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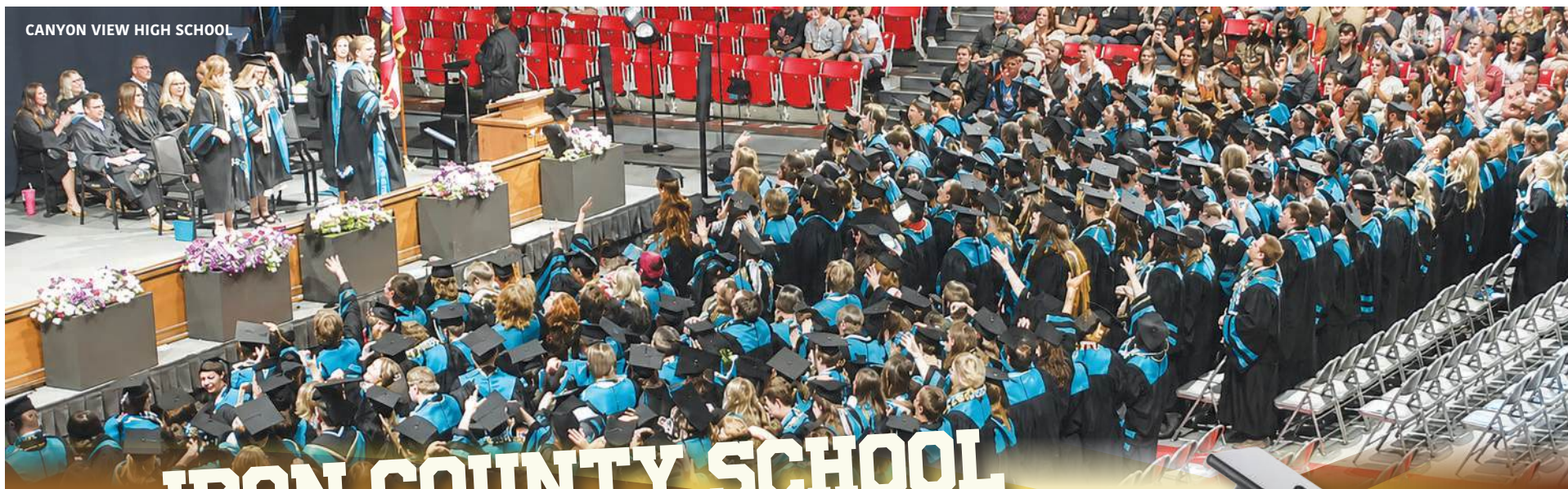
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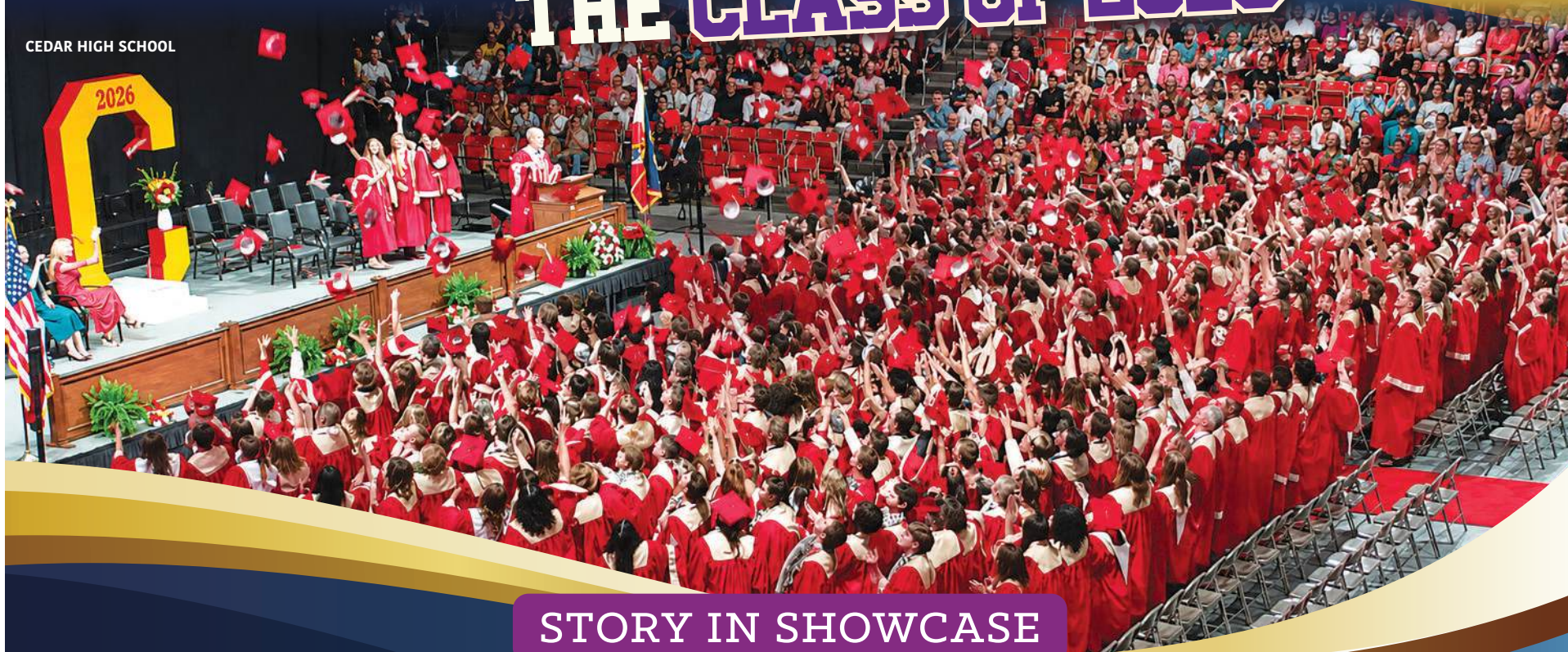

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American Tungsten & Antimony Announce Cedar City Processing Facility to Strengthen U.S. Critical Mineral Supply Chain

Geologists at one of the first drill hole locations on the Little Emma patented claim at the Antimony Canyon Project.

by *Chris Coombs*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

American Tungsten & Antimony today announced plans to develop a new antimony processing facility in Cedar City, marking a major step toward rebuilding the United States' domestic supply of critical minerals essential to national security, energy systems, and advanced manufacturing. The announcement took place at Southwest Technical College and was hosted by President Brennan Wood.

The Cedar City facility will process antimony concentrate into higher-value materials used across defense, energy storage, electronics, and infrastructure applications. The announcement comes as the United States seeks to reduce reliance on foreign-controlled supply chains, particularly those dominated by China, which currently leads global antimony production and processing.

The Cedar City facility is part of the company's broader strategy to build a fully integrated, domestic antimony supply chain, supported by resource development near the historic town of Antimony in Garfield County, Utah. In a region named for the mineral itself, the company is advancing one of the nation's most significant known antimony resources through a phased, environmentally responsible approach.

That effort was recently recognized by the Utah Governor's Office of Economic Development through a post-performance REDTIF tax incentive. American Tungsten & Antimony expects to create 400 high-paying jobs and invest more than \$287 million over the next nine years, supporting local businesses, strengthening Southern Utah's economy, and advancing a more secure domestic critical minerals supply chain.

In addition to economic investment, American Tungsten & Antimony is exploring partnerships with higher education institutions to support workforce development, including scholarship opportunities for students pursuing careers in mining, engineering, and critical mineral development.

"Cedar City represents the kind of community we want to partner with as we build a stronger, more resilient domestic supply chain for critical minerals," said Andre Booyzen, Managing Director of American



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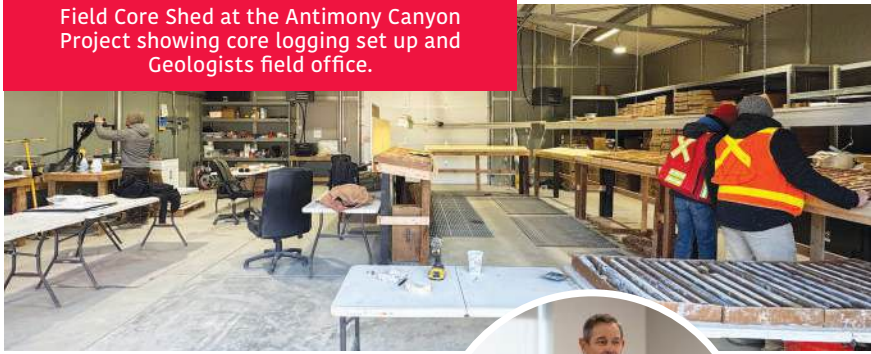
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Field Core Shed at the Antimony Canyon Project showing core logging set up and Geologists field office.



