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JR ROBINSON

Honor our local veterans at upcoming 3rd Annual Wreaths Across America tribute

by Gabrielle Costello

CEDAR CITY PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Cedar City's 3rd annual "Wreaths Across America" tribute will take place on Saturday, December 17th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cedar City Cemetery where all are invited to attend and pay tribute to our military veterans alongside over 2,600 cities who also participate across the United States. Over 1,200 hand-tied, live balsam wreaths will be placed at gravesites to remind us of the sacrifice, dedication, and patriotism of our heroes.

More than 200 volunteers from the community representing students from our high schools and Southern Utah University (SUU), as well as members of several clubs, organizations, veteran's associations, and City departments are assisting in the success of this year's event. Hundreds of hours have been invested over the past year to make sure that every veteran is honored with a wreath.

This brief program promises to be touching and patriotic, consisting of a color guard presentation, a special ceremonial wreath presentation



COREY BAUMGARTNER

honoring each branch of our military, remarks from Cedar City Mayor Garth Green, music, tributes, bagpipes, taps, and much more.

Wreaths Across America is expecting a large turnout for this ceremony and the Cedar City Police Department and the VIPS (Volunteers in Police Service) will be assisting with parking. All traffic for the event

will be directed to enter the cemetery from Iron Mission Parkway and exit onto Main Street. All vehicles will be entering one-way only. Once you enter the cemetery grounds, volunteers will direct you in order to maximize parking. Please follow all instructions and proceed slowly. The ceremony will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. and we ask those attending to

arrive early. We will have golf carts available to assist the elderly and those needing assistance getting to the ceremony site.

We thank the hundreds of donors who have already stepped forward sharing their generosity and spirit of community to make this event possible. Without them, we would not be able to make this opportunity available.

Donations are still being accepted. Each wreath costs \$15.00, but gifts in any amount are appreciated. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to "Bald Eagle Chapter DAR" and mail them to Wreaths Across America, 126 S. 2050 W., Cedar City, UT 84720 or leave contributions at City Hall (10 N. Main Street, Cedar City) in the box of Councilman R. Scott Phillips.

We remind everyone to dress warmly and be prepared for December temperatures. The goal of Wreaths Across America is to provide proper respect and remembrance to these remarkable citizens who entered the military so our freedoms would be protected.



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Pink Christmas event to help fight cancer

from Rachel Torres

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The 10th annual Pink Christmas will be held at Cedar High School on December 1, 2022 from 6-8:30. The event will have a silent auction, talent

show, and bake sale. Santa and even the Grinch will be making an appearance. The beneficiaries for 2022 are Payton Higgins, Cashdyn Brindley, Lexy Bradfield, and Dustyn Courtney.

Pink Christmas has been an event that helps local families fighting

cancer. Organizers Joy Coates and Rachel Torres along with many volunteers have helped 21 families and raised over \$380,000 in the nine years preceding the 2022 event. The community and our local businesses have been what made Pink Christmas

such a huge success. We would like to invite the community out to enjoy an evening giving and support these families and to carry on this community tradition. Donations can be made to State Bank of Southern Utah or Venmo @PinkChristmas.



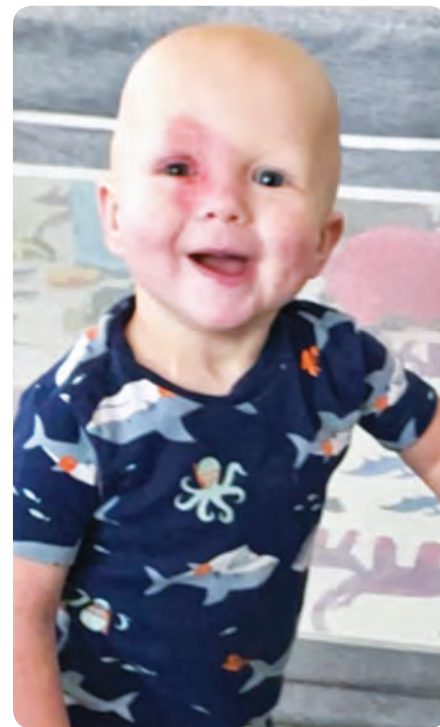
Dustyn Courtney



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Lexy Bradfield



Cashdyn Brindley

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18th annual holiday light display raising money for charity

from Ben Hohman

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Ben Hohman and Marielle Boneau, and their many elves, will once again be doing their holiday light display at 26 North 1150 West. This will be the 18th year of the display. As part of the display donations are collected for Make-A-Wish® Utah. The Display has raised over \$28,000 for Make-A-Wish® in the 17 years it has been running. They also donate the value of their December power bill to the organization.

Donations can be made at the display or online at the light display web page: <http://benhprops6.wix.com/holidaylights> which has a link to the Make-A-Wish® Utah online donation site. They also accept donations through Venmo @benslightdisplay.

This year's display includes over 65,000 lights, 55 plastic blow-molds, over 24 lighted animal sculptures, more than 30 inflatables, a home-made nine-foot wreath, 3 wire-frame ani-

mated sculptures, and much more.

The lights in the front of the home as well as some of the lights in the backyard are choreographed to "dance"

with twenty Christmas songs. The display includes a walk down "Candy Cane Lane," which leads through the back yard. In the backyard you can see Santa's Flight School

where reindeer are learning to fly, the Christmas Zoo, Winter Disco Land, Santa's workshop, Gingerbread land, and other fun displays.

The display lights up each

evening from five-thirty to ten p.m. weather permitting starting on December second and running through December 31st, weather permitting.



COURTESY BEN HOHMAN AND MARIELLE BONEAU

A familiar favorite for the holiday, the Make-A-Wish house is brightly and delightfully decorated.

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FROM THE EDITOR

Still Thankful

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. I'm sure there were some oppositions whether on the road, the television or even at the table. I also hope there were some opportunities to remember and reinforce the more and most important things.



COREY BAUMGARTNER
MANAGING EDITOR

Now, as we turn our attention to the next "holy day"; moving from our fowl feasting to the festivities of adoration and adorning, may we remember to still be thankful for our freedoms, families, our lives and living in this beautiful land of the free and home of the brave.

And as the weather becomes darker and colder, may the lights of our smiles and the compassion in our hearts be brighter and warmer than any wintry storm—within and without.

Here's to a great December and end of the year. Let's make it the best yearly finale yet, together.

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WORD OF THE WEEK

VIRTUOSO

One who has special knowledge or skill, or excels in musical technique or execution.

While the holidays bring many musical virtuosos, let us revere and reveal the innate gifts and values found within the virtuosos of our own minds and hearts.

Seeing eye to eye on election results

Bryan Gray is a syndicated contributor, not an employee. His opinions are solely his own and not those of the Editor, Staff or Iron County Today.

The votes have been counted and the dust (and the mud) have settled. Here is a Cyclops view of the 2022 election:

Negative campaigning works

We particularly saw it in the Mike Lee-Evan McMullin race for the U.S. Senate. As much as people claim they hate negative ads, politicians and the lobbyists understand their power. Prior to the out-of-state produced and funded smear campaign against McMullin, the race appeared to be competitive. The outrageous commercials (calling McMullin a socialist in bed with Nancy Pelosi is as silly as saying Bob Dylan is an opera singer) were misleading, but effective. There was mudslinging on both sides. McMullin's late ads claiming Lee wanted to ditch Social Security stretched the truth too, but on the whole, his campaign was more truthful than Lee's.

Democrats have difficulty understanding trigger points

Political analysts have long noted that Republicans generally campaign on fear while Democrats focus on hope. Sorry Democrats, but fear usually trumps optimism. Democrats might claim that inflation was easing

Democrats cannot win statewide Utah races

Unless an LDS Church authority runs on the Democrat ticket, the Party could be 50 years away from winning a statewide race, and gerrymandering has made it improbable that a Democrat can win a U.S. House district. The lone Democrat stronghold in Salt Lake County and its city-based voters. Even with lackluster, under-funded campaigns this year, the Democrats beat the GOP by 8,000 votes.

Trump damaged the Republican Party

No matter how much lipstick Trump tries to put on the pig, his support of extremist candidates cost Republicans the Senate majority they should have easily won. (In one case, a House race, Trump endorsed an idiot who said women should not have been given the vote!) Trump's lack of credibility only energizes Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, the obvious 2024 frontrunner. DeSantis is a culture warrior who, like Trump

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cyclops

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and that gas prices are cyclical and not at an all-time high. They were technically correct when factoring for inflation, but motorists drove by service station daily and figured the Democrats were either lying or out-touch. The 2022 trigger points were egg prices and a trumped-up fear that border crossings were dominated by criminals packing fentanyl, whereas the Democrats, foolishly thought the trigger point was the threat to democracy posed by the January 6 invasion.

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opinion

Best community bet is small business!

Michael J. Marx once said, "Decision making and problem solving are not the same. To solve a problem, one needs to find a solution. To make a decision, one needs to make a choice." As a community, we must solve problems and make the right decisions best for our community. At the risk of redundancy, I will share some statistics I shared a couple years ago. From the report, "Where Our Jobs Come From," the author of this piece, Don Macke from the Center of Rural Entrepreneurship, shared valuable information regarding where jobs come from. Every local community and media company, take note.

