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# Challenges of preventing homelessness, suicide in Cedar

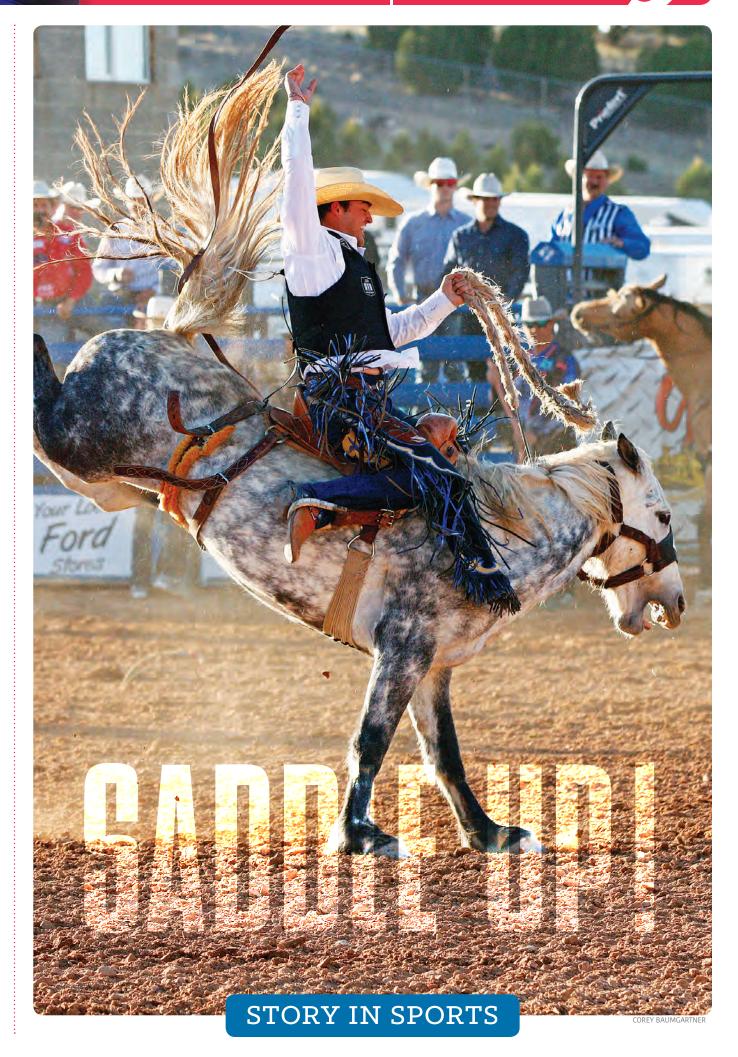
by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

It is estimated that there are approximately 300 homeless youth in Iron County. Even though this is an estimate based on many surveys, it is not out of range to feel urgency about this. The idea of youth without homes and without court supervision creates a consequence of great magnitude concerning the future of our community.

The following facts emerge about this challenge: 1) 1 in 30 adolescents ages 13-17 will experience some form of homelessness over the course of a year, 2) 4.4% are from rural counties, 3) 73% have experienced a homeless episode lasting for more than a month, 4) 29% have substance misuse problems of increasing danger because of fentanyl, 5) 69% have mental health problems, 6) 47% have been physically harmed with 62% of LGBTQ reporting injury, 7) more than 1 in 3 engage in survival sex with 82% of the homeless youth population trading sex for money, 48% trading sex for food or housing, 22% trading for drugs, and 8) 32% attempting suicide. The Deseret News on 11/16/21 stated that while homeless spending is up by 600%, ballooning to more than \$300 million, the need is now even greater because of unsheltered homelessness tripling from 2016 to 2021 as youth suicides in Utah have increased.

Please check the following website for the State of Utah Annual Report on Homelessness, page 1-142 with Iron County featured on pages 85-92: jobs.utah.gov/homelessness/homelessnessreport.pdf. Utah is also among the 5 highest U.S. states for youth suicide ages 10-17 with a more than 200% increase since 2011. Please also check the following public health website for a complete health indicator report of suicide in Utah: ibis.health.utah.gov/ibisph\_view/indicator/complete\_profile/SuicDth.html.



#### CHALLENGES

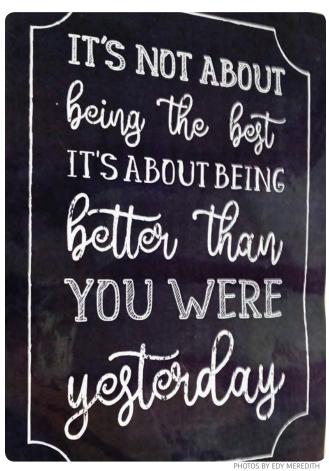
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Iron County and Cedar City organizations are hard at work to end the danger by providing housing, supplies, and training for endangered teens. One of these organizations is Youth Futures which recently opened a home in Cedar City at 133 South 100 West. The location is a remodeled bed and breakfast and now provides stable crisis support, community outreach, intervention, and aftercare for youth 15–18 years old.

The outreach coordinator is Kourt Osborn who spends productive time at both the Cedar City and St. George Youth Futures homes. The local Cedar City home can be reached at 801-528-1214 ext. 207. Please take on this community challenge which is alarming, grave, and demands more citizen involvement and attention especially with the last two years of confusion and suffering.

Now that these troubling trends are well known, there is no excuse for citizen inaction. There are resources and help available including the Cedar City Housing Authority (435) 586-8462, Iron County Care & Share (435) 867-1818, Youth Futures (801) 528-1214, and the National Human Trafficking Hotline (888) 373-7888. Iron County also has





The Youth Futures home in Cedar City strives to help endangered teens with crisis support and intervention.

the Iron County Local Homeless Council which is a multi-agency collaboration of homeless providers, public agencies, and private entities committed to reducing homelessness in Iron, Beaver, Garfield, and Kane counties. They meet on the last Thursday of the month at 3 pm at 581 North Main Street in the Cedar City Visitor's Center. Please plan to attend and volunteer your time and talent. The future remains uncertain when a large percentage of our youth are terribly distressed and vulnerable.



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# SUU celebrates freedom with Juneteenth events

from David Bishop

SUU DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

For the first time in its history, Southern Utah University is honoring the Juneteenth holiday with a weeklong celebration of freedom. This year's theme, Juneteenth: A Past, Present, and Future American Celebration was chosen to invite all to learn and reaffirm the shared history and shared future of American communities, and to celebrate the progress made as a nation to fulfill the founding principle of freedom.

"This year we have the honor of celebrating 125 years at SUU and recognizing the legacy of determination, grit and community triumph of the founders and stewards of SUU and the land that it's on," said Daneka Souberbielle, chief diversity officer at SUU. "We celebrate the same resilience, fortitude and tenacity of African Americans at Juneteenth, knowing that acknowledging and learning from this difficult and complex part of American history will help us prepare for an equally beautiful and bright future as a nation and global community."

The T-Bird family and Cedar City community are invited to join the events, learn and celebrate. Events begin on Thursday, June 9 from 4-7 p.m. with a Community Day at the Southern Utah Museum of Art and end on Friday, June 17 with the Juneteenth Jubilee on the Upper Quad. Other events include a special exhibit at SUMA, one-person shows reflecting the lives of Rosa Parks, Thurgood Marshall and other influential figures, and a Community Reads Conversation centered on the book Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl, by Harriet Jacobs presented by SUU Community Education. For additional information and events, visit suu.edu/juneteenth.

Commemorated annually on June 19, Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration of the end of slavery in the United States. Also known as June Nineteenth, Jubilee Day, Freedom Day, Liberation Day, or Emancipation Day, the holiday marks the day in 1865 when Union troops arrived in Texas to free the remaining enslaved African Americans. Though the Emancipation Proclamation was signed two and a half years prior, Juneteenth honors the official end of slavery in the United States.

The holiday has been celebrated by Black Americans since the late 19th century and is now commemorated and formally recognized on a national and state level. U.S. President Joseph R. Biden shared a recommitment to the work of equity, equality, and justice in the proclamation creating the national holiday on June 18, 2021. Utah officially declared Juneteenth a state holiday in March 2022.

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## opinion

#### FROM THE EDITOR

# Graduating with honors or horrors?

n every generation of education, there are at least two courses that have needed to be taught above all others—especially in our generation. Those courses are Compassion and

As important as Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics are to understanding our world, if we truly want to improve and protect it, we need courses that help improve our core (heart) curriculums.

I know in some ways and places the world is becoming a more horrifying place. When learning in a classroom, walking across a stage to receive a diploma, or going into a hospital,

grocery store or church brings fear and anxiety, what are we to do? Can anything be

Yes, something can, must be done. If not, fear will only fuel the fire and cause those who can make a difference to be too afraid to do anything about it. That "something" will require even more than police

and policies. Yes, we are ever grateful for our law-enforcement and law-makers—without them the chaos would kill us all.

Therefore, is it too far-fetched to provide classes that teach/reinforce how to be a better person? We have classes that make us better students, better drivers, even better athletes, but where do we learn how to truly be better people? Television? Video games? Facebook? YouTube?

Change for any challenge in this world must begin before we ever get to the classroom. If we want to graduate life with honors the most important time and place to do that happens before one boards the bus and enters the classroom—it begins at home.

## **WORD OF THE WEEK**

#### **IOCOSERIOUS**

COREY BAUMGARTNER

MANAGING EDITOR

Simultaneously jocular and serious; mixing mirth with serious matters.

If last week's word (Jocular) didn't quite hit your funny bone, try to be more humerus this week by mingling some comedy into your conversations. I'm serious.



### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Don't give up when you still have something to give. Nothing is really over until the moment you stop trying.'

Brian Dyson

# **UHA Statement on Gun Violence**

from Greg Bell

PRESIDENT, CEO UTAH HOSPITAL ASSOC.

tah's hospital community joins other Americans in grieving for the victims and families involved in the mass shootings in Uvalde, Texas, and Buffalo, New York. We extend our condolences to the families of those who died, the injured and traumatized survivors, and the tragically affected communities.

These were tragic, senseless, and unnecessary. Unfortunately, these mass murders follow a terrible string of similar shootings across the United States.

The count is high. According to Education Week, since 2018, there have been 119 school shootings in the United States in which a shooter killed or wounded at least one person, claiming 88 lives and injuring 229. Countless other children and teachers witnessed or were threatened by those shootings and felt the traumatic aftermath. Our children face regular active shooting drills, understanding the real possibility that they might be murdered or watch their fellow students and teachers be slain in — of all places — their school classrooms.

Moreover, school shootings do not occur regularly in any other place except the United States. This problem is now in our national psyche, and we must deal with it — together.

Our public policy response to school shootings has been unsatisfactory. Governments and various

"It is time that we quit fruitless political posturing and face this problem head on."

elements of our society have done far more arguing and blaming each other rather than searching for real solutions. We can do more to prevent violence in schools. In many cases, if not most, the perpetrators have manifested signs that they are

considering or planning acts of violence. It is time that we quit fruitless political posturing and face this problem head on. It is time for us to throw out the myths and wrestle with the root causes affecting families, schools, communities, states, and the country.

We cannot passively accept any more of these tragedies.

These shootings have caused trauma not only to those directly affected, but others in the affected communities and all Americans at a level that mass shootings pose a public health crisis. Utah's hospitals have a unique and special mission to advance public health and to help Utahns avoid and treat disease, accidents, trauma, and mental illness. The Utah Hospital Association pledges to work with others to study

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# opinion

# **Banning** Budweiser, bullets

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ry not to raise your blood pressure... but we need to have a chat about guns and rights and the slaughter of innocent adults and children. Okay, take the blood pressure pill now.

I am not against guns or gun ownership. Part of the reason is that I've never fired one. Never had



to - even in graduating from high school ROTC training. Generally, I don't try to make rules for things that I do not participate in. My legislating on guns (which I know little about) makes as much sense as Utah legislators who don't drink alcohol passing laws on the sales of pinot noir.

But they do, of course. So much for that argument. However, I also have stayed away from the gun debate since I acknowledge that the vast majority of gun owners use their weapons responsibly. Shooting a pheasant is different from shooting up a grocery store, and I hate to see law-abiding gun owners being deprived of their sport by the mental illness and hatred of a few idiots. Additionally, I admit the death-by-gun statistics are skewed since of the 45,000 gun deaths in 2020 more than half were cases of suicide, not the killing of strangers, ex-spouses, or third-graders.

And, of course, there is the Second Amendment in the Constitution. But courts have not ruled that gun ownership is unlimited; try buying a bazooka in Utah County, and even your proud conservative Republican friends might be nervous.

But my silence on gun issues is reaching a breaking point, and polls show I'm in the majority. Of course, the celebrities are already speaking out. In sports, for instance, Warrior coach Steve Kerr called the lack of gun limits "pathetic", Dodger manager Dave Roberts called Congress "irresponsible", and the San Francisco Giants manager refused to appear for the national anthem in protest of gun killings.

But this has little to do with celebrity endorsements. More of us commoners are admitting "Something needs to be done!" And it's not putting more guns in the hands of more Americans. As one wag said, "Trying to solve gun killings by producing more guns is like solving drunk driving by opening more liquor

Just this year 77 people have been wounded and 27 killed - and that's just in school shootings.

# Sowing and reaping the seeds of violence ("FEAR" part 2)

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

recently saw a posting on the internet that was deriding a quote from the Bible in Proverbs 22:6: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it" as though parenting and heritage have nothing to do with violence in our youth. I began to think about the epidemic of violent law-breaking from rising violence "There is no in major metropolitan areas to our most recent shootings in Rochester, excuse for an New York, and in the unprotected elementary school in Uvalde, Texas.

unprotected I believe as a retired teacher from Los Angeles, my experience open school" and opinion have validity. I also have done research on the history of school shootings in the United States which began in the 1700s and still occur today with fatalities of unprotected children and teachers. NPR recently published information stating that 27 school shootings have taken place so far in 2022 and documenting that Education Week magazine has been tracking school shootings since 2018.

There are good sources keeping track of gun violence in general, including the Gun Violence Archive, an independent data collection organization which defines a mass shooting as an incident in which four or more people were shot or killed, not including the shooter. More specifically, please consult the following well documented website for specific information including dates, locations, deaths, and injuries in an article titled "History of School Shootings in the United States" with mind-blowing facts from the 1700's to this date in 2022 demonstrating that schools are soft targets inviting confused and homicidal individuals to attack the unprotected in our schools. Go to: K12academics.com/school-shootings/ history-school-shootings-united-states.

An additional website at En Wikipedia has dates, locations, and number of deaths and injured from 1764 to May 24, 2022. These well substantiated facts may put the fear of God in you because of the central feature of violence in American society throughout the centuries. It is my opinion that the most vulnerable need personal protection from those with unresolved mental problems and violent tendencies. Since these school-centered shootings have been happening for hundreds of years, there is

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no excuse for an unprotected open school. I believe that school administrators and school boards are responsible for the safety of students and teachers. The elementary school where I taught was near downtown Los Angeles in Koreatown. As much as 16 years ago, Wilton Place Elementary was a "closed" school. No one could get into the school without

being admitted by administration or clerical workers after showing identification. We had schoolwide monthly practices of what students should do when the loud

warning bell signaled that there was an emergency. In our area, local LAPD officers also visited our schools and classrooms monthly to develop good relationships with students. We even had assemblies presented by LAPD with their K-9 officers.

In Part 3 of this series next week, we will look at what seeds of violence are being sown in the minds of minor children

that grow into hate and lead to destructive actions. Be aware because prevention is the name of the game, not blame. The leading cause of homicidal actions may be suicidal thoughts and self-hate. Parents, be informed and be prepared. Everyone should be part of the solution.



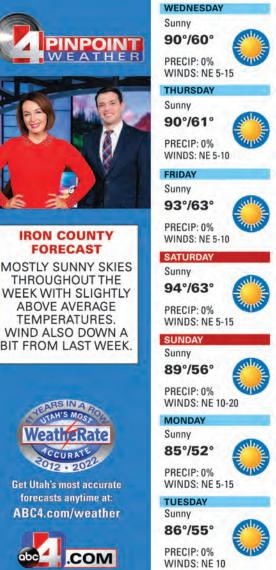
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## FOCUSING ON VISION IRON COUNTY:

# Community Character

#### from Sophie Kronick

VISION IRON COUNTY

Vision Iron County (VIC) is a volunteer effort dedicated to collecting, tracking, and sharing information among communities and stakeholders within Iron County. VIC is focused on promoting long-term planning that protects and enhances quality of life for all Iron County community members. We aim to provide a productive forum for discussion and collaborative strategizing to understand community priorities and create greater awareness of shared resources and opportunities. Every other week, we provide background information on one of the VIC Focus Areas. The Focus Areas are all interrelated, which is why VIC seeks to break down silos to ensure that groups are communicating about long-term decisions. The content below is from the 2019 VIC focus group on Community Character.

Rob Behunin with R&R Partners facilitated the Community Character Focus Group in March of 2019. Behunin explained that character refers to creating a sense of place where people feel welcome and engaged. Character is an element that draws people to our community and keeps them coming back. Participants in this focus group stated that Iron County is open, folksy, historic, and welcoming. Positive descriptors of our community character included community above self, uncluttered lifestyles, innovation, and safety.

The Community Character Focus Group agreed that our community character needs to be simple, authentic, relevant, and compelling. As we plan for growth, we must be cognizant of our past, present, and future. We want to maintain the charitable, comfortable, creative, and secure character that residents have known in the past and value in the present, however we also want to consider the look and feel we want for our community in the future.

