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2. When spraying for insects and diseases change up the active ingredient in the pesticide for better results. (these are usually found on the front of the packaging)
3. When planting trees be sure to mix 1/3 mulch with 2/3 native soil. Create a well around the base of the tree. Be sure to fill the well up with water, 2-3 times a week depending on the weather.
4. Most insects are nocturnal. So if you can't see what is eating your plants grab a flashlight and take a nighttime stroll through your vegetable and flower beds. Be sure to look under the leaves.
5. Fertilize regularly.  
(N)Nitrogen - for the growth of the plant  
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# HONEYCOMB ENERGY CENTER

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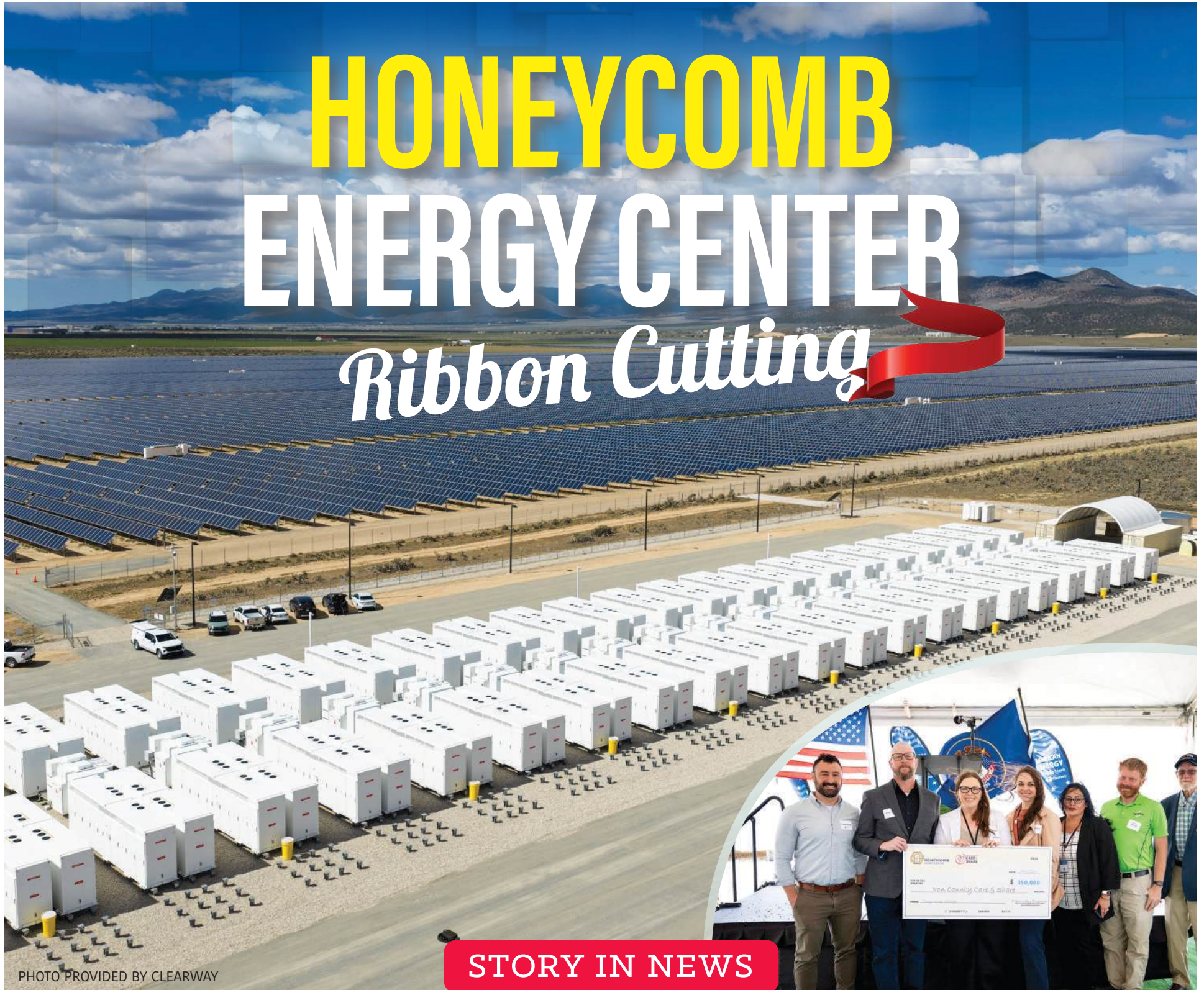


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STORY IN NEWS

# HONEYCOMB ENERGY CENTER RIBBON CUTTING



by *May Hunter*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Congratulations to Clearway Energy Group on the ribbon cutting of the new Honeycomb Energy Center in Iron County, held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026. John Curtis spoke during the celebration.

The Honeycomb Energy Center is a 320-megawatt battery energy storage portfolio serving Iron and Beaver Counties. Honeycomb's innovative energy portfolio utilizes American-made Tesla equipment and 100% domestic steel and includes four 80-megawatt storage systems capable of delivering 1,280 megawatt-hours of dispatchable power reserves to the region. The storage facilities are adjacent to solar farms owned and operated by Clearway Energy and are contracted under 20-year agreements with PacifiCorp to help strengthen grid reliability and modernize energy infrastructure.

During the ribbon-cutting ceremony, Senator Curtis highlighted the project as a model of Utah energy innovation, connecting large-scale battery storage with nearby solar resources to

strengthen the power grid. He referred to the approximately \$600 million investment as a key component in providing reliable, cost-effective energy for the region.

*“The Honeycomb Energy Center represents a major investment in Utah’s energy future, supporting local jobs, strengthening grid reliability, and advancing energy innovation,” Curtis stated.*

*“By pairing large-scale battery storage with nearby solar resources, we’re helping ensure dependable, affordable power for communities across the region.”*

Battery energy storage systems store excess power for later use during times of high demand, helping provide more efficient and stable operation of the electric grid.

Clearway CEO Craig Cornelius said the company is proud to help balance Utah’s grid and stabilize power costs through renewable energy and storage projects. Clearway has operated in Utah for nearly two decades, completing its first project in 2008, and now maintains nearly 900 megawatts of energy projects in the state.

The Honeycomb Energy Center also represents a significant investment in the Cedar City and Iron County communities through economic development and job creation. According to Clearway, the project:

- Created approximately 150 jobs during peak construction
- Will sustain more than a dozen full-time positions
- Is expected to generate about \$60 million in property and sales tax revenue for schools and public services

- Supports local landowners through long-term lease agreements

Clearway also announced a

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## HONEYCOMB ENERGY

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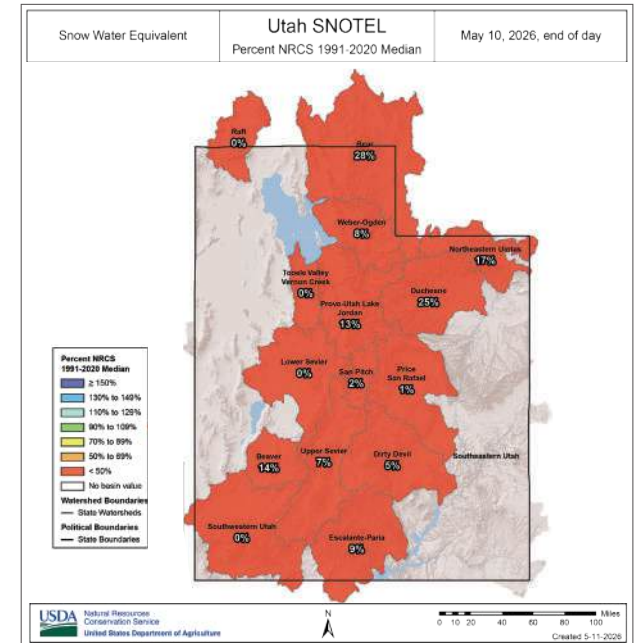
\$150,000 donation to Iron County Care and Share in support of a Tiny Home Village project that will provide housing resources to individuals transitioning out of homelessness. In addition, local team members will contribute \$40,000 annually throughout operations toward #AdoptASchool programming and other local charitable causes.

“At Clearway, we’re leading the transition to a world powered by clean energy,” the company stated. “Our team members are dedicated to solving tough problems collaboratively to make the world a better place.”



*“I’d put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don’t have to wait until oil and coal run out before we tackle that.”*

— Thomas Edison



## Iron County School District alerts parents after nationwide Canvas cybersecurity breach

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Iron County School District notified parents this week that Canvas, an online learning platform used by many secondary schools, was impacted by a nationwide cybersecurity incident tied to the hacker group ShinyHunters.

In an email sent to parents, the district said it “recently learned that Canvas, a platform used by many of our secondary schools, experienced a cybersecurity incident.”

The district said Instructure, the Utah-based parent company of Canvas, reported that “a small portion of its Canvas platform, Free-For-Teacher, was leveraged by an unauthorized actor.”

That portion of the learning management system was temporarily shut down while the company investigated the breach and implemented additional safeguards.

District officials stressed that Iron County School District’s own systems were not directly

compromised.

“Canvas is not hosted on our servers, which means Iron County School District was not directly attacked,” the email noted.

While the full scope of the breach remains under investigation, Instructure told districts it has “found no evidence that the unauthorized actor established persistence, obtained credentials for accounts within (our district), or exfiltrated any additional data.”

The district also noted that sensitive information such as Social Security numbers, passwords, financial information and dates of birth are not provided to Canvas.

Even so, parents, students and educators are being urged to watch for suspicious emails and possible phishing attempts.

“Students, families and educators should still be attentive to any unexpected emails or messages which could be potential phishing attempts,” the district warned.

Canvas is widely used by K-12 schools, colleges and universities for assignments, grades, messaging and classroom

communication.

National reports indicate the incident affected schools and universities across the country during final exam season. Reuters and other outlets reported the cyberattack was claimed by the hacker group ShinyHunters, which has been linked to multiple large-scale data breaches in recent years.

Shauna Lund, communications director and foundation coordinator for Iron County School District, said the district does not store sensitive personal information through Canvas.

“It’s mainly grades and classroom-related information,” Lund said.

The investigation remains ongoing. Instructure said it has notified law enforcement agencies, including the FBI, the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and international law enforcement partners.

For more information, visit Instructure’s website at [https://www.instructure.com/incident\\_update](https://www.instructure.com/incident_update).

**IRON COUNTY FORECAST**

LOOK FOR PLENTY OF SUNSHINE AND COMFORTABLE TEMPERATURES TO WRAP UP THE WEEK INTO THE WEEKEND. GUSTY WINDS WILL BUILD INTO THE AREA THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT WEEK.

Check your local forecast anytime at:  
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<b>THURSDAY</b>	Sunny <b>78°/48°</b> PRECIP: 0% WINDS: NW 10-15
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Sunny <b>77°/46°</b> PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 5-10
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Sunny <b>79°/49°</b> PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 15-25
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Sunny <b>80°/48°</b> PRECIP: 0% WINDS: SW 15-25
<b>MONDAY</b>	Mostly Sunny <b>81°/45°</b> PRECIP: 10% WINDS: NW 10-15
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Mostly Sunny <b>82°/46°</b> PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 10-15
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Mostly Sunny <b>83°/47°</b> PRECIP: 10% WINDS: SW 20-30

## opinion

### FROM THE EDITOR



**BECKA  
DIMICK**  
COPY EDITOR

**T**his week, I had to do something really out of my comfort zone: ask my neighbor for a favor.

Not a huge favor. Not a life-altering favor. Still, I found myself overthinking a text message that, decades ago, likely would have been a casual conversation over a fence.

Later, as a thank you, I brought my neighbor some homemade food, beef stroganoff to be specific, which somehow made the whole interaction feel even more significant. Like I was participating in an ancient social ritual centered around Tupperware and mutual trust.

Living in a small town has made me realize that community is not just proximity. It's accumulated history. Shared reference points. Familiarity built slowly over years. Many people around here inherited those connections naturally. As someone newer to the area, I've become more aware of the effort it takes to build those connections intentionally. A strong sense of community is not an instant feeling, but a long-term practice.

We often hear the phrase "love thy neighbor," and I think the first part of that responsibility is actually knowing your neighbor. Not just living near people, but truly participating in the quiet, ongoing exchange that turns a group of houses into a community.

In the end, the text message itself mattered less than what it represented: the willingness to rely on another person, however briefly. The whole thing struck me as oddly reassuring.

Perhaps the true foundation of civilization is not politics or infrastructure, but the quiet confidence that someone nearby would feed your dog if you asked nicely.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"Life begins at the end of your comfort zone."*

- Neale Donald Walsch



## A Plea for Iron County: Choosing Legacy Over the Antelope Data Center

by Kaley Peterson

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

To Iron County Planning, I moved to Utah for its breathtaking landscapes, but what I truly found here was a home built on community and kindness. It is for both—the land and its people—that I am writing to you today regarding the proposed Antelope Data Center. To understand my concern, I'd like to share why the protection of our environment is such a passionate cornerstone of my life.

