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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

A Time for Choosing... to Support Our Local Newspaper, our town square

from Casey O. Anderson

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

In the bustling landscape of modern media, where tweets fly faster than thoughts and digital platforms compete for our attention, there's a beacon of stability and community: the local newspaper. The Iron County Today, our cherished publication, stands as a testament to the values of our community—built, nurtured, and sustained over time. It's more than just ink on paper; it's a vital space for ideas, discussions, and diverse viewpoints—a cornerstone of our free republic and a symbol of modern civilization.

As we navigate the complexities of our digital age, it's crucial to reflect on the consequences of our choices. For the past 15 years, social media has dominated the communication landscape, promising connectivity but often delivering division.

Has this shift improved our society, or have we witnessed its decline? The relentless exchange of 140-character opinions hardly does

justice to the intricate issues facing our communities. In honoring the sacrifices of our Founding Fathers, we owe ourselves a richer, more substantive discourse—one that embraces local matters and fosters genuine connections between neighbors.

Our commitment to the Iron County Today isn't just nostalgia; it's a strategic choice rooted in our values and community spirit. Despite the allure of digital platforms, our local newspaper remains unparalleled in its reach and impact. With over 17,000 homes receiving our publication and a readership of 60,000 residents, the value proposition is undeniable. For just \$500, advertisers can reach a significant portion of Iron County—a testament to the effectiveness of our medium in disseminating vital information and supporting local businesses.

Reflecting on the words of John F. Kennedy, who emphasized the indispensable role of the press during the Cold War, we're reminded of the enduring importance of a free and vibrant media landscape. The Iron County Today isn't just a vehicle for news; it's a guardian of our republic,

holding power to account and amplifying the voices of our community. In an era where misinformation proliferates and trust in institutions wanes, our local newspaper stands as a beacon of reliability and integrity.

Our support for the Iron County Today extends beyond mere patronage; it's a commitment to the soul of our community. By choosing to invest in our local newspaper, we're investing in ourselves—our values, our connections, and our future. In a world where choices abound, let us choose substance over soundbites, and community over isolation.

As we stand at this crossroads, let us reaffirm our dedication to the Iron County Today—a testament to the enduring power of local journalism and the resilience of our community. Together, let us ensure that the voice of Iron County continues to resonate far and wide, bridging divides and fostering understanding. For in choosing to support our local newspaper, we choose not just a medium, but a legacy.

In today's fast-paced digital age, the role of local newspapers cannot be overstated. Amidst the constant barrage of information, it is the local


newspaper that serves as a trusted source of news and information for our community. Whether it's reporting on local events, highlighting community achievements, or providing a platform for contrary opinions, our publication plays an essential role in shaping the fabric of our society.

Unlike social media platforms where algorithms determine what content we see, the Iron County Today offers a curated selection of news that is relevant to our community. From city council meetings to high school sports, the newspaper covers a wide range of topics that impact our daily lives. In doing so, it fosters a sense of belonging and community engagement that is sorely lacking in the digital realm.

The importance of the Iron County Today goes beyond just reporting the news. It serves as a forum for discussion and debate, allowing residents to share their opinions and engage in meaningful dialogue with their neighbors. Whether it's through letters to the editor or community forums, the

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Attorney General Reyes joins AK AG Griffin and 25 other states demanding Instagram to Stop Monetizing Child Exploitation

from Alex Curcio

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, UTAH ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE

SALT LAKE CITY— Attorney General Reyes has joined Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin and a coalition of 25 other state attorneys general in a letter to Meta demanding that Instagram stop monetizing child exploitation content.

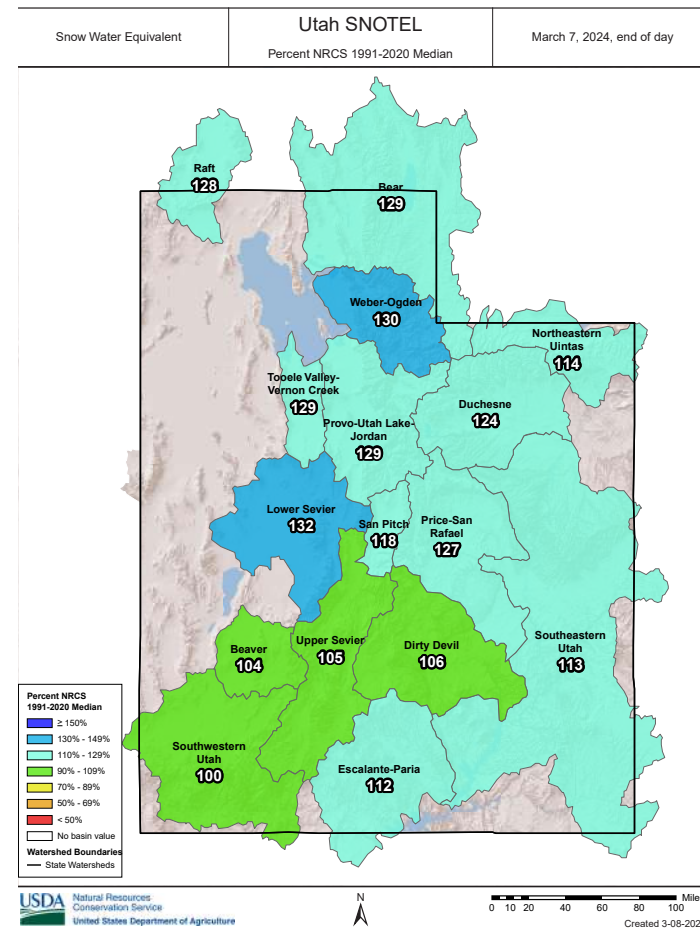
“New information has emerged about Instagram’s blatant disregard for child safety, even after Meta has claimed to have implemented safeguards to stop child sex abuse material or CSAM on its sites,” said Attorney General Reyes. “We can no longer trust that Meta is listening to its own internal watchdogs or following through on its touted safety systems to protect children from predators.”

According to The Wall Street Journal in an article on February 22, Meta’s own staff raised alarms after Instagram enabled those running ‘parent-managed minor accounts’ to profit by providing ‘pin-up style photos of children’ to male subscribers who were ‘often overt about sexual interest’ in children. Worse, Meta actively promoted child-modeling subscriptions to ‘likely pedophiles.’ On the same day, The New York Times similarly reported that men in online chatrooms frequently praised ‘the advent of Instagram as a golden age for child exploitation.’

“Over the past decade, Attorney General Reyes has led the fight against human trafficking and child exploitation. His passion has ignited government leaders across the globe to understand the many different faces of these horrific crimes.”

said Missy Larsen, Utah’s Statewide Coordinator for Child and Family Safety. “The fact that 26 states are fed-up with Meta’s inability to prioritize children over profits offers hope to the millions of children and families in the world who have been, or are at risk of, being victimized.”

Arkansas Attorney General Griffin sent the letter to Meta. In addition to Attorney General Reyes, the attorneys general of the following states also signed on to the letter: Arkansas, Alabama, Alaska, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming.



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FROM THE EDITOR



CASSI SCHUMTZ
COPY EDITOR

Allow me to introduce myself...

Hello Iron County Today readers. My name is Cassi Schmutz and I am the new Copy Editor for the Iron County Today. First of all, I would like to thank all of the friendly contributors, writers and community members for the warm greetings and

well-wishes I have received since starting in this position.

Cedar City holds a special place in my heart. It's where I attended college (GO T-Birds!) and was introduced to travel, community service, and engagement. It's where I found important mentors that have shaped me into the person I am today. It's where I got engaged and began to build a life with my husband. I love this community and I am honored to serve in a capacity that showcases its offerings.

In my first week as Copy Editor, I had several contributors/writers ask me if I am related to the Cedar City Schmutz family. I thought I might take the time to clarify here for our readers. I am married into the Kanab, Utah Schmutz family, and after a phone call with my father-in-law, John Schmutz, I hope I can offer an accurate explanation of my relation with the Schmutz's of Cedar City. Johannes Schmutz (1818-1897) and Elizabeth Lehmann (1823-1896) had several children, and two of their sons settled in Southern Utah. My husband's family are descendants from John Schmutz (1855-1933) and the Cedar City/New Harmony Schmutz's, as I understand it, are descendants from Gottlieb Schmutz (1861-1942). In short, through marriage, I am cousins, however many times removed, to the Cedar City Schmutz clan. I extend the invitation from any local Schmutz's reading this to correct or expound on this history!

Finally, I would thank the Board of Directors for the opportunity to work at Iron County Today. My goal is to bring topical news to our citizens to stay informed on local, state, and national levels as well as offer a place to foster community and highlight the best of Iron County. While I may not contribute to the paper as frequently as my predecessor, know that I am dedicated to our readers and contributors, and hope to publish a weekly newspaper you can be proud of. Thank you in advance to all our writers, columnists, and community members who submit their work and the businesses that choose to advertise with the Iron County Today. The time you take and the resources you offer us are invaluable.



Iron County Republican Caucus Recap

from Mari Eddy

IRON COUNTY GOP CHAIR

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2024 Iron County Republican Caucus!

The caucus serves as the cornerstone of our representative government, allowing grassroots voters to amplify their voices through their chosen delegates and precinct officers. The participation of 1,757 individuals at the caucus was truly inspiring, showcasing the vibrancy of the grassroots movement. This year, we introduced two cen-

tralized locations in Cedar City and offered more accessible options for participation in outlying areas. While we acknowledge areas that require improvement, we extend our gratitude for your patience, especially amidst the challenges posed by the State's new system that allows voters to make their records private. We believe this system benefits the people of Utah through increased privacy and better communication, refinement is always beneficial, and we are committed to collaborating with the State to achieve this.

We are thankful to all the volunteers who made the caucus possible.

Looking ahead, we are excited about our next major event: the GOP Iron County Convention on April 11, 2024. This gathering is specifically for all our newly elected county delegates.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We do these things not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

John F. Kennedy

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Forever Chemicals

PART 1

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The word “forever” means always, lasting, permanent, perpetual, will never disappear, and constantly present. Some of these chemicals appear normally in the natural world while many others are human made. These forever chemicals surround us in our environment where we live and have our being. We can’t escape them as they are even in the foods we eat. Some theorize that we can develop immunity to them. More recently the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) has proposed that forever chemicals should be considered hazardous substances and that at least 9 PFAS (perfluoroalkyl or perfluoro-chemicals) should be categorized as hazardous to human health. These forever chemicals it is estimated could be in nearly half of all U.S. tap water and have been found to cause a long list of toxic effects in humans and animals, including cancer, a decreased response to vaccinations, high cholesterol, a decrease in female fertility, preeclampsia, thyroid disorders, asthma, and a reversal of biological gender. These chemicals break down very slowly and accumulate in people, animals, and the environment.

Some of these chemicals appear naturally, while many are man-made. It is estimated that there are at least 350,000 different types of artificial chemicals currently on the international marketplace for purchase with the development and production of more expected. There are 50 million different chemicals here on Earth, natural and synthetic, with the vast majority of synthetic human-designed chemicals made in the last few decades and now registered in a database maintained by the American Chemical Society.

(For more information check out the following on the internet or at your local library: Big Chemical Encyclopedia: Chemical Substances, Components, Reactions, Process Design; also found on the internet at: chempedia.info/info/this_book/)

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Are artificial chemicals threatening humanity?

A new study has found that the release of new entities (artificial chemicals and other human-made pollutants) has accelerated to a point that we have crossed a “planetary boundary”, threatening the entire Earth Operating system and humanity because the rate at which these artificial chemicals are being developed exceeds our government’s ability to assess risks and monitor impacts. While many of these substances have been shown to negatively impact the natural world and human health, the vast majority have yet to be evaluated, with their interactions and impacts poorly understood or completely unknown. Do not succumb to fear though. Stay with us through this series in Iron County Today as we evaluate the good, the bad, and the ugly in our food supply chain so that we can choose the healthy in our food and remain happy with our knowledge of what we are providing for ourselves and our loved ones. If you receive email, please subscribe to the following for up-to-date information on how to protect yourself and your family at the Environmental Working Group’s website, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization which is dedicated to helping us live our healthiest life with breakthrough research so we can make informed choices and live a healthy life in a healthy environment. Since 1993, the Environmental Working Group has shined a spotlight on outdated legislation, harmful agricultural practices, and industry loopholes that pose a risk to our health and the health of our environment. Please find them on the internet at: ewg.org. Please join us in this series so that Forever Chemicals and their negative impacts can be minimized as we live life to the fullest on our beautiful planet Earth.


WORD OF THE WEEK


TRANSITION

[tran(t)-'si-zhən]

a. a change or shift from one state, subject, place, etc. to another

b. a period or phase in which such a change or shift is happening













IRON COUNTY FORECAST

CHILLY, BREEZY, AND A BIT UNSETTLED TO CLOSE THE WORKWEEK WITH A CHANCE OF RAIN AND SNOW SHOWERS. CALMER SKIES TAKE HOLD FOR THE WEEKEND AS TEMPERATURES WARM STEADILY. THE WARMING TREND CONTINUES INTO NEXT WEEK UNDER MOSTLY SUNNY TO PARTLY CLOUDY SKIES.

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MONDAY	Mostly Sunny 61°/36° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 10-15	
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WEDNESDAY	Partly Cloudy 63°/37° PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 10-15	

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IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

“Recap of Insights and Initiatives Discussed at the Cedar City Council Meeting on March 6, 2024”

by Iron County Today Staff

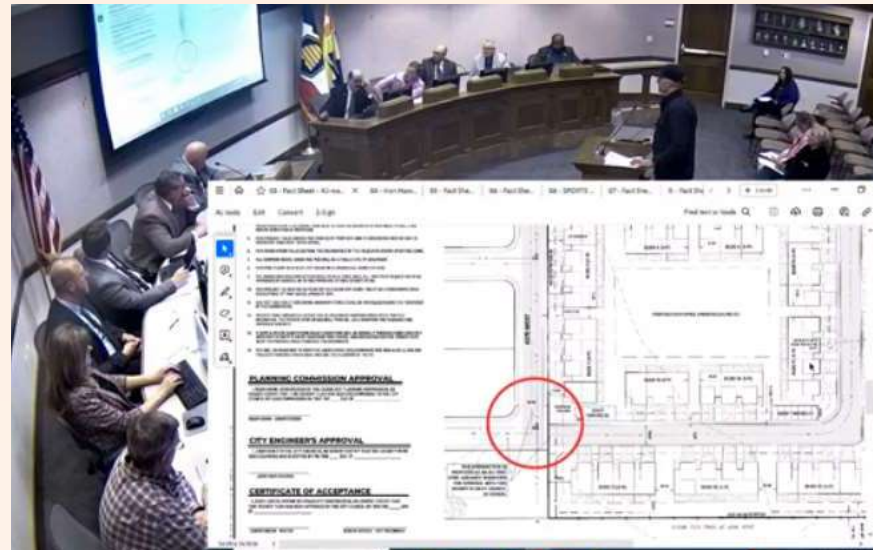
On March 6, 2024, at 5:30 in the evening, the Cedar City Council meet up at their usual spot, the City Council Chambers at 10 North Main Street. Pastor Michael Radbaugh from Mountain View Baptist Church kicked things off with a heartfelt prayer. Then, Member of council Tyler Mellon brought everyone together by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Garth Green, along with council members and city workers, were all there, eager to tackle important issues.

The City Council work meeting convened updates including the installation of reflectors on the Colbrig Bridge and progress on the Cole Creek Emergency Watershed Project. Fruitful negotiations with federal agencies, particularly the Forest Service, opened doors for property use agreements, while plans for the Greenslake Dams project gained momentum with NRCS approval.

Community recognition highlighted the upcoming Cedar City Chamber of Commerce gala, honoring individuals like Sadie Hink and Craig Isom for their effective contributions.

Moreover, funding is sought for environmental studies and road design is reviewed. The council plans a \$410,000 NRCS funding request for study, awaiting the mayor's signature. Study costs are reimbursed by NRCS.

One of the discussions also included the proposed roundabout at Center St. and 1150 West, concerns about road widening's impact on traffic and safety. Variances sought road design in Iron Hawk PUD, including stops and adjustments to road curves and parking spaces. The council aims to refine road layouts for better traffic flow and safety, suggesting widening roads and adding pedes-



trian pathways. Emphasis on clear signage for private roads and traffic compliance.

Furthermore, developers and stakeholders discussed topics surrounding the ongoing development in the Iron West were explored. From traffic management to environmental considerations, the dialogue highlighted the multifaceted approach needed for sustainable growth.

