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STORY IN SHOWCASE

HistoriCorps and the Zion Forever Project Seek Volunteers for Preservation Project

from *Sephra Kolker*

WORKFORCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Salt Lake City, UT— HistoriCorps and the Zion Forever Project are

seeking volunteers of all skill levels to help rehabilitate the Brian Head Peak Overlook, with four week-long volunteer opportunities running from September 14 - October 10. Those interested in volunteering can visit www.historicorps.org to register for the project and learn more about other HistoriCorps volunteer opportunities. HistoriCorps is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to engaging volunteer workforces to preserve historic places and provide free mentorship in the preservation trades.

of Utah, near Cedar City. The forest spans nearly two million acres and is the largest national forest within Utah. Established in 1905, the Dixie National Forest became an official National Forest in 1907. Known for its intriguing scenery, visitors are treated to landscapes that range from desert canyons to alpine lakes and high mountain forests.

The Brian Head Overlook is an open-air stone shelter that graces the top of the Brian Head Peak. The shelter was constructed with materials that match the style of the overlook plans noted in the 1934 - 1938 Forest Service Recreation Handbook. The overlook base is constructed of natural stone and cement, with two arches on the north and south facing arches. The observation platform contains a low stone wall, with stone and mortar benches located on the western end of the overlook.

Within the Dixie National Forest lies the Brian Head Overlook, a structure built in 1935 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The Dixie National Forest is located in the southern part

More volunteers are still needed to ensure the success of this project. HistoriCorps welcomes but does not require any experience in the trades; mentorship and all necessary tools are provided. Volunteer sessions are scheduled Sunday evening through Friday morning, and volunteers can expect all meals to be provided by expert field staff. Tents, truck campers, campervans, trailers, and RVs will have access to our campsite (RV hookups are not available).

Project Details:

Location: Located roughly 55 miles northeast of Zion National Park!

Tasks: Improve structure through stone reinforcement, elevate appearance of roof through wood shingle roof replacement, and repoint masonry wall & other preservation tasks as determined with Forever Zion staff (if time allows).

Dates: Session 1: September 14-19, Session 2: September 21-26, Session 3: September 28 - October 3, and Session 4: October 5-10

For more information or to register for a volunteer session, visit www.historicorps.org, or contact us at info@historicorps.org

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Cedar City man sentenced to prison for brutal assault that left woman unconscious in front of child

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Cedar City man was sentenced this week to up to 15 years in prison for breaking into a woman's apartment, beating her unconscious, and assaulting her in front of her 4-year-old daughter. Troy Jesse Dawes, 24, appeared in 5th District Court on Wednesday, where Judge Matthew Bell handed down concurrent sentences on two second-degree felony convictions: aggravated assault producing unconsciousness and attempted aggravated burglary. Dawes remained in custody following the hearing and was ordered to begin serving his time immediately.

His prison term will run concurrent with other cases, meaning the sentences will be served at the same time rather than one after another. The assault occurred around 2 a.m. on Feb. 13, when officers responded to reports of an attack in progress. Dawes had been at the woman's apartment earlier in the evening but was asked to leave after becoming intoxicated, according to court documents. He was given a ride to a friend's house but returned a few hours later, kicked in the front door, and began assaulting the victim. He threw her into furniture, slammed her head into the ground, punched her repeatedly,

and choked her until she lost consciousness. The woman's 4-year-old daughter witnessed the entire attack but was able to escape when her mother screamed for her to run. "All of this was in the presence of her 4-year-old daughter," the affidavit states. "The victim was able to yell for her daughter to run out of the house." Police documented widespread damage inside the apartment, including a broken door frame, destroyed furniture, and a shattered television. Dawes fled the scene before officers arrived but was located and arrested a few

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hours later.

At the time of his arrest, Dawes was on probation for a previous domestic violence conviction from October 2024. The arresting officer noted this was his third known assault and described his demeanor as unremorseful, stating Dawes laughed during questioning and told the officer to “f--- off.”

“This sentence was the result of multiple convictions for domestic violence-related assaults and protective order violations,” said Iron County Attorney Chad Dotson in a statement. “The convictions represent a pattern of abusive behavior that warranted a strong and decisive response from the justice system.” Dotson commended the victims for coming forward, praised the work of law enforcement, and credited Deputy County Attorney Dallin Brooks for leading the prosecution. A continuous protective order has been issued against Dawes, who may receive credit for time served and could be eligible for treatment while incarcerated, according to court records.

Anyone experiencing domestic violence can contact Canyon Creek Services at 435-233-5732 or visit www.canyoncreekservices.org for support and resources.

Utah man receives prison term following discovery of illicit child material

by **Tracie Sullivan**

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Cedar City man has been sentenced to serve up to 15 years in the Utah State Prison after pleading guilty to two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor — both second-degree felonies. Wesley Derek Dean, 40, was sentenced Tuesday in 5th District Court to serve up to 15 years in prison.

The investigation was launched in March after Synchronoss Technologies had submitted 53 cyber tips through the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) system in October, 2024. One tip, which included 27 files of suspected “sensitive child abuse material,” listed Dean by name and linked him to a phone number and online account. The tip also included a possible home address in Cedar City.

Cedar City Police obtained a warrant for the information located on Synchronoss Technologies’ servers. There, they discovered a folder labeled “2024-11-22” that contained both personal images of Dean and multiple files of children as young as five-years-old. The affidavit noted that Dean had uploaded the material and had access

to at least six children at the time of the investigation. It was not known whether any of them were victims. Dean was arrested on March 17 and invoked his Miranda rights, declining to answer questions about the investigation. He did acknowledge having suicidal thoughts, according to the affidavit.

Prosecutors originally charged Dean with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, all second-degree felonies. Eight of those were dismissed with prejudice under the terms of a plea agreement.


At sentencing, prosecutors emphasized the serious nature of the crimes and urged the court to impose a strong and meaningful sentence.


“Material like the ones possessed by the defendant fuel a market for vile and deeply harmful images and videos that exploit and traumatize children,” said Iron County Attorney

Chad Dotson.

“While many of the children depicted in this material may remain unidentified, they are real victims — real children who were abused, exploited, and recorded. We may not know their names, but we care about them. Every image represents a child whose innocence was stolen, and we have a duty to stand up for them.”

Dotson also praised the Cedar City Police Department for its “excellent work,” along with the digital forensic teams that assisted in the case. Deputy County Attorney Trajan Evans led the prosecution for the state.













IRON COUNTY FORECAST

OUR PIONEER DAY 2025 WILL FEATURE PLENTY OF SUNSHINE AND WARM TEMPERATURES. HIGHS WILL WARM INTO THE UPPER 80S. THE REST OF THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND INTO NEXT WEEK WILL FEATURE MORE SUNSHINE AND BREEZY CONDITIONS. HIGHS WILL CLIMB INTO THE LOWER 90S.

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THURSDAY	Sunny 87°/54° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 10-15	
FRIDAY	Sunny 88°/53° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 10-15	
SATURDAY	Sunny 89°/54° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 10-15	
SUNDAY	Sunny 90°/55° PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 10-15	
MONDAY	Sunny/Breezy 91°/58° PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 15-25	
TUESDAY	Mostly/Breezy 92°/60° PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 15-25	
WEDNESDAY	Sunny/Breezy 92°/59° PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 15-25	



Tessa Douglas

Cedar City Chamber Names New CEO

from *Chamber of Commerce*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

After an extensive national search, the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce has named Tessa Douglas as its new president and CEO. Douglas brings to the chamber an abundance of experience and professional relationships that have been curated

through her volunteer service and prior job roles in Iron County. She previously worked as Director of Community Relations at Southwest Technical College where she oversaw the schools’ Business & Innovation Center, workforce development programs and

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FROM THE EDITOR



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Happy Pioneer Day!

As we celebrate the courage and sacrifices of Utah's early pioneers and the enduring spirit of our great state, it's also a perfect time to turn our attention to something equally important—our local elections.

Election Day for our local races is Monday, August 12th. Mark your calendars and make sure you're registered to vote by the deadline on **Thursday, August 1st.**

Ballots have been mailed this week, so if you haven't received yours yet, it should be arriving soon. Be sure to return your completed ballot **as soon as possible** to ensure your vote is counted.

You can vote early at the **Iron County Courthouse in Parowan from August 5th–8th.** On **Election Day (August 12th)**, in-person voting will be open from **7 a.m. to 8 p.m.** at the following locations: Iron County Courthouse (Parowan), Enoch City Offices, Cedar City Heritage Center.

For your convenience, we've posted the official **2025 Notice of Primary Election** card on our website, which includes all the essential details you need to vote confidently and correctly. Be sure to check it out!

While national elections tend to get the spotlight, **local elections have a direct impact on our daily lives**—from city planning and safety to parks and local services. So let's show our Utah pride: study up on the mayoral and city council candidates, and make your voice heard.

Finally, we extend a heartfelt thank you to **Cedar City Mayor Garth Green**, who is stepping down and not seeking reelection. We appreciate your dedicated service and leadership in our community.

Let's honor our pioneers not just with celebration, but with civic participation. Happy Pioneer Day, and happy voting!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"WITH OUR ABUNDANT BLESSINGS TODAY, MY HEART IS FILLED WITH LOVE AND ADMIRATION FOR SUCH NOBLE AND COURAGEOUS FOREFATHERS."