I wasn't born a Utahan, I grew up in southeastern Idaho, raised amidst potato and alfalfa fields. My childhood was "feral" and wild; I spent my days barefoot or on horseback, caked in mud feeling the freest among the trees and mountains. I love to hike and camp which is why I ultimately chose to settle in Utah. While other children had different role models, my "TV dads" were Steve Irwin and Jeff Corwin. They instilled in me a deep, lifelong appreciation for the diversity of our planet and the fragile balance of its habitats.

My most sacred memories took place at my grandfather's farm and our family cabin in Swan Valley Idaho. Because of

an unstable home life, my grandparents were my rock and where I felt most safe. I can still see us on that front porch as the sky turned from blue to purple, listening to my grandfather play his harmonica while my grandmother and I made wishes on shooting stars. My grandfather tended that land well into his 80s because he loved it—and he taught me to do the same.

When they passed, that legacy was dismantled. My uncles sold the assets to a developer, and the river I fished, the woods where I ran, and the fields I rode through on my grandfather's tractor were replaced by a subdivision. The eagles that nested there for generations are gone. There are no words to describe the hollow loss of seeing a heart and soul's work turned into pavement. I refuse to stand by and watch that happen to Iron County, a place I have the honor of calling home.

The proposed Antelope Data Center presents three critical threats that cannot be ignored:

- 1 The Myth of "Clean" Natural Gas

Powering this facility with natural gas is

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### WORD OF THE WEEK

#### HALCYON

[HAL-SEE-UHN]

adjective

calm, peaceful, prosperous, or idyllically happy and carefree.



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### A PLEA

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not a sustainable solution. It is a non-renewable, inefficient path that contributes heavily to CO2 emissions. According to Kevin Perry, a professor of atmospheric sciences at the University of Utah, a project of this magnitude could contribute to a 50% increase in CO2 emissions—a terrifying prospect given our current air quality crisis and the arsenic dust rising from the evaporating Great Salt Lake. Furthermore, this is a financial trap for our citizens. Research from Michigan State University shows that states hosting these centers see a national average increase of 10% in utility bills. We are being asked to shoulder the cost and the pollution for a facility that offers us no comparable benefit.

#### 2 The Reality of the "Closed-Loop" System

The term "closed-loop" sounds responsible, but it is a dangerous misnomer. In a state under a permanent drought warning, adding any strain to our water supply is unconscionable. These systems still require water, which becomes loaded with toxic chemicals. When that water is eventually drained and replaced, those chemicals risk leaching into our precious drinking water.

We are gambling with our health for the sake of a server farm.

#### 3 Ecological Disruption

Finally, there is the irony of the name. This project sits directly in the migratory corridors of the very animal it is named after. As any child who grew up watching Steve Irwin can tell you, the balance of an ecosystem is a fragile thing; once you upset it, the effects snowball rapidly. I did not move here to live with noise pollution and contaminated water; I moved here to be surrounded by the stunning beauty that defines Utah.

My grandfather always taught me: "Leave it better than you found it." I live my life by those words. Money is a powerful enticement, but it cannot buy back a destroyed ecosystem or a poisoned well. This data center is not wanted by the people of Iron County, and it is not necessary for our future. I am not against change and progress, but I am against doing it with breakneck speeds. I am against freight train tactics, misleading information and secrecy.

I am begging you to reconsider. Please do not let the legacy we leave for our children be one of industrial devastation. Deny the Conditional Use Permit for the proposed Antelope Data Center.



## Iron County man accused of moving starving horses to Utah to avoid law enforcement

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

An Iron County man accused of transporting severely malnourished horses from Arizona to Utah in an effort to conceal them from law enforcement is now facing multiple animal cruelty charges after investigators found several horses dead or dying.

Nathaniel Brendan LeBaron, 49, was arrested April 30 in the parking lot of the Iron County Sheriff's Office. He was then booked into the Iron County Correctional Facility on nine counts of intentional animal cruelty and one count of obstruction of justice, according to charging documents filed in 5th District Court.

The investigation began after Bureau of Land Management officials in Arizona reported finding horses belonging to LeBaron in what investigators described as a severely dehydrated and malnourished condition.

"The BLM officer in charge of the case stated she had never seen horses in that bad of a condition," the affidavit states.

According to court records, several horses had already died from malnourishment, while others were reported to be in the process of dying.

Authorities said Arizona officials directed LeBaron to re-home the horses because of their condition. Instead, investigators allege he transported several of the animals to Iron County "in attempts to conceal them from law enforcement."

A reporting party later provided investigators with photos and video of horses allegedly being kept in poor condition in Iron County.

Video taken April 17 showed two dead horses in a corral along with several others described as severely malnourished, with protruding bones visible, court documents state.

Investigators reported the horses did not have access to hay and instead were being fed straw, "which does not provide any life sustaining nutrition."

When investigators located the horses in Iron County, multiple horses had already died and another was so weak from dehydration and malnourishment it could not stand and later had to be euthanized by a veterinarian.

Police also allege LeBaron refused repeated requests to provide a physical address where additional horses were being kept.

Investigators further allege LeBaron admitted he still had additional horses on his property and had enlisted help relocating some of the remaining animals elsewhere in Utah following the initial seizure.

Authorities believe between five and seven additional horses were transported to Panterra, Utah.

As a result of receiving proper food and care, the horses seized in Iron County have begun showing "signs of progress and significant gains in their condition," according to the affidavit.



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# IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

## Cedar City Planning Commission Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff  
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar City Planning Commission reviewed proposed updates to city engineering standards during its May 5 meeting, focusing on curb and gutter specifications and ADA-compliant driveway designs.

### Engineering Standards: Curb and Gutter Revisions

City officials discussed replacing the current 7-inch curb standard with a 6-inch curb design used in Utah APWA standards. The lower curb height would improve ADA accessibility for pedestrian ramps and driveways.

The commission delayed action on the proposal after concerns were raised about increased concrete costs and reduced stormwater capacity. Officials said they plan to develop a modified 6-inch curb design that would reduce material costs while maintaining accessibility improvements.

Commissioners also discussed drainage concerns in newer, flatter developments where lower curbs may require larger underground storm drain systems. City staff said drainage

standards are being reviewed alongside the curb revisions.

### Engineering Standards: Driveway Approach Revisions (Standard Detail C3)

The commission approved revisions to the city's driveway approach standards to bring them into ADA compliance. The updated standards replace outdated designs with several ADA-compliant Utah APWA plans that improve sidewalk accessibility through driveway crossings.

One proposed option that routes sidewalks behind parked vehicles raised pedestrian safety concerns and will now require case-by-case approval instead of being automatically allowed.

Commissioners also discussed the challenges of delayed sidewalk installation in new subdivisions and agreed that public sidewalk easements should be included on subdivision plats to allow flexibility for future sidewalk placement.

The revised driveway approach standards were approved unanimously.

### Amended Plat: Black Rock Subdivision

A minor amended plat was presented for a lot in the Black Rock Subdivision.

The adjustment rotated the building footprint to better fit site conditions, including a retaining wall. Lot size and adjacent HOA common area remain unchanged, with only the orientation adjusted. HOA approval was already secured. A public hearing was opened and closed with no comments, and the item was handled as a staff-level decision.

### Maximum Driveway Width (RE Zone)

A request was discussed to increase the maximum residential driveway width in the Rural Estate zone from 34 feet to 50 feet. The request stemmed from a property where a wider driveway was installed to access a rear accessory dwelling unit, exceeding current limits. A prior variance request had been denied.

Staff presented comparisons showing Cedar City's current 34-foot standard is already higher than several peer cities. They recommended maintaining the existing limit due to concerns about safety, neighborhood appearance, drainage, snow storage, and on-street parking.

Commission discussion centered on whether a flat limit is appropriate for large Rural Estate lots. Public input supported a more flexible, proportional approach, and concerns were raised about inconsistent measurement practices.

The commission approved an

amendment allowing driveway widths of 34 feet or 33% of lot frontage, whichever is greater, up to a maximum of 50 feet, measured at the right-of-way line. Staff was also asked to explore similar updates for other residential zones.

## Cedar City Council Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff  
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

### Opening Items

Representatives from the American Legion Post 74th thanked the city for supporting a recent family event and shared plans for upcoming Memorial Day activities.

### Water Restrictions Discussion

The council discussed dry winter conditions and rising summer water use. Outdoor watering restrictions remain in place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., but no odd/even watering schedule has been added. Daily water use has increased significantly since March and is currently ahead of last year's levels.

Council members also discussed promoting the Neptune 360 water monitoring tool, reducing overwatering, encouraging smart irrigation systems,

## 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	\$30,800,000,000	\$132,282,649	\$221,113,931	\$77,269,263	67,617	2.7
<b>ANNUAL INCREASE</b>	10.7%	15.5%	17.8%	0%	3.4%	4.3

\* Information was obtained directly from the governmental entities listed.

## IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

and using state incentives for low-water landscaping. A committee will be formed to develop a summer water conservation plan.

### **Storm Drain Improvement Grant**

The city reviewed plans to apply for a federal grant to improve storm drainage infrastructure near Airport Road, the railroad crossing, and the Quichapa Channel. The project aims to address long-standing drainage concerns and protect nearby infrastructure.

Estimated costs range from about \$3 million for a smaller section to \$15 million for the full project. The grant would cover 75% of costs, with the city paying the remaining share.

### **Memorial Day Cemetery Guidelines**

The council reviewed cemetery decoration policies ahead of Memorial Day. Decorations placed for Mother's Day and Memorial Day may remain through June 1, after which items outside designated areas will be removed. Road markings and directional signs are also being refreshed before the holiday weekend.

### **Fiber Optic Franchise Agreement**

The council discussed a proposed agreement that would allow a new fiber optic provider to install infrastructure within public utility easements. Concerns included overcrowded utility corridors, repeated road construction, and possible pavement damage from trenching work.

City officials noted that denying a qualified provider could create legal concerns, but council members wanted more information about construction methods and long-term plans. Because no company representative attended the meeting, the item was tabled for further discussion.

### **Smith's Marketplace Development Agreement**

The council reviewed plans for a new 123,000-square-foot Smith's Marketplace near South Main Street and Cedar Knolles Drive. The project includes a grocery store, fuel center, commercial pad sites, and a connection to Green Lake Drive aimed at reducing traffic congestion.

The developer requested several code variances, including fewer loading bays, modified grocery pickup stall sizes, a taller monument sign, and a zero-scape landscaping plan using shrubs and rock mulch instead of grass.

Public comments focused on safety concerns near the Green Lake Drive trail crossing, with residents urging careful consideration of traffic flow and pedestrian safety. Council members agreed the design still needs refinement.

### **Water System Discussion**

The council also discussed whether the project's water infrastructure should operate as a public or private system. The developer argued a public water main would improve pressure and benefit nearby areas, while city staff raised concerns about maintenance,

liability, long-term costs, and consistency with city policy.

Officials noted that similar large commercial developments in Cedar City currently use private systems. No final decision was made, and the item was moved to next week's action agenda for further review.

### **Storm Water and Impact Fees**

The council discussed a proposal to pump storm water uphill to a drainage channel east of a development instead of using the existing Main Street storm drain system, which already has flooding concerns. In exchange for funding the pumping system, the developer requested a higher discharge rate and a full waiver of storm water impact fees.

City staff opposed eliminating all fees, saying the project would still impact downstream infrastructure. Council members discussed reducing the fees based on the project's actual discharge rate rather than waiving them entirely.

### **Other Business**

The council moved several routine items, including wildfire response agreements, a fire truck donation, and an energy management contract, to the consent agenda.

The city also approved a new independent audit firm, postponed a proposed fee schedule amendment for further review, discussed lease rates for the BLM tanker base, and approved a legal settlement related to a long-running development and storm drain dispute.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

### **Your Voice Matters: Join Us for Interim Meetings**

With the General Session behind us, our work transitions into the Interim Meetings, where the work for next year has already begun. During the Interim, we meet together with our Committees to dive into the issues impacting our communities and plan for the future. Our first meetings of the year will kick off on May 19th and 20th, and will be held on the third Wednesday of each month for the remainder of the year (except for July and December). I am honored to continue representing our district's values as Chair of the Natural Resources Agriculture and Environment Committee. I serve as a member of the Public Utilities Energy and Technology Committee, the Natural Resources Agriculture and Environmental Quality Appropriations, the Federalism Commission, the Water Development Commission, and the Utah Energy Council, where we will be vetting ideas that shape future legislation.

