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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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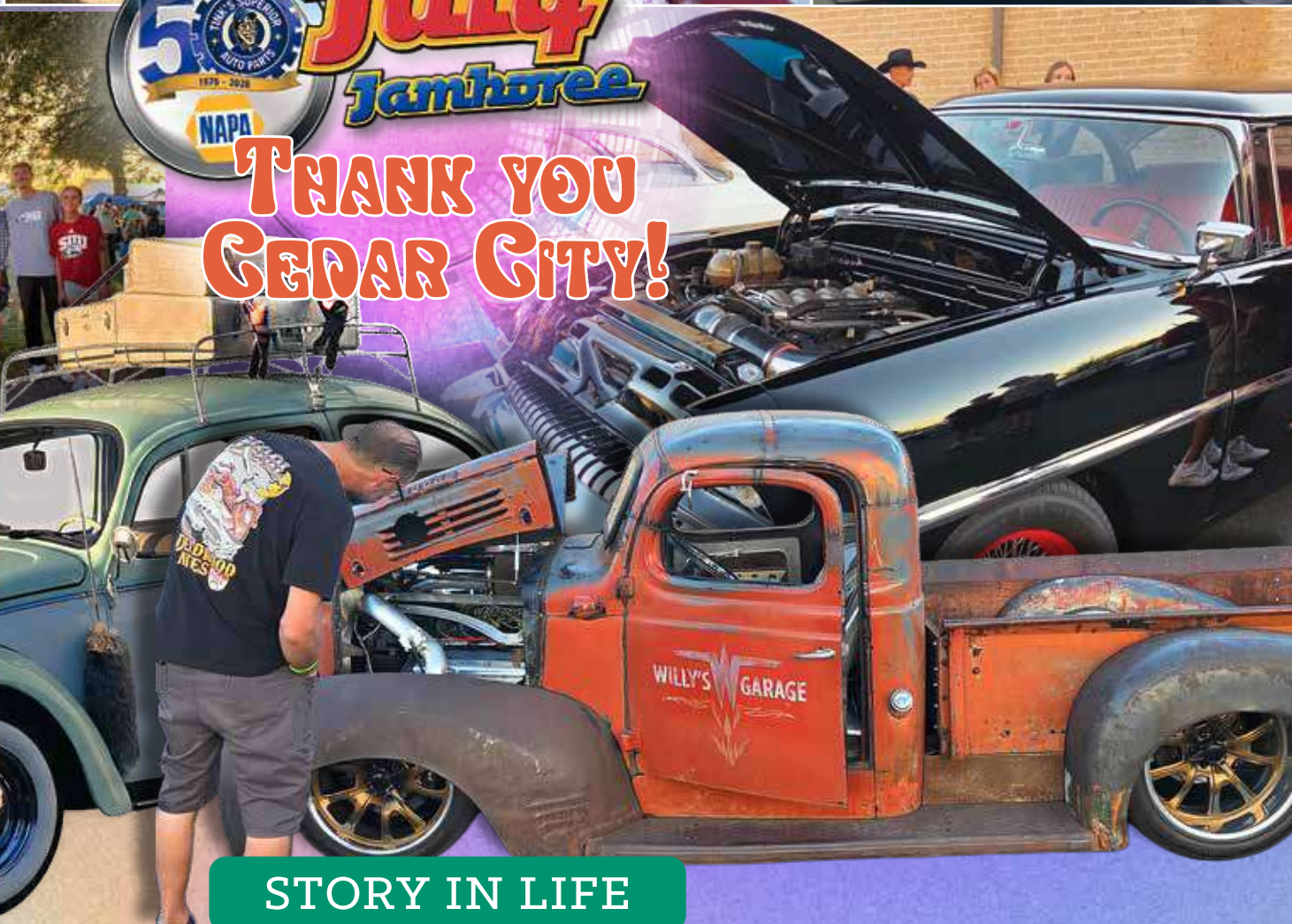
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STORY IN LIFE

Iron County Youth Help Stop UTV Fire Near Kolob Reservoir

by *Iron County Today Staff*

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after helping stop a UTV fire from spreading

Two Iron County boys are being recognized

into a potentially dangerous wildland fire near Kolob Reservoir.

The July 1 incident occurred when a Utility Task Vehicle caught fire on the north side of the reservoir. According to Hurricane Valley Fire and Rescue, the driver noticed the fire and moved the vehicle to an area with lighter vegetation before safely getting out, helping reduce the risk of the flames spreading.

Twelve-year-olds Adam Seegmiller and Rawlings Turner, who were attending a youth church activity nearby, spotted the smoke and paddled across the water to help. Using their canoe paddles, the boys threw dirt on the flames and created fire lines while nearby campers also assisted in containing the fire.

Firefighters were nearly 45 minutes away from the remote location, and officials said the quick actions of the driver, the boys, and other bystanders prevented what could have become a much larger wildfire. No one was injured, though the UTV was destroyed.

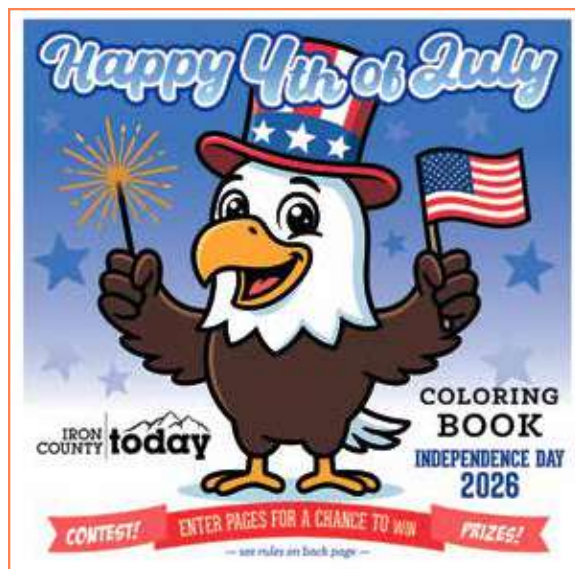
Hurricane Valley Fire and Rescue praised everyone involved and plans to present Adam and Rawlings with honorary badges for their efforts.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation. Fire officials encourage UTV owners to keep their vehicles well maintained, carry a fire extinguisher, and immediately call 911 if a fire occurs.

The department said the incident is a reminder that early recognition and quick action can play a vital role in protecting lives, property, and Utah's public lands.



IMAGE COURTESY OF HURRICANE VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT



CONTEST WINNERS

Dry Lakes Ranch Beef Shop

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2nd. Terrence Bigelow

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1st. Troy Luna
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Man accused of assaulting woman over several days faces felony charges

by *Tracie Sullivan*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

over several days, leaving her with a broken nose, injuries consistent with strangulation and other serious bodily injuries.

Conrad Deckeon Jimenez was arrested July 9 and booked into the Iron County Correctional Facility on two counts of second-degree felony aggravated assault resulting in serious bodily injury, one count of third-degree felony aggravated assault, along with misdemeanor charges of interfering with a peace officer, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to charging documents, deputies were called after a woman sought medical treatment for injuries authorities believed were the result of an assault by her domestic partner. Investigators said the woman initially declined to identify the suspect because she feared him.

Deputies located Jimenez later that day while responding to a report that he had returned to a property where he had been staying.

Jimenez allegedly

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Man accused of holding woman at knifepoint, threatening to kill her faces multiple charges

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A Cedar City man is facing multiple felony and misdemeanor charges after allegedly threatening to kill her with a knife and holding her against her will before she escaped and sought help.

Daniel Lusk, 35, was arrested June 29 and booked into the Iron County Correctional Facility on charges including third-degree felony aggravated assault, misdemeanor unlawful detention, assault, threat of violence and damage to a communication device.

He also faces misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication, assault on a peace officer and lewdness, along with additional misdemeanor and infraction-level charges.

According to charging documents, officers responded around midnight after a woman reported that Lusk had held a knife to her throat, threatened to kill her if she tried to leave and bitten her hand. The woman was eventually able to escape without her phone or shoes.

Police contacted Lusk a short time later and took him into custody. After being advised of his rights, Lusk allegedly denied the allegations and claimed he had been asleep for several hours.

During a search, officers reported finding a folding pocketknife matching the woman's description of the weapon and marijuana that Lusk admitted belonged to him, the affidavit states.

They also found a broken cellphone belonging to the woman that Lusk allegedly took to prevent her from calling for help.

According to court filings, police said they detected a strong odor of alcohol coming from Lusk and said he repeatedly challenged an officer to remove his handcuffs so they could fight.

Authorities requested the judge hold Lusk without bail stating they believe he is a "serious threat to the victim."

FELONY CHARGES

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attempted to leave in a vehicle and resisted deputies as they tried to take him into custody, requiring three deputies to place him in handcuffs.

During the arrest, deputies reported finding a THC vape in plain view inside the vehicle.

The woman alleged the abuse occurred over four to five days. She told police Jimenez threw cans of food at her, placed her in chokeholds, struck her repeatedly and threatened her with a razor blade. She also reported losing consciousness during some of the assaults, the affidavit said.

According to the affidavit, police observed bruising and other injuries across the woman's body, including a broken nose and injuries around her neck and throat. Medical personnel also reportedly documented injuries that showed strangulation.