- M. RUSSELL BALLARD



Israel's Remarkable History

PART VIII

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

As has been remarked on before, Israel's history as a people group is over 3,000 years old. Many famous people have recognized Israel's remarkable longevity and accomplishments including the following: John Adams, second U.S. president: "I will insist the Hebrews have contributed more to civilize men than any other nation."; Thomas Jefferson: "Dispersed as the Jews are, they still form one nation, foreign to the land they live in."; Charles De Gaulle: "The Jews remain what they been at all times: an elite people, self-confident and domineering"; H.G. Wells: "The Jews looked for a special savior, a messiah, who was to redeem mankind"; Mark Twain: All things are mortal but the Jews; all other forces pass, but he remains. What is the secret of his mortality?" Friedrich Nietzsche: "The Jews, however, are beyond all doubt the strongest, toughest, and purest race at present living in Europe; they know how to

succeed even under the worst conditions." Winston Churchill: "Some people like the Jews, and some do not. But no thoughtful man can deny the fact that they are, beyond any question, the most formidable and the most remarkable race which has appeared in the world."; Leo Tolstoy: "What is the Jew? What kind of unique creature is this whom all the rulers of all the nations of the world have disgraced and crushed and expelled and destroyed, persecuted, burned and drowned, and who despite their anger and their fury, continues to live and to flourish?" They have been called God's chosen people, although scattered among the nations by God's design (Deuteronomy 4:27). After studying Jewish history, (See the following website for a complete history of the Jewish people: factsaboutisrael.uk/history-of-Israel-timeline/) one might be led to ask, "Chosen for what? Chosen for persecution? Please don't choose me for that! I want an easy life, but according

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WORD OF THE WEEK

APOLOGIA

[ap-o-lo-gia]

noun

a defense, especially of one's opinions, position, or actions

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to the Apostle Paul whom we met last week, this human life is short compared to the glories we will be able to experience in eternity living with God. Remember that the Apostle Paul had originally been one of the most voracious persecutors of the followers of the Way until the Risen Christ appeared to Paul on the road to Damascus where Paul was going to capture followers of Jesus to bring them back to Jerusalem for trial and death. Paul was chosen by God as the apostle to the Gentiles. Paul is the perfect example of God's mercy, changing Paul from a dedicated persecutor to dedicated missionary for Christ when he was in his late 20's to early 30's. It took Paul an additional three years to be accepted by the Christian community because of his history of persecuting and even egging on the Jewish leaders who were killing the early Christians, even watching the killing of Stephen, the first Christian martyr. Paul's life was completely changed when the Risen Messiah appeared to him. Paul later went on to travel throughout the Roman Empire, spreading the gospel good news, even writing half of the 27 New Testament books.

Recently, controversy has developed over whether the Bible requires Christians to support modern Israel with Senator Cruz of Texas claiming that the Bible is his rationale for supporting Israel. While this can be controversial, remember that the Bible is very clear about the following three points: 1) God's promises through the Abrahamic Covenant that He would make Abraham's descendants into a "great nation" and that all the families of the earth would be blessed through them (Genesis 12/1-3); 2) Israel is repeatedly described as God's "chosen people" (Deuteronomy 7:6) set apart to demonstrate His glory and fulfill His purposes on the earth; 3) The Bible demonstrates Israel's prophetic fulfillment in the last days in passages from Ezekiel, Zechariah, and the Book of Revelation. This foundational understanding shapes not only theological views but also practical actions today. However, an important question remains: Is the Israel we are to support the current Nation of Israel or the people of God who accept and live lives based on the teachings of Jesus. Next week, we will talk about the six signs that tell us that we are living in the last days before the Second Coming of Christ. Also, we will talk about making Aliyah to Israel and who is doing it and answering the call to arms today.

CEDAR CITY CHAMBER

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related grants. Douglas has also served as the Cedar City Rotary Club president, as a board member for the Cedar City Women's Business Center of Southern Utah, and as a board member for Canyon Creek Services. In 2023, Douglas was recognized as the Cedar City Chamber's "Woman of the Year," and was recently named one of the "Top 50 Women Leaders in Utah." Most recently she worked as Director of Equal Opportunity at Southern Utah University.

"It's an honor to lead the Chamber at such a pivotal time of growth for our community," Douglas said. "This organization plays a vital role in supporting business development and economic resilience, and my vision is to ensure we do so strategically and collaboratively—working closely with our members, community partners, and civic leaders. Together, we will work to ensure opportunity and success continue to thrive in Iron County. I love this community, and I am thrilled for the chance to support it through the Chamber."

Katie Orton, chair of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, said "Tessa brings deep local knowledge, strong leadership experience, and a sincere passion for our business community. Her energy, relationships, and forward-thinking vision are exactly what the Chamber needs as we enter this next chapter. The board is confident she will be a dynamic and unifying force for our members and partners."

The Chamber CEO vacancy came when Chris McCormick retired earlier this year. McCormick led the Chamber for ten years as the CEO, and served it in a volunteer capacity for seven years prior. During his tenure, McCormick grew membership, started a number of new initiatives, and continuously sought additional strategic partnerships. "His contributions to Iron County are immense, and I hope he knows how much he means to so many," Douglas said.

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Iron County Commission Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The fair department reported strong progress under the theme “Adventure Awaits at the Iron County Fair,” securing 92 sponsors and \$121,300—exceeding their goal. Bill and Debbie Grim will serve as grand marshals, with Bill honored posthumously.

The fire department reported seven human-caused fires in 2025, down from 38 in 2024. Prevention efforts have increased, and the wildfire budget grew to \$578,000. At Antelope Springs, 75 of 185 acres have been treated.

The sheriff reported nine SWAT callouts this year and weapon-related arrests by the drug task force. The department joined the Washington County Bomb Squad and secured funding for a second explosive detection dog. Youth homes remain a challenge, with 347 incidents costing nearly \$27,000 in early 2025 due to limited regulatory control.

A flag found in the courthouse basement will be featured in Iron County’s America 250 celebration. Verified as belonging to the USS Iron County, it will be preserved and displayed as part of a local historical tribute.

Commissioners also approved a zone change request involving 52.25 acres near 3200 North 2625 West in Cedar City. The land was rezoned from Residential to Rural Agriculture (RA20) to complete a previously approved agricultural protection area.

Three proposed ordinance changes were introduced. The first would reduce

commercial setbacks from 25 to 10 feet along roads or railroad rights-of-way, giving businesses like Bowman’s Country Kitchen more usable space. The second would ease soil study requirements by allowing targeted geotechnical reports, helping developers avoid duplicate costs. The third would let property owners lease to multiple tenants without triggering subdivision rules, as long as lease terms clarify that no ownership is being divided. These changes will be considered formally at the next meeting following public notice.

A presentation of the 2024 independent audit was given, which gave the county a clean opinion on its financial statements. Two issues were noted: \$87.5 million in bond transactions were initially unrecorded, and a capital asset was overstated by \$720,000. Both were corrected, and auditors recommended better internal controls and communication. The county also passed federal and state compliance audits.

The commission approved two victim services grants totaling \$240,612.55 over two years to support advocate salaries and program needs. Funding has decreased due to reduced federal resources.

They also approved the May 2025 tax sale results—Iron County’s smallest in recent years—with 59 properties sold and \$454,794.37 in revenue, including \$66,892.95 collected by the county.

The commission approved new fees for Public Infrastructure Districts (PIDs), setting a \$2,000 application fee and a \$5,000 administrative fee. These taxing entities fund infrastructure in new subdivisions, but commissioners raised concerns about their impact on property taxes. In some cases, PIDs could nearly double tax bills—for example, increasing property taxes from \$1,500 to \$2,600 for an average home.

A right-of-way request from Enbridge Gas was also discussed. The company proposed installing a 27-foot-deep, steel-encased high-pressure gas line under county property at the Quichup channel. Commissioners expressed concern about future project conflicts and potential relocation costs, referencing a previous estimate of \$4 million to move a similar line. The decision was tabled, and a commissioner was appointed to lead further negotiations.

The commission also accepted a \$28,766.19 state grant for monument replacement and restoration to support the county surveyor’s work and ratified several contracts for public defense positions.

Iron County School Board Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A key focus was training on the new Diligent Community platform, which replaces Board Docs. Staff guided board members through its features, including easier access to meetings, agendas, past records, and note-taking tools. Some technical issues, like policy manual access, are still being resolved.

The Iron County School District Foundation presented its ongoing efforts to support education through private funding. Highlights included classroom grants, a back-to-school shopping spree for 45 students, a golf tournament raising over \$21,000, and \$16,000 in annual staff payroll donations. The foundation also partners with local businesses and supports more than 400 homeless students.

The Iron County School Board held its 2024-25

goal reflections meeting, reviewing progress on five district goals.

In teacher recognition, despite distributing hundreds of awards, giving bonuses, and improving salaries by 34% over five years, survey participation dropped sharply from 518 to 154, and satisfaction scores declined. Board members cited survey fatigue and poor timing after budget uncertainty.

Academic goal achievement fell from 59% to 46%, though administrators viewed this as progress due to more specific, school-level goal-setting involving all teachers. The district performed well academically, ranking 13th in grades 3-10 and 8th in ACT scores, despite being near the bottom in per-pupil funding.

Behavior data showed 1,219 office referrals for disruptive behavior, with slight improvement. The board discussed varied implementation of the Life Launch program and requested more data from schools using different approaches.

