time to help detect and prevent tax fraud.

The IRS will begin releasing EITC and ACTC refunds starting Feb. 15, but cautions taxpayers that these refunds likely will not start arriving in bank accounts or on debit cards until the week of Feb. 27. The IRS wants taxpayers to know it will take additional time for their refunds to be processed and for financial institutions to accept and deposit the refunds to bank accounts.

Where's My Refund? On IRS.gov and the IRS2Go phone app will be updated with projected deposit dates for early EITC and ACTC refund filers a few days after Feb. 15. Taxpayers will not see a refund date on Where's My Refund? Or through their software packages until then.

Help for Taxpayers

The IRS reminds taxpayers they have a variety of options to get help filing and preparing their tax return on IRS.gov. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) offer free tax help to people who qualify. Go to irs.gov and enter "free tax prep" in the search box to find a nearby VITA or TCE site. The IRS2Go Mobile App can help find free tax preparation assistance, check your refund status and more.

All taxpayers should keep a copy of their tax return. Beginning in 2017, taxpayers using a software product for the first time may need their Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) amount from their prior-year tax return to verify their identity. Taxpayers can learn more about how to verify their identity and electronically sign tax returns at Validating Your Electronically Filed Tax Return.

The IRS also reminds taxpayers that a trusted tax professional can provide helpful information and advice about the ever-changing tax code. Tips for choosing a return preparer and details about national tax professional groups are available on IRS.gov.



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Assistance Filing the Tax Return

More than 90 percent of all tax returns are prepared using tax return preparation software. This software generally includes tax law help along with reminders and prompts about tax breaks and responsibilities. The IRS reminds taxpayers that a trusted tax professional can also provide helpful information about the tax law. Information on tips about selecting a preparer and national tax professional groups are available on IRS.gov.

The IRS urges all taxpayers to make sure they have all their year-end statements in hand before they file their return. This includes Forms W-2 from employers, Forms

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BACK-to-BACK CHAMPS!

THE PAROWAN HIGH SCHOOL RAMMETTES HAVE REPEATED AS THE REGION 1A SOUTH DRILL TEAM CHAMPIONS.

In competition held at Richfield High last Saturday, the team came away with a 1st place in Hip Hop, 2nd place in Military, 2nd place in Dance and 1st place in Kick. Emmy Evans and Taylor Cowan also finished 2nd and 3rd place in the Drill Down. State Drill Team competition will be held at UVU in Orem on Saturday, Feb. 4.



COURTESY OF PAROWAN HIGH RAMMETTES

Auditions set for children's musical

CEDAR CITY — The Utah Shakespeare Festival has announced open auditions for children to perform in this spring's Playmakers production of *Once on this Island*.

Auditions will be Feb. 7 from 3:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the Garth and Jerri Frehner Rehearsal/Education Hall at the Beverley Center for the Arts. Audition slots will be every

15 minutes, and children will be required to sing one of two songs from the show. Those interested can register for the audition and download the music for the songs at the Festival Playmakers webpage, www.bard.org/playmakers.

Call-back auditions will be the next day, Feb. 8, also in the Frehner Rehearsal/Education Hall.

To help children prepare, the Festival is offering an audition workshop for anyone interested. It will be Feb. 6 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Frehner Rehearsal/Education Hall. The workshop is optional, but can be very helpful.

"We will focus on the two songs that you will be required to sing at your audition," said Krista Bulloch, education programs manager. "Most of our Playmakers generally find it very useful."

Performances of the Playmakers version of *Once on this Island* will be in the Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre. School performances will be April 5, 6, 7, and 10. A public performance will be April 8. Exact times will be announced later.

Once on this Island is a highly original and theatrical Caribbean adaptation of the popular fairy tale, "The Little Mermaid." It garnered eight Tony nominations for its Broadway run, including best musical, book, and score. "This is a fun, lively show that we think our Playmakers will love performing, and our audiences will love seeing," said Michael Bahr, education director.

For more information, call 435-865-8333 or visit the webpage at www.bard.org/playmakers.



COURTESY OF UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

USF'S PLAYMAKERS WILL HOLD AUDITIONS for its musical production on Feb. 7 at the Beverley Center for the Arts.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FACULTY SHOW OPENING
Southern Utah Museum of Art
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FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS
Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre
January 25, 27, 28, &
February 2, at 7:30 p.m.
February 4 at 2:00 p.m.

THE LARAMIE PROJECT
Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre
January 26, 30, &
February 3, 4 at 7:30 p.m.
January 28 at 2:00 p.m.

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January 28 at 7:30 p.m.

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Southern Utah Museum of Art
February 7 at 7:30 p.m.

A lesson learned at the Rose Parade

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

When our family decided to use part of the Christmas holidays to attend the Rose Parade in Pasadena, I donned my tour-guide hat and began handling the details: where to stay, what cars to take, should we volunteer to work on the last-minute details of the floats? We would need reserved seats to watch the parade, and reserved spots to park the cars. Tackling those issues made me happy for weeks.

And the end result was as much as we had hoped for. The rooms were okay, GPS got us around scary Los Angeles, and the time spent working on the floats

was rewarded when “our” floats passed in front of us the next day. They are so, so beautiful. The scenes, figures, landscapes are made completely out of organic materials: seeds, bark, leaves, fruit, grasses, flowers, flower petals, all of which must be affixed by hand to the float structures within ten days before the parade. Hence the need for volunteers. There are companies that exist to build these huge rolling gardens and one employee told me that they could cost between \$100,000 and \$500,000, depending on size, amount of animation, choice of flowers to be used,



etc. There were 42 floats in the parade. So we enjoyed our work and its rewards until a sober thought was introduced by a member of our family: was it really moral to spend so much money on things that existed for perhaps three or four days only to be seen and then destroyed?

You see, on the way from our motel to the float warehouses and parade route, we had to pass repeatedly by little enclaves of the homeless—miserable hovels of tents and tarps, mattresses and cardboard boxes huddled under overpasses and in public parks.

And it was cold and raining, so the pavements and structures were muddy and soggy. Could those millions of dollars be spent in a more socially-beneficial way? To feed, house the homeless. To fund medical research. To supply scholarships for students who want schooling they can't afford.

The question goes far beyond the Rose Parade issue. Is it moral to spend large amounts of money on art in general? What about the salaries paid singers or actors? What about the costs of large concert halls or museums? Someone in the group pointed out that the parade provided work for thousands, considering the designers, engineers, construction workers, and flower growers, both California-based and abroad. (New thought: what about the use of precious water to grow those flowers?) And then there were the companies that erected the bleachers to seat the viewers, the businesses along the parade route that sold breakfast to the viewers, the city employees that had to clean up the huge mess. They all benefited financially from the spectacle.

How important is mere beauty compared to physical needs of individuals or the progress of science or medicine? Such questions provided topics for conversation that this tour guide hadn't planned for.

'Five Women Wearing the Same Dress' takes stage at SUU

by Ashley H. **POLLOCK**
SUU Department of Theatre Arts & Dance

The SUU Department of Theatre Arts and Dance is presenting *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress* on Jan. 25, 27, 28 and February 2 at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on February 4 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held in the Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre in the Beverley Center for the Arts.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for alumni with a card, and \$5 for youth. Southern Utah University faculty, staff, and students are free with a valid ID card. Faculty and staff IDs are allowed one guest. Tickets are available at the door, in person at the Centrum Ticket Office, or at suu.edu/pva. *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress* contains mature content, strong language, and sexual themes.