1) Pre-Covid, in a recent 10-year period, 48 million new jobs were created, a solid 31% increase in new jobs.

2) Stage 1 (1-9 employees), Stage 2 (10-99 employees) businesses accounted for 95% of those 48 million jobs.

3) Stage 3 businesses (100-499 employees) created 2.6 million jobs or the other 5%.

4) Stage 4 businesses (500+ employees) lost a million jobs in that same time period.

Figures can present false narratives. The above figures create a compelling argument for jumping aboard the small business and entrepreneurship bandwagon. We can see placing all our eggs in the basket of only courting large and medium manufacturing businesses are going against the odds, the deck is firmly stacked against your community succeeding in this quest. With 10,000+ communities courting these larger businesses, the odds of success are small.

Communities succeeding are usually advanced in the courtship game. Put another way, the odds of securing one of these large businesses are like the odds of winning the national lottery. Don't be mistaken, if you are situated and fortunate enough to be successful, that is awesome! But don't make the mistake of resting easy, that is also the best opportunity to enhance your efforts to support and grow small business, as well. But for the rest of those communities not able to attract

those larger businesses, you have little option other than turning your efforts to a more lucrative playground of small and local businesses.

The above numbers are worth their weight in gold to communities that understand and build their future success on the reality of what is taking place in the overall economy. Don Macke also indicates over the next generation, between a third and a half of all workers will be self-employed or part of this new gig economy which is highly outsourced and entrepreneurial in nature. This study was pre-COVID-19 which has sped up this transition. Knowing these

statistics should weigh heavily on how your community proceeds in building your community's infrastructure, your downtowns, and your commercial zones.

Imagine your community today with half of the workforce self-employed. What would you be doing differently as you plan for the future if you knew this today? Would you be subsidizing new commercial space such as malls or large developments which may become albatrosses? Instead, you might think about high-speed fiber, Wi-Fi locations or

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JOHN A. NEWBY
COLUMNIST

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"So many people live within unhappy circumstances and yet will not take the initiative to change their situation because they are conditioned to a life of security, conformity, and conservatism, all of which may appear to give one peace of mind, but in reality, nothing is more damaging to the adventurous spirit."

Christopher McCandless



IRON COUNTY FORECAST

THIS WEEK BRINGS A NICE DOSE OF MOISTURE TO IRON COUNTY AS A STORM COMES IN MAKING RAIN, AND A LITTLE SNOW, POSSIBLE FROM FRIDAY THROUGH MONDAY. OTHERWISE IT'S MOSTLY SEASONAL NORMS FOR TEMPERATURE.



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THURSDAY

Mostly Cloudy

49°/34°

PRECIP: 0%
WINDS: S 10-15



FRIDAY

Showers

42°/27°

PRECIP: 50%
WINDS: SSW 5-10



SATURDAY

Partly Cloudy

44°/31°

PRECIP: 25%
WINDS: SSW 5-10



SUNDAY

AM Rain/Snow

41°/20°

PRECIP: 40%
WINDS: SSW 10-15



MONDAY

Mostly Sunny

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WINDS: WNW 5-10



TUESDAY

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4 Sirloin Steaks
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2-lb Ground Beef

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3-lbs Ground Beef
4 Pork Chops
2 Rib Eye Steaks
2 New York Strip Steaks
2 Sirloin Steaks

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Each year hundreds of people enjoy finding unique, naturally grown Christmas and holiday trees on public lands.

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Arizona Strip Field Office and agency partners have begun selling non-commercial permits in-person and online. To obtain a tree permit for the Arizona Strip and St. George Field Office online go to: <https://forestproducts.blm.gov/>. For information on purchasing tree permits for the Dixie National Forest visit their website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/dixie/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD838780>. Permits will be available now through December 23.

Visitors are welcome to obtain information and purchase Christmas and holiday tree permits in-person Monday-Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Public Lands Information Center located at 345 East Riverside Drive, St. George, Utah. To request information and assistance by phone during regular business hours, excluding weekends and federal holidays, call 435-688-3200.

Permits enable holders to cut personal-use trees on lands managed by the BLM and the USFS in the following areas;

- » Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (\$10 per permit)
- » St. George Field Office, Bureau of Land



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Management (\$10 per permit)

- » Dixie National Forest (\$10 for trees from 1-10 feet high/\$20 for trees 11-20 feet high)

A permit is required for the harvest of each individual tree. The tree tag is validated by attaching it securely to the tree in a visible location and cutting out the date, month, and year. Permits are only good for the land agency in which the tag was purchased.

In support of the Every Kid Outdoors program, one free tree permit is available to fourth graders who present a valid paper or durable Every Kid Outdoors pass. The student must be present with the parent at the time the permit is issued. Every Kid Outdoors vouchers are available to be printed at the program website.

Keep safety in mind when participating in this exciting holiday tradition. Early season cutting is advised as winter weather conditions in the mountains are unpredictable. Be prepared for wet or snow-packed roads and carry chains. Stay on designated roads and trails and respect private property boundaries. Let someone know where you are planning to go and the approximate time you will return. Remember to carry a cell phone, bring additional warm clothing, gloves, boots, a container of hot liquid, water, and a lunch or snack. Carry a flashlight, shovel, first-aid kit, matches, axe or handsaw, and a rope to secure your tree. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Rachel T. Carnahan,
BLM Public Affairs Specialist

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will say anything to get elected, but DeSantis is a more intelligent version of Trumpism.

Utahns will vote against anything they don't understand

Legislative leaders didn't explain why Constitutional Amendment A was good policy.

Utah will be an outlier in marijuana legislation

With Maryland and Missouri on board, recreational marijuana is now legal in 21 states representing more than 60% of Americans, and it appears three more states (Minnesota, Ohio, and Hawaii) may legalize it soon. Just as in the case of legalized gaming/lotteries, Utah will resist national trends – and I think a majority of Utahns will applaud being different.

Republicans are gaining and losing voters

The GOP nationally is attracting a growing number of Latino and Black voters, especially males. However, suburban white women, many angered by recent abortion restrictions, are leaning towards Democrat candidates, canceling out the Republican gains.

Best news for Democrats

Nancy Pelosi is stepping down from U.S. House leadership, taking away the Republican's most effective target.

SMALL BUSINESS

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smaller office suites? These could be entrepreneur or innovation suites where multiple businesses or the self-employed locate with minimal space needs yet share essential office services. Advanced communities might provide financial or tax incentives for this future workforce transition driving even more to your community.

The future is rapidly approaching. The signs of the current glut of big boxes, malls and chains have been showing the chinks in their armor for years. In the age of COVID, these trends are accelerating across the country today. Communities clinging to traditional revitalization strategies are destined for a bleak and blighted future. Those communities fortunate to still have large employers are blessed. Treat them well as that adds to the balance in your community. Communities seeking to find their way in this challenging economic climate, the numbers are over-whelming telling you small and medium sized business development is the direction to be going.

America was built on the backs of small businesses. Small business has always been the road map to sustainable community success. Communities with innovative mentality and attitude of entrepreneurial spirit can survive while communities relying on manufacturing and big companies may wither on the vine with the next economic blow or recession. The future of your community and future generations rest in the hands of the problems you solve and the decisions you make today!

John A. Newby, author of the "Building Main Street, Not Wall Street" weekly column and CEO of Truly-Local, LLC, dedicated to assisting communities create excitement, energy and combine synergies with their local media where LOCAL is often lost to corporately-owned entities and the Internet. His email: info@Truly-Localllc.com.

MAYOR'S MINUTE

As we anticipate this wonderful holiday season, my wish is for peace and goodwill toward all men and women. I hope you will have at least one pleasant memory of a Christmas long ago that brings a smile to your face; a family gathering or a childhood event that brings you joy and inner peace. May I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and that it will bring tender mercy from our God to us and our loved ones.

*I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play
And mild and sweet their songs repeat
Of peace on Earth, goodwill to men.*

My memory is the Christmas of 1945. Now I was born in 1949, so even

Mayor Green's mother, father and family were both inspiring and instrumental in his life, family and work ethic.



COURTESY GARTH O. GREEN

though it is precious to me, I wasn't there, except I think I was. Please humor me.

This picture was taken in April 1944. My dad had received his orders to report for induction into the U.S. Army at Fort Douglas and on to Camp Robert. From here to the Pacific Theater and eventually part of the Battle of Luzon in the Philippines.

I have looked carefully at this picture and the faces of my parents. My father had only two weeks to report, and my mother arranged with Reid Cox to take a picture in their home. We did not have a "Kodak," and Mr. Cox did. The neighborhood knew of the induction and was ready to do whatever was needed for my mother and her little family. They would all stand together.

My father's face, as always, shows determined duty and honor. He will do what needs to be done. My mother's face shows to me her stress. My older sister is still alive and offered me details of this day. And then he departed.