Deputies later executed a search warrant at the property, where they reported finding a razor blade matching the description given by the alleged victim, scattered food cans and marijuana-related items.

Investigators said Jimenez later admitted he had been involved in an altercation with the woman but declined to provide additional details.



The Cottonwood Fire has burned 97,455 acres and is 77% contained. This map reflects fire conditions as of noon on July 13, 2026. Fire perimeters and containment may have changed since publication. Map courtesy of Watch Duty (watchduty.org).



IRON COUNTY FORECAST

THE MONSOON PATTERN WILL CONTINUE TO SURGE INTO UTAH THROUGH THE WEEKEND. THIS WILL BRING DAILY CHANCES FOR SCATTERED SHOWERS AND STORMS AND AN ISOLATED FLASH FLOOD RISK. THE RAIN CHANCES WILL HELP TO KEEP DAYTIME HIGHS DOWN INTO THE 80S FOR MOST OF THE AREA.

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WINDS: SE 10-15



SATURDAY

Scattered Storms

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PRECIP: 50%
WINDS: SE 10-15



SUNDAY

Scattered Storms

101°/69°

PRECIP: 50%
WINDS: SE 10-15



MONDAY

Isolated Storms

100°/68°

PRECIP: 30%
WINDS: S 5-15



TUESDAY

Isolated Storms

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FROM THE EDITOR



**BECKA
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COPY EDITOR

All I can think about is how excited I am about Christopher Nolan's new movie "The Odyssey" to come out this Friday. At the time of writing this, I have not seen it yet. Nolan is one of my very favorite modern filmmakers, though, so it is possible I am a little biased.

I have followed news and updates about this production since it was first announced in December of 2024.

Consider this my advance review: I love it.

Is this responsible criticism? Perhaps not. Fortunately for me though, this is just a letter from the editor.

We're told not to get our hopes up. Manage expectations. Wait for reviews. Though, I feel like Universal Pictures' six-month marketing campaign has told me the opposite. And I'm perfectly alright with having my mind made up that this movie is incredible without having even seen it yet. I've already gotten months of enjoyment out of this film.

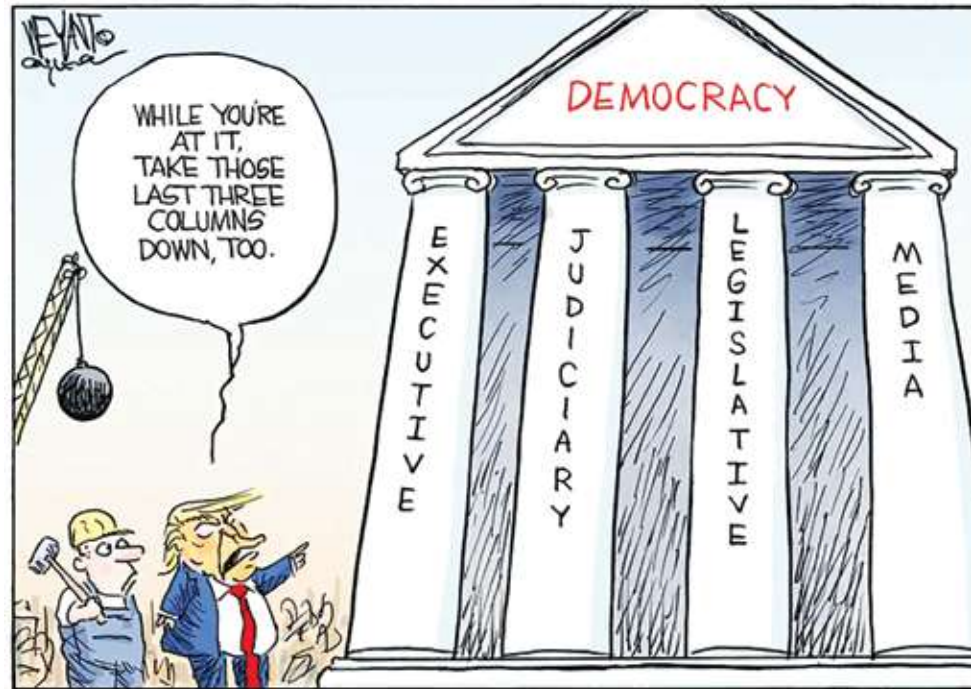
Does everyone remember when "Oppenheimer" came out? I have chills just writing that. What a great time to go to the movies.

Nolan is the king of eventizing movies. His films don't simply just release. They arrive with much anticipation. They become appointments, conversations and reasons to sit in a dark theater with a bunch of strangers and experience something stunning.

The first Christopher Nolan movie I saw in theaters was "Batman Begins" in 2005, and I was 12 years old. I haven't missed one of his films since.

If "The Odyssey" is terrible, I will deal with that after I see it. Until then, it is the greatest movie ever made.

Five stars. A masterpiece. Cinema is saved, again.



news

First came the wildfires. Now these Utah communities are filling sandbags to brace for major flooding.

"The outlook is not very positive," said Phil Dennison, a professor at the University of Utah who studies wildfires.

by Courtney Tanner

THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

For central Utah residents, it might feel like a weather forecast straight out of the Bible.

First came the massive wildfires. Now, town and county officials are preparing for the next expected disaster: major flooding.

That's anticipated for the areas surrounding both the Cottonwood

Fire — a 96,300-acre blaze still burning in Beaver County — and the Juab County communities in the footprint of the now-extinguished Iron and Cherry Fires, which together burned more than 70,000 acres.

"The outlook is not very positive," said Phil Dennison, a professor at the

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WORD OF THE WEEK

ODYSSEY
[OD-YIS-SEY]

noun

a long wandering or voyage usually marked by many changes of fortune

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Of all creatures that breathe and move upon the earth, nothing is bred that is weaker than man."

-Homer, *The Odyssey*

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University of Utah who studies wildfires. “You could have flash floods; you could have mudslides.”

Summer monsoonal storms are currently predicted to downpour over recently scorched areas early this week, according to the National Weather Service.

Burn scars leave those areas more susceptible to flooding because there’s no vegetation left and the singed soil doesn’t soak in water as easily. Monsoon rains also hit fast and heavy, which is the prime driver of flash floods.

Towns in Juab that were previously evacuated — some twice — because of last month’s wildfires spent last week filling sandbags. Eureka residents, in particular, are at heightened risk because of the topography of the area, which sits between two mountain peaks. That means water runoff will be aimed downhill, into town.

Glen Merrill, a hydrologist with the National Weather Service’s Salt Lake City office, said the exact path of the monsoon storms isn’t known just yet. But anywhere there’s a burn scar is inherently more vulnerable to flooding.

That heightened risk remains for three to five years after a fire, Merrill said,

because that’s how long it takes for the scar to start healing and plants to root again.

Fire officials are still determining where flooding may be worst, Merrill said. That depends on how severely the soil was burned and how hot the fire raged.

“Every burn scar is different,” he added.

Monsoonal thunderstorms, added Dennison at the U., also typically feature lightning, which brings the risk of another fire sparking, too.

Residents of Beaver, Utah, are similarly preparing for flooding. Beaver City Mayor Matt Robinson said during a community meeting at the end of June that even as the Cottonwood Fire raged, attention had already “turned to flood mitigation.”

“This is a high priority,” he said.

The city and county have requested help from the state in supplying equipment and supplies to proactively prepare for flooding.

Les Whitney, the emergency management director for Beaver County, said it’s not a matter of if floods will come, but when.

“It will flood, unfortunately,” he said during the community meeting.

Merrill said it’s good communities are taking steps now, ahead of the storms.

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(Rick Egan | The Salt Lake Tribune)
The sun is seen through the smoke in Juab County on Friday, June 26, 2026.



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IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

Cedar City Planning Commission Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

General Plan Amendment, Iron Springs Road (approx. 5500 West, 800 North)

The commission held a public hearing on a general plan amendment changing roughly 120 acres near Iron Springs Road from high-density residential to industrial/heavy manufacturing. Representatives explained the property, developed by VanTrust, based out of Salt Lake, is being positioned for eventual annexation into Cedar City rather than remaining under Iron County jurisdiction. City staff, including the City Engineer, noted the change aligns with the city's annexation policy boundary and would prevent a repeat of a past situation with a company that developed outside city standards and was never annexed. The county has already approved a related zone change with no objections from neighbors. Staff proposed splitting the site into heavy industrial acreage nearer Iron Springs Road and light industrial buffering closer to existing homes. No members of the public spoke. The commission voted unanimously to forward a positive recommendation to the City Council.

General Plan Amendment, 1133 South Main Street

The manager of Standard Plumbing Supply, requested a general plan change to convert a split-zoned parcel (currently half residential, half commercial) entirely to commercial use, consistent with the area's "highway services" designation. The property, used for yard storage, has a single access point through the existing Standard Plumbing lot. Staff flagged a minor notification issue involving a neighboring property owner, which was resolved via direct outreach; the neighbor raised no objections. With no public comment received, the commission voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Cedar City Council Action Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff
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America 250 Celebration Wrap-Up

Councilman Phillips gave what may be the final America 250 update, recapping a 13-day series of events: an outdoor movie at Brian Head, a

program at Christ the King Catholic Church, Independence Day activities countywide, community potluck picnics, dedication of the Fort C Railroad Trail, fireworks, swim parties, and a concluding Utah Symphony concert at Main Street Park. The Mayor and Council publicly thanked Phillips for leading the celebration effort. A reminder was given about a free first responders lunch the following day, sponsored by the Iron County Homebuilders, Cedar City Chamber of Commerce, and Board of Realtors.