Five Women Wearing the Same Dress is set in the bedroom of a Knoxville, Tennessee manor. The show

revolves around five bridesmaids who would rather hideout in the comfort of a bedroom instead of dealing with the drama of the wedding reception below. True individuality shows through each character throughout the play. The women find a common thread that ties them together, and it isn't from the dresses.

Kade Cox, director of the production, said, "The bridesmaids in this play, in their search for connection, struggle to realize how common the fear of isolation actually is. As these characters make this discovery, our audience can also begin to see the reassurance in a friend's helping hand."

He continued, "As a graduating senior studying, collaborating with a team of designers, assisting with production marketing with the college, coordinating with stage managers, and guiding an ensemble of actors on their journey has all been a tremendous learning experience. Unlike many college productions, where the director and designers are typically professors of the department, *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress*, has students filling nearly every role in the production team."

Tiffani Allen, a senior Theatre Education major from Kaysville, Utah, plays Frances in the production. She said, "My favorite part of the rehearsal process has been making new discoveries about my character and her past, and her relationships with the other characters. Every rehearsal we all discover something new, a line will mean something different, or a piece of blocking informs a relationship amongst the characters. We are portraying vastly different women, yet we are all able to find some common ground, and even some unexpected friendships, discovering the moments when that happens has been so much fun, and so exciting!"

Lauren Hoover, senior Bachelor of Fine Arts in Classical Acting candidate from Las Vegas, Nevada, said, "This show is a comedy but it also has some very real truths revealed in it. My character, Meredith, confesses some very heavy subject matter to the rest of the cast throughout the production. It has been challenging to talk about

and connect with that content. People should come and see this show because it will make people laugh and have a good time while also showing an audience a wide range of characters and struggles that everyone, men included, can relate."

For more information, visit www.suu.edu/pva/ta.



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PAROWAN CELEBRATES *turning* 166

LOTS OF MUSIC AND LOTS OF DANCING at Parowan's 166th birthday celebration.

by Holly COOMBS
Iron County Today

PAROWAN — In a full gymnasium, Parowan City residents and visitors celebrated the 166th birthday of the town last Friday at Parowan High School.

The celebration began at 9:30 a.m. with performances from the Parowan student body. Kindergarten to 12th grade students each performed dances and sang songs for the occasion. The Kindergarten and first grade danced the "Hokey Pokey."

Swing, waltz, line and western dances were also performed among the grades along with singing of classic songs like "Cindy," "Utah: This Is The Place" and "She'll Be Comin' Round The Mountain." They ended the performances with the singing of "Parowan's Birthday Song."

Following the performances, the student body joined Parowan Mayor Don Landes, his wife Beverley and guest speaker Elder Steven Snow of the Seventy within the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints leadership with his wife, Phyllis for the traditional grand march.

The march, a symbolism of connecting generations together, ended with everyone holding hands across the gymnasium floor.

"It was a great turn out," Parowan High School Principal Roy Mathews said. "This is not just a celebration in Parowan, but everywhere."

Mathews said his daughter lives in Anchorage and was preparing a cake at her home to celebrate Parowan's birthday from afar.



"This community has a great reputation and a great future"

— Elder Steven Snow, guest speaker

The celebration, he continued to say, began in Parowan the year after it was founded and that celebration never stopped.

Following the performances, a luncheon took place in the old gymnasium and a town meeting in the auditorium with award presentations, a Parowan history video and speech by Snow, the current LDS Church historian.

Landes presented a plaque and a pot of flowers to Don and Linda Lowder as the citizens of the year. The Citizen of the Year

Award is chosen by surveys from residents, Landes said.

Don Lowder, who was born in Los Angeles, Calif., moved to Parowan where he spent most his life before attending school to become an architect. He then married Linda Lowder, lived in Las Vegas for a few years before returning to Parowan in 2008 to retire.

Don Lowder was a part of the Lions Club, helped with pond clearing at the Parowan

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MAYOR DON LANDES AND HIS WIFE, BEVERLEY, enjoyed the birthday festivities.

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Calendar

Wed, Jan. 18

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

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

ENOCH CITY COUNCIL, 6 p.m., city offices
"UNDERSTANDING LIFE" JAMES SWARTZ, 'Put Life's puzzle together! Acquire the Knowledge that dispels ignorance - Vedanta.' A 25 minute video then casual discussion 7 p.m. Wednesday Cedar City Library in the Park, (Rare Books Room.) The Literary Club. Stephanie 559-7777.

Thurs, Jan. 19

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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SENIOR BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SUPPORT GROUP, 1:30 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park. For transportation or information, call 435-705-1367 or 435-704-4798.

"ART YOUR LIBRARY" ENTRIES ARE DUE BY 7 P.M. ON JANUARY 19, The exhibit will be from January 23 - 28 at The Library in the Park, 303 N. 100 E., Cedar City. Please call the Library at 435-586-6661 for more info.

Fri, Jan. 20

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

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

Sat, Jan. 21

YEAR ROUND FARMERS MARKET, every Saturday rain or shine, 9 a.m. to noon, 905 S. Main St. in Cedar City, local vegetables, greens, fruit, herbs, baked goods, artisan cheese, live plants, flowers, jams, raw honey, farm fresh eggs, and more.

CEDAR SATURDAY MARKET, 1 to 5 p.m., inside IFA, 905 S. Main. Includes farmers, gardeners, food vendors, youth agricultural groups and artisans/crafters.

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

Sun, Jan. 22

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

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

Mon, Jan. 23

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

BOOK BABIES, 10 and 10:30 a.m., Cedar City Library at the Park. Story time designed for babies and toddlers up to age 2.

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

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

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

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

Tues, Jan. 24

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Wed, Jan. 25

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

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MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY MEETING, 10:30 a.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

RUPERT SPIRA. 'SURRENDER OR REST THE MIND IN THE WARM BATH OF AWARENESS', A 25 minute video, then casual discussion 7 p.m. Wednesday Cedar City Library in the Park, (Rare Books Room.) The Literary Club. Stephanie 559-7777.

There is no charge for calendar items. Your submissions can be emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or can be brought to 389 N. 100 West, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon. The calendar is not to be used for advertising. Items will be printed at our discretion.



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Bucket list or chuck it list?



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

What's on your 'Bucket List' this year? Taking that long-awaited trip, writing a book, starring in a play, getting married, grad school? Maybe you're ready to finally retire, or create that dream job? Maybe you have several buckets brimming with ideas but don't know where to start?

I've learned that it's not the number of buckets or the length of your list that counts. What really matters and motivates you is your courage and determination to go make them happen.

It won't matter if there are a thousand things or only one. Because unless you're willing to begin emptying your bucket, it might as well stay empty. But there are so many adventures waiting for you! Unexplored shores, misty mountains to climb, songs to sing, words to write, lessons to learn and to teach. You may find that you need a bigger bucket.

I think there are a lot of empty buckets out there. Maybe some of you have replaced your buckets with tea-cups, or thimbles. Is it because you think that a smaller list and smaller dreams will be safer because

there will be less guilt and regret if you don't succeed? True, you can't overwhelm yourself or fill your bucket so full that you can't carry it but you also shouldn't short-change yourself. Having a bucket list is more about enjoying your life, not just living your list.

Is your bucket half empty or half full? How many adventures will you cross off your list this year? How many will Doubt and Fear cross off for you? Are you so overwhelmed with your list you're lost and you feel like you'll kick the bucket, before its empty? Maybe you believe your bucket is broken or too small to dip into that well of dreams? Maybe you believe that the well has run dry? The well is not dry if you try. It's still full of ideas and dreams waiting for you to lower your bucket and fill it back up!