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Tungsten & Antimony. “We are committed to responsible development, environmental stewardship, and meaningful engagement with local stakeholders. This project is about more than processing antimony — it is about strengthening U.S. national security, creating long-term opportunity, and investing in the future.”

“This is a significant investment in Cedar City and in the future of our community,” said Mayor Steve Nelson. “Projects like this bring high-quality jobs, support local businesses, and create new opportunities for our workforce and our young people. We are excited to see Cedar City play a key role in strengthening America’s supply chains while continuing to grow our local economy.”

“Utah has a long and proud history of helping power America, and this project is part of a new chapter in that story,” said Governor Spencer Cox. “By developing our own critical mineral resources and reducing reliance on foreign adversaries like China, we are strengthening our national security while creating real economic opportunity here at home. Utah is well positioned to lead in this new era of American energy and mineral independence.”

“The United States’s reliance on China for the minerals critical to a range of technologies, including our defense industrial base, puts our economic and



Senator John Curtis



Mayor Steve Nelson of Cedar City

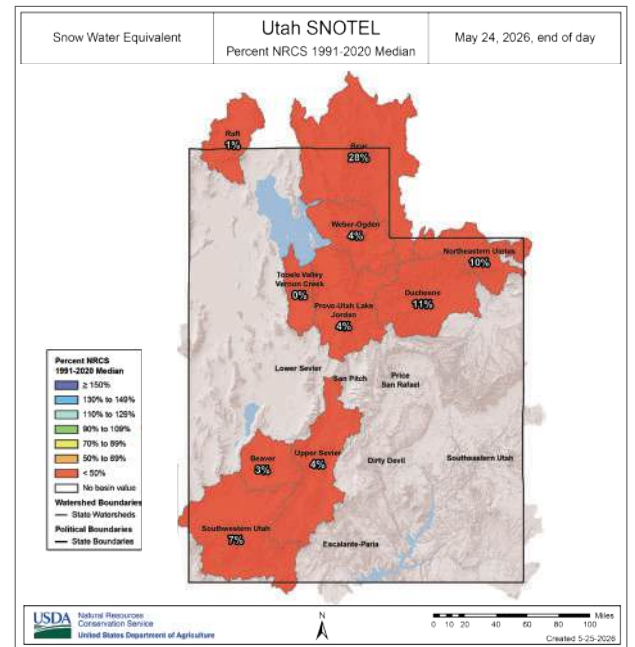
national security at risk,” said U.S. Senator John Curtis. “This new antimony processing facility in Cedar City is both a testament to Utah’s preeminent capabilities and an important, exciting step toward securing a safe and reliable critical mineral supply chain.”

“Today’s announcement is an important step locally and nationally for our economic and national security,” said David Bernhardt, 53rd Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior. “I applaud the company’s efforts here. As was clear in 2020, when President Trump tasked me to investigate our nation’s undue reliance on critical minerals from foreign adversaries, and remains clear today, our supply chain configuration is not aligned with our national interest and must be improved.”

Antimony is a U.S. designated critical mineral used in military systems, battery storage, flame-retardant materials, and advanced electronics. The United States currently has no primary domestic production and remains heavily reliant on imports, creating significant supply chain vulnerabilities.

The Cedar City facility will utilize modern, low-impact processing methods that avoid toxic chemicals while prioritizing water conservation, environmental protection, and full regulatory compliance.

The project will advance through a phased process including technical validation, environmental review, and ongoing community engagement, ensuring transparency and accountability at every stage. For more information and project updates, visit: www.AntimonyCanyon.com



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Thu May 28	66 / 45 °F	Scattered clouds.
Fri May 29	64 / 38 °F	Sunny.
Sat May 30	71 / 40 °F	Increasing cloudiness.
Sun May 31	78 / 46 °F	Mostly cloudy.
Mon Jun 1	81 / 45 °F	Afternoon clouds.
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This time of year, around school graduations, always seems to invite reflection about growing up and getting older. The older I get, the less I think maturity is about having everything figured out. More and more, it feels like adulthood is really about learning how to live alongside uncertainty without letting it

harden you too much. We are all adapting as we go, trying to build meaningful lives with incomplete information and limited control over what comes next.

When we are young, adulthood looks solid. Parents appear all-knowing. Older siblings feel impossibly cool and untouchable. Teachers, coaches and other “grown-ups” seem fully formed, as though they have already arrived at some final version of themselves.

One of the quiet realizations that comes with age is understanding that adulthood is not a final state people arrive at fully prepared. The adults we admired as children were often navigating uncertainty in real time, balancing responsibility, fear, hope and doubt more carefully than we ever realized then.

Adulthood itself is fragile and improvisational. Very few people feel completely prepared for the lives they are living. Most people are learning as they go and trying their best.

So, perhaps growing up is more about becoming softer toward yourself and others. Life rarely unfolds cleanly, and most people are doing far better than they think they are.

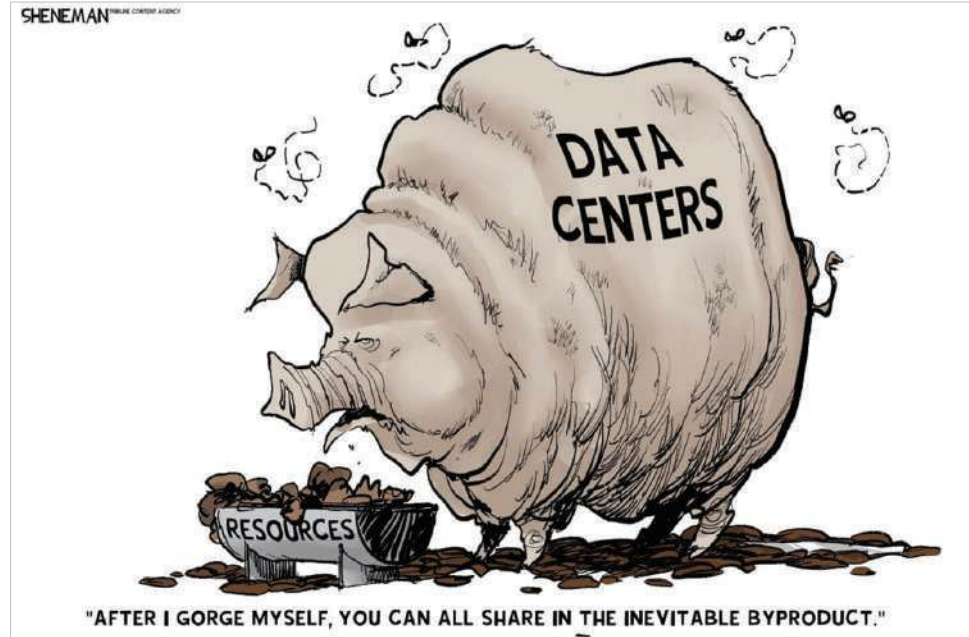
WORD OF THE WEEK

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How Southern Utah Homeowners Can Reduce Wildfire Danger

by Jay Wittwer

PAROWAN VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

As wildfire seasons continue to grow longer and more intense across the West, residents of Southern Utah must recognize that living near open lands, cedar forests, pinyon juniper terrain, and sagebrush areas comes with increased wildfire risk. Iron County communities are especially vulnerable due to dry conditions, seasonal winds, drought cycles, and expanding residential growth into wildland areas. Preparation before a fire starts remains the single most effective way to protect lives, homes, and neighborhoods.

The area where homes and wildland vegetation meet is commonly referred to as the Wildland Urban Interface, or WUI. Communities throughout Iron County, including Cedar City, Enoch, Parowan, Brian Head, and surrounding rural areas, all face varying levels of WUI exposure.

Fortunately, there are proven steps homeowners can take now to significantly reduce wildfire danger.

One of the most important actions is creating defensible space around structures. This means reducing fuels that allow fire to move from vegetation to homes. Experts generally recommend three primary zones around a structure.

The first five feet surrounding a home should be kept as a non-combustible zone whenever possible. Remove dead grass, pine needles, wood piles, leaves, and flammable materials from this area. Decorative rock, irrigated grass, concrete, and gravel are preferred. This is also the area where ember ignitions most commonly occur during wildfires.

The next zone, extending roughly 30 feet from the structure, should include properly spaced trees and shrubs.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“We are all apprentices in a craft where no one ever becomes a master.”

- Ernest Hemingway

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Fires in Cedar City and Summit Prompt Investigation, Evacuations

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Emergency crews across Iron County responded to two separate fires Sunday that led to evacuations, significant property damage, and an ongoing fatal fire investigation.

In Cedar City, authorities are investigating a trailer fire near 1027 North Main Street that may have claimed the life of one person. Emergency crews responded shortly after 12:20 p.m. Sunday and found a trailer home fully engulfed in flames.

