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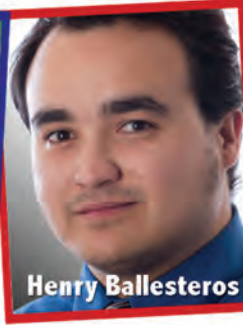


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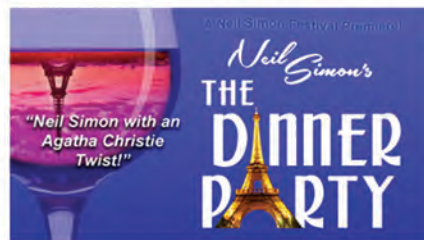
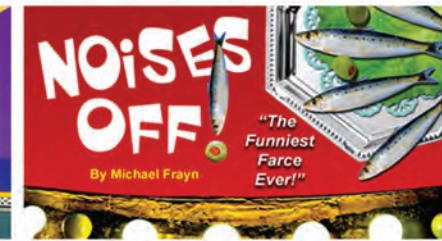
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Man charged for child sexual abuse released

by Holly COOMBS
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CEDAR CITY — Public concern grows on social media regarding a Cedar City man being released from police custody following his arrest for allegedly fondling three children. John Benjamin Gehrich, 18, was arrested on three second-degree felony counts of forcible

sexual abuse of a child last Friday. Three victims, ages 3-8 years old, were interviewed by police at the Iron County Children's Justice Center last Friday after they told their parents that Gehrich inappropriately touched them the day before, according to 5th District Court information. The underage children told

investigators that Gehrich had allegedly fondled them while he was in their home last Thursday, according to court information. Gehrich initially lied to Cedar City Police Detective Dustin Orton regarding the incident, but later admitted to touching private parts of the three victims. He told investigators he committed an "impulsive act"

when he was left in a room with the children. Gehrich posted bail and was released from custody after he was taken into custody last Friday. Following his release, numerous residents posted in community groups on Facebook about concern that Gehrich was

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JEN DAUGHTERY with her award as foster mother of the year.
COURTESY OF JEN DAUGHTERY

FOSTERING HOPE

Cedar City woman named Foster Mother of the Year

by Holly LINFORD
Iron County Today

In light of May being Foster Care Awareness Month, Cedar City resident, Jen Daughtery has been nominated as Foster Mother of the Year by the Utah Division of Child and Family Services. Amy Bates, a Foster-Adoptive Consultant in the Southwest Region for Utah Foster Care, said Daughtery was chosen as Foster Mother of the Year because she goes above and beyond meeting the basic needs for her foster kids. "They have a child who has been with them since 2014 who was developmentally very behind," Bates said. "Since placing the child with Jen, the child has been taught all of the basic skills an infant would need to know. She truly puts the child's needs in front of her own and ensures they get the best of everything." Bates said Daughtery also continues to excel with her other kids, which she has adopted and is always great to work with.

Daughtery said she chose to become a foster mother in 2009 because she couldn't have kids and her mother-in-law suggested becoming a foster parent. She said she has personally seen the benefit of foster care in her time of being a foster mom. "Foster care provides these kids a safe space where their needs are met in ways they wouldn't be at home," Daughtery said. Kyle Garrett, the regional director for the Utah Division of Child and Family Services, said foster parents are an important piece of what the organization does. "I can't overstate how important these parents are," Garrett said. "They take care of these kids and love them. They really are a key piece." Daughtery said foster care has also personally helped her. "I'm not sure if it benefits me more or these kids," she said. "These foster kids help me to be a better person. It's amazing to watch these kids overcome so many difficulties and challenges." Bates said she has also seen firsthand what impact foster care has on these kids. "I've seen their lives turn completely around,"

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Cedar Council votes to stay with Utah League of Cities and Towns

by Holly COOMBS
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CEDAR CITY — The Cedar City Council vote went 2-3 not in favor of cutting membership with the Utah League of Cities and Towns at its most recent meeting.

Cedar City councilmember Rowley made a motion that Cedar City Corporation should cut participation with the ULCT for one year, to evaluate its operations since the resignation of former director Ken Bullock and former director of administrative services Michelle Reilly took place.

During an audit the two were found to have spent league money privately. Bullock has since paid back all the money he used, while Reilly has not since paid back, according to league audit documents.

Councilmembers Paul Cozzens and Rowley voted in favor of cutting the ULCT for one year, while councilmembers Ron Adams, Craig Isom and Terri Hartley voted against the motion.

Rowley said that the council has a sacred responsi-

bility with citizen money. He said pulling out of the ULCT for one year would show that the city is serious about people's money.

Isom said participating with other cities and towns and being a part of a group that fights for governments at the city level is important.

"I don't want to overrun by the state any more than I want to be overrun by the federal government," he said. "We should have a right to govern ourselves at a city level. I think one of the great services that the League of Cities and Towns provides is the help up at the legislature."

Isom reiterated comments for Rep. John Westwood (R-Utah) and Sen. Evan Vickers (R-Utah), who at last week's meeting said the ULCT has no problems going forward. Isom said the ULCT also provides the opportunity to connect cities and towns with each other to work together.

"We don't want to ditch

other cities and towns because of the action of two individuals," he said. "We need to be supportive of other cities and towns."

Cozzens argued that the gross malfeasance went on for four years and should not be ignored in regards to the ULCT.

"How do you let that happen?" he said. "We need to give the (ULCT) to make sure that's resolved."

Hartley spoke with the ULCT President Steve Hiatt, who also is the Kaysville mayor. She sent documents she received from the league regarding Reilly

and Bullock's spending and the audit in question to her fellow council members to evaluate. She said documents had not been updated and it was OK for company credit cards to be used for personal use as long it was paid back.

"It's bad, but that's the way it was," Hartley said. "The charges that you saw, basically what it came down to is Ken Bullock that had been there

for 30 years he was lax in his oversight and he gave a lot of his duties to the CFO who he trusted."

She continued to say that Reilly stole the money and Bullock paid back everything he owed. The \$11,000 that was discovered he hadn't paid back was Reilly's fault.

"She wasn't doing the record keeping," Hartley said. "She wasn't doing the filing reports." Hartley said she didn't believe Bullock was innocent, but he did resign because he was also responsible for the issues.

She said that \$16,000 is a small fee for the city and the training it provides to the city and to City Manager Paul Bitmenn helps the city more than anyone realizes.

"I feel the money is well spent."

Adams did not speak at the meeting, but in an interview with Iron County Today said he likes to consider both sides and has seen the help that ULCT has provided for the city. He said he read over what Hartley had sent and it made sense that there was no need to cut the ULCT from working with the city.

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL

GEHRICH

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no longer in jail.

"He is now out on bail and has already tried forcing himself into another woman's car," resident Brooke Owens said. "Please, please ladies be aware of your surroundings and carry some kind of weapon or protection with you."

Another resident said Gehrich was a creep and shouldn't been out of jail because he hasn't learned his lesson.

Resident Alex Alexander posted in a public group on Facebook to warn others about Gehrich following his wife and asking for a ride.

"He asked if she could give him a ride to an auto parts store because he left his 'keys' there," Alexander said. "She didn't have a good feeling about him and didn't recognize him. She told him know and went back towards the house and he tried to follow her back into the house. I just wanted to let everyone know to be careful."

Cedar City Police Department Sgt. Jerry Womack said that the police

department is aware of the situation and is monitoring it through Facebook.

"We've had many messages from people concerned about him being out," Womack said. "Most of the things mentioned (on Facebook) happened weeks ago and went un-reported."

He said that most of the incidents reported on Facebook were not classified as "criminal."

"We would just encourage the public to call if they have a problem with the man," Womack said. "We can't do anything about him being out on bail."

Bookings

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

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Alejandro Martinez, Las Vegas, Nev
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Emerald D. Roberts, Beaver
Controlled Substance, Assault of Pregnant Person

Anngela N. Hoover, Cedar City
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May 9

Timothy L. Hansen, Enoch
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Amy M. Goff, Cedar City
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Adam A. McBride
Fraudulent Use, Poss. Stolen Credit Cards

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Controlled Substance

Brett L. Ekker, Cedar City
Retail Theft

Stephanie E. Munford, Kanarrville
Retail Theft, Theft, Forgery

May 10

Rhiannon S. Williams, Cedar City
Failure to Comply w/Court

May 11

Colby J. Borden, Hurricane
Revoked/Suspended Registration, False Personal Info.

Rayce W. Bickel, Cedar City
Assault

Robert L. Pingel, Enoch
Probation/Parole Violation

Shilo K. Teeples, Santa Clara
Controlled Substance

May 12

Raymond R. Anderson, Enoch
Possession, Drug Paraphernalia

May 13

Jonathan A. Reyes, Ventura, Calif.
Controlled Substance, Drug Paraphernalia

Toni L. Ryan, Hesperia, Calif.
Distribute/Offer/Arrange C/S

Casey Musser, Cedar City
Assault, DV in presence of child

May 14

Elisa A. Allred, Cedar City
Retail Theft, Assault, Drug Paraphernalia

Homero Hernandez, Columbia, Mo.
Assault, Criminal Mischief, Intoxication

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MORE THAN 60 IRON COUNTY RESIDENTS GATHERED TO PARTICIPATE in the new disc golf course in Enoch City.



Disc golf course opens in Enoch

ENOCH — Enoch City officially kicked off its citywide disc golf program on May 8 with a tournament highlighting disc baskets in four of the city's parks. Participants from Enoch, Cedar City, Parowan, and even St. George took part in the 12-hole tournament.

The disc golf cages were installed around Enoch City as a project to unite the far-flung community through its parks and recreation, and the city council recently approved adding six more baskets in two additional parks next year, making a complete 18-hole course.

About 65 people participated, and at the end of the tournament prizes were awarded for various accomplishments. The Hub Pizza in Enoch and Southern Utah University provided prizes.

"It was a wonderful vision by the Enoch City Council to institute disc golf," said Cam Findlay, coordinator of the tournament, "and to unite the city and give a great recreational option for every family and individual."

"This inaugural disc golf event in

"It was a wonderful vision by the Enoch City Council to institute disc golf"

— Cam Findlay

the Enoch City parks symbolizes the family-friendly environment of our city," said City Manager Rob Dotson. "This is a fun activity that everybody can take part in."

More information about the course can be obtained at the Enoch City office, 900 East Midvalley Road, where three holes are located. Golfers can get a free brochure/map of the course, and can check out discs to play.

Vesley replaces Orton on Parowan City Council

by Holly COOMBS
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PAROWAN — Parowan City Council introduced new council member Patti Vesley as replacement of Jay Orton, who stepped down from his position because of employment conflicts.

At the city council meeting last Thursday, the council heard from five candidates who applied to take Orton's spot, which will last until the end of December.

Parowan City Mayor Don Landes said that if the replacement member decides to stay in longer, they must apply to run and be voted on in November, otherwise they will only stay in office until December with Orton's term would end. The council voted for two candidates and voted a second time after it was narrowed to two. Vesley won the votes.

Vesley said she moved to Parowan about 15 years ago and she has wanted to get involved in helping the community. She said that she will run in November and hopes to stay involved and on the city council at a longer term.

"I'm excited for this opportunity to serve in the community," Vesley

said.

Other candidates included Nathan Thayer, who was next closest vote to Vesley, Steve Decker, Sharon Downey and Preston Griffiths. Orton said he got to know a lot of people while serving on the city council.

"It was an outstanding opportunity," he said.

The council also approved the capital improvement plan after some discussion.

"It gives me heartburn to go through this," city councilmember Vickie Hicks said. "City council of the past did not plan properly and we are now stuck with tough decisions. I hope we can explain and encourage you about where we are at on this."

Hicks said there is much improvement to still be done in the city, but step-by-step the council will work to make funds come to work on them.

City Attorney Justin Wayment said every city and town has issues with budgeting, but it can be more difficult in a small town.

"Cedar City has this same issue," Wayment said. "We just have a lot more we have to consider in a small town."



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We have a shortfall of kindness

I'm happy that our drought is temporarily over; we have enough water to make our desert bloom. But there is something else that I fear is in short supply.

Kindness. Understanding. Generosity. It happens internationally. A recent article in the Wall Street Journal analyzing the coming German election mentioned an electrician stiffly opposed to any immigration. "I want all this scum that's washing up here to flow back out," he said.

Scum? A human being leaving a war-torn country to seek a new life is now reduced to "scum?" Yet we heard the same thoughtless rhetoric about Mexicans from The Donald during his presidential run, and we have numerous congressmen voting for a new health care bill that takes away federal protection for people denied insurance for pre-existing conditions. ("Sorry, you have cancer. We'll charge you three times more for life-saving treatment!")

And locally we have our jails. In Daggett County we find a deputy who used inmates to teach police dogs obedience training. A few inmates were bitten, but they apparently aren't valued since they are incarcerated. The same deputy also told inmates with a soda if they could withstand five seconds of "torture" with his personal stun gun. (The cost of a Coke goes up in the Daggett County jail!) In Davis County, a 46-year old

woman dies of a heart attack at the jail when she apparently was not allowed to use her blood pressure medication. A state senator admits he is concerned, but says taxpayers don't want to foot the bill to hire a jail pharmacist. (If it's going to save lives, maybe we should – oh, but I

for making fun of widows and widowers who lost spouses in the 9/11 attack.