Overall, the board recognized strong student performance in the face of major funding gaps. Iron County’s per-student property tax base is \$545,000.

The Iron County School Board reviewed academic data from 2021-2025, focusing on reading progress after implementing the CKLA literacy program. Full rollout began in late 2024, with 2025 designated the “fidelity year,” emphasizing 120 minutes of daily literacy instruction.

Reading scores improved in kindergarten and first grade, especially with full-day kindergarten. However, fourth and fifth grade scores declined.

Using a cohort tracking system to follow the

BUDGET SUMMARY

YEAR	STATE OF UTAH	IRON COUNTY	SCHOOL DISTRICT	CEDAR CITY	COUNTY POPULATION	INFLATION RATE
2020	\$18,500,000,000	\$64,397,882	\$97,275,145	\$84,121,067	57,286	1.4
2021	\$20,300,000,000	\$68,529,185	\$111,206,179	\$82,661,906	58,672	7.0
2022	\$25,600,000,000	\$80,413,678	\$116,183,977	\$82,219,239	62,508	6.5
2023	\$26,000,000,000	\$78,255,317	\$172,080,787	\$97,198,239	64,211	3.4
2024	\$29,400,000,000	\$67,789,445	\$200,512,950	\$150,125,060	65,765	3.2
2025	TBD	\$132,282,649	\$221,113,931	TBD	TBD	TBD
ANNUAL INCREASE	11.78%	20.57%	21.23%	15.58%	2.96%	4.3

* Information was obtained directly from the governmental entities listed.

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same students year-to-year, the district saw mixed results. Some cohorts improved, while others, especially in fifth grade math, declined—mirroring state trends.

Science performance remained strong, credited to Utah's active teacher collaboration through the Utah Science Teachers Association. High school reading also showed gains, with one group improving 14 percentage points between ninth and tenth grade, though the cause remains unclear.

Math was identified as the district's top academic concern, with plans for cohort-based goals and targeted interventions moving forward.

The Iron County School Board discussed SMART goals for academics, staff surveys, and student behavior.

The board considered a cohort-based math goal, aiming for 80% of student groups in grades 4-10 to show improvement. Some expressed concern about fairness, especially in fifth grade where scores declined. While the district remains above state averages, members emphasized students can do more. The model encourages cross-grade collaboration to address learning gaps early.

In addressing staff surveys, the board discussed boosting participation from the current 518 out of 700 teachers. Ideas included making surveys mandatory during professional development or using random sampling. They agreed surveys should be shorter and more relevant.

Behavioral data showed most office referrals happen during unstructured times like recess. The board set a goal to reduce such incidents by 15% through increased supervision and better data consistency across schools. Discrepancies in reporting raised concerns about undercounting in some schools and overrepresentation in others, like Iron Springs Elementary with its behavior unit.

The Iron County School Board plans to review and possibly update its three-year-old mission, vision, and values to reflect advances like AI and diverse student paths. Work sessions will run through January 1, allowing schools to implement changes in the new year.

The superintendent also introduced School AI, a new tool allowing board members to submit input via chatbot. Responses will be summarized to guide future meeting agendas. Input is due by August 1.

The meeting ended with an announcement of the 2025-26 district theme: "How Full Is Your Bucket?"

Cedar City Council Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The mayor announced there would be no council

meeting next week due to the July 24th holiday, with the next action meeting in two weeks.

During business, the council discussed code enforcement issues, with Chief Adams reporting progress on two problem properties. Sgt. Williams was working with Verizon to resolve issues at 535 South, and the mayor raised concerns about two properties near the fire station on 800 West.

Parks employee Anthony Pearson reported a safety incident at West Canyon Park, where a child slipped in the new creek area and was airlifted for medical care. The mother was cooperative, and plans are underway with Rotary to improve safety without removing the popular feature.

The council also appointed Steve Hitz to the planning commission and discussed potential street name and trail changes affecting future development.

The council reviewed a resolution to expand the Utah Inland Port Authority's Iron Springs project area. The amendment would add undeveloped areas of Port 15 and land near Saddleback on the southeast bench, while keeping existing Port 15 tax agreements unchanged.

The port uses tax increment financing, capturing 75% of new property tax revenue for 25 years. The system has helped reduce highway traffic, with facilities processing over 600 rail cars and eliminating 2,500 long-haul trucks.

Council members raised concerns about the resolution's broad language, particularly the inclusion of Cross Hollows and the lack of future council oversight. They requested changes requiring council approval for new project areas. The resolution was tabled for revisions and further discussion.

The council addressed several governance items, starting with a change order for the Diamond Z Arena project to relocate a water line and hydrant—already approved by staff within budget limits.

A public hearing was held on updating Ordinance 32-9B to align with state law, allowing engineering standards to be adopted by ordinance and giving the city engineer authority to approve variances without full council review. Staff and public comment supported the change as a way to streamline development.

The council also discussed shifting council roles on boards from voting members to non-voting liaisons to avoid quorum issues and improve board function. Boards affected include the library, water district, homeless council, and city committees.

The meeting ended with the appointment of Councilman Phillips as mayor pro tem for July 17-29, followed by a closed session.

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Ask an Expert – Wildfire Safety Starts at Home

by J. Bradley Washa

USU EXTENSION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF WILDLAND FIRE SCIENCE

USU Extension, in collaboration with KUTV 2 News and reporter Brian Schnee, recently developed a video to answer the question, "What can one do to protect their home from a wildfire?" The video includes steps property owners can take when living in Utah's Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI) where homes are built into the forests and rangelands. It is intended to spearhead thought and provide resources for those living in the WUI.

While Utah will probably not see the urban fires witnessed in the Los Angeles area, the recent Forsyth Fire that burned 13 homes in Pine Valley, is evidence that we can see losses from wildfires in Utah. Those who live in the Wildland/Urban Interface have a shared responsibility with those around them to learn how to live within wildland fire zones.

Consider the home ignition zones, broken into three areas, when working to protect your home from a wildfire:

- **Immediate Zone (0 to 5 feet around the house) –** Some refer to this area as the lean, clean, and green zone. It should mostly be devoid of anything combustible. Consider using stone materials instead of wood mulch, no vegetation (unless you have an irrigated lawn), and removing piles of firewood by the house. Branches from adjacent trees should reach into this area. This zone also includes your home. Look for open vents where embers could get into the attic and add screens to protect them. Dead needles should be removed at least annually on and around the house. Also be aware that something as simple as a door mat made of natural fibers could collect embers and catch fire.
- **Intermediate Zone (5 to 30 feet from the home) –** Have a well-maintained and green landscape that is free of weeds and brush. Break up vegetation by using walkways and gravel instead of mulch. Choose deciduous trees over conifers. A single tree and bush are acceptable, but remember, the more foliage, the higher the risk for fire. Ladder fuels, such as tall grasses, shrubs, and low-hanging branches, should be trimmed beneath trees so fire can't go up into the canopy of the trees.
- **Extended Zone (30 to 100 feet) –** Keep in mind the 30-foot spacing includes structures such as sheds

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WILDFIRE SAFETY

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and other buildings that are on your/your neighbor's properties. You can include groupings of vegetation, but they should be

thinned and not interconnected with other vegetation. Ladder fuels should be trimmed. The extended zone includes flat terrain and can be extended to 200 feet if a steep slope exists below your home. Many people do not have this much space, but if you do, it is important to cooperate and coordinate with your neighbors.

From individual homes to urban configurations, structure loss continues to happen in the western United States, worldwide, and in Utah. While these measures will not ensure the survival of a structure, they at least give you a greater probability of success. The concepts of a home ignition zone will also provide for greater firefighter safety and give fire suppression resources a good chance at saving your home. Many local fire departments, the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, and county fire wardens can conduct home assessments to help you

better understand what can be done to protect your house. There are numerous sources of information about reducing your risk of wildland fire. The National Interagency Fire Center offers resources to help protect your home and plan for wildfire: <https://www.nifc.gov/fire-information/fire-prevention-education-mitigation/wildfire-mitigation/home> The National Fire Protection Association has resources, including their Firewise information and How to Prepare Your Home for Wildfires: <https://www.nfpa.org/Education-and-Research/Wildfire/Firewise-USA#preparing-homes-for-wildfire> Utah State University offers the booklet, Firewise Landscaping in Utah: <https://extension.usu.edu/forestry/files/resources/firewise-landscaping-updated-2018.pdf> We all need to do our part to develop fire-adapted communities when living in the WUI, or where the “eves meet the leaves.”

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**CEDAR CITY COUNCIL
CEDAR CITY MAYOR
PRIMARY ELECTION DEBATE**



**THURSDAY
JUL. 31**

**GREAT HALL
AT SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY**

**MEET & GREET
5:30 PM**

**DEBATES
6:00 PM**

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Tell Us What Matters Most in Iron County

by *Crystal Rockwood*
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

We want to hear from you!

As Iron County continues to grow and evolve, your perspective is more important than ever. We're gathering input from residents across the region to better understand what's working, what needs attention, and what opportunities lie ahead. Whether you care about housing, education, jobs, open spaces, healthcare—or something else entirely—your voice can help guide the path forward.

It only takes around 10 minutes to complete, and your feedback will directly influence planning and investment decisions in our communities.