One key aspect discussed was the layout of roadways within new developments. Developers expressed their intention to create a sense of privacy while ensuring safety for residents and visitors alike. Emphasizing the importance of guest parking and slowing down traffic, they sought to strike a balance between esthetics and functionality.

In addition, addressing concerns about garbage truck maneuverability and road variances, the group delved into detailed discussions about road design and potential adjustments. The aim was to find solutions that catered to both practical needs and regulatory requirements.

Another significant topic centered around water management

and environmental impact. Plans for an irrigation pond raise questions about its potential dual role in recreational use and storm water management. Discussions touched upon factors such as water source diversity, pond depth, and possible recreational amenities.

The council meeting also delved into the topic of shipping containers and their placement within residential areas. Concerns were raised regarding esthetics, setbacks, and the potential criminal penalties associated with zoning violations.

The conversation highlighted various viewpoints, with council members weighing in on the need for regulation while also acknowledging property owners' rights. Suggestions included restricting containers to rear yards, enforcing setbacks, and allowing temporary placements for construction purposes.

Additionally, city officials discussed development, zoning regulations, and public improvements. They addressed issues like property upkeep, Connex box management, and proposed amendments to zoning ordinances. Efforts to contact landowners regarding property conditions and

plans for demolition permits were highlighted. Proposed amendments aimed to increase flexibility in lot sizes while adhering to regulations. The importance of public improvements and infrastructure development in subdivision regulations was emphasized. Discussions also acknowledged the complexity of regulating diverse property types, particularly commercial properties, and expressed openness to further refinement of regulations.

Among council members, a comprehensive examination of wastewater treatment strategies unfolded, shedding light on various perspectives and considerations. The discussion touched base on crucial aspects ranging from filtration methods to budgetary allocations.

Conversation further includes the treatment of effluent to achieve Type 1 quality, opening up possibilities for its diverse reuse. Proposals from consulting firms A2S and Stantec were deliberated upon, each offering distinct approaches and insights.

While A2S adhered closely to outlined tasks, Stantec presented an alternative viewpoint, emphasizing a holistic evaluation encompassing the entire reuse project plan. This deviation sparked contemplation on the benefits of fostering competition and innovation through multiple consultants' involvement.

Council members expressed a keen interest in fostering competitiveness in proposals, recognizing the potential for enhanced value and efficiency. The notion of procuring multiple bids for task number one garnered traction, allowing for comparative assessments and informed decision-making.

Further discussions underscored the importance of engineering

Rep. Maloy's Statement on the First House Spending Package for FY24

from *Bella Pinnock*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Washington, D.C. — Today, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act for FY24. Congresswoman Celeste Maloy voted in favor of this spending package. Following the vote, she released this statement:

“I voted for the first package of spending bills, because I think it’s a good step toward a better budgeting process. This is not a 7,000-page omnibus package negotiated behind closed doors that no one has ever read. Members were involved as these bills went through committee hearings and the amendment process over the last year. I hope

that we can ultimately return to regular order where we vote on each spending bill separately. But for now, it’s time to pass the next package of spending bills and start working on the budget for fiscal year 2025.”

FFSL and Compass Minerals Come Together to Protect Great Salt Lake

from *Karl Hunt*

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SALT LAKE CITY – The Utah Legislature passed HB453 Great Salt Lake Revisions, which directs the state water engineer to create a water distribution plan for the Great Salt Lake and establishes a severance tax for the lake’s minerals. The legislation also provides a tax incentive for companies that do not deplete water in their extraction process or that voluntarily reduce their water use through an agreement with the state.

The state of Utah and Compass Minerals have agreed to a Term Sheet that outlines the terms and conditions of a voluntary reduction

in Compass’ water use along with many other terms aimed at improving the Great Salt Lake. The Term Sheet will be memorialized in a Voluntary Agreement between FFSL and Compass Minerals.

“This agreement provides a framework where critical minerals can be extracted when the lake is at appropriate levels, and water is conserved as lake levels decline,” said Jamie Barnes, Director/State Forester for the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. “We are pleased that Compass Minerals has actively pursued an agreement with FFSL, which will be the first of its kind for Great Salt Lake.”

This bill, coupled with the willingness of companies to enter into

an agreement with the state, will result in less water being removed from the Great Salt Lake. Reducing water depletion from the lake will help the lake reach and be sustained at a healthy range more quickly.

“It’s critical we strike the right balance between industry’s ability to extract the various minerals found in the lake without compromising the health of the lake,” said Great Salt Lake Commissioner Brian Steed. “We are committed to safeguarding the lake’s ecological integrity while incentivizing extraction methods that prioritize sustainability and mitigate impacts to the lake. The Commissioner’s Office appreciates the leadership of the Legislature and the willingness

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IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

“RECAP OF INSIGHTS..”

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expertise in navigating state approvals and ensuring project feasibility within budgetary constraints. The potential for collaborative efforts between consultants to refine proposals and optimize outcomes was highlighted as a promising avenue for progress.

The council had a tough time deciding between two vendors, each with their own ideas on how to tackle the project. They wanted to make sure everyone was treated fairly while following the rules of the bidding process.

The main issue was the difference between what was asked for in the Request for Proposals (RFP) and what the vendors actually proposed. Stantec’s proposal, although detailed, didn’t quite match what was asked for, so the council needed to figure out what to do next.

The council weighed options meticulously, contemplating avenues to align bids with the RFP’s parameters. Suggestions ranged from requesting revisions to exploring equitable compensation for both vendors.

Discussions were heated as members weighed the options regarding the disposal of mining rights at the old wastewater treatment plant. The conversation delved into the intricacies of proposals received from various entities, shedding light on the complexities involved.

The meeting commenced with a proposal to offer \$65,000 for phases one through three, prompting a deeper dive into the terms and conditions of the proposals. Stantec’s role in aligning with the council’s objectives was emphasized, emphasizing the importance of clarity in agreements.



Maloy, Estes, Lamborn, Fulcher, and Biggs Reintroduce Legislation to Protect Private Water Rights

from *Bella Pinnock*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Washington, D.C. — Representatives Celeste Maloy (UT-02), Ron Estes (KS-04), Doug Lamborn (CO-05), Russ Fulcher (ID-01), and Andy Biggs (AZ-05) have re-introduced the Water Rights Protection Act to prevent the federal government from seizing privately owned waters. Senators John Barrasso (R-WY), Jim Risch (R-ID), and Mike Crapo (R-ID) introduced a companion piece of legislation in the Senate.

“According to the Utah Constitution, the water in the state

belongs to the people of Utah. Unfortunately, federal agencies have a long history of undermining our water laws by requiring co-ownership of water rights as a condition for permit agreements on federal lands. I’m proud to lead my colleagues in sponsoring this bill which clarifies that states have the power to allocate water rights, and the federal government can’t infringe on that ability,” said Rep. Maloy.

“Kansas ranchers and farmers depend on the Sunflower State’s rivers and waterways and know how to steward them appropriately. The Water Rights Protection Act is an important step to ensure control

of water rights stays in the states, blocking D.C. bureaucrats from the Departments of Agriculture and the Interior from seizing those privately held rights,” said Rep. Ron Estes.

“I’m pleased to join my colleagues in re-introducing the Water Rights Protection Act. This bill protects ranchers, farmers, and tribes from having their water unlawfully seized by the federal government. As Vice Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee, I am committed to keeping the Biden administration in check and preventing government overreach of individual Americans’ rights. What Colorado does with its water is up to the state itself - not the unelected bureaucrats within this Administration,” said Rep. Lamborn.

“With over 61% of Idaho designated as federal land, individuals live in constant fear they could lose access to the water their family has utilized for generations,” said Rep. Fulcher. “I am proud to co-sponsor the Water Rights Protection Act to further recognize state water laws and bring peace of mind to farmers and ranchers across the state.”

“Water is one of our most precious resources. This legislation

is a good step to protect state water rights in the West. The federal government should be adhering to the Constitution’s Compact Clause while encouraging states to prioritize water storage,” said Rep. Biggs.

The bill would:

- Forbid the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture from mandating water users transfer water rights to the United States or purchase water rights in the name of the United States as a condition of any permit, lease, or other use agreement.
- Prevent unlawful seizures of groundwater.
- Recognize state water law and require coordination with states.

Romney Responds to the President’s State of the Union Address

from *Senator Mitt Romney*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

WASHINGTON—U.S. Senator Mitt Romney (R-UT) made the following comments after President Biden’s State of the Union address.

“Well, I just got back from listening to the State of the Union address by President Biden. I was in the chamber, as you may know.

I think on foreign policy, he did a good job. It is very much in America’s interest to see Ukraine push back against Putin. Putin is an awful guy—a bad guy—and keeping Putin from invading not just other parts of Central Europe, but NATO nations that might involve us in conflict is an American interest [is important]. He also spoke, I thought, well, with regards to Israel and also

with regards to the need to help the Palestinian individuals in Gaza with humanitarian aid. So those things I thought went well.

When he got into domestic policy, I’m afraid it was the same old liberal playbook. At least that’s the way I saw it. I mean, there were some new chapters, but the same idea, which is “here’s some things I’m going to give you. Here’s some more things I’m going to give you. Here’s how I’m going to crack down on big companies and rich people.” And I think people have gotten tired of that. They know he can’t deliver all those promises because any promise he makes has to get Republican votes.

And he’s not going to get Republican votes for those things. And I think they also know that the cheap shots on Republicans are

probably missing the mark. You know, he once again claimed Republicans are going to cut Social Security. That’s just simply wrong, and everybody knows that. There’s not a Republican in the House or the Senate that is talking about cutting Social Security, or is in favor of cutting Social Security. That’s just off the mark. Likewise, he said, you know, billionaires pay an average tax rate of 8%. That’s just wrong. The IRS publishes the tax pay amount by category. The top one tenth of 1% pays a substantial percentage of their income. So, you know, I think those things missed the mark.

I think the greatest mistake was that he really never talked about how we’re going to deal with the deficit and the debt—and the debt

is enormous. It poses a threat to us. The interest payments are now going to exceed this year our military spending. This is a problem. And, you know, a couple of quick things. We’re going to get corporations to pay, you know, a certain amount. We’re going to try and raise taxes on billionaires. Those things aren’t going to happen, and they’re not realistic.

So, I was disappointed he didn’t get more serious about the deficit and the debt. But then again, Democrats don’t like to do that. They want to make a lot of promises and never talk about how they’re going to pay for it. So positive on foreign policy, pretty negative on domestic policy. My own view is that what you saw tonight was a highly political speech, and it’s not going to move the needle.”

Bryce Canyon private horse reservations moving to Recreation.gov

The change offers convenience and transparency for those planning a private horse or mule ride in the park

by Ruth Scovill

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

BRYCE, UT – Beginning April 1, those planning to ride private stock within Bryce Canyon National Park will be able to make ride reservations online via Recreation.gov. This will replace the old system, by which reservations were made by calling or e-mailing designated park staff during regular business hours. Information on private ride reservations as well as wrangler-led horse and mule rides can be found at go.nps.gov/BryceHorse.

Private stock rides for up to 10 riders will continue to be available every half hour from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. from May through October, depending on weather and trail conditions. Reservations for the entire season will become available on April 1 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time each year. A \$1 processing fee per reservation will cover the cost of Recreation.gov services.

Bryce Canyon offers over 5 miles of horse trails for both private and wrangler-led rides.



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Children's Justice Center Advocates for Area's Youth

from Ruth Scovill

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

It is a sad fact of life that many of the children and youth in our communities will be criminally victimized or be a witness to a crime. The trauma encountered with Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) can have a profound detrimental effect on the life of a child. The Children's Justice Center is a state funded part of the Iron County Government whose mission is to help children, youth and their families have better outcomes when they are victimized. Wendy Jessen is the director of the Iron

County Children's Justice Center.

The Children's Justice Center (CJC) provides many services that help both the courts who are seeking justice for young people, and most importantly the young people and their families to have better outcomes. The feeling inside of the CJC is a homey one. A fish tank provides a calming note to the atmosphere. A child can choose a colorful blanket to wrap in, and then take it home with them. There are also snacks and drinks available. Wendy says that the interview rooms, and exam rooms are decorated in inviting ways, and when possible, the child can even choose the room that suits them best.

The staff at the CJC includes medical examiners who can document abuse.

Wendy Jessen, director of the center, says that often, the way that the medical exams are performed is actually reassuring to the child, who comes away feeling that they are not broken, but their bodies are still okay and will heal and function correctly. The CJC also screens for risk of suicide. They can provide victims with funds for counseling sessions to help them heal mentally and emotionally as well as physically.

The staff also includes forensic interviewers who are trained to collect evidence in the least invasive manner possible. The recorded interview can be used by law enforcement and prosecutors, and in preliminary hearings, so that the young victims don't have to go through further trauma by having to testify

in multiple settings. Legally, sometimes victims may still have to testify live in court, but every effort is made to make this experience as trauma-free as possible. For their part, prosecutors are very careful about evaluating whether a child can testify and where they are at. There are times when it may not be in the best interest of a child to testify. In that case, the CJC still has an important advocacy role in seeing that the child gets the services that they need to get their life back on track so that they can thrive.

Sometimes victims may have also suffered losses in the course of attack. Perhaps glasses or hearing aids have been lost or broken. The CJC has funds that can be allocated to replace things like that.

The present location of the Children's Justice



(L to R) Hayden Morton, Victim Advocate, Wendy Jessen, CJC Director, Adelyn Abbott, Forensic Interviewer, Stephanie Rainey, Victim Services Coordinator.

Center is getting too small to do the job, and another center is being built in the Enoch area. This center will have multiple entrances for different services and multiple waiting areas to help better protect the privacy of clients.

The county has a \$250,000 grant from the state to help build the new building. Friends of the Iron County Children's Justice Center is a local

group that sponsors annual events to raise funds, some of which will go to the building project. Fundraisers sponsored by this group include a 5K Fun Run scheduled for June 22, the CJC Community Golf Tournament in September, and "Dancing with the Community Stars" on November 5.

St. George VA Clinic Grand Opening

from Jeremy M. Laird

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

SALT LAKE CITY: The new St. George VA Clinic will host a grand opening from 1-2:30 p.m. March 8, at the clinic at 585 East Riverside Drive, St. George, UT.

The new clinic is nearly three times the size as the previous clinic, allowing VA to provide health

care to thousands of additional Veterans in Southern Utah.

Veterans will see enhanced and new services at the clinic,

including walk-in lab services, a sleep clinic, optometry, nutritional programs, Walk with Ease and MOVE! Weight Management programs, and expanded physical therapy programs.

"We know our Veterans. And we realize our Veterans are not the same. The care we give our Veterans reflects this and puts them at the center of their care. This new clinic demonstrates our commitment to the Veterans of Southern

Utah and ensures they get care they have earned," said Dr. Angela Williams, Executive Director, VA Salt Lake City Health Care System.

Immediately following the ribbon cutting, Veterans and community members are encouraged to tour the facility. Staff from the St. George Clinic and VA Salt Lake City Health Care System will be on hand to help answer Veterans' questions as part of the open house. Veterans, their families, and caregivers will have the opportunity to learn more about the services offered at the St. George VA Clinic and

VA Salt Lake City Health Care System as part of a resource fair that will last until 5 p.m.

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Utah Legislation Preserves Rural Jobs while Securing Utah's Energy Future

from Aundrea Peterson

UTAH SENATE

SALT LAKE CITY—During Utah's 2024 General Session, the Legislature passed S.B. 161 Energy Security Amendments to allow the existing Intermountain Power Plant (IPP) to continue to operate in a way that will not harm the new natural gas-fired power plant. By providing a dual path to keep both plants running, this bill helps Utah maintain a reliable supply of energy while exploring new energy sources and supports opportunities for economic growth in the state's rural areas.

"This is not only about preserving a few hundred jobs – it's about building up Utah's rural communities," said Sen. Derrin Owens, the bill's sponsor. "The coal plant has the

capacity to bring opportunities to Millard County they wouldn't have otherwise, bringing companies that can make coal production cleaner. The multiplier effect these coal units have can help find innovative ways to reduce carbon emissions while stimulating economic development in rural Utah."

S.B. 161 creates the Decommissioned Asset Disposition Authority within the Office of Energy Development to evaluate how to keep IPPs existing electrical generation facilities open without harming plans for a new natural gas plant. The authority must submit an alternative air permit application, determine the existing plant's fair

market value and consider offers to purchase it. The bill does not halt IPP's development of a natural gas power facility; instead, it creates a path to utilize both traditional and natural resources.