Perhaps you are filling your life's bucket with dirty water, or depressing, unedifying things? Perhaps you need to make a 'Chuck-It List' and start getting rid of those things in your life that are filling your bucket full of junk and garbage instead of hopes and dreams? Many people who have been diagnosed with a deadly disease suddenly want to live and make the most of their lives. You don't have to wait until you're dying to learn how to truly live. Death isn't the only motivator. It just seems to be the one that's loud enough for you to hear it over all the other distractions in your life. If you will stop and listen you can hear above the chaos and noise and start emptying your bucket. And if you find anything in your bucket that doesn't belong then have the courage to chuck it!

*Need some help filling or emptying your bucket?
Email me: coreybaumgartner@hotmail.com*

Unfortunately, the need for services provided by Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center continues to grow, which means fundraising is vital to the continuation of the center, according to a center release. A non-profit organization, the center, has been successful in obtaining public funds to aid their work, as well as financial support from private foundations and generous donations from the communities it serves. However, the need is ongoing and always urgent.

As part of the 20-year milestone, the CCWCC has a goal of receiving \$20 donations from at least 1,000 community members, a goal which will help ensure the continuation of the CCWCC for the next 20 years and beyond, the release said. Those interested in donating can do so at www.ccwcc.org, by texting 41444, or by bringing or mailing a check to 95 N. Main St. Suite 22 in Cedar City.

"The last 20 years have been full and important," Wadsworth said. "As we look ahead to the next 20 years, we focus on our vision of a community free of domestic and sexual violence."

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People

Birth

Derek Devere Hudson

Derek Devere Hudson, son of Kellen and Natalia Hudson of Cedar City, was born on Jan. 11, 2017 at 5:07 p.m. He weighed 6 lbs. 11 ozs. had was 18.7 inches long. His grandparents are Becky and Bob Hudson, and Jose Feraldo and Zelia Eunice Da Salva. He also has an older brother, Phillip Hudson.

Wedding

Larson-Nielson

Jordan Larson and Kordan Nielson were married January 12, 2017 in the St. George LDS Temple. Their reception was held that evening at the Historic Rock Church in Cedar City. Their parents are Cary & Cindy Larson and Ken & Jeanine Nielson. The couple is attending SUU.



95th Birthday



Cecil M. Jorgensen

Cecil M. Jorgensen will be celebrating his 95th birthday at an Open House on Jan. 25 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at 155 E. 400 South in Cedar City, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. No gifts please. Refreshments will be served.

There is no charge for birth, first birthday, mission, Eagle Scout, 50th anniversary (and up), wedding and 80th birthday (and up) announcements. Announcements and photos can be submitted to news@ironcountytoday.com or at 389 N. 100 West, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Wednesday at 5pm for the following week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Please call 435-867-1865 ext. 6 for pricing for all other announcements.

Women's Crisis Center celebrates 20 years of service

by Holly COOMBS
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — The Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center has provided 20 years of service to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Iron County, and the center staff invites the community to celebrate by helping ensure its vital services continue for as long as they are needed.

Since 1996, the Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center has provided approximately 14,000 women and their children a safe and supportive shelter from domestic violence, according to a press release. Since 2012, staff have also met approximately 84 women and children at the hospital to assist and support them through a forensic sexual assault examination.

"We are honored to be celebrating such a huge milestone in the history of Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center," Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center Executive Director Brant Wadsworth said. "We are especially grateful to all current and former board members, directors, and leaders who have served with dedication and contributed to our legacy."

In 1996, the shelter had 5 beds. Today, the shelter has 22 beds, which are consistently filled. The Canyon Creek Women's Crisis Center staff has implemented services for youth who have been sexually assaulted and for children while they are in the shelter. Awareness and outreach activities have been instituted to lay the foundation for prevention and educational programs the center hopes to provide in the future.

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Schools

NEWS Nuggets

from Iron County School District

by Amy JOHNSON
Iron County School District

Iron Springs Elementary

Along with the Chamber of Commerce and Staheli West, Iron Springs Elementary has had the opportunity to develop three skills. These three skills are team building, critical thinking, and creativity. Throughout the 2016-2017 school year members from Staheli West have come to Iron Springs with different activities that promote these three skills. After monthly activities done in each class, eight students were chosen from each grade 3rd-5th to participate in a school wide competition. The challenge was to build a weight bearing bridge. 5th grade won the competition. The bridge they built was able to hold the most amount of weight. It has been so fun for our students to use these three different skills. Thank you Staheli West and the Chamber of Commerce! We have loved having you at Iron Springs!!



North Elementary

North Elementary would like to make all our parents aware of our school's instructional priorities: 1- FEEDBACK (ensuring all students know exactly how well they are performing a learning task and what to do to improve). 2- METACOGNITION (helping students reflect on and categorize their learning). 3- STEAM EDUCATION INTEGRATION (with an emphasis on science and the arts). 4-Using the district's TIER 1 READING STRATEGIES as the class reads a selection together. Our teachers are working diligently to become experts in these research-based instructional strategies. Parents can help by volunteering in our classrooms and by asking their children these probing questions each night: What did you learn today? How did you know you learned it? What do you still have to do to learn at the level your teacher is requiring of you? What can I do to help you with that?

South Elementary

South Elementary students have started the year off making New Year's Resolutions. The second graders are learning about westward expansion. In Science, third graders are working on their force and motion unit and fourth graders are learning about water cycles and fish. Students who are interested in this year's Spelling Bee can get rules and words on the South Elementary Blog. Also on the blog, there is information about a parent book study, which is sponsored by the Utah State Board of Education and Utah Parent Center.

Three Peaks Elementary

Three Peaks Elementary students are working hard on all of their academic and social skills to start the new year. The students have taken the mid-year DIBELS test, the Reading Level Assessment, and mid-year assessments in other areas. These academic scores will help teachers and interventionists assess the strengths and weaknesses of each child so that these needs can be met. Please set aside time to read with and to your child at home. This extra opportunity to practice newly acquired skills makes a huge difference. As we begin the second half of the year, please know that we believe every child can and will learn. Our teachers and staff are some of the most caring and committed professionals you will find. We have a district that is concerned about each and every one of its students. When we all work together, our students' accomplishments will be endless!

Canyon View Middle

Welcome back Cougars! As we begin the second half of the school year, we would like to recognize those who were very successful last quarter. 552 students made honor roll-that is 60% of our student body! 230 students made honor society, and 127 students had a 4.0 GPA. We are very proud of the great work our students are producing. On Wednesday, we held the 3rd quarter spirit assembly. Select students in their houses participated in various games, while the others cheered them on. It was a great way to kick off 3rd quarter. Keep up the hard work!



PHOTOS COURTESY OF IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



ZOE WALTERS and her mural

Cedar High students offer 'window' for classmates

by Kelsey KEENER
Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — Zoe Walters, a sophomore student at Cedar High School, has painted a tropical scene on the wall in the Special Education classroom of the high school. Walters said the reason for painting her mural was the fact there is no window in room, and that is what she was asked to paint. It's part of an effort by several students at CHS to bring some joy to some fellow classmates.

Kristin Walters, Zoe's mother and a staff member at Cedar High School, elaborated by saying that several people who work at the school thought the special needs students would benefit from a window in the classroom. The mural has been up for a few months, and Zoe and Kristin have both seen it have a positive impact.

"Everyone seems to really like it," Zoe Walters said.

"The kids really do enjoy having it there," Kristin Walters said. "I think it makes them happier just to have more art in the room."