Parking Lot Recognition

A councilman recognized the completion of a new 158-stall parking lot near the park, thanking VSSS International (which donated materials), Straight Stripe, the engineering department, and city street crews for finishing the project in time for July 4th events.

Fire Department Report

Chief Mike Phillips reported on July 3–4 fireworks activity: no fireworks-caused fires on July 3 (four vehicle accidents, one propane fire), and on July 4 a structure fire, several dumpster fires (reduced this year due to sand/water buckets), and one one-acre outdoor fire near Johnny Max. Overall, the holiday was called relatively uneventful. The Chief was thanked for coordinating a radio soundtrack synced to the fireworks display.

Speed Bump Removal – South Mountain Drive

The Council discussed removing the speed bump on South Mountain Drive after a fire truck struck it while responding to an emergency. City staff recommended removal, citing safety concerns and limited effectiveness at slowing traffic. After initially voting to remove the bump, the Council reconsidered and ultimately decided to leave it in place until a planned bypass road is completed. In the meantime, police patrols and speed enforcement will be increased, and speed limit signage will be improved.

Development Deferral Agreement

The Council approved a development deferral agreement for property near 2411 West 580 North (also referenced as "Horse Alley") without changes from the prior week.

RAP Tax Allocations

Two resolutions were approved by roll call: one allotting RAP tax funds as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and one allotting RAP tax funds as recommended by the Arts Advisory Board. Both passed without changes from the previous week's discussion.

Flock Safety Camera Contract Renewal

BUDGET SUMMARY

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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.

IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

Police officials presented a proposed contract renewal covering license plate reader (LPR) cameras and separate non-LPR surveillance ("Condor") cameras at high-accident intersections. They explained how the system works, emphasizing that officers must independently verify license plates, establish probable cause, and generate a case number before querying data. Immigration- and reproductive-care-related searches are disabled, data is retained for only 30 days, and the department does not share data with federal agencies such as ICE or the FBI. Officials also cited several solved cases, including burglaries, an arson, a stolen vehicle, and assistance in a homicide investigation.

Flock representatives answered technical questions about encryption, cloud storage through AWS, a past camera vulnerability involving a limited number of misconfigured devices, and the company's penetration testing practices.

Public comment was lengthy, with most speakers opposing the renewal over concerns about privacy, constitutional rights, data security, and the potential expansion of surveillance technology. Others spoke in favor of the system, citing its effectiveness in solving crimes and assisting law enforcement. After discussion, the Council voted to table the decision for two weeks to allow additional review before taking action.

No-Parking Zone / Traffic Signal – 600 South & 1100 West

The Council considered a no-parking zone to accommodate a new traffic signal at 600 South and 1100 West. Discussion focused on whether left-turn lanes should be installed now or added later as traffic increases. The ordinance was approved on a tie-breaking vote, with supporters citing expected future traffic growth related to the south interchange project.

Parowan City Council Meeting Summary - July 9, 2026

by Jennelle Zajac

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Correction

A correction was made to the June 26 meeting summary. The Olivier Messiaen monument will be moved to the Lion's Park kiosk, not from it.

Action Items

Water Board Appointment

The City Council unanimously approved the appointment of Brandon Allen to the Water Board. Allen, a third-generation Parowan resident with a background in education and farming, was recommended by Mayor Halterman for his knowledge of local water issues and commitment to the community.

Corridor Preservation Property Acquisition

The Council approved a real estate purchase contract for Parcel A-0033-0001-0000 using Utah Corridor Preservation Program funds. The property lies within a future roadway corridor identified in the city's transportation master plan. After an appraisal and voluntary purchase, the city plans to dedicate the needed roadway portion and sell the remaining land, returning proceeds to the preservation fund. Officials emphasized that the project will require little to no local taxpayer funding beyond a temporary survey expense that will later be recovered.

Six Mile Spring Redevelopment

The Council awarded the contract for the Six Mile Spring redevelopment project to John Orton Excavating, whose proposal ranked highest among three bidders based on spring development experience. The project will use a two-phase Guaranteed Maximum Price process to accommodate exploratory work before final design and construction. Prompt action is necessary to meet federal permitting and project timelines.

Work Session

Tree Maintenance Ordinance

The Council discussed whether home-

owners should continue to be responsible for maintaining public right-of-way trees adjacent to their property. Current policy requires homeowners to maintain these trees even though they have limited authority to remove them, creating concerns about fairness, liability, and financial burden, particularly for elderly residents.

Resident Jordan Hirschi presented concerns about the ordinance and advocated for changes. Council members noted that many Utah cities maintain public trees themselves but recognized that assuming responsibility could cost hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. The issue was referred to the Shade Tree Commission and the city attorney for further review before any ordinance changes are considered.

Sidewalk Management Policy

The Council reviewed a proposed sidewalk inspection and maintenance policy designed to reduce liability and improve public safety. The policy establishes a priority system for identifying and repairing sidewalk hazards based on severity while recognizing the city's limited financial resources. Council members agreed the policy would strengthen the city's legal position by documenting inspections and maintenance efforts and directed staff to return with the policy for formal adoption at the next meeting.

Reports and Updates

Councilmember Burton reported continued progress on water projects, including spring improvements, the recharge project, and the forebay well. The 200 South reconstruction project is advancing, with sidewalks nearing completion and paving expected within two weeks, although he expressed concern about potential monsoon impacts on water diversion work.

Councilmember Topham updated the Council on the Five County Hazard Mitigation Plan and encouraged residents to complete community surveys. She and each councilmember also

praised the success of Parowan's Fourth of July celebrations.

Councilmember Dean reported that the Planning Commission approved the landfill access road dedication, while discussion of the proposed sign code has been postponed pending additional information.

City Manager Dan Jensen provided updates on several major projects. The airport grant is now expected to be funded at an 80/20 match rather than the requested 90/10 split, with the city planning to meet much of its required contribution through in-kind labor and materials. He also announced that paving for the Main Street Bridge Project will likely be delayed until spring due to seasonal asphalt plant closures. Additional updates included completion of repairs to the Old Rock Church brickwork and preparations for potential flooding during red flag weather conditions.

Public Works Director Aldo Biasi confirmed that his department can provide significant in-kind contributions toward the airport project while continuing to support other infrastructure needs. He also reported productive discussions with the Bureau of Land Management regarding future cemetery expansion opportunities.

Mayor Halterman announced that the America 250 Committee had been recognized for its efforts promoting the nation's upcoming anniversary and informed residents that a new small business grant cycle will open in September.

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Fort Cedar Railroad Trail Ribbon-Cutting

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The official ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Fort Cedar Railroad Trail took place on July 6, 2026. This new paved community trail repurposes a historic railroad corridor, connecting residents through an impressive city-wide trail network. Walkers, runners, and cyclists can now travel across Cedar City without navigating busy streets, enjoying a safe and scenic route that stretches from the heart of downtown into the canyon.

To explore the trail system, visitors can view the Cedar City Official Trails Map or download the PDF trail map to plan their route.

The project transformed an abandoned railroad corridor into a multi-use recreational trail for cyclists, runners, and pedestrians. Completed after seven years of planning and development, the approximately \$6.5 million project is part of the America 250 celebration, honoring the rich history and people of Cedar City.

Federal funding secured through then-Congressman Chris Stewart, with assistance from his staff member at the time, now Congresswoman Celeste Maloy, helped launch the project. Additional funding was provided through grants, Cedar City's General Fund, and Parks Impact Fees, allowing construction to begin in 2025.

A highlight of the project is the relocation and restoration of the Fort Cedar Historical Marker and its massive 35-ton solid iron ore rock, which now has a permanent home along the Fort Cedar Railroad Trail.

The original Iron Foundry monument was installed in Cedar City's Main Street Park in 1933 to commemorate the Iron Mission. It remained there until the early 2000s, when it was removed during a downtown revitalization project. In 2019, the Cedar City Historic Preservation Commission discovered that the monument had gone missing and began searching for its pieces.

During the move, the monument had broken apart, and several pieces were placed in storage at the cemetery with the hope that it could one day be restored. The original 50-pound iron ball that topped the monument was recovered and preserved by Southern Utah University Special Collections, but the marker and bronze plaque were still missing. Because the plaque was made of bronze, it had



eventually found its way to a local salvage yard, where it was recovered in pieces.

The Historic Preservation Commission made the decision to reconstruct the monument. Given the railroad's historic connection to the region's mining industry, the Fort Cedar Railroad Trail was the ideal location for its new home.

Today, the restored monument features two plaques, the reconstructed original plaque and a newly installed plaque that serves as a lasting reminder of the importance of preserving Cedar City's history.

As Aleese Cardon, Chair of the Cedar City Historic Preservation Commission, shared:

“We are excited for the dedication of this new trail, and we hope that this monument, along with the others located on the trail, will help educate, preserve, and protect our history for future generations to come.”