One priority that came out of the focus group was improving our visual aesthetics to help leverage the feel of our community. This will help us establish a consistent brand identity.

The focus group was also excited about the theme of access. Iron County is not necessarily tied to one identity, rather we have access to a variety of different assets. Arts, business, culture, education, recreation, and tourism are all integral to our county.

The VIC Community Character Working Group will continue to identify and discuss the characteristics that we value, nurture those aspects, and build our vision around them. This will help us determine what needs to be improved to make our community a better place for locals and more inviting to visitors.

Are you passionate about the future of Community Character in Iron County? Join the VIC Community Character Working Group! VIC Working Groups will build off the knowledge we gained from 2018–2019 Focus Groups, as well as the 2020 Community Survey, to build a collaborative data project to encourage intentional decision–making in our area. To learn more, visit facebook.com/visionironcounty/ or contact VIC at icvision2050@cedarcitychamber.org to be added to our email list. We invite you to join us on this exciting quest!

#### **CYCLOPS**

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Last year, Americans saw the highest number of shootings in 52 years. Last year American manufacturers produced eleven million new weapons, triple the number of 20 years ago. In one year, we have seen 53 "active fire" incidents. And the most common response is "thoughts and prayers", while the National Rifle Association suggests that this is just the price of doing business.

Look beyond the statistics. Ten people were killed last month in a Buffalo, New York supermarket by an 18-year-old who hated non-White people. This was in his Second Amendment bag: a Savage Axis XP hunting rifle which he received as a Christmas gift when he was 16 (good job parents!), a Mossberg 500 shotgun, and a Bushmaster XM-15 semi-automatic rifle which he modified to allow for more savagery — all this for a kid who posted in high school that his post-graduate ambition was "murder suicide."

Let's get consistent...New York is currently being sued by a gun rights group claiming that states should not have the right to regulate gun ownership of almost any kind, yet many of these supporters take the opposite view of abortion, favoring the rights of states to regulate it.

We can never stop gun violence. But we can separate the need for assault weapons as compared to rifles used on the elk hunt, and we can decide whether teenagers not old enough to buy a Budweiser can legally buy any weapon they fancy.

And since I know little about guns, this should come from responsible gun owners since they are the ones with the knowledge, and also the most to lose.



Below are bookings as reported by the Iron County Sheriff's Department and Cedar City Police Department. Those arrested are innocent until proven quilty.

#### JUNE 1

#### Taylor M Button

CEDAR CITY, UT
Theft, Speeding in School Zone

#### Nicole P Dennett

CEDAR CITY, UT Child Abuse/Neglect

Samuel S Vest
PAROWAN, UT

#### JUNE 2

Kenneth E Elze Jr CEDAR CITY, UT DRUG - Poss C/S

#### Ralphy J Sanchez

Drug Paraphernalia, Purch/Poss/Use Firearm by Restr.

Breonna Stewart

CEDAR CITY, UT Rape of Child

#### John Harvey

CEDAR CITY, UT
Criminal Mischief

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Tanner K Trammell
CEDAR CITY, UT
Rape of Child

#### Ronald F Musil

CEDAR CITY, UT Lewdness

#### JUNE 4

#### Mario Soto

CEDAR CITY, UT

DRUG - Poss C/S, Paraphernalia,

No DL

#### Douglas Wayland

CEDAR CITY, UT

DRUG - Paraphernalia





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# Community invited to 37th Annual Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games Opening Ceremony

from David Bishop

SUU DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

The 37th annual Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games will commence with the Opening Ceremony on Friday, June 10 in the Eccles Coliseum at Southern Utah University. Headlined by making them the greatest ABBA tribute. The Opening Ceremony is open to all and will run from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Gates open at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are available at utahsummergames.org/opening-ceremonies.

Previous to the Open Ceremony, the Utah Summer Games Summer



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**The presenting of the Red, White and Blue by local military** is always an epic part of the USG Opening Ceremony.

"We strive to

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where athletes.

coaches.

parents, and the

community can

come together

and celebrate

excellence in the

human spirit."

Pace Clarke, USG

executive director

Always ABBA & a tribute to Lady Gaga, the Opening Ceremony includes the athlete's parade, torch relay, family-friendly activities, and fireworks.

"The Opening Ceremony is truly spectacular," said Pace Clarke, executive director of the Utah Summer Games. "We strive to create an event where athletes, coaches, parents, and the community can come together and celebrate excellence in the human spirit. The energy at the Opening Ceremony is tangible and the feeling of community is strong, this is what the Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games

Opening the Utah Summer Games, the

are all about."

Opening Ceremony will feature the parade of athletes, lighting of the cauldron, an SUU Aviation flyover as well as amazing stunts performed by the Utah Jazz Bear. Always ABBA will headline the show with their impeccable vocals and stellar musicianship

Block Party will be held in front of Eccles Coliseum at SUU (1150 West) on June 10 from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Block Party will include food trucks, face painting, music, games and

entertainment for those of all ages.

With more than 40 sporting events, the Utah Summer Games is one of the premier sporting events in Utah and attracts athletes of all ages and skill levels. The competition celebrates excellence in the human spirit and healthy lifestyles through extraordinary sporting events. Since 1986, this event has been conducted at SUU with an average total of 9,600 participants, 50 thousand spectators,

and 1,000 volunteers in attendance each year.

Find more information about the Utah Summer games along with scheduling details at utahsummergames.org.



# IRON COUNTY WATER STEWARDS

from Ashley Langston

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

#### O & A WITH GABBIE COSTELLO

Get to Know Your H2O: Central Iron County Water Conservancy District appreciates questions submitted by community members about the Pine Valley Water Supply Project and other local water needs. As part of its role as steward of water in Cedar Valley, the District is working with a group of experts, community members and elected officials to help prepare viable solutions for the future and to respond to community questions and concerns about emergent water issues.

This week's question from the community is answered by Gabbie Costello,
Community Relations and Public Information
Officer for Cedar City
Corporation, and Jessica
Staheli, Public Relations and Conservation Manager for the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District.

Question: Many summer activities use unnecessary water. Do you have suggestions of ways to keep busy while using less water this summer?

Conserving starts with you and I, and we are asking our community members to water less during this extended drought period. Many great activities and events are planned for this summer, and some provide resources to learn about watering less.

On Saturday, June 25 the Central Iron County Water Conservancy District will host its annual Water Festival for the community. The festival was designed to educate community members on water conservation and showcase water efficient products, services, and technologies.

It is also a lot of fun for the whole family, with free activities, such as bounce houses and inflatable slides, an inflatable obstacle course, a foam cannon, beach volleyball, hot dogs, and more. All community members are encouraged to come learn more about the water challenges and solutions in the Cedar Valley.

The Central Iron County Water
Conservancy District will also have a
booth at the July Jamboree on July 9,
along with many other organizations
and businesses. The popular car show
and street fair draws a large crowd
to Cedar City's Main Street for live
music, food, shopping and education.
Summer is also the busiest time of
year for Cedar City and tourism with
events such as the Utah Summer
Games, Utah Shakespeare Festival
events, the Independence Day parade,
and more.

The Mayor's Banana Split
Book Club takes place every
Thursday until school
resumes at the Cedar City
Library, where children of
all ages can participate by
reading a book, watching a
movie and enjoying a banana
split, all for free. Registration is

each Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Lake at the Hills, located near the Cedar City Aquatic Center, offers kayak and stand-up paddle boat rentals, and the Aquatic Center has slides, pools, tumbling and swim lessons and so much more available. The Lake at the Hills serves a dual purpose of holding irrigation water and allowing for recreation, and water at the Aquatic Center is filtered and recycled. Taking advantage of these locations to cool off, rather than turning on your sprinklers or filling up a personal pool, can save hundreds of gallons this summer.

There will be multiple events at the Cross Hollow Event Center this summer, and the Cedar City Half Marathon is Sept. 10. Don't forget the city's vast public trail system with more than 100 miles of mountain biking trails for all skill levels.

For more information on events in Cedar City, visit https://cedarcity.org/61/Events-Festivals. To learn more about the Water Festival, conservation, or District projects or goals, visit www.cicwcd.org.



Water conservation is important. We need to work together as a community to ensure our water resources are sustainable to maintain our quality of life not only for today, but for future generations.

For reliable information on the Pine Valley Water Supply Project specifically and the Cedar Valley's water situation in general, please visit www.cicwcd.org.



## FUN SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- WATER FESTIVAL JUNE 25
- UTAH SUMMER GAMES
- BANANA SPLIT BOOK CLUB-THURSDAYS
- UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL
- INDEPENDANCE DAY PARADE JULY 4
- JULY JAMBOREE JULY 9
- . BIKING, RUNNING & HIKING TRAILS
- CEDAR CITY HALF MARATHON SEPT 10

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school and other mass shootings and to gather and publicize the best policies and practices to predict and prevent school and other mass shootings. We pledge to work cooperatively with elected officials to advocate for sound policies and procedures to reduce the future mayhem these shootings will surely cause if we continue to stand paralyzed in inaction.

We call on our government leaders to grapple urgently and honestly with this scourge in our society and do much more to protect our students and teachers. Leaders can make meaningful changes on behalf of children in ways children

cannot do so for themselves.

Finally, we call on our fellow citizens, school officials, government, community and business leaders, faith-based groups, community groups, and individuals and groups who advocate for preserving Second Amendment freedoms to stand with us against violence. Join us in seeking and implementing effective prevention, prediction and security

measures to protect our citizens in schools and other public places.

We urge all responsible citizens and groups to join us in forming and supporting an ongoing Utah-based initiative dedicated to preventing and securing our schools and other public places from attacks by persons using deadly weapons.

Years from now, we hope our children will have reason to thank us.

# public & health

# Fire restrictions in place for Southern Utah

Due to another year of on-going drought and record low precipitation levels, Color Country Interagency Fire Managers are implementing fire restrictions beginning June 2 at 12:01 a.m. on the Arizona Strip and all unincorporated county, state and federally administered public lands in the following Utah counties: Washington, Kane, Garfield, and Iron.

"May through August is typically a critical time for southern Utahns as both visitor numbers and fire danger tends to exponentially increase. This year's outlook is no different," said Bureau of Land Management Color Country and Paria River Districts Fire Management Officer Josh Tibbetts.

"Predictive services warns that southern Utah's Energy Release Component (ERC) is approaching critical thresholds. The ERC can serve as a good indicator of what we anticipate a fire season could look like across a designated area, as it tracks seasonal fire danger trends well."

## While fire restrictions are in effect, the following acts are prohibited:

- » No campfires or open fires outside of agency improved and maintained campgrounds and homesites in southwest Utah. Running water is required on cabins or homesites on unincorporated private land. Devices fueled by liquid petroleum are allowed.
- » No discharging of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices outside of incorporated city limits (city-specific restrictions may apply).
- » No shooting of exploding targets or tracer ammunition.
- » No cutting, grinding, or welding of metal in areas of dry vegetation. This includes acetylene torches.
- » No use of equipment without a working and properly maintained spark arrestor (if required).
- » No smoking near vegetation or outside of a developed recreation site, personal vehicle, or building.
- » No open fires of any kind are allowed in Zion National Park.

Campfires are allowed in agency improved and maintained campgrounds at Lava Point.

Campfires are allowed at Glen Canyon in established campgrounds within established rings and below the high-water mark, only in areas completely void of vegetation.

Please be aware that fire restrictions will be slightly different among agencies and these restrictions do not apply to incorporated cities. Please check the specific fire restrictions with the respective land management agency before visiting.

Local, state, and federal fire officials urge Utahns to use their 'Fire Sense' to help prevent unwanted wildfires. 'Fire Sense' is an interagency fire awareness campaign that was implemented last year to increase public knowledge on how to prevent wildland fires.

For more information on preventing unwanted human caused wildfires, agency specific restrictions, and reference maps, visit www.utahfiresense. org, www.utahfireinfo.gov and www.wildlandfire. az.gov or follow us on Twitter @UtahWildfire.

Color Country Interagency Fire Managers

# AARP to Offer Smart Driving Classes

The American Association of Retired Persons is sponsoring a series of safe driving classes designed specifically for older drivers. The classes cover the many changes that occur within ourselves, in roadway design and in the vehicles we drive. They also cover rules of the road, sharing the road with others and what to do when you can no longer drive.

Classes are four hours long and are led by local volunteers using materials specially prepared by AARP and other professionals. They cost \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members.

These lessons are designed to make drivers safer and more confident behind the wheel. They can help you save on your car insurance because many insurance companies offer discounts to individuals who have taken the course. These discounts last for three years from the date of the class.

The next events will be held on June 13, at the Iron County Visitors' Center and on July 18, at the Cedar Senior Center. They will be lead, respectively, by Roland Gow (435-865-5825) and Duane Blackwell (435-867-1218). Please call to make a reservation.

Roland Gow



# Rocky Mountain Power provides guidance as fire season approaches

As weather transitions to summer, Rocky Mountain Power is encouraging customers to prepare for wildfire season. Fire-weather conditions, such as severe drought combined with summer windstorms or active wildfires, could lead to safety-related power outages.

"We're building our system to be more resilient long term – for all seasons and weather conditions – providing value to our customers for years to come," said Curtis Mansfield, senior vice president of power and delivery. "We're investing nearly half a billion dollars across our system in wildfire mitigation strategies. This includes round-the-clock reporting of weather conditions; rebuilding portions of the grid with equipment upgrades; and using technology to monitor the system, while increasing inspections and vegetation maintenance on our lines."

Even as electric providers partner with federal, state and local agencies to plan and get ready for wildfire season, preparedness is a shared responsibility. Helpful information is available to help every customer take steps to plan ahead and be ready for wildfire-related power outages.

## Wildfire Safety and Preparedness Webinar:

Rocky Mountain Power invites you to learn more about its wildfire mitigation plans during a Wildfire Safety and Preparedness Webinar on June 14, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Company representatives will share progress on wildfire safety work including system hardening, enhanced vegetation management practices and expanded situational awareness. There will be a questions & answers session after the presentation. Questions can also be emailed to wildfiresafety@pacificorp.com.

#### Stay in the know:

Customers can take steps to make sure that they receive wildfire-related information.

Log in to their account and make sure all contact information is current. That way, Rocky Mountain Power can send alerts and messages. In addition to having a back-up plan with medical providers, customers who rely on electricity to store medication or operate medical equipment at home should enroll in the Medical Certificate Program to receive proactive communications about outages.

#### Make an outage kit:

Prepare a home outage kit in the event wild-fire leads to a power outage. Be sure to include shelf-stable food, water for household members, pets and any livestock, necessary medications, flashlights, batteries and solar or car chargers for electric devices. Keep ice packs or frozen water in the freezer to help keep food cold until ice is available.

Businesses should prepare to minimize disruption, keep employees safe and protect equipment. Outage kits should include flashlights or camp lights for all areas, including restrooms, battery-powered or hand-crank radios for information, battery-powered fans, extra batteries, car chargers for cell phones and electric devices, bottled water and emergency phone numbers.

#### Have a plan:

Consider options to relocate with a friend, family member or shelter, especially if a medical condition, medication or equipment requires electricity.

Businesses should communicate their outage responses plan to key employees, plan for workarounds to computers and cash registers, and create a plan to bypass electronic door locks.

Homes and businesses should consider buying backup generators and follow manufacturers' safety guidelines.

Make a plan for watering livestock if well pumps are without power.

Know how to open and close electric garage doors and security gates.

Learn how to protect home and business electronics and appliances against data loss and surge damage when power is restored.

#### Information, resources and checklists:

Rocky Mountain Power customers can visit rockymountainpower.net/wildfiresafety for resources and information including an outage preparation checklist for residential and business customers, an interactive map outlining potential public safety power shutoff areas and its Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

Tiffany Erickson, Media Relations



# THE PIANO RECITAL

by Mary Anne Andersen

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

eople who study these things say that a public performance of a prepared musical piece is about 85% of its best day when practicing it. In other words, the recurring lament of the recitalist is, "I played that so much better at home!" Yes, we all do. I can't speak to the experiences of instrumentalists but I do know that feeling of shaky hands and a blank mind when sitting at the keyboard during a piano recital. And I have played for enough vocalists to recognize that panic of being short of breath and forgetting the words.

So it was that I tried to prepare my students for the recent end-of-

the-year recital in the church up the street from my house. "You and I know how well you play this piece, even if you do have a slip tomorrow." And "I have played for decades and have had a perfect performance maybe six times." Or "Any error you might make will be known by

only you and me, but

you'll be great!"

And so, fortified against the inevitable slip, the students and their families gathered. The first bauble had occurred the day before, when a parent texted to say that her son's sister's softball team had advanced further in the state tournament than expected and

they were stuck up north and her son would have to miss the recital. I couldn't very well text back and say "Rats!", but I was disappointed for his sake. But here is a truism: sports trump almost everything else.

I had the students come up before things got started to play through their pieces once on

the strange, big piano, but what was this? One little girl was bonded to her father's side, sobbing and refusing to play at all. We finally decided that her dad would sit on the bench next to her

and sort of shield her from the audience's view. It worked. The fact that she played at all was a triumph.

An eight-year-old had told me that he had added some "details", meaning he did a bit of improvising

with his piece and did a great job. His parents tell me he loves it. I hope that lasts...

The teenage boy, who is also a percussionist, had, at my brilliant suggestion, laid down a drum track to accompany his jazz piece, the first time I've ever had someone play a duet with himself. In another first, his sister sang the words to her piece, once she was able to get control of a bloody nose. And you know "Fur Elise"? Everyone usually plays just the first section but my high school girl did a lovely job with even the hard middle sections.