*And in despair, I bowed my head
"There is no peace on Earth," I said
For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of peace on Earth, goodwill to men.*

V-J Day (Victory over Japan Day) September 2, 1945, changed everything. My dad was waiting in Manila for orders to march on to Tokyo when the bombs were dropped. The war was over. Now how do we get all these men home, and discharged by Christmas? He was all the way in the Philippines.

I deduce he was dropped from a bus or the train on the Main Street of Cedar City. He must have walked west on Center Street to 800 West and south to the neighborhood of Doverville.

All I know is that he just walked in the front door. They knew he was on his way, but they had no car, or phone and I remember my mother recalling the story, saying, "There he was, home two days before Christmas on December 23, 1945."

Bittersweet? Yes. His father had died three weeks earlier, and unknown to them his mother would die three days after Christmas. My dad came home with Malaria that would plague him for years. But he was home. I don't know much about that Christmas day, but I prefer my imaginary version.

I imagine that his sister-in-law, Bessie Dover, who lived three doors down on that Christmas Day, like everyone thereafter, would leave her family mid-morning and go to the college to climb the stairs, remove the cover and play Christmas songs on the chime-bells in the tower. We would always open the doors and windows to hear the bell.

*Then rang the bells more loud and deep
God is not dead, nor doth He sleep
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail
With peace on Earth, goodwill to men*

May this holiday season bring each of us peace in the world, joy in our homes, and love for all mankind. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Mayor Garth O. Green, Cedar City Mayor



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'Tapestry of Talent'

CANYON VIEW HIGH STUDENTS SHINE IN PERFORMANCE OF "TUCK EVERLASTING"

by Amyanne Rigby

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

"You can't pick out the pieces you like and leave the rest. Being part of the whole thing, that's the blessing" – Angus Tuck, *Tuck Everlasting*.

A tapestry of talent took center stage last week at Canyon View High School in their Fall performance of *Tuck Everlasting*. This "Tuck Team" boasted a plethora of talent including: actors, actresses, stage crew, house managers, vocalists, pit orchestra musicians, and dancers. By intermission, performance attendees wanted to jump up and join Winnie Foster (Shelby Fawson) and Jesse Tuck (Blake Dunn) at the fair.

The theatrical duo, Dunn and Fawson, led the

adventure with a refreshingly fun flare beckoning the audience to want to "Live Like this Forever." Ivy Colbert, Mae Tuck, delighted viewers with her powerful voice and her believable matronly role. It is hard to believe she is only sixteen. Emma Armour's ballet performance swept the attendees away.

Prop Favorites included the artistically crafted boat and the treehouse complete with a swing. Outstanding scenes included Mae's mirror scene as she reflected upon her youth and symbolizes the unchanging state of the Tucks. During this scene, Colbert and Kaydence Thatcher captured the

hearts of the viewers leaving them questioning the beauty and brevity of youth. Equally delightful was the transformation scene of Winnie Foster performed by the Dancing Winnie, Ava Kramer.

Perhaps, the most tender scene of the play was the father and daughter scene with Angus Tuck (Jared Sowards) and Winnie Foster (Fawson) when Angus reminded Winnie, "Do not be afraid of death. Be afraid of not being truly alive." And then "tissues please" when Miles' Wife (Brenna Haley), attempted to explain to her son why they must leave his father, Miles, (Austin

Peterson).

Holly Barrick, Theatre Teacher, outdid herself as the director of this play with a strong band of colleagues to share the load. Alex Byers, Choral Teacher, shared his unmatched expertise with the music on stage and underneath it. Yep, the production boasted a solid cast of musicians in the pit.

Jennie Grimes, a well-known dancer in her own right and CVHS Dance Teacher, provided the dance choreography, and Randy Seely, CVHS Art Teacher, master-minded the set design. Alex Byers said of his experience of being involved with this play, "I have nothing short of absolute

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ORLANDO SHAM

The talented Canyon View cast brought to life the beloved story based on Natalie Babbitt's 1975 American children's novel, with music by Chris Miller, lyrics by Nathen Tysen, and book by Claudia Shear and Tim Federle.

Holiday Art Sale coming Monday, Dec. 5



Artists will be donating their works of art during this special one night art sale to help the Zambia Scholarship Fund.

COURTESY KOLOB PLEIN AIR ARTISTS

from Arlene Braithwaite

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Just in time for the holidays, esteemed area artists are generously donating their work for a one-night-only art sale. Paintings, sculpture, fused glass art and ornaments, prints, and Zambian jewelry will all be sold at affordable prices, with all proceeds going to the Zambia Scholarship Fund.

ZSF was established 22 years ago by Utahn, Peggy Rogers, after her first-hand observation of the lack of opportunity for education in Zambia. Peggy started out by sponsoring several students and followed up by sending a freight container of used textbooks from her local school district to Zambia. Today ZSF has grown to the point where it now funds high school, trade school and college scholarships, pays elementary and high school teacher's salaries, builds elementary and high schools, funds

a mini-grant program to help recent graduates start their careers and last year opened the Children's Learning Center to give children without parents a safe, caring and educational start in life.

Because Peggy made a promise to herself when she first started ZSF that every donation made would go directly to Zambia, she now, with the help of over 35 volunteers, administers the organization. All advertising is covered by the ZSF Board of Directors.

More information about Zambia Scholarship Fund can be found at zambiascholarshipfund.org This Holiday Art Sale will take place December 5th, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Library in the Park. The public is invited to enjoy beautiful art, purchase one-of-a-kind gifts, visit with artists and mingle with friends over hot cider, all while helping to empower young Zambians through education. Payment can be taken in cash, check or Venmo.

Community Nutcracker Ballet bringing holiday magic to Cedar City

by Rachelle Hughes

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The first annual Community Nutcracker Ballet in Cedar City hosted by Canyon View High School Dance Department will be performed by CVHS students, Iron County dance studios and community members on December 8, 9, and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the CVHS Auditorium.

This locally produced ballet tells the classic Christmas story of a legendary toy come to life and the adventurous little princess, Clara. However, this ballet event brings extra magic to the stage as it embraces a community collaboration of performers. The Community Nutcracker Director/ Producer and Choreographer and CVHS dance instructor, Jennie Grimes, says she hopes this event creates opportunities for not only CVHS students but for community members, primarily students of Iron County School District, to be involved.

"This is a project that I have been wanting to do for about 15 years," said Grimes. The theme for my CVHS Dance Company this year is 'Don't wait for the right opportunity, create it.' What better time to teach than by example? Why not make it happen?" she said. After contacting local studios to see if there was an interest in the project, Grimes got to work on a rehearsal schedule and opened it up to any dancer that wanted to be a part of Iron County's first community nutcracker.

The Nutcracker requires a large cast and crew, several dancers, stage managers, choreographers, artistic director, stage/set/prop build,

lighting, and costume/sewing construction. Most of these roles will be filled by students from several dance companies throughout Iron County

making it a community production designed to become a local tradition, Grimes says. There are around 200 cast and crew members involved,

including dancers and choreographers from several local studios including Christine Mills Ballet, Dance Magic, Ignite, On Stage, The Pointe, Sunshine dance and the Southern Utah University dance department.

Nutcracker will be played by Russell Nielson and Ava Lunt will play the part of Clara. There are several other soloists and featured dancers throughout the ballet including Regan Hunsaker as Drosselmeyer, Evy Dodds and Charlize Karmeli as Harlequin Dolls, Eliza Lambert as a Rose, Maddy Wood as a Rose and the Mouse Queen, Hannah Brandt as Dewdrop and Laura Nelson as the Sugar Plum Fairy.

"It will be a collaborative effort and a unique experience, supporting our students to grow even stronger as individuals and seeing the outcome of their hard work, all while mentoring and collaborating with others," Grimes said.

CVHS Dance Company would like to thank Cedar City Junior Ballet, Laurie Jones, Jami Lyn Niles, Stephanie and Maddy Wood for costume construction and materials, and the ICSD Foundation for awarding a mini-grant to get this first year off the ground.



PARKER GRIMES

The Community Nutcracker will be December 8, 9, and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the CVHS Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for preferred seating or \$6 for general admission. For tickets and to select preferred seating or if you are not able to attend but would like to donate to the Nutcracker please go to links. jenniegrimes.com.

Holiday Concert celebrates 125 years of SUU

from Kenzie Lundberg

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Southern Utah University's Department of Music is celebrating 125 years of SUU with its annual Holiday Concert on Friday, December 2, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in Cedar City's Heritage Center Theater. Along with performances by the Wind Symphony, Opus, Concert and Women's Choirs, and Orchestra, the evening will debut the musical score "Thunderbird," commissioned to celebrate 125 years of SUU.

"We in the music department are extremely grateful to all those 'Heroes', 'Champions', and 'Thunderbirds' that built this university and grew it to the strong force it is today," said Dr. Lawrence Johnson, Department of Music chair. "The music in this holiday and anniversary concert will celebrate those pioneers and visionaries with tour-de-force pieces that give honorable credit to their foresight and belief in our continued success."