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Stars and Stripes Senior Prom at Stonehenge of Cedar City

by Joy Metheson

STONEHENGE OF CEDAR CITY

On Friday, July

3rd a senior prom was held at Stonehenge of Cedar City to help residents celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States and the start of the 4th of July weekend.

Emi Holyoak and classmate Acosta Mota stated, "When tasked with creating a community engagement project for SUU, we wanted to build something that extended beyond the classroom walls and left a lasting, meaningful impact. With our

nation celebrating its 250th anniversary, it felt like the perfect moment to honor our local senior citizens - a generation that has given so much to shape our community. The goal was to create an atmosphere

of joy, respect, and nostalgia. Seeing the community, the volunteers, and the Iron County royalty come together to bring this vision to life at Stonehenge made it clear that this is more than just a class assignment; it is a tradition worth keeping alive."

The residents loved getting dressed up, eating refreshments, getting their pictures taken at the photo booth, and dancing with all the volunteers, family, and staff. To be able to feel like they were dancing again even in their wheelchairs was such a fun experience the residents are still talking about. They laughed and sang along with the music and singers and thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

Joy Matheson, Recreation Director, at Stonehenge of Cedar City is always grateful to the volunteers who visit Stonehenge, but this activity went above and beyond what normal volunteers do. She enjoyed working with Emi and Acosta to make this event happen for the residents and their families. It was definitely a great way to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States and will hopefully become an annual tradition for the residents.



Having a Place to Play

by Sara Penny

CCAC VICE PRESIDENT

Putting on a concert requires having a place to perform. The original Social Hall, public school auditoriums, SUU facilities, and the Heritage Center Theater have all provided venues for concerts, plays, and dances. We are now looking forward to the opening of the new SUU Music Building, which includes a concert hall.

Cedar City has embraced music since the first people who called this valley home. The Paiute traditions remain strong, as demonstrated by the annual Restoration Pow Wow.

By the time the pioneers arrived in Cedar City, there was already both an English choir and an American choir according to Morris Shirts, whom my daughter interviewed for a school project.

When the pioneers began settling the area in 1851 they held dances accompanied by fiddles. By 1861, they needed

a place for concerts and community events, so a Social Hall was proposed. Today, the historical marker stands on 100 East near the entrance to the parking terrace. The actual building was located where the Cache Valley Bank parking lot is now. It remained in use until 1897. By then, school facilities were available for concerts and other performances.

Branch Normal College (now SUU) had an auditorium on the top floor of the Braithwaite Liberal Arts Center, built in 1899. I remember attending my first orchestra rehearsals in that space when I was in sixth grade. The building has since been completely renovated. The current SUU Auditorium originally housed the library in the west portion of the building. More recent additions to the campus include the Randall, Engelstad, and Anes Theaters, in the Beverley Sorensen Center for the Arts.

The old auditorium on 300 West hosted the Lyceum programs in the



1920s and the first performances organized by Cedar Music Arts, now in its 97th year. That building later housed the school district offices and stood next to the old Cedar Middle School. The Orchestra of Southern Utah used it for several seasons before the Heritage Center was built. It was eventually demolished when the new schools and the district office were built.

The Johnson Center for the Arts provides space for both indoor and outdoor concerts on 100 West. In addition to a small performance stage, it also includes classrooms for art instruction. The outdoor stage hosts summer concerts on the third Friday of each month. I particularly enjoy the murals. This is also one of the venues for music during the Final Friday Art Walks.

The new Forge Theater has renovated a movie theater in the Cedar Fun Center into a new performance

space. Movies can still be shown in the space. I was impressed with the quality of this summer's shows. They even presented the musical 1776 on opening night using a generator after the power went out. Creating this venue involved much more than simply adding a stage. Lighting, sound equipment, sets, and many other improvements were required.

Today, we can enjoy a full summer season of theater with the Utah Shakespeare Festival and American Crossroads Theatre. The shows I have seen so far have been excellent and I look forward to seeing more. Be sure to ask about the local discounts. I especially love the Utah Shakespeare Festival student discount which helps our local youth take advantage of these outstanding performances.

As Cedar City continues to evolve, we add performance spaces because having live music, dance, and theater have always been important parts of our community.

quilts of valor

QUILTS OF VALOR PRESENTATION

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

- Airman 1st Class Robert Vancil, U.S. Air Force
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RAP (Recreation, Arts, and Parks) for 2026

by Sara Penny

CCAC VICE PRESIDENT

With declining federal and state funds the local RAP (Recreation, Arts, and Parks) funding has become increasingly important to our local arts organizations. Four new arts groups requested funding this year. Eight of the groups utilize their RAP funding for rent at the Heritage Center. All the groups seek additional

funding through grants, sponsors, and donations.

"RAP dollars are continuing to foster a robust artistic and cultural environment in our city," said Joanne Brattain, chair of the Arts Committee.

Twenty three arts groups requested funding this year. The budget for arts was \$427,452 and the requests were \$513,700. A citizens committee

reviewed applications and made recommendations to the City Council.

It is exciting to see the advancement of our local arts community. The largest allocations were for the Utah Shakespeare Festival at \$127,000 and the Southern Utah Museum of Art at \$50,000. Both are under SUU and are economic drivers for our community, as well as providing quality professional events.

Four theater groups requested funds to allow local actors and support staff the opportunity to share significant productions. The Cedar City Children's Musical Theater provides year round educational productions, two holiday dinner theaters, and a musical with over 100 children in August. Their allocation was \$25,000. The Cedar Valley Community Theater recently presented *Sound of Music*. As Director Julie Griffin said, "Art is for everyone." She noted that the actress who played Maria was thrilled with her "dream role." CVCT was allocated \$22,000. Richard Bugg is excited for the American Crossroads Theater season with *Lincoln*, *Chicago*, *Music Man*, and *Come From Away*. They were awarded \$19,000. Brandon Burk from IMPAC is excited that they have received the amateur rights for *Les Miserables* for next season. They use a mentoring model with adults and students working together for separate adult and student casts. This summer they will perform *Little Shop of Horrors* with *Annie* set for December. Their allocation was \$13,000.

Cedar City Music Arts brings in outside professional musicians and provides performances for students. Their allocation for their 97th season was \$23,500. A new "Signature Series" at SUU was awarded \$4,700.

Music groups serving local musicians included Orchestra of Southern Utah at \$22,000, female choir In Jubilo at \$5,500, Community Band at \$4,000,

male choir Master Singers at \$4,000, Jazz Alliance at \$3,000, and Suzuki Strings at \$2,000.

The Southern Utah Book Festival celebrates both local and national authors with a series of readings and discussions, including a draw-off with illustrators. Their allocation is \$11,000.

Cedar City Junior Ballet was represented by Hannah Brandt. She grew up in the program and has studied with the Joffrey Ballet in Chicago this fall. She said CCJB fosters dance with encouragement and "to love and find passion with every step." They were awarded \$20,000.

A new ballet company will present *Alice in Wonderland* in the fall with the cooperation of four dance studios. The Festival Ballet Company received \$8,000.

Many of the dance, theater, and music education groups offer scholarships to give more access to their programs.

The Pioneer Legacy Celebration set for July 23 will receive \$5,200. This is free at the SUU Eccles Coliseum, including a program and fireworks. Many local performers will be included in this heritage program.

Another event that celebrates local heritage is the Cedar Livestock Festival in October and their allocation is \$22,000.

The Johnson Arts Center provides programming, as well as space for class and event rental. Their allocation is \$14,000.

Cedar Chest Quilters offer a popular workshop as well as exhibits and donations to several local causes. Their allocation was \$10,302.

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The Cedar City Arts Council promotes local arts organizations and events as well as coordinating the Final Friday Art Walks in the summer, literary group, public arts socials, grants to local artists, and arts supplies for children. Their allocation was \$12,250.

The Utah Symphony requested \$23,000, but the committee felt that the RAP funds were more needed for local groups.

On the Recreation and Parks portion the Leisure Services received \$545,908 which will provide a play structure for the pool, sound panels, electrical upgrades, and a device to work the dirt for events at the Diamond Z Arena called a black widow drag. The re-pavement of the Cross Hollows Trail is set for \$34,000. The Rotary Club funds of \$250,000 for the West Canyon Park may be reallocated, if their federal grant request is granted, said Chad Westwood, committee chair.

Videos of the hearings are available on the Cedar City YouTube channel. City Council will make their funding recommendations at the July 8th meeting. Many thanks to everyone involved in developing our arts and recreation community to make Cedar City a better place to live.



Scott Phillips Award with Mayor Nelson -
Photo credit Camila Baltazar-Rodriguez

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Utah Symphony delighted audiences with a free “Under the Stars” concert in Main Street Park on July 8, celebrating the music and composers that have shaped America’s artistic heritage.

The performance served as the grand finale of Cedar City’s 13-day America 250 Celebration, commemorating 250 years of American independence through patriotic favorites, Broadway selections, American folk music, and beloved classical works. The evening also featured Utah natives, violinist Aubree Oliverson and soprano Amy Owens, under the direction of conductor Conner Gray Covington.

Utah Symphony | Utah Opera is composed of 87 full-time musicians who present more than 175 symphonic and chamber performances annually, in addition to four opera productions. Cedar City was honored to welcome this world-class ensemble as the culminating event of the America 250 celebration.