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CEDAR CITY COUNCIL AND MAYORAL PRIMARY DEBATES TO BE HELD AT SUU

by Mary Weaver Bennett

SUU CENTER FOR POLITICS AND PUBLIC SERVICE

|What:

Cedar City Council and Mayoral Primary Debates will be conducted by the Michael O. Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service at Southern Utah University on Thursday, July 31, 2025, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

|When:

Thursday, July 31, 2025
5:30 - 6:00 pm
Informal Candidate Meet and Greet
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Debates

|Where:

The Great Hall inside the Hunter Alumni Center at SUU. They will also be streamed live on the Michael O. Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service Facebook page, @leavittcenter.

|Who:

Cedar City Council Primary Candidates (two 4-year seats open):

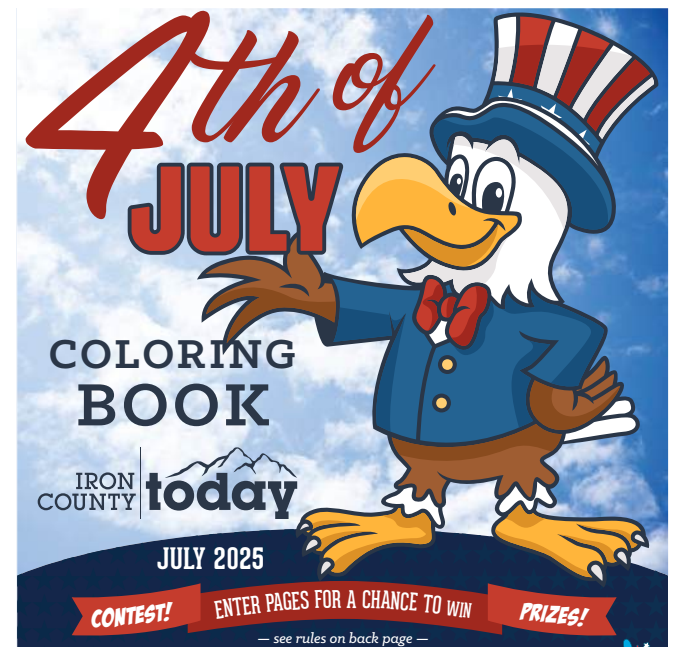
- Waldo Galan
- Kathy A. Long
- R. Scott Phillips (incumbent)
- Ronald Riddle (incumbent)
- Barry E. Short

Cedar City Mayor Primary Candidates:

- Emily Rhodes
- Steve Nelson
- Phil E. Schmidt

|About:

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Royal Academy of Dramatic Art to Perform *Twelfth Night* at Utah Shakes

by Marlo Ihler

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

CEDAR CITY, UTAH—Next week the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) in London is bringing a group of recent graduates to perform a touring production of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* at the Utah Shakespeare Festival, as part of a strategic partnership between the two theatre organizations.

The ninety-minute version of the play will be presented from July 29 to August 2 at 9:30 each morning in the Anes Studio Theatre located at the Beverley Center for the Arts.

"Each year, Festival patrons have asked me, 'When is RADA coming? We love attending the Festival during that time so we can also see their performances!'" says Executive Managing Director Michael Bahr. "This is an excellent opportunity to see high quality work performed by one of the world premiere actor training institutions."

The RADA training program boasts a number of exceptional alumni that have seen success as actors, including Cynthia Erivo, Alan Rickman, Allison Janney, Anthony Hopkins, Ralph Fiennes, Tom Hiddleston, and Phoebe Waller-Bridge. Perhaps the next RADA "star" may just be on the Festival stage this summer.

In its sixth year, the partnership between the Festival and RADA includes a commitment to present the annual RADA touring production at the Festival and to work to hire at least one RADA student or graduate in the Festival acting company each season.

The idea for the artistic exchange program began in 2019 when a friend of the Festival mentioned he had seen a very strong production of RADA's *Hamlet*. That conversation soon expanded into a strategic partnership between the two theatre companies where one of RADA's Shakespeare for Young Audiences touring groups would bring a show to the U.S. During the school year, this program performs specially-adapted Shakespeare plays for school children all over London.

Touring to Cedar City gives Festival audiences the chance to see the art of contemporary Shakespeare from the Bard's homeland and the actors have an opportunity to connect with the Festival and its people, programs, and productions.

During the previous five years, this has been a wonderful opportunity for the Festival to expand its artistic horizons and collaborate with one of the most prestigious training academies in the world.

"The RADA collaboration brings a refreshing surge of creative energy to our season each August," says Artistic Director John DiAntonio. "We're honored to showcase the work of these exceptionally talented young artists as part of our dynamic repertory lineup."

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Savoring the Details

by Sara Penny

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It is hard to see every detail. That ability to hear the nuance of pitch or see the exact details for painting a scene is valued in making art.

Choosing the exact word for a poem or the precise dance movement moves art from the mundane to the exquisite.

"People rarely look closely," said Arthur Brooks. "They glance -- and let their brains fill in the rest." His mother was a professional artist and she taught him to "Look again. Really look." This skill improved his art as he focused on the details, but also his later work as a behavioral scientist.

Savoring "means holding a moment long enough for it to leave a mark," said Brooks. I have thought of that word as enjoying food, as in savoring a garden fresh tomato or strawberry. The idea of savoring the details for artistic pursuit or for other aspects of life seems useful to me.

It also fights the attention robbing tendencies of social media. One of the reasons that learning music is valuable is it helps with the discipline of noticing details. All of the arts help develop focus. This focus, this savoring, is incredibly useful for many aspects of life.

One of my violin students was autistic and her mother said that the best room for teaching her would be empty with blank walls. She was constantly distracted by a painting, a plant, or a car going up the street. The challenge was the focus. Really honing in on details and filtering out the extraneous is tricky. She was successful in learning

to play the violin with the dedicated patience of her mother. We broke each task down and then put the pieces together. When she performed a Vivaldi concerto from memory at a String Festival it was a real triumph.

Another example is the band being onstage for the rock musical "Tommy" at the Heritage Center in the American Crossroads Theater production. The musicians are on platforms so fear of heights can't be an issue. The actors are singing

and dancing near the musicians, so distraction is real. It takes incredible focus on every note and listening for the other band members to make this work. It was an impressive evening of music and spectacle. Because of the plot's trauma of the young Tommy, it is a PG-13 musical in my opinion.

The sets for the "Importance of Being Earnest" at the Utah Shakespeare Festival are another example of detail beautifully executed. We feel that we are stepping into quintessential English scenes.

There are several new visual arts on exhibit throughout Cedar City. The artists at the local galleries and city exhibits are producing a feast worth celebrating. The lovely Starmaker bronze statue at SUU has been cleaned up. Maintenance is a huge part of allowing us to savor public art.

We are fortunate to live in a beautiful area and the wildflowers are at their height. It takes effort to go for a walk in the mountains to savor the natural world showing off.

What are you taking time to savor? What details are you taking time to really see?



ROYAL ACADEMY

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Bahr agrees: "We are so grateful for the relationship that we have been able to develop and share over the last five years. It serves as a testament to the

artistic and educational commitment of both RADA and the Festival. It is a wonderful cultural exchange between artists, audiences and organizations!"

Tickets are \$20 and are available by visiting the Ticket Office, calling 800-PLAYTIX, or purchasing online at bard.org/plays/rada-2025.

STARGAZING AT ITS BEST— SOUTHERN UTAH STYLE!

by *May Hunter*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Natural darkness is quickly becoming very scarce. In fact, 80% of Americans live where they can't see stars, let alone the Milky Way. Because of the lack of light pollution, Southern Utah is ideal for stargazing. Cedar Breaks National Monument is an International Dark Sky Park. Cedar City and surrounding towns have some of the darkest skies in the region. Night sky events are held at the Cedar Breaks National Monument North Overlook, presented by the National Park Service.

Dates: Through October 2025.

Cedar Breaks is considered one of the very best places to stargaze in Utah due to its exceptionally dark skies, which are made possible by its elevation of over 10,000 feet above sea level. You can experience these dark skies year-round at any of the overlooks.

Location: Cedar Breaks National Monument Programs will be conducted every Friday and Saturday at the Point Supreme Overlook, beginning with drop-in solar viewing at 6:30 p.m., an astronomy talk at 8:30 p.m., and telescope viewing from 9:15 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. What to wear: Be prepared to be outdoors. Dress for changes in weather, including cold

temperatures and wind. Rangers recommend bringing warm jackets depending on current weather conditions.

What to bring: Feel free to bring along a blanket and some snacks to make the experience cozy.

Thinking about packing a flashlight? White light interferes with views of the night sky. If you bring a flashlight, please ensure it has a red-light function and use it exclusively. Also, please refrain from using flash photography and leaving vehicle headlights on longer than necessary.

Tours are free of charge; however, as a federal fee area, all individuals over the age of 16 require an entrance pass to Cedar Breaks. Visit nps.gov/cebr for details.

You can also view the stars at Cedar Breaks Overlook anytime on your own.

Telescopes are available to check out or rent at:

Cedar City Library – 303 N. 100 E.

Parowan Library – 16 S. Main Street

Cedar City Visitor Center – 581 N. Main Street

A few of the best places to see Nature's Light Show:

Around Town

Parowan soccer fields and Cedar Canyon Park offer excellent places for viewing the constellations. The Big Dipper is especially

visible in the northern sky and can be easily seen in our city parks. Look for a place with minimal streetlights, such as a city park or open field. You can make a red flashlight by covering a regular flashlight with red paper or cellophane for better viewing.