Kristin Walters added that the

students have been inspired by Zoe's mural.

"The kids asked if they could have an art wall on the other side (of the room)," she said. "Before (the mural was painted), I don't know how much art they did, but I think it kind of inspired them to do their own art. A lot of the kids have really enjoyed coming and putting their own artwork up on the opposite wall. I think it makes them feel like they're important and more like they're part of the room."

Alongside prompting students to create of their own, Zoe Walters hopes that her mural will send another positive message.

"You can be a part of your school and get involved in different ways," she said.

Zoe Walters spent several hours after school over the course of about three weeks painting her mural after she decided what she was going to paint.

Kristin Walters added that she hopes her daughter's mural helps to expand the students' imaginations.

"It's good for them to think outside the box," Kristin Walters said. "Just the idea that they have a window painted on their wall expands their minds."



PHOTOS BY KELSEY KEENER

THE ART WALL THAT SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS put their art on. Inspired by Zoe's mural



HOLLY COOMBS

RESIDENTS YOUNG AND OLD JOINED IN on the birthday celebration in Parowan.

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City Heritage Park. He and Linda also assisted in the work of the Industrial Park, Landes said.

"They do so much volunteer work they do in this town," Landes said. "There is no more deserving couple for this award than Don and Linda Lowder."

City historian Sandra Benson spoke of the building of the Old Rock Church located at 90 S.

Main St in Parowan, which was built in 1863 and completed in 1867.

"The stone masons who built the Nauvoo Temple also worked on the rock church and went on to help with the St. George Temple," Benson said. "We have a great bit of history here."

The Parowan LDS Second Ward choir sang "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," and "Carry On," a hymn with music written by Parowan settler Alfred M. Durham. During his speech as the guest speaker, Snow said Parowan's birthday celebration was "the best birthday party I've ever attended."

"I thoroughly enjoyed hearing about the rock church and holding hands with many to celebrate this city's great heritage from generation to generation," he said.

He accounted his first few times in Parowan not being the best.

"In 1965, my family was coming back south to St. George (where we lived) and I was old enough to drive as I just received my permit," Snow said.

As Snow and his family came through Parowan, he was pulled over by Gordon Farnsworth, who was with the Utah Highway Patrol at the time and who has now since passed away. Snow, who grew up in St. George, went on to speak about a time as a Dixie High School football player losing to Parowan and having the worst bus ride home. Snow then spoke of happier meetings in Parowan like his time there for the celebration and the recollection in history to the founding of the town.

In 1847, the Mormon pioneers arrived in Salt Lake City, it was not until 1849 that they came and discovered Parowan, Snow said.

"From 166 years to now time to get to this town has changed," he said. "It took almost a month for the settlers to come and now it takes just a few hours as it took my wife and I to arrive here."

Of the student body, Snow said, he's never been anywhere that he's seen the group together with 12th graders holding hands with Kindergarteners.

"They are a great group of young people," he said. "The future is bright for Parowan."

He spoke of his gratitude for the old buildings and of them being monuments of the saints.

"This community has a great reputation and a great future," Snow said.

Quoting former president of the LDS Church Gordon B. Hinckley, he said, the best is yet to come for Parowan.

"Thank you for keeping the history alive," Snow said. "If we don't learn from the past, we won't have a bright future."

The celebration continued with a Birthday Ball Saturday at the Iron County Fair Building from 7 to 10 p.m. with a floor show at 8 p.m.

Obituaries

Janet Roberts Poulson



Janet Roberts Poulson, 65, passed away on January 11, 2017 at Dixie Regional Medical Center from complications of leukemia. She was born March 7, 1951 in Cedar City, Utah to Alton and Afton Roberts. She married Mark Andrew Poulson Jr on October 27, 1979 in the Manti Utah LDS Temple.

Janet loved being with her family. She loved traveling and seeing all fifty states with the love of her life Mark. She was a dedicated and hands on grandma to her five grandchildren, who loved it when she would read and play games

with them because she did it so intently. One of her favorite things to do was to get a Coke and go for a ride with her friends and family. She was a fabulous cook and made lots of great food. Janet had a fondness for the Beaver Mountains, where she spent lots of time as a child with her family.

She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving with dedication as a Relief Society President, in the Young Women's Presidency, a Primary Teacher and other various church callings.

She leaves behind a loving family, which includes her son Brett (Carolee) Poulson, granddaughters Brinlee and Ashlee; daughter Monica (Jeff) Bigler, granddaughter AraMae, grandsons Beckham and Cicino; her brothers Carl (Nancy) Roberts, Doug (Diana) Roberts, David Roberts, Jerry (Lisa) Roberts; and her eternal friends Chris and Letha Houts. She was preceded in death by her husband Mark Andrew Poulson Jr, her parents Alton and Afton Roberts, and her brother Bruce Roberts.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 11 a.m. at the Greenslake LDS Chapel (1120 West Greenslake Drive, Cedar City Utah). A viewing was held on Monday evening, January 16, 2017, at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 North 300 West, Cedar City, Utah). Interment was at the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

The family would like to give special thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff in the ICU at Dixie Regional Medical Center for the love and care they gave to Janet in her final days.

Michael William Nielson



Michael William Nielson age 80, passed away peacefully on Wednesday January 12, 2017, with his loving family by his side.

Michael was born April 25, 1936 in Fillmore, Utah to Victor and Eva Nielson. He attended Millard High School in Fillmore and graduated in 1954.

Mike was a gifted athlete and a leader. While in high school he excelled in track, basketball and football, and played in 3 state championships. One year after high school he married his sweetheart,

Audrey Johnson on March 5, 1955. They were later sealed in the St. George Temple on April 25, 1990. Together they raised seven beautiful children.

Mike loved sports, hunting, fishing and spending time with his family. He passed these loves on to his family. He continued to be active in sports by coaching his children and their friend's sports teams. He had a great influence on many lives. To this day he is still known to many as "Coach."

In 1954, Mike joined the National Guard which eventually took his family to Cedar City and he served for 42 years. Mike loved Cedar Mountain and was up to the family cabin any chance he had. He loved to hunt and fish. To Mike the hunting season and spending time with his family was the "best time of the year". Mike also had a passion for Family History. He spent many hours completing his family history and making sure that each of his children and grandchildren had a copy. He loved to share stories that he found and could make you feel like you were living the story that he shared. Mike loved BYU football and the Jazz. He could tell you any play or score from any game.

Mike will be deeply missed by those he is survived by: Jeffrey Nielson, Tab (Dawna) Nielson, Kim (Charlotte) Nielson, Tyson (Jeanine) Nielson, Rondo (Judy) Nielson, Angelo (Kirsten) Nielson, and Angela (Jim) Rahman. He has 23 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren. He is happily reunited with those who preceded him in his death, parents, siblings, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at the Cedar 2nd Ward Church (256 South 900 West, Cedar City, Utah). A viewing was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 North 300 West, Cedar City). A viewing will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Cedar 2nd Ward Church. Interment will be in the Fillmore Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to www.sumortuary.com.

Shanna Dean Beck Jensen



Shanna Dean Beck Jensen left her home here on Earth on January 12, 2017 to be with her husband Jack, her two sons, Robert and Michael who she missed dearly, and her Heavenly Father. Shanna was born June 30, 1932 to Iris Berry Beck and Harold Beck in Salt Lake City. She married John H. Jensen in 1950 and had five children in the next 12 years.