Mayor Steve Nelson welcomed the audience, emphasizing the important role the arts have long played in Cedar City’s identity.

“The arts have always been an integral part of Cedar City’s history,” Nelson said. “It is especially fitting that the world-renowned Utah Symphony and Utah Opera are helping celebrate both our nation and the great State of Utah with a stop here in Cedar City.”



Aubree Oliverson

Amy Owens

The concert was the result of months of planning by America 250 Committee Co-Chairs R. Scott Phillips and Maria Twitchell, who worked closely with Utah Symphony staff to bring the performance to Southern Utah. Their

Utah Symphony’s Music Elevated State Tour Brings a Magical Finale to Cedar City’s America 250 Celebration

efforts were supported by generous sponsors, dedicated city staff, and dozens of volunteers whose collaboration made the evening possible.

Just before the orchestra took the stage, Mayor Nelson paused the program to recognize the vision and leadership of America 250 Committee Co-Chair and Cedar City Council Member R. Scott Phillips. Nelson presented Phillips with a framed letter from Utah Governor Spencer Cox, along with a commemorative plaque honoring his leadership in organizing Iron County’s America 250 celebration.

Accepting the recognition, Phillips emphasized that the success of the celebration belonged to the many volunteers and community partners who devoted countless hours throughout the year.

“This recognition belongs to an entire village of dedicated and caring people,” Phillips said. “Events of this size and significance are never the work of one individual. I have been blessed to serve alongside an extraordinary committee whose sole purpose has been to strengthen the community we call home and honor the values of our Founding Fathers and the sacrifices they made so we could enjoy the freedoms we cherish today.”

Phillips added that he was deeply humbled by the recognition and grateful for the trust placed in him throughout the year-long planning effort.

“May we never forget who we are, what we represent, or the sacrifices made by those who came before us,” he said. “We are truly blessed to live in America. Irving Berlin expressed it beautifully in the words of God Bless America: ‘God shed His grace on thee.’ Those words continue to remind us of both the blessings and responsibilities of liberty.”

Following the performance, Utah Symphony | Utah Opera

reflected on the evening with gratitude.

“Thank you for doing this for our community. It was so special.” Those were among the first words we heard after the final notes faded across Cedar City’s Main Street Park, and they perfectly capture why the Music Elevated State Tour exists. We were honored to help conclude Cedar City’s America 250 festivities with an evening that demonstrated music’s unique ability to bring people together.”

Experiencing the Utah Symphony beneath the open sky was truly unforgettable. As the sun set behind the mountains and the evening air cooled, the combination of Cedar City’s breathtaking scenery, crisp mountain air, and extraordinary live music created an atmosphere of wonder, connection, and patriotism. With perfect weather and a spectacular performance, it was a magical evening that will be remembered by all who attended.



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PAROWAN

was all Decked out in Red, White and Blue

by John Byron Turner

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

At this time of year, unless you live under a rock, it's not difficult to notice when the next parade in Parowan is about to happen. All those empty folding chairs and blankets lining the grassy parkway on Main Street were a dead giveaway as the 4th of July approached.

The 250-year birthday of our country—officially and rather pompously called the **Semi-quincentennial**—had finally arrived, and a mile-long stretch of Main Street overflowed with red, white, and blue clothing, decorations, and paraphernalia as far as the eye could see. Saying there was excitement in the air on Saturday morning was a major understatement. At 10 a.m., not one but four helicopters kicked off the parade with a flyover from one end of Main Street to the other, and then, the fun began. Decorated vehicles, horses, bicycles, and people slowly and loudly made their way up the main drag while viewers three-deep on both sides cheered, waved, applauded, and kids waited eagerly for the traditional candy toss.

There was no accurate way to count all the people now sitting comfortably in those once-empty chairs and blankets. Everyone I spoke with said it was the best attended—and loudest—parade they could recall in Parowan history. One guestimate put the crowd well north of 2,000, considerably more than half the town's population, and I encountered folks visiting from several

parts of the state. While no one was there to tally the crowd, the America 250 theme clearly ignited a level of patriotism we may not experience again until perhaps America 500.

The 100-plus entries took longer than usual to travel the parade route, and certainly longer to toss all those sweet treats to the legion of scrambling, appreciative kids and families in full holiday spirit. If any neighbors thought they could sleep late that morning, the horn-honking and cheering quickly ended that notion.

Once the final siren and fire truck concluded the parade, a good portion of the crowd wandered to the Main Street Library Park, where they found food, fun, and frolicking across our village green with the Old Rock Church as a backdrop. Youngsters with better knees than mine joined running and crab-walking races, while many of the older crowd found shade, chatted with friends and neighbors, or browsed the booths and displays.

We had no parade of Tall Ships or fireworks over the Statue of Liberty, but the enthusiasm in our little town could have given New York Harbor a run for its money this year.

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by Karen Thelin

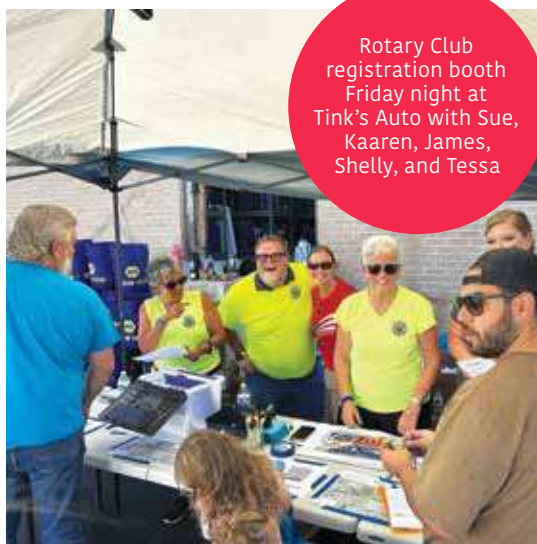
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We also want to express our appreciation for the City of Cedar City, the Parks and Recreation Department, the City Events Director, the Utilities department, Mayor Nelson and the City Council, Cedar City Police Department, Gold Cross Ambulance, Utah Highway Patrol, UDOT and of course, the many businesses along Main Street who allow and encourage this event. Most of all, we thank the citizens of Cedar City for coming, enjoying, and making this the greatest single day event in Cedar City every year.



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Enoch Ward Celebrates 50 years in Bicentennial Building

by Gaylen Matheson

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Enoch Community celebrated 50 years in The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints church building, known as the Bicentennial Building, dedicated on July 4, 1976. The Enoch Orchestra performed patriotic songs that the audience sang along with, including "America the Beautiful," "My Country Tis of Thee," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "The Star Spangled Banner." Other selections were a "Grand Old Flag" medley and a "Military March/Stars and Stripes" medley. Veterans were recognized for their great service.

Shawn Stoor, Enoch Stake President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, spoke on human liberty found in the Declaration of Independence, "all men are created equal, ... endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The greatest happiness comes when we use our freedom to choose God's plan."

Former Utah State Senator Casey Anderson spoke of Founders of the United States and Utah. Casey's daughter Reagan shared how John Adams defended young British soldiers' rights to a fair trial, which saved innocent lives and helped establish the Rule of Law. Reagan's sister Hinckley expounded Patrick Henry's words, "Give me liberty or give me death."

Steve Grimshaw explained how the church was built 50 years ago. The Enoch Ward Bishopric including Dee Wilcken, Ivan Matheson Sr. and himself, submitted a plan to add on to the old church. The First Presidency requested a new church be built to accommodate future growth. Ward members contributed 30% in labor and money. The other 70% was paid by Tithing. One neighbor donated proceeds from half his field. He said, "The Lord took better care of his half because it produced 30% more hay."

Other memories included: Ivan and LaMar Matheson and Keith Maxwell hauled road base from Rush Lake in their farm trucks; Clark Maxwell helped Dee Wilcken with the large wood beams and wood work; Vern Grimshaw helped with the block work and raised funds shoveling



Steve Grimshaw
Last Living Bishop of
the Enoch Ward

out Jack Pace's sheep corrals. Jim Clark landed his Vietnam era helicopter next to the church, gave helicopter rides and donated; Shirley Jones gave piano lessons and donated; Cathy Maxwell and Gay Matheson, the last Relief Society President of the Enoch Ward,

recalled how the Relief Society raised funds with quilts, arts and crafts, bake sales and dinners. They donated the treats, then bought them back. Linda Ayers shared a song composed

by her sister Barbara called "America Belongs to God," which was sung at the building dedication. Roger Grimshaw, as a teenager, filled mortar joints in the brick then checked the halls for quality work on his motor cycle. Gaylen Matheson nailed shingles on the roof with other 12-year-old Deacons. Jennie Ohms Julander planted flowers with her Primary class.

Arlen Grimshaw explained that Relief Society sisters first called it the Bicentennial Building because it was dedicated July 4, 1976. He shared stories of grand Fourth of July celebrations held at Fort Johnson, his grandfather's yard and at the old church. America 250 Chair and Enoch City Councilor Debra Ley awarded the patriotic art contest prize to Ellie Minchey then Lowell Curtis invited all to write down their memories of this occasion and upload them to Family Search for future generations. After the program, Bob Tingey and the Enoch Historical Society set interviews with the last living members of the original Enoch Ward to get their treasured memories of Enoch.