Songwriter Kris Kristofferson once penned a verse noting that everyone needs someone they can look down on. Thankfully, that gene was never passed on to me – and hopefully it isn't part of your DNA either.

I'm not better than anyone else (except maybe Ted Bundy). I'm simply more fortunate. I was born in Salt Lake City, not Syria or Somalia. That's like winning the lottery – and I didn't even buy a ticket.

As I have written in past columns, I firmly believe that we are a less kind nation than in the past. We let talk radio

blowhards package our thoughts rather than reading and attempting to understand the challenges that people face. We can sympathize with the couple down the street, but turn a blind eye to the hungry and desperate in a different zip code. We would never tell a less abled person to sign up for a 5k race, but we have no problem dismissing the disadvantaged who need a hand up to a level playing field.

Singer and songwriter Emmylou Harris wrote that we may often ignore God's grace; "Until some Holy Grail reveals the grand design – Well it's just a cup of kindness all the time."

May the cup of kindness spill over in our dealings with fellow Utahns and others on our planet.

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



Cyclops

by Bryan GRAY
Columnist

We can sympathize with the couple down the street, but turn a blind eye to the hungry and desperate in a different zip code

forgot, we're talking about "bad people" in jail.)

In Boston, players (and even national anthem singers) are subjected to racial epithets. In New York, bullies like writer and speaker Ann Coulter are heralded

Child care facility becomes reality

by Nikki **KOONTZ**
SUU Marketing Communications

Southern Utah University is excited to announce the creation of an on-campus daycare and preschool center with a generous donation from the Sorenson Legacy Foundation, SUU is finally able to move forward on the long-awaited project.

The Sorenson Legacy Foundation Child & Family Development Center will be committed to the retention and graduation of SUU students by providing a high quality facility offering on-campus childcare, a preschool lab, and parent and family support.

With flexible care hours and an on-campus location, the new center will be convenient, affordable and a safe option for SUU students. The facility will offer drop-off care instead of all-day care, which will significantly lower the cost for parents. Having the preschool and daycare in the same place will decrease operation and maintenance costs making it more efficient.

The Family Support Center will also have non-credit courses on parenting, marital preparation, financial literacy, marriage enrichment and offer tutoring for children Kindergarten through 12th grade. It's estimated that more than 400 education undergraduates and other university students will complete their practicums, observations and research at the facility.

Kathy Wyatt, SUU President Scott L Wyatt's wife, heads the committee for the center.

"I was researching female graduation rates at

SUU and was shocked at the huge decline after the age of 25," she said. "When I was told much of that drop was due to having children and the lack of funds for child care, I knew something needed to be done."

Child care can cost anywhere between \$250 to \$700 per month per child. Add tuition and this amount is daunting for many students like Alayna Johnson, who is a mother of four. She is an accounting major at SUU who was overwhelmed by the cost of child care.

"Having children should not mean the end of your education, and for so many women that's exactly what it means," Johnson said.

The estimated cost of the project is \$2.5 million and half of the funding has already been raised. A location has been secured and the center will be built south of the Multipurpose Building on the corner of 700 West. The child care facility will be able to serve roughly 80 to 100 students and their children each year. The goal is to have the facility completed by fall of 2019.

Kathy Wyatt teared up as she shared her excitement for the progress of this project.

"This was a dream a year ago and now it's more of a reality," she said. "Seeing how many people are willing to help is exciting for me because I know it will change lives."

To learn more about the The Sorenson Legacy Foundation Child & Family Development Center or to donate to the cause visit www.suu.edu/childcenter.

"Having children should not mean the end of your education"

— **Alayna Johnson**



COURTESY OF SUU

A NEW FACILITY AT SUU WILL PROVIDE SUU STUDENTS to leave their children in childcare while they are in school.

Ryan Zinke visits Utah

Southern Utah residents rally for national monuments

by Jean **BJERKE**
For Iron County Today

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke completed a four-day "listening tour" in Utah last Wednesday as part of his review of Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments.

President Donald J. Trump issued an executive order on April 26 directing Zinke to review the future of monuments around the country.

While in Utah, Zinke visited both monuments and met with the Utah governor; national, state, and county elected officials; groups of individuals; interested organizations; and representatives of five Native American tribes.

Zinke's visit generated intense media interest, and he was met with rallies and protests on both sides of the issue wherever he went.

More than 300 southern Utah supporters of national monuments including many from Cedar City

and Iron County, gathered in Kanab last Wednesday to show Zinke that many Utahans treasure their national monuments, especially Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante.

Georgia Beth Thompson of Cedar City said speakers at the rally were all either native or are 25-year residents of the area around Grand Staircase-Escalante.

Thompson said their message was that they see this as their home and see the preservation of the monuments as enriching their home.

"Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument contains hundreds if not thousands of archaeological sites, going back over 11,000 years," Local Archaeologist and Cedar City resident Emily Dean, who attended the rally, said. "Protecting these sensitive sites by establishing a National Monument is exactly what the Antiquities Act of 1906 was designed to do."

Tina Dickinson, whose family are long time settlers, ranchers, farmers and sportsmen from Cedar City and Parowan, also attended, said she is not sure people understand that lessening monuments means less public access.

"(That means) less grazing privileges, less hunting, fishing, ATVing, less public access all around," Dickinson said. "This concerns me."

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Roxanne Bennett has always had a passion for helping others and a dream of one day starting her own business. With the help of the faculty and staff at SUU, Roxanne was able to juggle a full course load, work and motherhood.

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SheTech Explorer Day provides career interest to high school girls

by Holly COOMBS
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With approximately 135 high school girls, Southern Utah University hosted its first SheTech Explorer Day on May 8 to encourage women with an interest in a technology career to explore with hands-on learning.

In connection with STEM careers and education program — a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four specific disciplines: science, technology, engineering and mathematics — the day provided workshops for girls from Canyon View High School, St. George SUCCESS, Delta High School, Panguitch High School, Cedar High School and SUU SUCCESS.

The technology companies that presented the workshops included Adobe, SkyWest, Legend Solar and Dell EMC. This provided the girls to have an interactive day with hands-on projects related to solar technology, app building, rockets and 3D printing.

Shalini Kesar, program director and SUU associate professor of information systems, said that she works with a lot of women in technology projects and with Southern Utah Aspirations in Computing.

“I work with a lot of women in the technology projects I have been doing them for years,” Kesar said. “One of them, as Aspirations, and then the women of the Technology Council

got an award last year for the outstanding education of excellence. They approached me and said ‘would you like to do this?’ and I said ‘yes,’ because it gives the girls an opportunity to see what STEM is and that it’s not boring, it’s creative, it’s fun and more than that.”

She said she never thought high school seniors would come, but many seniors did come to the event.

“This is one hands-on,” Kesar said. “Now we are planting the seeds, they walk away and want to be a part of it. For them its empowerment.”

Chandler Larson, one of three Sky West Airlines representatives at the event, said the company had representation from the maintenance, dispatch and also information technology.

“We are just showing (the girls) different things like, how to do a flight plan and everything that goes into it because there is a lot of math and physics that goes into flying a plane other than just flying the plane,” Larson said. “We’re showing the national plane parts and how they brake and how they can fix it into the plane.”

Larson said the number of girls at the event says a lot about what the career of interest is in the world today.

“They really truly are interested,” she said. “It’s really nice to see that we truly are making an impact.”

Larson said it’s important to target the right group and let them know technology careers are fun, and more than just sitting in front of a computer.

“SkyWest definitely has a lot of opportunities,” she said. “For me, it’s important to be here and represent, especially in the aviation world.”

Robert Gomez, SkyWest maintenance manager, came from Salt Lake City to share with the girls how to find possible issues in an aircraft and how to repair them.

“It’s one thing to tell how it’s done, but to show it, there’s a lot better reception,” Gomez said.

He said many of the girls seem interested.

Gomez said women are definitely needed in the aviation career world.

“There was a time during World War II when women were very much into technology,” he said. “Then it seemed to be pushed down because of gender role emphasis, but really all we need is qualified people no matter their gender.”

Shelby Spaulding, from St. George at the Dixie State University Success Academy, said she learned that technology is in a vast number of careers.

“I like that there is so much technology in everything and it’s not just geeky programing,” Spaulding said. “It’s not just sitting at a computer every day and it’s everywhere.”

She said she wants to take technology into a graphic design and animation career. Spaulding said within the technology world there seems to be a huge gender gap.

“You think of technology and you imagine men,” she said. “You see men being smart, going to school and learning this stuff. When you bring women into it, you see that it really is for everyone.”

Shaylee Shepard, a sophomore from Delta High School, said she wants to take technology into the medical field. Shepard said being from small town, there haven’t been many opportunities for experience her interest in technology that she has. Shepard said she enjoyed coming to the event and seeing just how many girls really are interested in a technological career.

“My favorite part of this program is meeting other girls with the same interest,” she said.

“All we need is qualified people no matter their gender”

— Robert Gomez, SkyWest



FEMALE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LEARN HOW TO MAKE INSTANT SNOW and the aspects of pursuing a technological degree at SheTech Explorer Day at Southern Utah University last Monday.



PHOTOS BY HOLLY COOMBS

SHETECH EXPLORER DAY PROVIDED A HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE specifically geared to female high school students from Delta, Panguitch, Cedar City and St. George to learn about technologic career opportunities.

FOSTER MOM

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she said. "They go from not understanding what family means to feeling like they belong in a family unit."

Daughtery said there are some challenges in foster care as well.

"For me, the hardest part is once they become a part of my home, I want them to remain that way and become a permanent part of the family," she said. "But sometimes they don't become a permanent part and go back to their families and that is challenging."

Bates said without families and parents who are willing to foster, these children would have to move away from this area and away from their families.

"These are the community's children," she said. "Without these families, children are forced move elsewhere."

Bates said the goal of foster care is to get the family back together again. She said she has seen mothers who have problems like substance abuse, turn their lives around.

"It's a huge gift to the community and to those children when that happens," she said.

"It's amazing to watch these kids overcome so many difficulties and challenges"

— Jen Daughtery

Bates said she wishes the community understood more that these are their children.

"These children who need foster care are from their areas, their schools," she said. "They aren't bad kids, they just are kids who need love and security to grow and flourish in ways they couldn't without that foster care."

Daughtery said a reason for the shortage of foster parents has to do with lack of education about the foster care system.

She said before she became a foster parent, she also stereotyped the foster kids thinking they were bad kids.

"I think with more edu-



COURTESY OF JEN DAUGHTERY

JEN DAUGHTERY'S FAMILY; FROM L TO R: Shealynn, John, Jen, James and then Mckell.

cation about the system and about these kids would help more people want to become foster parents," Daughtery said.

Bates said to get involved with foster care, to go to the website utahfostercare.org.

"They can give me a phone call at 435-463-7404," she said. "I can walk them through the process of becoming foster parents themselves or how they can get involved in other ways."

Garrett said another way

people can get involved is by noticing abuse and neglect and reporting instances of that happening when it happens.

He said another way to help out is by volunteering their time with the agency.

4-H Open House



COURTESY OF KATY RIGGS

THE IRON COUNTY 4-H CLUB WILL BE HAVING AN OPEN HOUSE Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Cedar Middle School to share sampling of 4-H day camps, traditional foods, cooking, sewing, animal projects and more. For more information contact the Utah State University Extension office at (435) 586-8132. Regarding membership enrollment, it is \$10 per youth. Interested volunteers pay no fees.

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Parkour, Ninja Warrior Gym grand opening announced

by Holly COOMBS
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A one-of-a-kind facility in southern Utah, Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness announces its grand opening of a parkour/ninja warrior gym on June 3 on the west side of Industrial Road.

The new facility is devoted to obstacle-based training, allowing people of all ages to have an alternative form of fitness that is challenging and fun, according to a press release.

Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness, owned and operated by Jami and Josh Menendez, started as a mobile obstacle course.

"We started out with the warped wall and salmon ladder being hauled around on a borrowed trailer to different events," Jami Menendez said. "From there we started classes in our garage, which is not large by any stretch of the imagination. The response was overwhelming. In less than a year, we have been able to open our very own parkour/ninja warrior gym!"

Traditional gyms focus on isolating muscle groups, which helps individuals gain muscle in targeted areas using movements that are not functional, Jami Menendez said. Parkour/ninja warrior training puts the body to work in a practical way, while training the mind to overcome obstacles.

Most gyms limit their training to adults. Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness does the opposite. The gym provides classes for all ages. Children and adults can experience the exciting world of obstacle-based training. Toddlers have their own class, which allows them to have a fun place to play and socialize with other children their age, she said.

Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness also offers a 13-week women's self-defense class. The summer months will bring southern Utah's first parkour competition and 2 summer camps dedicated to parkour and ninja warrior training.

"The new facility also has open gym sessions each day, giving everyone the opportunity to try their hand at the in-house obstacles," Jami Menendez said.

Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness has a variety of obstacles including: cannonball alley, pegboard,

salmon ladder, warped wall, and bar station to name a few. Gym patrons can even set up their own obstacle course using movable obstacles.

"This gym is not your typical gym with free weights and machines," Jami Menendez said. "Bushido Parkour Ninja Fitness is redefining fitness for everyone from all walks of life and all ages. Our vision is to inspire everyone to be active and train their body and mind to do things they never thought possible."

Registration is currently open at bushidonf.com, where more information including current gym hours can also be found.

THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN SOUTHERN UTAH, a parkour (depicted in photo)/ninja warrior-based gym will open June 3, to provide new fitness opportunities to residents.



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Cedar City man earns University of Nebraska-Lincoln degree

LINCOLN, NE — Jason R. Adams of Cedar City was among more than 3,000 graduates who received degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln during commencement exercises May 5-6.

Adams earned a Master of Science from the Office of Graduate Studies.

Helen Raikes, Willa Cather Professor of Child, Youth and Family Studies at Nebraska, delivered the address at the graduate and professional degrees ceremony on May 5.

Ev Williams, co-founder and former CEO of Twitter and founder and CEO of Medium, gave the address at the undergraduate commencement on May 6. Preeta Bansal, president of Social Emergence Corp. and lecturer in the MIT Media Lab, addressed the law graduates on May 6.

The graduates are from 52 countries, 42 states and over 250 Nebraska communities. For the complete list of graduates, visit <http://go.unl.edu/for6>.

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Consumer confidence drops in April

The Zions Bank Utah Consumer Attitude Index (CAI) decreased in April after a big jump in March, mirroring national sentiment. The CAI dropped 10.9 points to 112.6. The index remains above 110, which is a typical bellwether for economic prosperity in Utah. The overall CAI currently sits 3.6 points higher than its level 12 months ago. In comparison, the national Consumer Confidence Index® decreased 4.6 points from March to April and currently sits at 120.3.

“Fluctuations in consumer attitudes from month to month are expected, but Utah’s high levels of confidence demonstrate that the state’s economy remains strong,” said Scott Anderson, president and CEO of Zions Bank. “Utahns can retain confidence that business continues to boom in the Beehive State.”

The decrease in the CAI primarily resulted from lower expectations for the economy over the next six months, as slightly fewer Utahns expect business conditions to improve, number of jobs to increase, and household income to rise.

» Thirty-five percent of those surveyed think their household income will be higher in six months, down from

41 percent last month

» Thirty percent of Utahns believe there will be more jobs in their area in six months, which is down from 35 percent in March

» Thirty-two percent of respondents think business conditions will be better in six months, which represents a slight dip from last month’s expectations (34 percent)

Other metrics regarding economic confidence, interest rates, government economic policy, and gasoline prices include:

» Thirty-eight percent of consumers believe the U.S. economy will improve during the next 12 months, compared to 50 percent in March

» Seventy-two percent of Utahns think interest rates will go up in the next 12 months, up from 69 percent in March

» Sixty-two percent of residents believe the price of consumer goods in general will go up over the next 12 months, compared to 59 percent last month

» Twenty percent of Utahns think the federal government is doing a good job taking steps to improve the overall economy, down 6 points from March

» Forty percent of survey respondents think the state government is doing a good job, down from 44 percent last month

The unemployment rate in Iron County remained constant at 4.1 percent from February to March according to the Utah Department of Workforce Services. In the March report by RealtyTrac®, approximately 3 in every 10,000 homes were in foreclosure in Iron County, down from 6 in every 10,000 one month prior.

Warm weather is on the horizon along with the season openings of two of southern Utah’s largest theater scenes: Tuacahn

and the Utah Shakespeare Festival. Both theaters have huge economic impact on the surrounding area as they attract people from Utah and surrounding areas. Tuacahn’s economic impact is estimated at nearly \$80 million dollars, and the Shakespeare Festival is estimated to impact the region at a rate of about \$35 million dollars. As show goers come into town for a performance, they also spend money on food, transportation, and other activities. While the artistic influence on the region is impressive in its own right, the economic impact on both Iron and Washington counties is significant.

National Parks a great contributor to state economy

A new National Park Service report shows that 14,409,742 visitors to national parks in Utah spent more than \$1 billion in the state in 2016. That record visitation and spending supported 17,914 jobs and had a cumulative benefit to the state economy of \$1,597,500,000. The results represent a whopping 25.5 percent increase in visitor spending and 21.2 percent rise in visitation over 2015.

“From Arches to Zion, the 13 national park units of Utah attract visitors from within the state, across the country and around the world,” said NPS Intermountain Region Director Sue Masica in a release. “Whether they are out for a weekend, a school field trip, or a month-long vacation, visitors come to have a great experience, and end up spending some money along the way. This new report also shows that national park tourism is a significant driver in the national economy – returning \$10 for every \$1 invested in the Park Service – and a big factor in Utah’s economy. That’s a result we can all support.”

The most visited national parks in Utah in 2016 included five with more than 1 million visitors each: Zion National Park (4,295,147), Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (3,239,525), and Bryce Canyon (2,365,111), Arches (1,585,719), and Capitol Reef (1,064,904) national parks. Utah’s eight other NPS units include Canyonlands National Park; Cedar Breaks, Dinosaur, Hovenweep, Natural Bridges, Rainbow Bridge and Timpanogos Cave national monuments and Golden Spike National Historic Site.

The peer-reviewed visitor spending analysis was conducted by economists Catherine Cullinane Thomas of the U.S. Geological Survey and Lynne Koontz of the National Park Service. The report shows \$18.4 billion of direct spending by 331 million park visitors in communities within 60 miles of a national park. This spending supported 318,000 jobs nationally, with 271,544 of the jobs in those park gateway communities. The cumulative benefit to the U.S. economy was \$34.9 billion.

According to the 2016 report, most park visitor spending, by percentage, was for lodging (31.2 percent), followed by food and beverages (27.2), gas and oil (11.7), admissions and fees (10.2), souvenirs and other expenses (9.7), local transportation (7.4), and camping fees (2.5).

Report authors this year produced an interactive tool. Users can explore current year visitor spending, jobs, labor income, value added, and output effects by sector for national, state, and local economies. Users can also view year-by-year trend data. The interactive tool and report are available at the NPS Social Science Program webpage: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/socialscience/vse.htm>. This report includes information for visitor spending by park and by state.

To learn more about national parks in Utah and how the National Park Service works with communities to help preserve local history, conserve the environment, and provide outdoor recreation, go to www.nps.gov/states/ut.



Joyce Dunkley, Cedar City

“I wish I hadn’t waited so long to do it.”

Joyce Dunkley postponed carpal tunnel release surgery for years thinking she could heal with rest, massage and exercise. But when pain began interrupting her nighttime sleep, she knew she needed to act. Dr. Lex Allen operated on Joyce’s right hand in October 2015 performing an endoscopic carpal tunnel release. Thrilled with the results, Joyce begged to have her left hand done as soon as possible. Now free from pain, Joyce can enjoy knitting the afghan she put away years ago.



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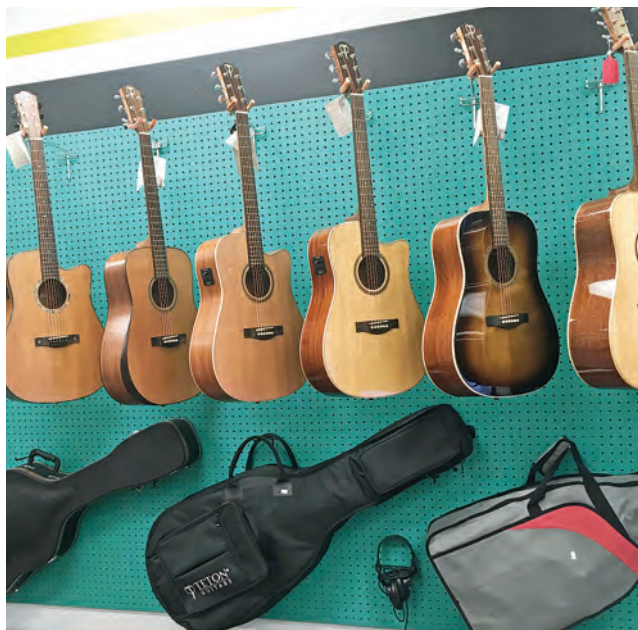


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THE CEDAR MUSIC STORE AND STUDIO PROVIDES ALL MUSIC AMENITIES AND LESSONS for people of all ages to learn. These include drums, piano, guitar and more.



CEDAR MUSIC STORE AND STUDIO, LOCATED AT 580 S. MAIN ST. offers music amenities and lessons to learn various instruments.



GUITAR LESSONS ARE AMONG THE MANY OFFERED at the Cedar Music Store and Studio. The store will host Music Day in the Main Street Park on June 21.

It has been said that music is life; that's why hearts have beats, and at age 31, the music has become a new hobby for me with the help of a guitar and the Cedar Music Store and Studio.

The store opened in 1973 and was under the name of Liebhardt Music. In 1984, the store was handed over to LaNia Munson and the name was changed to Munson Music.

In 2001, the Munsons retired and the store was then named Cedar Music Store and Studio and is now owned by Dale and Jolene Heit, store and studio manager Cami Woolsey said.

Woolsey, who has worked for the store for almost 18 years, said the store has changed in the many years as well as at a few different locations. It currently sits at 580 S. Main St and has acquired three new practice rooms for teaching various music lessons.

When I was young, I took piano lessons from a cousin. I gave up after about six months, but wish that I had continued.

At Christmas 2016, a friend of mine was selling her left-handed guitar and it gave me the opportunity to learn what I had long since been wanting to. I made it a birthday present to myself and enrolled at the Cedar Music Store and Studio for lessons.

My teacher, a Southern Utah University Student Casey Lamb, has six years of experience with the guitar. Lamb said he loves the chance to teach people something he enjoys.

"It's a job," he said. "I also like that I get to help people learn to play and to share what I love with them."

On my second lesson, I'm currently learning the notes and getting my hand callused enough to make the guitar work properly, as non-callused hands can almost mute the sound we should hear.

The Cedar Music Store and Studio has provided the opportunity for me and anyone to learn any instrument the hours and days of lessons are flexible and work with any age group.

Woolsey said she loves working at the store and having the opportunity to help others with getting their music needs.

She said that the Cedar Music Store and Studio will be hosting Music Day on June 21 in the Main Street Park. Woolsey said anyone wanting to play and just enjoy a day of music is welcome.

"It gives anyone the opportunity to come play music and enjoy the day," she said.

The event will begin tentatively at 11 a.m., Woolsey said.



HOLLY COOMBS
Editor

"I like that I get to help people learn to play and to share what I love with them"

— Casey Lamb, guitar teacher

And Your Name Is?

She ran up to my husband and threw her arms around his neck. "I took a class from you a few years ago." Turning to me, she said, "And you played the piano for me," and hugged me as well. "These are my two children—actually we have three." She was friendly and warm.

Now there's where I went wrong. It was so obvious that she expected us to remember her that I said the polite things: "It's nice to see you. Have you moved into the neighborhood? We'll see you next week." I should have said, "It must have been several years since I saw you last. Will you remind me of your maiden name?" But I didn't. When that isn't the first thing that you say in such situations, you are then trapped into continuing the deception that you remember the individual with fondness. I mean, what are you going to say after a few minutes? "By the way, who are you?"

When we were walking home, my husband, said, "Who was that?" And I had to admit I hadn't the faintest idea. And in this case, things are going to get worse, because I expect to see her every week now. I've got to practice what to say...

You would think that after years of being enthusiastically greeted

by students from the past, I would be more prepared with an appropriate response. (Never mind that she should have said, "My name is

_____ and you were my accompanist nine years ago.") It is very common for the memory link between student and teacher to move more in one direction than the other. The thing is, I was singular in her life. I was the one teacher in a class of students, or the one accompanist she worked with for a whole year. She was one of many students in my life.

I hope I may be forgiven for not remembering every single name as the years go by

I hope I may be forgiven for not remembering every single name as the years go by.

Of course, there are students I remember very well. There is Kelsey, whom I had to encourage and then rehabilitate after every performance. She never thought she sang well, and I always found her weeping in the corner. She and I became close through the bond of shared trauma.

I will always know Chris, the guitar student who wanted to learn the piano. He took lessons semester after semester but never practiced enough to make the progress I wished for. But he did learn a nice Chopin piece and is nearing completion of an early Bach. (He is also drop-dead handsome, which prompts recall.)

Sweet Macey has been my exclusive property for three years, meaning I have been her only accompanist until now, when I will turn her over to someone else to prepare her senior recital. I will never forget her quick laugh and kind words.

By the way, the names have not been changed to protect the innocent. Why would they mind that I remember them? Oh, with the exception of what's-her-name, of course....



COURTESY OF CEDAR VALLEY COMMUNITY THEATRE

CEDAR VALLEY COMMUNITY THEATRE will present Seven Brides for Seven Brothers on June 2.