In a stunning bit of disloyalty, the high school senior played probably his last recital as he prepares to go the U. And so these kids, my second family, grew up as families do. And the parent/teacher question is the same: "Did I do the best for them that I could?"

# New Director Promises "Joyous" Greenshow

by Liz Armstrong

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Last year, Utah Shakespeare Festival patrons enjoyed a fabulous production of *The Pirates of Penzance*, with a colorful and buzzing energy that entranced audiences throughout the play. This season, patrons can expect the same at *The Greenshow*. "It's going to be joyous, fun, and nonstop," director Cassie Abate said.

And Abate should know. She directed that acclaimed production of *The Pirates of Penzance* and this year is writing, directing, and choreographing *The Greenshow*, the Festival's free pre-play

entertainment.

Abate said that directing *The Pirates of Penzance* last year prepared her for directing *The Greenshow* this year.
"Being at the Festival last year, I really got a sense about the traditions, and experiencing what the Festival is all about was awesome," canon she said. "I'm so excited to be back."

Directing *The Greenshow* will have its challenges, but this vivacious director is up for the task. "*The Greenshow* has been a fun learning experience for me because I've never fully written a show before," she said. "So taking an [idea] all the way through has been a really fun, interesting, dynamic experience."

Abate is also extremely excited about how collaborative the process of putting together *The Greenshow* has been. "What's so great about this kind of production is because it's

new, the cast gets to be a collaborative part of it," Abate said. "So things shift and change and adapt more so than when you have a set show that you are producing."

"It's a lot less predictable than when you're inside a theater," she said in discussing the outdoor space on the green. "I'm looking forward to experiencing how we fill that space and how we utilize it to its full potential so that we don't just make it an entertainment, but an immersive experience for the audience—where

they're interacting with the performance."

Abate plans to honor the traditions of the Festival and The Greenshow while adding fun and new elements. Jokingly, she promised to mention the Festival-famous tarts in each show. Patrons can also

expect an extremely fun soundtrack. Abate hinted that in addition to pulling from the musical theatre

canon, the company will also be using more popular songs from the '40s to the '60s.

Because *The Greenshow* is presented every night before the plays, Abate's biggest goal is to make sure it complements the shows being performed, as well as making sure each of the three versions of *The Greenshow* can stand alone as a fun and family-friendly entertainment. The Last Time I Saw Paris will play before All's Well That Ends Well; British Music Hall before Sweeney Todd; and Coronation Day before King Lear. Abate promises each one

is unique in its own way.

The 2022 season of the Utah Shakespeare Festival runs from June 20 to October 8 and includes All's Well That Ends Well, Sweeney Todd, King Lear, The Sound of Music, Trouble in Mind, Clue, The Tempest, and Thurgood, as well as all the experiences surrounding the plays, such as The Greenshow, seminars, orientations, and backstage tours. Tickets and information are available by calling 800-PLAYTIX or going online to bard.org.



# 12 life

# (not just) Anytown, USA

#### 5 OF THE 10 BEST SMALL TOWNS TO START A BUSINESS ARE IN UTAH...INCLUDING CEDAR CITY

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#### by Tom Bergeron

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Grind Coffeehouse Café in Cedar City, Utah, is just what you would expect to find on Main Street in Anytown, USA. Or, at least, what you may have expected to encounter a few generations ago.

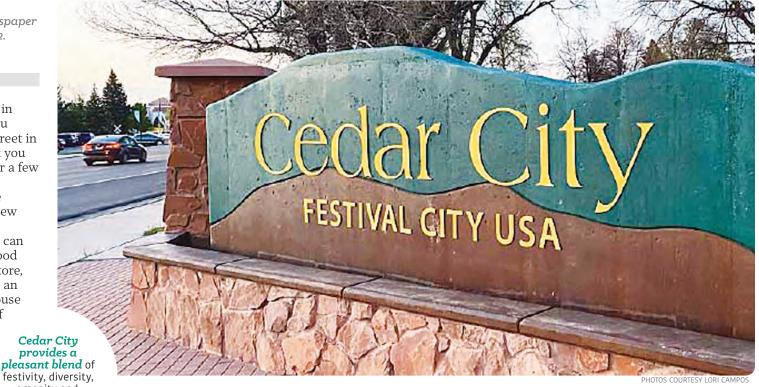
When you're waiting the five minutes or so it takes to drip brew each individual cup of "the best coffee you'll find the world," you can enjoy some of the homemade food options or browse in the bookstore, a neighboring business that has an interior opening to the coffeehouse — because friendliness is one of the top characteristics of the town.

If you step outside and stroll down the easily walkable streets, you'll amenity and quickly come across a sign post that lists the distances to a variety of locations, including both Zion National Park (just 58 miles away) and Key Largo, Florida (2,566 miles); a drugstore that features a throwback still-in-use counter service worked by "soda jerks" from a different era; and a plaque commemorating the fact that in 1924 — a year after Union Pacific completed the railroad — Hollywood came to film "Deadwood Coach," the first of what became thousands of movies filmed in the picturesque area.

The town is led by retired businessman Garth Green, its 73-year-old first-term mayor who literally describes himself on the town's website as a modern-day "Opie Taylor" and proudly recalls growing up as the son of the fire chief.

But, if you think this town of approximately 35,000 situated off Interstate 15 in Southwest Utah — a three- or four-hour drive to Salt Lake City to the north, Las Vegas to the west and the Grand Canyon to the south — is one lost in a time warp that only serves as a setting for Instagram photos, you would be overlooking what Cedar City really is: a boom town that people and companies are flocking to.

The Grind Coffeehouse Café, in





Cedar City, Utah, is one of many small businesses thriving in the state. The old-school charm of the historic downtown is just one of the amenities of a small town that recently was listed as the fourth-best in the country to start a business by WalletHub.

And, while the modeling and metrics of these type of rankings always are open to interpretation and skepticism, this stat should not be overlooked: Utah had nine cities listed among the Top 25 in the under 100,000 population category — including five in the Top 10.

New Jersey, despite the richness of a suburban small-town landscape that dots the state, its geographical location and well-educated workforce, did not have any in the Top 250.

We wanted to know why.

Here are some thoughts after a three-day stay, one of a half-dozen or so I've made to the town in the past three years.

Chris McCormick, the CEO of the Cedar City Chamber of Commerce since 2015, is quick to point out all of the reasons why Cedar City is so good for business, rattling off a bunch of organizations and programs aligned in the goal, including a small business innovation center and women's business center — both of which work in conjunction with the chamber and two local universities: Southern Utah University and Southwest Technical College.

When a startup, thinking about coming to the area, recently reached out to the chamber, McCormick put together a meeting that included all of the noted organizations, including some of the 363 chamber members.

"We have a group of partners in our small business development center," he said. "They help companies develop a business plan, a marketing plan, do market surveys — anything to really help you get your feet on the ground and look at things that you might not be looking at, so that you can be successful."

And, while Cedar City area officials are eager to help startups, established businesses — including those who see they can get product to Los Angeles and Denver in eight hours — are showing interest, too. In 2021:

American Food Packaging announced it was going to open a new plant, one that will hire 100;

Armscor, a gun and ammunition

# family

# **MORNING MADNESS**

CONTRIBUTER

amilies come in all shapes and sizes, as we all know. Single parents, live-in grandparents, one to 12 kids, fur babies and so many other variations and variables.

My perspective comes from a very traditional family. We have a mother (myself), a father (my wonderful husband) and four adorable little fiery balls of energy including our oldest son (6), daughter (4), daughter (2) and baby boy (6 months). I would be remiss to leave out our two tarp-eating pygmy goats "Poncho" and "Lefty".

While your family may look a little WESLIE STRATTON different than mine, I am confident that some of the topics and issues I hope to address in this column are universal to anyone with kids.

At the moment, my morning can of Diet Dr Pepper has yet to kick in and my kids are firing questions at me left and right. Two of them need diaper changes and everyone wants something different for breakfast. What I wouldn't give for just 20 more minutes of sleep! Sleep: one of the many sacrifices we make for these little people.

The last day of school was last week and if you're like me, you were careful to shut off the recurring alarm that signals it's time for morning school prep. As if the lack of an official alarm would

# "The words "hot mess" are probably crossing your mind right about now and you're not wrong."

allow for additional sleep.

The following is a sample of my unscheduled morning alarm system:

- » 4-4:30 a.m. "Mom! Will you go to the bathroom with me?"
- » 5:30 a.m. "Mom. Mooooom. Mommy! I sweept in my bed all night. Can I have a treat?'
- » 6:30 a.m. "Mommy. Mom. Can we watch a show?"
- » 7 a.m. "Mommy? I'm hungry. What I'm gonna eat?"
- » 7:14 a.m. The baby has wet through his diaper and can no longer be ignored.

Full disclosure, I am not a morning person. By the time I change the baby and stumble out of my bedroom at 7:20 a.m. my six-year-old has a Lego village constructed under the dining table that requires immediate inspection. My four-yearold is requesting that I put a dress on her doll and asking if she can change her own clothes for the third time all while my two-year-old thinks she's going to starve to death, despite the box of crackers someone has scrounged up for her.

The words "hot mess" are probably crossing your mind right about now and you're not wrong.

There are mornings where it feels like I'm hanging by a thread until 9:30, the average time that I pull it together and thrive in what I call "Controlled Chaos". However, I have discovered that just a little preparation goes a long way toward

saving my sanity.

If I take 20 minutes out of my Sunday evening to whip up a batch of "egg muffins" it takes the guesswork and challenge out of my morning madness for several days.

> The only time cooking an entire breakfast appeals to me is when we eat it for dinner (about once a week). But if I make these muffins, including a breakfast meat and cheese, it makes adding pancakes, or even just wrapping one in a tortilla, a pretty simple compromise.

There are about a thousand different online recipes for these muffins but I'll include the one I have been using, courtesy of my big sis. Whether you're a

morning person or not, I bet you could use a break when it comes to breakfast and I hope this helps!

#### Egg Breakfast Muffins

- » 10 eggs
- » 1/2 cup milk
- » 3/4 cup cheese
- »1 tsp salt

Mix along with any other desired ingredient: Tabasco, ground sausage, crumbled bacon, peppers, onion or anything else you might put in an omelet. Pour in muffin tin and bake at 350 until set (around 10-12 minutes). Refrigerate and store for up to one week. To reheat, microwave for 15-30 seconds and enjoy! Makes 12 muffins.

## WEDDING

#### Ryland & Jasie

Ryland Steenblik & Jasie York will be sealed for time and all eternity in the Jordan River Temple on Friday, June 17, 2022. They will celebrate with their parents

Lincoln & Kim Steenblik, Jason York, & Angela York at receptions in Cedar City on June 11th and in Salt Lake City on June 17th.

people



## Want to submit an announcement?

There is no charge for birth, first birthday, mission, Eagle Scout, 50th anniversary (and up), wedding and 80th birthday (and up) announcements. Submissions can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, or emailed to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought to 389 N 100 W, #12, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon for the following week's issue. Announcements should be 100 words or less. Please call 435-867-1865 ext. 5 for pricing for all other announcements.



## **CONGRATULATIONS IRON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**

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# ★ ★ 2022 IRON COUNTY PRIMARY

# Election Guide

reat leadership is a key to growth and sustain-ability in every community. One of the keys to electing qualified leaders is making the time to get to know them and vote with confidence in their competence.

To help you make the best decision in this year's election selection process we reached out to the candidates and invited them to submit a bio and platform statement for this special section. We hope you will find it useful in making your voting verdicts.

To each of the candidates running for office, whether

you are an uncontested incumbent or running for

the very first time, thank you for your courage and commitment to help continue to make our Iron County communities great. And to those who can and will vote, thank you also for your courage and commitment to take an active stand for what you believe in and for your involvement in helping choose and support our leaders now and in the future.

For more election information and for specific voting dates and locations, please visit www. ironcounty.net (Clerk- Elections Information) and also use our candidate contact guide for reaching out to our local and state representatives.

#### **U.S. SENATE**

#### **Becky Edwards**



"Being a public servant means working tirelessly for our state alongside constituents and fellow leaders to solve problems. That is exactly what I've done for my entire career.

- Proactive Republican
- Proven Lawmaker

Becky is a proven and effective lawmaker with a strong policy record for addressing the issues that matter to her constituents. She

addresses those issues with efficient, forward-thinking, innovative ideas, and a determination to build a better future

Becky's Priorities:

Better Leadership. Better Politics. Better Solutions. Utah deserves a senator who will prioritize the needs, values and goals of our state to ensure that we maintain our fundamental rights and liberties. It takes more than words—it takes experience and hard work to get things done that benefit Utah families and businesses. It takes grit and a track record of bringing people together to make progress in Washington the "Utah Way." And it takes an understanding of the very real problems and opportunities we face to fight for Republican solutions that help our state grow and thrive.

As Utah's next U.Š. Senator, I will move Utah forward with better leadership, better politics, and better solutions that put families and businesses first to achieve a brighter, healthier, and more prosperous tomorrow.

#### Ally Isom



Why I'm Running:

We can do better

IT'S TIME to return to the fundamental principles we shareresponsibility for our shared future, spending money wisely, planning for tomorrow, valuing life and respecting others.

Our nation is at a crossroads. Public dialogue is often more about personalities than ideas, more about division than solution.

Growing up, I moved 13 times and watched my mom often shoulder three jobs to make ends meet. I learned the value of hard work and a dollar, the need for resilience, and self-reliance. I yearned for opportunity. I didn't expect government to solve every problem. I knew education was the door to prosperity.

Eric and I built our life together in Utah. We raised our four beautiful children here. I love Utah—our people, its natural wonders, our shining model for fiscal discipline and economic growth, and our tremendous can-do spirit and compassion.

I have spent my life on good causes and my career speaking truth to power. My record shows I stand on principle, engage in good faith and value all voices. In our community and on the job, I am passionate about bringing people together to get things done.

Who I am won't change. People who know me know that. Whether I'm in Kaysville or DC, Utah can count on the same Allv.

#### Mike Lee

#### INCUMBENT



Senator Mike Lee has spent his career defending the fundamental liberties of all Americans and advocating for America's founding constitutional principles.

Mike learned his love for the Constitution around the family dinner table. Mike's father, Rex Lee, served as Solicitor General under President Ronald Reagan and later as President of Brigham Young University. As a child, Mike attended

his father's arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court, giving him a unique understanding of the government from an early age. As an attorney, he developed a more complete understanding of why the Constitution is essential to the protection of life, liberty, and property.

He has fought for policies that have produced real results for Utahns. He mobilized Republicans to enact the USA Freedom Act, which protects Americans' rights against the NSA's collection of private citizen information. In 2017, He championed the effort to double the tax credit for each child from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

We must establish a future that avoids crippling debt and allows our grandchildren to thrive. Mike promises to stand up against reckless government spending to fight inflation and our rising national debt.

To combat the housing crisis in Utah, his HOUSES Act will allow parcels of federal land to be purchased by a state or unit of local government at a reduced price. The act requires the land to then be used for housing, increasing the Utah housing supply and making Utah a more affordable place to live.

Mike has earned a reputation as an outstanding lawyer based on his sound judgment, writing and courtroom advocacy skills, and thorough understanding of the Constitution.

Government is too big, too expensive, and doing too many things it was never intended to do. Many people run to take Utah to Washington. Mike Lee is running to keep Washington out of Utah.

#### U.S. HOUSE DIST. 2

#### Erin Rider



Erin was raised in Salt Lake City. She graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in Business and a minor in Spanish and received her JD/MBA from Georgetown University.

Prior to running for office, Erin worked as a corporate attorney at Dorsey & Whitney where she focused primarily on mergers and acquisitions. Prior to her work at Dorsey & Whitney, she worked as

an attorney at Goodwin Procter in Boston, and as a Law Clerk on the Senate Finance Committee under Senator Orrin Hatch.

Erin has served on boards and committees for the J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Real Women Run at the YWCA, and many others. She has also worked extensively with the My Hometown Initiative, a community development pilot program sponsored by West Valley City and a variety of business and religious organizations.

Erin knows that Utahns are good people with great ideas. As a lifelong conservative, she will be a constructive leader, not just another obstructionist. She's ready to roll up her sleeves and serve Utah's 2nd District.

#### **Chris Stewart**

#### INCUMBENT



Chris Stewart is the Congressman from Utah's Second Congressional District. He is a multiple New York Times best-selling and national award-winning author, world-record-setting Air Force pilot, and the former owner and CEO of a small **business** 

Chris is one of ten children and grew up on a dairy farm in Cache Valley. He graduated from Utah State University, where he

earned his degree in economics. Upon graduation, Chris joined the United States Air Force where he was the Distinguished Graduate (top of his class) in both Officer Training School and Undergraduate Pilot Training. He served for fourteen years as a pilot in the Air Force, flying both rescue helicopters and the B-1B bomber. He holds three world speed records, including the world's record for the fastest non-stop flight around the world

Chris has also written 17 books, several of which have become national best-sellers and have been published in six different countries. Before being elected to Congress, Chris served as president and CEO of the Shipley Group, a nationally recognized firm for consulting expertise in energy and the environment. He and his wife, Evie, are the parents of six children.

Chris now serves as a member of the following committees: House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and the Appropriations Committee.

#### **STATE SENATE DIST. 28**

#### Patrick L. Larson



I was born and raised in AZ and moved to LV when I was 23. Met my eternal Partner in 1991 and wed in 1992 in LV. We have 6 children; 5 boys, 1 girl.

We moved to Enoch, UT in 2001 and moved to Paragonah in 2000. I've held multiple church positions. I've led 3 companies, 1 worth tens of millions and over 50 employees.