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Betsy Ross: Legend vs. Historical Record



by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Famous Story

According to a story shared by her grandson, William J. Canby, in 1870, George Washington and a committee from the Continental Congress visited Betsy Ross at her upholstery shop in Philadelphia in 1776. They presented her with a sketch of a proposed flag featuring six-pointed stars. Betsy reportedly demonstrated that a five-pointed star could be cut with a single snip of her scissors, making it quicker and easier to produce.

Although this story has become one of America's best-known Revolutionary legends, no contemporary documents verify that the meeting took place. However, historical records do confirm that Betsy Ross operated a successful upholstery business and was paid by the Pennsylvania State Navy Board in 1777 to make flags. While she is widely recognized as the maker of the first American flag, there is no official documentation proving that she created the original design.

Nearly 50 years after her death, her grandson publicly shared the family's account, and his recollections were published in Harper's Monthly in 1873.

Most historians consider the famous Washington visit to be a cherished family tradition rather than a verified historical fact. Even so, the Ross family firmly maintained that Betsy was commissioned to sew the first American flag after meeting with George Washington and members of the Continental Congress.

She Was a Skilled Artisan

Elizabeth Griscom Ross was

a formally trained upholsterer and accomplished craftswoman. Alongside her first husband, John Ross, she operated a thriving upholstery business in Philadelphia.

She Made Authentic American Flags

A receipt dated May 29, 1777—just weeks before Congress officially adopted the Stars and Stripes—documents that the Pennsylvania State Navy Board paid Betsy Ross for making flags. This is one of the strongest pieces of historical evidence supporting her role as an early American flag maker.

A Lifetime of Flag Making

Betsy Ross continued making flags for more than 50 years. Throughout her career, she fulfilled numerous government contracts, producing military, naval, and garrison flags, including significant orders as late as 1811.

Personal Sacrifice

Betsy Ross's life reflected both resilience and sacrifice. In 1773, she eloped with her first husband, John Ross, which resulted in her being disowned by the Quaker community. John was killed in 1776 while serving with the Pennsylvania militia, leaving Betsy to manage their business on her own during the Revolutionary War.

She continued supporting the Patriot cause through her skilled craftsmanship while enduring the hardships of war, widowhood, and two additional marriages during her remarkable 84-year life.

Legacy

Whether or not she sewed the very first American flag, Betsy Ross remains one of the most recognizable women of the Revolutionary era. Her dedication, craftsmanship, perseverance, and patriotism have made her an enduring symbol of America's founding.

Quotes Commonly Associated with Betsy Ross

On Making the First Flag

"I do not know whether I can, but I will try."

This quotation comes from the Ross family tradition and is not documented in contemporary historical records.

Modern Sentiment Often Attributed to Betsy Ross

"True patriotism lies in the belief that our country can always strive for better."

Popular Quote on the Symbolism of the Flag

"We take the stars from heaven, the red from our mother country, separating it by white stripes... and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty."

Another popular version reads:

"Stars on a field of blue, one for each colony; bars of red for the blood sacrifice; on a ground of white for love and peace."

These quotations are widely circulated but are not supported by verified historical sources.

Patriotic Reflection

"Our hearts aching, our prayers praying, our flags waving—never forget."

A Personal Reflection

"I love that America gives people the opportunity to chase their dreams and build a better future. With ambition and determination, any opportunity can become something meaningful."

— Eileen Coleman



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WED, JULY 15

UTAH MIDSUMMER RENAISSANCE FAIRE

(11AM - 9PM) July 44th Annual Utah Midsummer Renaissance Faire is held from 11:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday to Friday and 10:00 am - 8:00 pm on Saturday in the Cedar City Main Street Park (200 N Main St, Cedar City). Admission is Free. Come and enjoy some fun in the sun and watch some great entertainment, enjoy great food, vendors, and rides. Come and enjoy 4 fun-filled days at this year's Utah Midsummer Renaissance Faire. For more information, visit umrf.net or call Rick at 435-531-9368, Cathy at 435-233-5862, or Ralph at 435-559-5676.

SUMA: HOT DOG DAY (11AM - 4PM) AT

Southern Utah Museum of Art - SUMA (13 S 300 W, Cedar City). Admission is FREE. Join us at Southern Utah Museum of Art for Hot Dog Day 2026, a playful celebration of art, community, and everyone's favorite summer snack! Hands-on art activities for all ages, plus delicious hot dogs for the first 150 people. Explore hot dog-themed art and take part in the festivities. Bring your friends, family, and a sense of fun for a day filled with art-making, laughter, and community celebrations at SUMA.

THURS, JULY 16

TOTAL ARCHERY CHALLENGE (7AM) JOIN

Brian Head Resort as they host this nationally recognized 3D archery event from Thursday to Sunday. Join for the greatest outdoor 3D archery experience in the nation! Jack Links Total Archery Challenge (TAC) is coming to Brian Head for four days of family-friendly mountain fun. Featuring six mountain courses and more than 100 3D wildlife targets designed for archers of all skill levels. The weekend also includes a vendor village, food and drinks, family-friendly activities, evening programming, and free spectator access. For additional information, visit brianhead.com/events, and to register, visit totalarcherychallenge.com/pages/brian-head-ut.

FRI, JULY 17

OUR HOUSE ASSISTED LIVING - CAR SHOW

(1 - 3PM) Classic Car Show held at Our House Assisted Living (995 Regency Rd, Cedar City). Our House Assisted Living - Cedar City is excited to welcome residents, families, and the Cedar City community to their Classic Car Show. Make memories and enjoy cars from the Cedar Breaks Model A & Vintage Auto Club, barbecue, soda bar, and more.

SWEET PEA FARM & ORCHARD: FARM

DINNER (5:30-8PM) BBQ Night is held at Sweet Pea Farm & Orchard (136 S 600 W, Parowan). Spend a warm summer night in the orchard, watch the sunset, and eat some delicious food! We make everything on the menu from scratch using local and/or organic ingredients. No reservation or pre-purchase required. Each night has several different options, including gluten-free & vegetarian. Prices vary. Visit sweetpeafarm-orchard.com for information.

CEDAR BREAKS: NIGHT SKY TOUR

Ranger-led Night Sky Tour beginning at 8:30 pm at the Visitor Contact Station at North View Overlook (weather permitting). The National Monument entrance fee applies (\$25 per vehicle). Be an astronomer and join the rangers of Cedar Breaks to experience a night of wonder and observe astronomical features through a telescope. Each tour will begin with a 30-minute ranger program indoors and will be followed by a tour of the constellations and an interactive telescope experience. Reservations are required for the guided walks. Reservations and information can be found by visiting nps.gov/cebr or by calling (435) 986-7120.

SAT, JULY 18

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET - YOUTH

ENTREPRENEUR DAYS (9AM -1PM) Youth Entrepreneur Day is held on the 3rd Saturday of the Month from June to September from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Cedar City Design and Flooring (2232 N Main St, Cedar City). Youth, age 17 or younger, can sign up for a FREE Booth space to sell their handmade items or baked goods. Everyone is invited to come out and support our local youth. For information and to sign up, visit the Cedar City Farmers Market Facebook page.

IMPAC - LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS YOUTH

Cast Performance: Little Shop of Horrors matinee at 1:00 pm and evening performance at 7 pm in the IMPAC Studio (389

N 100 W, Ste 7, Cedar City). Tickets are \$15 and are available on im-pac.com. Based on the Film by Roger Corman, Screenplay by Charles Griffith.

MON, JULY 20

BRODY'S LEGION FUNDRAISER DAY

(5-9PM) Come enjoy a delicious meal and help support local veterans services and activities. Join us at Brody's Mexican Restaurant and 20% of your purchases will be donated to American Legion Cedar City Post 74. For more information visit @ [americanlegioncedarcitypost74](mailto:americanlegioncedarcitypost74@gmail.com) or email hidesertdog@gmail.com

WED, JULY 22

THE GREENSHOW (7:10PM): PAIUTE

Heritage and Celebration held at 7:10 pm on the Ashton Family Greenshow Commons (195 W University Blvd (Center St), Cedar City). Admission is FREE. Everyone is invited to a special evening of music, stories, and cultural dance by the Paiute Tribe of Utah.

THURS, JULY 23

THE PIONEER LEGACY IS HELD IN THE

Southern Utah University Eccles Coliseum (99 S 1100 W, Cedar City). Admission is FREE and open to the public. Doors will open at 7:00 pm, Pre-show Entertainment at 8:15 pm, and The Pioneer Legacy Musical & Firework Spectacular at 9:30 pm. Sitting under a canopy of stars and fireworks, witness a youth cast of over 100 members share the story & journey of the southern Utah pioneers. For information, visit thepioneerlegacy.com.

PIONEER DAY CELEBRATION (10AM - 7PM)

Pioneer Day Heritage Festival Celebration is held Thursday from Noon to 8:00 pm and Friday from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm in the Cedar City Main Street Park (200 N Main St, Cedar City). Admission is FREE, and everyone is invited to enjoy food vendors, face painting, games, activities, FREE Fun Time Inflatables, and more! For information or to become a vendor, call Cathy (435) 233-5862 or Rick (435) 531-9368.