Community Theatre presents Seven Brides for Seven Brothers

Cedar Valley Community Theatre is ready to delight audiences with the classic and romantic, *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. The production will open June 2 and run through June 10 with show times at 7: 30 at the Heritage Center Theater in Cedar City.

A Matinee is scheduled for June 10 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for seniors 55 and up, children 12 and under and students. A new Family Pass is

now available for \$48, which includes 2 adults and 4 children.

A time-honored musical, with a book by Lawrence Kasha and David Landay, based on the 1954 Stanley Donen film of the same name which is, itself, is an adaptation of the short story "The Sobbin' Women," by Stephen Vincent Benét. Set in 1850's Oregon, the tale begins with rough around the edges. Adam seeks a wife to run his home with six brothers and himself. Romance, excitement

and fun abound throughout this family-friendly show.

The play is directed by Brittanica Howe, an SUU graduate and director with the 2017 Shakespeare-in-the-Schools tour. The production has more than 40 talented actors and orchestra members.

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Reaching for the 'Masters' of Art

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

At North Elementary School 12 students recently participated in a unique eight-week "Art Studio" series that focused on the basics of drawing and painting while they explored the famous work of art masters like Picasso, Renoir, and Monet.

According to art historians, 'the student' Claude Monet was known for his lively cartoons and caricatures of teachers two decades before he emerged as a Master of Impressionism. Likewise, the shy 8-year-old Vincent van Gogh spent idle hours sketching and painting under the guidance of his busy father.

In short, those famous artists began as typical students with a pencil and paper.

With that thought in mind, North Elementary School decided to invite one local artist to teach 'after school' students the fundamentals of drawing with pencil and charcoal. They also experimented with pastels and watercolors to complete a still life painting-on-canvas.

"The Studio series is a new approach that invites local artists into the classroom," Ray Whittier, principal at North Elementary School, said. "We believe in helping students achieve their maximum potential in life as well as in art. So, an important part of our STEAM goal is giving them the chance to experience, to grow, to achieve."

He said he believes that the STEAM mission can't be accomplished by teachers alone, but through a community of committed folks, parents, and others.

"This particular art experience is pretty cool," Whittier said. "I've found that teachers can do a very limited number of small craft-type projects during any given class day, so it can be difficult to offer students a more advanced artistic experience."

Whittier said that the afterschool Art Studio proved to be a good way to engage kids, while curbing their focus on the video games and television programs they may tune into when they get home.

The pilot project will continue to invite local artists to share their work, talent, and techniques during a four to eight week Studio Series next Fall. Thanks to a generous mini-grant from the Cedar City Arts Council, funds will now be available to invest in studio easels, paint palettes, quality paper and canvas for dedicated art students.

Project volunteer Edy Meredith said she was impressed by each student's ability to focus on their artwork with a willingness to listen and follow directions.

"I saw these children respond with a certain joy in their work," Meredith said. "This class gave students a sense of the bigger picture. They listened to some background on these master artists, with details on how to create a finished work of art."

Whittier is quick to point out

that fine art can likewise be useful in motivating students to achieve competency in math, science and other relevant subjects.

"This is a great way for kids to actually 'rub shoulders' with and observe the talent of adults and volunteers who have accomplished their own level of expertise," he said. "They can meet and learn from artists in their own community who love what they do, and are willing to share their considerable talent."

Meredith, a teacher for more than 30 years, said she was impressed with the cognitive ability of the North Elementary students.

"I could see that as the class progressed, these young people showed even more maturity in behavior and concentration – as they learned the basics of shape, form, line, composition and detail," Meredith said.

During the eight-week Series, third, fourth and fifth grade students explored different art media, from basic pencil and charcoal sketching, to watercolor, pastels and painting on canvas.

Meredith recalls that she would often use 'Art Fridays' to motivate her students.

"It was expected that they always complete their reading, writing, and science homework for the week," she said. "But needless to say, those Art Fridays always had excellent attendance and art proved to be an excellent motivator."

With the soon-to-be-opened new building, North Elementary will expand after-school options for students this Fall.

"As a STEAM school (with a science-tech-focus) it's important to give students the balance they need," Whittier said. "That is, we want them to appreciate the aesthetic side of creativity and to discover more than science, technology, and iPhone basics."

According to a study at Harvard's Project Zero — an educational research group — Kids who participate in a regular school arts program benefit "big time."

"I think we now see that students learn to observe the world more carefully and possibly don't take the details for granted," Meredith said, regarding art education. "We do know that working visually and conceptually with art helps kids develop their brains in a holistic way."

She said art education encourages a child to express their own voice and they learn to problem solve despite any minor setbacks.

Whittier said future plans at North Elementary School will likely expand studio art opportunities for students and families in the school district.

"Certainly, the best place to start is with the arts," Whittier said. "The expanded space will be huge, more modern, with a great floor plan. A building designed for science set-up and a structure as good as any out there."

He said he hopes the 'Studio Art for Kids' project will continue well into the future.



NORTH PRINCIPAL RAY WHITTIER is hoping to expand the "Art Studio for Kids" pilot program for other elementary schools and to make the new North Elementary School site a learning-enrichment center for the entire community. The Cedar City Arts Council recently awarded a \$400 mini-grant to fund future Studio Art classes for North Elementary students.



PHOTOS BY DAWN AERTS

MORE THAN 15 STUDENTS SIGNED UP for the Wednesday afterschool "Studio Art" and "Meet the Masters" Studio geared to third, fourth and fifth grade students. The Series invites students to explore art with the help of local artists who will share their expertise on drawing, and painting on canvas. The Cedar City Arts Council recently awarded a \$400 grant to fund future Studio Art Classes for North Elementary students.

A COLORFUL CAUSE

South Elementary fundraiser brings \$34,000 for Google Chrome books

by Holly COOMBS
holly@ironcountytoday.com

The buzz at South Elementary grew as the students prepared for its first color run, which was May 3 and was organized to fund purchase of Chrome books to be used for most programs when school reconvenes in August.

The run was a short trip around the school and the students asked for pledges prior to the event from their grandmas and grandpas and other family members, PTA President Danielle DeMille said.

"They were so excited," DeMille said. "When I would come to the school they would ask 'Is the color run today?' and I'd say, 'not yet,' but you could tell it was something they really wanted to do."

South Elementary School Principal Jerry Oldroyd said the fundraiser went really well.

"The PTA did a great job organizing it and it was the first color run we have ever done," Oldroyd said. "The students loved it and it was a lot of fun."

The cost of the Chrome books is \$40,000, DeMille said. The PTA had money they had been saving for a few years that it decided to put forward. That amount was \$10,000.

The students raised \$10,000 with the color run and three sponsors came forward and donated \$14,000.

DeMille said the sponsors for the fundraiser were Color Country Pediatrics, Rocky Ridge, York Cabinetry and the Abbey Inn. Megaplex Theaters also donated popcorn to the students as a prize for doing the fundraiser.

"Color Country Pediatrics was our main sponsor and was what is called our Platinum Sponsor," she said.

DeMille said got the students excited about the color run and mentioned that if they worked to raise money that the teachers and the principal would run with them.

"The fundraising was incredible," Oldroyd said. "It turned out better than we ever expected. We will be able to get many of the Chrome books for next year, if not all of them."

**SOUTH
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Principal
Jerry Oldroyd



the **Pet** CORNER



DAWN AERTS
Contributor

Adopt a 'Secret Agent' Cat

Meet my Signore Maurice, aka a secret service extraordinaire.

This cat has tested the highest security, slipped past the most elite forces in his world and never missed one bowl of kitty food. Maurice, like thousands of other felines across the country is the very best of his kind and part of a truly secret organization of cats.

Maurice is no average cat - for he is sometimes known as 'Secret Agent Cat.'

Most of us can identify with this particular feline type. We may have one in our home or spot them as we visit our friends or family: there they are peeking out behind the door, examing us from behind the living room sofa; peering at us from beneath a bed. Cat owners, in general, are familiar with this natural behavior as every feline needs good hiding (or spying) places.

They say it's a part of environmental enrichment that's often misunderstood or overlooked. When we see a cat hiding, it may seem suspicious or downright rude to us, but in the cat world hiding places are not only safe, but crucial to a cat's sense of well-being. Experts say that even if your cat isn't known as insecure or fearful, it is important to provide some hiding places in your home. If you have a multiple cat household, those out-of-the-way spaces are crucial.

Of course, like any 'secret agent' there are times when a cat wants to be visible and there are times when he wants to avoid the public. For some felines that means a cozy area to nap out of reach of a family dog or a pesky toddler. These enrichment places are for those animals who have the unique distinction of being both 'predator' and prey: because of their size, the ability to hide ranks high on the survival list.

That said, the 'hiding and peering' behavior begins when cats are young. And though you may believe that you have a pet cat, that just may not be the case. The truth is you may be living with a tiny, furry spy. It's not your fault if you're living with a spy, but here are four ways to assist your own little 'Secret Agent':

Cozy Hideaways: My cat loves napping in his own hideaway during the winter months when the house is a bit cooler. For most cats, the right hiding space is simply a secure spot for a 'good' nap - but you can also create a safe zone on top of a dresser or in a select closet (atop a shelf).

The Option of Invisible Travel: In a multiple cat household or with multiple kids, your cat may seek out secret areas if he's reluctant to travel to his food bowl or litter box. Some cat owners offer homemade tunnels of bags or boxes with 'peek holes' behind the furniture or near the bed so they can not only look out but escape if they feel a need to.

An Elevated Runway: You can set up an out-of-reach place in a room so kitty has a safe place to perch when company or children arrive. There are home-decorating ideas that incorporate little kitty platforms above rooms, over doorways, or shelves where your feline can find a peaceful space to be.

Offering a Choice: A cat who doesn't have choices is the cat who feels stressed. Give your cat a choice whether to be seen or remain hidden - to sit on his cat perch, or to engage and observe. Offering a hiding place or two will make a huge difference for your Secret Agent Cat.

In Support of the Enoch City, Cedar City and Iron County Iron Shelters - If you would like to offer a 'forever home' to a special dog or cat, call for an adoption visit or information at 435-586-8791 or 435-586-2960.

A message in a hug



In This TOGETHER

by Louise R. **SHAW**
Columnist

There's something remarkably serene about holding a sleeping baby.

By the time they're asleep, you know they don't always sleep. You know they can cry and fuss and get smelly and keep you guessing over how to meet their sometimes desperate needs.

But when they let you hold them as they sleep, there's a message of trust that's sent from their heart to yours without any words. A kind of I-know-you're-OK-and-that-I'm-OK-when-we're-together that makes you just want to hold them forever.

I got to hold a new baby last month. And did so for hours. Early morning hours, late night hours, middle-of-the-day hours.

It's something you don't get to do so much as a mother because you don't want to set a precedent your baby won't let you break or make your arms a prerequisite for sleep. And because you have other things to do. Lots of other things to do.

But as a grandmother, it is your job.

That's it. The only one: Give love.

You don't have to do the laundry until they're gone or eat a sit-down meal uninterrupted with both hands until you're back at your own home.

Love is both the greatest need for them and the most vital message from you.

There's something remarkably sweet about comforting a distressed toddler.

When you walk into the church nursery - where for a terrifying moment she had felt forever abandoned since everyone she knew and trusted was out of sight -- and she runs to your arms, climbs on your lap and falls asleep for the rest of the meeting, you know you have reached a height you can reach no other way.

Someone loves you so deeply, so completely, that their world ends without you.

There's something remarkably peaceful about soothing tears of a five-year-old after an injury.

The bloody nose and swollen lip she got when she came downstairs to tell you about a bad dream seems the end of the world and because you've lived long enough to know that the blood will stop and the pain will subside, you can share calming words long enough to quiet the tears.

And the world is OK again.

And she goes to sleep - as long as you will sleep next to her. And she opens her eyes the rest of the

People

Birth

Kennedy Ann Hansen

Kennedy Ann Hansen, daughter of Chad and McKenan Hansen of Cedar City, was born April 27, 2017. She weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Kennedy is the granddaughter of Jesse and Lea Poll, Doug and Patricia Hansen and Burke and Janette Jones. She is the great-granddaughter of Ronald and Conna Lord, O'Larry and Elizabeth Ann



Jones (George Cherrington), Marvin and Carma Hansen of Richfield, Utah and Patrick and Judy Murdock of Monroe, Utah.

Eagle Scout



Mason Lyman

Mason Lyman, 16, of Enoch has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Lyman, of Troop 1869 in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Enoch Third Ward will be honored at a court of honor on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Midvalley LDS Church Building in Enoch.

Have a People Announcement?

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 Friday at noon for the following week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Please call 435-867-1865 ext. 5 for pricing for all other announcements.

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Calendar

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

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"UNDERSTANDING LIFE" JAMES SWARTZ, 'Learn who you REALLY are. This is knowledge that removes doubt-Vedanta.' A 25 minute video then casual discussion. 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park (Rare Books Room). The Literary Club. For more information, call 435-559-7777.

Thurs, May 18

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.

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

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

Fri, May 19

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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.

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IWA, Informed Women for America, 11 a.m. to noon, Cedar City Library in the Park west room. If you are working, bring your own lunch and ideas. Go to IWA Cedar City on Facebook.