According to the Cedar City Police Department, the fire spread quickly, causing significant damage to a neighboring home as well as several nearby vehicles and surrounding properties.

Investigators believe one person may have died in connection with the fire, though officials have not released identifying information pending positive identification and notification of family members.

Firefighters worked to contain the blaze and prevent it from spreading further. During the response, two Cedar City police officers were treated for smoke inhalation and later released from the hospital. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, with assistance from the Utah State Fire Marshal's Office.

Later Sunday evening, another fire in Iron County prompted evacuations southwest of Summit between Summit and Parowan.

The Christy Lane Fire was reported around 5:45 p.m. and quickly grew to approximately 15

acres, according to Utah Fire Info. Officials said the fire was human-caused and threatened structures in the area.

The Iron County Sheriff's Office evacuated the Red Canyon subdivision as a precaution. Iron County Public Information Officer Cassie Meredith said about 50 people were affected, including full-time residents and individuals staying in fifth-wheel trailers. Officials noted the evacuations were voluntary.

Cedar City High School was opened to provide shelter for evacuees while firefighters worked both on the ground and in the air to contain the blaze and protect nearby homes.

Authorities asked the public to avoid the area to allow emergency personnel to continue firefighting operations safely. The exact cause of the Christy Lane Fire remains under investigation.



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Free Community Pancake Breakfast and Kids Races Set for May 30

by Tyler Brown

STATE BANK OF SOUTHERN UTAH

The community is invited to attend the State Bank Community Pancake Breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, at the finish line of the Utah Summer Games 5K/10K.

The free breakfast, provided by State Bank of Southern Utah, is open to runners, spectators and families looking to enjoy a fun, communi-

ty-centered morning.

The first 100 children ages 12 and younger will receive a \$2 bill. Adults will have opportunities to participate in prize drawings held every 15 minutes throughout the event. Prizes include a Blackstone grill, a Minky blanket and chances in the popular cash machine.

Youth races will begin at 9 a.m. and are open to children ages 2–12.

Race winners will receive medals presented on the official Utah Summer Games podiums.

The event will take place at the southeast corner of the Southern Utah University PE Building.

Families are encouraged to attend, cheer on participants and enjoy breakfast as part of the morning's activities.

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Cedar City Planning Commission Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar City Planning Commission met on May 5, 2026, with Commissioner Jennifer serving as acting chair in the absence of the regular chair.

Magnolia Fields Phase 2 — Deferral of Public Improvements (1150 N 3900 West)

Developer representative Darryl Brown of Watson Engineering asked to defer road, utility, and water line improvements along 3900 West until Phase 3, which will directly front the road. Brown said the delay would avoid unnecessary costs and would not affect current road conditions.

Commissioners discussed bonding requirements, the timeline for Phase 3, and ongoing water and fire flow concerns in the Northwest Water Reimbursement Zone. Staff noted the development agreement would need to be amended to include the water line deferral.

The commission voted to recommend approval of the bonded deferral agreement for up to two years, with the water line included in the agreement.

Easement (Skipped)

The easement item was withdrawn after the applicant decided to explore other options.

Cottonwood Hollow — Amended Plat

Tyler of Velocity Homes presented an amended plat for Cottonwood Hollow that removes two lots to create wider lots for single-story homes, reflecting market demand for accessible, stair-free housing.

Tyler also proposed making the subdivision's sewer system privately maintained by the HOA, while streets would remain public and impact fees unchanged. Staff said no formal commission action was needed.

Cedar City Council Work Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Farewell to City Recorder Renan

The council honored longtime City Recorder Renan at her final meeting after nearly 38.5 years of service. Mayor and council members shared thanks and personal reflections on her professionalism and dedication. New City Recorder Amber was sworn in, with confidence expressed in her ability to take on the role.

Taurus Energy Update

The City Manager updated the council on the Taurus Energy proposal. Due to changes in funding and equipment placement, the city would no longer receive battery backup, but would benefit from improved power flow and a small lease payment. The revised agreement will return for future council consideration.

Public Hearing: Late Fee Waiver Request

The council considered a request to waive a \$108 late fee after a payment for Country Meadows HOA was not received by the city. Council members declined to support the waiver, citing consistent payment procedures and past decisions. No public comment was made, and the item was forwarded to the next action meeting agenda.

Firemen's Relief Association QR Code Stickers

The Fire Department requested approval to place small QR code donation stickers on fire apparatus to support the Cedar City Fireman's Relief Association. The council approved placing the item on the consent agenda for the next action meeting.

Blanket Contracts for Public Works

The council reviewed annual blanket contracts for street materials and services, including asphalt, concrete,

aggregate, striping, and tree trimming, all pre-bid and included in the FY27 budget.

Most contracts were approved, but the asphalt crack seal bid sparked discussion due to concerns about a bidder's past performance. The council opted to allow a local vendor to match the lowest bid under the city's preference policy. The full package was moved to the next action agenda.

Surplus Property Declaration

The council approved declaring an old Cedar Canyon water tank as surplus property. It will be listed for public sale, and if no bids are received, the city will arrange for demolition.

Building Permit Fee Schedule Update

Building officials presented an updated fee structure to align Cedar City with common Utah practice. The proposal shifts to a valuation-based fee table with a standard 30% plan review charge and removes separate trade fees. The change is intended to simplify the process for residents and make costs easier to estimate, with overall revenue expected to remain largely neutral. The item was moved to the action agenda.

Board and Committee Appointments

The council approved two appointments: David Stirling to the

BUDGET SUMMARY

YEAR	STATE OF UTAH	IRON COUNTY	SCHOOL DISTRICT	CEDAR CITY	COUNTY POPULATION	INFLATION RATE
2020	\$18,500,000,000	\$64,397,882	\$97,275,145	\$84,121,067	57,286	1.4
2021	\$20,300,000,000	\$68,529,185	\$111,206,179	\$82,661,906	58,672	7.0
2022	\$25,600,000,000	\$80,413,678	\$116,183,977	\$82,219,239	62,508	6.5
2023	\$26,000,000,000	\$78,255,317	\$172,080,787	\$97,198,239	64,211	3.4
2024	\$29,400,000,000	\$67,789,445	\$200,512,950	\$150,125,060	65,765	3.2
2025	\$30,800,000,000	\$132,282,649	\$221,113,931	\$77,269,263	67,617	2.7
ANNUAL INCREASE	10.7%	15.5%	17.8%	0%	3.4%	4.3

* Information was obtained directly from the governmental entities listed.

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Board of Adjustments and Donna Christensen to the Cross Hollow Arena Committee. Both items were placed on the consent agenda.

Fiddler's Park Project

The council approved moving forward with bids for the new Fiddler's Park on Nichols Canyon Road. Local contractor PRT Builders submitted the lowest bid for the project, which includes site work, a pedestrian bridge, an outdoor classroom, and a restroom facility. Playground equipment will be purchased separately. The item was placed on the consent agenda.

600 South / 1100 West Traffic Signal

The council approved installation of a new traffic signal at 600 South and 1100 West to address congestion at the currently stop-controlled intersection. Cash Valley Electric submitted the low bid. Work will be completed ahead of the August 12 school start date. Council members also requested advance notice to nearby residents regarding utility pole placement.

Cedar Canyon Springs Filtration Plant Engineering

The council approved hiring Hansen Allen & Luce, in partnership with Stantec, to design a new filtration and treatment facility at Cedar Canyon Springs. The project is required by state regulations, and pilot testing confirmed the selected treatment approach. The contract covers engineering only, with construction to follow later.

Fire Department Comp Time Policy

Fire Chief Phillips proposed lowering the fire department's maximum comp time from 400 to 300 hours to improve FLSA compliance. HR raised concerns about applying the change only to one department and recommended a broader review. The council approved the change while noting the need for a citywide evaluation of comp time policies.

Parowan City Council Meeting Summary

by Jennelle Zajac

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The meeting opened with public comments, including an update from Nancy Dalton on Utah's Patchwork Parkway (Highway 143). Dalton announced the project had secured a grant and thanked the council for its continued support.

Cedar City Hospital and Canyon View Clinic Update

Jamison Robinette, President of Cedar City Hospital, reported continued growth in services and patient volume, including increased use by Parowan residents. The hospital provides more than \$9 million annually in charity care and over \$90 million in total community benefits. Planned expansions over the next five years include emergency room and cancer center improvements. Robinette also highlighted ongoing efforts to address behavioral health, transportation access, and suicide prevention in Iron County.

Chamber of Commerce Report

Representatives from the Parowan and Brian Head Area Chamber of Commerce shared updates on business support efforts, tourism promotion, and community events. Activities include monthly networking meetings, "shop local" campaigns, Winter Wonderland, Hometown Holiday, and a new "Cinnamon Roll Stroll" designed to increase downtown traffic. The Chamber has also secured grants for tourism, beautification, and economic development projects. Parowan Main Street recently earned Tier 2 affiliate status with Main Street USA, allowing access to additional grant opportunities.