I am currently self-employed doing remolding of decks, fences,

and roofs. I am the working man's candidate. I stand for less Government intrusion, fewer laws, sovereignty of Utah, Election Integrity, Parents Rights, Right to Life, NO mandates, NO shutdowns and the rights of the constitution and FREEDOM.

I DO NOT have any large donors that I owe. I will be a servant of the people to protect our God given and Constitutional rights always.

#### Evan J. Vickers

#### INCUMBENT



I'm proud and grateful to serve as your State Senator. As someone who has developed a reputation for tackling tough subjects, listening to all sides, and bringing bipartisan groups together to successfully accomplish important objectives, I currently serve as the Utah Senate Majority Leader. This means I have the trust and support of my Senate colleagues to help guide the work of the entire Senate, among other

responsibilities. I am proud of holding this influential and powerful position, especially so as I have the ability to move things forward that champion southern Utah.

One of the many bills I successfully have passed include SB 195, which significantly pulled back the over-reaching state emergency powers statute. It led to being able to rescind the masking mandate in Salt Lake, among protecting other important safeguards to freedom.

I believe strongly in low taxes. This year, I was the lead sponsor of SB 59, the \$200 million tax cut bill we successfully passed, and received a 100% rating on the Utah Taxpayers Association Scorecard. I am a strong supporter of the Second Amendment and have always had an A rating with the NRA.

Education is extremely important to me, and my legislative work highlights just how passionate I am about supporting education. Each child deserves to have good schools, good environment, good curriculum, good teachers and parents who care and are engaged with their children.

I believe in personal choice not government mandate and am 100% pro-life with regards to abortion laws. Because of the teachings of my parents and my life

experiences, I am a strong fiscal conservative.

These are a few of the many issues important to me, and with your support I'll continue to fight for southern

and with your support I'll continue to fight for southern Utah. I ask for your support and vote in the upcoming Primary.

#### **COUNTY COMMISSIONER A**

#### Michael P. Bleak

#### INCUMBENT



My name is Mike Bleak. I have been in public service in one role or another in Iron County for the last 29 years. My favorite thing about serving on the Iron County Commission is the ability to protect our conservative values, and effect positive change in our communities. These changes include:

- We've been very proactive in the West Desert, Beryl, and Newcastle, to update the emergency services to

better protect our citizens. We have a groundwater study underway in Newcastle to secure water for the future.

- We helped Kanarraville to implement a reservation structure for Kanarra Falls. This added environmental protection to the canyon, including the town water source. This also provides a significant revenue stream to Kanarraville Town.
- When Kanarraville flooded, we dedicated county resources immediately that greatly lessened personal property damage. We assisted in restoring infrastructure such as road access and water diversion.
- We were able to accomplish a major renovation to the Iron County Courthouse in Parowan. We were also able to acquire the county fairgrounds from Parowan City. This will allow us to make needed improvements and guarantee Parowan's status as county seat.
- Paragonah suffered flooding following the Brian Head Fire. Through collaboration with Local, State and Federal Officials, we were able to focus combined resources on the area to assist in recovery and future flood mitigation.
- Brian Head was able to purchase a new fire truck with coordination from the county. We are also working hard on opening recreational vehicle trails on federal land in the area.

# As your Iron County Commissioner I have been working hard and getting results:



- Protecting Taxpayers
- Fighting Government Overreach
- Safeguarding Our Quality of Life
- ✓ Improving Water & Infrastructure

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Conservative values and maintaining our way of life is my commitment to you. This is a very short list of successes and ongoing projects. Please trust me with your vote to continue on this path. Learn more at mikebleak.com.

#### **Destry Griffiths**



Destry Griffiths is a life-long student of history, human behavior, and interrelationships. In serving as a peace officer for youth he learned from their exuberance for life, and from serving our elders who offered sage advice on what really matters, the value of living on purpose. His leadership style features accuracy and compassion while searching together for working solutions. As a policeman and elected

representative of Enoch City, he swore an Oath to defend the Constitution. He considered it strange that so little of our Constitution was taught in schools or even talked about. He desired to know the deeper meaning of the written Constitution as the "rule book" to check government and used to curb human passions with checks and balances to protect the free market.

Destry has had many mentors in his life from siblings, parents, and extended family. He has valued the examples from his childhood friends and adults, both in the community and in his life, who have helped mold him into the man he is today.

Above all, being a father has taught him the value of wisdom. What do we consume in all senses, and what are the choices we make? Do we not owe it to our children and to the Founding Fathers to carry on with the Original Intent of our Constitution?

Destry Griffiths welcomes current-topic education, respectful discussions, and context-forming ideas in solving community problems here in Iron County. He has the passion, the purpose and know-how to serve Iron County full-time as Commissioner, and looks forward to earning your vote.

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#### **COUNTY COMMISSIONER B**

#### **Paul Cozzens**

#### INCUMBENT



An Iron County Commissioner's job is to protect the American Dream for local families. Growing up in Moab, my family struggled to get by. Instead of becoming another statistic for intergenerational poverty, Iron County gave me a chance to learn a trade, start a business, raise a family, and give back to the community.

Bad government is the biggest threat to the American Dream in

Iron County. Just two years ago, state bureaucrats told local families that only healthcare and government workers deserve to provide for their families. As county commissioners, we fought hard to keep businesses open and protect God-given rights for our residents.

Our fight to protect liberty made Iron County a safe haven for those fleeing tyranny in other parts of the country. Our safe haven is now experiencing unprecedented growth and growing pains. Ultimately, the free market will slow that growth through water costs and fair, sustainable policies. That market becomes more free and fair as we continue to make Iron County a place where the government doesn't dictate which families deserve to earn a living.

Iron County has to be a place where families can live and work. Families like mine that had their world turned upside down need to be allowed to pivot and work to

This county was shaped by pioneers with a can-do attitude, and by defending personal freedom, we allow that same attitude to flourish.

I will continue to work to protect taxpayers, fight government overreach, safeguard our quality of life, and improve our water resources to protect the American

Dream for all of our residents to live fulfilling and prosperous lives.

I ask for a chance to continue to serve and I humbly ask you to vote for Paul Cozzens for Iron County

#### **Steve Miller**



Steve's interest in running for commission stems from seeing our communities time and time again be ignored. As commissioner, he plans to prioritize more interactive leadership. Iron County deserves leaders who will put the county's interests above their own. Through interacting with constituents, he believes we can find the right solutions to our county's problems: growth, infrastructure, water

conservation, law enforcement, and fiscal responsibility.

Our county has critical issues facing us. We have done the bare minimum to improve our water situation. Taxpayer dollars have gone to waste because the county is not always going through the proper purchasing process to get the best possible bids. The county has not requested their bond rating (credit score) in years. Not knowing the state of our fiscal health is unacceptable. We cannot retain our Law Enforcement Officers because they are not paid a livable wage and only have two deputies on patrol each night. On top of that, we are overgrowing with no plan. We have not had an updated general plan since 1995.

Iron County needs leadership that will look at the big picture. Steve understands the complexity of water, growth, infrastructure, public safety, and budgeting.

Steve Miller will restore integrity, trust and transparency, and rural values to the Iron County Commission. He is a proven leader, a true conservative dedicated to fiscal responsibility, limited government, and the success of our community.

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IRON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

"The Conservative does not despise the government. He despises tyranny. This is precisely why the Conservative reveres the Constitution and insists on adherence to it."

– Mark Levin

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**Brad Green** Plumbing Sales



**Richard Mack** Sheriff, Activist

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### Are you ready to require representation in your government?

## YOUR VOICE COUNTS

With so few voters, your voice really does count. Within Iron County's estimated population of 61,322, there are only 15,887 registered Republicans. You are one of them and we need your support.

## **RESTORE OUR ROOTS**

It is my desire to restore Republican roots in reclaiming representative principles, as contained in our platform and in the US Constitution.

### YOUR VOTE COUNTS

This means 26% of the population will decide and influence the direction the rest of the 74% of county residents will be heading towards by voting on the June 28th primary.

## FREE OUR COUNTRY

My activism is to protect Republican/ Conservative values; freedom, liberty, free-enterprise and privacy. I commit to liberty for our children and grandchildren.

#### INTEGRITY MATTERS

Too many times, our Republican leaders disappoint their constituents by being Republican In Name Only as an established, bureaucratic or moderate Republican at least.

### HARD WORKERS WANTED

When voices and bodies are needed, I plan to rally Conservative voices so we are heard in local and statewide





# LAW ENFORCEMENT

One of the most critical issues we're facing right now is public safety. We need to take care of our citizens! While on a recent ride-along, I learned The Sheriff's Office only has two deputies on duty every 12-hour shift. While backing up other local law enforcement, they could be 45 minutes away if we needed them. They deserve our support and a competitive wage scale. As fiscal conservatives, we understand the importance of a lean budget, and we also understand the role of our public safety professionals. We cannot continue to let our fire and public safety folks get pulled away by higher wages. It currently costs over \$100,000 to recruit, equip and train a new deputy. Why aren't we using those tax dollars to retain our great people, and put our money where our mouth is with public safety?

## MY COMMITMENT



- I COMMIT to giving raises for our deputies.
- I COMMIT to prioritizing Sheriff's Office morale.
- I COMMIT to meeting mental health needs.
- I COMMIT to expanding recruitment efforts.
- I COMMIT to increasing deputy retention.



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# WATER

We need to preserve our most precious natural resource: water. My agricultural experience makes me uniquely qualified to bring all parties together to make Iron county resilient. All solutions need to be on the table. Importing and conserving water are solutions that need to be managed. It will take a leader who understands how important great relationships are with our state and federal partners to bring a true solution to Iron County.

- I COMMIT to fight for every drop of water.
- I COMMIT to starting water conservation programs.
- I COMMIT to increase water conservation education.
- I COMMIT to looking at both importation AND conservation of water.

# **GROWTH**

As we continue to grow, Iron County needs a leader who will create a plan to prepare for and meet the future needs of its residents. Unfortunately, Iron County has not updated its general plan since 1995. This is unacceptable! Growing up, I was taught that if you fail to plan, you plan to fail. With our county's growth, ladies and gentlemen, it's time. It's time for a comprehensive plan dealing with infrastructure, economic development, and water. It's time to prioritize preserving our wonderful rural culture while managing the population growth we are experiencing.

- I COMMIT to managing growth.
- I COMMIT to make new growth pay for growth.
- I COMMIT to updating our county's general plan.
- I COMMIT to recruiting businesses that provide high paying jobs.

# **IMPORTANT DATES:**

JUNE 25TH: Last day to mail in your ballot.

JUNE 28TH: Election Day for voting in-person.



## TO THE IRON COUNTY COMMUNITY,

eing on this path to be elected onto the Iron County School board has been very eye-opening; to the good, the bad and the ugly. My endeavor has been solely for my love for our kids, and wanting to help ensure quality education and meeting the needs of today's kids in today's world. As a mother of a kindergartner and 7th grader, I am seeing first-hand the needs of today's children and what goes on in the classroom.

I value and support our teachers, and I keep hearing from political groups in town that our teachers are 'indoctrinating' our students. These are the professionals we vet and hire from our community, the same ones who entered the profession because they want to support children and families. To accuse our teachers of indoctrination is telling them we don't trust them and we don't support them.

There is a coalition in town that is intent on keeping their political agenda at the forefront of our school district. They use fear and hate to further divide teachers and families. Politicians have fanned the flames of fear and hate with the acronym CRT- Critical Race Theory. CRT has not and will not be part of K-12 curriculum. I do not support racial ideologies being brought into the classroom.

I am intent on helping today's kids, a generation which is facing unprecedented challenges. Anxiety, depression, isolation, behavioral issues and suicides are at epidemic levels among our youth and children. To insist that emotional learning should not be taught in school is short-sighted,

narrow-minded and out of touch. When constant bullying is being dismissed because "kids have been bullied since the beginning of time. It builds resilience" it is not helping the problem. Social media has completely changed the landscape of bullying, to a dangerous level that even adults aren't equipped to survive.

Emotional and social intelligence is just as important as academic intelligence. To help our students with the much needed social and emotional learning, I propose we create our own plan, as a board, with the help of our district therapists and counselors. It will be created specifically for our kids in our community. If we work together as a board, we can ensure that we are only teaching what reflects our local values. Today's kids need it now more than ever. This learning includes responsibility, civility, integrity, kindness, and coping skills. I know my husband and I teach these things to our kids at home but we still want it reinforced in the classroom with their peers. Most parents I've talked to, with kids in our district, feel the same way. And what about the kids who don't come from the 'ideal' home that teaches these things? Don't they matter too? Our mission should be to ensure each child has a chance at success in life.

I have so many wonderful friends in our community who could speak to my character and assuage any suspicions or fears about me. Being that I'm not a politician, I don't feel comfortable asking them to say anything for me. But one thing I will say about myself is that I am usually the quiet one in the room. The reason being is that I am a listener and an observer. This has actually been a

very effective leadership skill that was proven by my accomplishments in the banking industry. I like finding solutions to problems.

One problem in our district that concerns me is teacher burnout. It is a very real problem which will lead to high turnover and ultimately hurt our kids. Even finding substitutes has been a problem. Did you know that the district has outsourced the hiring of substitutes from Kelly Student Staffing to a corporation not based in our State? How are they hiring and vetting our substitutes? Why aren't the political groups worried about these legitimate concerns? Why are they fixated on a problem that doesn't exist?

When I hear from parents of black and brown kids who are being taunted, harassed and verbally abused daily for their skin color and ethnicity, I believe it is time- for the first time in the history of Iron Countythat those children have representation at the board level. Someone who heard those same taunts, jeers and suffered the same abuses in Utah schools. There are seven seats on the school board for a reason. We are a large, diverse community that is growing daily. Different experiences and perspectives should be part of the discussion when decisions that affect the lives of our children are being made. As it stands, we have 2 members of this political coalition on the board right now, and 3 more are being groomed to take the open seats in this election. That's 5 of seven who have the same ideals and politics they want to push into the classroom. It is ironic that they don't realize the word 'indoctrination' applies to any one side that is imposing their partisan, sectarian points of view and principles. They are doing the very thing they are supposedly protecting our children from.

Please do your personal homework before casting your votes. I would invite you to contact me directly, or go to my website maryforironcounty.com Study the issues for yourself and come to your own conclusions. For the sake of all the children in our community.

Sincerely, Mary Foremaster Candidate for School Board District 4



Foremaster SCHOOL BOARD

RIGHTER DAYS AHEAD

DISTRICT 4

#### MILLER

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For more information about Steve and his campaign, visit www.millerforiron.com.

"Steve Miller is who we need at the Iron County Commission. He's a patriot who will fight to protect our freedoms and rural way of life. Being raised farming and ranching, Steve loves the land and Iron County and knows how important water is to our county and will fight for every drop." - Terri Hartley, Cedar City Council.

#### **COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD #4**

#### Dale Brinkerhoff

#### INCUMBENT



I am running for school board because I bring an important perspective and experience needed for this board. There are two new seats on the school board as of this year, for a total of seven school board members now. Most running for school board have never served in elected office, and those on the board have only served for a short time. I've served on the Cedar City Council and the Iron County Commission and

I know how process and government works, and how to best protect taxpayers and families who are investing into our local schools. We need someone that has stood up and made the hard decisions and has the backbone and ability to move things forward. I have done this many times and will continue to do so if elected.

I fully support our teachers, always have, always will. The work they do is the most important work done in a school district, and we support them any way we can. It's not the job of a school board to micromanage them and their classes, the teachers are the experts and professionals, and we need to let them do their job.

A school district operates on a budget of well over \$114 million dollars. That's why you need experienced leaders on the school board, with the knowledge and ability to ensure that investment of tax dollars is being wisely, carefully and prudently spent.

Three generations of my family have attended Iron County School District schools, and continue to. I will fight to ensure our schools are safe. Bullying, harassment, and the like has no place in our district.

I'll continue to be that voice that provides accountability and vision for our community. I ask for your vote.

#### **Mary Foremaster**



I am a first generation American born to Mexican immigrant parents and I've lived in Utah most of my life. I've been in Cedar City for 24 years, my husband was born in Cedar City so our family has deep roots here. I spent 16 years in banking; I worked in account services, lending, management and leadership. I've also worked at Cedar High School and with the school district helping ESL students.

My husband and I have two daughters in the school district right now, in 6th grade and preschool. I have spent my life serving in my church and I hope to serve more in my community. I am currently enrolled at Southern Utah University where I am working toward a master's degree in public administration. I enjoy civic service opportunities, including being on the board of the Iron County Republican Women, Community Council at South Elementary, and the PTA Board at South.

Raising my daughters during this tumultuous time, I feel it is vital to fight for what and how our children are learning. I am a strong supporter of our teachers and want to help them in their endeavors to help our children learn, grow, and become responsible citizens. I will work to keep the education of our children a collaborative effort between parents, teachers and administrators. I embrace the growth in our community and the diversity it brings. I will work to adapt to the changes that come with growth, while maintaining our small-town values. I

am a great listener and value input from our community and parents. Our children are our hope, our future, and our country's most important asset. I will do everything I can to ensure their future is bright.

#### Stephanie Hill



I was born in Cedar City into a family that settled Iron County almost one hundred and fifty years ago. I grew up in Las Vegas, earned a B.A. from SUU and have dedicated over thirty years to students and education. Because of this background, I have the preparation and vision to be of enormous benefit to the Iron County School District.

My passion is language. During my 27-year high school teaching

career, I guided learners in both English and Spanish at a nationally-ranked technologies magnet school. I did the same for my students learning English while in northern, rural Mexico where I fulfilled a Fulbright grant teaching English. I also taught English at the university, el Tecnológico de Monterrey, Torreón campus.