Sat, May 20

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.

SURVIVING NEXT MONTH'S EARTHQUAKE BY SCOTT THOMAS, 9 a.m. to noon, Well Prepared, 900 S. Main Street, Cedar City. Info at 435-990-5630.

Sun, May 21

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.

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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.

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IRON COUNTY COMMISSION, 9 A.M., commission chambers, Parowan.

PAIUTE CULTURE PRESENTATION IN HONOR OF UTAH ARCHEOLOGY MONTH, 7 p.m., Cedar City Library in the Park.

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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.

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NEWS Nuggets

from Iron County School District

by LeAnn WOOLSTENHULME
Iron County School District

East Elementary

Fun Times at East! The Fourth-Grade Eagles had the opportunity to travel to Zion National Park last week. They learned about the geology and ecosystems of Utah while spending a great day in the park.

We have many activities happening. On May 18, more than 60 of our dual immersion students will visit with their pen pals in Spain via Skype. This will be a fun culminating event after exchanging letters during the school year. Students in both countries are excited for the opportunity to "meet." On May 19, East Eagles will participate in the annual field day. Please send your child to school in appropriate shoes – no sandals or flip flops– with a water bottle and a hat. Sunscreen is also recommended. Our PTA and teachers work hard making this a fun day for the students. Thank you!



South Elementary

Run...run as fast as you can! South Elementary students participated in a Color Run to help raise money for Chrome books. It was a huge success. First graders were enthusiastic about their field trip to the Cedar City Library in the Park and Ladybug Nursery. They had lunch at Park Discovery and enjoyed a day of learning and fun. The third, fourth and fifth graders have been competing in the Battle of the Books. The students are given a list of books to read over the year, and then are divided into teams and answer questions about the books to see who can win the "battle." The South Elementary orchestra, conducted by Kaer Neumann, gave their final concert of the year. They did a great job, and everyone enjoyed listening to the music and the remarkable progress they have made this year.



MRS. KAER NEUMANN CONDUCTS the South Elementary Orchestra concert.

Three Peaks Elementary

Kindergarten Graduation will be May 17 with the a.m. students performing at 6 p.m. and the p.m. students perform at 7 p.m. These cute students have worked hard all year and are ready to show off what they have learned. The Three Peaks Elementary orchestra will perform in their final concert on Friday, May 19 at 2:30 p.m. We would like to thank our conductor, ShaLiece Corry, for all of her hard work with our students this year. Field Day will be held on May 23 beginning at 9:10 am and parents are invited to attend and help with the festivities. The end of the year Awards Assembly will be on May 24 for grades first and second at 9:15 a.m. and at 10:15 a.m. for grades third and fifth. School will be dismissed for the year at 1:30 p.m.

Canyon View Middle

On May 8, all eighty grade students participated in the first Cougar Café-Parts of Speech review activity. In preparation for the final part of language arts SAGE testing, students created a restaurant menu highlighting various parts of speech. Then, as part of the Listening and Speaking standards, student made an item from their menu and presented it to a small group of their peers. Students were very creative with their food item and delivered stellar presentations. It was such a pleasure to observe students take pride in their work and willingness to openly share with other students they normally do not get to work with. Well done all!



STEWART SPEAKS TO STUDENTS



COREY BAUMGARTNER

REP. CHRIS STEWART (R-UTAH) SPEAKS TO THE STUDENT BODY AT CEDAR HIGH SCHOOL about the importance of hard work. Stewart also spent time with the students at Canyon View High School last Friday.

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Storing water for emergencies, what is necessary

With a wet winter season behind us, there seems to be a bountiful amount of water — in reservoirs and streams for recreation and irrigation as well as for use in our home taps and hoses for drinking, bathing and watering the lawn. So, why worry about storing water when it currently seems to be so plentiful?

Consider that there are at least three possible ways drinking water could become scarce or unusable during the summer months:

» Construction sites and home yard DIY digging projects are notorious for breaking waterlines. This may cause a small imposition of a couple hours or could mean several days without running water while repairs are made.

» Summer storms may lead to flash flooding, which may cause sewers to back up with contaminated water coming into the home.

» Power outages happen frequently when lightning storms cause homes with well or water pumps unable to access their water supply.

For these reasons and perhaps a handful more, it is advised that individuals and families keep a minimum of one gallon drinking water per person per day to minimize inconvenience and stress.

In fact, not only do some communities promote water

and emergency food storage, USU Extension, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Church, Red Cross and even Homeland Security encourage being prepared for such things as natural disasters, power outages, and events when the city water supply may become undrinkable due to contamination.

Most of us are aware of the fact that municipal water systems treat water to make it safe for the general public. Therefore, if containers are filled with culinary city/town water, it does not need to be treated with additional chlorine or other additives. However, it is important to make certain the containers being used to store water are clean — washed out with hot soapy water and

then rinsed well.

If a disaster situation occurs without adequate clean water storage on hand, do not panic as there are other “hidden” water sources in the home.

» Use water in your hot-water tank. Be sure the electricity or natural gas valve is turned off and open the drain at the bottom of the tank. Start the water flowing by turning off the water intake valve and turning on a hot-water faucet. Do not turn on the gas or electricity when the tank is empty.

» Use the water in your pipes. Let air into the plumbing by turning on the faucet in your house at the highest level. A small amount of water will trickle out. Then obtain water from the lowest faucet in the house.

» As a last resort, use water in the reservoir tank of your toilet (not the bowl).

» Don't forget about ice cubes in the freezer, milk and juice as hydration sources.

For peace of mind, it is best to be as prepared as possible for what could happen. Don't be caught unaware. Rather than be a pessimist, be a planner- for the wind will blow, storms will brew and the ground will shake, especially in Utah.

For more additional detailed information regarding

emergency/disaster preparedness at any one of the following websites or use your local USU Extension Office as a resource.

- » www.nationalterroralert.com/
- » www.redcross.org/get-help
- » providentliving.lds.org/emergency-preparedness-and-response
- » extension.usu.edu/ueden/

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happy when I wouldn't let her do something she wanted very exceptionally desperately to do.

She flung everything in sight around the room and threw herself on the floor and vocalized her strong feelings with ear-splitting wails.

I sat next to her, equally distressed but quieter about it. Pretending to be strong.

After the anger had passed, she threw herself into my arms for a long, healing hug and we were OK. Both of us.

There's something about a hug.

It sends trust and acceptance and forgiveness and affection and it is sharing something of you with someone who needs you.

Find somebody who needs one. They're not just little. And they're all around.



Kathy's CORNER

by Kathleen RIGGS
Utah State University Extension

...why worry about storing water when it currently seems to be so plentiful?

TOGETHER

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night to make sure you are still there because that's the only way she knows she will be OK. And you open your eyes the rest of the night because that's the only way you know she will be OK.

There is something remarkably meaningful about giving love — and getting it.

My time with two different families of grandchildren in March was a reminder of the need we all share — and how it can be filled at the most unexpected times — and not just when everything is going well.

Our little toddler granddaughter was not

CHURCH Directory

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

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

Christ the King Catholic Church
690 S. Cove Drive, Cedar City
9 am & 7 pm - Sundays
Spanish Service
11:45 am - Sundays
586-8298

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

Enoch Stake
3600 N. Minersville Hwy., Enoch
586-5950
9 am, 11 am & 1 pm - Sundays
Parowan Stake
90 S. Main St., Parowan
477-8929
9 am & 1 pm - Sundays

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

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

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

Grace & Truth Fellowship A Church of Christ
195 W 650 S, Cedar City
10 am & 11 am - Sundays
6 pm - Wednesdays
238-3886

Grace Christian Church
845 West 200 South, Parowan
10:30 am - Sundays
7 pm - Wednesdays
590-1663

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sonrise Christian Fellowship
201 E. 3800 N. Enoch (Gateway Academy)
10 am - Sundays
586-3640

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

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

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

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

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

If your church in Iron County is not listed in this directory or if any information is incorrect, please call 867-1865 or email news@ironcountytoday.com

Obituaries

Alta Eldredge Edgel



Alta Eldredge Edgel, 88, passed away on May 4, 2017 in Cedar City, Utah. She was born on February 4, 1929 in Carey, Idaho to Olivier Otto and Virginia Francis Atkinson Eldredge. She was married to Val S. Edgel. They had seven children.

Alta earned her GED from Iron County School District Adult High School and took some art classes at SUSC, now Southern Utah University. She earned a certificate for electrolysis from Citrus College School of Beauty Operator in Azusa, California. She was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served

as a Church History Missionary in the Cedar City Stake and in her ward Relief Society organization.

Alta was very active as a youth. She played basketball and softball on her high school teams. She loved the outdoors and was good at fishing. She enjoyed arts and crafts. She was a masterful gardener. She loved her family but especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Alta is survived by her children: Valta (Darrell) Norman of Logan UT, Irene Stratton of Cedar City, Utah, Dawn (James) Browne of Phoenix, Arizona, Aletha Wood of Cedar City, Utah, Val Stanton Edgel II of Las Vegas, Nevada, Mara Hunt of St. George, Utah, Lael (Mark) Gum of Denver, Colorado, and Martin Edgel of Cedar City, Utah, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and her brother Robert Eldredge of Ketchum, Idaho. She was preceded in death by her husband, Val S. Edgel, her parents, grandparents, her sisters Ruthe Elizabeth Eldredge Nay and Ila Eldredge Wilde.

Funeral Services will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at the Greens Lake Ward Chapel, located at 1120 West Greens Lake Drive in Cedar City, Utah. A viewing will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2017 from 9:30-10:30 am the church. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to sumortuary.com.

Gwendolyn Ann Woodbury



Loving mother, grandmother, wife, sister, and friend Gwendolyn "Gwen" Ann Woodbury passed away in her home on Monday, May 8, 2017.

After a treacherous 12-year battle with lung cancer, Gwen can finally breathe deeply and freely. Gwen was a wonderful, vibrant, loving, and spicy woman who touched the lives of many people. Gwen loved to spend time with her grandchildren, to hear of their adventures, and to hear them tattle on their parents. Wherever Gwen was, her loving and devoted husband, Don Woodbury, wasn't far behind. Gwen loved and cherished her family more than anything else in this world.

Gwen is preceded in death by her son Michael, mother Sue and father Jerry Wayne. Gwen is survived by her two sisters, five brothers, five grandchildren, two children and loving husband.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Gwendolyn "Gwen" A. Woodbury Memorial Benefit Fund at any Wells Fargo Bank.

Gwen will be greatly missed by all.

On-line condolences can be sent to her memorial page at www.affordablefuneralservices.com

Pearl LaRue Briggs



Pearl Larue Briggs, 85, beloved wife, mother, daughter, grandmother, sister and dear friend, left mortality on Mother's Day, Sunday, 14 May 2017, after battling cancer, meeting this challenge with all the dignity, courage and determination that characterized her life.

She was born May 23, 1932 in Palisade, Idaho to Fava V. Rigby and Verneta Waldram. She married her sweetheart, LaMar J. Briggs, May 27, 1950 in the St. George, Utah Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for time and eternity. Their 67 years together is celebrated by her dear husband, grateful children and grandchildren. She is a

devoted mother, whose legacy lives on in her posterity who themselves try to live the values she taught by example. Her name will be praised forever.

Her selfless service blessed the lives of countless people, many of whom welcomed her as she passed through the veil into the rest of her Beloved Savior, whom she served faithfully throughout her life.

She is preceded in death by her beloved Kevin, the youngest of her 5 children. Their reunion was sweet and much anticipated by her and now she has the peace she sought for since his passing.

She is survived by her eternal companion, LaMar, daughter Debbie (John), sons Craig (Julee), Gaylen (Sherie), Rod (Micki), Leyla (Kevin's wife), 22 grandchildren, 52 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at the Beaver LDS Stake Center, 1350 East 200 North, Beaver, Utah. Thursday, 18 May 2017 at 11 a.m. Viewing will be Wednesday evening at Southern Utah Mortuary - Beaver (195 North 200 West, Beaver, Utah) from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Viewing will be held Thursday morning prior to the funeral from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in the Mountain View Cemetery immediately following the funeral. Online condolences can be made at www.sumortuary.com.

David Molnar



David H. Molnar passed away peacefully April 28th, 2017 surrounded by those that love him most.

He was born September 30, 1937 in Los Angeles, California to Mildred M. and Steven J. Molnar. He spent most his life in Southern California until he retired and moved to Cedar City, Utah, with his wife Diane.

David was a devoted husband of 53 years, an amazing father and wonderful friend. He shared his love of music, travel, animals, computers and his appreciation of God's creation of the outdoors, and inspired his children to follow in his footsteps. He was a hardworking man with solid morals and values that made him an outstanding member in his community and an inspiration to his children. Although he loved California, Utah offered an enticing atmosphere to retire in, and David and Diane both have been very happy here. David was a computer systems analyst by trade and started his career at Union Oil Research in California. As technology progressed, David embraced the changes, and during his career, he worked for such notable companies as the Rain Bird Corporation, Ralph M. Parsons and the McKesson Corporation. He programmed mainframes in the early days and was amazed



to see where technology had taken us in 2017. David had a firm belief in our Lord Jesus Christ and became a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church after attending Lutheran schools and churches as a youngster. He was very active in the congregations he attended as an Elder, the President of the Congregation, and he served on various committees. He was confident in his beliefs and was able to share that with his family and his friends and members of Trinity Lutheran in Cedar City.