These meetings are an opportunity for you to make your voice heard and raise concerns about the issues that impact your life. As always, all meetings are open to the public, both in person and online at [le.utah.gov](http://le.utah.gov), where you can view agendas, watch live streams, and give public comment. I hope to see you involved.

### **Leading the Nation, 19 Years in a Row**

For the 19th year in a row, Utah was named the state with the best economic outlook in the nation. This



**REP. CARL ALBRECHT**

UTAH HOUSE DISTRICT 70

achievement is no accident; it is the direct result of

hardworking Utahns and an unwavering commitment to fiscal responsibility that prioritizes long-term planning over short-term fixes. While other states struggle with rising debt and stagnant growth, our state continues to thrive because we understand government works best when it remains lean and stays out of your way.

This ranking highlights the strength of our conservative policies, which have allowed us to cut taxes for six consecutive years while still maintaining a balanced budget and a AAA bond rating. By keeping our economic foundation solid, we are creating a predictable environment where businesses can grow and families can prosper. As your Representative, I remain dedicated to these principles of sound money and strategic investment, ensuring that Utah remains the best place in the country to find a great job, raise a family, and build a secure future.

### **Good News for Utah Public Lands**

Last month, the U.S. Forest Service announced that Salt Lake City will now be home to the Forest Services' national headquarters. This move shifts leadership closer to the 193 million acres of National Forest System lands, with

## public & health

### Rural Residents Recreation Survey Deadline May 15



Vision Iron County Board members deliver their input to Department of Transportation maps at a public workshop on April 27:

l-r - Crystal Rockwood, Scott Phillips, Robert Ballou and Mollie Halterman

May 15 to submit their opinions and desires regarding recreational opportunities and open space preservation to the public survey on the Vision Iron County website – [vision-ironcounty.org](http://vision-ironcounty.org).

According to Bob Ballou, team leader of the Vision Iron County Parks, Recreation and Open Space focus group, “The larger cities and towns have conducted their own surveys and open house functions to determine their residents’ opinions on these subjects.”

“But last Spring,” he added, “our team had an opportunity to apply for and received an Outdoor Recreation Planning Assistance Grant from the Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation to “identify what the citizens of the smaller communities in the county hope to have in the way of recreation facilities in the future.”

The funding of that grant enabled Vision Iron County to secure professional assistance from Harmony Public Involvement, LLC, to conduct “listening sessions” and develop an online survey that has been promoted with posters in prominent rural locations, on local social media sites, and in the online and printed versions of Iron County Today.

Ballou adds, “After another round of response gathering next fall, we will aggregate the information gathered at both the “listening sessions” and from both online surveys to present to Iron County officials for their ongoing planning and funding considerations.”

Vision Iron County is a volunteer-led nonprofit organization dedicated to collecting, tracking and sharing information among stakeholders to promote long-term planning and create more awareness of shared resources and opportunities. For more information, see [visionironcounty.org](http://visionironcounty.org).

Residents from the rural communities of Iron County have until Friday,

from Vision Iron County

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over 8 million in Utah. Not only will this bring high-quality federal jobs to the region, the move is also ensuring that policy decisions made about these federal lands are made by those with boots on the ground experience, closer to forest lands that need management.

Utah is ready to help support the important work ahead and demonstrate what is possible when agencies are grounded in the regions they serve.

### Improving our Air While We Grow

Over the past two decades, Utah’s air has steadily become cleaner—a result of thoughtful, commonsense policies and a focus on practical solutions. By investing in cleaner technologies, improving efficiency, and modernizing infrastructure, we’ve made meaningful progress in reducing emissions and protecting the quality of the air we breathe.

This success shows that responsible stewardship and strong economic growth can go hand in hand. When we prioritize innovation, accountability, and smart use of resources, we can preserve Utah’s natural environment while keeping our state prosperous—ensuring cleaner air and a higher quality of life for future generations.

### Saving You Money, Year After Year

As national inflation continues to put pressure on your household budget, my colleagues and I are taking aggressive steps to lower the cost of living for all Utahns. Over the last six years, we have steadily reduced the state income tax by 11%, moving the rate from 4.95% down to 4.45%. This incremental change keeps hundreds of dollars in the pockets of Utah families every year. We are also supporting parents by expanding the Child Tax Credit, broadening exemptions for young children, and incentivizing businesses to provide affordable childcare. We’ve eliminated the Social Security tax for those earning up to \$90,000 and slashed the state gas tax by 15% to provide immediate relief at the pump, something not noticed at the pump because of the war with Iran. By pairing strong fiscal discipline with these common-sense cuts, we are ensuring you keep more of what you earn while maintaining the essential services our communities rely on.

Thank you for allowing me to represent you. Please contact me with questions or concerns.

Respectfully,  
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## Expand Your Festival Experience: Enroll Now for Youth Summer Camps and Adult Courses for Teachers



by Marlo Ihler

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Looking for a way to add to your experience at the Utah Shakespeare Festival? Or do you have a young theatre enthusiast in your life? Every summer the Festival offers a unique range of educational opportunities for patrons and their families to enjoy in addition to the daily options like seminars and orientations that focus on the plays.

For youth ages 5-17 there are various summer theatre camps where they can train directly with industry professionals and other theatre

instructors. There are both day camps and sleep-away ones, depending on desired involvement. There are even scholarships available for those interested in participating that may need some extra financial assistance.

Beyond youth programs, the Festival provides specialized summer classes for educators to expand their Shakespeare and theatre knowledge. These onsite opportunities allow teachers to develop practical lesson plans and gain hands-on experience to enrich their classrooms and/or theatre productions while earning professional development credits.

Tuition is \$1,200 and includes all meals, tickets to seven plays, and dormitory accommodations. There is also a payment option of \$600, which includes all of the above excluding dormitory accommodations.



how to explore connections to contemporary themes, characters, and stories that keep students' attention and help them find relevance in classical literature texts. Tuition is \$300 and includes a ticket to four plays and three Southern Utah University professional development credits.

Registration closes June 30, 2026.

### Tech for Teachers July 20-22, 2026

This is a great in-person professional development course for any educator or director. Festival technicians and experts create a hands-on learning experience for designing, building, and running a production. Participants will take home ready-to-teach theatre lesson plans and files of resources. Tuition is \$300 and includes a ticket to four plays, the opportunity to watch post-production scenic changeovers, and three Southern Utah University professional development credits.

Registration closes July 4, 2026.

Questions for the Education

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### FOR YOUTH:

#### Playmakers Summer Day Camp June 8-20, 2026 Ages 5-17

From 2-4 p.m. Monday to Friday, students will have the opportunity to build theatre skills through movement, voice, improv, and more with a final Saturday performance. Tuition is \$150 and includes a T-shirt and a ticket to one play.

 Registration closes  
May 30, 2026.

#### Junior Actor Training July 20-25, 2026 Ages 12-14

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

Registration closes July 4, 2026.

#### Actor Training July 13-18, 2026 Ages 15-18

Taught by professional Festival acting and artistic company members, this week-long sleep-away camp is for all older teenage actors who want to train in scene work, stage combat, voice and movement, and more. Tuition is \$1,200 and includes all meals, tickets to seven plays, and dormitory accommodations. There is also a payment option of \$600, which includes all of the above excluding dormitory accommodations.

Registration closes July 4, 2026.

### FOR TEACHERS:

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## A New Shell Collection

by Samuel Wells

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Some years ago, two young women met at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. They were Bonnie Bain and Rosemarie Gnam. Both arrived in New York to start their doctorate programs and became friends. Dr. Bain would go on to become an expert in marine biology and eventually make her way to Southern Utah University where she currently teaches biology and works with the Frehner Museum. She is also a research associate with the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Gnam would go on to become an expert

in Caribbean birds and become a chief scientist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Their research interests seemed quite different, but they both shared a common hobby that brought them together. They both were fascinated by shells.

Dr. Bain fell in love with seashells (and other molluscs) as a girl when she received a gift of cards from her parents of beautifully illustrated species. She still has these cards even though she doesn't need them anymore to identify the animals. Dr. Gnam started collecting shells as a young woman working in a nature shop where she learned how to acquire interesting specimens on a budget. This collection grew through the years from a shoebox-sized stash

into formal displays with many valuable specimens. The collection became large enough that Dr. Gnam began worrying about its future. She decided to contact her friend in Cedar City for help. "Would SUU be able to care for the shells?" she asked.

It turns out that the conversation came at a good time. The university has just been given specimen cabinets from BYU to help with its growing collections. Over the years, SUU students and faculty have studied molluscs throughout Utah. These specimens have needed a home. It may come as a surprise that a landlocked state like Utah would have any shells at all, but we do. A few of them occur nowhere else in the world. Dr. Bill Heyborne (Dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics at SUU) has an ongoing project studying the land snails of the Pine Valley Mountains. He both contributes to and relies upon these collections for accurate identifications. "We are certainly grateful," he said, "for the generosity of these donors who have shared this amazing biological resource with us here at SUU."

Anna Ravenberg, a student at SUU, has been helping Dr. Bain organize the new arrivals. "There are so many beautiful species," she tells me, "and

it is easy to get distracted" (Anna is pictured here with Dr. Bain). But for all the work yet to be done, I didn't sense any need to hurry from either Dr. Bain or from Anna as I interviewed them. Dr. Bain has a lot of stories to tell. She explains that shells have inspired great works of art. They were used as money in some cultures. And some of them are extremely venomous. For anyone interested, she says, some of the shells are on display in the science building on SUU's campus.

## COURSES FOR TEACHERS

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Department? Call 435-865-8333 or email [usfededucation@gmail.com](mailto:usfededucation@gmail.com). Register for camps and classes online at [bard.org/about/education](http://bard.org/about/education).

And don't forget to get your tickets for the 2026 season of the Utah

Shakespeare Festival. The 65th anniversary season includes *Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida*, *Hamlet*, *Twelfth Night*, the musicals *Something Rotten!* and *She Loves Me*, the classic farce *See How They Run*, the bold reimagining of *Mary Shelley's Frankenstein*, and the contemporary satire *The Book Club Play*. Get tickets by visiting [bard.org](http://bard.org), or call the ticket office at (800) PLAYTIX.



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# Arbor Day in Parowan has new Goals

by John Byron Turner

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

**A**rbor Day in Parowan was held at the historic Meeks Farmstead and, this year, represented far more than a single day of recognition. Like many communities across the country designated as “Tree City USA,” Parowan meets the four national requirements: adopting a tree care ordinance, maintaining a city tree committee, investing at least \$2 per capita in community forestry, and holding an annual Arbor Day observance.

This year’s celebration on May 2 offered an especially informative program. Vern Fridley, a former Forest Service employee, provided both the opening and closing remarks. Mayor Mollie Halterman reiterated her strong belief in the value of healthy trees and the role they play in a thriving community. Jed Sudweeks, representing the Chamber of Commerce, shared the history of how the Meeks Farmstead came to be. Ryan Johnson from the Department of Natural Resources followed with a detailed demonstration on how to properly plant the two new Kentucky Coffee shade trees donated by Ladybug Nursery and Big Trees in Kanarrville. Community Advocate Jennelle Zajac also introduced the new raised beds for the Community Garden, which volunteers are currently installing within the Farmstead.

While the ceremony itself was enjoyable and informative, the large four-acre property surrounding the event tells a deeper story. The land originally belonged to Parowan’s first doctor, Priddy Meeks, who built a log cabin there, raised a family and practiced primarily herbal medicine. After the property passed through several owners, the Topham family

sold it to the Parowan Heritage Foundation in the early 1990s. In 1992, the site was officially added to the National Register of Historic Homes.

In the late 1990s, the Farmstead underwent a remarkable transformation thanks to the efforts of two local men: Vern Fridley and Parowan High School agriculture teacher Jim Shurleff. Together, they developed the grounds into an impressive park-like setting. They preserved the Meeks cabin and early barn, displayed antique farm equipment, and created a walkway lined with native plants and descriptive plaques. Parowan Creek, which runs diagonally through nearby yards, fed a fishing pond at the north end of the property. Shurleff’s agriculture students frequently visited the site as part of their coursework, learning responsibility and hands-on stewardship as they helped maintain the grounds.

Over the years, four different entities played roles in managing the Farmstead: the Parowan Heritage Foundation, State Urban Fisheries, Parowan High School’s Agriculture Department, and the City of Parowan. Funding came from city support, grants, donations, and volunteer labor, however, when the high school agriculture program was eventually discontinued, the site began to decline. The 2017 Brian Head fire caused further damage, sending heavy silt into the creek and pond. The once 12 feet deep pond filled in to only two feet, and overgrown vegetation left the area neglected and far from its former beauty.