LIVE CONCERT IN THE PARK: MUDDY

BOOTS (5-8PM) held in the Main Street Park (200 N Main St, Cedar City). Everyone is invited to enjoy Muddy Boots live as part of the Pioneer Heritage Festival. Remember to come back on July 24th for more festivities in the park and the chili cook-off. For information, call Rick at (435) 531-9368 or Cathy at (435) 233-5862.

FRI, JULY 31

NATIVE GOODS MARKETPLACE

(10AM-2PM) where you can buy goods, food and handmade items, at the Utah Paiute Tribal Housing Authority Parking lot located at 565 N 100 E.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE COURTYARDS AT

SHURTZ CANYON (3-7PM) Choice Builders and The Courtyards at Shurtz Canyon, celebrate the completion of our new Community Clubhouse and Model Home, The Promenade. We're excited to share these beautiful new spaces with the people who have helped make this community possible. We hope you'll join us for a tour, refreshments, and the opportunity to celebrate together. Families and children are welcome!

Please RSVP by replying to Jen@ choicebuildersgroup.com or by calling 435-773-8996.

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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. For information contact Scotty, Post Adjutant, at (435) 590-3072 or hidesertdog@gmail.com

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 • Wednesday July 22nd at the Pavilion at Ridge Park in Cedar City. ironcountykiwanis-club@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 @ 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

Holding Out HELP

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/925451652789177/?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWBT>

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 City Farmers Market

(9am-1pm) on the north end of Cedar City, Design & Flooring parking lot (2232 N Main St, Cedar City). Admission is FREE. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans, as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information, visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735.

Cedar Breaks Model A/Vintage Car Club

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

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild

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

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.

obituaries

Carol Bullock



Carol Elaine Love Bullock, 87, passed away on June 29, 2026, surrounded by loving members of her family.

Carol was born on January 18, 1939, to Leo G. Love and D. Alice Love in Rockford, Illinois. She lived there until her parents bought a home in Davis Junction, Illinois, where she grew up alongside her five siblings.

On January 1, 1959, she married the first love of her life, Preston L. Leonard. They were blessed with five children and were happily married until Preston passed away on September 30, 1971.

After Preston's death, Carol packed up her life and children, and moved to Cedar City, Utah, where she raised them.

Carol was a switchboard operator at Mountain Bell Communications for many years, where her love of 'chatting' was put to work every day. That work, along with help from family, friends, neighbors, and the ward, allowed her to provide for her family.

Eventually, she met and fell in love with the second love of her life, James R. Bullock, and they were married December 15, 1980. Jim added his own grown children to the family: Evelyn, Cindy, Terry, and Jim. Carol and Jim loved to meet in Warm Springs to enjoy time together and catch up with their many friends and family. She was an avid swimmer and felt at peace in the water.

One of Carol's great loves in life was sharing her heart through baking. She was well known around town for her banana cream pies, pumpkin chocolate chip cookies, and cinnamon diamonds. She enjoyed sharing her baked goods with everyone she knew, and those she didn't. Her house was always open to family, friends, and anyone who needed a place to be.

Carol is survived by her children: Gary (Michele) Leonard, Jane Werber, Valerie (Dale) Meyers, Alice Ann (Terry) Christopher, and Becky (Greg) Stubbs. She is also survived by Jim's son, Jim Bullock, and by her brother, Bruce (Margie) Love. She leaves behind many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and countless others who called her "Grandma."

She is preceded in death by her husbands, Preston and Jim, her parents, Leo and Alice Love, and her siblings, Richard, Doug, Kathy, and Janet.

Her funeral service will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 11:00 am in the 15th Ward Chapel (500 W. 400 N., Cedar City, UT). Viewings will be held on Monday, July 6, 2026, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W., Cedar City, UT) and prior to the service on Tuesday from 9:30 – 10:30 am at the church. 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.

Otis Keys McCall



Otis Keys McCall, age 88, passed away peacefully at his home on July 10, 2026. Otis was born in Fresno California on February 27, 1938 to Otis and Alpha McCall. As a young boy he and his family relocated to Cedar City, Utah. He was raised here in Cedar City and graduated from Cedar High School where he was also a member of the State Basketball championship team. After Graduating he joined the United States Air Force and met the love of his life Sandra Woolsey at a sporting event. They later got married on July 26, 1958, 68 wonderful years together. This union brought two daughters, Terri Ann and ReNae.

After graduating from college Otis began working for the US Forest Service, and had a long wonderful retirement. Otis had many passions, some of which were red GMC Trucks, Jeeps, Snowmobiling, and bike riding. Otis loved to deer hunt and spend the summers at the cabin near Navajo Lake with his family and friends.

Otis is survived by his loving wife Sandra, his two daughters Terri(Mark) Mortensen and ReNae(Kelly) Smith, and his brother Robert(Gaylene) McCall, and his grandchildren Ryan(Jen), Mandie(Dan), Kaleb, McCall(John), and great grandchildren Luke, Maksim, Axel, Layla, Nathan, Shawn, Canyon, and one on the way.

He is preceded in death by his parents Otis and Alpha McCall, and son-in-law Mark Mortensen.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 11:00 am at the Cedar City Cemetery.

We would like to personally thank all of our wonderful friends and neighbors, and Intermountain Health Care Hospice team, who have shown us so much love and care.

Willard Bishop



Willard Robin Bishop, 83, passed away July 6, 2026, at Intermountain Medical Center in Murray, Utah. He was born March 8, 1943, in Murray, Utah, to Ralph Bishop and Reva Maurine Whipple Bishop. He grew up in Sandy, Moab, and then Granite, Utah, attended Jordan High School and the University of Utah, and married Pamela Kemp on June 15, 1967.

He served as a Special Forces Captain (Green Beret) in Vietnam from 1969-70. He then became an attorney and practiced law for almost 53 years. He served as Bishop for the Cedar 7th Ward of the LDS Church and served in many callings. His favorite calling was that of Scoutmaster for Troop 347 of the BSA, earning the Silver Beaver Award. He loved the outdoors and looked forward to hunting each year.

He is survived by his spouse Pamela Kemp Bishop of Cedar City, UT, and five children: Robyn Bishop Warner (Michael), Grantsville, UT; Kimberlee Bishop Cunningham (Kelly), Washington, UT; Christina Bishop, Saint George, UT; Andrew Willard Bishop, Cedar City, UT; and Ann Elise Bishop Overson (EJay), Cedar City, UT. Other survivors include 11 grandchildren, 2.5 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Ralph Bishop and Reva Maurine Whipple Bishop, and by his brother David Ralph Bishop.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 10, 2026, at 11:00 AM at the Cedar City Utah West Stake Center (725 South 1100 West, Cedar City, Utah). The viewing will be held on Friday, July 10, 2026, from 9:30 to 10:30 AM at the Cedar City Utah West Stake Center (725 South 1100 West, Cedar City, Utah). Interment will be in the Southern Utah National Cemetery, under the direction of the Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.mortuary.org.



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SCORES + RECAPS FROM IRON COUNTY COMPETITION

sports

Cedar American juniors cruise to All-Star baseball crown

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

After surviving the first two games of the 2026 Utah All-Stars Juniors baseball tournament, the Cedar American team buckled down, had fun, and earned their ticket to the West Regional in impressive fashion.

Thanks to a nine-run outburst in the bottom of the fourth inning, that surge proved to be the difference as Cedar American run-ruled Washington, 14-2, on a hot afternoon July 11 at the Veterans Park baseball fields.

For the first time since 2022, a team from Cedar earned the right to continue its summer season as they will head to Bend, Ore., for the Junior League West Regional tournament that begins July 22.

"It was a good group of kids that rallied around each other and built each other up," CA head coach Colt Christiansen said. "There was no 'me' in it, and it was teamwork. That made it fun."

Cedar American advanced to the final with a 16-0 rout over Washington on July 9, and started the final with four runs in the first before Washington

answered quickly with two in the top of the second.

CA scored once in the third before coming through with the big inning that helped end the game early. They started the All-Star tournament July 6 with an 8-7 win over Dixie, then edged past Enterprise, 11-10, on July 7.

Cedar American's Majors baseball team also reached the All-Star tournament final, but dropped a 4-1 decision to Lone Peak, who won the title for the second straight year. After scoring in double figures in its three previous victories, LP didn't dent the scoreboard until four straight singles produced a run in the bottom of the second, then moved ahead for good with three runs in the third inning.

CA broke up the shutout bid with a pair of

groundouts that pushed across its only run in the top of the fifth.

After dropping to the one-loss bracket July 9 following a 12-3 win by Lone Peak, Cedar American somehow survived and got another shot with a tension-filled 1-0 win over Snow Canyon in eight innings July 10. The winning run scored on a single to center with one out.

The Cedar American Junior All-Star team

defeated Washington, 14-2, to capture the Utah state title and a berth in the Junior League West Regional that begins July 22 in Bend, Ore. (Tom Zulewski/Iron County Today)



A different kind of World Series

RANDOM thoughts

Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY



The actual World Series in Major League Baseball is still more than three months away, but your almost-intrepid colum-

nist took his shot at a different kind of World Series. It featured cards flying through the air onto green felt, flops, turns and rivers leading to a gold bracelet waiting at the end of the road.