Left behind to cherish his memory are his wife Diane Molnar and oldest daughter Donna (Billy) De Silva. David was preceded in death by his parents, his three older brothers, and his youngest daughter.

We will honor David's memory in a celebration of life on Saturday May 20th at 1100 am at Trinity Lutheran Church, located at 410 E. 1935 North Cedar City, Utah.

Friends and family are invited to share condolences online at www.SerenityStG.com. We want to thank the amazing team at Alliance Hospice for helping us through this difficult time, thanks Hannah and Ethan for being the best at what you do.

Frank Joseph Adams



Frank (Dusty) Joseph Adams was relieved of his duties here on earth on May 7, 2017.

Frank was born on November 12, 1934 in Shelley, Idaho to Frank Ralph Adams and Lorraine Hill Adams. His family moved to southern California in 1936 where Frank was raised. He developed a love for Baseball there, which lasted his lifetime as a Player and Coach.

He Graduated from Huntington Park High School, then attended Brigham Young University before serving a full-time LDS Mission in Australia. In 1959 he met and married the love of his life, Laurena Jones, in the LDS St. George Temple.

After one year at Los Angeles State University, they moved to Cedar City, Utah where they had four children: Frank Cole Adams, Connie Jo Adams, Kelly Dawn (Kevin) Newville and Koriann (Brian) Grimshaw.

In 1979, Frank completed his education with a Bachelor of Science Degree from Southern Utah University (SUSC at that time). He served in many callings in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, but he loved missionary work most of all. He and Laurena served more than three years as Stake Missionaries, and one year on a full-time mission to Louisiana.

Dusty enjoyed going to their Cedar Mountain Cabin, hunting and fishing with his Family and Friends. He also loved working with his hands and was a Master Craftsman! He was a Silversmith, created Stained Glass Windows, made Aspen Log Furniture and was a Dental Technician for many years, just to name a few of his creative talents. Dusty also was a very fine Tenor and sang at many events throughout his life.

Dusty is survived by his wife Laurena, and children Cole, Kelly and Koriann. He has 12 Grandchildren and 23 Great Grandchildren, and has more on the way. He is preceded in death by his Parents and daughter Connie Jo.

Funeral services will be Friday, May 12, 2017 at 11a.m. at the Cross Hollow Stake Center, located at 2830 West Cody Drive in Cedar City. A viewing will be Thursday, May 11, 2017 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Southern Utah Mortuary, located at 190 N. 300 West in Cedar City. On Friday, May 12, 2017 the viewing will be at the Stake Center from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in the City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent to www.sumortuary.com.

The family would like to acknowledge the IHC Hospice Group and sincerely thank them for their valuable service to this community.

Ready or not, here I come!



The Rut LESS TRAVELED

by Corey BAUMGARTNER

Graduation season is coming to a close and our children will be making their way across the school stage to their new stages of life. There will be cheers, tears and even fears for their new challenges, lessons and responsibilities. I remember those days well. They were challenging, but enjoyable and I wouldn't trade them. However, sometimes I wonder what it would be like to go back to the days of my youth and just enjoy life more, being care-free, but not careless. I remember playing games (the outside kind) like tag and capture the flag. I also remember hide-and-seek, and that anxious feeling of anticipation as the person who was 'it', closed their eyes, hopefully, and counted while everyone else frantically ran to find that perfect hiding spot before they heard the petrifying words, "Ready or not, here I come". The counter became the hunter; searching everywhere, listening and looking for anything out of place; a crooked couch cushion, or a door not completely shut. Any clue that could provide a tipoff in tracking their concealed comrades.

I realize most of us are graduated and grown up, but do you ever feel like you're playing hide-and-seek with your life? Do you feel like all you're doing is counting and searching for a happiness that seems to have a new hiding spot every day? Are you discouraged that your dreams haven't been behind the doors or couches where you were sure they would be? It's frustrating when life seems more like seeking than finding. You can throw in the proverbial towel and yell, "Olly olly oxen free!" hoping that the perfect friends, spouse, job, hidden talents, etc. will come out of their hiding spots and reveal themselves, but often, your searching seems in vain.

Maybe you're so tired of counting and searching that you think hiding is the best and safest way to play the game of life? But as you stay hidden, life will pass you by. Maybe you're counting all the times you've come up short, made bad choices, or let misunderstandings burn the bridges you now need to cross? Stop focusing on the empty places, dead-ends and burned bridges.

Just because you haven't found what you're looking for on the first few, or many, attempts doesn't mean you should give up. It's time to stop honing your hiding skills and improve your seeking skills. It's time to start counting less and seeking more. You will start finding. I know it's tough to keep looking and believing that what you're seeking is still out there. It might take a little time, but don't give up. It's your time to find who and what you've been searching for. Stop counting, open your eyes and let yourself and everyone else know that you're not giving up. Today, no matter what stage of life you are crossing, open your heart and your mind and shout, "Ready or not, here I come!"

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FAST TRACK



THE WINNING CEDAR RELAY TEAM stands at top of the award podium.

REGION TRACK TOP 5 FINISHERS

Region 9

Girls 1,600 meters: Mic Webster, 1st, 5:07.13
Boys 1,600: Jensen Lambert, 1st, 4:18.96
Girls sprint medley relay: Lexi Bird, Kalee Brunson, Brinley Hess, Halsey Curry, 1st, 4:24.10.
Boys sprint medley relay: Bailey Gray, Derek Ball, Bryson Robertson, Danny Saunders, 5th, 3:46.51.
Girls 3,200: Mic Webster, 3rd, 11:28.03; Harley Taylor, 5th, 11:56.74.
Boys 3,200: Jensen Lambert, 1st, 9:40.25.
Girls 100 hurdles: Hannah Sobel, 5th, 16.01
Girls 4x100 relay: Brunson, Jasie York, Rachael Hunt, Julia Hunt, 2nd, 49.56.
Boys 4x100 relay: Tyler Barrick, Trenton Maurer, Kyle Anderson, Dylan Clements, 4th, 43.95.
Girls 400: York, 1st, 56.40; Rachael Hunt, 2nd, 58.48; Brinley Hess, 3rd, 1:00.09.
Boys 400: Ball, 3rd, 50.69; Chet Higby, 4th, 52.06; Robertson, 5th, 52.36.
Girls 300 hurdles: Julia Hunt, 2nd, 46.78.
Boys 300 hurdles: Clements, 2nd, 40.03.
Girls 800: Webster, 1st, 2:19.84; Kaysie Klemic, 2nd, 2:20.25.
Boys 800: Lambert, 5th, 2:01.87
Girls 200: York, 1st, 25.84; Julia Hunt, 2nd, 26.03; Rachael Hunt, 4th, 26.80.
Girls 4x400 relay: Bryson, Hess, Klemic, Bird, 1st, 4:05.68.
Boys 4x400 relay: Higby, Saunders, Robertson, Ball, 4th, 3:31.99.
Girls discus: Merce Tarrayo, 3rd, 100 feet, 7.5 inches; Brooke Shoop, 5th, 92-9.5.
Girls high jump: Sara Kovac, T-2nd, 5-2.
Boys discus: Jacob Awa-Reyes, 5th, 133-7.
Boys javelin: Maurer, 1st, 179-8.5; Drake Fakahua, 3rd, 150-7.
Boys long jump: Clements, 2nd, 21-10.75.
Boys shot put: Fakahua, 5th, 45-4.5.

Region 12

Girls 1,600: Sara Fish, 2nd, 5:24.85.
Boys 1,600: Korban Cook, 5th, 4:50.61.
Girls sprint medley relay: Shelbi Nicoll, Alyssa Pulsipher, Brynlee Jones, Jaylee Sorenson, 3rd, 4:38.51.
Boys sprint medley relay: Jayden Roden, Conner Rigtrup, Britt Dunnell, Abe Huxford, 1st, 3:43.27.
Girls 3,200: Fish, 1st, 11:49.96; Malayna Steffensen, 5th, 12:17.81.
Boys 3,200: Cook, 4th, 10:38.17.
Girls 100 hurdles: Bryn Banks, 4th, 17.95.
Boys 110 hurdles: Kaden Jolley, 2nd, 16.49; Brayden Cavallieri, 3rd, 17.05.
Girls 100: Ashley Bulloch, 5th, 13.37.
Boys 100: Seth Dabb, 2nd, 11.45; Rigtrup, 4th, 11.68; Nelson Douglas, 5th, 11.80.
Girls 4x100 relay: Nicoll, Bulloch, Jessica Pace, Maia Lawrence, 4th, 52.81.
Boys 4x100 relay: Douglas, Rigtrup, Jolley, Jake Nelson, 1st, 44.93.
Girls 400: Larissa Dabb, 2nd, 1:00.11; Kaylee Hillyard, 3rd, 1:01.31.
Boys 400: Seth Dabb, 1st, 48.90; Dunnell, 3rd, 52.16; Huxford, 4th, 52.18.
Girls 300 hurdles: Sydnee Evans, 5th, 50.62.
Boys 300 hurdles: Jolley, 4th, 42.67; Trenton Stapley, 5th, 43.36.
Girls 800: Hillyard, 5th, 2:32.13.
Boys 800: Huxford, 2nd, 2:03.06; Easton Brandt, 5th, 2:05.72.
Girls 200: Bulloch, 5th, 27.24.
Boys 200: Douglas, 5th, 23.32.
Girls 4x400 relay: Hillyard, Pulsipher, Fish, Larissa Dabb, 2nd, 4:13.41.
Boys 4x400 relay: Huxford, Mitchell Wright, Dunnell, Seth Dabb, 1st, 3:30.23.
Boys high jump: Seth Dabb, 3rd, 6-0.
Girls javelin: Yani Oshley, 1st, 113-0.
Boys discus: Porter Miller, 4th, 107-2.
Boys shot put: Miller, 1st, 45-2.
Boys javelin: Nelson, 163-9.

York, Bird lead Lady Reds to second at region track

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

Cedar freshman Lexi Bird didn't have a lot to say when she was asked about her run as the anchor leg of the 4x400 relay at the Region 9 track and field championship May 11. Her running spoke for her loudly enough for the rest of 3A to hear.

Bird ran a 59-second final leg to help the Lady Reds cruise to the relay win as the Lady Reds secured a second-place finish overall at the final tune-up for the state championship on the Cedar High track. The Lady Reds finished with 171 points, more than twice as many as third-place Dixie (82) and behind Desert Hills' winning total of 228.

After enduring a brief challenge on the backstretch, Bird came around the final turn and comfortably sprinted home to help the Lady Reds put up a winning time of 4 minutes, 5.68 seconds, nearly 10 seconds in front of the runner-up Thunder.

Following up its win at last week's BYU Invitational, Bird said the quest for a third straight win in the event

— and a repeat as 3A state champions — will all come down to one thing.

"We're prepared physically, but the hardest thing is mentally preparing for it," said Bird, who was joined by teammates Summer Bryson, Kaysie Klemic and Brinley Hess at the top of the medal podium.

Sophomore Jasie York was also a force at the region meet, winning the 200- and 400-meter dash. She survived a challenge from teammate Julia Hunt and won the 200 with a time of 25.84 seconds.

"I saw her catching up to me and knew I had to speed up," said York, who also won the 400 ahead of Rachael Hunt in 56.40 seconds. "I don't like having people in front of me."

The Cedar boys team matched the girls' performance at the Region 9 meet, finishing second to Desert Hills with 121 points. Hurricane came in third with 103.

Across town, Canyon View hosted the Region 12 meet that also wrapped up May 11. The Falcons boys team was second overall behind Richfield with 95 points, and the girls were fourth with 51.



PHOTOS BY TOM ZULEWSKI

CEDAR'S LEXI BIRD CROSSES THE FINISH LINE FIRST to win the 4x400 relay at the Region 9 track and field championship May 11.

SUU runners do well at Big Sky finals

Competition wrapped up at the 2017 Big Sky Outdoor Track & Field Championships on Saturday, several athletes on both the men's and women's side putting up solid marks.

MEN'S RECAP

In total, the men's team racked up 16 all-conference performances over the course of the weekend en route to a second place finish in the final team standings.

Sophomore Kasey Knevelbaard had a massive day for the Thunderbirds, claiming the event title in both the 800-meter and the 1,500-meter. Knevelbaard's 1:49.30 in the 800-meter was not only a personal best, but was also a brand new school record for the event.

"I'm ecstatic about it," Knevelbaard said following the meet. "I was able to get my first title indoors in the mile, and was able to take third in the 800. So coming into outdoor I knew I had to get after it, and I had great opportunities and great training and I was able to execute."

Mike Tate had another huge race for the Thunderbirds on Saturday, claiming the event title in the 5,000-meter with a 14:12.58. Matt Wright also earned All-Conference honors in the same race, finishing third with a 14:16.62.