Brian Head Town, Kolob Canyons, Dixie National Forest, Three Peaks Recreation Area, Iron Springs Resort, Thunder Garden, the "C Trail," and the Parowan Gap are all nearby areas with very dark skies—perfect for viewing stars and especially the Milky Way.

Dark skies are easy to find in our part of Southern Utah! We're fortunate to live where we do, with access to the beauties and wonders of the night sky without much effort. Experiencing the vastness of space and time helps put Earth—and our place on it—into perspective. It reminds us to focus on the things that matter: our community, the environment, and the wildlife around us. One great advantage of astrotourism is that it doesn't depend on the season—you can see dark skies throughout the year.

Enjoy your stargazing, and remember: you are a star—don't let anyone take away your shine!

"Access to a dark night sky—to see and be inspired by the universe as it really is—should be a human right, not a luxury for the chosen few."

celebrations

Welcome Home Hermana!

Hermana Emma Anne Rigby has returned from the Arcadia, California Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Spanish speaking. Emma will be speaking at noon in the Nichols Canyon Ward on July 27, 2025 at 2015 North Wedgewood Lane.



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THURS, JULY 24

Pioneer Day

BRIAN HEAD TOWN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY. Activities include: Fishing derby, Village Way Vendor Fair 11AM-8PM, Bounce house/human bowling 11AM-6PM, Brain Head Arbor Day 50 trees 9AM, Fireworks @ dusk (approx 9:30PM), Drive-In Movie Night 9:30PM. For details go to brainheadtown.utah.gov

FRI, JULY 25

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC (7-8PM) June- August! Free entry. Local country musicians and bands. 97 W. Center Street, Cedar City Utah 84720 at HOME ON THE RANGE.

FINAL FRIDAY ART WALK (5-8PM) FREE and open to everyone and is held the last Friday of the month, June - September, at various locations along Center St / University Blvd and 100 W (from about Main St to 300 W along University Blvd). Visit with artists, see beautiful art pieces made using a variety of mediums, and maybe purchase a new piece to add to your collection. Listen to live music. For more information, visit them on Facebook: /CedarCityWalks or /CedarCityArts.

NATIVE GOODS MARKETPLACE (10AM-2PM) At the Utah Paiute Tribal Housing Authority Parking lot located at 565 N 100E. Join us at the Native Goods Marketplace where you can buy goods, food and homemade items.

BRIAN HEAD TOWN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY. Activities include: Fishing derby, Village Way Vendor Fair 11AM-8PM, Bounce house/human bowling 11AM-6PM, Tales for the Trail hike opening 9AM, Car Show 2PM-7PM, Beer Garden 11AM-8PM, Afternoon live music 1-8PM, Cowboy Poetry 5:30-7:30PM, Line & Swing Dancing 8-10PM. For details go to brainheadtown.utah.gov

SAT, JULY 26

LABYRINTH WALK (12-2PM) AT ST JUDE'S Episcopal Church (70 N 200 W, 1 block north of W University Blvd) No Charge. Please join us in a sacred, calm environment for walking prayer on the

largest indoor labyrinth in the state of Utah. Replica of the Chartres Cathedral's labyrinth (ca.1200 A.D). Come experience this powerful practice used for centuries to unite body, mind and spirit. No experience required, facilitators are present.

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET (9AM-2PM) @ the IFA parking lot (905 S Main St, Cedar City), admission is FREE. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735.

FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET (10AM-1PM) at 100 West Center Street (Cedar City), admission is FREE. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, handcrafted items, and more. For information email festivalcityfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

BRIAN HEAD TOWN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY. Activities include: Fishing derby, Village Way Vendor Fair 11AM-8PM, Bounce house/human bowling 11AM-6PM, Pioneer 5K Run & Walk 8:30AM, Dutch Oven cookoff 10AM-2PM, Car Show 10AM-7PM, Car Show Slow Drags 3-5PM, former Mayor Deutchi Ander dedication 3PM, Beer Garden 11AM-8PM, Afternoon live music 11AM-8PM, Drone Show @ dusk (approx 9:30PM). For details go to brainheadtown.utah.gov

MON, JULY 28

LIVING WELL WITH CRONIC HISTORY BOOK CLUB (6:00PM) at Main Street Books. Reading "Pathogenesis" By Jonathan Kennedy. Most titles are available well in advance at Main Street Books. All are welcome to join!

MESSIANIC DANCE WORKSHOP (4-5:30PM) Cedar City Library, East Room, 303 N 100 E. Come and learn fun and easy Ancient Judeo-Christian dances and songs. No Cost. Info @ (702)460-2317.

WED, JULY 30

LIVING WELL WITH CRONIC PAIN (3-5PM) via ZOOM) This class was developed by professors at Stanford University to help

people living with chronic pain learn to manage their healthcare. Chronic pain is pain that is ongoing and can affect your lifestyle. The leaders will explain how diet, exercise, medication, and emotions can interfere with your wellbeing and ways to manage to enhance your lifestyle. Past participants have expressed how this class has really helped them have a better outlook on life and more hope. To register call 435-673-3548 ext. 103 or email rsvp@fivecounty.ut.gov

THURS, JULY 31

3V MINI BULL SERIES (7PM) 3V MINI Bulls 2025 Bullriding Jackpot Series will be held at the Cross Hollows Event Center-Diamond Z Arena (11 N Cross Hollows Rd, Cedar City). Admission to watch is FREE. Everyone is invited to come out and cheer on the mini bull riders. Don't forget to come early for the newest addition, Moto Barrel Racing, at 6:00 p.m. For information or to enter, call or text Gregg at (435) 463-5523.

CEDAR CITY COUNCIL & CEDAR CITY MAYOR PRIMARY ELECTION DEBATE Meet and Greet (5:30PM) Debates (6PM). @ Great Hall Southern Utah University. Also streamed live on Facebook. Submit questions via Facebook page.

BLOOD DRIVE (1-7PM) SCHEDULE A donation time at www.redcrossblood.org. Blood donations are life savers.

FRI, AUG 1

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC (7-8PM) June- August! Free entry. Local country musicians and bands. 97 W. Center Street, Cedar City Utah 84720 at HOME ON THE RANGE.

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.

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

Central Iron County Water Conservancy District Board Meetings

3rd Thurs., 6:30pm. 710 S. Westview Drive

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, 5:30 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 Tris Colman (805) 268-4287.

Bikers Against Child Abuse

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

DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter

3rd Tues, 11:30 AM @ the Cedar City Brian Head Visitors Center.

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
Elks Lodge (303 N 100 E)

Rotary Club

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

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

1st Tues, 6PM, Post 10846 meets @ Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N. Email: VFWinCedarCity@gmail.com

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

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

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My Story • Sat, 8 pm

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Easy Does It • Tues, 6-7 pm • (435) 559-3333

Hope for Today (Family Groups)

Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

Key to Harmony (Online/Email Meeting) Sun & Tues 435-704-4979 • <https://keytoharmony.org/>

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 202-292-9911.

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/canyoncreeksekservices.

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

Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm

Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

It Works - How and Why • Thurs, 7:30-8:30 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 • KKCB 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

Reel Mental Health

1st Tues, 6PM • The Rambouillet Barn 197 W. 200 S, Parowan, Utah 84761 • A fun interactive support group focused on your mental health and well-being.

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@sunrisechurch.net, sunrisechurch.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

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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 cedarmodela@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 City Unitarian Universalists

2nd Sun.11:00am @ 1280 E Midvalley Rd. Leave a message at 435 590-0596 if interested.

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.

Cedar City Community Band

We offer a wealth of opportunities for individuals of all ages and skill levels to get involved and experience the joy of ensemble music-making. Contact us at www.cedarcitycommunityband.org or by calling 435-590-2513.

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

4th Thurs, 7pm at 2321 W Cove View Dr, Cedar City. Join a growing number of women throughout the nation to strengthen and preserve liberty. INFO: Kami Merrill 435-592-4152 or email: ironcountymoms4america@gmail.com

Iron County Democrats

Come meet with an exciting and welcoming group committed to improving our world. Monthly meetings and annual convention. For more information find us at Facebook- Iron County Utah Democrats, or call Mike Keil at (435)840-4712.

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Parkrun

Sat, 8 am • Canyon Park West 133 S 400 E Cedar City. A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! www.parkrun.us

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/SmGygtCfvQ1tS2pB7

Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiePW63pRzD8k9

Rock Club

1st Thurs, 6 pm • Gateway Academy, 101 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.

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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.

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Wellness Place

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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@sunrisechurch.net.

history

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

While Brian Head serves as a premier destination for adventure and relaxation, it has a rich history.

The Early Days

The area known as Brian Head was first discovered by the Fremont Tribe and later settled in the mid-1800s.

One of the most interesting parts of Brian Head's history is its name. Brian Head was originally known as Monument Peak and was used by early surveyors and expedition leaders as a point of reference. Some say as early as the late 1800s and early 1900s it was named after William Jennings Bryan. Some say that the famous explorer John Wesley Powell named it after an official in the Geographical Survey Office named Bryan.

Brian Head was incorporated into the Dixie National Park in 1906. In the early 20th century, the area was known as "Little Ireland," named after the Adams family of Irish heritage. They used the area for dairying and a summer grazing range for sheep and

horses. It was also the site for logging along with a cheese factory. By 1920, it had a hotel, restaurant, and a dance hall operated by Minnie Adams Burton, known as "Minnie's Mansion." It was really popular for huge breakfasts, fireworks, and dancing. In 1924, the state re-purchased selected parcels of land from the original folks who had previously been allowed to develop them as homesteads. In the late 1930s, brothers Thomas and Joseph Holyoak along with Will Lyman and P.A. Clark purchased the land.