Mom spent every summer of her married life on the mountain with her family on the Jensen Sawmill. She enjoyed sitting on the porch with her kids and her many grandkids watching

the birds. She made many friends working at First Security Bank and the Lin's Grocery Store bakery. Her two favorite past times were gardening and watching the Jazz. She also loved attending live orchestra concerts with her great-grandchild, Gabii, and her dear friend, Shirley. She will be missed by her three best friends, Christy, Shirley and Gaye. She loved the days her grandchild, Eli, would do her nails, or when Maddie and Gabii would come play Mexican trains and card games with her. Her great-grandsons, Maddox, Jackoby, and Auston, will miss playing trucks with their grandma in her backyard. Shanna was a devoted member of the LDS Church and enjoyed her visits to the temple.

Shanna is survived by three of her children: Dianne (Albert deceased) Butters, Mark (Kim) Jensen, and Gail (Scott) Bishop; 9 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and 1 great, great-grandchild due in February. She was also survived by her sister, Marie Frampton and brother Jim Beck.

She is preceded in death by her husband, two sons, both her parents, and her brother and sister, Burt Beck and Peggy Kosel

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 1 p.m. in the Cedar City Cemetery, Cedar City, Utah under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to www.sumortuary.com.

We will miss you Mom, but we know we will see you again.

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Rams boys win twice, move up Region 20 ladder

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The Parowan Rams got back on the winning track with a pair of victories last week, including a key Region 20 win that put them in the thick of the race for a high finish in the standings.

Nathan Goodman had a triple-double of 16 points, 10 rebounds and 10 steals as the Rams started the week with a 71-26 non-region rout at home over Water Canyon on Jan. 11. Four Parowan players scored in double figures, including Trey Stubbs (15), Porter Wood (14) and Jarrin Church (11).

Parowan used a 24-3 second quarter to build a 42-12 halftime lead and cruise from there.

The Rams returned to Region 20 play two days later and beat Piute on the road, 51-38. Goodman led the way in that game with 10 points, and all six players who found the stat sheet had at least seven points for Parowan (5-3 Region 20, 9-4 overall). The win pulled the Rams into a tie for fourth with the Thunderbirds in the region standings.

Jason Dalton had 15 points and Beau Sylvester added 12 in the loss for Piute.

Parowan played Valley (6-2 Region 20) at home Tuesday night, a game too late for press deadline.

Parowan girls fall twice

The Parowan girls basketball team dropped a pair of tough games in Region 20 play last week. Milford rallied from a nine-point halftime deficit by scoring 23 in the fourth quarter to beat the Rams 53-50 on Jan. 10.

Parowan led 29-20 at the half and 37-30 through three quarters, but couldn't slow Milford's Emily Barnes, who poured in 32 points and pulled down 12 rebounds. Taylor Robb had 17 points in the loss.

On Jan. 12, the Rams were held to single digits in every quarter and fell 67-24 at home to Wayne. Courtney Jackson had 22 points and Cassidy Ellett added 21 to lead the Badgers. Robb had 11 points as Parowan fell to 2-6 in Region 20 play (5-10 overall).



RAMS HOOPS

PAROWAN BASKETBALLERS
Ryan Jeffries, left, and Taylor Robb, right, in action last week.

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Redmen split pair of games on road to open region play

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The Cedar Redmen opened Region 9 play with two road games last week and came away with mixed results. Senior Keenan Nielson was strong in both contests.

Nielson scored 20 points on Jan. 11, but Desert Hills pull away in the third quarter and snapped Cedar's seven-game winning streak with a 56-46 victory. Parker Haynie added 12 points, but the Redmen lost Mason Fakahua to a knee injury, the same

one that was hurt during football season.

Cedar trailed only 22-18 at the half, but Desert Hills (1-0 Region 9, 11-3 overall) used a 16-8 third-quarter effort to pull away and win its fifth straight. Logan Hokanson had 14 points to lead the Thunder and Jacob Matthews added 10. Five different players hit a 3-pointer.

Two days later, Nielson scored a season-high 28 points and the Redmen evened its Region 9 record at 1-1 with a 69-29 blowout at Snow Canyon. Cedar broke out early, building a 34-11 halftime

lead and adding on with the bench players from there.

Junior Ethan Boettcher hit five of Cedar's 11 3-pointers in the win and added 19 points.

Cedar will play both of its Region 9 games at home this week, starting with Pine View tonight at 7 p.m. Hurricane comes to the Cedar gym Friday, also at 7 p.m. The Panthers swept both games last week over Snow Canyon and Hurricane, while the Tigers fell to the Panthers and undefeated Dixie.



Cedar
69



Snow Canyon
29

The polls don't always get it right

In the annual exercise that is predicting how teams will fare within their given leagues, I've always learned one inescapable fact. Decisions are always made based on how they did last season, mainly because there's nothing else to go on.

As play began in Region 9 and Region 12 this week, I discovered two teams that are motivated to prove to their fellow coaches and media types how we may think we know, but we really don't know.

Our first case comes courtesy of the Cedar Lady Reds. They're coming off the program's first trip to a 3A state title game in school history. But our two big papers – the only ones who have rankings – may be thinking that effort was a fluke.

The Deseret News publishes a statewide top 20 as well as the top five teams in each classification, 5A down to 1A. In its most recent poll, published Jan. 8, Desert Hills – who lost to the Lady Reds by 11 on Jan. 10 – was placed at No. 5 in the top 20 as well as No. 1 in 3A.

Two things are wrong here: the only other 3A school that was placed in the statewide rankings was Morgan (12-2) and the Trojans are third in their 3A rankings behind Carbon and the Thunder.

Cedar head coach John Elison was more than happy to address the slight, saying it only serves as a motivating force for the team as well as the coaches.

The Lady Reds are also becoming known as serious streak busters. For the second year in a row, they derailed one of major length as they held Desert Hills senior Ashley Beckstrand – bound for BYU in the fall – to just four points. It broke her 56-game streak of double-figure scoring efforts, and Beckstrand fouled out in the final minute.

Last year, Cedar also put an end to Panguitch's 64-game winning streak, only the second-longest in state history. But they're not in the DN's statewide top 20 and only at No. 5

among the 3A schools.

The Salt Lake Tribune doesn't run full statewide rankings, but has Cedar ahead of Desert Hills at No. 3 in its latest 3A top-5. The tag line they used, however, is pretty entertaining.

"This team came out of nowhere and appears to be dangerous."

As we look at Cedar's resume, they came from 16 points down at halftime to Juan Diego on Dec. 17 and beat them in overtime in a neutral-site game at Richfield. Desert Hills lost to the same Soaring Eagle in their own gym by 10 two weeks earlier.

As we head to the new week, the Lady Reds are alone atop the Region 9 standings. It's early, but at 11-2, they never really left the "dangerous" zone.