As a single mother to a son with ASD, we spent ten years and over 11,000 hours of therapy assuring language for a boy who is now educationally mainstreamed. During that time I advocated passionately at the Nevada State Legislature to ensure the rights of our most vulnerable citizens. Two years ago I was appointed by the Gov. Herbert to serve on the Utah Developmental Disabilities Council.

From both my professional and personal perspective, I see literacy as the foundation of opportunity for a child to have a happy and productive life. Securing and launching broad and deep literacy for all students will be my primary focus while serving as a school board member.

Also of critical importance will be parent and community access to learning materials used in the classroom as we collectively assure our students' success. Additionally, I will strive to see all students ready for post-secondary life with skills that immediately translate into the workforce and/or college settings.

#### **COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD #5**

#### Tiffiney Christiansen



I'm a mom, the Vice President of Marketing at Leavitt Group, and a Canyon Creek Services board member. I loved my 10 years as a volunteer club soccer coach and enjoy volunteering in the schools.

My husband, Shawn, and I have raised four children in Iron County, all CHS graduates. I'm a soccer, student government, debate, track, and PTA parent. I love the youth of our community!

Let's keep the Iron County School Board focused on our kids and make our district a beacon for quality education.

My Priorities:

- Effective Leadership: I will focus on our children, not politics. I will not peddle fear and anger. I'll work to find common ground and communicate with reason and civility. I have business leadership experience, will budget with student learning as the priority, make decisions based on facts, and do what's ultimately best for students and their futures. My promise is to listen to ALL perspectives and represent YOUR voice.
- Clear Communication and Transparency: Often, school board issues are not communicated effectively or in a timely way, and people don't understand why board decisions were made. We can do better. Issues such as boundary changes, bonding, calendaring, curriculum, and growth need strong public input. I'll support hiring a public relations specialist to help collect and communicate information effectively.
- Educate the Whole Child: Our district has the second highest poverty rate in the state. Many children don't come ready to learn because they are hungry,

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emotionally stressed, and dealing with struggles at home. Teachers continually tell me this story. Teaching empathy, resilience, appropriate behavior, and how to treat others will help learning take place.

• Advocate for and Empower Good Teachers: I will support increased starting wages, professional development, prep time, and de-regulation. Let's attract the best teaching talent!

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#### **Billy Davis**



Billy Davis is a devoted husband, father, philanthropist, substitute teacher, patriot, and manages of one of the most successful real estate teams in Cedar City.

Billy and his wife of 32 years, Jennifer, have five children and care deeply about Iron County's schools and the future of our children. In addition to his busy work schedule, Billy has volunteered his time as the President of Cedar American Little

League Softball Board for the last five years and now contributes time as a substitute teacher to better learn the needs of our students.

Billy is uniquely qualified to serve our schools during this time of unprecedented growth and recognizes the need to be wise stewards of hard-earned tax dollars.

As a concerned parent, Billy will ensure our schools focus on academics, put parents back in the driver's seat, and give teachers the support they need.

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Billy is committed to putting our students first, standing up for our Utah values, and keeping radical policies out of our classrooms and libraries.

The Iron County School Board needs Billy's expertise and commitment in this time of change. Vote for Billy Davis to put Iron County students first.

#### **Steve Merrill**



My name is Steve Merrill, and I'm running for the Iron County School Board in District 5. Born and raised in West Michigan, my wife Susan, our 4 kids, my father-in-law and I moved to Cedar City because we love the community, the focus on kids, and the beautiful nature Iron County is so blessed to have. I am a software development manager and my wife was a teacher for 10 years in Michigan.

Students need to be prepared for life after school, including knowing how to interact respectfully with other people – even those they do not get along with. They need to know how to interact with future employers, such as understanding how to follow instructions and communicate in the digital world. Students are best served when they can see how their actions can affect those around them – positively or negatively – and how to use that knowledge to make good choices.

Students need a safe school environment – physically, mentally, and emotionally – to develop. They need the ability to have honest conversations with trusted authority figures about their questions and struggles without fear of negative consequences. Staff need to be provided a defined path to ensure that any follow-up is in the student's best interest without fear of retribution.

Students need to have access to online resources to develop digital communication skills and provide access to resources that are not always available in schools. This includes access to research materials, classroom communications, libraries, and alternative learning tools.

I will be looking forward to feedback from the students and staff on how we can better support them and from the community to see how I can better serve. I don't have all the answers, and I'm ready and willing to learn.

For more information, check out my website at steve4icsd.webflow.io.

#### **CANDIDATES RUNNING UNOPPOSED:**

#### COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD #7

#### **Megen Ralphs**



Twelve years ago, our family moved to Iron County from northern Utah. We immediately felt welcomed. We recognized this was where we wanted to raise our family of three amazing boys.

Education has been a guiding compass my entire life. The lessons and experiences I had from elementary school throughout college, from teachers, professors, and mentors have

teachers, professors, and mentors have helped guide and shape my life. I spent the first decade of my career working in higher education, specifically focused on student development, career coaching, and advising.

Watching students explore their interests, discover their

Watching students explore their interests, discover their passion and then find paths that helped them recognize their career goals is fulfilling work. For the last 9 years, I've been working in a variety of capacities for an aerospace manufacturing company. Experience in both the private and public sector have helped me recognize my personal passion, which is uniting education and industry in a variety of ways to help kids and adults find their career paths.

As a parent with three children in our school system, I value programs and curriculum that promote career and personal development. I value safety and learning environments that create solid learning and growth of each child. I value communication, increased access and availability of resources relevant to my child's education. We live in a special place with incredible educators, but these are challenging times for our children and our teachers. As a parent, I feel passionate about serving and guiding policy and outcomes that reflect the educational experience I hope for my children.

I'm honored to be considered to represent this wonderful community and my neighbors of School District 7.

Megen holds a bachelor and master's degree in Human Resources from Utah State University. Megen chairs the State Workforce Development Board (Utah) and the Utah Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Board.

#### **COUNTY AUDITOR**

#### Dan Jessen

#### INCUMBENT



I was raised on a farm in New Harmony, graduated from Cedar High, and went to college at SUU. My wife and I decided to stay in Southern Utah because there is no place better for us and our family. We have six crazy kids who are our whole world.

I spent 15 years in the business world before transitioning to governmental finance. I am seeking my 2nd full term in this office. Even though I am unopposed, I am

Even though I am unopposed, I am committed to continuing to earn your vote. I love serving the people of Iron County as your County Auditor.

As Auditor, I am the CFO and Budget Officer for the County. I also work with the Recorder, Assessor, and Treasurer to administer the property tax process. While I am a fan of term limits for federal and state offices, I believe it is critical that we have consistency in certain professional elected positions at the County. Working full time (sometimes more), I ensure that the finances of the county are well managed, that the budget is simple and understandable, and that the financial business of the county is expedited with efficiency.

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In these turbulent times, our government needs to be well managed and live within its means. I believe Iron County is one of the best managed counties in the best managed state! Since my initial election, I have been working to streamline many of the county's processes and procedures to increase productivity and reduce costs.

My door is always open because I believe strongly in transparency at all levels of government. Elected officials must treat public funds as sacred, always remembering their source. I will always remember that I work for, and answer to, the people of Iron County.

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Maxwell Benson

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# Fish for free in Utah on June 11

from Faith Jolley

DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

If you'd like to catch a fish in Utah's beautiful outdoors but you don't have a fishing license, Free Fishing Day is the perfect opportunity to give it a try.

Free Fishing Day will be held on Saturday, June 11, and allows anyone to fish at any public waterbody in Utah without a license. It makes for a great family activity and is the perfect time to get outdoors and introduce your kids to fishing (or your neighbors and friends)! It's an ideal day not only for beginning anglers to give fishing a try, but is also a fun time for experienced anglers too.

"Because you don't need a license to fish that day, it's the perfect time to take someone with you and introduce them to this fun sport," Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Sportfish



Coordinator Randy Oplinger said. "Early June is one of the best times to fish in Utah. All of the fish in the state, both warmwater and coldwater species, are active and willing to bite this time of the year. And with the ongoing drought, it will be better to go fishing earlier in the summer when water temperatures aren't quite as high and water levels in some areas aren't too low."

If you are taking someone fishing for their first time, you can commemorate their first catch with a fun DWR certificate. You can print out the certificate at home and fill in the details to document the occasion.

Anglers should note that while Free Fishing Day waives the requirement for having a fishing license, entrance fees to state parks and other areas will still apply.

#### Where to go fishing:

Local community ponds are a great option for a quick, close-to-home fishing spot. These ponds are a particularly good place to take kids and other less experienced anglers. There are 57 located around Utah, and more information about each one can be found on the DWR website. Many of the community ponds have been stocked recently with rainbow trout, and some will be stocked with

# calendar

### **ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### GOVERNMENT

Cedar City Council

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

#### **Enoch City Council**

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

#### **Enoch Planning** Commission

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

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

Iron County Democrats 3rd Sat, 9-10:30 am • Pastry Pub, 86 W Center, Cedar City

#### Iron County Republican

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

#### Parowan City Council

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

#### SERVICE GROUPS

#### American Legion Post 74

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

#### Bikers Against Child Abuse

1st Thurs 7 pm • Courtyard Marriott, 1294 S Interstate Dr (Cedar Breaks Conference Room)

#### Elks Lodge #1556

111 E Freedom Blvd. Cedar City, (435)

#### Lion's Club

Tues, 12 pm • Call Pres. Roger Shurtz for mtg. info. Everyone welcome! (435) 590-2896

# Marine Corps League Detachment 1315, 2nd Wed, 6 pm Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N, Cedar City.

#### **Rotary Club**

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

#### **SUPPORT GROUPS**

#### AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org (43) 033-3009 - WWW.dtanaa.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,

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 Women's Meeting • Sat, 10:30 am My Story • Sat. 8 pm

Thank God it's Sunday Spiritual •

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 Al-Anon • 1st, 3rd Tues, 7-8 pm • Call for info: (435) 704-8984 Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm • (435)

### Hope for Today (Family Groups) Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

Alzheimer's Caregiver Online Meetings: 2nd Fri, 5:30 pm, 4th Mon, 5:30 pm • RSVP to mjmiller@alz.org or (435) 238-4998

#### Alzheimer's/Dementia

Tues, 5:30-6:30 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). Learn about/access resources, connect with others for support. Contact Lauren Willie 435-359-4819, lewillie@alz.org for info and Zoom link.

#### ARP—Addiction Recovery

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

## Bipolar 'Winged Warriors' Mental Health

Tues, 6:30-7:30 pm • Parowan Library (16 S Main St.). You don't have to fight this battle alone. Together we are warriors. Ages 13+ (under 18, must have parent/guardian)

#### Caregivers

1st Tues, Noon • Five County Aging Offices, 585 N Main, Ste. 1, Cedar City

#### Celebrate Recovery

(Christian 12-Step) Wed 6:30 pm • True Life Center, 2111 N Main, Cedar. Through Christ we can be victorious over any hurts, habits, hang-ups (Phil. 4:13) • Jeff J 801-638-1800, Gary D. 702-303-5662.

#### Helproom

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

#### **Multiple Sclerosis**

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

#### Narcotics Anonymous

www.nasouthernutah.org • (435) 635-9603

KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

Hope Without Dope • Thurs, 8 pm Live and Let Live • Fri, 8 pm Candle Light Mtg • Sat, 9:30 pm

Dopeless Hope Fiends • Sun, 8 pm • Meeting Hall, 1067 S Main, Cedar (877) 865-5890 Women Only • Sun, 11 am

#### Nicotine Anon (12-Step) Fri 6 pm • KKCB 203 Cobble Creek Dr. Ste. 201 (North Room), Cedar • (435) 559-0394

#### Porn Addiction Recovery for Men

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

### Pregnancy, Infant Loss

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

#### Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

3rd Thurs, 1:30 pm • Cedar City

#### Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

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

#### Widows Support Group

2nd Sat, 11-1pm • Sonrise Church. These Free meetings begin January 8th. Questions? 435-586-3640 or Sonrisechruch.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.

#### Book Club

2nd Thurs, 6 pm • Cedar Library 303

#### **Boy Scout Troop 1848**

5th–17 yrs • Thurs 6:30 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west door, next to Enoch City Business office. Text Bryan Fanton 435-327-1214

#### Cedar Chest Quilters'

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

#### Cedar City ESL

Wed, 7 pm • Free tutoring for English as 2nd Language. Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E).

#### **Cedar City Toastmasters** Thurs 7 am • IHOP 980 W 200 N

Find your voice, shape your future. Be the leader & speaker you want to be. (603) 731-0116

#### **Cedar Professionals**

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

#### Cedar Radio Control Club 4th Thurs, 7 pm • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E.

## Color Country Pickleball

M-F, 7-10 am • 155 E 400 S (Cedar Stake Ctr), Paddles & balls supplied. (435) 586-6345

#### Color Country Winds

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

#### Cub Scout Pack 1848

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

#### DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter

2nd Tues, 4 pm • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E

#### Explorer Bible Club

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

#### Hey Cedars Square Dance Club

Mon, 6-8 pm • Cedar City Aquatic Center, 2090 W. Royal Hunt Dr. Class caller is Susan Howard. \$5.00 per person. INFO: Neil 909-477-9795.

### **International Folk**

Dancing
Fri, 1-2 pm • Cedar City Senior
Center (489 E 200 S). Free. All ages welcome. Teaching included. INFO: (626) 808-6129

#### Pickleball Group

Weekdays, 7 am • SUU Pickleball Courts. Anyone is welcome. Fee is \$2 (indoors) & free (outdoors)

#### Recharge With Cognomovement

Mon, 5:15-6:15 pm • Cedar Yoga Space (736 N Main, North Entrance). Brain-body exercise helps harmonize your brain hemispheres, boost overall energy. \$12 drop in /First time to studio is Free. 541-291-7856.

#### **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

#### 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.

#### Tae Kwon Do Class

Wed, 7-8:30 pm • Cedar City Aquatic Center, 2090 W Royal Hunte Dr. \$25/ mo., ages 5+, any experience level (435) 865-9223. Helps benefit Canyon Creek Crisis Center.

#### Tai Chi For Health

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

#### Take Action for Freedom

Wed, 7 pm • Stahli West 600 N. Airport Road, Cedar • Preserve Constitution, Republic, voting laws, medical freedom, education, 1st & 2nd Amendment Rights, ed. on CRT & boarder illegal immigration, local/ county/state Legislature

#### Top Bar Hive Bee Keeping

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

## Sensibly

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

To add your ongoing opportunity to our calendar, call 867-1865, ext.6 or email news@ironcountytoday.com

## calendar

#### WED, JUNE 8

#### **BEST FRIENDS DAY**

**WONDER WEDNESDAY - (4-6PM) @ CEDAR**City Library (303 N 100 E). FREE for all students
K-5. Children accompanied by an adult can
join for adventure and fun make-and-take
activities. INFO: (435) 586-6661.

**CEDAR CITY SMALL BUSINESS NETWORK** (9:30am) @ Pastry Pub (86 W University Blvd, Cedar City). FREE, No long-term commitment. Come and connect, interact, and build relationships. INFO: cedarcitysmallbusiness-

#### THURS, JUNE 9

#### DONALD DUCK DAY

**EVENING OF GOSPEL MUSIC (5:30PM)** @ Parowan United Methodist Church (190 N Main, Parowan). Father and son duo from Nashville, Ernie & Jason Couch will be singing an exciting mixture of 20th Century Gospel Music. You won't want to miss this. They have

traveled all over the United States for Years.

#### CEDAR VALLEY COMMUNITY THEATRE:

(Only Free Will Offering).

Children of Eden (June 9,10,11 @7:30pm) Through song and dance stories portrayed from Genesis like the Creation, Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, and Noah and the ark. The families portrayed in this show beautifully remind us of the joys and heartbreaks we experience in our own families. Join us in the celebration of love and forgiveness. \$15 General Admission, \$10 Seniors 55+ Students w/ID, Children 3-12. INFO and TICKETS:

# Children Of Eden

**15TH ANNUAL RED ROCK FILM FESTIVAL (1:30,** 3:30, 5:30, 7:30 and Fri 7:30pm) @ Cedar Fun Center (170 E Fiddlers Canyon Rd). Tickets \$10 Per Show, \$15 for Reception, \$30 for the All Show Pass. Come for a day of food, entertainment, and surprises! Tickets available at door or redrockfilmfestival.eventive.org/schedule.

#### FRI, JUNE 10

#### BALLPOINT PEN DAY

WEEKEND ART IN THE PARK (9-5PM, FRI-SAT) @ Frontier Homestead State Park (635 N Main St. Cedar City). Admission \$4 per person. Three artists and one musician will perform/demonstrate from Memorial Day Weekend (May 27th to Labor Day Weekend (Sept 3rd). To participate call Jana (435) 865-1441. INFO: (435) 586-9290.

ARTISANS FAIRE (NOON – 8PM, JUNE 10, July 8, August 12, September 9) @ Ramada Inn (1575 W 200 N, Cedar City). Our summer series is bigger and better that ever, with an even larger room and dozens of local artists, artisans, makers, and creatives displaying their finest works. Admission is FREE!

#### SUMMER GAMES OPENING CEREMONIES

(8:30pm) @ SUU – Eccles Coliseum (1150 W University Blvd). With Block Party from 3:30pm-8:30pm. Parade of Athletes, Lighting of the Torch, SUU Aviation Fly-Over, Various Entertainment Acts, Headliner Act by Always ABBA, and Fireworks. Tickets \$7 @ America First Event Center Box Office. INFO: (435) 865-8421. Full schedule of events – utahsummergames.org.