"While it's important to invest in innovative energy solutions, we can't completely abandon existing energy production methods," said Sen. Owens. "S.B. 161 examines how we can protect the economic interests and low electricity costs in rural Utah while still moving toward cleaner energy solutions."

"This piece of legislation is all about safeguarding Utah's energy security," said Rep. Carl Albrecht. "We must protect our power grid from

blackouts and brownouts and keep coal-fired power operational until the next source of reliable, affordable and dispatchable electric generation becomes available."

This legislation follows various bills passed during the 2024 session aimed at making Utah energy independent. Lawmakers are working to secure Utah's energy future by investing in innovative energy solutions without abandoning existing energy production methods that keep electricity reliable and affordable.

The bill takes effect on May 1, 2024. Learn more about the bill at SB0161 (utah.gov).

FFSL AND COMPASS

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of Compass Minerals to take these important steps to protect the Great Salt Lake."

Mineral companies have operated under contracts negotiated decades ago and do not reflect the current climate and conditions of the lake. Through HB453, mineral companies can continue extracting critical minerals from the lake while ensuring that the state receives fair compensation for using its minerals. All revenue generated from these minerals is returned to the lake to fund conservation and management efforts.

"We recognize that a healthy Great Salt Lake is essential to both the environmental and economic wellbeing of the region," said Edward C. Dowling Jr., president and CEO of Compass Minerals.

"We are proud to be pursuing this Voluntary Agreement with FFSL and are committed to actively contributing to the health and preservation of this vital natural resource."

LETTER FROM

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newspaper provides a space where every voice is heard and respected.

Furthermore, the Iron County Today plays a crucial role in preserving our community's history and heritage. By documenting local events and milestones, it ensures that future generations will have a record of our collective story. From birth announcements to obituaries, the newspaper captures the essence of our community and celebrates the lives of its residents.

In conclusion, the Iron County Today is more than just a newspaper—it's a vital lifeline that connects us to our community and each other. As we navigate an increasingly digital world, let us not forget the importance of supporting local journalism. By choosing to support the Iron County Today, we are not only investing in our community's future but also preserving the legacy of generations past. So let us come together and reaffirm our commitment to our local newspaper, the Iron County Today, for it is truly a treasure worth preserving.

Let me leave you with the timeless specific words of President John F. Kennedy, "Without debate, without criticism, no Administration and no country can succeed--and no republic can survive. That is why the Athenian lawmaker Solon decreed it a crime for any citizen to shrink from controversy. And that is why our press was protected by the First Amendment-- the only business in America specifically protected by the Constitution-- not primarily to amuse and entertain, not to emphasize the trivial and the sentimental, not to simply "give the public what it wants"--but to inform, to arouse, to reflect, to state our dangers and our opportunities, to indicate our crises and our choices, to lead, mold, educate and sometimes even anger public opinion."

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Southern Utah University

SUU's Frehner Museum Appoints New Manager

from Nikki Koontz

SUU AVP OF MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

The Frehner Museum of Natural History at Southern Utah University has appointed Mark Walhimer as its new manager. Under his leadership, the museum is poised to undergo a transformative period. With a focus on increasing accessibility, engagement and educational value, Walhimer has unveiled an ambitious plan to enhance the museum's offerings and impact within the community.

"We are excited to have Mark join the SUU team and build excitement about the Frehner Museum of Natural History. The Museum is an SUU and community resource, and we are looking forward to increased awareness," said Dr. William Heyborne, dean of SUU's Walter

Maxwell Gibson College of Natural Sciences.

Walhimer's vision encompasses a range of initiatives to elevate the museum's profile and relevance. Key components of museum updates include:

1. Increasing Museum Hours:

To better accommodate visitors and provide enhanced access to the museum's exhibits and resources, Walhimer plans to extend operating hours, allowing for a more flexible and convenient experience.

2. Increasing Museum Awareness:

Through targeted marketing efforts and community outreach, Walhimer aims to raise awareness of the museum's unique offerings and position it as a must-visit Cedar

City destination for individuals and families.

3. Increasing Interactive Family Activities:

Recognizing the importance of fostering a dynamic and engaging environment for visitors of all ages, Walhimer is committed to introducing a variety of interactive activities and programs designed to captivate and educate families.

4. Raising Awareness of SUU Research:

By showcasing the cutting-edge research conducted at Southern Utah University (SUU), the museum will serve as a platform for highlighting the institution's contributions to the fields of natural history, natural sciences, STEM and science at large.



MARK WALHIEMER

Navajo Code Talkers Expert to Speak at SUU

from Nikki Koontz

SUU AVP OF MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

Southern Utah University is proud to announce Zonnie M. Gorman, recognized historian of the Navajo Code Talkers of World War II, as this year's Howard R. Driggs Memorial Lecture, part of the Founders Celebration and SUU's Eccles A.P.E.X. Events series. This lecture will take place on Tuesday, March 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Gilbert Great Hall within SUU's Hunter Alumni Center. The event is free and open to the public, and due to licensing will not be streamed publicly.

Gorman's lecture, "Growing Up With Heroes: A Daughter's Journey with the Navajo Code Talkers," will explore the touching and riveting

story of the original famous Navajo Code Talkers. This very first group – the "First Twenty-nine" – was the pilot project in 1942 that created the first Navajo code. As a historian and the daughter of the oldest member, Carl Gorman, Zonnie expertly weaves her personal connection and intimate knowledge with thirty years of archival research and collected first-hand account stories.

"We're excited to welcome Zonnie to SUU for Founders Week and as the presenter of the Driggs Memorial Lecture," said Ron Cardon, alumni relations director. "Howard R. Driggs was one of the first four faculty members at SUU and was a

well-known and respected historian. This lecture is named in Dr. Driggs' honor and focuses on American history. Zonnie's expertise and research on the Navajo Code Talkers of World War II is a perfect addition to the lecture series and we are honored to have her here."

Gorman is an expert in her field and a dedicated teacher. She has served as a consultant to numerous documentaries, museum exhibitions and authors. Gorman is currently the Project Coordinator for the Circle of Light Navajo Educational Project (CLNEP), a nonprofit organization founded in May 2001 and located in Gallup, New Mexico. CLNEP offers

a variety of Navajo role models to youth and fosters cultural pride and self-worth while educating them along with non-Navajos about the rich history, culture, language and contributions of the Navajo people.

The annual Howard R. Driggs Memorial Lecture began in 2009 and has featured lectures on a variety of people and topics such as World War I, Preserving History and African American History.

The Driggs Lecture is also a fundamental part of Eccles A.P.E.X., SUU's premier weekly lecture series with speakers and presenters invited from all areas of the world.

Southern Utah University

CEO of Stathletes Discusses Career in Sports and Technology

from Christina Schweiss

IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Ask. Ponder. Educate. [X]. event on March 7 featured Meghan Chayka, Co-Founder/CEO of the international company Stathletes, a hockey data and analytics company. Her presentation was titled “Sports Analytics: Scaling a Data Company.”

Chayka opened up her presentation by speaking to the students in the audience who may be hesitant of their future. She said, “I had no idea where I would be right now.”

Chayka loves numbers and statistics. She said, “There is power in understanding how people and companies perform.”

Chayka explained that with data you can understand how to build tools to help make a job better.

Being a woman in two male dominating fields (sports and technology), Chayka has been through a lot. However she has learned over her years in the business,

Chayka said that one of the most important keys to having a successful career is to “Come up with who you are and what your brand is. Build towards what you want to accomplish. Align with other people that will help you and you’ll reach your goals.”

When an audience member asked ‘how do you deal with hearing no,’ during the Q and A portion of the lecture, Chayka explained, “You have to get comfortable with the setbacks. Everything in life is selling. You have to sell yourself.”

At the end of the presentation, Chayka encouraged the audience to learn more about hockey. She said, “Pick a team, learn the players, have fun – sports are supposed to be fun.”

The next A.P.E.X. event will take place on March 12. The guest speaker will be Zonnie Gorman with a presentation called “Navajo Code Talkers.”

For information on the A.P.E.X. speaker series, visit its.suu.edu/apex.

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BRYCE CANYON

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“This change aligns our private horse rides with the digital pass and campground reservation options already available on Recreation.gov,”

said park superintendent Jim Ireland, “It also gives private stock owners the ability to better plan their visit. By moving reservations online, Bryce Canyon visitors will be able to view available time slots and book their next ride, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.”

Since 2015, private stock riders have been required to make reservations for a specific time by calling or e-mailing designated park staff during regular business hours. These

reservations often required multiple calls or e-mails to book available times and could be delayed if staff were on other calls or otherwise unavailable.

Private stock use has also increased significantly since 2015. That year the park saw 124 private rider reservations in 33 groups. In 2023 there were 923 rider reservations in 207 groups—an increase of nearly 650%. An online self-reservation process offers a more efficient way to meet this rising demand.

» To learn more about both private and wrangler-led horse and mule rides in Bryce Canyon National Park, visit go.nps.gov/BryceHorse.

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The Master Singers



MUSIC FOR ALL AGES -

THE MASTER SINGERS

from May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Master Singers was first organized in 1946-47 under the direction of Edward Sandgren with Irene Hyatt and later, Virginia Larsen as accompanists. "Ed" had great organizational skills and was asked to form the chords as the Iron County performance group for the Centennial Celebration of the Pioneers arriving in Utah in 1847. There were eventually seventy five men in the original chorus. In a ten day period in the spring of 1948, The Master Singers performed eight

concerts in Las Vegas, Salt Lake City, Provo, Ogden, Brigham City and Logan. During the Salt Lake visit they also presented a half hour show which was broadcast by KSL. This male chorus remained an active musical group in Southern Utah and Eastern Nevada. The Master Singers of the era included many other singers in addition to the original seventy five. In 1996-1997, a project of renewal was begun by Cherie and Kent Myers. The names of eighty four men who had sung in The Master Singers were identified. Forty five of those were still living and all 45 were contacted, several who are in their 90 years of age or older and unable

to participate in the renewal. After the 1997 performances, Kent Myers elected President of the Master Singers with Cherie Byers as Librarian and members of the Board of Directors were Jack Carter, Harold Shirley and Ross Hilton. The rest is just history and The Master Singers kept entertaining free concerts for every season, and still do!

A dynamic part of Southern Utah's performing arts community, The Master Singers presents numerous concerts each season, and through the years has received recognition for its artistic excellence. The singers are known to delight, challenge and inspire their audiences with

programs that include a wide display of musical selections. They love what they do and it shows. Kent Myers sang in The Master Singers ever since it was first organized in 1946. Kent started singing with The Master Singers in the 60's, that's over 40 years and has finally decided to retire at the age of 92.

Kent Myers has carried on his musical talent to all of his family. He always felt music was a very important part of his life. He enjoyed singing and being with all the men who sing in the Master Singers. He didn't think he was going to be singing at age 90 in the Master Singers but his last season was actually the best one. From

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1997 till now, they have performed 50 years together. Kent says he misses singing with the group but for now will just listen and enjoy!

“Without Kent and Cherie Myers, there would be no Master Singers. Starting in 1957, they gathered all the old group that sang during the seventies and invited them to begin singing again. From that small beginning, The Master Singers now number around 60, and it looks like they will be singing together for quite a while into the future. We do at least four concerts each year: Easter, Father’s

Day, Veteran’s Day and Christmas, plus we sing at elementary schools and other occasions.” - Harold Shirley

Master Singers Easter Concert will be held on Sunday, March 24, 2024, at 6 P.M. The Concert will be held at the Heritage Center Theatre (105 N. 100 E.), Cedar City Utah. Admission is FREE. Bring your friends and family and enjoy the Master Singers in Concert. Following the Master Singers Concert, there will be a Spring Devotional at 7 P.M. at the same location. All are invited to enjoy both events. No admission charge for either event.



Grand Opera! Right Here in Cedar City

by *Mary Anne Andersen*

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

I had a woman stop me in the grocery store and thank me for writing this column. (How lovely was that!!). She said she found out what there was to do when she read this space. I thanked her and proceeded down the soup aisle, feeling quite appreciated. But 2 days later, when the Cedar City Arts Council newsletter arrived in my email box, I realized that there is much going on that I never pass on to you. Here is the problem: the newsletter, which listed 19 community events and 7 from the SUU calendar, arrived in my box exactly on March 1st, which was a Friday. Had I written

a column that day and submitted it past deadline, the information would not have reached you until March 7th, a whole week into the month. Instead, I am writing this on the 3rd of March, for submission on the 7th, for publication on the 14th. I can pass on the calendar for only the second half of the month.

(Pitch: if you were a member of the Arts Council, you'd have your own newsletter and never miss out on a thing! Many of those events are featured in this newspaper, but not everything that appears in the newsletter makes it into the paper. You'd do well to go to the Arts Council web page and learn how to join the Council for just \$25-\$35 a year.)

So here are a few cultural highlights from the 15th forward:

<p>March 15 <i>Cedar City Star Search, Heritage Theater at 7:00; vote for the Audience Choice Award.</i></p>	<p>March 14-16 <i>UU Pacific Islander Student Association presents "Tribute to the Island" in the SUU auditorium theater.</i></p>	<p>March 15, 16, 18-23 <i>Parowans's Alladin Theater will show "Bright Star". (This true story, written by Steve Martin, is heart wrenching, amazing.)</i></p>	<p>March 16 <i>"Sheep to Shawl" at Frontier Homestead. 10:00 AM to 4:00 p.m.</i></p>
<p>March 22-23 <i>The Shakespeare Festival is presenting, FREE, "Every Brilliant Thing". (Go and take everyone you know, especially your teenagers.)</i></p>	<p>March 23 <i>A free concert by Jack Ashton's string players; St. Jude's Episcopal Church</i></p>	<p>March 24 <i>The Master Singers' annual Easter concert; free at the Heritage Theatre, starting at 7:00</i></p>	<p>March 30 <i>Southern Utah Pow Wow; free at the event center on SUU campus</i></p>

There is a calendar of events at SUU this month which can be accessed online; most of them are free. But I want to focus on the production of "Carmen" the grand opera that is being produced by the music department on March 27 through 30. Carol Ann Modesitt was hired at SUU in 1993 with the mandate to teach vocal music and create an opera program. Since then she has

produced two musical productions a year. This very large production will involve 90 students—singers, dancers, and instrumentalists. The students will sing in French and speak English dialogue! The venue is the Heritage Theater at 7:30; while this event is not free, you will see some excellent musical performances for your \$10.00. Take your kids for some cultural exposure.

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Register for Theatre Summer Camp: Ages 5-18 Train with Theatre Professionals

by Marlo Ihler

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Festival summer camps are the perfect chance for young aspiring artists to experience a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to train with professionals.

“Getting to watch a Festival production and then study with the artists whose work you saw onstage is a unique opportunity for students,”

says Education Director Katherine Norman.

For those thinking about attending, here are several reasons to sign up today for summer camp:

- It’s a chance to work with and learn from the artists you see onstage in Festival productions.
- Summer camps allow you to spend a week learning and playing with other like-minded students and theatre lovers.
- You can choose your focus! For high school students, there’s the option to study acting or technical theatre with Festival professionals. Unsure about sleep-away camp? That’s okay; choose what’s best for you and participate in our day camp instead.
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Click here to register and for tuition costs and more information. Registration closes May 31, 2024.

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Junior Actor Training
July 15-20, 2024
Ages 12-14

Taught by professional Festival actors, this week-long sleep-away camp is for young actors who want to train in scene work, stage combat, voice and movement, and more.

Click here to register and for tuition costs and more information. Registration closes July 5, 2024.

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THEATRE TRAINING
July 22-27, 2024
Ages 15-18

This program allows students to choose their focus: Acting or Technical Theatre. Taught by professional Festival acting and production company members, this pre-college professional training program is for high school students looking for a week-long intensive sleep-away camp.

Click here to register and for tuition costs and more information. Registration closes July 12, 2024.