Three or four years ago, a diverse group of local volunteers launched a renewed effort to restore and



further develop the Farmstead as an Outdoor Learning Center. The new raised garden beds—now one of the most visible improvements—are progressing quickly and are expected to be planted by Memorial Day. The pond and surrounding open field have also seen steady improvement thanks, in part, to the dedication of Dr. Ron and Susan Roth, who

live in the neighborhood. They have contributed benches, tables, trees, an irrigation system, refuse cans, and countless hours of their time. Ron is an active member of the Parowan Tree Commission, serving alongside Vern Fridley, Ryan Johnson, and Chairperson Heidi Toia.

Residents who enjoy gardening or who want to help restore this historic neighborhood treasure for future generations are encouraged to contact the Tree Commission at the Parowan City Building at (435) 477-3331 to learn about upcoming volunteer opportunities.

There are no specific plans for the unimproved areas, but it occurred to me while I walked around the grounds; wouldn’t this be a great place for a family reunion or a wedding. The Farmstead is located at 20 N 400 West if you’re interested in seeing it.

been granted a mini grant to help fund this project and has spent many hours of in-kind work to clear and level the area and provide a water supply for the growing season. In addition, several volunteers have prepared the area to its current state.

We are now looking for volunteers to help build, plant and maintain this area. There will be a schedule for volunteers week to week. Each volunteer will be able to harvest what they will use each time they go, leaving enough for other volunteers as well.

This area is meant for teaching, peace, entertainment, and joy. Please respect this area and those who take care of it, all are welcome to care for this area. If you harvest we ask that you put at least three hours of work to the area each week.

Donations Wish List:

- ✓ Shovels, rakes, hoes, hula hoe, pitch fork, digging fork
- ✓ Garden hose - 75'
- ✓ plant starts
- ✓ shade fabric
- ✓ Cattle panels for arches and trellis

If you would like to volunteer or donate please contact Heidi at (702)358-1538, she is best reached through a text message.

## Parowan City Community Garden

Recent SUU Agriculture graduate Heidi Toia has taken on the challenge of establishing a community garden on the upper flat area by the old barn and farming equipment at Meeks Pond.

Parowan City has



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Dates & Venues Subject to Change*

### MAY

#### BASKETBALL High School

**MAY 28 - 30**

Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Paiute Gymnasium, Parowan High School, SUU America First Event Center, SUU PE Building

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS UTAH OPENING CEREMONY

**MAY 28 - 8:00 PM**

Eccles Coliseum  
40TH ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION SERIES EVENT

#### BOWLING Youth

**MAY 29**

Cedar Bowling Center

#### SLOWPITCH SOFTBALL

**MAY 29-30**

Bicentennial Park, Field at the Hills

#### TRAP SHOOTING

**MAY 29-30**

Cedar City Trap Club

#### 5K / 10K

**MAY 30**

SUU PE Building

#### COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

*Presented by State Bank  
of Southern Utah*

**MAY 30 - 8:00 AM**

SUU PE Building  
40TH ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION SERIES EVENT

#### BOWLING Adult

**MAY 30**

Cedar Bowling Center

### JUNE

#### VOLLEYBALL SKILLS CAMP

**YOUTH**

**JUNE 1**

SUU PE Building

#### EQUESTRIAN Barrels and Poles

**JUNE 2**

Cross Hollows Event Center

#### VOLLEYBALL Youth

**JUNE 2-3**

Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Parowan High School, SUU America First Event Center, SUU Multipurpose Center, SUU PE Building

#### PICKLEBALL

**JUNE 2-6**

Bicentennial Pickleball Courts, SUU Pickleball Courts

#### BOWLING Adaptive

**JUNE 3**

Cedar Bowling Center

#### SWIMMING

**JUNE 4-6**

Cedar City Aquatic Center, SUU Pool

#### CORN HOLE

**JUNE 4**

SUU PE Building

#### SOCCER Youth

**JUNE 4-6**

Bicentennial Soccer Fields, Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, SUU Practice Field

#### FASTPITCH SOFTBALL

**JUNE 4-6**

Bicentennial Park, Canyon View High School, Cedar High School, Enoch City Field, Field at the Hills, Hurricane City Fields, Parowan High School, SUU Kathryn Berg

Softball Field, Toquerville City Field, Valentines Peak Sports Complex

#### BLOCK PARTY

*Presented by KSL 5 TV*

**JUNE 5 - 5:00 PM**

SUU Football Practice Field

#### OPENING CEREMONY

*Presented by State Bank*

*of Southern Utah*

**JUNE 5 - 8:30 PM**

Eccles Coliseum

40TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION SERIES EVENTS

#### HORSESHOES

**JUNE 5-6**

Horseshoe Park

#### SHOOTING PISTOL

**JUNE 5-6**

Iron County Shooting Range

#### GOLF

**JUNE 5**

Cedar Ridge Golf Course

#### GYMNASTICS

**JUNE 6**

America First Event Center

#### VOLLEYBALL Coed

**JUNE 6**

Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Parowan High School, SUU PE Building

#### KARATE

**JUNE 6**

Cedar Middle School

#### DISC GOLF Doubles

**JUNE 6**

Thunderbird Gardens

#### FOOTBALL 7V7

*Presented by the Las Vegas Raiders*

**JUNE 8-9**

Cedar High School Football Practice Field, Eccles Coliseum, SUU Football Practice Field, SUU Thunderbird Park

#### TENNIS Youth

**JUNE 9-11**

Canyon View High School, Cedar High School, SUU Tennis Courts

#### BASEBALL

**JUNE 11-13**

Bicentennial Park, Canyon View High School, Cedar High School, Field at the Hills, Parowan High School, Valentines Peak Sports Complex, Veterans Park

#### TRACK & FIELD

**JUNE 11-13**

Eccles Coliseum

#### BASKETBALL Adult

**JUNE 12-13**

America First Event Center, Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Paiute Gymnasium, Parowan High School, SUU PE Building

#### 3x3 SOCCER

**JUNE 12-13**

Bicentennial Soccer Fields

#### ULTIMATE FRISBEE

**JUNE 12-13**

Canyon View High School

#### TABLE TENNIS

**JUNE 12-13**

SUU PE Building

#### TENNIS Adult

**JUNE 12-13**

Canyon View High School, Cedar High School, SUU Tennis Courts

#### RACQUETBALL

**JUNE 12-13**

SUU PE Building

#### ARCHERY

**JUNE 12-14**

Parowan Valentine Peak Sports Complex

#### FENCING

**JUNE 13**

Valkyrie Fencing Club

#### ARM WRESTLING

**JUNE 13**

SUU PE Building

#### POWER TUMBLING & TRAMPOLINE

**JUNE 13**

Cedar Middle School

#### AMERICA 250 SUMMER STREET FEST

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**JUNE 13 - 5:00 PM**

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40TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION SERIES EVENT

#### FLAG FOOTBALL Girls

**JUNE 15-16**

Cedar High School Football Practice Field, Eccles Coliseum,

SUU Football Practice Field, SUU Thunderbird Park

#### VOLLEYBALL Adult Womens

**JUNE 19-20**

Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Parowan High School, SUU PE Building

#### DISC GOLF Singles

**JUNE 19-20**

Brian Head Disc Golf Course / Parowan Disc Golf Course

#### USG DAY AT BRIAN HEAD RESORT JUNE 20

Brian Head Resort -  
Giant Steps Base Area

40TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION SERIES EVENT

#### CORNHOLE

**JUNE 20**

Brian Head Resort - Giant Steps Base Area

#### BASKETBALL Youth

**JUNE 26-27**

America First Event Center, Canyon View High School, Canyon View Middle School, Cedar High School, Cedar Middle School, Paiute Gymnasium, Parowan High School, SUU PE Building

#### OUTDOOR VOLLEYBALL

**JUNE 27**

SUU Intramural Field / Cedar High School

#### USG NIGHT AT UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

**JUNE 27 - 8:00 PM**

Utah Shakespeare Festival

40TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION SERIES EVENT

### JULY

#### TENNIS Adult

**JULY 10-11**

SUU Tennis Courts

#### PRACTICAL SHOOTING

**JULY 18**

Iron County Shooting Range

### AUGUST

#### TENNIS Adult

**AUGUST 21-22**

SUU Tennis Courts

## calendar

THURS, MAY 14

**OPEN HOUSE FOR THE PROPOSED RED BUTTE ENERGY CAMPUS & DATA CENTER (5:30 - 7:30PM)**  
Open House for the proposed Red Butte Energy Campus and Data Center hosted by BrightNight will be held at Festival Hall. For more information, contact the Red Butte Project Team at [redbutte@brightnightpower.com](mailto:redbutte@brightnightpower.com)

**THREE PEAKS RECREATION AREA WALKING TOURS (4-6PM)** Will also be held on Tuesday May 19th (4-6PM) BLM archaeologist is giving 5 walking tours of the Three Peaks Recreation Area to discuss the agency's multiple use mission through the lens of history. Tours (~2 hours) will visit remnants of several Cold War era test sites on public land. Events are free and open to the public. Please RSVP with the BLM at the office, 435-865-3048, or [slavalley@blm.gov](mailto:slavalley@blm.gov). If you have a large group, a separate date/time can also be scheduled.

**NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF UTAH - TRAVELING TREASURES EXHIBIT (9AM - 5PM)**  
Open Monday to Friday, in Zions Bank (3 S Main St, Cedar City). In collaboration with Zions Bank, NHMU's Traveling Treasures program is bringing selections from the state's natural history collections to the Cedar City community. Learn about the evolving cultures of Utah's tribal nations through the stories told by their baskets in this exhibit.

FRI, MAY 15

**CEDAR CITY LIGHTHOUSE TOURS (10:30AM - 5PM)** Cedar City Lighthouse Self-Guided Tour/Climb every Friday and Saturday, the first tour begins at 10:30 am, and tours will continue every 15 minutes with the last tour at 5:00 pm. Be sure to get your tickets and book your time at [cedarcitylighthouse.com](http://cedarcitylighthouse.com). Remember to check in at the lighthouse at least 10 minutes before your ticket time. Tickets are \$12 per person or \$100 group rate for up to 10 people.

SAT, MAY 16

**COMMUNITY FLIGHT DAY (9AM - 12PM)**  
At 3 peaks model port. Hosted by Radio Control Club. Come take the controls and experience flying! Experienced pilots will provide instruction. Lunch to be provided by the club. Visit our website: [cedarcityrcclub.net](http://cedarcityrcclub.net). Find us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/cedarcityrcclub](https://www.facebook.com/groups/cedarcityrcclub)

IRON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY OPEN HOUSE

(10AM - 12NOON) At the Iron County Sheriff's Office - front lawn (2132 N Main St, Cedar City). The Iron County Sheriff's Office invites you to come and meet the First Responders and see the equipment that serves Iron County.

**THE THREE PEAKS CLASSIC - INTERMOUNTAIN CUP MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE** The Three Peaks Classic - Intermountain Cup Mountain Bike Race is held at the Three Peaks Recreational Area. Up to 700 participants, their families and support crews will be here. For information and to register visit [intermountaincup.com](http://intermountaincup.com)

**COMMUNITY BBQ & POTLUCK (NOON - 2PM)**  
Join us for a good meal and a great cause! The Iron County Democrats are hosting a Community BBQ & Potluck at Main Street Park in Cedar City (right next to the Library). Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. We're asking everyone to bring a dish to share, potluck style. Whether it's a salad, a side, or something sweet, your contribution is part of what makes this event special. A suggested donation of \$10 per person goes directly toward supporting Democratic candidates right here in Iron County. This is a family-friendly, inclusive event. Bring the kids, bring the neighbors, and bring a friend. All are welcome. RSVP via the link below so we know you're coming at <https://mailchi.mp/iron-county-utah-democrats/bbq>

MON, MAY 18

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

TUES, MAY 19

**SOUTH ELEMENTARY IS TURNING 66 (6-8PM)**  
Our community is invited to celebrate! Join us for a special Route 66-themed open house. Community members, past students, and families are welcome to come walk the halls, take a trip down memory lane, and enjoy displays and photos highlighting South Elementary's past and present. Come celebrate 66 years of memories, learning, and community—we hope to see you there!

WED, MAY 20

**MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! (5PM)** Volunteers are needed to place flags on Wednesday, May 20 at 5:00 PM and to remove flags on Wednesday, May 27 at 9:00 AM. For more information or to volunteer, contact Scotty Harville at (435) 590-3072.

# Adventure Across America

## George Washington

### Father of His Country

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

George Washington  
(1732–1799)

was a Virginia-born planter and surveyor who became the first president of the United States (1789–1797) and commander of the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Known as the “Father of His Country,” he led the colonies to victory against Britain and established key presidential precedents before retiring to his Mount Vernon estate.