#### 42ND PAIUTE POW-WOW (GRAND ENTRIES FRI

7pm, Sat 1pm, 7pm) @ 440 N Paiute Dr, Cedar City. FREE. Everyone is welcome! Festivities include Softball Tournament, Handgame Tournament, Spirit Run, Food, Vendors and more. 13th Annual Spirit Run (Sat 6:30-10:30am). INFO: Patrick Charles (435) 559-7529, Paiute Tribe (435) 586-1112, www.UtahPaiutes.org/powwow/ and Facebook: /PITUAnnualRestorationPowWow/.



#### SAT, JUNE 11

#### SAY HI DAY

#### FREE FISHING DAY - ANGLERS SHOULD

note that while Free Fishing Day waives the requirement for having a fishing license, entrance fees to state parks and other areas will still apply. INFO: www.wildlife.utah.gov. Taking someone fishing for their first time? Commemorate their first catch with a fun DWR certificate.

#### **CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET (9AM-1PM)**

@ IFA parking lot (summer) (10am-1pm) @ inside IFA (winter) (905 S Main St, Cedar City), admission FREE. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! INFO: Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or Nancy (435) 463-3735.



#### FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET

(9am-1pm) Summer. (10am-1pm) Winter. @ Behind I/G Winery (45 W University Blvd / Center St, Cedar City). Admission FREE. Festival City Farmers Market offers the bounty of local farmers and backyard gardeners who grow organically year-round. Come and support local farmers by buying fresh and local year-round. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, and more.

#### NATIONAL TRAILS DAY (10-4PM) SHUTTLES

leaving from the Southview Trailhead (S Shurtz Canyon Dr, Cedar City). To celebrate National Trails Day and thank the local community for their investment in the construction and maintenance of Cedar City Area trails, the BLM is providing FREE mountain bike shuttles to the "C" Overlook. INFO: minnes@blm.gov or (435) 865-3012.

#### GROUNDBREAKING FOR WILDLIFE RESCUE

CENTER (10am) @ Enoch Wildlife Rescue (6337 N Bark Avenue – Next to Animal Shelter). Join the Enoch Mayor, City Council and the Southwest Wildlife Foundation for the groundbreaking. Also enjoy refreshments and planting a tree.

#### COLOR COUNTRY ROCK SHOWS (10-4PM) @

Cedar Rock & Bead Shop (718 W 400 N #1, Cedar City). Admission FREE. Open to everyone. Vendors and Customers wanted! Come for Rocks, Minerals, Crystals, Beads, Metaphysical, Jewelry, and more. Drawings for prizes during the event must be present to win. INFO: (435) 275-4445 or visit colorcountryrocks.com.

#### **RED ACRE: BURGERS, BIKES & BANDS**

(5:30-8pm) @ Red Acré Farms (2322 W 4375 N, Cedar City). Join for music (sponsored by local community businesses), burgers, lemonade, pies and good company. Fun and family-friendly. Ride your bike out, (pedal or motor) and get premium parking and 10% off! INFO: (435) 865-6792 or Facebook: / RedAcreFarmCSA. Featuring music by The W Duo - End of the Road. No fee or purchase req. to listen to the band. We do ask that you NOT bring any off-site food. Tipping the band is encouraged. Bring blankets, lawn chairs, umbrellas, and BYOB.



#### IRON SPRINGS CONCERT - DISCIPLE LIVE

Events presents Roots & Boots (7:30pm) @ Iron Springs Resort Amphitheatre (3196 N Iron Springs Rd, Cedar City). Sammy Kershaw, Collin Raye, and Arron Tippin on stage together. Gates open at 6pm. INFO: (435) 708-0101, ironspringsutah.com.

#### SUN, JUNE 12

#### LOVING DAY

#### "DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN

you slice a golf ball in half? Someone gets mad at you. I found this out the hard way." – Jack Handey

#### MON, JUNE 13

#### SOFTBALL DAY

**SUMA: EXHIBITS (11AM-6PM, MON-SAT)** @ SUMA (13 S 300 W, Cedar City). Exhibits include, I'm Walkin' for My Freedom, The Space Between, and Jeanne Jo. Admission is Free. INFO: suu.edu/suma.

#### CULVER'S CARS & CUSTARD (6-8PM) @

Culver's (1065 S Main, Cedar City). Clássics, Customs, Supercars and a cruise down Main (8pm). Free single-scoop of custard per entry. INFO: Mike (909) 717-1232, ekimjacobs@gmail.com.

#### TUES, JUNE 14

#### FLAG DAY

#### STEM IN THE PARK (11AM-1PM, EACH TUES IN

June) @ Cedar City Main Street Park (200 N Main). Fun STEM activities include Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math held during the free lunch program for ICSD grades K-8th.

#### WED, JUNE 15

#### NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY DAY

#### TRAVIS HUMPHREYS ART SHOW (RECEPTION

3-5pm w/shows thru July 31) @ Cedar City Offices (10 N Main). Includes more than 30 paintings created over the past 3 years. Oils on linen and of our local haunts and favorite times of the year.

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THURS, JUNE 16

#### JUNE MUSIC FESTIVAL: DREW AND LACEY.

(7pm - Gates open 6:30pm) @ Iron Springs Adventure Resort Amphitheater (3196 N Iron Springs Road, Cedar City.) \$7 Admission. Enjoy a summer night with live music, lawn games, and food trucks! Bring your own chair for outdoor seating. INFO & Tickets: (435) 708-0101. www.ironspringsutah.com.

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#### ANYTOWN?

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manufacturer, is bringing a similar number of jobs to a new facility; and Goex broke ground on a plastics manufacturing facility. Goex did so at what Cedar City officials call their Port 15 Utah facility, a 540-acre, rail-served industrial park aimed at attracting manufacturing, distribution and warehousing companies. They tout it as the "best served industrial property west of the Mississippi River."

Green said the state is attracting companies from all over, including the East Coast.

"They love Cedar City," he said. "They don't like Arizona or Seattle or San Francisco because it doesn't work for them. But they can't get here fast enough. They come because they want quality of life."

Green said the city has attracted companies from New York, but, to this point, it has not drawn anyone from New Jersey.

Cedar City's economic growth stems from Vision Iron County, a 178-page document that lays out the area's plans for 2050 and beyond.

McCormick said one of the keys to the vision is that includes more than just Cedar City, which is part of a Utah network of economic development officials.

Cedar City officials work with those in Southwest Utah, including the St. George area (the 90,000-population city less than an hour away), as well as other rural chambers and the state chamber.

The state itself has numerous programs to help, including one that will pay up to 40% of training costs if a company wants to come to Utah but needs to train a workforce upon arrival. Of course, the best number comes at tax time.

A throwback still-in-use counter service worked by "soda jerks" from a different era inside a drugstore.

Utah, one of 14 states to have a AAA bond rating, also has one of the lowest corporate business tax rates, at 5%. The state income tax is less than that.

And Utah did not need to borrow during the pandemic. In fact, the state actually added to its rainy day fund — a fund that now has more than \$1 billion saved. You won't find any gimmicks in the state's budget for 2023, which is expected to be a record

The state of Utah also used its own funds to replenish the unemployment insurance fund, rather than making businesses pick up the tab, as New Jersey has done.

To be fair, it only cost Utah \$100 million to replenish the fund. In New Jersey, it's \$1.4 billion – though the state recently announced a surge in revenue is bringing in an unexpected \$7.8 billion.

McCormick said the state's fiscal

health impacts everything economic development groups do — and leads to a spirit of partnership.

"If we're talking with a company that's not a good fit for us, we work to find another area," he said. "We want to bring companies to the state.

"We're constantly having conversations with other groups about, "A" rating in the latest Leapfrog safety

There are four seasons. And, unlike other areas in the state, it does not get too cold in the winter or too hot in the

It's a place for those who love the outdoors. Included in the natural beauty of the numerous national







how do we help each other, what are the tools that are needed, what are the things needed to help businesses grow and thrive and help our communities to be strong and healthy?"

A strong and healthy community. That's what Cedar City officials pitch

The area's two high schools are strong; the area hospital just got an

parks are trails for hiking and biking. When the World Ironman Competition, always held in Hawaii, needed a new location this year due to the pandemic, it selected St. George.

Looking for culture? Cedar City features one of the largest Shakespeare theater complexes in North America — with three theaters performing productions from the

middle of June to the middle of October.

And McCormick said the population is filled with many who have traveled outside of the area (often on religious missions) and know numerous languages. He called it an unexpected plus for businesses coming to Cedar City.

All this being said, Utah is as red a state as New Jersey is blue. That leads to differences. Major differences.

Looking for diversity? You'll struggle to find it. Essentially five in every six residents are white.

Looking for acceptance? Well, the local university does have a Pride Alliance, dedicated to supporting LGBTQ+ students. But acceptance of what some call "alternative lifestyles" or thinking is not what you might think. One billboard on Interstate 15 featured an organization aimed at assisting "plural families" (it's what you think); another did not just question evolution, it put a line through the idea while promoting creationism.

MoBettas, a fast-casual dining chain that specializes in Hawaiian food and was started by two brothers from Oahu, opened a Cedar City restaurant the weekend I was there.

The store is on the outskirts of town and would not be considered walking distance from the historic section of town, the university and most of the housing — although, to be fair, it's only a mile or two from all of that.

MoBettas, a fast-casual Hawaiian food dining chain opened a Cedar City, Utah, restaurant recently. The restaurant, which features surfing décor in a city and state that is more than 400 miles from the Pacific Ocean, now has 30 locations in the chain — and 24 are in Utah.

"It's just a great place to open a business," the store's rep told me out front during their soft opening.

McCormick and Green are not surprised.

"Businesses just keep looking and coming," Green said. "They're finding what they want."

McCormick said he knows some of the reasons why.

"Not only do we have a very educated workforce, we have a very highly motivated and ethical workforce," McCormick said. "And this is one of the biggest volunteer areas I've ever seen. The people that come here really buy into that culture of, 'Let's help our neighbor."

McCormick and Green both say the city and state sell themselves. They said the WalletHub ranking that led to this story also will lead to business inquiries.

"We haven't had to work really hard to attract companies for the last several years," he said. "The accolades that are being printed in papers and websites all across the country are making people come to us and say, 'We want to look at what you have to offer."



# "Art Connoisseur"

o, your eyes are not deceiving you. This is not a Norman Rockwell forgery of a Jackson Pollock painting—though it was surely inspired by Pollock's unique painting pattern—or lack thereof. Nevertheless, this is still an original Rockwell. He even won first place in a local art show for it.

Has your life ever looked and/or felt like this painting? Have you experienced moments



that just looked like random splotches of paint that appear to have no rhyme or reason? Even worse, I'm sure we've each felt the shunning shame of having someone standing nearby, or right in front you judging and even grudging you for not painting (living) perfectly.

Like this well-dressed person staring at this well...mess on the wall, we don't know if he is admiring or admonishing the artist in his mind. After all, one man's mess can be another man's message. While some of the world's most famous artisans have been overbooked, others have been often overlooked. Some so-called connoisseurs may not see the skill, only a sketchy sketch and merely pass judgment and pass on by.

As such, there will be some people who will misjudge, misunderstand and even mock your artistry (life). They will not see your behind-the-

scenes struggles and sacrifices that you make each day to keep your life, family, home a

happy, healthy place. They will only see and scorn the splotches, stains and scars. Don't let that stop you from seeing the beauty beyond the bedlam.

Because you don't need to be a Vincent, da Vinci, Picasso, Michelangelo, Pollock, Rembrandt or Rockwell to be remembered and to make a difference in this world. You need to be you. Daily discover your own special, unique, personal palette and place in this world. What are

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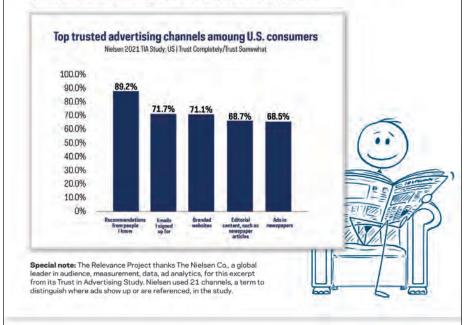
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# Students honor ancestors through annual essay contest

from Jay Jones & Howard Thorley

SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS

As another public school year came to an end, it was time for the local Sons of Utah Pioneers to hand out the awards to the winners of their annual ancestor essay contest. Each year the local Cedar City chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers sponsors an essay contest for fourth graders in the schools in Cedar City and Enoch. The essay must be in the fourth grader's own words about an ancestor who lived at least two generations back from the student. One of the goals of these essays is to provide an opportunity to the fourth grader to get to know an ancestor.

The winner of the overall best essay award this year was Brianne Perkins from Three Peaks Elementary. She won a prize of \$50 and she will get to read her essay at the town meeting organized by the Sons of Utah Pioneers at the Rock Church on the morning of Saturday, July 23 at 8:00 a.m.

Brianne chose to write her essay on her great-grandfather, Glen Dale Jorgenson. He was a veteran of World War II and known for the kind treatment of the German prisoners of war under his supervision. Glen



(L to R) Brianne's mother Christy, Brianne, Brianne's grandfather Fred Carpenter and Howard Thorley, Director of the SUP Ancestor Essay Contest.

said, "Sometimes in life we all need to forgive and forget. If you don't, it will canker your soul and foul up your life." She said her great-grandpa was very sad that the war happened, but he never hated the soldiers that he had to fight. He lived to be 91 years old

This year we received entries from all eight of the Cedar City and

Enoch elementary schools. There were 331 essays written. Each school was awarded a first, second, and third place award.

## Winners in each of the schools include:

**EAST ELEMENTARY:** First Place, Lilly Black, Second Place, Addison Hardman, Third Place, Katherine

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#### GATEWAY PREPARATORY

**ACADEMY:** First Place, Jack Girtain, Second Place, Gabriel Patino, Third Place, Jameson Dail.

**ENOCH ELEMENTARY:** First Place, Claire Askeroth, Second Place, Ari Joy Zobell, Third Place, Hazily Jensen.

FIDDLERS ELEMENTARY: First Place, Boston Hulet, Second Place, Riley Jensen, Third Place, Luke Chandara.

#### THREE PEAKS ELEMENTARY: First Place, Kynlee Dalton, Second Place, Zoey Nessen, Third Place, Haylee Blackner.

**NORTH ELEMENTARY:** First Place, Laikyn Davis, Second Place, Juno Lunt, Third Place, Pricila Leon.

#### **IRON SPRINGS ELEMENTARY:**

First Place, Lauren Wood, Second Place, Aaron Cutler, Third Place, Layla Maggio.

**SOUTH ELEMENTARY:** First Place, Laryah Dawnavendewa, Second Place, Julie Porter, Third Place, Cambree Nielson

Congratulations to Brianne and all those who won in their individual schools. Thanks to all who entered the contest and learned more about an ancestor. Thanks also for the time and dedication of our judges.



## obituaries

#### Pamela Garfield Smith



Pamela Garfield Smith returned to her heavenly home on May 31, 2022, at the age of 53 after a long-fought battle with breast cancer.

Pam was born on August 17, 1968, in Cedar City to Bud & LaRee Garfield. She had a wonderful childhood on the farm in Enoch. She was lovingly known as "Scooter" in her early years because she didn't learn to walk until she was almost 2. Instead, she would get around by scooting on her bum. Pam loved running through the fields, sliding down the ditch, and watching

her dad call the sheep in with a call only he could do. Some of her most entertaining stories involved being chased by chickens, which is probably where her intense fear of birds came from. Growing up on the farm is where she learned the value of hard work, which served her well throughout her life.

Pam and Mike Smith of Beaver, Utah married on June 22, 1995. They were later sealed in the St. George Temple on October 3, 1997. Together, they blended their family and raised their three children, Krista, Braden and Brecia. As a family, they loved going out to eat, game nights and riding four-wheelers. Pam was the best mom! She always had a lesson to teach or a one-liner to make us laugh. She raised her children to put family first and follow their Savior.

Pam always had a love of learning. She was a great student and very involved. She graduated from Cedar High School in 1986. After high school, she attended Southern Utah State College where she earned a degree in Elementary Education, following in her father's footsteps. She later earned her Master of Education degree and reading endorsement from Southern Utah University.

Pam began her teaching career at E. Valley where she taught a combined 3rd and 4th grade class. She spent a few years teaching 6th grade at Red Rock Intermediate, and then Cross Hollows Intermediate. She then began teaching 4th grade at Fiddlers Elementary, which is where she spent the rest of her teaching career, with a few years spent as the reading specialist. Pam is known as Mrs. Smith to many. She is remembered for her incredible science lessons and read-alouds of her favorite books. She also taught her students life lessons like having grit and being a bucket filler. Mrs. Smith changed many lives and loved every single one of her students. She had a gift of making everyone feel loved, welcomed, valued and accepted in her classroom. She retired after teaching for 29 years.

Pam was a friend to everyone. When she made a friend, she held onto them for life. We will always remember her love of birthday dinners, Bunco Thursdays, Brad's lunches and conversations that felt like they were never going to end. Pam was hard to take anywhere because she always had someone to talk to! She made her friends part of our family, and we are all blessed by the many friendships she had through the years.

Pam was diagnosed with breast cancer in April of 2018. She had countless chemo and radiation treatments, and several surgeries. Through the love, knowledge and care of her doctors and nurses at the Cedar City Cancer Center, and with her own grit and determination, she had a really hard, but really incredible 4-year fight. She spent most of her time during those years in her craft room making the most beautiful quilts for so many that she loved. Pam's happy place was sitting at her sewing machine.