"Thunderbird" by world-renowned composer and professor of composition at the University of Texas, Donald Grantham, was commissioned specifically for the SUU Wind Symphony. As the Wind Symphony continues to mature and successfully perform advanced literature, SUU student and French horn player Zach Mercer thought it great timing to propose a commissioned work for the ensemble. The work will touch on SUU's unique history, its early commitment to

education, and its drive to "go back up the mountain."

The Symphony Orchestra will perform "Celebration" from the Spanish Trail Suite by Steve Nelson and Marshall McDonald, a piece commissioned for the Orchestra of Southern Utah and expresses the celebration of the establishment of Cedar City.

Each group will also perform well-known pieces and holiday favorites including "Summon the Heroes" by John Williams, "Sing Nowell" by Allan Robert Petker, "Alleluia" by Randall Thompson, "Betelehemu" by Wendall Whalum, and "Call of the Champions" by John Williams.

Students, faculty, staff and community are all welcome to start off the holiday season at the annual Holiday Concert. Admission is free. For more information on the SUU Department of Music, visit suu.edu/pva/music.

Celebrating 125 Years of SUU

In 1897 the founders of Southern Utah University believed so strongly in the power of education that they risked their lives and finances for the privilege of building and hosting an institution of higher education in rural Cedar City, Utah. Their determination and grit are woven into the cultural fabric of SUU. SUU's enduring legacy is built on 125 years of fortitude, determination, and community triumph. Celebrate with us as we explore our rich history and prepare for a bright future. Learn more at suu.edu/125.

down to House Managers, Ford Musser and Mckenna Berg.

For Director, Holly Barrick, this play resonated with her heart and provided healing as she reflected on her twenty years of parenting Lauren, Andrew and Ellie and of her nine years of teaching at CVHS. Barrick stated, "I'm reminded of the students I've had in past years and how I've bemoaned when each of them have left; each group from 'Footloose' to 'Peter & the Starcatcher'. Each year is also a reminder of the ones we have loved and lost in life. To my sweet cousin Marci and several friends I said goodbye to in 2021, thank you for reminding me how to live. Sometimes it's hard but, 'Always coming in new, always growing and changing, and always moving on. That's the way it's supposed to be. That's the way it is..... You don't have to live forever, you just have to live.'"

The performance was based on Natalie Babbitt's 1975 American children's novel. CVHS presented the musical rendition with music by Chris Miller, lyrics by Nathen Tysen, and book by Claudia Shear and Tim Federle.

This special holiday concert celebrates all the "heroes" and "champions" that helped make SUU the great institution it is today.



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good to say about the students we were privileged to work with. This was easily the most prepared and hard-working cast I have ever had the pleasure of directing, and the students in the pit were phenomenal. It was just such a blessing to be a part of this production."

The production provided many opportunities for students to have a theatrical experience, from the baton twirler (Amy Lee) to the Strong Man (Michael Bridges). There were also ballet dancers, carnival dancers, specialty dancers and golden dancers. Behind the scenes Oliver Jones, Sydney Neil, and Cooper Malcolm assisted Anya McLelland as Stage Managers. Megan Rice, Ashton Avery, Cynthia Rushton, and Madison Hadley managed the lighting, sound, costumes and props for the performance. Microphone use was managed by Sydney Neil, Micah Akins and Faith Quilter. Every detail of the performance had a student involved—learning, growing, exploring right

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Where do you draw the line?

by Mary Anne Andersen

CEDAR CITY ARTS COUNCIL

It is the seasonal moral dilemma: what to do about all the people who want me to contribute to worthy causes? Now, generally, my philosophy is this: if I have money and other people don't, then I should share. But it is so risky to make a contribution to anyone! Once you do, every other worthy cause hears of it and wants to take advantage of your largesse. Now, I have people in my own family who could use a little help and our church has a tradition of donating gift cards for our leaders to use as they deem best. So, I give there first, but I am enticed by the soulful photos of children with cleft palates, for instance, and it is hard to throw those envelopes away.

The advice from AARP is to pick one charity that you are especially touched by and make a sizable donation there, instead of dribbling out smaller amounts to several others. For me, that is the Utah Food Bank. That one meets my criteria of being local and specific, so I send off my check, but the others don't leave me alone!

I feel blackmailed by those causes, not a few, by the way, who send me a present and hope, I guess, that I will feel dishonest if I keep and use something I didn't pay for. Now I know, as my family reminds me, that by law we don't have to pay for something that we didn't order.



“I am enticed by the soulful photos of children with cleft palates, and it is hard to throw those envelopes away”

And besides, those address labels spell my name wrong more often than not. And I love the calendars, and keep the most beautiful one and not feel bad about it. But what about Boys Town?! They send a packet of goodies that I happen to want: socks! Two pair. And three pens and a calendar and address labels (spelled right). I always need socks and I love writing implements. Besides, their logo of that little boy with his brother on his back—“He Ain't Heavy. He's My Brother”—has touched me for years. Do they still use it? I'm not sure. I'm too busy opening their Christmas presents to me. I caved, by the way.

Heifer International is another one. They don't send presents but they have pictures of adorable little children who just want you to buy them a goat. (Have you noticed by the way, what beautiful teeth those kids have? I have students who need an orthodontist more than they do!) We bought a goat, once, and we are on their roster forever. A representative called at 7:00 in the evening, calling my husband by name. He can say goodbye easier than I can.

And watching television, which I don't do a lot of, is a real mine field right now. How Scroogey do you have to be to deny the children with cancer at St. Jude's, and those videos of starving, shivering dogs make me leave the room!

And don't get me started about those individuals standing out in the cold with signs that say “Hungry.”

SUU Theatre presents 'You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown'

by Kol A. Gibson

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Southern Utah University, Cedar City, Utah: Southern Utah University's Department of Theatre, Dance, & Arts Administration is excited to announce their production of the musical *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, based on the beloved comic strip “Peanuts” by Charles M. Schulz. The show will run December 2, 3, 5, 7, & 9 at 7:30 p.m. with matinee performances on December 3 & 10 at 2:00 p.m. in the Randall L. Jones Theatre.

Peanuts has been an American favorite and classic since the comic strip's 1950 debut, and in the intervening 72 years, its stories have been adapted in many ways, from the silver screen to the stage. SUU's production of *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* is directed by Dr. Scott C. Knowles, Associate Professor of Theatre History, and focuses on a central Peanuts theme: what it means to grow up.

Dr. Knowles notes, “What does it mean to fall in love? What does it mean to find success, or more commonly, what does it mean to fail? How do we fail, and how do we improve?” He continues, “All of these lessons provided by each Peanuts comic strip, connect us back to the idea of learning to be a person on this big, blue marble—the pitfalls, the triumphs, the challenges, the joys, and the devastating embarrassment alongside the true camaraderie and friendship.”

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown follows beloved characters in a series of vignettes that illustrate these big questions. Lucy longs for Schroeder, Snoopy daydreams, Linus tries to knock his thumb-sucking habit, and Charlie Brown even fails to woo The Little Red-Headed Girl by saying the wrong thing. With book, music, and lyrics by Clark Gesner, additional dialogue by Michael Mayer, and additional music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa, these stories are punctuated with heartfelt and memorable songs that the whole family will enjoy.

Following the evening show on December 9th, audiences will be able to participate in a live Ask Lucy seminar as Ashley Aquino, who plays Lucy, answers audience questions with the help of the rest of the cast. If you would like to ask Lucy a question, please visit <https://go.suu.edu/AskLucy>.

Don't worry, Lucy's normal 5¢ psychiatric fee is waived.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown has been a popular show to put on in various settings from Off-Broadway and community theatre to high schools, but SUU's production comes from a different perspective. “I have never seen this play produced, which is a sort of rare and strange accident,” says Dr. Knowles. “This means that our production comes from a place of novelty and excitement for new material. I've loved Peanuts my whole life and empathize so much with our young hero as he finds happiness in all the difficulties and trials that life sometimes brings. The show is hilarious, but it also has an important

message of resilience through community and friendship that our production works to highlight.”

Audience members who wish to take part in this message of resilience through community and friendship are invited to donate canned goods and non-perishable food items that will go to benefit Iron County Care & Share. Those who donate will receive \$2 off their ticket price. At the latter end of the show's run, audiences will also have the opportunity to take in the beautiful sights of the Department of Theatre, Dance, & Arts Administration's Ninth Annual Festival of Trees in the lobby of the Randall L. Jones Theatre and participate in the silent auction that will also benefit Iron County Care & Share. For more information about the Ninth Annual Festival of Trees, visit www.cedarfestivaloftrees.com or contact Brian Swanson at swanson@suu.edu

or (435) 865-8674.

As the Peanuts would say, only a blockhead would miss SUU's production of *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for alumni with card, and \$7 for youth, and audience members are given \$2 off per ticket with the donation of a canned good to support the Iron County Care & Share. SUU students, faculty, and staff can attend for free with a valid ID card. Tickets can be purchased at the Utah Shakespeare Festival Box Office up to an hour before each performance, over the phone at (435) 856-7878, or online by following the instructions at www.suu.edu/pva/ta/current-season.html.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC. www.concordtheatricals.com.