City Staff Reports

Events and Visitor Center:

Events Coordinator Jet Smith reviewed

successful community events such as the Swap Meet, Fun Run Car Show, July Concert Series, Half Marathon, Scarecrows on Main, and Christmas in the Country. Upcoming activities include Memorial Day events, scavenger hunts, and the Glider Festival in June. The Parowan Theater is operating well, with plans to schedule events a year in advance.

Library Update:

Library Director Cori Adams highlighted free services including Wi-Fi, copying, faxing, audiobooks, and online resources. The library continues to host children's programs, literacy activities, and community partnerships. The 2026 summer reading theme will be "Unearth a Story," and the library recently received the Quality State Library Award.

City Recorder Report:

City Recorder Callie Bassett emphasized staff training and professional development through municipal conferences covering elections, public notices, finance, and records management. She also reviewed Robert's Rules of Order and praised the City office's collaborative work environment.

Airport Update:

Airport Manager Megan Trudeau discussed recent improvements, including city management of fuel sales, pilot lounge renovations, and plans for additional airport events. The airport is working toward profitability through fuel management, storage fees, and future projects such as pavement repairs before the June glider festival.

Action Agenda

Pool Concessions:

The council voted not to proceed with Nick's Smokehouse as the pool concessionaire for 2026. The city will instead manage concessions internally.

Water Conservation Proclamation:

The council approved the mayor's proclamation limiting water use during drought conditions. Outdoor watering is prohibited daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.,

and irrigation in city and state rights-of-way is banned. Conservation stages were established:

- Green Stage: two watering days per week
- Yellow Stage: two watering days with increased conservation encouraged
- Red Stage: one watering day per week

Residents are encouraged to repair leaks, avoid runoff, and reduce unnecessary water use. Violations are enforceable under city code.

Municipal Advisors:

The council approved Crews Municipal Advisors to assist the city with municipal bond processes.

RAP Tax Funding:

The council approved RAP Tax Committee recommendations for FY2027. Funding included:

- Broadway on Main: \$8,126
- Parowan City Arts: \$2,000
- Utah Summer Games: \$5,000

Remaining funds were allocated toward restroom renovations at Valentine Peak Sports Complex.

Work Agenda

Annexation Discussion:

The council discussed a proposed annexation near 251 North and 600 West. The property owner prefers annexation to coordinate future development with the city. Councilmembers emphasized following the formal annexation process.

Personnel Policy Review:

The council reviewed policies regarding compensatory time payouts, particularly for law enforcement personnel. Further revisions and clarification are expected.

Main Street Bridge Delay:

Construction delays on the Main

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Street Bridge were discussed due to complications involving a high-pressure gas line.

Member Reports and Old Business

Councilmember Burton reported on plans for the July 24 Old Rock Church Days celebration and noted encouraging increases in local spring water flow. Councilmember Harris addressed misinformation regarding rezoning discussions on social media. City Manager Dan Jessen reported progress on the 200 South sidewalk project and announced Anna Carlson as the new pool manager.

The meeting concluded with a closed session to discuss the character of an individual.

Residents are encouraged to attend City Council Meetings on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Parowan City Council Chambers. Alternatively, the meetings can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/@parowancity2030>

Gov. Cox declares statewide drought emergency as Utah faces worsening water conditions

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Utah Gov. Spencer Cox declared a statewide drought emergency Thursday as worsening water conditions spread across the state.

Speaking at Little Dell Reservoir near Emigration Canyon, Cox warned that record heat and historically low snowpack are contributing to one of Utah's worst drought years in history.

"We can't control the weather, but we can control the tap," Cox said while urging Utahns to reduce water use heading into summer.

Utah is coming off its warmest winter on record, according to the governor's office and state water officials.

Snowpack levels were so poor that officials have referred to this year as a "no-pack" winter rather than a snow-pack year.

Nearly all of Utah is now experiencing drought conditions. Twenty-two of the state's 29 counties are classified in extreme drought, while Uintah County in northeastern Utah has reached the "exceptional drought" category, the most severe designation used by the U.S. Drought Monitor.

While Utah has faced repeated drought years in recent memory, this year's emergency declaration comes before the official start of summer as state officials warn conditions are deteriorating earlier than normal.

State officials said Utah's reservoirs remain around 70% full due to water carried over from wetter years. However, smaller reservoirs and stream systems are already coming under growing strain.

"The numbers are clear. Utah is in one of its worst droughts in history," Joel Williams, director of the Utah Division of Water Resources, said during Thursday's briefing.

The emergency declaration activates Utah's emergency operations plan, increases coordination between state and federal agencies and opens the door for financial assistance and emergency resources connected to drought impacts.

The order also calls on cities, irrigation companies and water providers to increase conservation efforts and encourages residents to reduce outdoor watering, repair leaks and improve irrigation efficiency.

Cox also referenced the growing impacts on Utah agriculture, noting farmers and ranchers are often among the first affected by reduced water allocations.

The drought declaration comes as Utah continues to see major proposed AI and data center expansion projects, including large-scale developments in several counties throughout the state.

Some residents and environmental advocates have questioned how future industrial water and power demands could affect the state during prolonged drought conditions, though developers have argued newer facilities are designed to minimize water use through closed-loop cooling systems.

The statewide drought declaration comes less than a week after Cox issued a separate emergency declaration tied to late-season freezes that damaged crops in several Utah counties.

In posts shared on X following Thursday's announcement, Cox again urged conservation efforts, writing that Utahns must work together to stretch the state's limited water supply through what forecasters expect could be an unusually hot and dry summer.

Man accused in Cedar City stabbing now faces additional charges for alleged assaults in Iron County Jail

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Florida man accused in a violent Cedar City stabbing case is now facing additional charges after prosecutors say he assaulted multiple employees inside the Iron County Jail.

Iron County prosecutors recently filed amended charges against Arturo Jose Borges, 34, adding one third-degree felony count of assault by a prisoner along with three misdemeanor counts alleging he propelled a substance or object at correctional staff.

According to charging documents,

A Florida man accused in a violent Cedar City stabbing

Borges allegedly struck a corrections deputy "unprovoked in the mouth with a closed fist," causing swelling and an abrasion to the deputy's lower lip.

A separate affidavit alleges Borges later spat at a medical deputy three times while incarcerated, with two of the attempts reportedly striking the deputy on her arm and jacket.

The new allegations stem from incidents on May 15 and May 17 while Borges was being held in the Iron County Jail.

Borges was originally arrested May

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WILDLIFE DANGER

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Vegetation should be trimmed and maintained to reduce ladder fuels, which allow fire to climb from the ground into tree canopies. Tree branches should be pruned several feet above the ground, and dead vegetation should be removed regularly.

Beyond that, extending outward up to 100 feet where possible, residents should continue thinning vegetation and removing heavy fuel loads. Southern Utah's dry cheatgrass, sagebrush, and juniper can carry fire rapidly during windy conditions. Proper spacing between vegetation can slow fire spread and improve firefighter access and effectiveness.

Home hardening is another critical component of wildfire preparation. Embers from a wildfire can travel miles ahead of the main fire front and ignite homes long before flames arrive. Residents should inspect roofs, vents, decks, siding, and gutters for vulnerabilities. Metal roofing, ember-resistant vents, screened openings, and keeping gutters clear of debris can dramatically reduce risk.

Access and evacuation planning are equally important. Driveways should be wide enough for emergency vehicles and clearly marked with visible address numbers. Families should develop

evacuation plans, maintain emergency supply kits, and stay informed through Iron County emergency notification systems and local public safety agencies.

Water availability is another challenge in rural Southern Utah. Homeowners in outlying areas should know their water supply capabilities and consider additional emergency water storage when appropriate. Communities and HOAs can also work together on fuel reduction projects, greenbelt planning, and neighborhood preparedness efforts.

Wildfire preparedness is not about eliminating all vegetation or living in fear. It is about understanding the environment and taking responsible steps to reduce risk. Firefighters across the West have repeatedly seen homes survive major wildfires simply because owners invested time into defensible space and basic home protection measures.

The responsibility for wildfire safety belongs to all of us. Prepared communities are more resilient, safer for firefighters, and better positioned to recover when disasters occur.

Wildfire preparedness resources are available through Utah Fire Sense, Be Ready Utah, Utah Fire Info, and national programs like the National Fire Protection Association, Firewise USA, and FEMA. The guidance is consistent: reduce fuels, maintain defensible space, and prepare to evacuate.

MAN ACCUSED

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13 following a large law enforcement response connected to a stabbing investigation near a trailer

residence in Cedar City.