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Introducing Cedar City Musical Talent

from Anndria Naidu

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



Anndria, a born composer, is 53 years old. At the age of 11, Anndria was in a queen contest where she played Fur Elise by Beethoven. She played it memorized on the piano perfectly and won the queen contest. Anndria played piano and trumpet for middle school gatherings. She was thinking of original compositions in her head and letting them out at the piano over time beginning in 1970. She continued to do this in high school and played piano for graduations. Anndria has played piano in every congregation at church and conducted music well. She has also played organ at many temples. She sang in the World Church Choir and many LDS choirs. Anndria is a fantabulous composer! Many of her original compositions are magnificent, and over the years have been submitted to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (many compositions as Anndria Rasmussen and one composition as Anndria R. Smith) to be put in the new hymnbook. Submitted songs/hymns titled: “I Come So Very Soon”, “Oh My Brother, Oh My Sister, We Are Here”, “The Power of the Priesthood”, “Heavenly Mother and

Heavenly Father”, “Holy Children”, “Many Things”, “Cultivating Our Minds”, and “Light”. Anndria has two children and four grandchildren and is happily married to her husband in the temple. Anndria performed many concerts in Magna, Utah and Salt Lake City, Utah. Anndria lives in Cedar City, Utah where she performed (played piano for) her original music at the Shakespeare Festival and the Renaissance Faire. On Sounds of Sunday, you can hear two songs of Anndria Naidu’s favorite Christmas hymns that she plays: “What Child Is This” and “Silent Night”. Anndria has made 12 CDs, 11 with her original compositions. You can find her music on her Anndria YouTube channel. Anndria says, “I have three YouTube sites: one called Anndria, one called Anndria, and one called Anndria Naidu. Enjoy listening to my music! You are wonderful listeners!” Anndria is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Also, see and listen to

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COMMUNITY + PERSONAL INTEREST IN IRON COUNTY

BELGIAN WAFFLE RIDE

RETURNS TO CEDAR CITY FOR 5TH YEAR

by *Gabrielle Costello*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



Brendan Johnston (AUS) during the 2023 BWR Cedar City. Photo courtesy BWR

CEDAR CITY, Utah (February 1, 2024) — The Belgian Waffle Ride (BWR) Tripel Crown of Gravel Series is set to make its second stop in Cedar City, Utah, from April 5 to 6, 2024, promising an exhilarating experience for participants and spectators alike. The expo will be held on Friday and race and ride day is Saturday.

In its fifth edition in Cedar City, the BWR team is thrilled to return to the picturesque Cedar City location. Nestled in southwestern Utah, Cedar City is a charming

city surrounded by stunning natural beauty. Renowned for its proximity to national parks like Zion and Bryce Canyon, Cedar City serves as a gateway to breathtaking landscapes and recreational activities for outdoor enthusiasts.

The city, home to the renowned Southern Utah University, adds to the vibrant cultural scene with events like the Utah Shakespeare Festival. With a rich history, friendly community, and a backdrop of red rock formations, Cedar City stands as a hidden gem for those seeking a blend of adventure and cultural

experiences in the heart of Utah.

This unconventional setting will provide cyclists with the opportunity to engage in a challenging race on a diverse terrain of gravel, sand, and rock, set against the backdrop of high altitude. Participants will compete against some of the most formidable cyclists hailing from road, gravel, mountain biking, and unroad disciplines.

The meticulously crafted course features a novel route, avoiding intense single-track sectors while offering a dynamic array of

'rippable' unroad challenges. Cedar City, known for its warm hospitality, has been a supportive host, and this year, it will extend a warm welcome to participants, symbolized by the red, yellow, and black carpet rolled out for the occasion.

The 2024 BWR Utah edition promises to encapsulate the quintessential elements of a Belgian Waffle Ride, featuring waffles, extreme cycling, and craft beer from Rouleur Brewing Company. Additionally, a pre-race gathering is scheduled for Friday night before

Scenes from the 2023 Belgian Waffle Ride / Photo courtesy BWR

BELGIAN WAFFLE RIDE

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the race, and on race day, participants will indulge in Belgian waffles, navigate a delectable unroad course, and savor more Belgian waffles along with some Belgian ale.



Scenes from the 2021 Belgian Waffle Ride in Cedar City, Utah. Photo courtesy BWR

Dubbed the “Hell of the South (West),” the BWR Utah parcourse stands in stark contrast to those in California or other locations. As the only Euro-style Spring Classic on American soil, the BWR CA is a Road Race characterized by two dozen unroad sectors covering approximately 55 miles of dirt and spanning 137 miles with an elevation gain of 11,000 feet. In alignment with last year’s format, the Utah BWR in Cedar City will be an Unroad Race encompassing 128 miles, interspersed with nine road sectors and a reduced climbing elevation of around 7,500 feet compared to San Diego.

Despite variations in vital statistics, the BWR Utah race promises the same level of insanity, challenge, and unparalleled experience that have contributed to the notoriety and acclaim of the BWR.

Positioned as the second stop on the Tripel Crown calendar, the BWR Utah edition is expected to attract world-class cyclists from across the globe. Among the participants are numerous former WorldTour riders, defending champions from BWR CA, and a diverse array of cyclists eager to embrace the unique challenge presented by the event.

All riders, regardless of their abilities, will embark on the same course simultaneously after the commencement, with the initial neutral section covering four miles. The Wafer and Wanna Rides will commence alongside the Waffle Ride, covering 81- and 43-mile courses, respectively, mirroring the routes from 2023, with the beginning stages overlapping the Waffle course.

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Applications for ‘24 Big Game Hunting Season open March 21

from Faith Jolley

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SALT LAKE CITY — If you’re interested in harvesting your own deer or elk meat this fall, be sure to take note of the upcoming application period and apply for hunts before the deadline.

Similar to last year, the application period for Utah’s big game hunts will again be held in March and April, so hunters can see the proposed permit numbers prior to applying. The application period opens on March 21 at 8 a.m. and runs until 11 p.m. on April 25. To be included in the drawing for the hunts, you can apply online or over the phone by calling the nearest DWR regional office.

The results of the drawing will be released on May 16, which is earlier than in past years. You’ll be notified by email, but you can also get the drawing results online or by calling 800-221-0659.

Big game hunts are held in Utah for the following species:

- Bighorn sheep (*Desert and Rocky Mountain*)
- Bison
- Elk
- Moose
- Mountain goat
- Mule deer
- Pronghorn

Starting March 21, applications will be accepted for most of Utah’s 2023 big game hunts. However, there are a few exceptions — permits for the state’s general-season bull elk hunts won’t be available until July. Permits for the general-season archery bull elk hunt go on sale July 9, the any-bull elk permits go on sale July 11 and the spike bull elk permits go on sale July 18. Permits will be sold on the DWR website, at all DWR offices and at license agent locations.



For more information about applying for a 2024 Utah big game hunting permit, see the 2024 Utah Big Game Application Guidebook or contact the nearest DWR office.

celebrations

BIRTHDAY Muriel Lee

Muriel Lee celebrated her 100th birthday on Sunday at Community Presbyterian Church, surrounded by family who traveled from Florida and Maryland! Her birthday on

March 4th marks one hundred years for this lovely lady who can still be seen driving herself around town! Originally from New Jersey, she has lived in Utah for over 30 years and has been in Cedar City for the last 17 years. Her church family threw a party at church that included a cake with a big 100 candle on it, and over 100 cupcakes! Happy Birthday Muriel!



In addition to applying for the hunts, if you’d like a chance to hunt all of Utah’s general-season deer hunts, you should consider applying for Utah’s Dedicated Hunter program. You can learn more about the program, and how to join it, on the DWR website.

UTAH HUNT PLANNER

If you’re thinking about hunting in a new area — or going after a species you’ve never hunted before — you will likely have a lot of questions. The Utah Hunt Planner is an interactive, online map that provides valuable information from DWR biologists to help answer a lot of those questions.

Visit the DWR website for more information about how to use the Utah Hunt Planner.

If you’re not planning to hunt in 2024, you can still apply for a bonus point or a preference point. Earning a point increases the chance you’ll draw a permit the next time you apply. Your application for a point must be received no later than 11 p.m. on April 25. However, you will also have an opportunity to apply for a bonus or preference point during the antlerless application period from June 5-19. You must have a hunting license or a combination license to apply for a bonus/preference point or a big game hunting permit.

calendar

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

Brian Head Council

2nd & 4th Tues, 1 pm • Brian Head Town Hall, 56 N. Hwy 143

Cedar City Council

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

Enoch City Council

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

Enoch Planning Commission

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

Iron County Commission

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

Iron County Democrats

3rd Sat, 10 am-11:30 am • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E

Iron County Republican Women

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

Parowan City Council

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

SERVICE GROUPS

American Legion Post 74

2nd Mon, 6pm, Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E. Learn about Veteran benefits, opportunities, fellowship. Honor Guard provides military honors at Veterans funerals. Post Commander Darrin Duncan (435) 704-1466.

Bikers Against Child Abuse

2nd Thurs 7 pm • Courtyard Marriott, 1294 S Interstate Dr (Cedar Breaks Conference Rm)

DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter

2nd Sat, 10 am • Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E

Elks Lodge #1556

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

Lion's Club

Tues, 12 pm • Call Pres. Michelle Wilson for mtg. info. Everyone welcome! (802) 359-2183

Marine Corps League

Detachment 1315, 2nd Wed, 6:30 pm Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E)

Rotary Club

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

So. Utah Veterans Assoc.

1st Thurs, 7pm • Westview Christian Center (2624 West Hwy 56, Cedar). Veterans, First Responders, All are welcome to attend.

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org. Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829 KKCBC Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

Red Road to Sobriety • Mon, 6 pm Paiute

Tribe, 440 N Paiute (435) 586-1112 Ext. 307

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

The Great Fact • T, F, Noon. True Life Center 2111 N. Main. (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856

Red Creek Group • Wed, 7 pm • 685 N 300 E, Parowan • (435) 477-8925

Uncommon Sense • Sat, 10:00 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Thank God Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

What a Way to Start the Day • Su, W, F 7-8 am • All are welcome

Al-Anon

KKCBC Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Al-Anon • 1st, 3rd Tues, 7-8 pm • 435-704-8984

Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm • (435) 559-3333

Hope for Today (Family Groups)

Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

Alzheimer's/Dementia

Last Tues, 5:30-6:30 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). Learn, access resources, connect. Virtual option available. Raven Albertson, 385.831.7124, utahprograms@alz.org.

ARP—Addiction Recovery

1st Wed, 7 pm • Parowan Seminary building, Main & 300 N, Parowan Sun 7:30 pm • 85 N 600 W, Cedar, Rm. 102 – LDS bldg. Back entrance. 435-218-9578

Caregivers

3rd Thurs, 5:45-7 pm • Zion's Way Home Health, 369 N 100 W #1, Cedar. All levels of the caregiver's journey from pre-caregiving to bereavement and rebuilding welcome. INFO: Kat at 702-292-9911.

Celebrate Recovery 12-Step

Fri, 6:30 pm • Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). God can change any hurt, habit or hangup, not just alcohol addiction INFO: 435-586-3640

Embrace Grace

Unmarried, pregnant? You don't have to walk alone! Safe, judgment-free zone. Free baby stuff at a baby shower for you. Text or call 407-719-8595 • Info under Resources tab @ Threshingfloor.life.

Grief Support Group

2nd Tues, 5 pm • Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W, Cedar). Safe, supportive for those who have lost loved ones. You are not alone. Free. INFO: 435-586-4040

Grief Support - Child Loss

1st Tues, 7 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). FREE for bereaved parent, sibling or grandparent. Includes any child loss (pre-birth, young, teen, adult). INFO: 435-327-1856

Helproom

Fri, 2-3 pm • Free online support group for survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault. Safe to communicate, share perspectives on healing, recovery. Join: affiliate.rainn.org/helproom/canyoncreekservices.

Multiple Sclerosis

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

Narcotics Anonymous

www.nasouthernutah.org • (435) 635-9603 KKCBC Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm

Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

Hope Without Dope • Thurs, 8 pm

Live and Let Live • Fri, 8 pm

Candle Light Mtg • Sat, 9:30 pm (Sm rm)

Women Only • Sun, 11 am

Dopeless Hope Fiends • Sun, 8 pm • Mtg Hall, 1067 S Main, Cedar (877) 865-5890

Nicotine Anon (12-Step)

Fri 5 pm • KKCBC 203 Cobble Creek Dr. Ste. 201 (North Room), Cedar • (435) 559-0394

Porn Addiction Recovery

Men Only • Thurs, 7:30pm • Canyon View seminary building (54 W 1925 N). North entrance.

Pregnancy, Infant Loss

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

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

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

Southern Utah Veterans Assoc.

1st Thurs, 7 pm • Westview Christian Center, 2624 W Hwy 56, Cedar. INFO: Chuck Waddell 907-252-1365.

Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

2nd Tues, 1:30-2:30 pm • Cedar City Senior Center, 489 E 200 S • Kristy 435-559-9681.

Widows Ministry

2nd Sat, 11-1 pm • New Journey-Widow's Ministry @ Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisechurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

CLASSES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Adult Barre/Modern Dance

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

Arthritis Foundations Exercise

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

Arts for Adults w/ Disabilities

Every other Tues, 1-2pm, starts Nov. 28. • Johnson Arts Center (59 N 100 W Cedar). Fun, engaging activities. Drum/Flute circles, group juggling, fine arts projects, more! All levels/abilities! 702-917-2151.

Bingo & Lunch

Fri, lunch @Noon, Bingo @3 pm. Free for Seniors @ Our House Assisted Living (995 S Regency Rd, Cedar). INFO: 435-867-0055.

Book Club

2nd Thurs, 6 pm • Cedar Library 303 N 100 E.

Boy Scout Troop 1848

5th-17 yrs • Thurs 6:30 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west door. Text Sheila 805-208-4545

Cedar Breaks Model A/ Vintage Car Club

1st Thurs, 6pm • Get to know other vintage vehicle enthusiasts, great camaraderie, have fun, win awards at car shows, parades, etc. INFO: Mel @ 435-919-4183 or email cedarbreaksmodela@gmail.com.

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild

Thurs, 10 am • Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. Projects for all abilities. Block of the Month. Make friends, improve skills & have fun. Visitors welcome. Info: Ms. Ronnie Badgett. 435-477-2243. cedarchestquiltersguild.org

Cedar City ESL

Wed, 6:30 - 7:30 pm • Free ESL lessons offered at Cedar Library, Rare Book Room (303 N 100 E). No pre-registration required.

Cedar City Toastmasters

Thurs, 7 am • Cedar City Visitor Center, 581 North Main. Find your voice, shape your future. Be the leader & speaker you want to be. (603) 731-0116

Cedar Professionals

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

Cedar Radio Control Club

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

Color Country Winds

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

Cub Scout Pack 1848

K-5th • Thurs, 5 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west side door, next to Enoch City Business office. Text LaRee Kurtz 435-559-211.

Explorer Bible Club

Wed, 6:30-8 pm • 4yrs. to 6th grade, Valley Bible Church (4780 N Hwy 91, Enoch). 435-586-0253

International Folk Dancing

Fri, 1-2 pm • Cedar Senior Center (489 E 200 S) FREE; No Partner Needed; teaching! INFO: 626-808-6129

Iron County Moms For America

1st Wed, 7pm • Cedar City Library. Keep liberty alive in your hearts, homes with liberty minded book discussions. INFO: Kami Merrill 435-592-4152 or email: ironcountymoms4america@gmail.com

O.A.R.S. Young Adult Group

Tues, 9, 6-8 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). Open, Authentic, Relevant, and Spiritual. Dinner group, ages 18-30. Talk about spirituality, mutual support, curiosity, community service. Text 541-579-1554, pastorschuyler@gmail.com

Parowan Pickleball

Mon, 6-8 pm • Tues-Thurs, 9-12 pm • Iron County Exhibit Building. Range of skill levels, 3 indoor courts, beginners welcome. INFO, fees and signup: Parowan Visitors Center 435-477-8190.

PB&J Therapy Groups

These two groups teach skills for different areas of life by utilizing recreational activities and engaging in other forms of expressing emotions. INFO: 435-267-4212. College: forms.gle/SmGytgCfvQ1tS2pB7 Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9

Rock Club

1st Thurs, 6 pm • Gateway Academy, 201 W Thoroughbred Way, Enoch. Learn about geology, find gems, fossils and minerals. Learn to cut and polish and make jewelry. southernutahrockclub.org

Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild

Wed, 9:30-11:30 am • Grind Coffee House (19 N Main, Cedar City). Knit, crochet, weave, spin, etc. Come learn a craft, work on a project, or just socialize. Beginners welcome! Questions: Jane 435-233-8366.