SUU DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE

Honoring Utah Shakespeare Festival patron Linda Adams

by Liz Armstrong

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Distant cousin of Festival Founder Fred Adams, Linda Jones Adams was a longtime supporter and fan of the Festival. Her memory lives on, and a bench dedicated this year in her name can be found outside the Engelstad Theatre near the Green.

Born on January 9, 1964, Adams immediately had a connection with the Festival, raised only a few

Much Ado About Nothing.

Heather Bess, Adam's daughter, noted that she watched shows starting as a teenager all the way up until 2021, which means her mother attended the Festival for over 40 years.

"My siblings and I grew up going with my mom to see the Greenshow, then later to the plays when we were old enough," Bess said.

When Adams passed away, her family decided to raise and donate



The special bench will help keep the memories of Linda's legacy alive during the Festival season and year-round.

blocks away from the grounds. In high school, Adams volunteered for three summers, as she and her friends sold tarts during the Greenshow.

Adams attended shows every year with her family, and later began taking her own children and grandchildren. Adams favorite shows included Romeo and Juliet, A Midsummer Night's Dream, and

money to the Festival to honor her. A bench was purchased with the phrase; "I love you with so much of my heart that none is left to protest," from Act 4 Scene 1 in Much Ado About Nothing.

"It's a place we can go and remember the memories we shared with her at the Festival," Bess said.

This is the perfect tribute to Adams because of how much she loved the Festival, and now her friends and family can enjoy the Greenshow from that very bench, forming a love of their own for the Festival like she had.

It is with much love that we will remember and honor Adams. It is patrons like her that keep the Festival producing plays year after year. Adams longtime support of the Festival is inspiring and humbling, and it is with much gratitude that we too, will sit at the bench and honor her.

"[Her bench] is a place we can go and remember the memories we shared with her at the Festival"

Heather Bess

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TRADITION CONTINUES WITH 10TH ANNUAL Red Acre Christmas

from Laney Onerheim

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

This Saturday, December 3, hundreds of people will come to walk the Farm, warm their hands over wood-burning fires, roast marshmallows, and sip hand-pressed hot apple cider. There is no admission fee, and the marshmallows and cider are complimentary.

The Patterson's express their love for the Christmas season and why they do what they do: "The community has been here for us, and we want to continue to be a place for them. Agrotourism is growing, and that is a good thing. We are really more about the 'agro' piece— agriculture and the culture rather than the tourism. We believe the Farm is a living organism we are part of and that a farm is so much more than the food it grows."

The Farm and A Red Acre Christmas started from humble beginnings, small in scope and number of guests. However, the event has grown in many ways, with Utah beeswax for candle dipping, horse and buggy rides, eggnog donuts, and more delicious food offerings to enjoy while you stroll the Farm. The size of the Farm Stand

is still a cozy 12 x 12 filled with goods made from the Farm and hand-selected items from small and local artisan producers.

When asked what has changed the most, they said: "Due to a house fire in 2016, we fled our home and were forced to live off the Farm for a year, leaving us with a new Farmhouse completed in 2017 and just in time to be a Parade home!" The Patterson's, inspired by their late husband and father Lynn Patterson, who was an artist and collector, decorate for Christmas in "true Lynn fashion," and open the Farmhouse for tours during the event... the only time it is open to the public. In addition, with the request to see the house at night this year, they have added tours of the Farmhouse on Friday evening, December 2. The Farmhouse tours are a ticketed event benefiting their nonprofit sister organization, Red Acre Center for Food and Agriculture.

Red Acre welcomes you to come, enjoy the Christmas season, learn, and

appreciate life on a small working family farm. For tickets to the Farmhouse tour or for more information, visit <https://www.redacrefarmcsa.org/event-details/10th-annual-red-acre-christmas>.



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

CHARACTER SKETCHES (WEDS, 6:30-8:30PM)
@ Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). Weekly drawing/painting sessions using live models as characters from art, literature, books, movies, TV, video games. INFO: 435-586-6661.

THURS, DEC 1

ROSA PARKS DAY

BIBLE STUDY CLASS (1-3PM) @ CEDAR CITY
Library (303 N 100 E). This Precept Upon Precept Bible Study includes a 15-week study of Romans 1-5. Workbooks \$31.50. Romans 1-5 explains the foundational doctrines of our faith – original sin, justification, redemption, and propitiation. Studies consist of homework, discussion, and DVD lecture by Bible teacher Wayne Barber. INFO 435-267-2234 or 435-238-3078, www.precept.org.

PINK CHRISTMAS (6-8:30PM) @ CEDAR
High School (703 W 600 S). Talent show, silent auction, bake sale. 100% of proceeds given to the beneficiaries chosen each year. This event is fully funded by donations from local businesses and community members.



PINK CHRISTMAS

FRI, DEC 2

BUILD JOY DAY

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR (DEC 2-3, 10:30AM – 6pm) @ Cedar City Visitor's Center (581 N Main). Handmade gifts by local crafters.

SWEET PEA FARM – CHRISTMAS STORY TIME (5:30-6:30pm, Fri 2, 9, 16) @ Sweet Pea

Farm and Orchard (136 S 600 W, Parowan). FREE event. "Rudolph" read by Mrs. Claus. Farmstand open with Hot Cocoa & Holiday Treats. sweetpeafarmandorchard.com.

CHRISTMAS FARMHOUSE TOURS (2ND 5:30 – 7:30pm, 3rd 10am – 3pm) @ Red Acre Farm (2322 W 4375 N, Cedar). Once a year the Farm decorates for Christmas and gives tours. All proceeds support Red Acre Center for Food & Agriculture, 501(c). Ticketed event: redacrecen-ter.org/events.

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN (7:30pm, Dec 2, 3, 5, 8, & 9. And 2pm, Dec 3 & 10) @ Randall L. Jones Theatre.

SUU HOLIDAY CONCERT (7:30PM) @ HERITAGE
Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar) All are welcome to kick off the holiday season with the SUU Department of Music. Admission is free.

SAT, DEC 3

LET'S HUG DAY

UTAH AUTHOR'S DAY (9:30AM – NOON) @
Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E) East and West Conference Rooms. In 2021 Governor Cox declared "Utah Author's Day" to be the first Saturday in December. Come celebrate at a free event with local authors. Panel discussion (10-11am). Answering questions about the writing or publishing process.



A RED ACRE CHRISTMAS (10AM – 3PM) @ RED
Acre Farm, 2322 W 4375 N, Cedar). No admission fee. Sip complimentary hot cider, roast marshmallows. Farmstand with gifts for giving. Farm kitchen offering eggnog donuts, chili, more. Beeswax candle dipping, DIY wreath making, buggy rides. INFO: redacrefarmcsa.org/event-details/10th-annual-red-acre-christmas

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET (10AM-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 (10am-1pm) Summer. (10am-1pm) Winter. @ W Center & 100 S. By Bristlecone Coffee. FREE.

Festival City Farmers Market offers the bounty of local farmers, backyard gardeners, fresh fruits, veggies, and local artisans for jewelry, art, wood, pottery. INFO: Text 760-580-0116.



NATURE HILLS – CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM (11-4pm, Dec 3 and 10) @ Nature Hills Farm (4326 N 2100 E, Cedar). Tickets online \$7 or at door \$9. Everyone invited to gather at the Farm as it is transformed into a magical Winter Wonderland with lights and Christmas displays, and an old-fashioned Christmas centered around the beauty of farm living. INFO and Tickets @ www.naturehillsfarm.com.

LAUGHING ALL THE WAY (6PM) @ HERITAGE
Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar). Tickets \$30 general admission. Group, discount tickets are available at ourturtlehouse.com/events/cedar-city/. Join best-selling authors and motivational speakers Hank Smith, Meg Johnson, and John Bytheway for Laughing All the Way, a fun and entertaining family Christmas event! Event sells out quickly!

SUN, DEC 4

COOKIE DAY

WINTER WONDERLAND (6-10PM) @
Parowan Main Street Park. Admission FREE. An enticing wonderland of Christmas lights, incredible displays, Christmas Characters, Santa, and hot chocolate. Paint a free ornament to hang in the tunnel. Lights turned on every night from dusk until 10 pm.

MON, DEC 5

WALT DISNEY DAY

HOLIDAY ART SALE FUNDRAISER (6-9PM) @
Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). Area artists donating work for a one-night-only art sale. Painters, sculptors, glass artists and print-makers, selling work at affordable prices. Visit, shop and enjoy hot cider.



SPIRIT OF THE SEASON (6-9PM) @ JOHNSON
Center for the Arts (59 N 100 W, Cedar). No admission cost. Enjoy food trucks, entertainment, a holiday sing-along, and the lighting of a Christmas Tree. Soda Nerd will be serving Hot Chocolate and Santa will be there to visit with the kids.

TUES, DEC 6

WORLD TRICKSHOT DAY

SUMA: EXHIBITS (11AM-6PM, MON-SAT) @
SUMA (13 S 300 W, Cedar City). Admission is Free. INFO: suu.edu/suma.