- **Born:** February 22, 1732, in Westmoreland County, Virginia.
- **Education:** His father died when he was 11 years old, ending any hopes of higher education. He spent many of his formative years working with his older brother. During this time, he learned the science of surveying and began a new career.
- **Military Start:** Served in the French and Indian War, gaining early command experience.
- **Marriage and Estate:** Married Martha Custis in 1759 and managed her vast property along side his Mount Vernon plantation.

**Revolutionary War (1775–1783)**

- **Commander-in-Chief:** Appointed to lead the Continental Army, Washington faced a superior British force and kept his army together through harsh conditions.
- **Victory:** Key victories, particularly through the alliance with France at Yorktown in 1781, secured American independence.
- **First President:** Unanimously elected as the first president of the United States, he established critical precedents, including forming a cabinet and serving only two terms.
- **Policies:** Focused on strengthening the federal government, maintaining neutrality in foreign conflicts,

and promoting national unity.

- **Retirement:** George Washington's 1796 decision not to seek a third term and his retirement in 1797 established the precedent for a peaceful transfer of power in the United States.
- **Legacy:** Known for his integrity, he is widely regarded as one of the most important figures in United States history.

George Washington signed the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. As president of the Constitutional Convention, he was the first to sign the document, signaling his strong support for the new government it created. His presence and signature gave the document legitimacy in the eyes of the public, making it difficult for opponents to argue against it.

Few figures stand as prominently in American military history as George Washington. In many ways, he is viewed almost as a mythical figure and is remembered for his momentous achievements. He led the Continental Army to victory in the Revolutionary War, helped create the United States Constitution, and served as the first president of the United States. His exceptional leadership qualities allowed him to succeed throughout his life. Though not without faults, he established a precedent of selfless service and moral integrity within the American armed forces, a legacy that continues to live on in the nation he helped create.

“Your love of liberty, your respect for the laws, your habits of industry, and your practice of moral and religious obligations are the strongest claims to national and individual happiness.

— George Washington

## 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)

**Cedar Area Inter-Faith Alliance (CAIFA)**

3rd Tues 10:30am @ Cedar Library, West room. Help us plan and organize fundraising projects and quarterly community events. (No meet Jul, Nov, Dec)

**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

**Kiwanis Club of Iron County**

6-7pm • 1st Tuesday of each month at the Cedar City library. [ironcountykiwanisclub@gmail.com](mailto:ironcountykiwanisclub@gmail.com)

**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 Thurs, 6PM, Post 10846 meets @ Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

**AA—Alcoholics Anonymous**

(435) 635-3603 • [www.utahaa.org](http://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

**Uncommon Sense** • Sat, 10:00 am

**My Story** • Sat, 8 pm

**Thank God Sunday Spiritual** • Sun, 11 am

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

**Al-Anon**

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

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

**Hope for Today (Family Groups)**

Thurs, 6 pm • (925) 508-9058

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

**Alzheimer's/Dementia**

Every 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](mailto: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

**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

**Multiple Sclerosis**

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

**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, 7:00 pm • Share Families of So. Utah • 565 N Main Street, Ste. 6, Cedar • [www.southernutahshare.com](http://www.southernutahshare.com)

**Reel Mental Health**

1st Tues, 6PM • Mountain View Lodge 625 W 200 S Parowan UT 84724 • 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](mailto:info@sunrisechurch.net), [sunrisechurch.net](http://sunrisechurch.net).

## CLASSES, CLUBS &amp; 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.

**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.

**Cars & Custard**

2nd Mon., 6-8 PM at Culver's Treasures Thrift Store is: 1093 S Main Street, Cedar City, UT. Classic Cars & Trucks, Customs, Your pride and joy. A free small Custard for each car entry, provided by Culver's! Contact Mike @ 909-717-1232 or [ekimjacobs@gmail.com](mailto:ekimjacobs@gmail.com) for more info.

**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](mailto: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. [cedarchestquilters-guild.org](http://cedarchestquilters-guild.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 parkrun**

Saturday 8 am • West Canyon Park, (133 S 400 E) • Free 5K for runners, joggers & walkers. Volunteers welcome. Info: Bruce @ 435-301-5480 or [coalcreektrail@parkrun.com](mailto:coalcreektrail@parkrun.com)

**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**

welcome all religious backgrounds, agnostics, and atheists. 3rd Sundays at 11 am. 5101 W 1125 S, Cedar City. Leave a message or call Valerie Whitaker if interested at 435-704-4262.

**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](http://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.cedarcity-communityband.org](http://www.cedarcity-communityband.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](mailto: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.

**Friends of Festival Country K9s**

offers Dog Training classes and therapy dogs for libraries, schools, and more. We also have events like animal adoptions and microchip clinics. Call Gail Workman at 435-592-5487 for info.

**Labyrinth Walk**

Last Saturday, 12:00-2:00. 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. No experience required, facilitators are present.

**Local Cub Scout Pack (K-5th).**

Wednesday @ 6 p.m. For more information, go to [myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org) or contact local Cubmaster Tristin L. at [CubScoutTroop1848UT@gmail.com](mailto:CubScoutTroop1848UT@gmail.com)

**Parowan Pickleball**

Mon, 6-8 pm • Tues-Thurs, 9-12 pm • Iron County Exhibit Building. Range of skill levels, 3 indoor courts, beginners welcome. INFO, fees and sign-up: Season: October 21 to July 25. Parowan Rec, 35 E 100 N, Parowan, UT 84761. 435-600-1597.

**PB&J Therapy Groups**

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

College: [forms.gle/SmGytgCfvQ1tS2pB7](mailto:forms.gle/SmGytgCfvQ1tS2pB7)

Adolescent: [forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9](mailto:forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9)

**Rock Club**

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

**Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild**

Wed, 9:30-11:30 am • Grind Coffee House

(19 N Main, Cedar City). Knit, crochet, weave, spin, etc. Come learn a craft, work on a project, or just socialize. Beginners welcome! Questions: Jane 435-233-8366.

**Senior Yoga Classes**

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

**Sewing Group**

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

**Southern Utah Woodturners**

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

**StrongBoard Classes**

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

**Tai Chi For Health**

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

**TOPS—Take Off Pounds Sensibly**

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

**Water Aerobics Class**

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

**Wellness Place**

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

**Wellness Wednesdays**

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

**Zumba with Steff at****Retro Fitness 929**

S Main St, Cedar City, Tuesday at 9 AM. Membership or drop-in fee. Fun and easier to follow.

## schools

### IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Colby Leavitt

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



#### Cedar Middle School

Cedar Middle School's Symphonic Band recently performed at Veteran's Memorial Park as part of the 75th Anniversary Commemoration of the Miracle of Gapyeong. The ceremony honored

the service and sacrifice of the 2nd Battalion, 222nd Field Artillery—also known as the “Triple Deuce”—as well as the continued service of National Guard members. The event brought together Korean dignitaries along with state and local leaders, making it a meaningful opportunity for our students to be part of a community tribute.

#### South Elementary

It is that time of the year where Spring Fever starts to set in. Yet, through all of the excitement, our students at South Elementary still stay focussed enough to get through their testing and are doing it with flying colors. We are all so proud of them and the results that the students are receiving. Teachers and staff at South Elementary would like to thank the PTA for all of the awesome treats and surprises they have received this week for teacher appreciation week.

#### Canyon View Middle School

Musical Theater students at CVMS recently performed the spring musical *Cyrano de Burger Shack*. Students have worked all semester learning lines, songs, and choreography for this wonderful performance.

#### Enoch Elementary

As the school year winds down at Enoch Elementary, students and teachers have been busy celebrating a year full of learning and accomplishments. Miss Soper's class recently impressed students and parents with an incredible performance of Shakespear's A Midsummer Night's Dream. Our 5th grade classes also enjoyed a meaningful and educational tour of the Utah State Capitol, while 1st grade students delighted families with their annual “All About Me” end-of-year program. As the final days of school approach, we are proud of the many memorable experiences Enoch students have participated in.

#### Three Peaks Elementary

3rd grade students participated in their annual egg drop on Thursday, May 7. Each student carefully created a wrapping around a raw egg in hopes that it would survive the drop from the school's roof. Amazingly, some eggs made the drop without breaking. Thank you to the parents who helped their child participate in this

fun adventure and to the 3rd grade teachers for scheduling the event; Stephanie Abbott, Melinda Dotson, Jaci Gillies, Laine Larson, and Jenny Van Blaricom. Also, a special thanks to Mr. T for being brave enough to drop the eggs from the school's roof and to the “chicken” who made a special guest appearance to help with the event.

## obituaries

### Geraldene Bettridge



Geraldene “Geri” Bettridge (81) was reunited with her eternal sweetheart on May 7, 2026, after enduring six years' separation. She was born on January 17, 1945, in Van Nuys, California, and raised in Greenville, Utah, the second of five children. Geri was a member of the high school band, playing the clarinet; she sang in the chorus and was a member of Future Homemakers of America. She graduated from Beaver High School in 1963.

Immediately after high school, Geri ventured to the big city (Salt Lake) to work at Sweet Candy Company, where she enjoyed the treats of her labor. On a weekend trip home, Geri was introduced to Dale Bettridge by her cousin, Jeanette. After a few months of dating, Dale invited Geri to come down one weekend for a special surprise. Geri was expecting a ring. Instead, Dale presented her with a gold-plated .30-.30 by his estimation, a symbol of true love. Needless to say, a ring was forthcoming, and the two were married on August 5, 1966, in Beaver, Utah, and sealed in the St. George Temple a year later.

The young Bettridge family spent most of their time in and around Parowan. They especially enjoyed camping at Co-op Valley with the Mathesons. Geri loved singing and playing in a community ukulele group, chatting with the Empty Nesters, their lifelong friends, celebrating Christmas, and singing carols around Parowan.

Geri worked in the community she loved, first at Parowan Elementary School and then in the Iron County Treasurer's Office. She spent the bulk of her career as a banker at the Bank of Iron County, Dixie State, and First Security, eventually retiring from Wells Fargo. She then worked at Parowan Drug Store, where she became their best customer! She was president of the Ramette Mothers' Club, PTA president, and a lifetime member of the Parowan Booster Club.

No doubt, Geri's kindness has also touched you. She served faithfully in nearly every calling in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She made dutch oven chicken and potatoes for every ward activity, thousands of cookies for Parowan's birthday, and cakes for the neighborhood parties. She gardened, baked Twinkies, brewed root beer, decorated cakes, canned beets, sewed clothes, sold Avon, tended her flowers, hunted deer, cheered on the Rams, supported the Ramettes, and gathered wood. She encouraged fun family outings to the Gap, the Yankee, and the Bowery. She taught us all to show up, help out, and like it.

Always one to put her best face forward, Geri never left the house without lipstick. No matter the circumstance, she would answer the phone with her sweetest, “Hello.” A few weeks ago, while struggling through an infection that would result in an amputated toe, Geri maintained her pain level was a “2.” Despite obvious discomfort, she was not one to inconvenience anyone, even for some Tylenol. Geri's tenacious cheerfulness stems from her true nature of acceptance and love for all. Just ask her grandchildren! Geri loves her family. Although she's certainly rejoicing in her reunion with her sweetheart, we know she misses us, too.

Geri is survived by her four children, Adele (Kim) Lloyd, Brenda Esplin, Chad (Amy) Bettridge, and Dave (Aislinn) Bettridge; her siblings JoAnn (Orson) Blackner, Les (Bonnie) Williams, Connie (Ray) Fails, and Bruce (Gina) Williams; 15 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, G. Dale Bettridge; her parents, Helen and Jack Williams; and her sons-in-law, Delayne Fausett and Tracy Esplin.

The family thanks the staff at Stonehenge of Cedar City for their loving care.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, May 18, 2026, at 11:00 am at the Parowan West Ward Building (59 S. 100 W., Parowan, UT). Viewings will be held at the church on Sunday, May 17, 2026, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm and prior to the service on Monday from 9:30 – 10:30 am. Interment will be at the Parowan Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. To view the livestream of the service and share online condolences, please visit [www.mortuary.org](http://www.mortuary.org).

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## obituaries

### Kathryn Jensen Hensley



Kathryn Jensen Hensley was born in McCall, Idaho on January 21, 1965, to Janice Rigby Jensen and Franklin R. Jensen. She passed away in Salt Lake City, Utah on May 4, 2026 of cardiac arrest. She was 61 years old.

Known as Kathy, when the family moved to Cedar City, Utah, she attended South Elementary, Cedar Middle School and graduated from Cedar High School. Kathy moved to Salt Lake City after high school graduation and then to Logan, Utah, where she graduated from Utah State

University with a degree in Business Administration. She and her brother Gene were together at Utah State for a year while he earned his MBA in 1985.

Kathy moved back to Salt Lake City and started her employment career with Alta Health Strategies and then Educators Mutual Insurance Company.