According to the original court documents filed in the first arrest, officers responded after a man suffering from multiple lacerations to his body and head arrived at another residence seeking help.

Investigators later followed a blood trail to a trailer near 1027 North Main Street, where they found significant amounts of blood inside the residence.

Court documents state investigators later identified Borges as the suspect and located him the following morning after neighbors reported seeing him enter another trailer in the area. Police said Borges surrendered after officers surrounded the residence and conducted a callout.

The affidavit states Borges allegedly told officers, "I did the crime, it was me, I did it," before declining to speak further.

In the amended information, prosecutors now accuse Borges of attempted criminal homicide, aggravated burglary, aggravated assault resulting in serious bodily injury, assault by a prisoner, vehicle burglary and three misdemeanor counts of propelling a substance or object at a correctional officer or employee.

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IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT CELEBRATES THE CLASS OF 2026

by *Iron County Today Staff*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Iron County School District proudly celebrated the graduation of the Class of 2026 this week,

honoring students from across the district for their hard work, dedication, and accomplishments. Families, friends, teachers, and community members gathered to recognize graduates as they reached this important milestone and prepared for the future ahead.

Graduation ceremonies were held for students from Canyon View High School, Cedar High School, Parowan High School, Southwest Education Academy, Launch High, Iron Online, and Success Academy. Each ceremony reflected the unique spirit and achievements of its graduating class while celebrating the shared success of students throughout Iron County.

The events were filled with excitement, reflection, and pride as graduates received their diplomas and celebrated years of academic effort, personal growth, and perseverance. School administrators, faculty, and staff congratulated students on their achievements and encouraged them to continue pursuing their goals with confidence and determination.

Whether graduates are continuing their education, entering the workforce, serving in the military, or exploring other opportunities, the district expressed pride in all they have accomplished and the positive impact they have made within their schools and communities.

The Class of 2026 leaves behind a legacy of leadership, resilience, and achievement. Graduation week served as a celebration of the students' hard work and the support they received from families, teachers, and the community throughout their educational journey. Congratulations to all graduates as they begin the next chapter of their lives.



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Arts Impact the Body



by Sara Penny

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The physical benefits of music and dancing are significant. Playing the violin for one hour is equivalent to walking two miles. Dancing has even more of a physical impact, with one hour of dancing being equivalent to three or four miles of moderate walking. Obviously, the intensity of the music impacts the physical effort.

String teachers talk about balancing the violin to avoid neck and shoulder strain. The violin becomes an extension of the body and voice. Even the most accomplished soprano has an upper limit, but the violin rests on the vocal cords and can create pitches much higher than the human voice. The cello rests near the heart and can extend the lower range.

There are also emotional demands. When James Harrison conducted the Orchestra of Southern Utah, he said, "If you are

not exhausted after a Beethoven symphony, you haven't given enough."

There is research on the brain's engagement with music. Listening to music helps light up many different parts of the brain. Playing an instrument is even more significant. Nearly all regions of the brain become activated. This is why learning an instrument is helpful to all ages for developing listening, memory, and thinking skills.

It takes physical stamina to play an instrument, dance, or be in a play. Handel's Messiah is a marathon, even though we only play a portion of the music. Even some of the younger musicians have back soreness and emotional exhaustion.

The trick is to be aware when the muscles tense up and learn to relax as much as possible to avoid injury. Maintaining balance in the body, rather than powering through, can reduce physical stress.

Hands are a special consideration because a tight bow hold or grab-the instrument with the left

hand can also cause injury. I have my students make a fist and then relax so they know what a relaxed hand feels like. Lift the shoulders and relax to release neck tension. The violinist Yehudi Menuhin recommended yoga to keep flexibility. A stretching routine is valuable for musicians just as it is for athletes. Indeed, musicians are athletes because the body is essential to creating music.

Remembering to breathe in the tricky bits is also helpful. It is common to hold your breath when challenged, but that can create unhelpful tension.

When you attend a performance, you can observe how the musician, actor, or dancer depends on a healthy body to create their art. And as an audience member, your breathing and heart rate responds to what happens on the stage. That feeling is part of what makes a live performance more exciting than a recording.

As performers, we have to remember to treat our bodies with respect. As an audience member, we can be awed by the physical challenges and dexterity that are required to create live performances.

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Ultimate Field Day Brings Elementary Schools Together in Celebration of Young Athletes

by Shain Manuele
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

More than 2,000 students, parents, teachers, and community members filled the SUU track on Wednesday May 20th for the 2026 Ultimate Field Day, an event that combined competition, school pride, and an unforgettable amount of energy. More than 200 elementary students competed while packed stands and cheering sections created one of the loudest environments many attendees had ever experienced.

Hosted and funded by Manuele Law, the event brought together top student-athletes from schools across the district, including North, Three Peaks, Enoch, Fiddlers, East, Iron Springs, and some last-minute participants from Parowan. The event featured the top two boys and top two girls from third,

fourth, and fifth grades at each school, all of whom had first qualified through their own school field days.

Students competed in the 100-meter dash, 400-meter run, and softball throw in front of packed stands filled with classmates, teachers, and families.

“It was the loudest event I’ve ever been to,” said organizer Shain Manuele. “Honestly, it was louder than the last Utah Jazz game I attended. The kids kept the energy up from start to finish.”

The event required extensive collaboration from organizations and volunteers throughout the community. SUU helped host the event, while members of the Canyon View High School and Parowan track teams assisted throughout the morning. Shain Manuele and Kade Janes organized the event with professional timer Matt

Storland of OnPoint Timing. Beyond the competition itself, organizers said the purpose of the event

was to give students an opportunity to represent something bigger than themselves.

“I love track, but this event is really about giving kids a chance to represent their schools and feel pride in that,” Manuele said.

“It gives other students someone to cheer for, and it allows these kids to compete in an atmosphere they may never experience again in their lives.”

In addition to individual awards, schools competed for team standings and prize donations provided by Manuele Law. Iron Springs claimed the overall championship and will receive a \$500 donation. Three Peaks placed

second for \$400, while North finished

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Adventure Across America

ABRAHAM LINCOLN & THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

President Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address redefined the purpose of the Civil War. His three core points were honoring the fallen soldiers, dedicating the cemetery as a call to action, and committing the nation to the survival of a "new birth of freedom" and democracy.

The main idea of the Gettysburg Address is that the sacrifices made by Union soldiers during the Civil War were not in vain. Lincoln used the speech to challenge the living to dedicate themselves to preserving the nation's founding principles of human equality, liberty, and democracy.

The main points of the address include:

- **Equality and Liberty:** Lincoln reminded the nation of its founding in 1776, emphasizing that America was "dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." He framed the Civil War as the ultimate test of whether a nation founded on these ideals could survive.
- **Honoring the Dead:** While attending to dedicate a cemetery, Lincoln noted that the soldiers who died there had already consecrated the ground with their sacrifice far more than any speech could.
- **A Call to Action for the Living:** He urged Americans to dedicate themselves to the "unfinished work" for which the soldiers had died.

- **Preserving Democracy:** Lincoln concluded with the famous vow that the country would experience a "new birth of freedom," ensuring that "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

The Gettysburg Address, delivered by Abraham Lincoln in Gettysburg on November 19, 1863, following the Battle of Gettysburg during the American Civil War, is often referred to as "The Two-Minute Speech That Saved America." The speech has come to be viewed as one of the most famous, enduring, and historically significant speeches in American history.

By giving a traumatized public a transcendent reason to endure the final years of the conflict, the Gettysburg Address preserved the psychological will of the North to finish the war and secure a unified nation.

"Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

— Abraham Lincoln

Personal Quote:

"I love this country for many reasons. It is the place where I married and raised my family, a place where I can worship according to my beliefs, a place where we all have opportunities to prosper, and a place where many have selflessly died for others." — Randy Cowan

calendar

THURS, MAY 28

SPECIAL OLYMPICS UTAH COMPETITION Special Olympics Utah will be coming to the SUU Campus for its Annual Summer Games. They will have competitors competing in Track, Swimming, Soccer, and Pickleball. For information visit sout.org.

PLEIN AIR PAINTING FESTIVAL (9AM - 6PM) Plein Air Painting Festival in Cedar City. This painting competition has cash prizes. Artists of oil, watercolor, pastel, and acrylic are invited to paint on location. The competition must be painted plein air on location, May 28 - 30, and be submitted on Saturday, May 30th, 3-5 pm.

Rangers Arena. Hosted by Sky 9 Ranches and Sponsored by Stephen Wade Ram and will include all rodeo events like breakaway roping, mutton busting, and more! The ticket booth opens at 5 pm, gates open at 6 pm, and the rodeo starts at 7 pm.