WED, DEC 7

LETTER WRITING DAY

YOUTH SERVICE LEAGUE (YSL) MEETING (3:30-4:30pm) @ Cedar Visitors Center Conference Room (581 N Main). Opportunity for youth (Ages 11 – 18) to volunteer in making a positive difference in our community. Hours volunteered look great on college applications.

HOLIDAYS AT THE HOMESTEAD (5:30-8PM)
@ Frontier Homestead State Park (635 N Main, Cedar), \$2 per person or \$8 per family. Enjoy holiday-themed activities, crafts, and entertainment. Santa Claus will be making a special stop here. INFO: (435) 586-9290.



CHARACTER SKETCHES (WEDS, 6:30-8:30PM)
@ Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E). Weekly drawing/painting sessions using live models as characters from art, literature, books, movies, TV, video games. INFO: 435-586-6661.

THURS, DEC 8

HOLIDAY FILM FESTIVAL (7PM) @ SUU
Theatre (Sharwan Smith Center). Kipp Howard's Short Film Collection: Halloween and Christmas. Free event. INFO: kipp_howard@yahoo.com.



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FRI, DEC 9

SUMA – MYSTERY AT THE MUSEUM (6PM) @ SUMA (13 S 300 W, Cedar). Tickets \$30 per person. Available online at Eventbrite. A chilling night full of mystery and whodunnits at SUMA's winter murder mystery fundraising event! You can select your character for the evening's story or opt-out and simply be a guest at the dinner. Guests must be 21+ to attend.

SAT, DEC 10

CEDAR BOWLING CENTER – SANTA PARTY (Noon – 4pm) @ Cedar Bowling Center (421 E Hwy 91, Cedar). Meet Santa and his crew at our annual kids' holiday party. All children receive a small bag of goodies and a card for a free game of bowling including shoes. Use the free bowling on Saturday or save for a later date.

STRATUM REAL ESTATE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL (1-5pm) @ Stratum Real Estate (365 S Main, Cedar). Admission FREE. Holiday treats, crafts, and visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Elementary School students can earn money for their school by attending. INFO: (435) 586-4874.

THE PIANO GUYS (8PM) @ AMERICA FIRST Event Center (351 W University Blvd, Cedar). Tickets \$36 students, \$48 reserved seating, \$123 concert & merch package, \$173 concert & meet/greet. Tickets available at Tbirdtickets.com.



SUN, DEC 11

ORCHESTRA OF SOUTHERN UTAH – MESSIAH (7:30pm) @ Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar). Admission FREE. Tickets are required and available at the Heritage Center Box Office or online at www.myosu.org. Children over 6 with adult supervision. No small children or babies please as concert is recorded.

TUES, DEC 13

LABYRINTH WALK (6:30PM) @ ST JUDE'S Episcopal Church (70 N 200 W, Cedar). Advent is a time for anticipating the birth of Christ with a symbolic candlelight journey to the place of his Nativity. Music and narrative will guide you. No experience necessary. Facilitators available to assist you in this time-honored tradition that connects body, mind, and spirit. INFO: Rev. Lee (435) 592-0034.

Want your event on our calendar?

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ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

Brian Head Council

2nd & 4th Tues, 1 pm • Brian Head Town Hall, 56 N. Hwy 143

Cedar City Council

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

Enoch City Council

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

Enoch Planning Commission

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

Iron County Commission

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

Iron County Democrats

3rd Sat, 10 am-11:30 am • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E

Iron County Republican Women

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

Parowan City Council

2nd & 4th Thurs, 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

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

Elks Lodge #1556

111 E Freedom Blvd. Cedar City, (435) 586-8332

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, 6:30 pm Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E)

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. Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829

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

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon

Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

Red Road to Sobriety • Mon, 6 pm Paiute Tribe, 440 N Paiute (435) 586-1112 Ext. 307

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

The Great Fact • T, F, Noon. True Life Center 2111 N. Main. • (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856

Red Creek Group • Wed, 7 pm • 685 N 300 E, Parowan • (435) 477-8925

Women's Meeting • Sat, 10:30 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Thank God it's Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

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

Al-Anon

KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed
Al-Anon • 1st, 3rd Tues, 7-8 pm • Call

for info: (435) 704-8984

Easy Does It • Tues, 7-8 pm • (435) 559-3333

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

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

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 (Small room)

Women Only • Sun, 11 am

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

Nicotine Anon (12-Step)

Fri 5 pm • KKCB 203 Cobble Creek Dr. Ste. 201 (North Room), Cedar • (435) 559-0394

Porn Addiction Recovery 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.com

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

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

Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

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

Widows Support Group

2nd Sat, 11-1pm • Sunrise Church. These Free meetings begin January 8th. Questions? 435-586-3640 or Sonrisechurch.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 N 100 E.

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' Guild

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

Cedar City ESL

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

Cedar City Toastmasters

Thurs, 7 am • Cedar City Visitor Center, 581 North Main. Find your voice, shape your future. Be the leader & speaker you want to be. (603) 731-0116

Cedar 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 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 Sat, 10 am • 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

Folk Dancing Class

1-2 pm • Cedar Senior Center (489 E 200 S). Come to your first International Folk Dancing Class! Teaching included. Easy to learn, fun, free for all ages. (626) 808-6129

Hatha Yoga

• Tues & Wed, 6 pm, \$10, Retro Fitness (929 S Main St, Cedar City)
• Fri, 8:15 am & 6 pm, \$13, Cedar Yoga Space (736 N Main, Cedar City). Connect body, mind, & breath through movement & meditation. Mats provided, all levels welcome. Kirsti 435-327-1200.

Hey Cedars Square Dance Club

Mon 6-7:30 pm (Beginners), Dancing 7:30-8 pm • Cedar Visitor Center (581 N Main). Returning to Aquatic Center in November. All former square dancers invited. INFO: Call/Text Neil Mattson 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

Motivational Mondays

Mon, 6:30-7 pm • Cedar Yoga Space (736 N Main. Add a positive mindset and experience Cognomovement. Leave feeling more balanced, energized, and motivated. No mat

needed. \$12 drop in/first time to studio is Free. 541-291-7856.

Parowan Pickleball

Mon, 6-8 pm • Tues-Thurs, 9-12 pm • Iron County Exhibit Building. Range of skill levels, 3 indoor courts, beginners welcome. INFO, fees and signup: Parowan Visitors Center 435-477-8190.

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

Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild

Wed, 9:30-11:30 am • Grind Coffee House (19 N Main, Cedar City). Knit, crochet, weave, spin, etc. Come learn a craft, work on a project, or just socialize. Beginners welcome! Questions: Jane 435-233-8366.

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 for Seniors. Helps coordination, balance, flexibility. Maria Bailey, 435-673-3548 x103. Pre-registration not required. Space limited.

Take Action for Freedom

Wed, 7 pm • Stahl 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

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THE AUCTIONEER

Each year billions of dollars' worth of items are sold from an auction block. Items can include almost anything from real estate and vehicles to livestock and priceless treasures—at least according to the seller. You can probably hear the familiar voice and tone of the auctioneer in action as he tries his best to entice the best price from buyers in the audience by making every item for sale seem like a one-of-a-kind treasure that must be bid on and cannot be left behind. And the person with the highest bid before the auctioneer finishes, wins the bidding battle.

In this week's Rockwell priceless treasure, the auctioneer is doing his best to sell a headless (broken) porcelain figure. What was the starting bid? Has anyone bid on it? Would you bid on it? The better question is, what would you bid on yourself? Did you know you're in a bidding battle right now?

Because each day you auction away your life and not just one day at a time, but minute by minute. You auction away your valuable time, talents and treasures to both the bidders of distraction and opportunity.

(and even to yourself), but they are not worth your time, treasure and talent.

Whatever has been auctioned away (through mistakes (yours or those of others), indecisions, or irresponsibility, let it go. You cannot purchase back the past, but you can invest in your future going forward. Do not let your opportunities in your next moments be forfeited and default to the

next bidder—the bidders of doubt, despair and depression who have been patiently bidding their bids for you to fail so they could take over ownership.

If you feel yourself losing the bid for your health and happiness, counterbid quickly! Especially when you encounter opposition, if you don't get back up quickly and change your choices, you can become overwhelmed and paralyzed by fear and discouragement. Which, are not impossible to outbid, but

The competition for your life is fierce. And, while it appears many are auctioning off their health, wealth and happiness to the lowest bidder, sometimes this highest bidder isn't always the best buyer.

Nevertheless, beginning right now, you must become your own highest bidder. Become your own best investor. Despite any flaws, scars and needed repairs, you are still valuable, precious and priceless. Yes, your mistakes in the past may make you seem less valuable to others

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it does make it seem more difficult to win when you duel with despair.

Today, realize that you are valuable! Don't let the bad bidders steal your life moment by moment, no matter how boisterous or benevolent they appear to be. If they're just bidding on,

and investing in you with a number, but not their hearts, take your time, talents and treasure off the auction block and wait for a better bidder, the right bidder to come along.