On July 8, for a buy-in that set me back \$300 – super-cheap compared to the other events – I drove to Las Vegas and played in the Gladiators of Poker, the 88th bracelet event at the World Series of Poker,

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Here I am as I head toward my \$300 Gladiators of Poker event at Paris Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas on July 8. The Normandy room is off to the right once you exit the escalator. (Tom Zulewski/Iron County Today)



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A portion of the 55 previous Main Event winners at the World Series of Poker is on display at the Horseshoe Hotel and Casino with each individual's winning hand.
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RANDOM THOUGHTS

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2026 edition. For the third year in a row, it was held at the Horseshoe (formerly known as Bally's) and Paris hotels.

If you've never participated in a Texas Hold-em poker tournament, I was about to learn the art that comes not only with mental gymnastics provided by the cards, but a starting stack that totaled 30,000 chips. I arrived in plenty of time for a 10 a.m. start.

Without getting into too much detail, there are "levels" in this WSOP event that lasted 30 minutes each. All blinds and antes increase with each new level, and we took 20-minute breaks after every four.

Late registration was allowed, but only until 4:30 p.m. Once the number of players was set, the powers that be got to work in determining how many of us would get paid. The final count: 272 out of 1,810 would earn money if we were fortunate enough to reach that point.

Once I sat down in the Normandy Ballroom, the game face went into full effect.

At the first break, I had a good chip win late in Level 4 and got a big boost to my chip stack. The progress held through the next two breaks, and by the time we reached the dinner hour (actually 75 minutes), the money bubble was getting closer. I was starting to pay a little more attention as my

chip stack grew.

When we returned from dinner, a total of three eliminations were still necessary to pop the money bubble. At this point, it got just a little complicated.

To prevent stalling, play was stopped after individual hands were completed in order to make sure the last players before the money were eliminated.

Finally, after at least seven different attempts (I lost count), the player who finished 272nd went to the pay window and collected \$600. As the evening wore on, more players were being eliminated a lot faster.

I was still very much alive as the hour pushed toward midnight.

The tournament structure sheet said our day would end after level 22 was completed. I reached that point, but ended up losing the last of my remaining chips just 20 minutes before the end. I went all-in with pocket 6s in my hand, and my opponent had Ace-Queen. The queen showed up as the river card, and I officially finished in 73rd place, just seven eliminations short of advancing to Day 2, which was played July 12 with 381 total players who were in four separate "days" of competition.

Still, finishing that well – the top 4 percent of players in the Day 1A field – brought me a payday of \$886. My second WSOP event, my first cash, and it made a 14-hour day totally worth it.

Once I found my way to the pay window, I drove home and had enough adrenaline in me to stay awake despite getting to my front door at 4 a.m.

Doing something like a poker tournament isn't for everyone, but with the right luck and simple belief, anything is possible.

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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. Argentina is the defending World Cup champion, but got the scare of its life and needed to rally from a 2-0 deficit over the final 11 minutes, then added the winning goal in stoppage time to come through with a 3-2 victory in the round of 16 on July 7. What nation did Argentina beat to keep its dream of repeating alive?
2. Staying with the theme, what national team is the only one to win consecutive World Cup trophies? Hint: this country was eliminated by Norway in this year's Round of 16.
3. The New York Yankees have had some strange moments in recent games, punctuated by a pair of games played July 6 and 7 where the batters struck out a lot. How many times did the Yankees strike out in each game against the Tampa Bay Rays – a duplicate number?
4. Heading into games of July 10, what Philadelphia Phillie leads all of Major League Baseball in home runs with 32?
5. What Seattle Mariners catcher won the Home Run Derby at last year's All-Star Week? He has not been confirmed as a participant in this year's event that was held in Philadelphia on July 13?
6. In a duel of the first two picks of the 2026 NBA Draft, A.J. Dybantsa scored 27 points and outdueled Darryn Peterson, the No. 2 pick of the Utah Jazz. How many points did Peterson score in the Jazz' 92-88 Summer League loss to the Washington Wizards on July 9?
7. The United States has won four of the last five Open Championships, interrupted only by Cameron Smith at St. Andrews in 2022. What country does Smith call home?
8. In the race for the Golden Boot at the 2026 World Cup, what two players are tied for the most goals with eight through the Round of 16?

9. The Washington Commanders announced it will retire the number worn by running back John Riggins, who played nine seasons with the team from 1976 to 1985. What was the number?
10. True or False: Jannik Sinner of Italy played in this year's gentleman's singles final at Wimbledon, earning the chance to repeat as champion after beating Novak Djokovic in straight sets in the semifinals?
11. Through games of July 10, what Milwaukee Brewers pitcher is the only one in all of Major League Baseball with an ERA under 2.0 (1.62)?
12. Scottie Scheffler failed to make the cut at the Genesis Scottish Open, ending a streak of how many consecutive cuts made that dated back to August, 2022?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Germany.
2. False. Serena lost her first-round match to Australian Maya Joint in three sets June 30.
3. Andy Roddick. Roddick lost to Roger Federer in five sets in the 2009 gentlemen's singles final. Federer finished off the win 16-14 in the final set.
4. Roger Federer.
5. Iga Swiatek.
6. Martina Navratilova.
7. Boston Red Sox.
8. Walker Kessler.
9. Dave Roberts.
10. The Yankees were held to three hits or less in four straight games.
11. Los Angeles Dodgers.
12. Matt Fitzpatrick.

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Total Archery Challenge Comes to Brian Head Resort July 16-19

National mountain archery festival makes its Brian Head debut, expected to draw more than 3,000 participants and spectators



by James Graven

BRIAN HEAD RESORT

Brian Head Resort will host the Total Archery Challenge (TAC) July 16–19, marking the nationally recognized mountain archery festival's first appearance at the resort. More than 3,000 participants and spectators are expected to attend the four-day event, generating an estimated \$647,000 in local economic impact, according to 2025 visitor spending data from the Cedar City-Brian Head Tourism Bureau.

One of the nation's premier mountain archery events, Total Archery Challenge transforms ski resorts into expansive outdoor courses that test participants with steep terrain, varying distances and realistic 3D animal targets.

Participants reach the venue via the Giant Steps Express lift, which carries archers into Brian Head's high-alpine terrain. From there, they hike through six professionally designed courses featuring more than 100 life-sized 3D animal targets. Archers can

complete multiple courses throughout the day, each offering unique terrain, distances and shooting angles.

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Beyond the archery courses, the Mountain Festival features leading outdoor brands, product demonstrations, food and beverages, evening entertainment and family-friendly activities. Guests can also enjoy scenic chairlift rides, summer tubing, a mini zip line, a climbing wall and a bungee trampoline.

Registration is recommended, as Total Archery Challenge events regularly sell out. Additional event information and registration are available at totalarcherychallenge.com.

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TO: SCOTT ROBERT MASON

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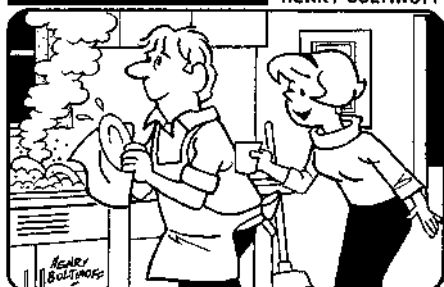
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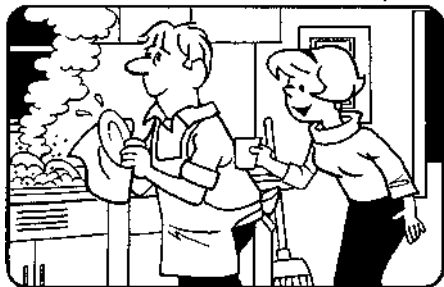
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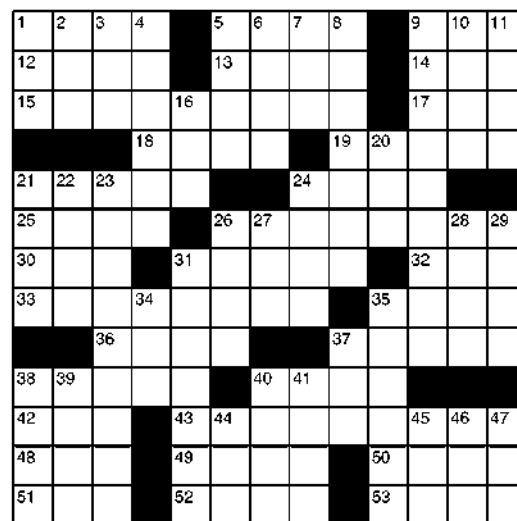
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Solution time: 23 mins.

King Crossword — Answers

Trivia test by Efi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: Which 1997 film features a villain named Dr. Evil?
2. HISTORY: When was the Declaration of Independence officially signed?
3. GEOGRAPHY: The country of Eritrea is located on which continent?
4. TELEVISION: Which 1980s-90s sitcom includes a neighbor named Winnie Cooper?
5. U.S. CITIES: Which city is home to the Mall of America, the largest mall in the United States?
6. ANATOMY: What is the largest muscle in the human body?
7. SCIENCE: How much of Earth's water is saltwater?
8. MEASUREMENTS: How many ounces is 3/4 of a cup?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby goose called?
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