SOUTHWEST TECH CAR SHOW (6-8PM) American Car Culture: Automotive Program Car Show held at the Automotive & Tech Building (510 W 800 S, Cedar City). Admission is FREE. Enjoy music, food, door prizes, and beautiful cars. For information or to enter a car call (435) 867-3939.

SAT, MAY 30

THREE PEAKS RECREATION AREA WALKING TOURS (1-3PM) 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. If you have a large group, a separate date/time can also be scheduled.

FRI, MAY 29

CVCT: THE SOUND OF MUSIC (7:30PM) Dates: 5/29, 5/30, 6/1, 6/4, 6/5, 6/6. Cedar Valley Community Theatre: The Sound of Music performance will be at 7:30 pm in the Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City). Doors open at 6:30 pm. General admission is TBA, available at the Heritage Center Box Office and cvct.online.

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. 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.

WENDY WOOD MEMORIAL RODEO (7-10PM) May 29 & 30. At the Cross Hollows Event Center, Iron Rangers Area (11 N Cross Hollows Rd, Cedar City). Admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. Tickets are available online at sky9events.com/tickets or at the gate. The Wendy Wood Memorial Rodeo is a hometown rodeo honoring local families of special needs children at the Iron

LABYRINTH WALK (12-2PM), at ST JUDE'S Episcopal Church. (70 N 200 W, 1 block north of W University Blvd) No Charge. Please join us in a sacred, calm environment for walking prayer on the largest indoor labyrinth in the state of Utah. Come experience this powerful practice used for centuries to unite body, mind and spirit. No experience required; facilitators are present. Last Saturday of each month.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & KIDS RACES (8-10AM) at the finish line of the Utah Summer Games 5K/10K. The free breakfast, provided by State Bank of Southern Utah, is open to runners, spectators and families looking to enjoy a fun, community-centered morning. The first 100 children ages 12 and younger will receive a \$2 bill. Adults will have opportunities to participate in prize drawings held every 15 minutes throughout

the event. Youth races will begin at 9 a.m. and are open to children ages 2-12. Race winners will receive medals presented on the official Utah Summer Games podiums. The event will take place at the southeast corner of the Southern Utah University PE Building.

KJ'S ICE BARN - CAR SHOW (2-5PM) KJ's Ice Barn - Car Show Fundraiser begins at KJ's Ice Barn (2550 E Pinnacle Way, Enoch). Everyone is invited to come enjoy a car show, vendor booths, food trucks, live music, and more.

BLM ARCHAEOLOGIST GUIDED HIKE (1 - 3PM) BLM Archaeologist Guided Hike in Three Peaks, the hikes will begin at the Three Peaks OHV Trailhead (W Midvalley Rd, Cedar City). May is Archaeology and Historic Preservation month, and to celebrate, the Bureau of Land Management will have its archaeologist giving guided hikes through Three Peaks Recreation Area. Be sure to RSVP at slavalley@blm.gov, call (435) 865-3048, or visit the Cedar City BLM Office (176 DL Sargent Dr, Cedar City).

MON, JUNE 1

BLACKBIRD BAR: COMEDY UNDERGROUND (7PM) Cedar City Comedy Underground presents Casey Skinner and David Uhlfelder, doors open at 7 pm, and the pre-show begins at 7:30 pm at Blackbird Bar (90 W Hoover Ave, Cedar City). Tickets are \$10 online and \$15 at the door.

WED, JUNE 3

THE SUU STEM CENTER IS HOSTING AN OPEN HOUSE! (3-6PM) Bring your family to this FREE event for the community. We will be exploring the Coal Creek Trail and having fun STEM activities at West Canyon Park (133 S 400 E). Come discover the geology of the Coal Creek Trail, explore rocks, and enjoy the outdoors. Meals will be available for purchase at food trucks.

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

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. 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.

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 @ Threshingfloorlife.

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

Reel Mental Health

A fun interactive support group focused on your mental health and well-being, available online <https://www.facebook.com/groups/9254516527891777?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWBW>

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

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

Southern Utah Veterans Assoc.

1st Thurs, 7 pm • Westview Christian Center,

2624 W Hwy 56, Cedar. INFO: Chuck Waddell 907-252-1365.

Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

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

Widows Ministry

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

CLASSES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Adult Barre/Modern Dance

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

Arthritis Foundations Exercise

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

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 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 cedarbreakmodela@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

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

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

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 or by calling 435-590-2513.

Explorer Bible Club

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

International Folk Dancing

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

Iron County Moms For America

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

Iron County Democrats

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

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 or contact local Cubmaster Tristin L. at 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 signup: 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

Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9

Rock Club

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

Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild

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

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

Senior Yoga Classes

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

Sewing Group

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

Southern Utah Woodturners

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

StrongBoard Classes

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

Tai Chi For Health

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

TOPS—Take Off Pounds Sensibly

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

Water Aerobics Class

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

Wellness Place

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

Wellness Wednesdays

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

Youth Group

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



2026 UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 5TH | ECCLES COLISEUM
Block Party 5:00PM | Opening Ceremony 8:30 PM



FAST PITCH SOFTBALL

JUNE 4 - 6 | At Various Locations

Bicentennial Park, Field at the Hills, SUU Softball Field, Cedar High School, Canyon View High School, Parowan High School, Valentines Peak Sports Complex, Enoch City Field, Hurricane City Fields, Toquerville City Fields



YOUTH SOCCER

JUNE 4 - 6 | At Various Locations

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

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third and will receive \$300. Enoch, Fiddlers, and East will each receive \$100 participation donations.

Organizers emphasized that the event was designed not only to celebrate athletic ability, but also to create an opportunity for schools and families throughout Iron County to come together in a positive and uplifting environment.

Plans are already underway to continue the event annually. Organizers announced that Ultimate Field Day will now be held on the last Wednesday of each school year and will remain open to schools and community members who want to participate and support local students.

Manuele Law is also inviting local businesses and community sponsors



to help grow the event in future years. Organizers hope to increase prize donations for participating schools and expand opportunities for students as the event continues to grow.

Businesses interested in supporting Ultimate Field Day can contact Manuele Law for sponsorship information.



schools

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Colby Leavitt

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Canyon View Middle School

CVMS students have spent the week celebrating the hard work and effort of our students this year. All three grades participated in Cougar Pride activities ranging from a giant glow party, to Fiesta Fun, to Jellystone park! 6th grade students also held an awards assembly and 12 students were presented with a citizenship award for their excellent character this school year.

Three Peaks Elementary

We would like to thank Mrs. Susan Parker for organizing our Dasher's Club each year. Students receive a charm every 5 miles to wear proudly on a necklace. Three Peaks Elementary students ran 12,780 miles collectively, with 451 students who ran 25 or more miles. All students who run more than 25 miles are recognized in a celebration party. This year, the Tiki Shack came to the school for students to enjoy a shaved ice treat for their accomplishments. School races were held on May 14 with students

running the finals for the 50, 100, and 400 yard dash and the softball throw.

Cedar Middle School



Cedar Middle School wrapped up the school year with a variety of celebrations and activities recognizing student success and hard work throughout the year. Sixth grade students enjoyed an end-of-year Field Day, while Warrior Pride students across grade levels participated in special celebration activities. Eighth graders also traveled to Jellystone Water Park for their annual 8th Grade Celebration before wrapping up the year with grade-level awards ceremonies.

Congratulations to the 136 CMS students who earned 4.0 medals by maintaining straight A's throughout the entire school year.

Iron Springs Elementary

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders participated in the very first Ultimate Field Day sponsored by Southern Utah University. Thirty-six of our students competed against other elementary schools across the district in the 100m, 800m, and softball throw events — and they crushed it! Not only did Iron Springs bring home 1st place overall, but our students also showed incredible teamwork, sportsmanship, and school spirit. The cheering section was just as amazing, with all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders there to support and celebrate their classmates.

South Elementary

South Elementary recently celebrated its 66th anniversary with a special Route 66-themed open house, "Cruising Through 66 Years." Families, students, staff, and community members enjoyed walking through the halls to explore displays, revisit memories, and celebrate the generations who have been part of South Elementary's history. The evening was filled with school pride, community connection, and a celebration of the lasting impact South Elementary has had over the years.

obituaries

Inazoe Aldrich



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Inazoe "Zoe" Aldrich, age 96, on May 18, 2026, in Cedar City, Utah. We are sad for us, but so happy for her!

Inazoe (Zoe) was born on March 25, 1930, in Okmulgee, Oklahoma to John and Debbie Conner. She graduated from Fullerton, HS. Zoe enjoyed sewing, quilting, cooking, gardening and making gifts for her family and friends.

Zoe was preceded in death by her husband of 71 years, Mel Aldrich. They were full time residents of Duck Creek Village from 1982-1999 before moving to Cedar City. She worked diligently to make the cabin they built together a cozy home.