Most of all, each day invest in yourself. Go all in. You're worth it!

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obituaries

James Calvin Turnbaugh



James Calvin Turnbaugh passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, November 17, 2022, with his wife and his little dog by his side.

He was born in Cedar City, UT to William (Bill) Turnbaugh and Virginia Mosdell Turnbaugh on May 20th, 1951. He was the youngest of 3 boys. He spent his younger years roaming the hills west of town, gathering rocks and hunting rabbits and lizards.

His dad died when Jim was 12 and he became the man of the house, taking care of his mother. His two older

brothers had moved out already.

He went to Cedar High School where he excelled in auto mechanics. You could always find him under a car or under the hood. He met his wife in high school and they were married in 1971. They were married 51 years. And they said it wouldn't last! They were sealed in the St. George Temple on October 22, 2010. They were blessed with 2 children. A son, Cody and a daughter, Jaymi. He loved his family very much and worked hard to take care of them.

Jim worked for the Utah Department of Transportation for 30 years and made many loyal friends. He was injured on the job during his 31st year and retired earlier than he had planned on. He was in much pain, which disabled him for life. He also fought 2 heart attacks, lots of pain and misery and finally renal failure.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Charise; Jaymi Carver (Josh) and 6 grandchildren—5 from his daughter. Jaden, Kamryn, Peyton, Pyper, and Amira. One from his son's previous marriage, Taymar Parry (Jamison Paxton) and 2 great-grandchildren, Aiden and Jantzen. Also, 2 sisters-in-law, Bonita (wally) and Shirley (Roy) and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son, Cody, his parents, in-laws and his 2 older brothers.

The funeral will be held at the Greenslake Chapel (1120 W Greenslake Dr. Cedar) on Saturday, Nov 26th at 1pm. The dedication of the grave will be at the Cedar City Cemetery by Gregory Cloward immediately following the services. There will also be a luncheon back at the church for family and friends after the services.

Richard Lane Dover



Richard Lane Dover passed away in Provo, UT on November 15th, 2022. Richard was born November 24th, 1985, in Cedar City, UT to Lewis and Melissa (Whitelaw) Dover.

Richard's talents were manifest early in his love to sing and perform. When he was eleven, he acted in his first play "The Sound of Music." He went on to act in many plays including acting with the Pleasant Grove Players. He also loved to compose music, poetry, and songs. He also really liked to draw and paint.

Richard had a great sense of humor and enjoyed making others laugh. He also loved spending time with his family and friends and enjoyed playing video and board games with them.

He is survived by his parents (Lewis and Melissa); brothers: Edward (Liz) Dover, John (Elizabeth) Dover, James (Jennie) Dover, and sisters: Elizabeth (Patrick) Hill, Kathryn (Zach) Jones. He is also survived by his son Dante Alexander from a previous marriage and Lora Ann McVey his fiancé. He was preceded in death by his brother William (Bill) Dover.

There was a viewing held for Richard at the Newcastle, UT church in the Relief Society room, Monday November 28th from 11:00-12:30pm. Followed by a graveside service at the cemetery in Enterprise, UT at 1:00pm. Services provided by Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.mortuary.org.

Dean Nelson Pearson



Dean Nelson Pearson peacefully returned to his heavenly home on November 18th. He was born on March 5, 1931, at home in Mink Creek, Idaho, to Perry and Hannah Pearson, the eighth of nine children: older siblings Carmen, Douglas, Cecil, Thora, Roy, Ray, Thelma and younger sister, Colleen.

While Dean was in the tenth grade, his father passed away. Dean graduated from Preston High School in 1949 and began

studies at BYU. Dean was then called to serve in the Southwest Indian LDS Mission. After returning from his mission in 1953, he was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. Dean returned to BYU following his honorable discharge, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in English Education and History. He then continued at BYU and completed a Master's Degree in Educational Psychology and Psychology.

After teaching and being a school counselor for two years at Manti High School, Dean again returned to BYU to obtain a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology and Psychology. On June 10, 1964, Dean was sealed to Rebecca Hawkes in the Logan, Utah LDS Temple. They moved to Cedar City, where Dean was Director of Counseling at the College of Southern Utah (now SUU). During this time, Dean represented Utah for three years as an ACT Corporation member, did ACT research, ran the testing program, and started the CLEP program. In the summer of 1966, he completed post-graduate studies at the University of Washington in Seattle. He finished his dissertation and was awarded a Ph.D. from BYU in 1973.

Also in 1973, Dean began working as a Licensed Clinical Psychologist for Southwest Utah Mental Health. He served as chief psychologist for five counties. His work included extensive involvement with schools and the juvenile court system in southwestern Utah. He was the "Designated Examiner" for the Utah State Division of Mental Health and was Chairman of the Peer Review Committee. In the fall of 1984, he was a guest presenter in Chicago to share his paper on Dissociative Identity Disorder. He retired from Southwest Utah Mental Health in 2000.

Dean has always been very active with a strong testimony in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in many callings including High Councilor, Bishopric Counselor, Bishop, St. George and Cedar City Temple Ordinance Worker, and constant missionary.

Dean is survived by his beloved wife, Rebecca, and their seven children: Robert Pearson, Alan (Mary) Pearson, Holly (Steve) Jolley, Janet (Brian) Chamberlain, Suzanne (Lee) Roundy, Mary Lynne (Nathan) Miller, and Kristin (Preston) Porter; 30 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren, and one sister, Colleen Hawkes.

In addition to his family, church, and work responsibilities, on the side he found time to develop interest and skills as a boat builder, stone mason, fisherman, cement worker, hunter, game show winner, car-body repairman, harmonica player, dune buggy and home remodeler, carpenter, motorcyclist, architect, author, electrician, storyteller, lumberjack, baker, mountain explorer, gardener, tile setter, all-around fix-it fellow, inventor (of unique wheat grinder, personalized solar heating system, etc.), international traveler, and loyal friend.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 26, 2022 at 11:00 am at the Cedar View chapel (1925 West 320 South). A viewing will be held prior to the service from 9:00 am to 10:30 am at the church. Interment was in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be made at www.mortuary.org.

Glennis Millett Boardman



Glennis Millett Boardman, 87, passed away naturally in St George, Utah, on her favorite holiday, Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 2022, with attentive family at her side. Glennis was born in Kanab, Utah on January 8, 1935, to Ozro Lamar Millett and Inez Adams Millett. She was one of four daughters who lost their mother at an early age in the same home in Kanab where she would later raise her seven children with her devoted husband Robert Norman Boardman.

Growing up under the care of her grandmother, Ida Minnie Swapp Adams, Glennis learned to cook, sew, quilt, raise a garden, milk a cow, and most importantly, to be a faithful believer and witness of Jesus Christ. She played the trumpet in the high school band, participated on the women's basketball team, was elected Student Body Vice President her senior year of high school, and earned an academic scholarship to Brigham Young University. She expected nothing less of each of her seven children. Glennis began courting Robert Norman Boardman when he was on leave from the Korean War. Following his service in the war, they married in the St. George Temple June 17, 1954. Norm and Glennis lived briefly in Salt Lake City and Las Vegas before they settled in Kanab.

Glennis was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was blessed by the fellowship of many faithful friends and members of the Church. She in turn served in various teaching and leadership positions in Scouting, 4-H, and the Church. She received the Boy Scout Silver Beaver Award. She raised a large garden every summer, teaching her children the value of hard work and self-reliance. Anyone who came by the house could get warm by the fire she kept burning and converse about family and her unwavering testimony of the Savior.

The number of her direct descendants will soon exceed her age, with 7 children - David (Angela) Boardman of South Jordan, Utah, SusAnn (Marc) McLemore of Cedar City, Utah, Richard (Susan) Boardman of Idaho Falls, Idaho, Sabrina (Darin) Daniel of Plain City, Utah, Steven (Brenda) Boardman of Oak City, Utah, Brenda Lee (Charles) Percival of Roosevelt, Utah, and Alan (Erika) Boardman of Social Circle, Georgia; 34 grandchildren and soon to be 47 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her eternal companion Norman, parents, sisters- Louise, Ida, and Norda- and grandsons Colby Johnson and Taylor Boardman.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at the Kanab LDS Stake Center on 20 W. Center St. under the direction of Kanab 4th Ward Bishop Clay Stewart. Viewings will be held at the Stake Center Friday evening, from 6 - 7 p.m. and Saturday, one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in the Kanab Cemetery under the care of Mosdell Mortuary.

Want to submit an obituary?

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When my husband and I married we agreed that we wanted "around" four kids. Then we had our first and questioned how many more we would actually have! Our oldest was the busiest little baby we have ever known. To his credit he was also the happiest. We knew he needed a sibling and when she came along we were nearly convinced our family was complete. Even random strangers would tell me that with one boy and one girl we had the perfect family.

"You have created replacements for yourselves in society and more families should stop at that," one woman told me in passing.

Considering the two oldest are just under two years apart we really did have our hands full. Then we started to think ahead, to retirement and grandparenting years. Would two kids produce enough grandkids to keep us company?