Senior Yoga Classes

Mon, 10-11 am & Wed, 1-2 pm • Cedar City Senior Center (489 E 200 S). Easy to do. Please bring own mat. (435) 586-0832

Sewing Group

Wed 9-2:30 pm • Cedar Senior Center (489 E 200 S). Bring machine, cord, projects, supplies. No fees. All abilities welcome. Annie Anzalone (702) 232-0063.

Southern Utah Woodturners

2nd Sat, 9 am, Cedar High School wood shop, 703 W 600 S.

StrongBoard Classes

M-W-Fri, 9 am • IFS Studio, 2390 UT-56 #9, Cedar City. Improve core strength, balance, stability. All fitness levels welcome. Class size limited to 8. Call (661) 436-0259 to register/reserve your spot.

Tai Chi For Health

Wed & Fri, 9:30-10:30 am • Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. FREE low-impact, health for Seniors. Helps coordination, balance, flexibility. Maria Bailey, 435-673-3548 x103. Pre-registration not required. Space limited.

Top Bar Hive Bee Keeping

1st Tues, 7 pm • Cedar City Library 303 N 100 E. (435) 586-6661

TOPS—Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Wed • Weigh-in 9 am, mtg 9:30 am, Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E. Lose weight affordably • 586-3233 (am mtg)

Water Aerobics Class

Tues, Thurs, 9 am • SUU pool, 2-56 N 600 W. Fun, up-tempo workout to music. Intensive cardio, full body muscle toning. Any fitness level. All ages. \$3/class, including pool admission. (435) 327-2091 (no text)

Wellness Place

583 S Main Suite #5, Cedar City. (435) 592-5308. Classes: thewellnessplacecc.com/upcoming-classes

Wellness Wednesdays

Wed Noon-1 pm • Create Better Health. ZOOM Mtg ID: 841 6308 8990, PW: health, Info: Kristi Sharp (435) 986-2564, ksharp@swuhealth.org

Youth Group

Wed, 6:30-8 pm • Ages 12-18. Meal, games & Bible Study. @ Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisechurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

calendar

WED, MAR
13**RALLY FOR CHANGE (12:30**

to 1:30 p.m.) Students involved in SUU's Sustainability Club are excited to announce their upcoming event, "Rally for Change." The rally will take place in front of Old Main, on the side facing the upper quad. The event will feature speeches from student leaders, the reading of several testimonials from community members across campus, and 2-3 live music performances.

SUU FOUNDERS WEEK - 5'S

& Fries, Founders Awards Banquet, & Western Swing Night At 11:30 a.m. in the Sharwan Smith Center Ballroom, join the Student Alumni Association for "5's & Fries," completing a #SUUTradition by high-fiving Sharwan Smith and receiving free Chick-Fil-A Fries. The evening continues at 6:30 p.m. in the Gilbert Great Hall, Hunter Alumni Center, with the prestigious Founders Awards Banquet where Carrie Trenholm and Dan & Jane Roberts are being honored with distinguished service awards. Additionally, a lively "Western Swing Night" awaits in the Multi-Purpose Gym at a time to be determined - an evening of western dancing.

THURS,
MAR 14

BIBLE STUDY (MAR 14-April 18, 1-3pm) @ Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). 6-wk study of 2 Timothy to discover truth by using three skills: observation, interpretation and application. Homework, discussion, DVD lecture. Precept Bible

studies are nondenominational. Workbooks \$10.50 and may be ordered when you register @ 435-267-2234 or 435-238-3078. www.precept.org.

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FRI, MAR 15

CEDAR CITY STAR SEARCH (7-9pm) FREE @ Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar). Talented locals compete for prizes. Tickets are required. INFO: cedarcity.org.

MUSICAL: BRIGHT STAR

(Mar 15-16, 18-23, 7-9pm) @ Parowan Aladdin Theater (27 N Main). Parowan City presents the new Musical Bright Star. Tickets \$7 at the door and Parowan Visitor's Center (5 S Main St). INFO: 435-477-8190.

SUU FOUNDERS WEEK

- Red Friday, What's Your Tradition?, & Music Department Recital Embrace "Red Friday" all day, showing your T-Bird pride as a Tradition Keeper. Join the community at 9:00 a.m. in the Sharwan Smith Student Center Living Room for "What's Your Tradition?" to share and celebrate unique

traditions. At noon in the Thorley Recital Hall, SUU Music Building, experience the Music Department Recital and learn about SUU's founding through "Back Up The Mountain." Concluding the day, catch the softball game at 1:00 p.m. on Kathryn Berg Field.

SAT, MAR 16

SHEEP TO SHAWL

(10am-4pm) @ Frontier Homestead State Park Museum (635 N Main, Cedar). \$4 per person or \$20 per family. Sagebrush Fiber Artisans demonstrations include shearing, washing, carding, spinning, dyeing, weaving. INFO: 435-586-9290

SUU FOUNDERS WEEK

- Softball vs. Stephen F. Austin & Casino Night Noon sees the softball action continue against Stephen F. Austin on Kathryn Berg Field. Concluding Founders Week, don't miss the lively "Casino Night" at 8:00 p.m. in the Sharwan Smith Student Center.

MON, MAR
25

IS REMOTE WORK RIGHT FOR ME? (11:00 am to 2:00 pm) at USU Extension - Iron County 585 North Main Street #4, Cedar City, Utah 84721. Join us for a Remote Work Open House. Contact Meagan at Meagan.johnston@usu.edu or (435) 267-1753.

WED, MAR
27

2024 DESERTSCAPE INTERNATIONAL FILM

FESTIVAL MARCH 27- 30TH We have many great films and events for film fans and filmmakers alike. This year it will also coincide with the St. George Art Festival. It's going to be a blast! Early Bird All-Access Badges are on sale now through March 5th.

BUDGETING TRIPS AND TRICKS COURSE

(6:00 to 7:00pm) at USU Extension - Iron County 585 North Main Street #4, Cedar City, Utah 84721. Join us as we discuss some Budgeting Tips and Tricks! Contact Meagan at Meagan.johnston@usu.edu or (435) 267-1753.

Want your event
on our calendar?

There is no charge for calendar items. Your submissions can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, or emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought to 479 N 100 W, #1, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon. The calendar is not to be used for advertising. Items will be printed at our discretion.

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The 2024 Parowan High School junior prom royalty are, left to right: Trevor Harris, second attendant; Angelina Shamilyan, second attendant; Spencer Whitelaw, first attendant; Ruthi Cowan, first attendant; Daniel Bernhardt, prom king; and Piper Carlson, prom queen, Parowan, Utah, March 2, 2024 | Photo by Becca Evans Photography

Parowan Students Step Out for Unique Community Tradition

by Cami Cox

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

PAROWAN – A long-standing community tradition was once again observed March 2 as Parowan community members turned out for the annual Parowan High School junior class promenade.

“There’s just a lot of little things this town does that I don’t think many other towns do,” said Kaitlyn Osborn, a math teacher and junior class advisor at Parowan High School.

Each year, PHS’s junior prom is more than just a dance for students; it’s an occasion for parents, siblings and the entire community to join in as the junior class is presented to them and the students then perform their “promenade” – a choreographed couples dance.

Family members then get to join in a family dance with their students.

The Parowan High School gymnasium was transformed into a scene befitting this beloved city event, with lights, flowers and other decorations adorning the space as the unique ritual took place.

Dressed in their formalwear, the PHS juniors entered the gym and were announced couple by couple. The students then presented their promenade, dancing in choreographed step around the room. Parents and other family members were then invited to the dance floor to dance with their students.

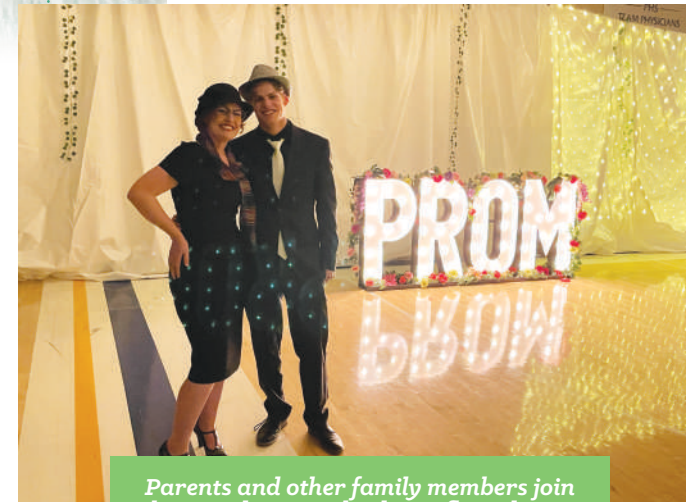
“This has been a tradition for forever, so we’re obviously still keeping that alive here,” Osborn

said.

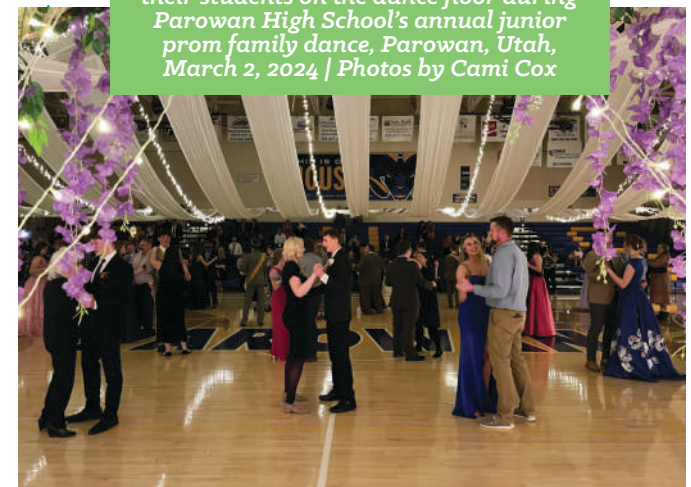
The junior prom royalty were also announced during the event. Daniel Bernhardt and Piper Carlson were named as the 2024 junior prom king and queen, with Spencer Whitelaw and Ruthi Cowan named as the first attendants and Trevor Harris and Angelina Shamilyan named as the second attendants.

Having grown up in a large city and graduated with a class of about 1,000 students, Osborn said her experience living and teaching in Parowan has been very unique, and the promenade tradition is one example of something that isn’t commonly found in larger communities and bigger schools.

“This is a really unique and cool town,” she said.



Parents and other family members join their students on the dance floor during Parowan High School’s annual junior prom family dance, Parowan, Utah, March 2, 2024 | Photos by Cami Cox



history

Old Rock Church Restoration Project and Fundraising Efforts

by John Turner

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Last December I wrote an article telling you about the Sons of Utah Pioneers restoring the monument that recounts the story of John C. Fremont and his expedition being cared for in Parowan. Today, I am happy to report that the project is complete and the monument is back in place on Main Street. The work was done during the snowy months and the new rock work should easily last another hundred + years.

So, as one door closes, another one opens to reveal the next restoration project under way about a hundred yards from the site of the Fremont monument. Right across the street within the church square is another much bigger restoration that needs help from our community.

Last summer we participated in a massive fund raising event here in Parowan, whose purpose was to fund the restoration of the Old Rock Church, which was built in the 1860's. Today it is a landmark building serving as a museum filled with pioneer artifacts that showcase the early citizens of Parowan's history.

I drive by the church daily and last week I finally saw painters on scaffolding and up in a cherry picker working on the steeple and bell tower, so I stopped to get some pictures of the work underway. While wandering around and looking up towards the steeple I ran into Liz and Tom Zaleski and learned that they are active members of the committee to preserve this unique church, which is an enormous part of Parowan's pioneer history.....so I offered to help tell their story.

The next fundraiser will be on Saturday, June 22nd and there will be many ways that folks throughout Iron County can help fund this restoration goal, including a dinner with a live auction of baked goods, craft items and more, a silent auction with a variety



Old Rock Image Finished

Old Rock Image Restoration

Old Rock Image Steeple

of goods donated by individuals and businesses from the area, including outdoor recreational gear, quilts and tools. The committee is contacting willing donors early enough so that they can gather anything that will be attractive to bidders in time for the June date. Commemorative bricks will also be available and will be placed in a garden at the foot of the museum stairs.

Over the next few months leading up to the fundraiser the ORC Committee will be releasing updated information on other ways you can donate and participate. Our Old Rock Church has become the most recognizable face of Parowan, appearing on signs, banners, postcards and even the official city vehicles, and it needs your help, so please keep an eye out in this newspaper for more articles by either me or fellow writer May Hunter, or in the Parowan City newsletter and on the Old Rock Church page on Facebook. The ORC is located in church square, along with two other churches, and all were built in three different centuries and three different architectural styles, and they are also the three tallest buildings in the city.

As I am writing this article in early March when the winds are blowing wildly, I can't help but think about how much longer the steeple can hold up against these hurricane like winds, which makes it even more important that this fundraiser is a success and further restoration can continue. What a tragedy it would be if the church deteriorates much further and we lose such a significant tribute to the pioneer heritage of this community. If any of you readers have questions or suggestions on how to make this fundraiser everything it needs to be, please contact committee member Tom Zaleski. You can text or call him at (435) 590-6361.



D9 Meats

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Business & Finance

Cedar City Shines Bright At The 74th Annual “Best of Cedar City” Awards Gala!

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar City Chamber of Commerce pulled out all the stops for the 74th annual Best of Cedar City Awards Gala, a night filled with glitz and glam and heartfelt celebration of the community’s finest individuals and businesses. Held at the SUU Sharwin Smith Center, on March 7th, 2024. The event was a resounding success, showcasing the best that this vibrant community has to offer.

Guests were welcomed by Cedar City Chamber Chair, Andy Losee, in an atmosphere of elegance and anticipation. The evening commenced with a delicious dinner, where attendees mingled and savored delectable cuisine, setting the stage for an unforgettable night.

One of the highlights of the evening was the induction of the new Chamber Directors, who were sworn in by Mayor Green, amidst an atmosphere of optimism and enthusiasm for the future of Cedar City. These visionary leaders bring fresh perspectives and unwavering dedication to their roles, poised to steer the Chamber towards new heights of success and prosperity.

As the ceremony unfolded, our host, Michael Bahr, entertained the audience with his charm and wit, and some fantastic “Dad Jokes” then shone the spotlight on the outstanding citizens and businesses that have made significant contributions to the fabric of Cedar City. Applause and admiration filled the room as the recipients of various awards were announced, each representing the values and spirit of this beautiful region.

From exemplary community service to innovative entrepreneurship, the honorees exemplified

excellence in their respective fields, earning the admiration and respect of their peers. Their dedication and commitment to making Cedar City a better place were truly commendable, and the gala provided a fitting platform to celebrate their achievements.

The winners were:

Business of the Year - Festival City Farmers Market.
Medical Professional of the Year - Josh Williams.
Employer of the Year - BZI.
Restaurant of the Year - The Pizza Cart.
Customer of the Year - Lin’s Market.
Innovative Business of the Year - RCS Rocket Motor Components.
Educator of the Year - Rob Potter.

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Host and Master of Ceremonies, Michael Bahr, Executive Managing Director of the Utah Shakespeare Festival. Photo by Dallas Smith

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CEDAR CITY SHINES

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Young Citizen of the Year - Sadie Hinck.
Volunteer of the Year - Wendy Anderson.
Organization of the Year - Vision Iron County.
Man of the Year - Craig Isom.
Woman of the Year - Tessa Douglas.
Excellence in the Arts (Fred C. Adams) - Cedar City Children's Musical Theatre.
Legacy Lifetime Achievement - Neal Smith.
Spirit Award - Jullie Padilla.

As the festivities drew to a close, there was a sense of gratitude and appreciation for the unforgettable moments shared and the connections forged during the gala. The 74th Annual Best of Cedar City Awards Gala was indeed a night to remember, serving as a testament to the resilience, creativity, and spirit of the Cedar City community.

As Cedar City looks ahead to a promising future, fueled by the passion and dedication of its residents and businesses, the memories of this spectacular gala will continue to inspire and uplift all who call this remarkable place home.



Will My Benefit Increase if I Work While Collecting Disability?

Dear Rusty: I will be 64 in March and currently receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) payments. My full retirement age is 67, but I'm thinking about trying to return to work.

If I work and my earnings exceed the monthly disability payment limits, but do not exceed the annual limit, how will my disability payments be affected? Will working while receiving Social Security disability payments change my Social Security benefit amount when I reach my full retirement age of 67?