Canyon View's boys team is our second one with a chip on the shoulder. After winning the Region 12 title last



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

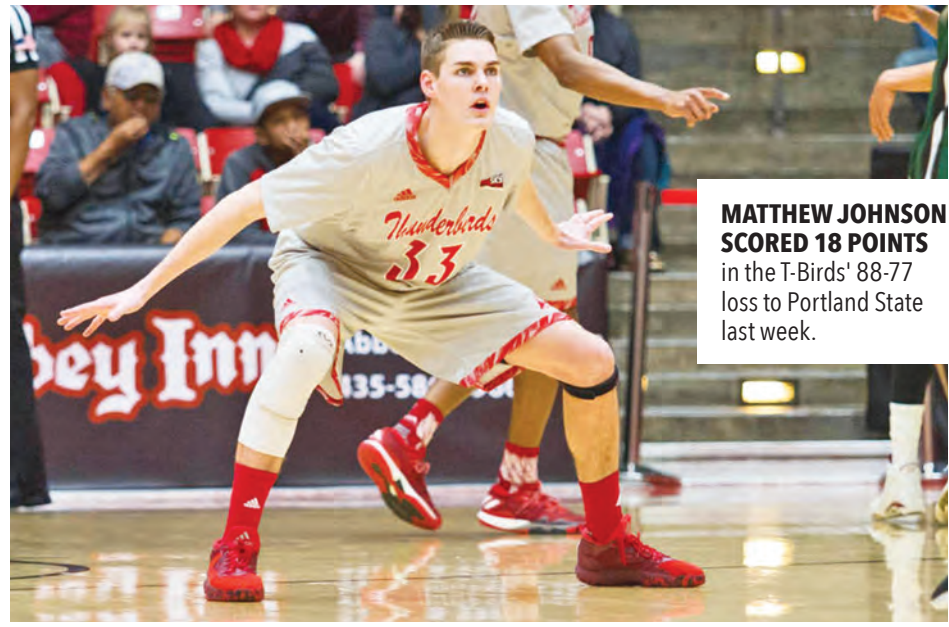
season and nearly running the table, the Falcons made the final four in the 3A playoffs last season.

Yet the coaches picked them to finish third. After CV opened with a second-half rally that beat Juab 59-45 in the region opener Jan. 11, head coach Robbie Potter told me that slight ticked him and his team off more than the loss to Cedar one week earlier.

The Falcons followed up with a loss at Carbon, but with the loss of junior Brantzen Blackner to a knee injury, they'll be challenged even more to prove last year wasn't a fluke.

That's why the games are played. The critics and prognosticators don't have a clue.

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MATTHEW JOHNSON SCORED 18 POINTS in the T-Birds' 88-77 loss to Portland State last week.

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T-Birds fall to Vikings

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The Southern Utah men's basketball team knew it had a challenge on its hands facing the Big Sky's best offense

in the Portland State Vikings. After playing on even terms through the first 20 minutes, the visitors showed their prowess at both ends of the floor and sent the Thunderbirds to another home loss.

Bryce Canda and Zach Gengler led five players in double figures with 16 points, and Portland State pulled away in the second half for an 88-77 victory before an announced crowd of 2,658 at the Centrum. SUU lost its third straight and fell to 2-3 in the Big Sky, 4-14 overall.

With the score tied at 41-41 as the second half began, the game turned firmly in favor of the Vikings (3-1, 10-5) when Canda and Gengler each hit 3-pointers on their first two possessions.

"We played good defense for 20,

25 seconds, then they hit those back-breaker threes," SUU head coach Todd Simon said. "All of a sudden out of the gate, we were playing from behind again."

The T-Birds had a five-point answer of their own with a Brayden Holker layup and 3-pointer from James McGee, but Portland State immediately countered with a 10-0 run that stretched the margin into double figures at 57-46 with four minutes gone in the second half.

The run was highlighted by four free throws from Calaan Robinson, who earned them when he was fouled by McGee and Randy Onwuasor was whistled for a technical foul for arguing the call.

It was a lead the Vikings would build on from there with what Simon called "living at the free-

throw line." PSU shot 28 of its 38 free throws in the final 20 minutes.

"It was a pretty significant deal,"

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Portland St.

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S. Utah

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Portland St. 41 47 -- 88
SUU 41 36 -- 77

Portland St. - Canda 16, Gengler 16, North 15, Robinson 7, Parsons 13, Hollins 10, Holloway 3, Farris 8. Totals 26-63 13-23-38 88. 3-pointers - Canda 1, Gengler 2, Robinson 1, Holloway 1.

Southern Utah - Onwuasor 15, Day 3, Marshall 15, Joyce 1, McGee 12, Madunic 9, Johnson 18, Holker 4. Totals 26-63 13-17 77. 3-pointers - Onwuasor 3, Marshall 1, McGee 1, Madunic 3, Johnson 4.

Thursday's Game - Sacramento State 88, Southern Utah 83

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CV boys win Region 12 opener

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The preseason coaches' poll weren't kind to the Canyon View Falcons despite their appearance in last year's final four of the 3A state playoffs. After winning the Region 12 title a year ago, the Falcons were picked to finish third this time around.

With contributions from multiple sources on both ends of the floor, Canyon View got its title defense off on the right foot.

Brantzen Blackner scored 17 points before suffering a knee injury late in the fourth quarter, while Abe Huxford and Perry Dettling helped ignite a big second-half rally that carried Canyon View to a 59-45 victory over the Juab Wasps in the Region 12 opener Jan. 11.



Falcons head coach Robbie Potter said the team's response to Blackner's injury spoke loudly in addition to the effort that wiped out a 21-18 halftime deficit.

"These kids rallied around each other and showed their character," Potter said. "He's put a lot into this program, one of my favorite kids. We're sad about what happened, but he sparked us to get to that point, so we had to finish it off."

The Falcons, who improved to 8-8 overall with the victory, trailed 31-30 after two Aaron Clark free throws, but reserve

Scott Sanders hit a 3-pointer that sparked an 8-0 run to close the third quarter and give CV the lead for good.

Huxford would hit three 3-pointers in the second half, but Dettling scored eight straight points – including two 3-pointers of his own – that pushed Canyon

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Juab - Snow 14, Osborne 6, Clark 15, Christensen 7, Gurney 3. Totals 19 4-4 45. 3-pointers - Clark 1, Christensen 1, Gurney 1.		
Canyon View - Sanders 3, Huxford 11, Dastrup 4, Blackner 17, Christensen 2, Dettling 13, Miller 9. Totals 21 10-13 59. 3-pointers - Sanders 1, Huxford 3, Dettling 3.		
Friday's Game Carbon 70, Canyon View 65		

View's lead to 52-36 midway through the fourth quarter. Blackner went down with the knee injury with 2:49 remaining and had to be helped off the floor.

The junior said on Twitter the injury is a "chondral flap tear of the patella tendon." Blackner

plans on rehab first, but surgery will be necessary and could come as early as next week. He did not play in Friday's 70-65 loss at Carbon and his status is day-to-day.

Dettling would finish with 13 points and Huxford added 11. They combined to hit six of CV's seven 3-pointers in the victory.

"We were telling Perry 'you have to be more selective,' then he knocked down three in a row," said junior Porter Miller, who added nine points in the win. "That's just what we needed. When Brantzen went down, we needed someone to step up."

Added Huxford: "We had a whole week off and we were hungry."

Juab went to the free-throw line just four times and fell to 7-5 overall (0-1 Region 12). Clark led the Wasps with 15 points and Jakota Snow added 14.

Playing its first game without Blackner, the Falcons couldn't overcome a 14-point halftime deficit and fell to 1-1 in Region 12. Joey Lambeth led CV with 20 points, including six of the team's 13 3-pointers. Miller chipped in 15 points and Huxford helped out with 14.

Kyle Quinton led four Dinos players in double figures with 22 points.

CV is idle today and will play on the road Friday night at Richfield in a 7 p.m. tipoff.



BRANTZEN BLACKNER DROVE FOR TWO of his 17 points in the Falcons' win over Juab.

Falcon girls fall twice in Region 12 play

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

The Canyon View girls basketball team got off to a rough start in Region 12 play against two of the more highly regarded teams in the 3A ranks.

In its opener Jan. 11, the Falcons were tied with the Juab Wasps after a quarter, but the home team won the next three and posted a 38-19 victory. Canyon View made only five field goals and was 8-of-18 at the free-throw line.