The Making of a Ski Resort

In the early 1960s, two men, Burt Nichols and Homer Vasels, had interest in the mountain property. They wanted to build a ski resort. They liked the area as it was close to Interstate 15, the airlines, and Union Pacific Railroad. Nichols was the general promoter and Vasels was busy getting investors. Brian Head Corporation was founded in May 1964. In January 1965, locals Milt Jolley, D.W. Corry, and Pat Fenton purchased 640 acres from the Holyoaks and Mitchells.

The first two permanent buildings were a clinic owned by Dr. David Wilkerson of Cedar City and Georg and Stefanie Hartlemaier's home and rental shop.

The first season, two mobile homes were leased to be warming houses, restrooms, and an eating area. In January 1965, the resort made its first chairlift. A four-week ski training program was set up to familiarize Iron County youth with ski lessons every Saturday for \$6 a month.

Two men came to the high schools and announced the opening of a chairlift in Brian Head.

Brian Head was opened in the winter of 1964-65, as a one-chairlift resort. Currently, the resort has 8 chairlifts, 71 runs, and over 650 skiable acres. It also has a bridge between its two skiable mountains. Base elevation is 9,600 feet; top elevation is 10,920 feet.

In 1966, Mac Ray Cloward became President and General Manager of Brian Head. He paid off the debts and set up a water system, telephone, and power lines. Subdivision land sales took place. The first condominium was built. Nichols'

next step was to recruit Georg Hartlemaier from Germany, who would give his expertise and knowledge to promote Brian Head as a ski resort. Georg originally came to Brian Head in 1964 as the resort's first mountain manager and ski school director. He planned the runs, selected the equipment, and helped build the resort's first ski lift.

During the 1969-70 season, the resort significantly expanded when a new 1,190-vertical-foot lift was installed running east up on the mountain that could handle 900 skiers every hour. Today, we know this lift as "Giant Steps" or Chair #2.

Anticipation builds as you turn from I-15 to Utah's Patchwork Parkway National Scenic Byway (State Route 143) and begin the uphill drive to 9,600 feet. Surrounded by evergreen, spruce, and aspen, Brian Head Resort has the highest base among Utah's resorts and is the only ski and snowboard resort to showcase snow-dusted red rock hoodoos from the nearby Cedar Breaks National Monument and Bryce Canyon National Park.

Three hours of driving

from Las Vegas and under four hours from Salt Lake City, you can get to Brian Head and 360 inches of annual snowfall in the winter, and an incredible range of summer activities in the cooler mountain air.

Brian Head Resort has Utah's highest base elevation. The resort's 650 acres over two mountains pack in 71 runs for every skill level, eight lifts, 71 runs, three terrain parks, two tubing parks—Navajo Tubing Park and Giant Steps Tubing Park—and tons of backcountry for cross-country skiing.

Summer activities include scenic chairlift rides, hiking trails, zip line, fishing, stargazing tours, avalanche tubing, outdoor concerts, and so much more.

This weekend, Brian Head is having a 50th Anniversary Celebration with a drone show, fishing derby, food, live music on the lawn, vendors, Former Mayor Deutschlander Dedication, and so much more. July 24-26, SCHEDULE OF EVENTS [BRAINHEADTOWN.UTAH.GOV](https://www.brianheadtown.utah.gov)

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One House – 130 Years of History: *Part I*

by John Byron Turner

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

If you have lived in Parowan for any length of time, or even just visited, you would soon be aware of all the history you will find at most every turn in the road. My most recent such encounter was at a prominent old house called **The Lyman House**, on the corner of Main Street and 200 South. If you drive into our town from the South, you can't miss this corner house with the white picket fence that looks like a page out of a calendar. We've wondered for years just who lives there? A fellow history buff here in town, Dr. Ron Roth, contacted me about writing an article about the 130-year history of this home, and in particular about its residents, both past and present. So, my curiosity was rewarded a week or so ago when I was invited to an open house celebrating the 130 years since it was first built. The first, and earliest history of this house began when William Horne Lyman and Julia Hannah McGregor Lyman built the home in 1895. They lived, worked and raised a family of 7 children on that tree-lined block. I recall thinking, years ago, when I first noticed the house, that it certainly could be the mayors house, and now that I have read more about the Lymans I am delighted with my first guess.... William Lyman was indeed a three-time Mayor of Parowan in the 1920's. Julia Lyman was a long-time



Paulina Eliza Phelps, "Aunt Phoebe," (center column), in whom was housed all of the medical aid in Parowan, Utah, for more than a generation.

president of the Ward Relief Society and an advocate for women's suffrage. Both were active members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for many decades. William served as Stake President for 10 years, and also served a term as a State Representative for Iron County. He was also a successful cattle rancher, bank



manager and livestock assessor.

The Lyman history extends well into the 20th century, but their entire family story also goes back further into the past. William's father, Amasa M. Lyman, a member of the Council of Apostles of the Church, began this historical journey as one of the very early settlers in Parowan, in the mid-1800's. His story goes back to Nauvoo, Illinois, where he was an early leader in the LDS movement and a councilor to Joseph Smith. One of the more noteworthy parts of his life was his marriage to a 19-year-old girl named Paulina Eliza Phelps at the Nauvoo Temple. They eventually moved to Utah and Brigham Young sent them South to the new settlement of Parowan. Amasa died in 1877 and Paulina dedicated the rest of her long life to tending to the medical needs of the people of Parowan in its early days, primarily as a midwife.

For more than a generation, she tirelessly tended to her midwife duties, often using the front bedroom of the Lyman House as a birthing room. I was told that she helped to bring over 500 children into this world, and later in life she was even setting broken bones. If you have roots in Iron County, it's quite likely one of your ancestors was brought into this world by Paulina Lyman. It is also said that most of the medical aid in this town was in the



hands of this woman who was affectionately known to all as Aunt Pliny (pronounced: *ply-nee*). She was William's mother, and a fixture in Parowan

from 1858, until she died in her son's home 54 years later. The children of those years knew nothing about a stork who delivered babies, they only believed that babies arrived in Aunt Pliny's black bag, which is still on display in the Parowan Old Rock Church Museum.

There's more to tell about the Lyman House, but there is only so much room in this week's paper, so please check back next week for Part II of the story.

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schools

Local student represents Utah at American Legion Auxiliary Girls Nation

from Alexa Freeman

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Elena Roundy, Cedar City,

is one of 102 high school seniors selected to attend American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) Girls Nation July 19-26 in Washington, D.C. The weeklong program, founded in 1947, has provided exceptional civic education to thousands of students, teaching them about how the federal government works.

Roundy is one of two participants who will represent Utah as a “senator” at ALA Girls Nation. Two delegates from each ALA Girls State program are

chosen to represent their state after participating in an ALA state-level program held across the country. At ALA Girls Nation, senators will participate in mock Senate sessions complete with caucuses and debating bills that range from personal to political interests.

Other activities on the agenda include a visit to Arlington National Cemetery where they will place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, a visit

to Capitol Hill to meet with real-life U.S. senators from their state, and a tour of D.C. monuments.

Roundy, a rising senior at Cedar High School, was active in many ways during her week at ALA Utah Girls State. She also participates in many activities in her school and community including symphonic band, varsity tennis, Speech and Debate, DECA, Newspaper Club, Random Actos of Kindness Club, and National Honor Society.

ALA Girls Nation is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our nation’s future leaders to learn about the inner workings of the federal government before they are of voting age. Students leave the program with increased confidence and leadership skills for college and in their future career paths. Some participants of the program go on to have careers in public service at the local, state, and national levels. No matter what their future holds, all leave with a better understanding of civic responsibilities. After attending ALA Girls Nation, the participants return home ready to be engaged citizens at all levels of government.

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Want to try Hunting?

Take a hunter education class or enroll in Utah's Trial Hunting Program

by Faith Heaton Jolley

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SALT LAKE CITY — If you are interested in trying hunting for the first time this fall or winter, you'll need to either take a hunter education class or participate

in Utah's Trial Hunting Program. If you want to learn more about how to get into trapping, there is a required course to take for that, as well. If you've never taken hunter education or a furharvester course, rest assured that it isn't too late; but don't put it off because classes fill up quickly this time of year!

July and August are popular times to take hunter education because it's right before the fall general-season big game hunts. While many big game permits in Utah are allocated through a drawing held in March, there are also unlimited elk permits that can be purchased over the counter any time from July 8 through the hunting season.

“Hunting is a great way to obtain your own local meat while getting outdoors and exploring our beautiful state,” Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Hunter Education Program Manager RaLynne Takeda said. “It also provides an opportunity to spend time together and make memories as a family. Hunting is also an excellent way to support and fund wildlife conservation since the majority of the funding from hunting licenses goes directly back to paying for wildlife habitat and restoration efforts. Hunting is also an important tool in managing healthy wildlife populations.”