Signed: Mending

Dear Mending: Social Security doesn't go by annual earnings when it comes to disability (SSDI) - they go by monthly earnings. If your work earnings in any one month of 2024 exceed \$1,550, that will be a flag to SS that you are no longer disabled (\$2,590 per month if you're blind). If that happens for a few months in a row, they will most likely stop your SSDI payments. Often, this happens retroactively - they won't find out until sometime later that you repeatedly exceeded the monthly limit - but they will likely cancel your SSDI benefits and require you to repay any benefits you received in months you exceeded the monthly SSDI earnings limit, or months they deem you were capable of working without restriction.

I suggest you consider enrolling in Social Security's "Ticket to Work" program. While enrolled, you can work and will have a rolling 9 month "Trial Work Period" over 5 years, during which you can earn more than \$1,110/month (in 2024) without jeopardizing your SSDI benefits. If, after completing your 9 month trial work period, you are taken off of SSDI (because you're no longer considered disabled), and you again become disabled and unable to work, your SSDI benefits can resume without requiring you to go through the entire application process again.

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You can test your ability to work, will be able to work some and can earn more than the limit in some months, which makes the Ticket to Work program your best option. Read more about it here: <https://choosework.ssa.gov/>.

As for whether working while on SSDI will improve your benefit at your full retirement age (FRA), that depends. Your current SSDI benefit is equal to your FRA entitlement from your earn-

ings record at your disability onset date (but paid to you prior to your FRA). The method for determining your benefit under SSDI is complex and depends on the age at which you became unable to work and the number of Social Security credits you had accumulated at that time. Although SS retirement benefits normally require you earn at least 40 SS quarter credits and are based on your highest earning 35 years, those approved for SSDI can get benefits with fewer than 40 credits and less than 35 years of lifetime earnings. Since each case is unique, I cannot say whether your earnings while on SSDI will improve your FRA amount, but Social Security will monitor your earnings and increase your benefit if appropriate.

FYI, your SSDI benefit would normally automatically convert to become your regular SS retirement benefit at your FRA at the same amount you were receiving while on SSDI. It's possible that the limited earnings you may have from working while on SSDI may increase your benefit, but that's impossible for me to predict. Your benefit is based on your lifetime earnings history (adjusted for inflation), not on your contributions to Social Security while working.

So, if you are on SSDI and wish to try returning to work, and you think your monthly earnings will occasionally exceed the SSDI limit, I suggest you contact Social Security (1.800.772.1213 or your local office) to explore enrolling in the Ticket to Work program. That would be your best option to avoid jeopardizing your SSDI benefits, and your benefit amount will be automatically adjusted by Social Security if appropriate.

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obituaries

Bud Bauer



Forrest Qayne (Bud) Bauer returned home to his Loving Heavenly Father surrounded by family on March 4th, 2024. Bud was born on September 16th, 1928 in Cedar City, UT to Mary Mackelprang Perkins and Joseph LeRoy Bauer. Dad attended Cedar High School until his Junior year, when at age 15, his Father passed away and he left school to take over the family farm with his brother Dennis. From that time on, Dad worked tirelessly taking care of the farm and sheep and serving others.

Dad first saw the love of his life, Ruby Robinson, as she walked to work in Cedar City. He eventually got up the courage to stop and ask her if she would like a ride. Dad knew right away she was the one for him, and Mom eventually agreed. Bud and Ruby were sealed for Time and all Eternity, in the St. George Temple, on March 12th, 1957. After they were married, they made their home in Cedar City, where they worked side by side on the farm and raised 4 children.

Dad spent his entire life serving others. Wherever there was work to be done, we would find Dad. He spent countless hours serving the members of his LDS Ward and all the neighbors around him. Many people were beneficiaries of his meticulously kept enormous garden. Among numerous other vegetables, he raised more than one-hundred tomato plants each year.

Dad was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, where he spent many years serving in various organizations, including Bishoprics, Sunday School, and was High Priest group leader numerous times. Dad and Mom also served two service missions together at the local LDS Bishop's Storehouse.

Work was Dads favorite hobby. He loved his sheep, working the land, and spending time on the property at Kolob. He loved the cabin that he and his brother Dennis built and enjoyed time spent with family there.

Bud is survived by his four children: Danette (Manny) Amankwa of Cedar City UT, Cal (Joni) Bauer of Spanish Fork UT, Ryan (Anette) Bauer of Cedar City UT, and RaLinda (Tyler) Seegmiller of Cedar City UT; his Grandchildren: Gabe, Ariel, Simeon (Julianna), Malabry Amankwa, Josslyn (D.J) Leach, Jordan Bauer, James (Shauna), Darin and Nate Erickson, Tessa (Jaxon) Singleton, Nicole, Brady (Karen), and Erica Bauer,

Kinsley and Kayden Seegmiller. He is also survived by 5 great grandchildren, and one brother, Joel Bauer. He is preceded in death by his dear wife Ruby, his parents, as well as his brothers Clyde and Dennis Bauer.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, March 9th, 2024, at 11:00 am in the Old Rock Church, 75 E. Center St., Cedar City, UT. A Viewing will be held on Friday, March 8th from 6-8 pm, and again on Saturday, March 9th from 9:30-10:30 am at Southern Utah Mortuary, 190 N. 300 W. Cedar City, UT. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. To view a Livestream of the Funeral Service and Online Condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

The Family wishes to thank Three Peaks Assisted Living, and Applegate Home Health & Hospice for the loving and tender care they gave our Dad in his last three weeks.

Want to submit an obituary?

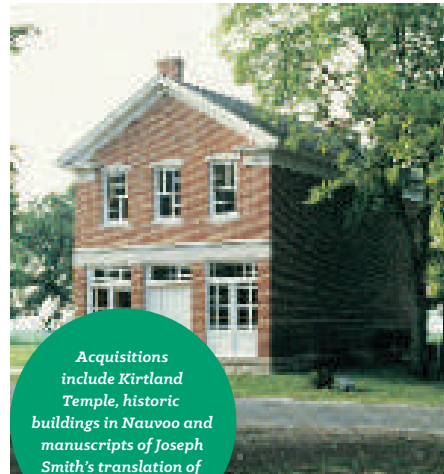
There is a charge of \$100 for obituaries to be published. Submissions can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought in typed/digitized format to 479 N 100 W, #1, Cedar City. A single submission may be up to 600 words and may include up to two photos. Submitted obituaries over 600 words will be charged an additional 10¢ per word. The deadline for submissions is Monday at 11 am for Thursday's publication.

faith

Ownership of Sacred Sites and Historic Documents Transfer to Church of Jesus Christ

From the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Newsroom

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



Acquisitions include Kirtland Temple, historic buildings in Nauvoo and manuscripts of Joseph Smith's translation of the Bible

Today Tuesday, March 5, 2024, the responsibility and ownership for the Kirtland Temple, several historic buildings in Nauvoo, and various manuscripts and artifacts officially transferred from Community of Christ to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for an agreed-upon amount. Together, we share an interest in and reverence for these historic sites and items and are committed to preserving them for future generations.

Discussions leading to this landmark agreement commenced in June 2021. "This exchange of assets is significant for our church," said Stephen M. Veazey, president of Community of Christ. "Through funding from increased endowments, Community of Christ will have greater capacity to pursue our mission priorities around the world, including continuing to fulfill the divinely envisioned purposes for our Temple in Independence, Missouri."

"We are deeply honored to assume the stewardship of these sacred places, documents, and artifacts," said Russell M. Nelson, President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. "We thank our friends at Community of Christ for their great care and cooperation in preserving these historical treasures thus far. We are committed to doing the same."

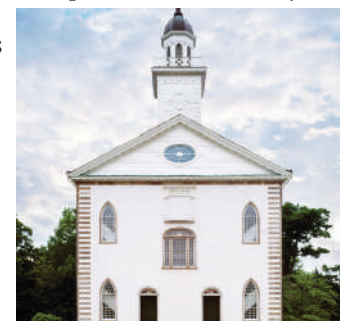
The Kirtland Temple will remain an historic building. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints plans to reopen it March 25, 2024, for public tours at no charge. Likewise, in Nauvoo, the Smith Family Homestead, the Mansion House and the Red

Brick Store will also reopen on March 25, 2024, for year-round public tours at no charge. More details about the transaction, assets, and the other items included in the agreement will be forthcoming.

The historic transfer underscores our long-standing effort to preserve religious and cultural heritage and foster respective opportunities for growth and service to the world.

Community of Christ is an international faith community dedicated to fostering authentic connections with one another and with God. It strives to restore Christ's peace on Earth and challenge unjust systems that diminish human worth. Community of Christ affirms the intrinsic worth of every person and provides a place to belong, be loved and valued, grow spiritually, and discover a purpose that can change lives and communities.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, a worldwide faith, teaches that our Father in Heaven and His Son Jesus Christ have in our day again called a living prophet and restored priesthood authority and covenants to bless families and individuals with joy. Members seek to live and share the gospel of Jesus Christ, care for those in need and unite families for eternity. They cherish the Book of Mormon and the Bible as holy scripture.



VERSE OF THE WEEK

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Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

WAC MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

COACH OF THE YEAR

**⚡ ERIC ⚡
HOULE**


Houle Wins WAC Coach of the Year, Labra Awarded Athlete of the Year

by James Wilson

IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY, Utah - The Southern Utah University track & field program is proud to announce that head coach Eric Houle has won the WAC Men's Indoor Track & Field Coach of the Year and runner Isaiah Labra has won the Athlete of the

Year following the Thunderbirds championship-winning season.

Head Coach Eric Houle said: "Isaiah receiving the athlete of the meet is well-deserved. To run the mile as fast as he did is what catapulted him into the national championship. Regarding the coach of the year award, when you consider all the great coaches

in our conference, it's a nice gesture from them."

Now in his 32nd year as the head man at SUU, Houle collects his 42nd Conference Coach of the Year across Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field. This is his first as a coach in the Western Athletic Conference.

Houle's accomplishments this season have

Randolph Shatters School Record in Flippin' Birds Victory Over BYU

by Regan Hunsaker

ASSISTANT AD, SUU SPORTS INFORMATION

CEDAR CITY, Utah - The Flippin' Birds took on former MRGC conference rival BYU Monday evening. Southern Utah came out on top in the meet with an impressive score of 197.125. The Cougars also posted an outstanding meet, scoring 197.000.

In an impressive display, the team achieved remarkable feats in various events. With a score of 49.325 on the balance beam, they secured a tie for the second-best score in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation history, trailing only behind the team's own score from February 2nd. Similarly, their vault performance, earning a score of 49.250, also tied them for second place in the MPSF record book. Notably, the outstanding individual performance of Freshman Niya Randolph on the uneven bars earned a score of 9.950, becoming the second-best score in both SUU and MPSF conference history.

Furthermore, Randolph set an

extraordinary milestone by achieving a record-breaking all-around score of 39.600, setting a new standard for the MPSF and earning the top spot in the Southern Utah record book. The freshman from Las Vegas scored a tie for the top floor, bars, and vault of the night.

Perhaps the most significant achievement was the team's historic accomplishment of becoming the first-ever MPSF team to reach a score of 197, marking a monumental milestone in the history of the conference. The mark is tied for the third-highest score in program history. The freshman from Las Vegas scored a tie for the top-floor routine of the night and

tied for first on the bars and vault.

Vault (49.250)

The Flippin' Birds commenced the meet on the vault, spearheaded by junior Ellie Cacciola, who set the pace with an impressive 9.850. Randolph followed suit, notching a career-high 9.900, while Junior Taylor Gull contributed with a score of 9.825. Sophomore Kayla Pardue maintained the momentum with a vault, earning her 9.775. Next up was Sophomore Kennedy McClain, who added a 9.825. In concluding the rotation for the Thunderbirds was freshman Brinlee Christensen, who scored 9.850.

Bars (49.250)

The Flippin' Birds kicked off the second rotation with an impressive display on the bars. Freshman Brinlee Christensen started strong with a score of 9.800. Freshman Alex Routsis came next, scoring a 9.800 as well. Sophomore Trista Goodman raised the bar even higher, achieving a remarkable 9.875. Randolph contributed an incredible routine that scored 9.950, a career-high.

Junior Isabella

Neff added an impressive 9.825, further bolstering the team's performance. Senior Aly Coutu concluded the second rotation with a routine that earned her a score of 9.625.

Beam (49.325)

Fernandez set the tone for the third rotation of the T-Birds' performance with an exceptional score of 9.850, captivating the audience with her skill. Following her lead, McClain delivered a solid performance, earning a score of 9.850. Cacciola continued to impress, captivating the judges with her beam routine, securing an impressive 9.825. Randolph maintained the team's momentum with a strong performance, scoring 9.850. Senior Aly Coutu further contributed to the team's success with a routine with an excellent score of 9.875. Finally, Senior Anna Hartley concluded both the rotation for the Flippin' Birds by setting a new career-high scoring 9.900.

Floor (49.300)

Transitioning to the floor for the final rotation, the Thunderbirds showcased their style, with freshman Alyssa Fernandez igniting the momentum with a commendable routine, earning her a score of 9.825. Cacciola followed that up to score 9.875 with her own polished performance. Junior Taylor Gull elevated the team's standing with a solid routine, securing a score of 9.775. Brinlee Christensen captivated the audience with her stellar routine, earning a noteworthy 9.875. The energy soared even higher, with Randolph delivering an exceptional routine, garnering an outstanding score of 9.900. Wrapping up the meet for the

Flippin' Birds was sophomore Kayla Pardue, who scored a 9.825, bringing the team total to 49.300 in the event and sealing the win for Southern Utah.

Cedar Baseball Games are Here

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar Reds knew the rough time it had at the start of the 2023 baseball season. As a new season dawned in 2024, the Reds worked some magic and got off to a great start.

Cedar took advantage of 11 walks and scored 11\0 runs in the bottom of the fifth inning on the way to a 17-6 run-rule victory over the Sky View Bobcats at home March 6. The Reds had trailed 4-1 after three innings, but scored six times in the fourth before producing the winning rally. Colter Bunnell drove in three runs to lead the Cedar offense while Ridge Leeder, Krew Giles and Jacob Boyer added two RBI each.

On March 7, Cedar didn't have an answer for the Grantsville offense as the Cowboys produced runs in each of the final five innings to beat the Reds, 15-11. Koden Lunt had three hits - including a double - in the Reds' 15-hit attack, but a five-run rally in the bottom of the seventh wasn't nearly enough to complete a comeback bid.



McClain, Randolph, and Fernandez Claim MPSF Weekly Award

by *Regun Hunsaker*

ASSISTANT AD, SUU SPORTS INFORMATION

CEDAR CITY, Utah - The Flippin' Birds have swept the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation weekly conference awards for the third time this season. Freshman Niya Randolph was named the Gymnast of the Week; Freshman Alyssa Fernandez earned the Freshman of the Week award, and Sophomore Kennedy McClain was tabbed as the Specialist of the Week.

Coach Scotty Bauman said "The fact that all of these routines are new to our lineup this year is incredible. These athletes put in hard work every day, and they go out and earn these awards with the work that they put in. We as a staff are extremely proud of not only their performance but their daily effort."

Southern Utah Freshman Niya Randolph performed exceptionally well last Monday against Iowa State. Randolph scored a massive 9.925 on the floor, setting a new career high and placing first in the meet. Her all-around score against the Cyclones was 39.200 Randolph continued to impress in the all-around during the second meet of the week, on the road against BYU. Randolph finished in first place with 39.250, raising her season average. Randolph took the top spot in the floor exercise with a 9.875 and tied for first in the vault. This is the fifth time that Randolph has earned the MPSF Gymnast of the Week Award.

Freshman Alyssa Fernandez sparkled in the Thunderbirds home victory over Iowa State. Fernandez put on a solid floor routine that scored 9.800, but it was the beam where she shone the brightest, scoring 9.900. The score marked a new career high for Fernandez. Fernandez was once



again a significant part of the Thunderbirds Beam rotation in Friday's road contest at BYU. She scored a 9.875 to help the Flippin' Birds to an impressive 49.125. The score tied for the top marks in the meet with teammate Ellie Cacciola. This is the second time that Fernandez has earned the Freshman of the Week award for the MPSF.

Sophomore Kennedy McClain has an outstanding beam routine that again scored high against Iowa State. The sophomore from South Jordan earned a 9.900 on the beam and added a critical 9.775 on the vault to help the Flippin' Birds to a victory over the Cyclones. McClain was a big part of the Thunderbirds' attempted comeback on Friday evening in Provo, scoring an important 9.800 on the beam. Despite a rough start to the meet, the Thunderbirds made it close with an outstanding beam rotation that scored 49.125. McClain's leadership has been essential throughout the season for the T-Birds beam team, and she continues to perform at a very high-level week in and week out. This marks the second time that McClain has garnered the MPSF Specialist of the Week award.