Knevelbaard and Tate earned Co-Most Valuable Athlete honors following the meet, sharing the title with an athlete from both Sacramento State and Weber State.

"That was pretty awesome," Knevelbaard said about earning the award. "I knew I scored 20 points and Mike scored 20 points, and I was thinking about it in the back of my head but it wasn't a primary goal. It's a huge accomplishment, and to be able to earn it with a teammate too was amazing."

SUU head coach Eric Houle said he was impressed by what the distance duo showed this weekend.

"Our leaders, Kasey and Mike, really set the tone for the team this weekend," he said. "I think because of their work ethic and their desire to be the very best, the national champs (Northern Arizona) didn't intimidate them at all, and we saw that on the track this afternoon."

Jayson Kovar capped another impressive Big Sky Championship performance with a second place finish in the shot put with a new school record of 56' 8.75", claiming All-Conference status. Kovar claimed the event title in discus on Friday.

Justin Lewis claimed All-Conference status in the 400-meter with a second place finish, finishing in a time of 46.88. Lewis is coming off a redshirt season during the indoor campaign, and said it was nice to be back on a Big Sky podium.

"It felt great just to be back and be healthy, all of that hard work finally paid off," Lewis said.

Devon Montgomery also claimed an All-Conference medal in the 400-meter hurdles with a second place finish in a time of 52.70.

Javelin thrower Jeff Rowley also earned All-Conference honors with his performance, with a throw of 200' 1". That was good enough to finish third in the Big Sky.

SUU's 4x400-meter relay team was also able to claim the event championship, running a time of 3:12.43. The group of Lewis, Montgomery, Brandan Harley and Inoa Wahinehookae initially finished in second, but following a disqualification of the team from Northern Arizona the Thunderbirds were bumped up to event champions and earned four more All-Conference medals.

From a team perspective, it was a fight all day between eventual champion Sacramento State, SUU, Weber State and Northern Arizona, with the teams eventually finishing in that order. The Thunderbirds used the 4x400 to propel themselves past Weber State.

"It's about your effort and your desire to achieve the goals you want to achieve," coach Houle said. "That battle this weekend, that's what competition is all about. It was one of the best performances from this program in history."

WOMEN'S RECAP

Linnea Saltz had another big day for the Thunderbirds, earning All-Conference status in the 400-meter. She finished the race with a 54.60, which is the second fastest time in the history of the women's program.

"I was super excited that I went 54, and I only wanted to go 54.9 but I went 54.6, and I got second place in the record book which puts me a lot closer to breaking the school record," Saltz said.

Senior Josie Riggs was able to pick up a point in her final meet as a T-Bird, finishing the 1,500-meter in a time of 4:31.08. That time was a personal best and will put her ninth in school history in that event. She finished eighth at the meet for the Thunderbirds.

Both SUU's 4x100 relay and 4x400 relays had solid days on Saturday, both finishing in fifth place. The 4x100 team (China Simmons, Mia Russell, Peyton Green and Bobbi Parker) finished their event in 47.39 and the 4x400 team (Green, Russell, Carly Dalton and Saltz) wrapped up their event in a 3:46.53.

Two Thunderbirds had solid outings in the women's discus, with freshmen Amy Pouliot and Reagan Hulet throwing 142' 1" and 138' 4" respectively.

As a team the Lady T-Birds finished in 12th after scoring 16 points. Northern Arizona was able to claim the championship in Sacramento.

"They keep getting better and better in what is already a very difficult conference," coach Houle said about the women's side. "I think they can go away feeling pretty good about their performance this weekend."



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CANYON VIEW'S BASEBALL TEAM RESUMES PLAY on Thursday in the 3A state tournament.

Falcons make big comeback, stay alive in 3A playoffs

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

If there ever was a case that the worst of times met the best of times, the Canyon View Falcons crossed both ends of that spectrum in the opening round of the 3A baseball playoffs May 11.

After earning the Region 12 title in a hard-fought series over the Juab Wasps, the Falcons hosted the Snow Canyon Warriors, who came in as the No. 4 seed from Region 9.

When all was said and done, the Warriors looked more like the championship squad, putting together three big innings and pulling away to a convincing 18-0 shutout over Canyon View in six at the Falcons' home field. The Warriors did its greatest damage with 10 runs in the sixth that finished off the game early. Breck Eichelberger shut down Canyon View in the victory, allowing only three hits and one walk. The Warriors pounded out 20 hits and three players – Davis Rigby, Austin Deming and Braden Baker – had three apiece.

Things looked bleak for the Falcons in the second game of the day when they fell behind the Grantsville Cowboys 7-2, but they rallied for six runs in the fourth inning before Tyrel Robinson came through in the bottom of the seventh with a single that scored Joey Mackelprang as CV stayed alive with a 9-8 win to eliminate the Cowboys.



McCrae Webster hit a three-run homer to highlight the fourth-inning surge for Canyon View (16-9).

In the other games of the pod, Juan Diego beat Grantsville 10-8 in the opener, and the Warriors didn't

score until the fourth inning, but still delivered an 8-1 win over the Soaring Eagle at the Cedar High field to finish the day as the third Region 9 team without a loss.

Canyon View will head to Spanish Fork on Thursday to play Bear River, who fell to defending champion Pine

View by a 3-1 count. First pitch is at 11 a.m. and a second game would follow at 4:30 p.m. at Brent Brown Ballpark in Orem against the Desert Hills-Ridgeline winner.

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3A BASEBALL PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND

Juan Diego 10, Grantsville 8
Snow Canyon 18, Canyon View 0 (6)
Canyon View 9, Grantsville 8
Snow Canyon 8, Juan Diego 1

Thursday's Games at Spanish Fork

Consolation bracket
Canyon View vs. Bear River, 11 a.m.
(Second game vs. Ridgeline-Desert Hills winner at Brent Brown Ballpark, Orem, 4:30 p.m.)

HIGH SCHOOL Softball



DAVID MINEER

PAROWAN'S AUTUMN ROGERSON MAKES A GREAT PLAY on this line drive in the Rams' 2A state playoff game with Altamont last week. The Rams' season ended after a run-filled 22-17 loss last Thursday. Parowan finished with a 7-19 record. Photo by David Mineer

Lady Reds extend streak, advance in 3A playoffs

by Tom **ZULEWSKI**
Iron County Today

The Cedar Lady Reds had been on a roll heading into the 3A softball playoffs on its home field. After steamrolling through most of Region 9 on the way to winning the title, they got their chance to get their march up the ladder off on the right foot.

More specifically, the left arm of junior pitcher Bryton Holyoak was the difference as Cedar had little trouble keeping its win streak intact.

Holyoak scattered three hits in the circle, leadoff batter Allie Meisner doubled twice, and Dream Weaver drove in two runs as Cedar cruised to a 7-1 victory over the Carbon Dinos in its 3A playoff opener Saturday at Tom Cardon Field.

While the Lady Reds won their 13th straight game, head coach Chris Weaver knew he had his hands full with the Dinos from the start.



"Everyone told us (Carbon's) outfield wasn't that good, but they were good. That's a good team," Weaver said. "We left 10 on base with 14 hits, but we'll be OK."

The tone was set early when Meisner and Dream Weaver hit back-to-back doubles in the bottom of the first to produce a run. Cedar would add to the

lead in the second when Meisner hit an RBI double and Weaver drove her in with a single to make it a 4-0 advantage.

"When those two are on, they're unstoppable," Chris Weaver said of the duo.

Carbon, the No. 4 seed from Region 12, touched Holyoak for its first hit when Kinley Nelson led off the top of the fourth

	Cedar 7
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	Carbon 1

with a home run, but the Lady Reds got the run back in the bottom of the fifth on a sacrifice fly from Japrix Weaver.

Amanda Cardon came through with an RBI double and Japrix Weaver singled her home in the sixth for Cedar's final runs of the day. The Dinos produced their best threat of the day when Holyoak gave

up a walk and a single to load the bases with two out, but the left-hander struck out pinch-hitter Jordan West to end the game.

Cedar moves on to a quarterfinal game Thursday against Tooele at the Spanish Fork Softball Complex at 1 p.m. The Lady Buffaloes smashed five home runs and cruised to a 13-0 shutout over Logan in five innings to advance from the other opening-round game of the pod.

Tooele got a pair of three-run homers from Peyton Hammond and Jenna Gowans as part of a six-run second inning, and winning pitcher Kameron Grover kick-started a seven-run fourth with a leadoff blast of her own.

Blake Hervat added a two-run shot and Amber Lujan ripped a third three-run homer that helped the Lady Buffaloes finish off the easy win.

Carbon stayed alive from the consolation bracket by eliminating Logan with a 10-1 victory.

After falling to Cedar 7-2 in the regular-season finale May 10, the Canyon View Falcons fell in the opening round of the playoffs 9-2 to Region 9 runner-up Desert Hills in the game played at Grantsville. The Thunder put together back-to-back four-run innings to start, and pitcher Brianna St. Clair did the rest,

3A SOFTBALL PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND

At Cedar High

Cedar 7, Carbon 1
Tooele 13, Logan 0 (5)
Carbon 10, Logan 1

At Grantsville

Desert Hills 9, Canyon View 2
Grantsville 12, Juan Diego 2
Canyon View 11, Juan Diego 3

Thursday's Games at Spanish Fork Softball Complex

Cedar vs. Tooele, 1 p.m.
Canyon View vs. Cedar-Tooele loser,
3:15 p.m.

striking out 13.

CV scored single runs in the second and fifth, but left eight runners stranded.

The Falcons rebounded in the elimination game later in the day, beating Juan Diego 11-3. They will play the loser of the Cedar-Tooele matchup at 3:15 p.m. on Thursday at Spanish Fork.

Slack named new CV girls basketball coach

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

If there ever was a case for being true to your school, it certainly fits for Canyon View High's newest coach.

Jaycee Slack, a member of the Canyon View Class of 2014, was hired last week as the new head coach of the varsity girls' basketball program, replacing Jared Sanders. Slack was a three-year varsity starter for the Falcons and the team's second-leading scorer as a senior.

Since her graduation, Slack has been working toward her teaching certification at Southern Utah University and has been the head coach for the junior varsity team the last two seasons under Sanders.

"I was interested in the job when it came open," Slack said in an interview with *Iron County Today*. "I was a little nervous at first and didn't think I was ready, but I talked with some people and thought 'this is what I love to do. Why not go for it now?'"

With recommendations from Sanders and several parents of this year's JV team members, Slack earned the interview and will be tasked with turning around a Canyon View program that's won just 12 games overall in the last three seasons.

One of Slack's favorite games from last season came in late November at cross-town rival Cedar High School. Although the Falcons ended up falling

to the Lady Reds in double overtime, it was an example of the type of work ethic Slack wants to put in place.

"That was one of the best games I've ever been a part of, coaching or playing," Slack said. "The girls gave everything they had, and there was an environment you don't see very often in girls' basketball."

As Canyon View gets ready to face the challenges with the return to Region 9 this fall, Slack said hard work will be the most important thing to help the team compete in one of the toughest regions in the state.

"I'll be preaching that as long as you work hard, you give yourself a chance," she said. "In this region, that means blocking shots and doing all the little things."

While she was doing her work with the younger players, Slack admitted seeing the varsity team's struggles wasn't easy to take.

"Basketball's near and dear to me. It was hard to see us losing like we did," Slack said.

Slack, who turns 22 years old in October, began her work with open gym this week. She'll field a varsity team for the Utah Summer Games next month, then work with the returning players on their fundamentals through the rest of the summer.

"I just want to get them comfortable, get used to having the ball in their hands," Slack said.

Elison resigns as Cedar basketball coach

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Iron County Today

When John Elison arrived at Cedar High to coach the girls basketball team 10 years ago, it didn't have a lot of success to build from. In his first season as the varsity coach, the Lady Reds won a grand total of two games.

Through all the building and with the team's first trip to a 3A state title game on the books, the leader of the Lady Reds felt it was time to move on.

Elison announced his resignation as Cedar's head coach last week after 10 seasons to accept a math teaching position in Vernal at a middle school there. In an exclusive interview with *Iron County Today*, Elison said the move was made necessary when his wife, Kami – who worked alongside as an assistant coach with the team – lost her teaching position for an online school program that was discontinued.

"We didn't want to leave. We figured we'd die in the house we were in," Elison said. "It's been difficult, but our kids have been good about it."

Despite an overtime loss to Richfield in this year's 3A quarterfinals, Elison leaves with a truckload of memories, a career record of 147-84 (.636 winning percentage), and a Region 9 title in 2014.

By far, Elison's favorite moment from his time on the bench came two seasons ago. Before a packed house at the Centrum, the Lady Reds got by Carbon in the final second on a Jessica Whetman layup, 54-53, to earn the chance to play for the 3A championship for the first time in

school history.

"The gym just went wild and it was an exciting time," Elison said. "The climb in the 10-year span has been phenomenal. It's been a great run."

Elison said he has no plans to do any coaching in Vernal for the foreseeable future.