To hunt in Utah, everyone born after Dec. 31, 1965 must complete a state-approved hunter education class or participate in the Trial Hunting Program. Here's what you need to know to enroll in either:

How to take a hunter education course

To complete hunter education in Utah, you have the option of taking a traditional in-person class led by an instructor or an online course followed by an in-person field day. Both options include a final written test and the “field day,” which includes hands-on skills demonstration and a live-fire shooting exercise at the end. Prior to taking either course option, you need to buy a hunter education registration certificate online or from a license agent. The certificate costs \$12 for residents and \$17 for nonresidents, and it is required before you can do the in-person field day.

Both the in-person and online courses will teach you about firearm safety, hunter responsibility and ethics. The online course can be taken at your own pace, while the

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HUNTING PROGRAM

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in-person course typically has scheduled meeting times and locations. The online course costs \$25, and you can register for it on the Utah Hunter Education webpage.

“If you have a young child who’s taking the course online, you can help them understand what they’re learning by sitting with them and discussing the course material as they go through it,” Takeda said. “Your child can also take the online course at their own speed, and they can go back and review the material as often as they’d like.”

The instructor will provide additional details about the in-person field day after you register for an available course. Once you finish the online portion of the course, you’ll print your proof-of-completion document.

Trial Hunting Program

Utah’s Trial Hunting Program is another way to get into the field this fall. The program gives you a chance to try hunting with an experienced hunter and see if it is something you’d like to pursue.

You are not required to take hunter education to participate in this program.

You must be at least 12 years old to join the program, and you need to be accompanied by a licensed hunter who is 21 years old or older. To participate, you must complete a brief online orientation course, which can be found on the DWR website.

You also need to buy a hunting license and the permit for the species you’d like to hunt. In this program, you are eligible to obtain the following licenses and permits:

- Combination or hunting licenses (good for hunting all small game, including upland game and waterfowl)
- General-season deer and elk permits
- Permits to hunt bear, greater sage-grouse, sandhill crane, sharp-tailed grouse, tundra swan and turkey

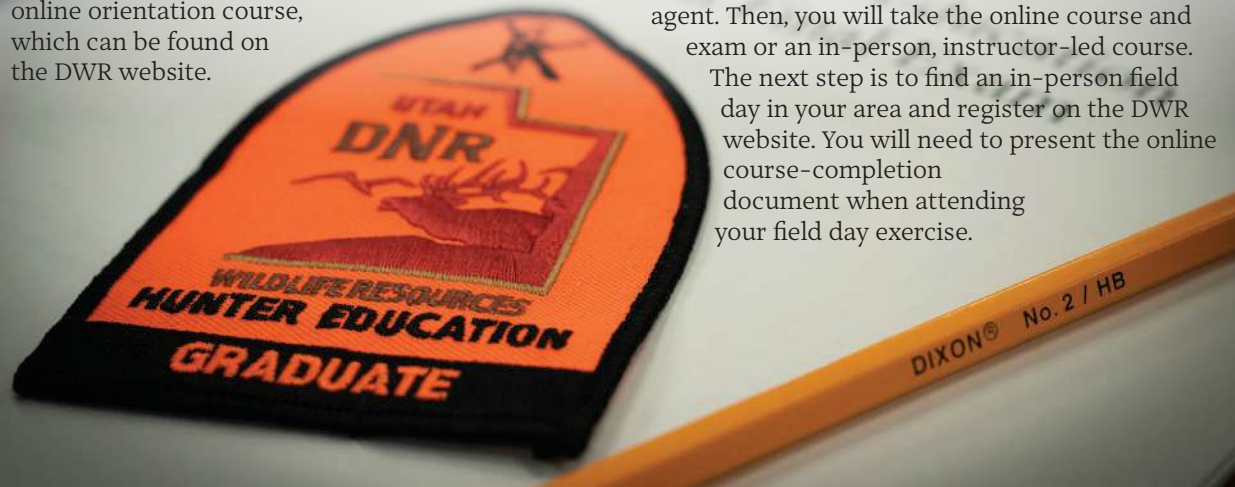
You can learn more about the program on the DWR website.

How to take a furharvester education course
To trap wildlife in Utah, residents born after Dec. 31, 1984 must complete a state-offered furharvester education course and in-person field day. The furharvester education course provides instructions on the following:

- Safe, responsible and ethical trapping methods
- How to use trapping devices
- Trapping laws, trapping ethics, techniques in safely releasing nontarget animals
- Firearm safety
- Wildlife management
- Proper catch handling

To participate, you must purchase a registration certificate before taking the online course. The registration certificate is \$7 and can be purchased online, at a DWR office or from any available license agent. Then, you will take the online course and exam or an in-person, instructor-led course.

The next step is to find an in-person field day in your area and register on the DWR website. You will need to present the online course-completion document when attending your field day exercise.



obituaries

Kenneth Joe Englehart



Kenneth Joe Englehart passed away on July 3, 2025 in Cedar City, Utah. He was born June 18, 1928 in Lutesville, Missouri to Linder Lee and Hettie McCullough Englehart. Ken grew up on a farm where he learned the value of hard work. He was behind a plow and a team of horses when he was 11 years old. He attended a one room elementary school for 6 years and graduated from Lutesville High School at the age of 16. While teaching for 6 years in a one room schoolhouse, he attended Southeast Missouri State University

during the summers to earn his teaching degree. With his draft notice in the mail, he joined the US Air Force. After bootcamp, he was assigned to the education office at Moody AFB in Georgia. He was stationed for a year in Iceland where he spent his days in the education office and his nights managing the base theater. Six months after his discharge, he had earned a master's degree from Florida State University.

After graduation, Ken accepted employment in Clark County School District. He spent the next 25 years as a counselor, teacher, principal, and personnel administrator. He met and married Helen Beatty, one of his teachers, on December 18, 1971. He retired in 1980 and moved to Missouri to purchase and operate several farms in the area where he grew up. In 2000 he sold the farms and began building rental properties and homes.

Ken joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and embraced its teachings. He and Helen were sealed in the St. George Temple on October 13, 1990. In 2005 he and Helen built their home in Cedar where he lived until his death. Always active in community and civic affairs, he served as president of the Silver State Schools Credit Union Board, Marble Hill Rotary Club, Bollinger County Chamber of Commerce, Southeast Missouri Cattlemen's Association and as treasurer of Missouri State Farm Bureau Pac. Ken made many generous contributions to the SUU Scholarship Program, the Rotary Foundation and the Cedar City Hospital/Jubilee House. Ken's life was an example of strength, kindness, work ethic and love. He will be missed by all who knew him and his influence on family and community will remain.

He is survived by his wife Helen, daughter Angela Austin (Charlie), sister Janet Wilkens (Bill), 4 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, with a grandchild and a great-great grandchild on the way. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers Edward, Jess and Gerald.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations made to the Ken and Helen Englehart Scholarship at SUU or the Cedar City Rotary Foundation.

A viewing was held Friday, July 11, 2025 from 9:30 to 10:30 at the Cedarview Ward meetinghouse, 1925 West 320 South, Cedar City, Utah. Funeral Services followed at 11 am. Interment was in the Toquerville, Utah Cemetery.

Arrangements are made under the direction of Spilsbury Mortuary, 110 South Bluff Street, St. George, Utah. 435-673-2454.

Friends and family are invited to sign Kenneth's online guest book at www.spilsburymortuary.com

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Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games Practical Shooting maxes out participants in opening year

by Kale Nelson

SUU ATHLETICS

CEDAR CITY, Utah (July 19, 2025) - Garnering one of the largest turnouts for a shooting event in Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games history, the practical shooting match on July 19 at Iron County Shooting Range blew first-year expectations out of the water.

The event marks the final competition on the USG schedule — excluding a United States Tennis Association tournament in late August — and closes out the 2025 program year on a positive note.

Unlike a typical target shooting event, which prioritizes accuracy, practical shooting incorporates speed into the mix. The objective is to hit targets both quickly and accurately while maneuvering around or through the course.

The event offered six practical shooting stages across which athletes could test these two skills in varying formats. Sport Coordinator Patrick Brower designed each course, in addition to his other duties in operating the event.

Brower stated, "The best part of [designing layouts] is that, while there are regulations on what you can set up, it leaves a lot of room for creativity in what you can do when setting up stages."

While Brower was thrilled to create a fun and challenging event for a community excited to be involved, the practical shooting match didn't turn out to be a walk in the park. While attempting to set up the stages the night before the event, a rainstorm flooded the six bays that make up the venue space.

"We did what we had to do to get the match," Brower explained. "This community is fantastic, and there were people who were able to help us out and get a pump. They stayed until two in the morning to help, and it was awesome to have their support."

Thanks to the late-night efforts of the team and those who volunteered to help out, the match's first year turned out to be a successful one.



At the Iron County Home Builders Association Golf Tournament held at Cedar Ridge Golf Course, Aaron McNeil recorded the 1st ever Hole-in-One in the tournament's history. For his efforts Aaron, from Logan Utah, who was playing with the John Orton Excavating team, won a 3 year lease on a Jeep Compass worth \$16,200. Car sponsorship was provided by Cedar City Motor Company.



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MLB All-Star Game had forgettable ending

The All-Star Game has provided a nice break from the battles of the regular season. Great memories were had when I was growing up, from Reggie Jackson's home run that hit a light tower at Tiger Stadium in 1971 to Fred Lynn's grand slam in 1983, among many others. Reggie's blast helped the American League beat the National, 6-4, and Lynn's big fly was the highlight of a seven-run 3rd inning that led the AL to a 13-3 rout at Comiskey Park in Chicago.

In between, the National League won all 11 All-Star Games, and that was a big reason why I made sure to cheer for the AL every July.