CV softball has mixed success at Warm-Up

by *Tom Zulewski*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Canyon View softball team had plenty of offense on display at the season-opening March Warm-Up in St. George, but the opposition was ready as well as the Falcons ended up with a 2-3 showing at the event that was played March 8 and 9 at the Canyons Complex.

CV started strong against Pleasant Grove with a six-run second inning, but the Vikings stormed back with 12 runs in the third before finishing off an 18-8 victory on March 8. Sage Hancock hit two doubles and drove in three runs for the Falcons while Maylee Spencer and Avery Trujillo added two RBI apiece in the loss. Mailee Larson, Brooke Fischer and Cassidy Brinton homered for Pleasant Grove as part of an 18-hit attack.

The Falcons rebounded in its second game of the day by scoring six runs in the sixth inning for a 10-2 victory over the Roy Royals. Hancock and Ellie John each had two RBI, and CV banged out 11 hits to set the tone for the offense.

In the third game of the day, CV scored eight runs in the first inning, but Davis surged past the Falcons with eight runs in the third and five more in the fifth to rally for a 19-9 victory. Trujillo doubled and drove in a run for Canyon View.

On March 9, Herriman scored seven runs in the first inning and easily pulled away to a 17-5 victory over Canyon View in its first game of the day. The Mustangs stretched the lead to 12-2 after two innings and sealed the win with three runs in the bottom of the fourth.

CV would pick up a second win from the tournament with a 9-2 victory over Spring Valley of Las Vegas. No other game details were available.

The Falcons started Region 12 play with a home game against Juab on Tuesday that was too late for press deadline, and they will travel to play North Sanpete on Friday starting at 3:30 p.m.

HOULE WINS

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elevated the Thunderbirds into national recognition, placing sixth in the Mountain region in last week's USTFCCCA ranking and ranking 55th nationally in

front of strong programs such as Notre Dame.

As a graduate student, Labra is one of the program's most experienced athletes, and that experience shined this season, making way for constant record-breaking performances leading up to his 3:55.02 mile run in the WAC Indoor Conference Championships, where he broke a conference record

that had stood for over 45 years.

Labra has also spent all season consistently setting and breaking multiple school records, including a 3:58.50 personal best in the mile run at the Husky Classic to put him at fourth all-time in school history.

RANDOM thoughts

Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY



ATTENTION, SPRING BREAKERS... THE SPORTS PLATE IS FULL

You know it's spring break when three different locations around the St. George area have multiple events going on at the same time. Parking is next to impossible unless you arrive extra early, and keeping track of all the results can be a major pain when you're doing the work on your own.

Of course, I did the best with what I had and got all the scores from all the games. Due to limited space, I couldn't squeeze everything onto the main pages of the sports portion of the paper. Here's the rest of what went on:

-Parowan baseball went 1-2 over the weekend, beating 3A Ogden, 4-1, but dropping an 11-4 decision to South Summit and losing 3-0 in the opener to the Delta Rabbits.

-Cedar boys soccer went 0-2 in non-region matches, falling 4-0 to Salem Hills on March 7 and dropping a 2-1 decision in overtime to Sky View on March 9.

-Canyon View boys soccer beat Richfield, 4-2 in the season opener March 7 that will not count in the Region 12 standings. A three-goal outburst in the second half was the difference for CV in the victory.

Also on March 7, Parowan boys soccer fell by the same 4-2 score to South Sevier in the season opener.

-Boys volleyball had its beginnings as a sanctioned sport by the UHSAA last week, and there was plenty of tournament play in St. George to go around. All of Region 9 was involved, and Cedar went 2-4 in six matches played.

Region games started counting for real Tuesday night when the Reds traveled to play at Desert Hills.

About the only downer from the weekend was a serious lack of parking throughout the area at each venue, although arriving later in the evening had a definite benefit. Thankfully, the action gave a positive jolt to those of us who want to see better weather ahead.

Just remember the sunscreen and a good hat to cover your head.

-Let it be known for the record that the worst season in NBA history will turn 52 years old after the Detroit Pistons and Washington Wizards had a nice breakthrough and won their 10th games of the season. The Wizards scored 44 points in the fourth quarter and rallied to beat the Charlotte Hornets, 112-100 on March 8, and it came 24 hours after the Pistons held on to beat the Brooklyn Nets, 118-112 at Little Caesars Arena.

The Philadelphia 76ers still own the mark for worst NBA season at 9-73, but it also won just 10 games in the 2015-16 season, only eight years ago. Since then, the Sixers have four 50-win seasons and have been to the playoffs six straight years.

The Pistons have exactly two playoff appearances since 2009 and 14 straight playoff losses overall. The team needs to go 8-12 over the final 20 games to surpass last season's grossly depressing total of 17 wins. In the prior four seasons, Detroit has won 20, 20, 23 and 17 games.

This organization was so much better before Tom Gores became the owner in 2011. We get that teams are always trying to make money, but you can't function and get the public to buy what you're selling if you don't care about winning.

Follow Tom Zulewski on X – the artist formerly known as Twitter – @TommyZee81 or email tominator19@yahoo.com.

CEDAR BASEBALL

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Boyer scored three runs and added three hits for Cedar.

The Reds played a pair of games at Pine View for a tournament March 9 and earned a split. Cedar started with a 6-3 win over West Jordan behind the pitching of Parker Johnson and the bat of Boyer. Johnson held the Jaguars to two runs over 4 ½ innings of work, and Boyer had two RBI in the victory.

Cedar would finish the week with a 10-3 loss to the Emery Spartans to fall to 2-2 on the season. Emery (3-2) built a 7-1 lead after three innings before holding on. Mason Stilson went 4-for-4 at the plate for Emery, drove in three runs and scored twice. Turner Stoker earned the win on the mound, allowing only five hits and three runs.

Spencer Bell and Gavin Mackert had two hits apiece to lead the offense for Cedar, who returned to the Pine View field for a home-and-home series to start Region 9 play on Tuesday before playing at home Wednesday. Both games were too late for press deadline.

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BASEBALL

Region 9

- 3/4** Beaver 10, Hurricane 3
3/5 Desert Oasis (NV) 6, Crimson Cliffs 5, Hurricane 7
 Enterprise 4
3/6 Cedar 17, Sky View 6
 Pine View 5, South Sevier 1
3/7 Grantsville 15, Cedar 11, Dixie 5
 Springville 4, Crimson Cliffs 16,
 Westlake 3
3/8 Hurricane 8, Logan 0, Pine
 View 13, Hunter 2, Crimson
 Cliffs 10, Timpanogos 3
 Crimson Cliffs 10, Herriman 0
 Desert Hills 8, Juan Diego 3
 Snow Canyon 18, Spanish
 Fork 0, Bear River 4, Dixie 3
 Pine View 7, West Jordan 3
 Snow Canyon 11, Am.
 Leadership (AZ) 1, Desert
 Hills 10, Cyprus 0
3/9 Cedar 6, west Jordan 3
 Emery 10, Cedar 3, Dixie 4,
 Maple Mountain 3, 11 inn.
 Dixie 10, Payson 0, Snow
 Canyon 4, Lehi 3, Snow Canyon
 10, Lehi 4, Crimson Cliffs 1-3,
 Juab 4, Hurricane 13, East 6
 Grantsville 11, Pine View 3
 Foothills (NV) 8, Desert Hills 5

Region 12

- 3/5** Emery 5, Union 4, Uintah 9
 Carbon 0
3/7 Cedar Valley 7, Richfield 5
 North Sanpete 4, Am.
 Leadership 0
3/8 Lehi 3, Canyon View 2
 Syracuse 14, Canyon View 14
 Juab 10, Herriman 9
 Grantsville 5, Emery 4, Delta 3
 Parowan 0, Enterprise 9,
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 Timpview 13, Delta 3, Juab 5
 Timpanogos 0, Delta 15, North
 Summit 0, Summit Academy
 15, North Sanpete 13,
 Manti 13, Providence Hall 2

2A West

- 3/4** Emery 5, Union 4, Uintah 9
 Carbon 0
3/5 Hurricane 7, Enterprise 4
 Milford 5, North Summit 2
 South Sevier 10, Millard 0
3/6 Pine View 5, South Sevier 1
3/7 Beaver 12, Judge Memorial 2
 Enterprise 8, Providence Hall 2

- Kanab 11, Morgan 0
3/8 Am. Leadership 13, Milford 6
 Delta 3, Parowan 0
 Milford 16, Judge Memorial 4
 Enterprise 9, North Sanpete 5
 Morgan 10, Beaver 7
 Enterprise 16, Summit
 Academy 6, Kanab 9, Manti 3
3/9 South Summit 11, Parowan 4
 Parowan 4, Ogden 1
 Enterprise 4, Milford 1
 Manti 10, Beaver 9, 8 inn

SOFTBALL

Region 9

- 3/4** Hurricane 15, Lincoln County
 (NV) 1
3/6 Beaver 25, Pine View 8
3/7 Grantsville 15, Cedar 5
 Mountain Crest 12, Pine View 4
 Union 16, Pine View 15, 8 inn.
 Springville 7, Desert Hills 6
 Herriman 10, Cedar 5
3/8 Cedar 13, Spring Valley (NV) 0
 Cedar 21, Roy 5
 Desert Hills 4, Farmington 1
 Hurricane 10, Brighton 0
 Hurricane 17, Granger 0
 Snow Canyon 5, Springville 3
 Dixie 10, Juan Diego 7
 Crimson Cliffs 3, Wasatch 1
 Desert Hills 5, Westlake 3
 Juab 6, Dixie 2
 Snow Canyon 1, Farmington 0
 Dixie 6, Viewmont 4
 Hurricane 12, Page (AZ) 6
 Crimson Cliffs 6, Bear River 3
 Bear River 4, Desert Hills 3
 Tooele 4, Crimson Cliffs 3
3/9 Pleasant Grove 6, Cedar 1
 Bishop Kelly (ID) 13, Cedar 2
 Westlake 5, Snow Canyon 2
 Snow Canyon 11, Wasatch 0
 Springville 9, Crimson Cliffs 1
 Crimson Cliffs 6, Mountain
 Crest 4, Union 12, Dixie 4
 Clearfield 16, Dixie 8
 Millard 5, Dixie 4, Cedar Valley
 4, Hurricane 2, Hurricane 5
 Bountiful 4, Desert Hills 13,
 North Sanpete 12, Desert Hills
 5, Tooele 1

Region 12

- 3/5** South Sevier 17, Richfield 11
 Juab 11, Lone Peak 2
3/7 Milford 19, Delta 7
 Enterprise 15, North Sanpete
 14, 8 inn., Emery 3, Providence
 Hall 2, North Sevier 15
 Richfield 9
3/8 Pleasant Grove 18, Canyon
 View 8 Canyon View 10, Roy 2,
 Davis 19, Canyon View 9, North
 Sanpete 10, Mountain Crest 1
 Juab 5, Olympus 1, Juab 16,
 Millard 6, Hillcrest 5, Carbon 0
 North Sanpete 7, Wasatch 1
 Timpanogos 18, Manti 0

- Springville 6, North Sanpete 5
 Juab 6, Dixie 2, Manti 21,
 Granger 5

- 3/9** Herriman 17, Canyon View 5
 Canyon View 9, Spring Valley
 (NV) 2, Juab 13, Beaver 9
 Juab 14, Juan Diego 4, Riverton
 20, Manti 7, West Jordan
 15 Manti 4, Tooele 7, North
 Sanpete 4, Desert Hills 13,
 North Sanpete 12

2A South

- 3/5** South Sevier 17, Richfield 11
 Panguitch 26-19, Water Canyon
 2-1
3/6 South Sevier 6, Union 1
 Milford 23, Beaver Dam (AZ) 3
 Beaver 25, Pine View 8
3/7 Milford 19, Delta 7, Enterprise
 15 North Sanpete 14, 8 inn.
3/8 Enterprise 22, Juan Diego 10
 Juab 16, Millard 6, Juan Diego
 14, Millard 0, Beaver 5, Union 2
 Enterprise 14, Union 3,
 Viewmont 21, Millard 7
3/9 Juab 13, Beaver 9, Syracuse 10
 Beaver 6, Beaver 8, Clearfield 7
 Viewmont 19, Beaver 4
 Enterprise 4, Olympus 2
 Enterprise 5, Clearfield 3
 Enterprise 9, Viewmont 4
 Olympus 12, Millard 0, Millard
 5, Dixie 4

BOYS SOCCER

Region 9

- 3/7** Salem Hills 4, Cedar 0
 Desert Hills 3, Juan Diego 2
 Spanish Fork 2, Snow Canyon
 2, Dons win 4-3 on penalty
 kicks
 Dixie 2, Skyridge 1, Hunter 3
 Hurricane 2, Westlake 1, Pine
 View 1, Thunder win 4-3 on
 penalty kicks, Pleasant Grove
 4, Crimson Cliffs 3
3/8 Dixie 4, Jordan 2, Morgan 3,
 Pine View 1, Wasatch 4, Desert
 Hills 0, Crimson Cliffs 4, Juan
 Diego 0
3/9 3/8Dixie 4, Jordan 2, Morgan
 3, Pine View 1, Wasatch 4,
 Desert
 Hills 0, Crimson Cliffs 4, Juan
 Diego 0

Region 12

- 3/5** Juab 4, Richfield 2
3/7 Canyon View 4, Richfield 2
 Manti 1, Juab 0, Delta 3
 Emery 0, Carbon 4, North
 Sanpete 1

2A South

- 3/5** South Sevier 4, San Juan 23/6
3/7 South Sevier 4, Parowan 2
 Gunnison 2, Beaver 1
 Grand 7, San Juan 0
3/8 Union 8, South Sevier 0
 Millard 2, Beaver

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Region 9

- 3/6** Pine View 3, North Sanpete 2
3/7 Crimson Cliffs 3, North
 Sanpete 0
3/8 Crimson Cliffs 2, Dixie 0
 Timpview 2, Dixie 0, Payson 2
 Dixie 0, Timpview 2, Crimson
 Cliffs 1, Pine View 2, Cedar 0
 Weber 2, Desert Hills 1
 Pine View 2, Desert Hills 0
 Weber 2, Cedar 0, Desert Hills
 2 Cedar 0, Pine View 2, Weber
 0
 Grantsville 2, Snow Canyon 0
 Orem 2, Hurricane 0, Hurricane
 2, Snow Canyon 0, Grantsville
 2 Hurricane 1, Orem 2, Snow
 Canyon 0, Crimson Cliffs 2,
 Payson 1
3/9 Cedar 2, Dixie 1, Snow Canyon
 2, Hurricane 1, Payson 2, Desert
 Hills 0, Orem 2, Pine View 0
 Timpview 2, Crimson Cliffs 0
 Orem 3, Crimson Cliffs 0
 Weber 3, Desert Hills 1, Cedar
 3 Hurricane 0, Snow Canyon 3
 Dixie 0, Timpview 3, Pine View
 0
 Hurricane 3, Dixie 1, Grantsville
 3, Desert Hills 1, Pine View 3,
 Crimson Cliffs 2, Snow Canyon
 3, Cedar 1

STANDINGS

RPI RANKINGS IN PARENTHESES

Region 9 Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Snow Canyon	0-0	3-0
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	4-1
Dixie	0-0	3-1
Pine View	0-0	3-1
Hurricane	0-0	3-1
Desert Hills	0-0	2-1
Cedar	0-0	2-2

Region 12 Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Manti	0-0	3-1
Carbon	0-0	2-1
Delta	0-0	2-1
Juab	0-0	2-1
Emery	0-0	3-2
Canyon View	0-0	1-2
North Sanpete	0-0	1-2
Richfield	0-0	0-1

2A West Baseball

	REGION	OVERALL
Kanab	0-0	2-0
Enterprise	0-0	4-1
Milford	0-0	2-1
Beaver	0-0	2-2
S. Server	0-0	1-1
Water Canyon	0-0	1-2
Millard	0-0	0-0

Region 9 Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
Hurricane	0-0	4-1
Desert Hills	0-0	4-1
Snow Canyon	0-0	3-1
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	3-2
Cedar	0-0	2-3
Dixie	0-0	2-4
Pine View	0-0	0-3

Region 12 Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
Juab	0-0	6-0
Emery	0-0	1-0
Canyon View	0-0	0-0
N. Sanpete	0-0	2-3
Manti	0-0	1-3
Carbon	0-0	0-1
Delta	0-0	0-1
Richfield	0-0	0-2

2A South Softball

	REGION	OVERALL
Enterprise	0-0	6-0
Milford	0-0	2-0
Panguitch	0-0	2-0
S. Sevier	0-0	2-0
Beaver	0-0	3-3
Millard	0-0	1-4
Kanab	0-0	0-0
Parowan	0-0	0-0
water Canyon	0-0	0-2

Region 9 Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Dixie	0-0	2-0
Desert Hills	0-0	1-1
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	1-1
Hurricane	0-0	0-1
Snow Canyon	0-0	0-1
Cedar	0-0	0-2
Pine View	0-0	0-2

Region 12 Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Canyon View	0-0	1-0
Carbon	0-0	1-0
Delta	0-0	1-0
Manti	0-0	1-0
Juab	0-0	1-1
Emery	0-0	0-1
N. Sanpete	0-0	0-1
Richfield	0-0	0-2

2 A South Boys Soccer

	REGION	OVERALL
Grand	0-0	1-0
Millard	0-0	1-0
South Sevier	0-0	2-1
Gunnison	0-0	0-0
Parowan	0-0	0-1
Beaver	0-0	0-2
San Juan	0-0	0-2

Region 9 Boys Volleyball

	REGION	OVERALL
Pine View	0-0	5-2
Snow Canyon	0-0	3-3
Hurricane	0-0	2-2
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	3-4
Cedar	0-0	2-4
Dixie	0-0	0-5
Dextert Hills	0-0	1-5

TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

The NCAA Tournament is right around the corner, and the conference tournaments are on tap among the highlight questions in this week's dozen. Have fun, embrace the chaos, and please remember...no wagering!