During her years fighting cancer, making memories with her grandchildren was her priority. She did everything she could to make individual, core memories with each of them. She took us on trips to Disneyland, the aquarium and the mountains. MeeMaw or Wadi, as her grandchildren called her, always put on her best for her grandchildren, no matter how tired, sick or in pain she was. The little individual moments she had with them will be what they remember her by. With her grandkids she loved reading books, watching them play video games, sharing her Diet Coke, watching them play sports, giving back scratches, playing games, making treats and Sunday Dinner, watching pimple popping, playing playdoh and FaceTiming daily.

pimple popping, playing playdoh and FaceTiming daily.
Pam had a very strong testimony of the Gospel and her Savior
Jesus Christ. She was a devout member of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served as primary president,
young women president, and relief society president, but
her very favorite calling was primary music leader. She loved
teaching primary children the gospel through song. Her faith
was her guide through her life, especially these past few years.
She took on the mantra of FAITH OVER FEAR, and truly lived that
each day.

We want to thank each of her incredible doctors and nurses at the Cedar City Cancer Center, Cedar Ridge Family Medicine, Wound Clinic, Deseret Pain Specialists, Cedar Dermatology and Ethan at Sun Tree Hospice. The care she received at each of these places was above and beyond anything we could have expected or asked for. She loved her nurses and doctors and truly thought of them as family.

Pam is survived by her loving husband, Mike, her children Krista (Brock) Rasmussen of Salina, Braden (Kennedy) Davis of Cedar City, Brecia (Mark) Scott of Springville and her grandchildren, Kash, Ky and Kase Rasmussen, Averie and Beckett Davis, and Nellie, Jaxon and Maren Scott. She is also survived by her mother LaRee Garfield, her 5 siblings, Michael, Lauri, Tyler, Shawn and Zach, and her dear friend and aunt Myra Mosdell. She was the proud aunt and great aunt of many nieces and nephews, whom she loved so much. She is preceded in death by her father Bud Garfield and her grandparents.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at 11:00 am at the Canyon View Stake Center (1985 N. Main St., Cedar City, UT). Viewings were held Friday, June 3, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 pm at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W. Cedar City, UT) and Saturday morning from 9:30-10:30 am at the church. Interment was at the Cedar City Cemetery, under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences may be left at mortuary.org.

#### Mary Frances (Berge) Johnson



Mary Frances (Berge) Johnson passed away peacefully at age 74 from her battle of Pancreatic cancer on June 2, 2022, surrounded by her husband & six children at her home in Cedar City, Utah. Mary was born in Chico, CA, on December 29, 1947, to Howard Gordon Berge and Margaret Carol (Gordon) Berge and was the oldest of seven siblings.

of seven siblings. Mary graduated from Auburn High School in Auburn, WA, and received a bachelor's degree in

Human Development from Washington State University. Mary worked as a Social Worker for several years and was very active in the LDS church.

Mary enjoyed traveling, rockhounding, and researching genealogy. She loved her family and serving others. She lived in California, Washington, Alaska, and Utah. Mary gave birth to seven children and raised six, and

Mary gave birth to seven children and raised six, and raised niece, Kaylee Powers and nephew, Curtis Neidigh, as well as various grandchildren throughout her lifetime. Mary is preceded in death by daughter Mary Cathleen, her parents, and brothers Glenn and Raymond.

Mary is survived in life by her loving husband Bruce,

Mary is survived in life by her loving husband Bruce, her daughters Karen (Peter) Eden, Wendy (Daniel) Billings, Cynthia (Sandra) Phillips-Johnson, her sons Brad (Stacy), Brock, and Brian (Sarah); 4 sisters, Karen (Paul) Wilkinson, Patricia Neidigh, Angie Cope and Pamela Trammell and 3 brothers, Denver Woolever, Jimmy Berge & Michael (Joy) Berge. As well as 22 grandchildren and ten great-grand-children. Mary will be missed by her family, relatives and a lifetime of friends.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday June 7, 2022, at 11:00 am at the Enoch West Stake Center (3575 North Minersville Hwy). There was a viewing at the same location just prior to services from 9:30-10:30 am. Interment was at the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Heartlight Affordable Funeral Services. On line Condolences Can be sent to her memorial page at www.affordablefuneralservices.com.

## Want to submit an obituary?

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#### **FISHING**

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channel catfish a few days before Free Fishing Day, as well. Anglers who would prefer a different experience can visit the Fish Utah map on the DWR website to find nearby lakes and reservoirs and to figure out where to go if they want to fish for a particular species.

For anyone looking for some competition, the Ashley National Forest is partnering with DWR to host a Free Fishing Day kids fishing derby at the Lower Stillwater Ponds in Duchesne County. The event will be held on June 11 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Pier Pond, located on the west side of the pond complex. Participants can get fishing demonstrations and can win some great prizes. Fishing equipment will be provided at the event, but it is encouraged to bring your own gear if you have it.

#### Learn the rules:

You don't need a license to fish on June 11, but the other fishing rules in Utah will still be in effect. Make sure you know the catch limits and other rules for the waterbody you are fishing. The rules are available in the 2022 Utah Fishing Guidebook. And wherever you go fishing on

Free Fishing Day, remember to recreate responsibly by packing out what you pack in and keeping the area free of trash.

#### Buy a license:

Although you don't need a fishing license on Free Fishing Day, a fishing license is required to fish any other day of the year. Fishing licenses are valid for 365 days from the date of purchase and can be purchased online, at any DWR office or from a DWR license agent.

#### Peter Kent Leigh



Peter Kent Leigh, age 90, passed away on June 3, 2022.

Peter was born the youngest of six children in Cedar City, Utah to Peter Fife and Rebecca Bladen Leigh. He is the last surviving member of his family.

As a child, Peter learned the value of hard work by helping his dad with the sheep and spending time on Cedar Mountain. This work ethic served both him and his family throughout his life.

He married Geraldine Fakler on

November 22,1950 and raised three children together. They enjoyed being in the outdoors at Lake Powell or traveling in their fifth wheel trailer, following ratiospent.

their fifth wheel trailer following retirement.
Peter worked for the Bureau of Land Management for 32
years and retired in 1994. Prior to working at the BLM, he
worked at the Columbia Iron Mines.

Pete was a lifetime member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. He was an avid outdoorsman and spent many hunting seasons with friends in the mountains of Southern Utah. He looked forward to the hunts each Fall. He was also a lifetime member of the Cedar City Elks Lodge BPOE 1556.

Peter was a Veteran where he proudly served his country in the Korean War as a member of the Utah Army National Guard, 213th Battalion, Southern Utah. During the Battle at Kapyong, his battalion was miraculously preserved, and all returned home safely. After coming home, he continued his service for 13 years in the Utah National Guard where he reached the rank of Master Sergeant.

Peter is preceded in death by his wife, parents, and siblings: Rex; Clint; Bladen; Venice; and Sylvia; and his beloved dog Clyde. He is survived by his son, Jimmie (Diane) and daughters, Cindy (Nathan) Lovell, Susan; 9 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held Monday, June 13, 2022, at the Cedar City Cemetery at 11:00 am, under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home. Military Honors will be presented. The family wishes to thank Ethan Bunker of Sun Tree

The family wishes to thank Ethan Bunker of Sun Tree Hospice and Marie Prince, Iron County Home Health for their care of Peter.

# faith

# "The Words I Would Say" (Sidewalk Prophets)

here can no longer be denying or debating that words wound. When left unchecked and unhealed, those wounds fester faster into wickedness and violence—towards oneself and/or others. The terrible and undeniable proof is in the media confirming that both bullies and the bullied all

proof is in the media confirming that both bullies and the bullied all too often eventually begat bullets. And while there is no justifying these rampant rampages, we cannot dismiss that wherever and whenever God's light and

love are allowed to diminish, darkness by default is allowed to flourish.

There is also no doubt or denying that words have the power to heal (Ephesians 4:29). Words can bring the fruits of comfort, encouragement and heal wounded hearts (Proverbs 18:21). Words can repair, reinforce and remind all that all is not lost (Proverbs 16:24). What greater words can anyone speak (live) to the world than words of love, peace and forgiveness? Are we doing so?

That's why I chose this song and why I began writing God's Porch a

few years ago and now, God's Playlist. I'm not a pretend prophet speaking for God, but sharing the words within my heart from the times when God's words and tender mercies have healed my wounded soul. And if these words



I write in weakness can help even one person find their way to a closer reliance on and relationship with the Lord, then whatever the cost for that cause, it is all worth it.

Because He has comforted and delivered me during many sleepless nights, everything I strive to write is as if you and I were speaking face to face, sharing the things I've learned as I've leaned on the Lord. From one who knows what's it like to feel pain, to not just be alone, but lonely and forgotten—forgive and forget, but don't forget why you're here. Never give up

hope, or forget that you are loved.

Thus, this song begins with someone still awake at 3am. The weight of their world seems to be on their shoulders, not just for themselves but for another person. As children of God and humans we will each experience, endure moments of illness, brokenness and loneliness. I'm sure we've each had such 3am mornings for ourselves and for others we care about. God has 3am mornings every day. He's not just awake, but listening for and reaching out to each broken heart.

With all the negative words (and works) in the world, we each need healing words and divine encouragement more than ever (Hebrews 12:5). And it's not enough to just not say bad things. Don't be too caught up to create opportunities to speak light and love. Let your voice be His voice to help and heal the people in your life. I'm talking about genuine, personal encouragement, not just adlibbed advice. Don't be surprised if God places people in your life this week that need your words of encouragement. And if you need extra encouragement, you know where to

### "HIS HAND IN MINE"

"These poems capture who I am.
They are written with a prayerful hand, and are inspired from above. It is my hope that all who read them will be edified, find comfort, and feel God's love."

— L. Brent Jones

### I Need a Hug

by L. Brent Jones

There is a soothing comforter That relieves my aching heart. When arms are wrapped around me,

That's when the healing starts.

I can feel someone's caring,

When a hug is sincere.

And if their empathy's involved,

I even shed a tear.

You see, a hug is really special, 'Cause it shows me how you feel. It's much more than a handshake, When I truly need to heal.

For sometimes 1 feel all alone,
In the troubles that 1 see.
It's nice to know when someone
understands,
And knows just what 1 need.

A hug is my salvation.
It makes me feel alive.
It gives way to my emotions,
And allow my soul to thrive.

Now, if this is how it makes me feel, When a hug is given to me, Then why should I not reciprocate, When other's troubles I do see?

I need to be a help to them,
And comfort when I can,
And give to them my empathy,
That should always be my plan.

So, next time that I see a need, I shouldn't give a shrug. I should extend to them both my arms,

And embrace them with a hug.

## words have power



#### **CONNOISSEUR**

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you good at? What do you want to be better at?

The more confident, the more competent you will become as you create your own unique works of art (heart) for the world to witness and experience. This doesn't always mean anything goes, but rather that with each unique ability, you have

the responsibility to help make the world (other people) better. If it's only helping you, perhaps mixing in a little more paint of perspective will help you truly create an inspiring masterpiece, not just a defiant and chaotic filled canvas.

Yes, we all need timely guidance and assistance in improving our paints and palettes, but ultimately we must become the expert artist and critic in and of our own lives. We must each be not only wise

connoisseurs, but confident creators with our eyes and hearts, especially when judging ourselves and others. For what may appear to be just a splotch to others, may be the special and unique blend of creation and color that helps you change the world.

This week, even every day, as you are presented with a new canvas calling forth your best efforts, have the courage to become your best self and create your best life.

# sports

Pollock, Frost earn paydays at PRCA rodeo

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

Mitch Pollock drew a horse that lived up to its name in the saddle bronc competition at the PRCA Rodeo in Cedar City on June 3. Aboard Chucking Fire, Pollock scored an 87 that held up through two days and earned him a first-place check for \$1,884.

Wilderness Circuit cowboys
Wyatt Hageman and Matthew
Shannon shared second place with
a 75, and St. George resident Kai
Rockhill finished fourth with a 74
and earned \$691. With his win, Pollock
improved his season money total in
saddle bronc to \$28,736, good for 21st in
the world standings.

# Among the additional highlights from Iron Rangers Arena:

» Randlett's Josh Frost scored 81.5 points in bull riding June 4, which was good for third place overall and a payday of \$1,310. Frost improved his season total to \$115,751 and is in second place in the world standings behind

defending champion and Milford resident Stetson Wright.

» Riker Carter scored
86.5 points aboard
Battle Mountain on Day
2 to edge past Briggs
Madsen and claim the
first-place check for
\$2,312. Madsen earned
\$1,773 and added a
first-place check in the
Fort Herriman rodeo
Saturday with a score of
90 aboard Bar T Rodeo's
Red Avalanche that gave him
another \$1,515 for the weekend
of work.

» Justin Fowden and Scotty Lauaki won the team roping with a time of 5.5 seconds in the Saturday performance, the only cowboys to break the six-second barrier, and earned \$985 each for the victory.

» Morgan Heaton scored a 79 on his bareback ride aboard Medicine Jug, and it was good enough to win the rodeo along with a payday of \$1,700. Only four cowboys had rides that produced scores in bareback riding.

» Chase Black had a time of 5.1 in steer wrestling on Day 1 that was good for first place and a check for \$1,111. Hank Filippini finished second at 5.3 and earned \$919.

» Kristy Yerrington turned in the best time in barrel racing, finishing in 17.05 seconds and winning \$1,893. Jimmie Smith held on to second place by one-hundredth of a second at 17.48, good for a check for \$1,623.



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Under new head varsity coach Tyler Monks, Cedar beat Canyon View to win the gold medal at the Utah Summer Games on June 4.

# Cedar boys rally, win Summer Games hoops gold

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

In one of his first game-related experiences as the new boys basketball coach at Cedar, Tyler Monks knew the adventure of playing at the Utah Summer Games required a learning curve for his players as well as himself.

On June 4, the Reds passed through every lesson and left the floor with a gold medal.

Ty Brunson hit a go-ahead 3-pointer in the final minute, and Cedar added free throws down the stretch as they beat the Canyon View Falcons, 52-48 at the America First "We were missing a few guys, but had others that stepped up. In this game, the effort mattered."

Tyler Monks, Cedar High head basketball coach

Event Center.

"We're learning. The expectations for these kids are changing from their JV years," Monks said.

The teams had seen each other two days earlier in a similar tournament setting, and the USG gold medal game was nearly a carbon copy. Cedar closed the first half with a 12-5 run and pulled even with the Falcons at 26-26 at the break. The lead changed hands multiple times over the final 20 minutes before Brunson's 3-pointer put the Reds up for good at 49-48.

"We were missing a few guys, but had others that stepped up," Monks said. "In this game, the effort mattered" After winning two of its three games in pool play, both sides had to survive tough battles in the semifinals to advance. Under new head coach Kim Blackner, the Canyon View boys got a 3-pointer from Carson Miles with 20 seconds remaining to beat Kanab, 64-60. Cedar was able to pull away in the second half and beat Pine View, 58-50, to advance to the gold medal game.

For the varsity girls, Cedar fell short of a medal when it lost to Richfield in the semifinals and Hurricane in the bronze-medal game. Canyon View was beaten by Richfield in the quarterfinals and Juab in the consolation bracket.

# SUU Women's Golf signs Natcharee (Irene) Thanchitnithithanya

by Trevor Marbut

ASST. DIRECTOR, SUU ATHLETIC COMM.

**CEDAR CITY** — The Southern Utah University Women's Golf program and head coach Richard Church have announced the signing of Natcharee (Irene) Thanchitnithithanya ahead of the 2022-23 season.

"Irene has had a stellar junior amateur career in Thailand," said Church. "We expect her to continue the trend of strong world-ranked Thai golfers within the SUU program. Irene will help us continue our upward trajectory, and we expect great things from her."

Thanchitnithithanya will make her way to Cedar City by way of Chonburi, Thailand. Already ranked as the 1,346th best amateur golfer in the world by World Amateur Golf Ranking, she is expected to make an immediate impact on the Southern Utah golf program.

Over the past two years, Thanchitnithithanya has compiled nine top 10 finishes and one outright victory in 13 tournaments.

Thanchitnithithanya earned a spot on the Thailand Women's National Team following a first-place finish at the Thai National Team Selection Competition, where she shot a phenomenal 287 (-1) over the course of four rounds to secure the victory. Since January, she has competed in six different events with the Thai National Team.

For all the latest on Southern Utah women's golf, follow @SUUGolf on Twitter and Instagram, and like the Southern Utah Golf Facebook page.



# Todd Brown named **Interim Athletic Director for SUU**

by Trevor Marbut

ASST. DIRECTOR, SUU ATHLETIC COMM.

CEDAR CITY — Todd Brown has been named the Interim Director of Athletics at SUU by Southern Utah University Interim President Mindy Benson.

"I would first like to thank President Benson for placing her trust in me to lead this department at this time," said Brown. "I am deeply honored and humbled by the opportunity to serve a university and community that both I and my family cherish and love. Debbie Corum has done a remarkable job in leaving us in a position where we can continue to thrive and we wish her well as she transitions to a new phase in her life. Although the new turf has just been placed on our football field, this will not be a time when we just sit and watch the grass grow. There is work to be done and initiatives to be moved forward. I look forward to working with the amazing coaches and staff as we continue to pursue excellence in all our endeavors."