Kathy met Kurt Hensley in Ogden, Utah, and they married in Salt Lake City in November, 1993. They moved to Rock Springs, Wyoming, and then Green River, Wyoming, where Kathy was employed by Trona Valley Federal Credit Union. They started their family with the birth of son Kaden in 1995 and son Karson in 1999. Kurt's daughters, Kaleigh and Kelsey, were often with the family.

After a number of years, Kathy applied and was accepted by the University of Wyoming Law School in Laramie and graduated with a Doctorate of Law degree. She was admitted to the Wyoming Bar Association on October 27, 2006. After law school, the family returned to Green River where she was employed by the Mathey Law Firm and then the Third Judicial District Court, Sweetwater County Wyoming.

Kathy and Kurt later divorced and she moved back to Salt Lake City with her sons.

While living in Sandy, Utah, Kathy became foster caregiver to her beloved cat, Addie. She was often helped over the last several years by friend Gary Meyer. She moved into her new South Jordan home in February, 2024.

Kathy was preceded in death by her father, Frank, her grandparents, her former mother-in-law Patricia Ayers and former father-in-law Mike Hensley. She is survived by her sons, Kaden and Karson, mother Janice, brother and sister-in-law Gene and Michele, step-daughters Kaleigh and Kelsey, step-grandchildren Maesyn and Onyx, former husband Kurt and nephews and cousins.

Kathy requested there be no services. A memorial gathering for family and friends will be held in Salt Lake City the end of May.

### Kenneth Daniel Black Jr



May 28, 1968 to May 2, 2026

Kenneth Daniel Black, 57, of Las Vegas, Nevada, passed away on May 2, 2026, in the city he called home. Born on May 28, 1968, in Las Vegas, Ken spent his early years in Parowan, Utah, before returning to Las Vegas after college, where he would go on to build both a life and a legacy. A respected figure in the Las Vegas construction industry, Ken was a successful general contractor and business owner, working alongside his father, Ken Black Sr. Together, they also shared a passion for drag racing, co-founding KB Racing LLC.

Ken is survived by his loving wife, Michele Black; his son, Kenny Black Jr. and daughter-in-law Katrina Black; his daughter, Brittni Black; his niece, Kori Newman and her husband Stefan Newman; and his nephew, DJ Patrias. He was a proud grandfather to Kendall Black, Kaia Black, Jett Black, Leo Newman, and Andre Newman. He is also survived by his mother, Judy Black. He was preceded in death by his father, Ken Black Sr., and his sister, Kristin Black.



Ken was a man of deep faith and devotion, with a strong love for God and his church. He found joy in life's simple pleasures, including sports, reading, and going to the movies, but nothing meant more to him than time spent with his family. He had a unique way

of connecting with those around him, whether it was recommending a great book, sharing a movie, or simply being present.

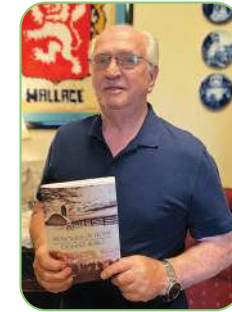
Known for his humor, generosity, loyalty, and unwavering work ethic, Ken was the kind of person who showed up every time. He was the steady foundation for his family, often described as the glue that held everyone together. Even during his own illness, he continued to put others first, checking in daily, offering advice, and providing comfort. His strength, optimism, and kindness left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him.

To his children and family, Ken was more than a provider, he was a constant source of support, guidance, and love. He was the kind of father who was always there in every sense of the word, and his presence will be deeply missed.

Graveside service will be held May 16th, 2026, at 3:30pm at the Parowan City Cemetery in Parowan, Utah. A visitation and memorial service will be held on May 15, 2026, from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM at Palm Southwest Mortuary, 7979 W Warm Springs Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89113. A formal service will begin at 5:00 PM. Flowers may be sent, or donations can be made in his honor to the Digestive Health Foundation, a cause meaningful to him and his family: <https://nmgive.donordrive.com/events/1171/donate>. To share online condolences, visit the website [www.mortuary.org](http://www.mortuary.org).

Ken's legacy of love, strength, and unwavering support will live on through the family he cherished so deeply. He will be profoundly missed and forever remembered. For any questions regarding the service or messages of condolence, please contact the family at [rememberingkenblack@gmail.com](mailto:rememberingkenblack@gmail.com).

### Dale Jean Wallace



Dale Jean Wallace, "DJ", passed away peacefully May 2, 2026, at age 88. Born in Richmond, Indiana, to David E. and Jeannetta A. White Wallace, he was preceded in death by his parents, siblings, son Dale G. (Angela) Wallace II, and granddaughter Heather M. Wallace.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Miriam Ann Johnson Wallace; children Cyndie (Steve) Campbell, Aaron (Paula) Wallace, Collin (Denise) Wallace, Anjanette (Christopher) Guthrie, and Colette (Waylon) Rosquist; 19 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; one expected great-grandchild; and many nieces and nephews.

DJ served in the Indiana Army National Guard and the United States Air Force, including service in Germany. He later earned degrees from Los Angeles Pierce College and Brigham Young University and pursued graduate studies at Arizona State University.

In 1979, DJ moved to Cedar City, where he spent 25 years with the Iron County School District, teaching and mentoring youth. He also coached athletics and taught at Southern Utah University and the state prison.

DJ and Miriam served four missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He will be remembered for his faith, humor, service and devotion to family.

Funeral Services will be held on May 15, 2026 at 11:00 am at the Carmel Canyon Ward on 2830 west Cody Drive. An evening viewing will be held from 6-8pm May 14th, 2026. 2830 W Cody Drive, Cedar City. Morning viewing will be held May 15th, 2026 at 9:30-10:30am just prior to services. Interment will be at the Southern Utah National Cemetery at 1:00 pm

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# Falcon baseball, softball teams advance in 3A playoffs

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

As he stood before his baseball team, Canyon View head coach Jason Jacobsen already knew his message. The 3A state title belongs to the Falcons, and they had little trouble finishing off a sweep of the Super Regional to advance and begin their title defense.

CV scored five runs in the top of the fifth inning and pitcher Jack Merrill threw a complete game as the Falcons beat the Richfield Wildcats, 11-1, on May 8 to advance out of the Super Regional in two games. Canyon View won for the 13th time in the last 15 games and improved to 15-12 overall.

"We talk about it all the time. Make teams get hits," Jacobsen said. "All of these kids have been around and been to the finals. It's clear they want to get back."



Canyon View coach **Jason Jacobsen** delivers a message to his team after the Falcons completed a two-game sweep in the Super Regional of the 3A playoffs May 8.  
(Tom Zulewski/Iron County Today)

Merrill held Richfield to only four hits, didn't walk a batter and struck out three. CV scored twice in the first inning, but the Wildcats answered with their only run in the bottom of the frame. The Falcons added three more runs in the second and a single run in the fourth before putting the win away in the fifth.

Merrill allowed an infield hit in the bottom of the inning, but got the final two outs on fly balls to Jeter Sanders

in center field that ended the game early.

In the opener, Zach Maine allowed only two hits, and the Falcons took full advantage of six walks as they used a pair of four-run innings to beat the Wildcats, 10-0 on May 7. Preston Higgins led the way on offense for CV, going 2-for-3 with four RBI while Sanders scored three runs.

Higgins sealed the win with one out in the fifth on a single to right field that capped a two-run rally and gave CV the 1-0 series lead.

Canyon View advanced to bracket play in the 3A playoffs Monday at Lindquist Field in Ogden against the Manti Templars, who eliminated the Tigers in its Super Regional in three games. The tournament runs through May 16 and the championship games will be played at Kearns High.

On the softball side, CV opened with a 10-0 shut-out over the Juab Wasps in five innings. Payton King homered in the victory, and the Falcons ended the game early with five runs in the fifth.

Freshman pitcher Maisy Brady held the Wasps to four hits with no walks and eight strikeouts. Canyon View (16-9) advanced to face the Logan Grizzlies, a 14-3 winner over Delta, in the second round Tuesday. The tournament runs through Thursday, and the championship game will be played at BYU.

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## TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

And now, we have liftoff on a dozen sporting trivia questions straight out of the grab bag for your guessing enjoyment. This week's collection is full 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. The Utah Mammoth made an impression, but were eliminated in six games by the Vegas Golden Knights in the first round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs. How many overtime games were needed in the series?
2. Of the 13 first-round overtime games in this year's Stanley Cup Playoffs, how many needed more than one extra period to complete?
3. True or False: After winning the Kentucky Derby, trainer Cherie DeVaux said Golden Tempo will not run in the Preakness Stakes on May 16.
4. In the 16-win era of the NBA playoffs, which Western Conference team holds the all-time best record, going 16-1 and winning the title in 2017?
5. Who leads the NBA in PLAYOFF scoring at 31.2 points per game through May 5? (Hint: this player had 45, 32 and 32 points in his team's final three first-round games to help them win a playoff series for the first time since 2008)
6. MLB pitchers are in a bit of a drought when it comes to throwing no-hitters. Which NL Central team threw the most recent no-hitter, a combined effort of three pitchers led by seven innings from Shota Imanaga on Sept. 4, 2024?
7. The Toronto Maple Leafs won the No. 1 pick in the NHL Draft Lottery last week, and the city has a new WNBA expansion franchise that began play May 8. What is the nickname of the team?
8. Which Canadian team – currently facing the Buffalo Sabres in the second round of this year's Stanley Cup playoffs – is the last from north of the border to win a Stanley Cup, having done it in 1993?
9. What Eastern Conference team is the lowest remaining seed left in the 2026 NBA playoffs?
10. What English Premier League soccer team will be playing in the UEFA Champions League final for the first time in 20 years after it eliminated Atletico Madrid on May 5 with a 1-0 victory in Leg 2 and 2-1 on

aggregate?

11. What six-time major winner on the PGA Tour withdrew from this week's PGA Championship and was replaced by Max Homa?
12. Through May 5, Kirill Kaprizov of the Minnesota Wild is tied for the NHL lead with 11 goals scored in this year's Stanley Cup Playoffs. What Wild teammate, who was part of Team USA's gold-medal winners at this year's Winter Olympics, also has 11 goals?

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Justify.
2. True.
3. Phoenix Suns.
4. Colorado Avalanche, Carolina Hurricanes.
5. Stan Van Gundy.
6. Scottie Scheffler.
7. Jurassic Park.
8. Ottawa Senators.
9. Rob Thomson.
10. Sandy Alcantara.
11. Ildemario Vargas.
12. Jose Soriano.

## CV has real chance to repeat as 3A champ

As the Canyon View baseball team celebrated its super-regional sweep over the Richfield Wildcats last week, it was interesting to hear what head coach Jason Jacobsen told his team about the next goal that lies ahead.

The message was clear. The Falcons are the defending 3A state champions until someone takes the crown away from them. At the rate CV is playing, the opposition has a very tough task ahead.

On one hand, there was the first half of the season. With several younger players on the roster, a 2-10 start left more questions than answers. Jacobsen knew that and asked for patience, asking to "give us a month to figure things out."

With bracket play directly ahead, the Falcons have figured things out in a big way. A 15-12 record may not look stellar on the surface, but winning 13 of the last 15 games – the only losses coming in Region 14 play – sends a loud message to the rest of the field.

## RANDOM thoughts

Tom Zulewski  
IRON COUNTY TODAY



Here's how good the Falcons have been as the drive toward another 3A championship begins.

After giving up two runs in the bottom of the 8th inning in a 7-6 loss to North Sanpete on March 27, the Falcons rebounded a week later. CV scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to tie, then Preston Higgins delivered a two-out, two-run homer in the bottom of the 8th to beat the Union Cougars, 9-7, on April 3.

The Cougars were Canyon View's potential second-round opponent for bracket play Tuesday.

In the first game of an April 17 doubleheader, the Delta Rabbits caught the Falcons with two runs in the bottom of the seventh, then CV responded with a run in the top of the 8th and held on for a 7-6 win. They would complete the sweep with a 7-3 win in Game 2.

Delta, who was ranked No. 3, suffered the big upset from the 3A tournament in the super regionals last week. After a 5-2 Rabbits win in the opener, No. 14 Logan posted wins of 3-0

in Game 2 and 8-7 in Game 3 to advance.

Following a 2-1 loss in eight innings to

Richfield on April 21, the Falcons broke out the big bats and swept the doubleheader April 24 with wins of 10-4 and 15-11.

To close the regular season, they won two of three over Juab and shut down Richfield in the super regional round to build a serious wave of momentum.

Over the last 15 games, the Falcons are averaging more than 8 runs scored and giving up 4.4 per game. They're 3-1 in one-run games and have two shutouts in the stretch.

If they can keep up this roll, CV could get to the finals for the third straight year. If they can bring home the championship trophy, they'd be the first team to repeat as 3A champion since...wait for it...Pine View – Region 9's own – won in 2015 and 2016.