Very cool fact: to this day, Lynn has the only grand slam in All-Star history.

But on the night of July 14, 2025, I was left with a feeling of meh after the American League wiped out a 6-0 lead and rallied with four runs in the seventh and two in the top of the ninth to forge a tie. When the NL failed to score off Boston's Aroldis Chapman in the bottom of the inning, it led to something that makes the 2002 ASG fiasco completely tame by comparison.

The 2025 game was to be settled by a "swing-off" designed in the spirit of Home Run Derby. Three hitters for each team, three swings, most home runs gets credit for the win.

Almost like penalty kicks in soccer, but not even close.

When the Phillies' Kyle Schwarber nailed all three of his home run swings and Tampa Bay's Jacob Aranda missed on his attempts, it was good enough to give the National League a 4-3 "win," its second in the last 12 All-Star Games.

And it was manufactured hype for a game that has packed no emotional punch since 2002, when the lack of available players forced that year's

game to end in a 7-7 tie after 11 innings.

We tried giving home field for the World Series to the winner of the All-Star Game, and the Cubs-Indians (Guardians) fall classic was messed up because the Cubs had to play Game 7 on the road despite having the better regular-season

record (103-58).

Cooler heads prevailed after that moment, but I didn't realize the new rule for the "swing-off" was put in place in 2022 and used for the first time three years later. Extra innings no longer exist in the All-Star Game, but there's no reason to think about attempting this format for ANY regular-season or playoff game...ever.

And just to show how badly the swing-off sounded on TV, we have two exhibits. Fox dugout reporters Tom Verducci and Ken Rosenthal threw out the same "feeling" questions before each hitter came to the plate, and play-by-play man Joe Davis got just a little too excited while the camera showed several baseballs landing well short of the warning track in the outfield.

For good measure, we didn't get to see the Mets' Pete Alonso take his turn to settle the swing-off because it was already clinched.

Schwarber didn't start the All-Star Game and went 0-for-2 after entering in the fifth inning, but his home run swings were deemed good enough to earn MVP honors.

Nice work if you can get it, and we hope there was a decent bonus written into Schwarber's contract. May it ease the sting of three and a half hours of empty TV viewing time none of us will ever get back.

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RANDOM thoughts

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TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

And now, we have liftoff on another dozen sporting trivia questions for your guessing enjoyment. This week's collection is a grab bag of challenging stuff that won't break your brain – at least that's the intended goal here. Have fun, embrace the chaos, and please remember...no wagering!

1. Cal Raleigh of the Seattle Mariners made history and won the Home Run Derby at the All-Star Game on July 14. Raleigh is the first player at what position to win the event?
2. While Raleigh won the Derby for the first time, what Mariners legend is the only player to win the Home Run Derby three times (1994, 1998 and 1999)?
3. What MLB great nicknamed "The Cobra" who passed away June 28 at age 74 won the first Home Run Derby held in 1985?
4. True or False: If the team qualifies for the playoffs, the Tampa Bay Rays will play any home games in their 10,000-seat minor league stadium, Steinbrenner Field.
5. What New York Jet signed a 4-year, \$120.4 million extension on July 15 to become the NFL's highest-paid cornerback?
6. The Open Championship is being played at Royal Portrush Golf Club in Northern Ireland. How many hours ahead of Utah (Mountain) time is Royal Portrush?
7. Former NHL star Joe Pavelski won the American Century Golf Championship last week in Lake Tahoe, Calif. In his 18-year hockey career, Pavelski played 12 seasons with the San Jose Sharks, but closed his career with what Western Conference team that lost the last two Western Conference Finals to the Edmonton Oilers?
8. As the 2025 season reached the All-Star break, only two division leaders – both in the National League – repeated the feat from 2024. Name either team.
9. After carding a 7-under 64 in the final round of the Amundi Evian Championship on July 13, Lottie Woad finished tied for 3rd, one

stroke behind winner Grace Kim and runner-up Jeeno Thitikul to earn her final points needed to earn her LPGA Tour membership. What country does Woad call home?

10. What is the nickname of Utah's NWSL franchise?
11. Who won the inaugural Club World Cup soccer final played July 14 at MetLife Stadium? This club was fourth in the Premier League last season.
12. What Pacific Northwest city is bringing a team back to the WNBA in 2026 with the original nickname it had from 2000 to 2002?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Pete Sampras. He finished a run of seven Wimbledon men's singles titles in eight years when he won in 2000.
2. 84 games.
3. Tyrese Haliburton.
4. Collins was sent to the Los Angeles Clippers for Kevin Love, Kyle Anderson, and a second-round pick in the 2027 NBA Draft.
5. The Tigers' longest winning streak has been five games.
6. Jacob Wilson.
7. Will Smith.
8. Paolo Banchero.
9. True. In addition to his playoff win over Emiliano Grillo at the John Deere, Campbell beat Aldrich Potgeiter to win the Mexico Open at Vidanta World in March.
10. Cameron Smith.
11. American League. Including 2024, the AL has won 10 of the last 11 All-Star games.
12. Detroit Lions vs. Los Angeles Chargers.

Taylor McQuillin Promoted to Associate Head Coach for Southern Utah Softball

by Regan Hunsaker

SUU ATHLETICS

CEDAR CITY, Utah – The Southern Utah University softball program has announced a key promotion, elevating Assistant Coach Taylor McQuillin to Associate Head Coach. The move recognizes McQuillin's profound impact on the Thunderbirds' pitching staff, recruiting efforts, and overall team culture since joining the program.

A decorated athlete with a championship pedigree, McQuillin has brought elite-level experience to SUU, helping fuel the program's most successful season in a decade. Under her guidance, the Thunderbirds saw a dramatic improvement in the circle, cutting their ERA nearly

in half, and made significant strides offensively, including doubling their home run total and earning the No. 3 seed in the WAC Tournament.

"Taylor's rise to Associate Head Coach is a testament to her championship mindset and elite-level experience," said Head Coach Don Williams. "She brings a wealth of international, Division I, and professional expertise, having excelled at Arizona, competed for Team Mexico in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, and played professionally in the NPF, Japan's Diamond League, and Athletes Unlimited Softball League."

"Since joining our staff, Taylor has demanded excellence every single day, particularly in the bullpen, but perhaps more importantly, in

the way our team approaches competition," Williams continued. "Her relentless drive and high standards directly fueled our improved performance last season. I'm thrilled to elevate her to Associate Head Coach as she continues shaping our program's mentality and performance at the highest level."

McQuillin joined the Thunderbirds, continuing an impressive career in both playing and coaching. A stand-out pitcher at the University of Arizona, she earned NFCA First Team All-American honors in 2019, was a three-time All-Region selection, and a four-time All-PAC-12 honoree. In 2018, she led the nation in shutouts with 15 and was a USA Softball Player of the Year Top-25 finalist in 2017.

Professionally, McQuillin has consistently ranked among the top pitchers in Athletes Unlimited Softball and is currently competing with the AUSL Bandits. She also boasts international experience at multiple levels.

McQuillin's coaching journey began at her alma mater, where she helped lead the Arizona Wildcats to a 41-15 record and a Women's College World Series appearance as a graduate assistant. Since arriving at SUU, her impact has been immediate and transformational.

As she steps into this new role, McQuillin remains committed to building on the program's momentum.

"I'm honored to take this next step with a team and staff that believes in pushing

boundaries and doing things the right way," McQuillin said. "We're just getting started at Southern Utah, and I'm excited to help lead this group as we continue raising our standard."

With Taylor McQuillin now serving as Associate Head Coach, the Thunderbirds are poised for another leap forward in 2025-26.



Kickoff Times Announced for Final UAC Football Season at Southern Utah

by Regan Hunsaker

SUU ATHLETICS

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CITY, Utah –

With less than two months

to go before the 2025 season opener, kickoff times have officially been set for Southern Utah Football's final season in the United Athletic Conference (UAC). Coming off a 7-5 record in 2024 and narrowly missing the FCS playoffs, the Thunderbirds are positioned to be a force in the national picture this fall, especially with no FBS opponents on the schedule.

Head Coach DeLane Fitzgerald Said "We've got a veteran team, a tough schedule, and a fanbase that's hungry for postseason football. This is our final ride in the UAC, and our guys are locked in on making it a memorable one. We can't wait to kick things off in front of our home crowd under the lights."

All 12 contests will be broadcast live on ESPN+, giving fans across the country a front-row seat to every game.

The Thunderbirds will kick off the

season at home on Saturday, August 30, at 6:30 PM MT against Idaho State inside Eccles Coliseum. It's

one of six games scheduled in Cedar City this season, including key matchups against Northern Arizona (Sept. 13), West Georgia for Homecoming (Sept. 27), and the home finale against Central Arkansas (Nov. 15).

Southern Utah also hits the road for marquee contests at UC Davis (Sept. 20, 8:00 PM MT), Tarleton State (Oct. 4), in-state rival Utah Tech (Oct. 25), and a season-ending trip to North Alabama (Nov. 22).

In addition to an exciting schedule, Southern Utah is transitioning to a new ticketing platform this season, aimed at improving the fan experience. Tickets will go on sale soon, and fans are encouraged to stay tuned for updates, special promotions, and deals in the coming weeks.

With a seasoned roster, a veteran coaching staff, and everything to play for in their final UAC campaign, the 2025 Thunderbirds are set to make noise in the FCS.

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