Zoe is survived by her loving children, Dan (Karen), John, and Debbie (John). She is also survived by her cherished grandchildren, Tom (Becky), Christina (Jeremy), Dena, Mika (Ryan), James (Emily), and Joseph; and her beloved great-grandchildren, Natalie, Milla, Cate, Madison Zoe, Collins, Willow, Ezra, Johnathon, Liam, Jameson Melvin, and Grace.

Zoe was predeceased by her husband, Melvin Aldrich and her daughter in law, Donna Aldrich.

Our Mom was the most loving, caring, generous person there ever was. She was a woman of strong faith and let it show every day of her life. She spent years on the mountain hunting and fishing with her family and teaching her granddaughters to sew. Mom's kindness, love, strength and "never give up" attitude touched everyone she met.

One of Mom's favorite sayings was "one day at a time" and that's how we will get through her passing: "one day at a time."

Private services will be held for the family. Final arrangements are under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. To share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

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Arlo Larson



Arlo Byron Larson passed away peacefully in his home on May 17th, 2026. Dad was born April 17th, 1937, in Mayfield, Utah to Bryon and Eula Larson. He was the oldest of three children.

Dad spent his childhood in Mayfield. Working alongside his father on the family farm, he developed a deep love for farming that remained with him throughout his life, a passion he later shared and continued with his sons.

He attended grade school at Gunnison Elementary and later graduated from Manti High School. There at Manti High he met his sweetheart and love of his life, Darlene and they were married July 20, 1956, in the LDS Manti Temple.

Dad served his community in many ways throughout his life, including a City Council member, a Little League baseball president. He was an exceptional hardware salesman who loved talking with people. His warm personality, honesty, and ability to connect with others earned the trust and friendship of everyone he met, allowing him to sell just about anything.

Dad had a generous heart and quietly looked for ways to help those in need. Each year at Thanksgiving, he purchased turkeys for dozens of families so they would have food to eat during the holiday season. Acts of kindness like this reflected the compassion and charity that guided his life.

He was an active and devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He faithfully served in many callings including Elders Quorum President and found great joy in ministering to the members of his ward. Later in life, he and Mom served together as temple workers, a calling they deeply loved and cherished. He had a strong testimony of the gospel and a deep love for his Savior, Jesus Christ, which was evident in the way he lived and served others.

Dad is preceded in death by his beloved wife Darlene, his parents, Byron and Eula Larson, his sisters, Beth Ann Paxman and Glenna Rae Carpenter, his father and mother-in-law, Forest and Genile Denison.

Dad is survived by his children Teresa (Lee) Holmes, Brad (Debbie) Larson, Cary (Cindy) Larson, Janice Jensen, Greg (Brittanie) Larson, 15 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren with 1 more on the way. As well as his brothers-in-law, Arthur Carpenter and Calvin (Alys) Denison.

Above all else, his family was his greatest pride and joy. He was a devoted father and grandfather who never missed an opportunity to support his children and grandchildren in their many activities and accomplishments. He treasured time spent at the family cabin, where countless memories were made with those he loved most. One of his greatest joys was staying closely connected with his family, often calling each day simply to check in and remind them how much they were loved. After the passing of his beloved wife, whom he missed dearly, his family became an even greater source of comfort, strength, and happiness in his life.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday May 27th, 2026, at 11:00 am in the Cedar City Hillcrest LDS Church (1925 W. 320 So., Cedar City, Utah). Viewings will be held Tuesday May 26th, 2026, from 6-8pm at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W., Cedar City, Utah), and at the church prior to the service on Wednesday May 27th, 2026, from 9:30-10:30 am. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. To view a livestream of the service and share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

Robert Ward "Bob" Hansen



It is with deep sorrow and profound love that we announce the passing of Robert Ward "Bob" Hansen, who passed away peacefully in his home on May 15, 2026, at the age of 92. He lived a life filled with happiness and will always be remembered for his kindness, hard work, and generosity.

Bob was born on October 20, 1933, in Salina, Utah, to Norma Sorensen Hansen and Richard Ward Hansen. Born during the Great Depression when resources were scarce, Bob learned the value of hard work at an early age. After his father passed away during military service, Bob was raised by his mother and his beloved grandparents, who helped care for him and his younger brother. At just nine years old, his local LDS ward bishop provided him with a job farming, which Bob proudly used to help support his family financially, and to buy his own clothes.

When Bob was 14, his mother moved him and his brother to Salt Lake City, where he graduated from high school. He married his first wife Marge at 19 years old. In 1955, he was drafted into the US army and served in the Korean war for two years. With an honorable discharge, he went on to establish his young family in the Salt Lake City area. He was blessed with two children, Karen and Craig, whom he loved with all his heart. Following his military service, Bob began a career as a traveling salesman for Bennett's Glass and Paint. He later relocated to Cedar City, Utah, where he continued his dedication to the industry by working for Harding glass until his retirement.

Bob was a deeply community-minded man who loved doing service for his family, friends, and neighbors everywhere he lived. For many years, he enjoyed the close camaraderie, friendships, and community service activities as a dedicated member of the Elks Lodge. He was also an exceptional cook who loved feeding and serving those around him.

On November 5, 1988, Bob married the love of his life, Jan Jackson Hansen. Together, they built a beautiful life in Cedar City before retiring to Beaver Dam, Arizona, where they spent many wonderful years surrounded by warm weather and close

friends. They were happily married for nearly 35 years until Jan's passing in 2023.

In retirement, Bob remained active by working at the local golf course, managing the community swimming pool, and serving as the water master for the Sunshiners community. He loved horses and attending horse races, and even had the opportunity to participate in mule racing. He was also an avid golfer, a passionate fisherman, and thoroughly loved taking RV trips with Jan and their friends. Bob was a man of immense talent, best known for his exceptional woodworking skills, beautiful stained-glass art, and hand-built home furniture. He frequently collaborated with Jan on her artwork, building custom barn wood picture frames and assisting with her gourd art pieces.

Generous to a fault, Bob was always the first to volunteer for any neighborhood remodeling, building, painting, or landscaping projects. More than anything, Bob loved passing his knowledge down to his children and grandchildren. He built a fully equipped woodworking shop, where he spent hours teaching his grandchildren how to safely use shop tools and craft stained glass.

"Grandpa Bob" adored his family. He could always be found holding, talking to, or helping one of his grandchildren. The annual family camping trips with Grandma and Grandpa remain among the family's most treasured memories. Later in life, he and Jan lovingly hand-made wooden rocking horses for their great-grandchildren—heirlooms that are deeply cherished to this day.

Following Jan's passing on September 30, 2023, Bob continued to enjoy life alongside his wonderful friends and neighbors in Beaver Dam until his own peaceful passing. We will long remember his kind eyes, smiling face, and full head of hair. He was a deeply loving father, grandfather, and friend.

Preceded in Death By: Parents: Norma S. Hansen and Richard W. Hansen Brother: Richard "Dickie" Hansen Wife: Jan Jackson Hansen Children: Craig Hansen and Karen Hensley Survived in Death By: Daughter-in-law: Rita Hansen Step-sons: Shane, Sy, and Sam Prestwich Step-daughter: Janae Carpenter, many grandchildren and extended family members.

Services will be held at 1pm on Thursday, May 28th at Cedar Valley Funeral & Cremation, located at 2086 N. Main. Friends and family may visit between 12pm and 1pm on that same day. Interment will take place in the Cedar City Cemetery following the service.



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Five CV athletes sign letters of intent



From left, CV wrestler **Gage Nielsen**, Talon **Nicole Jacobsen**, and lacrosse players **Crue Peterson**, **Kohen Carlson** and **Gavin Tanner** get ready to sign their letters of intent during a May 19 ceremony held at the Canyon View library. (Tom Zulewski/Iron County Today)

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

Nicole Jacobsen has a dance room in the basement of her parents' home. Gage Nielsen went from a non-placer at state wrestling to third place in his senior season. And three members of the Canyon View boys lacrosse team – Crue Peterson, Kohen Carlson and Gavin Tanner – knew the chance to stay close to home for college was too good to pass up.

All five CV athletes got their chance to shine before friends, family and teammates in the school library May 19. Nielsen signed his letter with Snow College for wrestling, Jacobsen will join Utah Tech's dance team, and Peterson, Carlson and Tanner all signed their letters to play for

Southern Utah men's lacrosse.

"We had already been introduced to a lot of the players and we were familiar with most of the team," said Peterson. "We loved the connection they had and it was a great chance to play in our hometown, so we didn't have to go far."

Tanner added that staying close to home was good enough to convince him to join forces with his CV teammates.

"I did consider Utah Tech for a bit, but obviously I chose the better team," he said. "They have heart and play with everything they've got."