A 2000 graduate of SUU, Brown returned to the university in 2007 as the Assistant Athletic Trainer. Following one year in that role, he transitioned into the Associate Athletic Director for Compliance. Throughout his time at SUU, Brown has played a fundamental role in the academic success

of Thunderbird student-athletes.

In 2019, Brown returned to the Athletic Training department, taking on the role of Deputy Athletic Director/Director of Sports Medicine. Brown quickly worked to reorganize and restructure the entire athletic training department with the help of his assistant athletic trainers. Brown



Todd Brown

has also played an integral role in reshaping and reorganizing how athletic scholarships are administered at SUU.

Brown will assume the position held by Debbie Corum, who announced her retirement effective

Brown previously served as the Interim Director of Athletics when Corum took a leave of absence in 2020. During his time at Southern Utah, Brown has also served as the sport administrator for men's and women's golf, men's and women's basketball, gymnastics, men's and women's cross country/ track and field, as well as men's and women's

Brown holds a Master of Science degree in athletic training from Ohio University, in addition to a bachelor's degree in athletic training from SUU.

For all the latest on Southern Utah Athletics, follow @ SUUThunderbirds on Twitter and Instagram, and like the Southern Utah Athletics Facebook page.



# For Gregory, there's no place like home at Sonoma

see the crowd back at

Jill Gregory, Sonoma Raceway

Executive VP

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

When Jill Gregory attended her first NASCAR race in person with her cousins at Sears Point Raceway in Sonoma, Calif., she admitted she wasn't much of a fan of the sport. Once she experienced the "excitement, noise, sounds and sensory overload," it stuck with Gregory and got her kick-started toward her life's work.

Following a stint as executive vice-president and chief marketing and content officer at NASCAR, the native of Modesto, Calif., Gregory didn't miss the chance to return home when she was named executive VP and General Manager at the track now known as Sonoma Raceway in January of 2021.

Gregory is one of only two women in leadership positions at NASCAR tracks along with Phoenix Raceway's Julie Giese, who has been in her role there since 2018.

"I had the contacts and a strong career going at NASCAR." Gregory recalled. "In the summer of 2020, I heard a change was coming, so I took the chance to see if I could merge my NASCAR experience and be closer to home. It made a lot of sense, and if I didn't take the chance, it likely wouldn't come around again."

After welcoming fans to Sonoma on a limited

basis in 2021, Gregory will host this year's Toyota/ SaveMart 350 on Sunday with the track at full capacity for the first time since 2019. She is looking forward to what's to come for the race weekend.

"There's a lot of enthusiasm and excitement, and to see the crowd back at full capacity is huge," Gregory said. "It's a challenge we're willing to take on.

After featuring the additional carousel turn that lengthened the track in the last two Cup races, this year's Toyota/SaveMart 350 will "There's a lot

return to a 12-turn, 1.99-mile of enthusiasm and excitement, and to configuration for a 110-lap

race. For the first time since 1998, the track will also host the Camping World Truck Series in the DoorDash 250, a 75-lap race that will be held Saturday.

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willing to take on." "With the increased laps, there are more chances for beating and banging. We've always wanted to add more racing content," Gregory said. "The traditional weekend had been ARCA and Cup, but I know the fans are over the moon with the trucks

coming to Sonoma. Saturday will be a jampacked day."

Saturday's DoorDash 250 begins at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday's Toyota/SaveMart 350, with Kyle Larson as defending champion, starts at 2 p.m. Both races will be shown live on Fox Sports 1.

# Are 3-pointers more of a thing now?

"Cedar and Canyon View

were making extra passes

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3-pointers. Some were good, others were bricked."

s a tall person - mostly a point guard these days if I played the game more than I actually did – I'm always into the idea of how our basketball games have flowed, especially with the NBA Finals now in full swing.

Boston and Golden State have more than proven to belong as the top two teams this season. We saw how the Celtics stole the lunch money of the defending champion Milwaukee Bucks and reduced the drama of Game 7 in the Eastern Conference semifinals to an afterthought with a 28-point blowout at home.

And true to its work ethic, the Celtics survived a rough Eastern final by beating Miami on

the road in another Game 7 – this time on the road.

The Warriors didn't have to deal with the 64-win Phoenix Suns, and it proved to be better for them in the Western Conference playoffs. Phoenix was embarrassed by the Dallas Mavericks in Game 7 at home, and the Mavericks were simply outclassed by the Warriors in the Western Conference Finals.

So that pushed the calendar to Game 1 last Thursday. Instead of flash, dash and substance of good execution inside, we got 3-pointers – and a

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At last check, the simple math tells us three points are better than two all day and twice on Sunday, but at what cost? The series opener between the Celtics and Warriors told us pretty

In the first half, Golden State couldn't miss from deep. Steph Curry set a Finals record with six threes in the first quarter, but the Warriors could only manage a four-point lead. The Celtics would go on to lead by two at the break, but Golden State reasserted itself and led by 12 heading to the fourth quarter.

Then the roof fell in on the home team cour-

tesy of ridiculously hot 3-point shooting by the guys in green, including Al Horford. The 36-yearold Horford was a member of the Celtics for three seasons from 2016 through 2019, but came back just in time to have a transformative game that was helped by the 3-pointer.

Horford hit 6-of-8 from behind the arc, including the big triple that broke a tie and sparked the Celtics on a 17-0 fourth-quarter run on the way to a 120-108 Game 1 victory. In total, Boston outscored Golden State 40-16 over the final 12 minutes and flipped the momentum firmly in its favor heading into Game 2, which had not started as of this writing.

As I watched the USG varsity boys gold-medal game Saturday, I couldn't help but notice how Cedar and Canyon View were making extra passes so open teammates could try 3-pointers. Some were good, others were bricked.

And then I looked at the 3-point shooting numbers from Game 1 of the Finals. Boston took 41 of its 85 shots that way, making 21 (just

over 51 percent), and Golden State shot 45 of its 88 attempts from 3-point range, making 19 (42 percent).

We've learned since the start of 2022 that the shot clock is going to be a key cog in how our high-school teams will be playing their seasons, but based on what we're seeing in the NBA playoffs, don't overlook the 3-pointer, either.

As long as teams aren't forced to throw long-range shots up to beat the shot clock, the 3-pointer can provide a pretty good look as to who will make the biggest difference in the 2022-23 season to come.

Follow Tom Zulewski on Twitter @TommyZee81 or email tominator19@yahoo.com.

# TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

The NBA Finals are on our TVs – Game 3 between the Boston Celtics and Golden State Warriors is happening tonight – so this week's dozen is all about the league's signature series that will crown its 75th champion. Never trust a team that shoots too many 3-pointers and please remember...no wagering!

- 1. The Warriors are playing in its sixth NBA Finals in the last eight years. In what year did the Celtics make its last appearance?
  - A. 2009
  - B. 2010
  - C. 2011
  - D. 2012
- **2.** The Celtics are playing in its 22nd NBA Finals. How many times have they LOST?
  - A. One
  - B. Two
  - C. Three
  - D. Four
- 3. Boston made five appearances in the NBA Finals in the 1980s, winning three times. Which team did the Celtics beat twice in the decade?
  - A. Los Angeles Lakers
  - B. Houston Rockets
  - C. Seattle SuperSonics
    D. Portland Trailblazers
- **4.** Among these NBA teams with multiple appear-ances in the Finals, which one is undefeated?
  - A. Milwaukee Bucks
  - B. Philadelphia 76ers
  - C. Chicago Bulls
  - D. Miami Heat
- 5. In the 1970s, there were two matchups in the NBA Finals that happened twice. L.A. Lakers-New York Knicks was one. Which one was the other?
  - A. SuperSonics-Washington Bullets
- **B. Suns-Celtics**
- C. Bucks-Celtics
- D. Blazers-76ers
- **6.** Three of these active coaches have won multiple NBA titles. Which one does NOT belong on the list?
  - A. Steve Kerr
  - B. Gregg Popovich
  - C. Erik Spoelstra D. Mike Budenholzer
- 7. Who won the NBA title the last time the Finals went to a Game 7
- A. Cleveland Cavaliers
- B. Miami Heat
- C. Los Angeles Lakers
- D. San Antonio Spurs
- 8. Who is the only player in NBA history to be named MVP of the Finals despite

- being on the losing team?
- A. Wilt Chamberlain
- B. John Havlicek
- C. Willis Reed D. Jerry West
- 9. The Phoenix Suns have lost its three trips to the NBA Finals, including 2021. How long did each series last?
  - A. 4 games
  - B. 5 games
  - C. 6 games D. 7 games
- 10. Which of these NBA Finals games was the most recent to be decided in overtime?
- A. 2015 Cleveland-Golden State Game 3 B. 2018 Cleveland-Golden State Game 1 C. 2013 Miami-San Antonio Game 7 D. 2009 L.A. Lakers-

Orlando Game 4

- 11. When the Milwaukee Bucks won the title in 2021, Giannis Antentokounmpo tied an NBA Finals record by scoring how many points in the clinching Game 6 against the Phoenix Suns?
- A. 30
- B. 40
- C. 50 D. 60
- **12.** Phil Jackson won his 11th and last NBA title as a head coach in 2010 as the Lakers rallied from a 3-2 series deficit to beat the Celtics. Who was the Celtics' head coach?
  - A. Doc Rivers
  - B. Tyronn Lue
  - C. Larry Brown
  - D. Stan Van Gundy

# LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

- 1. B: Aviator
- C: France. The host country has won 30 women's singles titles, one more than the 29 won by the United States
- 3. A: Andre Agassi. Agassi won in 1999 by rallying from two sets down to beat Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine, 1-6, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4. No American man has reached the French Open final since.
- 4. B: Novak Diokovic. Like Agassi. Djokovic rallied from two sets down in 2021 to beat Stefanos Tsitsipas of Greece, 6-7 (8), 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4. 5. D: Serena Williams. Williams
- beat Lucie Safarova of the Czech Republic in three sets in 2015.
- 6. A: None. Nadal is 13-0 in men's singles finals at the French Open. 7. C: Three. Frank Parker (1948, 1949), Tony Trabert (1954, 1955)
- and Jim Courier (1991, 1992) 8. C: Chris Evert
- 9. B: Czech Republic
- 10. A: Gaston Gaudio. Gaudio won the men's singles title at the French Open in 2004.
- 12. A: None. Nadal has won in three sets six times and in four sets seven times.



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Parcel Number D-0573-0000-0000

**Legal** COM SW COR SEC14,T35S, R11W, SLM; E 30 RDS; N 160 RDS; W 30 RDS; S 160 RDS. TOG W/ EASE DESC REC BK 1490/1418. LESS FOLLOW DESC PROP: BEG AT W1/4 COR SEC 14, T35S,R11W, SLM; S89\*38'40"E ALG 1/4 SEC LN 503.21 FT; S0\*06'50"E 89.92 FT; N89\*39'15"W503.16 FT TO W LN OF SD SEC 14; N0\*08'50"W ALG SEC LN 90.00 FT TO POB. **Acres** 28.96

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## Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

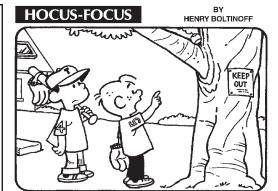
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Roof panel is missing. 2. Glove is missing. 3. Shirt is different. 4. Mumber is different. 5. Arm is moved. 6. Sign is missing.

### SCRAMBLERS ANNIE **ELTONS** Apparel TRASHED **TWINER** "He has his father's TODAY'S WORD

### June 6, 2022 Posting Date King Crossword

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Bridge
- 5 Dallas hoop-

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- 12 Architect Saarinen
- 13 Inseparable
- 14 Reply to "Shall we?"
- 15 Legal docu-
- ment 16 Sailor
- 17 Privy to
- 18 Debriefed person?
- 20 Crib cry
- 22 Enigma 26 Mudville slug-
- ger 29 "Certainly!"
- 30 Half of CIV
- 31 Exploits
- 32 Goof up
- 33 Fine spray 34 Pickle holder
- "- was saying ..."
- 36 "Olympia" artist 37 Batting posi-
- tion
- 40 Scruff 41 Help
- 45 Eager
- 47 Energy
- 49 Yon folks 50 Anti-fur org.
- 51 Before

"Chocolat" actress

19 Devious

21 TV spots

24 French river

25 Chanteuse

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27 Now, in a

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Breakfast

28 Peace

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54 Last letter in London

52 Wheelchair

access

55 Garfield's pal

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- 3 Saharan
- 4 Observes
- 5 Slogan
- 6 Santa winds
- 7 Dutch artist
- 8 Scale
- - Club'

- 33 Address for Toscanini
  - 35 Venomous viper

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- 36 Roast VIPs Tennis star
- 23 Aleppo's land Rafael
  - 39 Identified 42 "If — a
  - Hammer"
- 26 Stephen King 43 Big rig
  - 44 IIk 45 Suitable
  - 46 Dog doc
  - 48 Rage
- 32 Emilio of "The
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- 1. GEOGRAPHY: Which country owns the Canary Islands?
- 2. MOVIES: Which movie features the song "Moon River"?
- 3. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "non ducor, duco" mean in English?
  4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of
- ducks called?
- 5. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel features a character called Sethe?
- 6. TELEVISION: What drive-in diner is featured in the 1970s TV sitcom "Happy Days"?
- $7.\,MUSIC: When\,did\,Lynyrd\,Skynyrd\,{}^{\backprime}\!s\,anthem$
- Sweet Home Alabama" chart in the Top 10? 8. U.S. STATES: Which state's motto is "Eureka"?
- 9. HISTORY: When did Wyoming give women the right to vote, hold public office and own property?
- 10. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president had an estate called The Hermitage?

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10. Andrew Jackson

3. ''I am not led, I lead'

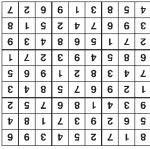
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Answers

5. "Beloved"



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Solution time: 25 mins. Answers

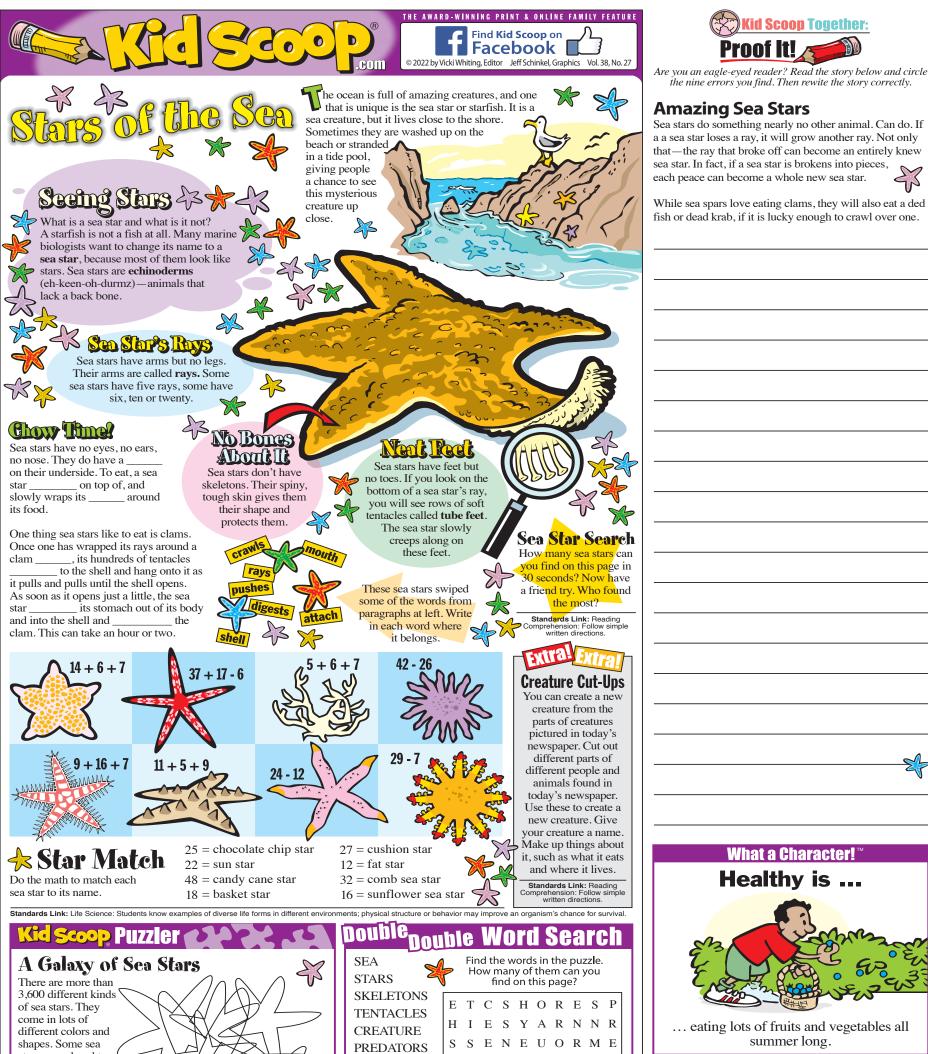
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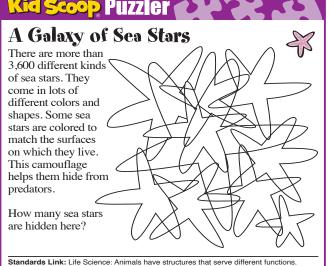
#### 9. 1869 **WHISTLE** 8. California

Τοday's Word

3. Threads; 4. Winter 1. Inane 2. Stolen uoitulos

SCRAMBLERS

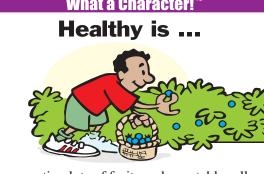




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ARM

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns





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