1. The Boston Celtics have the NBA's best record through March 6 at 48-13. The mark includes three impressive blowouts by at least how many points? (The most recent one came March 3 at home over the Golden State Warriors)
2. With Selection Sunday for the NCAA Tournament coming soon, which team is the defending men's national champion? Bonus question: Which SEC team was the last to repeat as champion, done in 2006 and 2007?
3. What former MLB first baseman who played for the Los Angeles Dodgers and San Diego Padres advanced to a runoff for a U.S. Senate seat in California after finishing second March 5?
4. The video game MLB The Show 24 is set for a March 19 release offering what new feature that goes beyond the 1992 movie "A League of Their Own?"
5. Jake Paul has branched out from MMA to boxing and will be fighting former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson in July. What streaming service will carry the fight from AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas?
6. Who is the defending NCAA women's basketball national champion?
7. Where is the 2024 NFL Draft being held?
8. The U.S. Women's national soccer team came through in the clutch March 6 when it won a crucial showdown game in the CONCACAF Gold Cup on penalty kicks, defeating what northern neighbor?
9. After seven seasons with the Chicago White Sox and six seasons with the Boston Red Sox, where did left-handed pitcher Chris Sale land via a trade, his first National League team?
10. Who is the new backup quarterback to Josh Allen after he was released by the Pittsburgh Steelers last week?

11. L.A. Lakers star LeBron James reached another milestone when he crossed 40,000 career points March 2. Who was the opponent – a team that knocked the Lakers out of the playoffs last season on the way to winning the NBA title?
12. What NCAA men's basketball team was ranked No. 1 in both the AP and Coaches polls as last week's games began?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Ohtani got married in his native Japan.
2. Pete Maravich.
3. Hot dogs.
4. Keefe coaches the Toronto Maple Leafs and Granato leads the Buffalo Sabres.
5. The Lakers beat the Los Angeles Clippers.
6. Kansas had won 19 straight home games before BYU beat them.
7. Washington State and Oregon State.
8. Nathan MacKinnon.
9. The Pistons had 20 turnovers while the Bulls only had six.
10. Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.
11. Texas Tech
12. 4.9 million.

Reds softball grabs pair of wins

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

Kenzie Hawkins homered and drove in six runs as the Cedar softball team earned their first win of the 2024 season March 8 with a 13-0 shutout over Spring Valley of Las Vegas at the March Warm-up played at the Canyons Complex in St. George. The Reds scored in four of the five innings played and backed the pitching of Sadie Parson, who allowed only four hits and struck out eight.

Cedar earned a second win on the day at the tournament by making quick work of Roy with a 21-5 rout in three innings. Kyla Johnson had four RBI and Sloane Fielding homered and drove in three runs of her own as the Reds finished with 18 hits in the win.

In the opening game of the day March 8, Herriman did all of its offensive work in the second inning and made it hold up the rest of the way as the Mustangs beat Cedar, 10-5. Herriman had 13 hits in the win. No additional details from the Reds were available.

On the second day at the tournament, Cedar struggled to find an offensive

groove, dropping a 6-1 decision to Pleasant Grove and falling 13-2 to Bishop Kelly of Idaho. Against the Vikings, the Reds committed five errors and didn't break the shutout until scoring a run in the bottom of the sixth inning. Mya Bishoff drove in the only run.

Bishop Kelly used an 11-run outburst in the third inning to grab control against the Reds. Cedar scored single runs in the second and fourth innings, and Kate Lopez had both RBI in the loss as they fell to 2-4 on the season.

In the season opener played March 7, the Reds fell 15-5 at home to the Grantsville Cowboys. Cedar led 5-2 after two innings, but Grantsville did its damage in the middle frames and ended the game early on the run rule by scoring six runs in the top of the sixth inning.

Shaylee Johnson homered and had two hits for Cedar in the loss. They opened Region 9 play at home against Pine View on Tuesday in a game that was too late for press deadline, and they will travel to play the Panthers in St. George on Thursday starting at 7 p.m.



Cedar sprinter McKoy Smith signs his letter of intent for the track team at Southern Utah on March 5. Smith will serve an LDS Church mission in Peru before joining the T-Birds.
Photo provided by Tom Zulewski

Smith signs letter to join SUU track

by Tom Zulewski

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

McKoy Smith's father had a dream for his son to play baseball. When the son took to the track, the dream took a turn that paid off when the Cedar sprinter signed a letter of intent to join the track and field program at Southern Utah on March 5 in front of friends, family and teammates. As a junior, Smith won a gold medal with the 4x400 relay team and was runner-up in the 300-meter hurdles at the 4A state meet, which drew some in-state attention from

colleges. After he visited Utah Valley and Utah State, Smith had a better feeling when he met with the coaches at SUU.

"It was a hard decision, but it all came down to my family," said Smith, who will be leaving for an LDS Church mission to Lima, Peru later this summer before joining the T-Birds. "I didn't need to mgo anywhere else, and I was fine staying at home." Smith said his primary focus when he returns home from his mission will be the 400 hurdles,

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Falcons baseball gets win in busy weekend

by Tom Zulewski

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For every challenge the Canyon View baseball team had to face, they were able to respond. Even with late-inning issues, the Falcons came through with a victory in a four-game adventure to begin the 2024 season. CV broke open a tight pitching duel by scoring 10 runs over the final three innings and finishing off an 11-1 win over American Leadership Academy of Arizona on March 9 in the Kona Ice Classic played March 9 at Snow Canyon High. Zach Maine had a bases-clearing double to highlight a six-run fifth inning and C.J. McClellan scored three runs for the Falcons as they earned their first win of the year. Zac Millett went the distance on the mound for Canyon View, allowing only two hits to go with two walks and 12 strikeouts. American Leadership broke up Millett's shutout bid in the top of the sixth when a run scored on a sacrifice fly, but CV sealed the victory on the run rule with two runs in the bottom of the inning. Later in the day, the Falcons dropped a tough 13-11 decision to Spanish Fork. The Dons broke a tie with two runs in the top of the seventh inning to secure the victory as CV fell to 1-2 on the young season.

Asher Slack, Price Atwood, and Cameron Calvez had two hits apiece, and Calvez homered to go with two RBI in the game. CV fell behind 5-0 before their first turn at the plate, but answered with four runs in the bottom of the first. They would add three runs in the fourth and two more in the fifth to take a 10-6 lead before Spanish Fork rallied. On March 8, CV opened play at the Classic with a tough 3-2 loss to the Lehi Pioneers. The Falcons scored both runs in the first inning, but Lehi scored two runs in the fourth and made them stand up to earn the win. The Falcons left the bases loaded in the fifth and had the winning run at first base in the bottom of the seventh, but Lehi pitching induced a popout on the first pitch to end the threat. Canyon View played only four innings in the nightcap later in the day, but could only manage a 14-14 tie against Syracuse. The Falcons trailed 11-0 after the top of the second, but scored 11 runs over the third and fourth to pull even and earn the tie that won't count in the standings. CV opened Region 12 play Wednesday at home against Emery in a game that was too late for press deadline, and they will travel to Price to play the Spartans on Friday starting at 3 p.m.



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Class 1A (EDRR Watch List), Class 1 (EDRR), Class 2 (Control), Class 3 (Containments) and Class 1 A (Prohibited for sale or propagation).

Class 1 A: Early Detection Rapid Response (EDRR) Watch List Declared noxious and invasive weeds not native to the state of Utah and not known to exist in the State that pose a serious threat to the state and should be considered as a very high priority. Common crupina - *Crupina vulgaris* African rue - *Peganum harmala* Small bugloss - *Anchusa arvensis* Mediterranean sage - *Salvia aethiops* Sptins millet - *Millum vernale* Syrian beancaper - *zygophyllum fabago* Ventenata (North Africa grass) - *Ventenata dubia* Plumeless thistle - *Carduus acanthoides* Malta starthistle - *Centaurea melitensis*

Class 1b: Early Detection Rapid Response (EDRR) Declared noxious and invsavie weeds not native to the State of Utah that are known to exist in the state in very limited populations and pose a serious threat to the state and should be considered as a very high priority. Camelthorn - *Alhagi maurorum* Garlic mustard - *Alliaria petiolata* Purple starthistle - *centaurea calcitrapa* Goatsrue - *Galega officinalis* African mustard - *Brassica tournefortii* Giant need - *Arundo donax* Japanese knotweed - *Polygonum cuspidatum* Blueweed (Vipers bugloss) - *Echium vulgare* Elongated mustard - *Brassica elongata* Common St. Johnswort - *Hypericum perforatum* Oxeye daisy - *Leucanthemum vulgare* Cutleaf vipergrass - *Scorzonera laciniata*

Class 2: Control Declared noxious and invasive weeds not native to the state of Utah that pose a threat to the state and should be considered a high priority for control. Weeds listed in the control list are known to exist in varying populations throughout the state. The concentration of these weeds is at a level where control or eradication may be possible. Leafy spurge - *Euphorbia esula* Medusahead - *Taeniatherum caput-medusae* Rush skeletonweed - *Chondrilla juncea* Spotted Knapweed - *Centaurea stoebe* Purple loosestrife - *Lythrum salicaria* Squarrose knapweed - *Centaurea virgata* Dyers woad - *Isatis tinctoria* Yellow starthistle - *Centaurea solstitialis* Yellow toadflax - *Linaria vulgaris* Diffuse knapweed - *Centaurea diffusa* Black henbane - *Hyposycamus niger* Dalmation toadflax - *Linaria dalmatica*

Class 3: Containment Declared noxious and invasive weeds not native to the State of Utah are widely spread. Weeds listed in the containment noxious weeds list are known to exist in various populations throughout the state. Weed control efforts may be directed at reducing or eliminating new or expanding weed populations. Know and established weed populations as determined by the weed control authority, may be managed by any approved weed control methodology, as determined by the weed control authority. These weeds pose a threat to the agricultural industry and agricultural products. Russian knapweed - *Acroptilon repens* Houndstounge - *Cynoglossum officianate*

Perennial pepperweed (Tall whitetop) *Lepidium latifolium*
Phragmites (Common reed) - *Phragmites australis* ssp.
Tamarisk (Saltcedar) - *Tamarix ramosissima* Hoary cress - *Cardaria* spp. Canada thistle - *Cirsium arvense* Poison hemlock - *Conium maculatum* Musk thistle - *Carduus nutans* Quackgrass

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Elymus repens Jointed goatgrass - *Aegilops cylindrica* Bermudagrass* - *Cynodon dactylon* Perennial Sorghum spp.: Johnson Grass (*Sorghum halepense*) and Sorghum alnum (*Sorghum alnum*). Scotch thistle (Cotton thistle) - *Onopordom acanthium* Field bindweed (Wild Morning glory) - *Convolvulus* spp. Puncturevine (Goathead) - *Tribulus terrestris* Bermudagrass (*Cynodon dactylon*) shall not be a noxious weed in Iron County and shall not be subject to provisions or the Utah Noxious Weed Law with the boundaries of that country. It shall be a noxious weed throughout all other areas of the State of Utah and shall be subject to the laws therein. **Class 4: Prohibited Declared noxious and invasive weeds**, not native to the state of Utah, that pose a threat to the state through the retail sale or propagation in the nursery and greenhouse industry. Prohibited noxious weeds are annual, biennial, or perennial plants that the commissioner designates as having the potential or are know to be detrimental to human or animal health, the environment, public roads, crops, or other property. Cogongrass (Japanese blood grass) - *Imperata cylindrica* Myrtle spurge - *Euphorbia myrsinites* Dames Rocket - *Hesperis matronalis* Scotch broom - *Cytisus scoparius* Russian olive - *Elaeagnus angustifolia*

Each county in Utah may have different priorities regarding specific State designated Noxious Weeds and is therefore able to reprioritize these weeds for their own needs. The following are declared noxious weeds for the State of Utah and/or the county of Iron:

Common crupina - Blueweed (Vipers bugloss) - Purple loosestrife - Elongated Mustard - Squarrose knapweed - Common St. Johnswort - Dyer's woad - Oxeye Daisy = Yellow starthistle - Cutleaf Viper grass - Yellow toadflax - Leafy spurge - Diffuse knapweed - Medusahead - Black henbane - Rush skeletonweed - Dalmatian toadflax - Spotted knapweed - African rue - Purple loosestrife - Small bugloss - Squarrose knapweed - Mediterranean sage - Dyer-s woad - Spring millet - Yellow starthistle - Syrian beancaper- Yellow toadflax- Ventenata (North Africa grass) - Diffuse knapweed - Plumeless thistle - Black henbane - Malta starthistle - Dalmatian toadflax - Camelthorn Russian knapweed - Garlic mustard - Houndstongue - Purple starthistle - Perennial pepperweed - Goatsrue - Phragmites - African mustard - Tamarisk - Giant reed - Hoary cress - Japanese knotweed - Canada thistle - Poison hemlock - Dames Rocket - Musk thistle - Scotch broom - Quackgrass - Russian olive - Jointed goatgrass - Bermudagrass*
Perennia Sorghum spp: Johnson Grass - Scotch thistle (Cotton thistle) - Field bindweed (Wild Morning- glory) - Puncturevine (Goathead) - Cogongrass (Japanese blood grass) - Myrtle spurge



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Beaver, Utah

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Hurricane

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Steer Compost

\$279
1 cu ft

EVERYDAY PRICE



Nutri-Mulch

\$899
2 cu ft

EVERYDAY PRICE



Bulk Seeds & Seed Packets



Large Variety

6 Pack Pansies

\$399

EVERYDAY PRICE



Berger BM1 All Purpose Potting Mix

\$3999

EVERYDAY PRICE

3.8 cu ft compressed expands to roughly 8 cu ft



Used by Ladybug in the greenhouse

Bonide All Seasons Horticultural Oil

\$1799
Kills insects and their over winter eggs

EVERYDAY PRICE *Also available in Ready to Use & Concentrate



12" Pansy Color Bowls

\$1999
each

EVERYDAY PRICE



Large Selection of Yard Tools

Gardening gloves, knee pads, shovels, rakes, hoes and more



MARCH

- Prep your garden soil, Steer Manure & Nutri-Mulch work well to rejuvenate the soil.
- Prune your Berries and Fruit Trees
- Once soil temperatures have reached 40°F plant cool season crops from seeds outdoors, or transplant hardy seedlings. When temperatures fall below 28°F take precautionary measures

APRIL

- It's not too late to prepare your garden soil
- Plant cool season vegetable starts and seeds
- Once soil temperatures have reached 50°F plant seed potatoes outdoors

MAY

- Prepare garden soil for warm season crops — MID MAY —
- Plant warm season crops Watch night time temperatures!
- Mothers Day: Remember Mom!

COME WANDER OUR GREEN HOUSES FULL OF COLOR!

Gift Certificates!