The Wasps, who were led by 12 points from Tyler Wall and 11 from Hannah Robins, put the game away by outscoring the Falcons 23-8 between the second and third quarters. Kylie Slack and Amber Francisco each had five points for Canyon View in the loss.

CV returned home Friday and fell 54-37 to the Carbon Dinos, who reached the 3A semifinals last year and are ranked No. 2 in 3A by the Deseret News. Carbon (12-2, 2-0



MALIA VASI AND HER CANYON VIEW TEAMMATES lost to No. 2 ranked Carbon last week.

Region 12) outscored the Falcons 17-7 in the third quarter to take control.

Lindsey Blanc scored 17 points for the Dinos and Jordan Bianco added 11. Francisco and Yani Oshley each had eight points for the Falcons (4-11, 0-2) in the loss.

Canyon View plays at Richfield on Thursday.

T-Bird women drop pair of road games

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

After seeing some success on the road before Big Sky play began, the Southern Utah women's basketball team found out being on the road when the games count is a different animal altogether.

The T-Birds fell to 0-5 in the Big Sky after dropping two games away from the Centrum last week. Sacramento State put up 57 first-half points and beat SUU 81-69 on Jan. 12, forcing 33 turnovers and building a 23-point halftime lead before holding on.

Southern Utah shot 53 percent from the field over the final three quarters, but it wasn't enough to complete the comeback from a 57-34 halftime deficit.

Darri Frandsen and Whitney Johnson both produced double-doubles for the T-Birds in

the loss. Frandsen had a team-high 19 points and 10 rebounds, while Johnson added 10 points to go with 14 boards. Jessica Richardson chipped in 18 points on 9-of-14 shooting.

Two days later, Southern Utah had a three-point halftime lead, but Portland State stormed back and came away with an 81-74 win. Ashley Bolston and Sidney Reilly scored 28 points each to lead the Vikings, who evened their Big Sky record at 2-2 (8-8 overall).

Portland State shot 65 percent from the floor in the second half and was 20-of-28 at the free-throw line to SUU's 13-of-15.

Frandsen led the T-Birds with 17 points, Richardson added 16 and Jamie Smith delivered 14.

Southern Utah will host Idaho on Thursday in a 6:30 p.m. tipoff, and Eastern Washington visits the Centrum on Saturday in a 4 p.m. start.

SUU Athletic Hall of Fame induction March 4

by **SUU SPORTS INFORMATION**
For Iron County Today

CEDAR CITY — The Southern Utah University Department of Athletics has announced the Hall of Fame class for 2017. This year's class includes: Julie Talbot Grant (Gymnastics; 1994-97), Keenan Hart (Track & Field; 1980-81), Natalie Gibson (Track & Field; 1998-99) and Sean McCaw (Men's Basketball; 1993-95).

The Hall of Fame induction will take place on Saturday, March 4. The inductees will be introduced at halftime of the men's basketball against the University of Idaho. Tip time against the Vandals is set for 4 p.m. in the Centrum Arena. Following the game, there will be an Induction Dinner that will start at 7 p.m. inside the Ballroom of the Sharwan Smith Student Center. Dinner is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children seven years of age and younger.

"The Hall of Fame is a wonderful reflection of the history of Southern Utah Athletics," said Jason Butikofer, Director of Athletics. "It is our honor as a department to introduce this tremendous class of inductees whose contributions represent the very best of our program."

Julie Talbot Grant

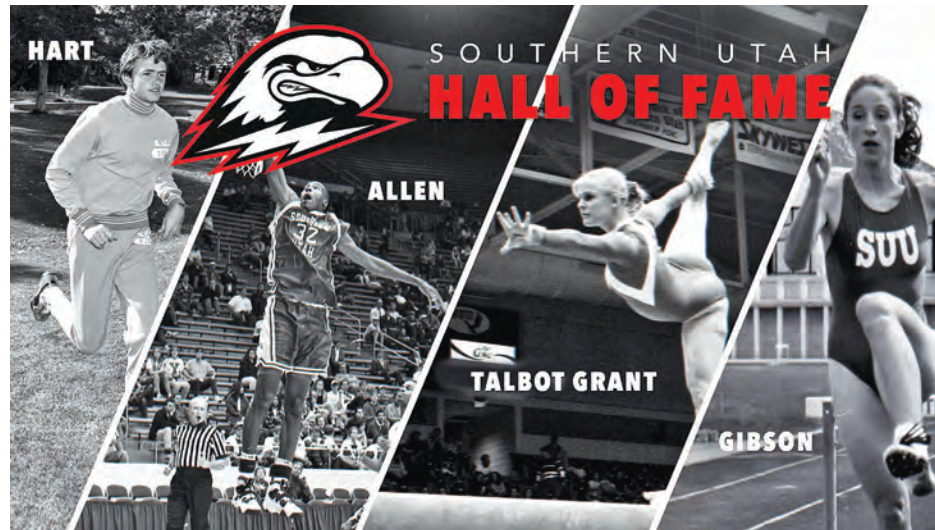
Grant started competing in the all-around right away for the Thunderbirds, and did so four all four years she was a member of the gymnastics program.

She was once the school record holder on beam and qualified for NCAA competition multiple times as an individual, putting the Thunderbird gymnastics program on the map nationally and laying the groundwork for future generations of gymnasts at SUU.

Grant was named GTE Academic All-American First Team in 1997 after

being named to the Third Team in a previous year. She was named Most Outstanding Gymnast in 1996 and Female Athlete of the Year in 1997. Grant graduated from Southern Utah in 1998.

According to SUU head gymnastics coach Scott Bauman, Julie Talbot Grant was the first true level 10 gymnast that the program recruited. Bauman also



FOUR OUTSTANDING ATHLETES FROM SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY will be inducted into the school's athletic Hall of Fame on March 4.

noted that Julie set the bar for a higher standard of recruits throughout her competing years, and over the duration of Julie's time as a Thunderbird, the team was structured around her.

Keenan Hart

Keenan Hart was extremely influential in regards to helping build the Thunderbird track and field program to the point it is today. Hart was an NAIA All-American, finishing fourth place in the four-mile run in a time of 24:40. He competed at that NAIA National Championships in both track and field and cross country during his tenure at

Southern Utah.

Hart is still featured in the Thunderbird record book with the sixth fastest mile time in school history, when he ran a 4:20.67 in 1980. Hart competed for SUU back when it was still SUSC (Southern Utah State College).

Keenan Hart currently lives in the Cedar City area, as he teaches sixth grade at Escalante Valley.

Title to earn the same honor or being an All-American.

Gibson was also a member of the 1998 women's track and field team at SUU that won the 1998 Summit League Championships for the indoor and outdoor track and field.

To this day, Gibson holds the school record in the 400-meter hurdles, with a time of 57.5 in 1998. Gibson also holds the fourth fastest time in the 400-meters and 110-meter hurdles.

According to coach Houle, Gibson got the team moving in the right direction and laid the foundation for the women's program at SUU.

Sean McCaw

Sean McCaw was a leader for the Thunderbird basketball program during the mid-90s. In 1994, he led the team in scoring with 16.8 points per game and blocked shots with 6.6 a contest. He led the team in the same two statistical categories the following season, with 15.2 ppg and 5.9 blocks per game.

McCaw went on to play professional basketball, where he played for several teams all around the world. He played for eight teams in six different countries, starting with the Kapfenberg Bulls in Austria and ending with the Science City Jena in Germany.