And it will prove the old cliché true once more. It's not how you start, but how you finish.

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# Johnson signs with Montreat College

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

When Cedar lacrosse player Alyssa Johnson got started with the sport, she played as a midfielder, then changed to goalie because she “didn’t like running.” After setting a new standard with 672 saves over the last three seasons, Johnson was rewarded for the effort when she signed her letter of intent in May to join Montreat College, an NAAIA school located near Asheville, North Carolina.

Once she made her official visit, Johnson was hooked by just about everything from the team’s approach to the beauty of the area itself.

“Coach (Kayla) Bone was so nice and showed she really wanted me there. She made

every accommodation she could make for me,” Johnson said. “The team environment is great and I’m really excited to be a part of that. The school is absolutely beautiful, too.”

Johnson had to earn her spot as a captain for her senior season with the Reds, and will have to earn a spot on the team when she heads East later this summer.

“I’ll have to earn my spot at Montreat, but I’m not too worried about it,” Johnson said.

As she heads to Montreat, Johnson said she plans on getting her Bachelor’s degree in biology and forensics with an additional goal of entering medical school to become a forensic pathologist.

While this will be a different adventure for Johnson, she’s had a full set of opportunities to see family in action.

Johnson has a sister who plays at Post University in Connecticut and an aunt and uncle who live in Florida.

“I like it out there,” Johnson said.

Cedar girls lacrosse goalie Alyssa Johnson signs her letter of intent to join the program at Montreat College on May 6.

(Tom Zulewski/Iron County Today)



# Cedar baseball drops two to Ridgeline

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar baseball team faced a formidable challenge in the No. 4 seed Ridgeline Riverhawks during the best-of-3 Super Regional round. In the end, the home team had too much firepower and ended the Reds’ season.

Ridgeline broke the game open with six runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and finished with a 9-1 win over Cedar in Game 1 of the series that was played May 7. The Reds were able to break up the shutout bid of Riverhawks starter Easton Hammond with their run in the top of the sixth, but Ridgeline put the win away in the bottom of the frame.

Karson Duncan had two hits for the Reds in Game 1, including a double, and Payton Ludlow drove in the only run with an RBI single.

In Game 2, the Reds were able to take a 3-2 lead after scoring twice in the fourth, but Ridgeline responded with four runs in the fifth inning and completed the two-game sweep with a 6-4 win on May 8.

Duncan, Ty Rowley and Kian Carroll had two hits each for Cedar in the loss as they finished the season with a 12-17 overall record.


  
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## Whittom signs with Snow College women's wrestling

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

It's never easy for any high-school student to make a transition to a new school and a new home, but Taylor Whittom showed the determination and will to work on the wrestling mat. It paid off May 7 when Whittom signed her letter of intent to join the women's wrestling program at Snow College.

After moving with her family from Alaska prior to the start of her junior year, the transition proved to be a little rough at the beginning, but Whittom knew where she wanted to excel.

"I was a little nervous at first because I didn't know anyone, but I knew how to wrestle, and that's all that really mattered to me," she said. With the help of her coaches, including head coach Travis Carter, Whittom got noticed by the staff at Snow when she was invited to participate in a high-school practice.

"The coach was interested in having me, and I thought I was never going to get this opportunity again, so I just picked it up and went with it," Whittom said.

With CV winning 3A state team titles in both of her years, Whittom appreciated the impact, especially after playing through an injury in her junior year. Carter confirmed had Whittom been forced to default, the Falcons would have lost the team title. Instead, they won by a single point.

Whittom credited teammate Sadie Sams, who wrestled at 125 pounds this season, for providing the extra push when necessary.

"I wasn't always a great partner, but she was always there and stuck with me," Whittom said.

Knowing the CV team needed lower-weight wrestlers – Whittom competed at 110 pounds – Carter was introduced to her by his younger daughter and wrestler, Nellie Carter.

"She said 'we should have her wrestle,'" said Carter, who had five different soccer players, including Whittom, join the team. "We needed players who knew how to charge forward. You can't back up in wrestling, or you'll be in trouble.

"Last year, we butted heads a lot. This year, she's been amazing. I wish I could have her for another year."

## Reds softball falls to Flyers

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

After sweeping two games in the regular-season series, the Cedar

Reds found out how much difference comes between the regular season and the 4A state playoffs. The Dixie Flyers came through twice in the late innings and advanced from the best-of-3 Super Regional round.

In Game 1 played May 7, the Flyers rallied for three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and beat the Reds, 5-3. Cedar broke a 1-1 tie with two runs in the top of the fourth. Kinzie Hawkins led off with a home run and pitcher Kaycee Adams followed with an RBI single.

The Flyers were able to chip away, getting a single run in the bottom of the fifth as Payton Hatch led off with a triple and scored with two out after a dropped pop-up in the infield. In the sixth, Hatch came through again with a two-run single to finish off the sixth-inning rally that gave Dixie the lead for good.

Cedar was able to put the tying runs on base with two out, but Sloane Fielding grounded out to end the game and give Dixie the early series lead.

In Game 2 played May 8, freshman Karli Adams held Dixie to just two hits and the Reds forced a deciding game with a 5-0 victory over the Flyers. Cedar had only four hits, but was helped by eight walks issued between three Dixie pitchers.

The Reds scored twice in the third and added three more runs in the fifth.

In the deciding game, Dixie pulled away late again, scoring six runs in the bottom of the sixth and beating Cedar, 10-1. The Flyers won the series and advanced to 4A state bracket play against No. 2 seed Bear River, while the Reds finished with an 18-13 overall record.

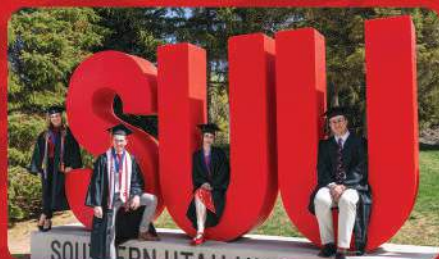
After the game, head coach David Koontz announced he was stepping down after two seasons in the dugout due to health issues. Koontz finished his tenure with a 43-20 overall record for the Reds.



Canyon View wrestler Taylor Whittom signs her letter of intent May 7 to join the Snow College women's wrestling program.

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## SCORES

### Baseball

#### Region 9

**5/7** Super regionals, best-of-3  
Ridgeline 9, Cedar 1  
Snow Canyon 15, Mountain View 0  
Dixie 6, Mountain Crest 5  
Provo 9, Sky View 5  
Desert Hills 10, Stansbury 7  
Crimson Cliffs 11, Orem 3  
Bear River 4, Pine View 1  
Timpanogos 3, Juan Diego 2

**5/8** Ridgeline 6, Cedar 4  
Snow Canyon 20, Mountain View 2  
Mountain Crest 6, Dixie 5  
Mountain Crest 17, Dixie 0  
Provo 4, Sky View 2  
Desert Hills 16, Stansbury 2  
Crimson Cliffs 8, Orem 6, 8  
innings  
Pine View 9, Bear River 6  
Bear River 6, Pine View 2  
Timpanogos 11, Juan Diego 9

**5/11** 4A playoffs, bracket play  
At Kearns HS  
Snow Canyon vs. Mountain Crest  
Provo vs. Ridgeline  
Desert Hills vs. Crimson Cliffs  
Bear River vs. Timpanogos

#### Region 14

**5/7** 3A playoffs, super regionals  
(best-of-3)  
Canyon View 10, Richfield 0  
Providence Hall 2, Juab 1  
Manti 10, Ogden 6  
Grantsville 10, Ben Lomond 0  
North Sanpete 3, Emery 1  
Carbon 12, Morgan 5  
Delta 5, Logan 2

**5/8** Canyon View 11, Richfield 1  
Juab 10, Providence Hall 2  
Providence Hall 5, Juab 3, 9  
innings  
Ogden 10, Manti 4  
Manti 10, Ogden 3  
Grantsville 18, Ben Lomond 0  
Emery 6, North Sanpete 5  
Emery 7, North Sanpete 2

Carbon 9, Morgan 2  
Logan 3, Delta 0  
Logan 8, Delta 7

**5/11** 3A playoffs, bracket play  
At Lindquist Field, Ogden  
Canyon View vs. Manti  
Providence Hall vs. Union  
Grantsville vs. Emery  
Carbon vs. Logan`

#### 2A South

**5/5** 2A playoffs, second round  
Kanab 13, Parowan 0  
Gunnison 11, Am. Leadership 7  
San Juan 5, South Sevier 2  
Beaver 16, North Sevier 1

**5/7** 2A playoffs, quarterfinals  
At BYU  
San Juan 13, Beaver 8  
Kanab 2, Gunnison 0  
Am. Leadership 1, Parowan 0  
South Sevier 5, North Sevier 0

**5/8** 2A playoffs, semifinals  
Am. Leadership 10, Beaver 7  
Gunnison 9, South Sevier 7  
Kanab 12, San Juan 3  
Gunnison 4, Am. Leadership 1

**5/17** 2A playoffs, championship  
San Juan 11, Gunnison 1  
Kanab 13, San Juan 6

### Softball

#### Region 9

**5/7** Super regionals, best-of-3  
Dixie 5, Cedar 3  
Desert Hills 7, Stansbury 2  
Orem 3, Mountain Crest 2  
Ridgeline 5, Hurricane 1  
Tooele 6, Sky View 4  
Bear River 17, Timpanogos 2  
Deseret Peak 6, Crimson Cliffs 3  
Uintah 12, Snow Canyon 2

**5/8** Super regionals, best-of-3  
Cedar 5, Dixie 0  
Dixie 10, Cedar 1  
Desert Hills 13, Stansbury 3  
Mountain Crest 7, Orem 4  
Orem 16, Mountain Crest 9

Ridgeline 6, Hurricane 2  
Sky View 13, Tooele 5  
Sky View 11, Tooele 9  
Bear River 15, Timpanogos 4  
Desert Peak 6, Crimson Cliffs 1  
Uintah 16, Snow Canyon 1

**5/13** 4A playoffs, bracket play  
At Spanish Fork  
Desert Hills vs. Orem  
Ridgeline vs. Sky View  
Bear River vs. Dixie  
Deseret Peak vs. Uintah

#### Region 14

**5/9** 3A playoffs, first round  
Canyon View 10, Juab 0  
Logan 14, Delta 3  
Emery 10, Morgan 8  
Union 10, Providence Hall 0  
Richfield 8, Ogden 3  
Manti 10, Carbon 2

**5/12** 3A playoffs, second round  
At Spanish Fork  
Canyon View vs. Logan  
Richfield vs. Union  
Emery vs. Grantsville  
Manti vs. North Sanpete

#### Region 18

**5/7** 2A playoffs, second round  
At Spanish Fork  
San Juan 15, South Summit 0  
South Sevier 9, Enterprise 1  
Grand 7, Beaver 2  
Duchesne 6, Gunnison 5  
Enterprise 7, Millard 3  
Beaver 13, Kanab 1  
Gunnison 13, Parowan 3  
South Summit 10, North Sevier 9  
Enterprise 12, South Summit 2  
Grand 2, Duchesne 1  
San Juan 6, South Sevier 1  
Gunnison 18, Beaver 7

**5/8** 2A playoffs, semifinals  
San Juan 5, Grand 3  
South Sevier 3, Gunnison 2  
Enterprise 13, Duchesne 12  
Enterprise 12, South Sevier 9  
Enterprise 13, Grand 2

**5/9** 2A playoffs, championship  
Enterprise 11, San Juan 6  
Enterprise 7, San Juan 4

### Boys Soccer

#### Region 9

**5/8** 4A playoffs, first round  
Mountain Crest 2, Cedar 0  
Park City 3, Tooele 1  
Green Canyon 5, Juan Diego 0  
Provo 2, Mountain View 1  
Snow Canyon 4, Pine View 0  
Sky View 4, Uintah 0  
Orem 3, Jordan 2, OT  
Judge Memorial 4, Highland 1

**5/12** 4A playoffs, second round  
Mountain Crest at Desert Hills  
Snow Canyon at Ridgeline  
Green Canyon at Stansbury  
Park City at Murray  
Sky View at Crimson Cliffs  
Judge Memorial at Dixie  
Orem at East  
Provo at Timpanogos

#### Region 14

**5/4** 3A playoffs, semifinals  
At Zions Bank Stadium, Herriman  
Ogden 2, Logan 1  
Morgan 3, Ben Lomond 0

**5/11** 3A playoffs, championship  
Ogden vs. Morgan

#### 2A South

**5/4** 2A playoffs, semifinals  
At Zions Bank Stadium, Herriman  
Maeser Prep 4, Am. Heritage 0  
Rowland Hall 2, Waterford 1, 2 OT