"It seems kind of weird to say," he said. "As much as I love basketball, as much as I wanted to get into this when I began, we're living in a day and age where there's so many things that pull against you. There are so many negative things going on

"The climb in the 10-year span has been phenomenal. It's been a great run"

— John Elison

behind the scenes, you just get tired of dealing with them. I love the game and I love to help the kids, but at the end of the day, it starts to wear on you."

Elison coached his oldest daughter, Maisie, through her senior season in 2017. She finished the year averaging six points per game and 5.5 rebounds and plans to go on an LDS Church mission. His second daughter, Taylee, finished her freshman season with the Lady Reds.



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SUU ATHLETICS News

Adams joins T-Bird hoops team

SUU head coach Todd Simon and the Thunderbird basketball program have announced the signing of Andre Adams to the Thunderbird basketball family. Adams is a transfer from Arizona State originally from Avondale, Arizona.

"Andre is a significant addition to our program," Coach Simon said. "His physical tools, skill set and character make him a perfect fit for what we want our program to be. His high major Division I experience and a year of player development during his redshirt year will lead to a impact career in a Thunderbird uniform."

Adams is a 6' 9" forward that attended Westview High School in Avondale, where he averaged 12.4 points per game, 5.8 rebounds and 2.6 blocks during his 2014 senior campaign. Coming out of high school ESPN, Rivals.com and 24/7 Sports all rated Adams as a three-star prospect.

Adams spent the 2014-15 season with IMG Prep Academy in Bradenton, Florida, but suffered an injury that cut his time short there.

As a Sun Devil in 2016-17, he appeared in eight games. He set a season-high of six points against New Mexico State. He also had a big game against Stanford, playing 16 minutes, pulling down five rebounds and blocking three shots.

Southern Utah previously announced the signings of incoming freshmen Dre Marin, a point guard out of Arizona, and Jordan Lyons, a 6'7" wing out of Ontario, Canada, as well as the signings of Jamil Jackson, a 6'6" junior college wing out of Minnesota, and Cameron Oluyitan, a 6'7" transfer wing from Boise State. Adams will have to sit out one

season before seeing action for the Thunderbirds, but will have two years to play in Southern Utah after the 2017-18 season.

Six T-Birds named to softball All-Conference team

The Big Sky conference has released the results of the softball All-Conference poll and six Thunderbirds have earned 2017 All-Conference honors.

Seniors Morgan Leonard and Karlee Manzione earned First Team All-Conference honors with Leonard earning the most votes in the catcher position and Manzione taking the top spot in the utility position. The senior leaders can be found near the top of almost every statistical category on the team including batting average, slugging percentage, and on base percentage. Manzione hit a whopping .390 this season in Big Sky conference play and Leonard, a defensive force behind the plate, threw out 11 runners and only committed one error all season. This is the second All-Conference honor for Manzione as she was named honorable mention in 2016.

Senior Megan Reed and junior Sarah Murphy have been named to the All-Conference Second Team, Reed in the first base position and Murphy in one of three outfield positions. Reed and Murphy are the only two Thunderbirds to start every game this season for Southern Utah. Reed leads the team in batting average (.353), on base percentage(.444), and putouts(286). Murphy leads the Thunderbirds in hits (44), stolen bases(13), and total plate appearances(162).

Murphy was also named Co-Newcomer of the Year in the Big Sky. The transfer from California Baptist University shared the award with Idaho State's Haley Harrison.

Sophomore Kendall Kapitzke and redshirt freshman Nicole Simonson earned All-Conference honorable mention honors. Kapitzke leads the Thunderbirds in multiple offensive categories including slugging percentage(.590), runs scored(26), RBIs(31), and home runs(8). Simonson has been a staple in right field in her first season of competition for Southern Utah and is currently riding a fourteen game hitting streak.

Tate named Big Sky Men's Track Athlete of Week

SUU's Mike Tate was named Big Sky Men's Track Athlete of the Week following a stellar performance in the 5,000-meter at the Payton Jordan Invitational.

Tate finished with a time of 13:34.28, which was seventh overall at the meet and the third best collegiate time behind two of the best distance runners in the nation.

The time was not only a personal best for Tate, but the third-fastest time in the history of the Big Sky Conference. In conference history he now ranks behind only Olympians Diego Estrada and David McNeil of Northern Arizona. He also ranks third in the entire NCAA in the event.

Tate has now won Athlete of the Week from the conference twice this season, with Kasey Knevelbaard and Jayson Kovar both picking up an honor as well.

Don't sleep on CV, Region 9



RANDOM Thoughts

by Tom ZULEWSKI
Sports Writer

The opening day of the 3A state baseball and softball playoffs didn't have much in the way of tension-filled moments. Cedar softball stayed on a serious roll, and three of the four Region 9 baseball teams did the championship voodoo that they do so well.

Even Snow Canyon, who fell to the No. 4 seed after losing its regular-season finale, looked more like a No. 1 when they utterly demolished Canyon View 18-0 in the opening game pod on the Falcons' home field.

But knowing you have to lose twice before you're finished, there's a tip worth offering here as the tournament moves forward. Ignoring Canyon View is not an option.

Case in point: After getting pummeled like they did in the opener, the Falcons were teetering on the edge as they fell behind to Grantsville 7-2 in the third inning. Somehow, they gave themselves a pulse with a pretty amazing six-run rally and still needed a walk-off base hit in the bottom of the seventh from Tyrel Robinson to survive and advance.

Looking through the archive, Canyon View only needs to go back a few years to find that going deep in the playoffs after an initial loss can definitely be done.

The Falcons lost their playoff opener in 2010 in even worse fashion than 18-0. They let an 8-1 fifth-inning lead get away and Wasatch won 9-8 with two runs in the bottom of the seventh.

CV shook that off, won the second Saturday game, and made it all the way to the title game before falling to Juan Diego.

Bear River, the Region 11 champion, is next up the elimination ladder for the Falcons at Spanish Fork. They'll need to win twice Thursday and Friday, and then somehow pull out three wins Saturday to take home the big trophy.

CV and head coach Jason Jacobsen know the mission will be difficult, but it's not impossible.

-As the softball bracket shakes out for 3A, Cedar has a score to settle with its Thursday opponent. Tooele denied the Lady Reds a chance at playing for a title when they knocked them out in the final Friday elimination game last year.

The Lady Buffaloes, the No. 2 seed from Region 10, mashed five home runs in a 13-0 romp over Logan in its opener at Cedar High. Cedar isn't a slouch at the plate by any means, as they've hit 10 home runs in the last six games.

Something's going to give in more ways than one when the two teams play again at Spanish Fork. The loser will still have life, but have to turn around almost immediately afterward - around 3:15 p.m. Thursday - and face the Canyon View Falcons. After dropping its opener to Desert Hills, CV stayed alive with an 11-3 romp over Juan Diego.

Sure, Cedar beat CV twice in the regular season, but a potential rematch with the loser going home is a night-and-day difference in the pressure department.

With the Falcons returning to Region 9 this fall, this week provides another opportunity to speak loudly and show once and for all they're not pushovers anymore.

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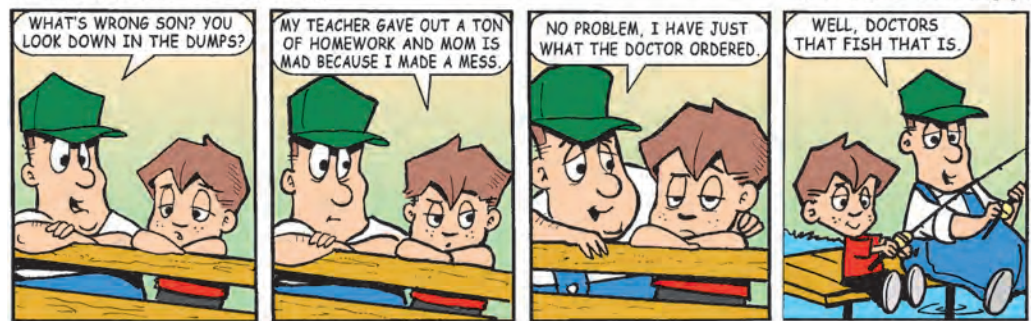
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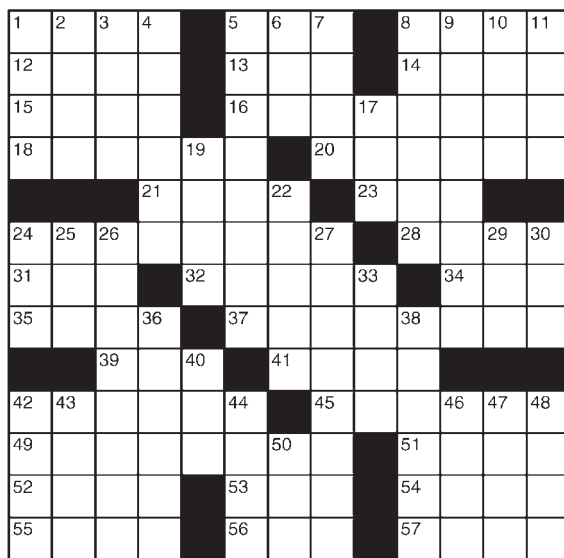
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Listen to
- 5 Aries symbol
- 8 Clenched hand
- 12 Part of the foot
- 13 Clean air org.
- 14 Division word
- 15 Stead
- 16 One walking proudly
- 18 Mathematician famed for his "last theorem"
- 20 Lacking vigor
- 21 Pesky kid
- 23 "— Town"
- 24 Criminal in tent?
- 28 Jump
- 31 Huge star
- 32 Mideast nation
- 34 Hot tub
- 35 Candle string
- 37 Go everywhere, as spilled liquid
- 39 Mouth part
- 41 Droplet of sorrow
- 42 Sun-dried brick structures
- 45 Beast
- 49 Furry Pacific denizen
- 51 Corpse



- 52 Sorts
- 53 Nightfall, in verse
- 54 Lotion additive
- 55 Carp or cod
- 56 "— Doubtfire"
- 57 Not as much
- 8 Irregular
- 9 Account extra
- 10 Don't dele
- 11 Ripped
- 17 Venusian vessel?
- 19 Bohemian
- 22 Dangle a carrot
- 24 Away from NNE
- 25 On the — vive
- 26 Removes the cover
- 27 Brushes up on
- 29 Gorilla
- 30 Standard
- 33 Indian flat bread
- 36 Put the — on (stop)
- 38 Clan-related
- 40 Household pooch, e.g.
- 42 "Yeah, right!"
- 43 Sandwich shop
- 44 Goblet feature
- 46 Double agent
- 47 Commotions
- 48 Caustic solutions
- 50 Always, to a bard

DOWN

- 1 50 percent
- 2 Great Lake
- 3 Computer brand
- 4 Ballroom dance (Var.)
- 5 Paraphrases
- 6 Suitable
- 7 Filly's mom

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	6		3					4
7		5			2			
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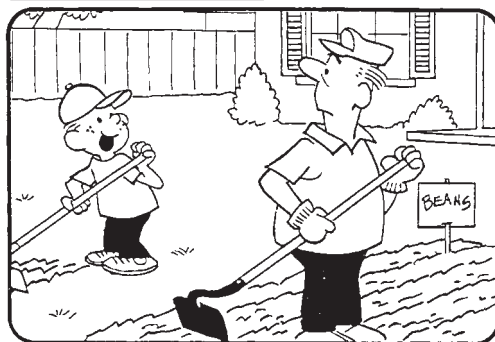
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- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

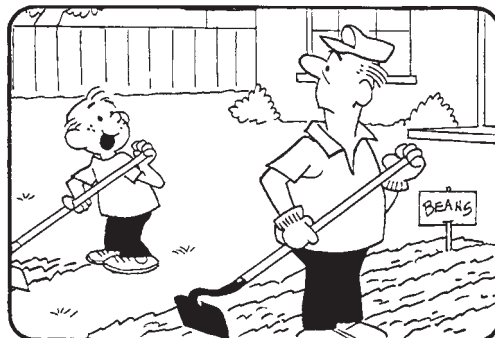
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5	8	3	9	7	2	6	4	1
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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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W	I	C	K	S	P	L	A	T	E
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L	E	S	L	E	S	M	R	S	H

Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

King Crossword



1. GOVERNMENT: How many U.S. senators are elected from each state?
2. TELEVISION: What is the name of the bartender on "The Simpsons"?
3. GEOGRAPHY: What is Canada's southernmost point?
4. ADS: What airline used this advertising slogan: "You are now free to move about the country"?
5. HISTORY: Which war ended with the 1763 Treaty of Paris?
6. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: What American writer once told Ernest Hemingway, "You are all a lost generation"?
7. U.S. STATES: What is the state capital of California?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What is the meat used in a dish called tournedos?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of a hot-air balloon's basket?
10. MUSIC: What pop group had a hit with the 1970 release "I'll Be There"?

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Trivia Test Answers
 1. Two; 2. Moe; 3. Middle Island in Lake Erie; 4. Southwest; 5. The French and Indian War; 6. Gertrude Stein; 7. Sacramento; 8. Beef; 9. Gondola; 10. The Jackson 5

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