He has since entered a career in coaching in Germany, most recently coaching professional European teams. Since 2012, he has served as the assistant coach of the CuxHaven BasCats, Lowen Braunschweig, and Spot Up Braunschweig.

Please RSVP at the SUU Ticket Office before Feb. 25. Tickets to the SUU vs. UI game are included in the cost of dinner.

SUU HOOPS

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Simon said. "That part was frustrating. Putting them on the line for 38 free throws wasn't good for us."

The T-Birds were plagued with foul trouble throughout the second half and lost McGee, who finished with 12 points, when he fouled out with 3:20 left. Onwuasor finished with just 15 points, nearly nine below his season average of 23.6, and was just 6-of-21 from the floor.

"He hasn't had very many tough shooting days. Today, he had a tough shooting day," Simon said of Onwuasor. "At some point, all scorers are going to have those days. We had other guys step up, but it wasn't quite enough."

One bright spot for the T-Birds was the improving play of sophomore Matthew Johnson, who led the team in scoring with 18 points and hit four 3-pointers.

"This was more of a team thing.

We have to be tougher mentally and physically," Johnson said. "They moved the ball well and spaced the floor well. We needed to be in the right spots."

On Jan. 12, SUU went through a similar cold spell in the first half, and Sacramento State beat the T-Birds 88-83 to earn its first win in Big Sky play on the season. Nick Hornsby led the Hornets, who shot 56 percent from the floor, with 28 points and 14 rebounds.

Onwuasor led SUU with 27 points and McGee added 21 in the loss for SUU.

NOTES: The T-Birds have lost 10 straight Big Sky home games dating back to Dec. 31, 2015. ... SUU made nearly as many 3-pointers (12) as twos (14), but hit just 3-of-15 (20 percent) from behind the arc in the second half. ... The T-Birds finished 13-of-17 at the free-throw line, while the Vikings were 23-of-38. ... Portland State out-rebounded SUU, 46-35, led by De'sean Parsons' double-double of 13 points and 13 rebounds. ... The T-Birds committed 19 turnovers.

Natalie Gibson

Natalie Gibson had an enormous impact on the track and field program at Southern Utah University. Gibson garnered All-American status while at Southern Utah by finishing in seventh place in the 400-meter hurdles in a time of 58.38.

She was Southern Utah track and field's first DI All-American. She was the first in what has become a long line of track and field athletes at Southern

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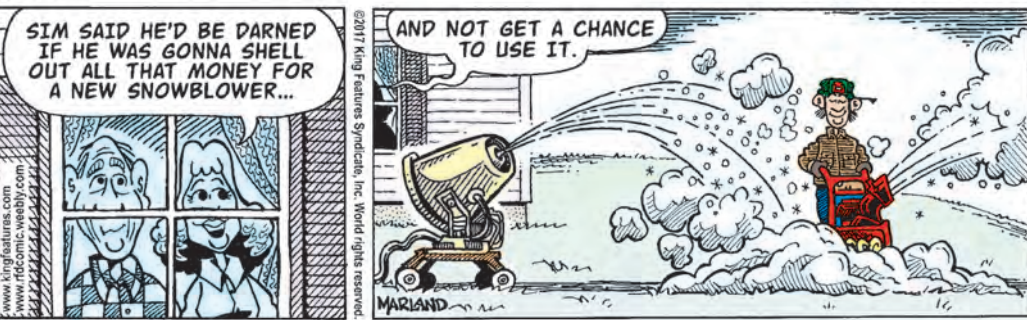
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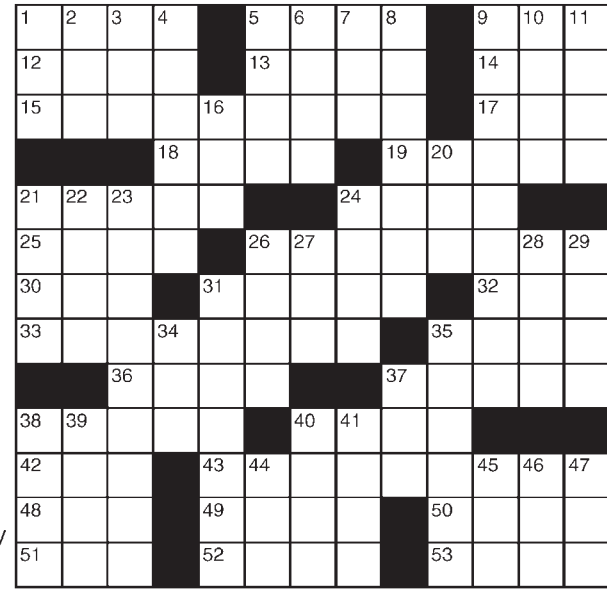
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- 5 Verse
- 9 Wander about
- 12 Neighborhood
- 13 Fairy tale baddie
- 14 — de Janeiro
- 15 Coup in bridge or baseball
- 17 Moreover
- 18 Release
- 19 Patchwork horse
- 21 Mad
- 24 Roe provider
- 25 Golfer McIlroy
- 26 Haughty, strutting sort
- 30 Ms. Gardner
- 31 Bluefin and albacore
- 32 Off-chanted initials
- 33 Round Table member
- 35 Smile
- 36 Transaction
- 37 Skin-covered craft
- 38 Stimulant
- 40 One who's gonna get it?
- 42 Address for 33-Across
- 43 Extensive treat for sightseers
- 48 Tackle the



- slopes
- city
- continent
- 9 Courtroom
- 29 Tug
- 31 Anti-riot chemical
- 34 Bee follower
- 35 Type of snake
- 37 Tease
- 38 Cold War abbr.
- 39 Toll road
- 40 Revolutionary War hero
- 41 Nathan Tackles' teammates
- 44 Regret
- 45 Bullring bravo
- 46 Actress Thurman
- 47 Scepter
- 10 "— That a Shame"
- 11 Old fogey
- 16 Parched
- 20 Author Fleming
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- 23 International auto race
- 24 Expectorated
- 26 Tug
- 27 Yoko of music
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- 6 Leer at
- 7 Historic time
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by Linda Thistle

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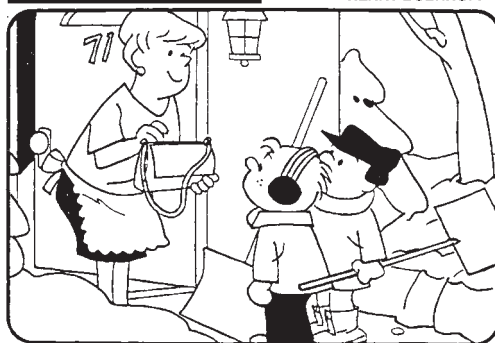
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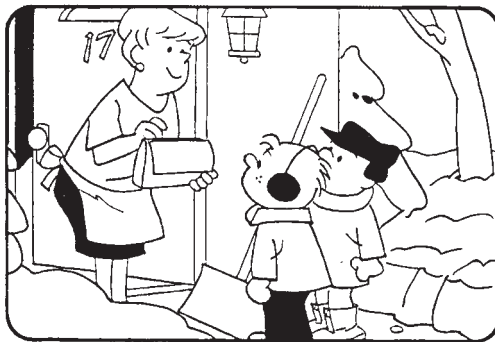
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Weekly SUDOKU

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Answers

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1. "Lady and the Tramp"; 2. Mrs. Beasley; 3. Battle of the Bulge; 4. Benjamin Franklin; 5. The opium poppy; 6. Less than three months; 7. Patricia Cornwell; 8. Flagstaff, Ariz.; 9. Romano; 10. Beekeeper

Trivia Test Answers