For Jacobsen, being part of the Talons, who are four-time defending 3A state champions, provided a big

boost for her dream.

"I always knew I wanted to dance in college. It was just a matter of finding the right place," she said. "When I made Talons, it secured that for me. I started going to clinics to get my name out there, and I loved Utah Tech and how close it was to home. It was far enough away so I could sprout and grow."

Nielsen, who finished third at 132 pounds in his senior season for CV, was discovered by Snow with the help of head coach Dallas Lowry.

"I was invited to visit and go to a practice with them," Nielsen said. "It was pretty cool, and I locked in more this year. That helped me improve."

Jacobsen added the friendships she made with her teammates made a big difference in helping the Talons complete the four-peat.

"My teammates are literally my best friends. They're amazing," she said. "Winning (state) four times, you couldn't find a better team than the one we had this year. It was hard, but

we did it. It pushed me to be better and be a better dancer as well."

Tanner finished his senior season with 41 goals scored for a Canyon View team that reached the second round of the 4A state lacrosse playoffs.

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Crimson Cliffs (7)	9-3	14-5
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Karma can be painful in the playoffs

Two weeks ago in this space, I shared the joy that came from the Detroit Pistons rallying from a 3-1 series deficit to beat the Orlando Magic in the opening round of the NBA playoffs. The Pistons won Game 7 at home on May 3, 116-94, and won their first playoff series since 2008. While it was a great thing, there was still cause for concern, mainly because the Cleveland Cavaliers were waiting as the next challenger in the second round.

Cleveland — a team that features former Utah Jazz player Donovan Mitchell and Utah State alum Sam Merrill — also needed seven games and got by the Toronto Raptors to set up the showdown.

Things were getting rosy pretty quickly when the Pistons won the first two games of the best-of-7 series at Little Caesars Arena, but Cleveland responded and won the next three games, including a 43-point effort from Mitchell in Game 4 that included 39 in the second half, tying the all-time NBA playoff record set in 1987.

In Game 5 in Detroit, the Pistons couldn't hold a nine-point lead with under three minutes left and lost to the Cavs in overtime, 117-113, pushing the No. 1 seed to the edge of elimination. They responded impressively, blowing Game 6 open in the second half and winning 115-94 to force a Game 7.

With the anticipation through the LCA roof and an Eastern Conference Finals berth on the line, the Pistons' effort in front of the home crowd was a cruel, embarrassing, sick joke. Detroit shot 35 percent from the floor, 31 percent from 3-point range, and got blown out, 125-94. Adding to the ugliness, Cavs owner Dan Gilbert booked 25 (!) buses full of fans from Northeast Ohio, and they had every reason to thump their chests loud and

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Cleveland led by 17 at the half and pushed the margin to as much as 35 in the second half. I lost all motivation to cheer by the end of the third

quarter and went home. Home teams aren't supposed to lose a Game 7 as badly as the Detroit Pistons did, but the loss exposed how much course correction the team needs to do to prove a 60-22 regular season was no fluke.

While the Pistons were left to ponder the what-ifs, the Cavaliers moved on to start the East finals against a rested New York Knicks team that was playing its first game since Mother's Day after sweeping aside the Philadelphia 76ers.

Cleveland looked like the fresher team early in Game 1, building a 14-point lead after three quarters and stretching it to 22 at 93-71 with less than eight minutes left in the fourth. That's when Knicks leader Jalen Brunson woke up the crowd at Madison Square Garden.

Brunson finished with 38 points, and the Cavs scored 11 over the final 13 minutes as the Knicks won 115-104 in overtime. Cleveland was held to a single 3-pointer from Max Strus in the extra period.

Trying to explain how these losses happened is almost impossible, but one thing's for certain: You can't win a playoff series in Game 1 alone, but you can certainly lose it.

And the karma from games past — good, bad, or ugly — is always lurking around every corner.

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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. What Athletics pitcher took a no-hitter into the 9th inning against the L.A. Angels on May 18, but ended up losing the game six pitches later, 2-1?
2. In what may become an instant classic NBA playoff game, the San Antonio Spurs beat the defending champion Oklahoma City Thunder, 122-115, in double overtime in Game 1 of the Western Conference final. What was the final 40-20 stat line (points/rebounds) from Spurs center Victor Wembanyama in the win?
3. For the second straight series, the Montreal Canadiens won a Game 7 on the road to advance in the Stanley Cup Playoffs. What team did the Canadiens beat, 3-2 in overtime, on May 18 to advance to the Eastern Conference Final?
4. What NFL city was awarded Super Bowl LXIV in 2030?
5. What two Cleveland Cavaliers players have past Utah connections as they faced the New York Knicks in the Eastern Conference Finals? One played the first five seasons of his NBA career with the Utah Jazz and the other played his college ball at Utah State.
6. In a historically rare feat, how many runs did the New York Mets score in the top of the 12th inning to beat the Washington Nationals on May 18?
7. After getting fired as head coach of the Orlando Magic following a first-round playoff loss to the Detroit Pistons on May 4, who was hired as the new head coach of the New Orleans Pelicans two weeks later?
8. What Vegas Golden Knights player leads the NHL in scoring during the Stanley Cup Playoffs with 18 points (7 goals, 11 assists)?
9. Through games played May 18, how many American League teams have winning records?
10. What San Diego Padres reliever leads the majors in saves with 15 through May 18?
11. True or False: The Vegas Golden Knights

won't have a pick in the 2026 NHL Draft until the third round.

12. Who was the last American to win a men's singles title at the French Open (1999)?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Raleigh went 2-for-4 and scored three runs in the Mariners' May 12 win.
2. San Francisco 49ers.
3. Head coach Nick Nurse.
4. Kansas City Chiefs, Denver Broncos.
5. Phoenix Mercury.
6. Milwaukee Brewers.
7. False. On May 12, the San Diego Padres were a half-game ahead of the Dodgers in the NL West.
8. Alex Palou.
9. Spoelstra started as head coach of the Miami Heat in 2008.
10. Los Angeles Kings.
11. Carolina Hurricanes.
12. Atlanta Braves.

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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.

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- 30 Youngster
- 33 Beagle's bane
- 36 Govt. securities
- 38 Figures of speech
- 40 South, in Spanish
- 42 Dutch cheese
- 43 Curly cabbage
- 44 Towering
- 46 Baseball stats
- 47 Force
- 48 Elevator name
- 50 Fawn's mama

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- 1 Diplomacy
- 2 Athletic shoe brand
- 3 Bring up
- 4 "Coming Soon" ads
- 5 Sponsored infant
- 6 "Selma" director
- 7 Inlets

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Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

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Trivia Test Answers
1. A vixen; 2. 2007; 3. "Red Dawn," 1984; 4. Wellington, New Zealand; 5. Kentucky; 6. Science fiction and fantasy; 7. 1975; 8. Heptagon; 9. Verona, Italy; 10. Hoboken, New Jersey

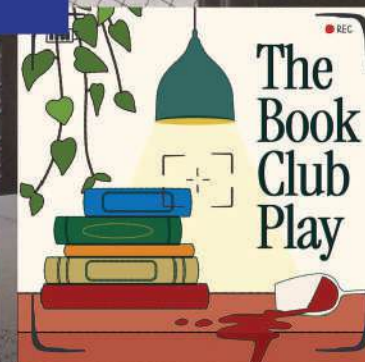
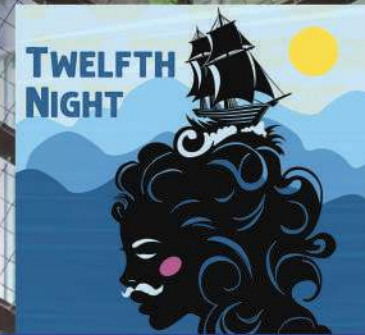
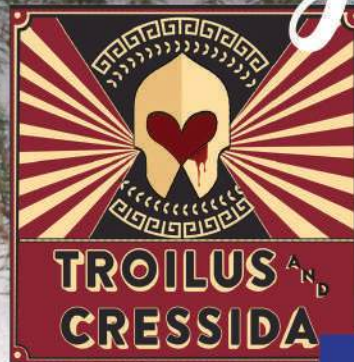
Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a female fox called?
- HISTORY: In what year was the first iPhone released?
- MOVIES: What was the first U.S. movie to be rated PG-13?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the southernmost capital city in the world?
- U.S. STATES: Which state is home to the world's largest cave system?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What category of writing are the Hugo and Nebula Awards given for?
- TELEVISION: In what year did the comedy show "Saturday Night Live" debut?
- MATH: What is a polygon with seven sides?
- LITERATURE: What city is the setting for Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet"?
- ENTERTAINERS: Which New Jersey city has a statue of singer Frank Sinatra?

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