**5/11** 2A playoffs, championship  
Maeser Prep vs. Rowland Hall

# PREP SCOREBOARD - SPRING STANDINGS

## STANDINGS

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### Baseball

#### Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Snow Canyon (1)	10-2	22-5
Crimson Cliffs (7)	8-4	16-11
Desert Hills (2)	7-5	21-6
Dixie (9)	5-7	18-12
Pine View (11)	5-7	13-16
Cedar (13)	5-7	12-17
Hurricane (17)	2-10	10-17

#### Region 14

	REGION	OVERALL
Canyon View (5)	10-2	15-12
Delta (3)	7-5	19-9
Juab (8)	6-6	11-15
Providence Hall (9)	4-8	15-13
Richfield (12)	3-9	7-19

### 2A South

	REGION	OVERALL
Beaver (1)	7-1	22-4
Kanab (2)	7-1	24-3
Parowan (7)	3-5	9-10
Enterprise (10)	3-5	9-17
Water Canyon (17)	0-7	0-12

### Softball

#### Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Desert Hills (1)	12-0	26-3
Crimson Cliffs (6)	9-3	14-10
Cedar (10)	7-5	18-3
Dixie (7)	6-6	19-10
Hurricane (13)	4-8	13-16
Snow Canyon (19)	3-9	5-24
Pine View (21)	1-11	5-22

#### Region 14

	REGION	OVERALL
Richfield (6)	8-0	15-9
Canyon View (5)	6-2	16-9

Juab (12)	3-5	8-16
Delta (13)	2-6	12-17
Providence Hall (14)	1-7	4-18

### Region 18

	REGION	OVERALL
San Juan (1)	11-1	27-4
Beaver (3)	10-2	19-9
Enterprise (4)	7-4	23-13
South Sevier (5)	5-7	12-15
Grand (7)	5-7	20-12
Parowan (9)	2-9	8-21
Kanab (12)	1-11	4-25

### Boys Soccer

#### Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Desert Hills (4)	10-2	14-3
Dixie (6)	10-2	12-4
Crimson Cliffs (7)	9-3	12-5
Snow Canyon (15)	6-6	9-9
Pine View (18)	4-8	6-10
Cedar (20)	4-8	6-10
Hurricane (28)	0-12	1-17

### Region 14

	REGION	OVERALL
Canyon View (4)	6-2	12-6
Richfield (6)	6-2	12-5
Juab (11)	4-4	8-10
Delta (12)	4-4	5-10
Providence Hall (15)	0-8	0-12

### 2A South

	REGION	OVERALL
Millard (5)	9-1	15-3
Gunnison (8)	10-3	11-5
Grand (12)	9-5	10-9
San Juan (18)	5-6	5-8
Enterprise (19)	6-8	7-12
South Sevier (20)	5-8	5-11
Parowan (21)	4-8	4-11
Beaver (22)	2-11	2-15

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## legal notice

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Cedar Valley Water Conservancy will hold a public hearing on May 28, 2026 at 5:00 pm or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at 710 South Westview Drive, Cedar City, Utah, 84720, to receive public comment regarding the proposed Impact Fee Facilities Plan (IFFP) and Impact Fee Analysis (IFA). As well as an increase and update to the water rates and water rate structure, with a minimum of 5% increase to the set Base Rate and Water Tier Fees.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider adoption of the IFFP and IFA, which identify anticipated growth, capital facilities needed to serve such growth, and the proposed impact fees to fund those facilities. As well as the water rate increases to address cost of inflation, increased materials, and services costs.

Copies of the proposed IFFP and IFA are available for public review during regular business hours from 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m. (excluding lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.) at 710 S Westview Drive, Cedar City, Utah 84720. Written comments may be submitted to the Conservancy office at the address listed above.

All interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

DATED this 14 and 21 day of May, 2026.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration ("SITLA") hereby gives notice that it is considering disposing of property through sale. The property's legal description is the NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 12, in Township 31 South, Range 15 West in Iron County. This property contains 40.00 acres, more or less. Any party asserting a claim to a temporary easement or right of entry in the subject property pursuant to 72-5-203, Utah Code Annotated who wishes to make such easement or right of entry permanent may file an appropriate application, as set forth in Utah Administrative Rule R850-80-250(2). Applications will be accepted until 5pm on May 22, 2026 at TRUST LANDS ADMINISTRATION, 102 South 200 East, Suite 600, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, (801) 538-5163. Reference No.: C-27332. Applications will be evaluated pursuant to Sections 53C-1-302 and 72-5-203(1)(a)(i), Utah Code Annotated. If no application is received, or if an application to make the temporary easement or right of entry permanent is not approved, the temporary easement or right of way will be extinguished.

Published April 30, 2026 & May 7, 14, 2026

# legal notice

## SUMMONS

In the Fifth Judicial District Iron County

Court Address 40 North 100 East, Cedar City, UT 84720

Plaintiff/Petitioner: Sabrina Williams, as Trustee of the Rachel L Gordon Revocable Trust v. Defendant/Respondent: The Unknown Heirs of Oscar Gordon, Deceased; and DOES 1 through 10

Summons for Publication Case Number 260500070.  
Judge Anderson

The State of Utah To: The Unknown Heirs of Oscar Gordon, Deceased; and DOES 1 through 10

A lawsuit has been started against you. You must respond in writing for the court to consider your side. You can find an Answer form on the court's website: [utcourts.gov/ans](http://utcourts.gov/ans)

You must file your Answer with this court: Fifth District Court, 40 North 100 East, Cedar City, UT 84720. You must also email, mail or hand deliver a copy of your Answer to: Sabrina Williams, 209 S 1400 W, #304, Cedar City, UT 84720.

Your response must be filed with the court and served on the other party within 30 days of the last day of this publication, which is May 28, 2026.

If you do not file and serve an Answer by the deadline, the other party can ask the court for a default judgment. A default judgment means the other party wins, and you do not get the chance to tell your side of the story.

Read the complaint or petition carefully. It explains what the other party is asking for in their lawsuit. You are being sued to quiet title to real property located in Iron County, Utah, and to obtain a judgment declaring that Petitioner holds full title to the property, free and clear of any claims of the Respondents.

Dated: 04-28-2026

/s/Sabrina Williams

Published May 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2026

## THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL DEFENDANTS:

LOT 4, BLOCK "AU", IN CEDAR VALLEY ACRES, as per map on file in the office of Iron County Recorder, subject to: Covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, rights, rights of way and easements of record and including a fifty percent interest of all existing oil and mineral rights.

Parcel No. D-0456-0380-0000 / Account No. 0122991

(the "Property").

The "Verified Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Quiet Title" ("Verified Complaint"), Case No. 260500075 is on file with the Court and is by this reference incorporated as though fully set forth herein. If you claim any estate, right, title, lien, lease, encumbrance, or other interest of any type or nature whatsoever in, on, or to the above-identified Property, you are hereby summoned and required to file an answer in writing to the Verified Complaint with the Clerk of the Fifth Judicial District Court in and for Iron County, Utah, 40 N. 100 E., #3, Cedar City, Utah 84720, and to serve upon or mail to Jennifer E. Decker, of Fabian VanCott, 95 S. State Street, Suite 2300, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, Attorneys for Plaintiff, a copy of said answer within twenty-one (21) days after the date of the last publication of this summons by publication. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Verified Complaint. This summons by publication is published by authority of the order of the Fifth Judicial District Court in and for Iron County, Utah.

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## MONTHLY MENTAL HEALTH COLUMN

VOL . 4

### MEET THIS MONTH'S CLINICIAN!

#### SCHERI MARROW

Clinical Social Worker  
(CSW)

**Specializing in** Bipolar Disorder, Borderline Personality Disorder, Trauma, PTSD, and more.

**Scheri works with** adults, couples, and more.

**Her approach is** EMDR, DBT, IFS, and ACT



## WELCOME TO ROOTS COUNSELING & WELLNESS

My name is Scheri Marrow, and I'm a Clinical Social Worker (CSW) at Roots Counseling & Wellness. I've been with Roots since 2022. I started here as an intern, and not long after, I had the opportunity to begin coaching Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) groups and to work with clients participating in ketamine-assisted treatment, helping them process and make meaning of those experiences.

As I continued my work at Roots, I completed my Master's Degree in Social Work and spent time as an intern therapist at SBHC. After finishing my internship hours, I returned to Roots Counseling & Wellness full-time, where I continue to work with individuals and groups, and it truly feels like home to me.

Along the way, I've pursued additional training to better support people who have experienced trauma. I am a Level 2-trained Internal Family Systems (IFS) therapist, a modality many people can relate to through the ideas illustrated in the movie Inside Out. I am also trained in EMDR. I value having a variety of approaches available because I believe therapy should be tailored to each person—we work together to find what truly fits for you.

I genuinely love the work I do. It means a lot to me to sit with my clients in the moments when life feels overwhelming, and to help them hold what may feel too heavy to carry alone. I see how often people feel isolated in their struggles, and I want to offer something different—a space of support, understanding, and connection. More than anything, I want people to know that help is available, and even more importantly, that healing is possible, even from things that may feel unhealable.

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

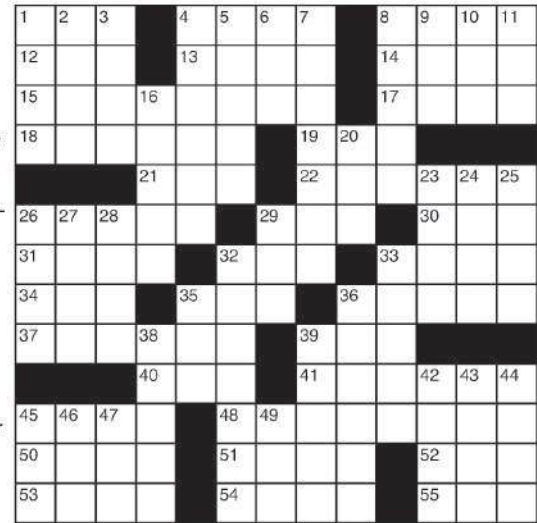
Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Vacuum is moved. 3. Blinds are higher. 4. Drawer is larger. 5. Back of chair is higher. 6. Bottom of chair is different.

## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Cry
- 4 Vault
- 8 Daly and Allen
- 12 Common title start
- 13 Killer whale
- 14 Web addresses
- 15 Pithy joke
- 17 Legume
- 18 Suggests
- 19 TV guide abbr.
- 21 Wager
- 22 Expulsion
- 26 Errand runner
- 29 Whatever number
- 30 Hwy.
- 31 Caspian Sea feeder
- 32 Keats creation
- 33 Go caroling
- 34 Capitol VIP
- 35 Year in Madrid
- 36 Epic narratives
- 37 On/off switch
- 39 "You've got mail" co.
- 40 Documentarian Burns
- 41 Obligations
- 45 Beige
- 48 The whole crowd



- 9 Rage
- 10 Org. with a style manual
- 11 Nine-digit ID
- 16 Slander in print
- 20 Purchase
- 23 Advanced math
- 24 Sicilian peak
- 25 Bylaws, briefly
- 26 Sudden wind
- 27 Disc-shaped cookie
- 28 Sharp tooth
- 29 Commotion
- 32 Penny
- 33 Like seawater
- 35 Boxing leg-end
- 36 Turned bad
- 38 Hog's "hello"
- 39 "Hello" singer
- 42 Illinois neighbor
- 43 Wife of Geraint
- 44 Fax
- 45 Clean air org.
- 46 Baseball fan's headwear
- 47 Tear
- 49 Compete

**DOWN**

- 1 Halt
- 2 "It can't be!"
- 3 Hive population
- 4 Hang around
- 5 Painter Max
- 6 Expert
- 7 Series opener
- 8 Big brass

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Answer  
Weekly SUDOKU

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P	A	I	N	I	L	E					
A	D	D									

Solution time: 26 mins.

Answers  
King Crossword

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Belarus?
2. LITERATURE: Which Ken Kesey novel is set in an Oregon psychiatric hospital?
3. MYTHOLOGY: Who is the Greek goddess of discord?
4. ANATOMY: What is the longest bone in the human body?
5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was a commanding general in World War II?
6. MATH: What kind of polygon has three sides?
7. BIBLE: What is the last book in the Bible called?
8. ASTRONOMY: Which planet in our solar system is closest in size to Earth?
9. CHEMISTRY: What is the newest element on the Periodic Table?
10. MOVIES: Which Canadian actor/comedian starred in the movie "Uncle Buck" and died of a heart attack at 43?

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Trivia Test Answers  
1. Minsk; 2. "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"; 3. Eris; 4. Fermat; 5. Dwight Eisenhower; 6. Triangle; 7. The Book of Revelation; 8. Venus; 9. Oganesson (Og); 10. John Candy

HOLIDAY WEEKEND  
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