We juggled this question for about a week before discovering we were expecting baby number three. Everyone who knew us was surprised because we had legitimately convinced them we were done having kids. And we were fairly con-

vinced ourselves!

Three would be the perfect number for us, we thought.

There were only two problems with this:
1) My husband doesn't like odd numbers.
2) We had no way of foreseeing that our third baby would be absolutely perfect.

As a natural born thumbsucker she was a brilliant self-soother. She was adorable and cuddly and made a great third wheel on date night. So much so that she made us think twice about our decision to stop at three.

Now, the proud parents of four, we turn heads nearly everywhere we go.

"Oh my goodness gracious, so many children!" one woman remarked while I shopped with our posse in Walmart last week. Another made a spectacle of herself counting them all out loud.

Not many people bother asking us if we'll have another baby anymore. Whether that's a testament to our age or an assumption that we obviously have enough, I don't know.

The lesson I have learned from my own

experience is that determining the size of a family shouldn't be a calculated decision.

My advice to young couples starting out and dreaming about their perfect family of three, or five, or even 10 is that they should focus on having one baby at a time (with the obvious exception of multiples).

So many factors manifest themselves over the years and the children. Some couples claim they only want one child, only to be shocked by the desire for more once that baby steals their hearts.

Other couples who long for a large family try for years without success. There are adopted families, families with all boys or all girls and some who are perfectly content to count other's babies at the grocery store.

The fact is that it's your family, and only you will ever know how many children belong in it.

As for me, I will be enjoying a refrigerator covered with crayon art for years to come followed by who knows what and will be expecting a plethora of grandkids many years from now.

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New Bible interactive course featured by Jehovah's Witnesses

from Jamie Dunjey

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

As many families settle into the new school year, a number of Cedar City residents will be focused on a different kind of education.

This month, Jehovah's Witnesses are featuring a new, interactive educational platform to help make Bible study more engaging and easier to understand: Enjoy Life Forever! — An Interactive Bible Course. This free publication, available in more than 700 languages on the Witnesses' official website, jw.org, includes multimedia elements that encourage critical thinking and discussion between the student and instructor. It also helps to make Bible study more relevant in the digital age.

"I appreciate the videos," said Rebekah Woodhams, a volunteer minister in Cedar City. "Those bring the whole lesson to life."

The digital version of Enjoy Life Forever! — An Interactive Bible Course contains quick-access links to scriptures and more than 200 videos. Printed copies are designed to be used with the app JW Library or jw.org to access the videos that make Bible study more approachable for



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everyone.

"Our approach is all about reaching people's hearts by engaging their minds. This is how people learn," said Robert Hendriks, U.S. spokesperson for Jehovah's Witnesses, who have been publishing Bible study aids for more than a century. "Although we've always been about the printed page, we've adapted our methods to meet

the needs of learners."

Carnegie Mellon University highlighted recent research findings on dynamic learning methods: "Engaging students through interactive activities, discussions, feedback and ... enhanced technologies resulted in improved academic performance compared to traditional lectures, lessons or readings."

Also available on jw.org are self-paced online Bible study lessons that cover the subjects: The Bible and its Author, the Bible's main characters and the Bible's message of hope. All content on the website is free, without requiring registration or subscription. For more information about how to get the most out of Bible reading and study, visit jw.org.

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"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

Escaping Reality

by L. Brent Jones

*There's are times in every day,
When the present is unaware.
When I disappear inside my mind,
To explore the caverns there.*

*Those archives of past experience,
Reflecting what I've done.
Preserving all the good and bad,
And the battles I have won.*

*They are self-directed daydreams,
With expectations revealed.
Some built on memories from
the past,
And some from hopes concealed.*

*They lay dormant 'til they're
called upon,
When I need to get away,
And I slip into my inner self,
Where sometimes I want to stay.*

*The world it seems so far away,
And my cares are put on hold.
When my visions of a happier time,
With a warmth that blocks out
the cold.*

*As my mind becomes my sanctuary,
I must force myself to leave.
For this time is for encouragement,
And it's only make-believe.*

*There are times when I'm a
prisoner,
Held captive by my thoughts.
When reality is just too rough,
And my goals are tied in knots.*

*That's when I have to shake myself,
To wake me from those dreams,
And live life in the present,
However hard it seems.*

*For growth comes from reality.
I must cope from day to day.
And when things get too tough
for me,
He helps me on my way.*

*So, instead of hiding in my mind,
I'll let the sunshine in.
Then my dreams become reality,
And all the battles I can win.*

Praise You in this Storm (Natalie Grant)

There are many verses found throughout the scriptures that emphasize the power of prayer and praise. Yet, even as you strive to pray always and raise your mind and heart in praise to the God who gives, it can seem like you are met more often with opposition and see only the God who takes away (Job 1:21).

While praying and praising are inspired instructions, there are many moments when those prayers are not on your knees and your praise is not embraced by immediate peace and prosperity. It can be difficult to pour out your heart to God when all around you the rains of conflict seek to constrict and counteract your conduit to your Creator.

Prayer's purpose is not so much a purchase, as an investment; the planting of a seed in faith (Parable of the Sower – Matthew 13). As you open the soil of your soul to the light and love of Christ you can plant your seeds of hope in the sunlight of the Son of God. As you water them with tears of faith, you will one day reap a harvest of happiness. Such planting

is not just proverbial, but powerful proof that you are relying on the Lord in all things (Proverbs 3:5-6).

That doesn't mean the power of prayer cannot produce immediate results (Psalm 46:1), or that because God doesn't appear, or appears to be silent that He is uncaring or unable to carry you through difficult downpours or disasters (Isaiah 41:10).

GOD'S playlist

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It's not because God is too busy, or you've been put on and left on hold, but because He has a greater purpose for your pain (2 Corinthians 4:17, 1 Peter 1:7). Sometimes you must learn to be patient and trust in the Lord, even when the sun is not shining and your prayers seem to be answered only with more rain.

Don't let doubt deceive you, or blame blind you to the truth that

God still reigns and loves you (Psalm 34:17-18). Be patient. Trust that He is with you always and all ways (Deuteronomy 31:8). Be strong and courageous. Know that no matter how much it rains, God still reigns and you are still His child (Psalm 121). He will not leave you or forsake you in your storm (Matthew 5:4, John 14:27, John 16:33).

And as God stays with you, may you continue to press forward, despite distractions, despair, doldrums and darkness. Improve your shining moments and trust God to do the rest, which includes helping you become your best, so that you can find rest in Him.

And also so that you may learn how to counsel and console others during their storms (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

Today, there may be a hurricane of adversity, despair and temptation with your name written on it. Nevertheless, there is also a Savior with your name written on His heart (Psalm 27:1). He still knows how to calm the storm and the sailor. (Matthew 8:23-27).

Biblical prophecy, prophets, and their praise – (Part 9)

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

We know from previous studies that Biblical prophets were very busy with their occupations as well as with their calling by God to chastise and guide His people while speaking forth what was to appear in the future. When we examine prophetic writings, we also find out that much of their declarations praised God through announcements of His glory such as His might, beauty, goodness, justice, and honor which God richly embodies. Prayerful statements by the prophets both male and female begin with calling upon God by acknowledging God's glory and then proceed to requests and petitions for His help.

Praise and thanksgiving are intimately connected to constant prayer as the prophets live in His continual presence. According to John Wesley, "Thanksgiving is inseparable from true prayer; it is almost essentially connected with it. One who always prays is ever giving praise, whether in ease or pain, both for prosperity and for the greatest adversity. The one who

always prays blesses God for all things, looks on all as coming from Him, and receives them for His sake—not choosing nor refusing, liking, or disliking anything, but only as it is agreeable or disagreeable to His perfect will."

The ancient prophets knew this as is shown in the use of the word praise 278 times in the Bible from Genesis (In the Beginning) to the last book of Revelation. Spanning thousands of years, the true prophets of God knew of the Goodness of God as He draws His people to Him, supports them in trials, and forewarns them of what is to come through prophetic declarations.

In Psalm 150, verses 1-2, "Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament! Praise Him for His mighty acts; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!" Throughout the Old and New Covenants, God is praised. Through prosperity as well as trial and tribulation, the Biblical prophets both male and female praise God. Should we not also do the same? How long has it been since you communicated with God through praise and thanksgiving in your ordinary routines and not just at holidays?

"Sing praise to the Lord, you sancti-

fied ones of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of Him and His holiness." (Psalm 30:4) From the beginning of the Book of Psalms to the end in Psalm 150, God is praised with His goodness and His greatness extolled, meaning to praise and exalt enthusiastically. Throughout the New Covenant from Matthew to Revelation, the writers and followers continue to praise God. How long has it been since you in silent contemplation praised God? Praise is a strong part of constant prayer so that God is always with us as we live in His continual presence. In fact, it has been said that prayer is not effective without praise being first and foremost integrated and integral to our prayer.

We should make prayer an important part of our lives. "For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding" (Psalm 47:7) The Triune God (Echad is the ancient Hebrew word in the Old Covenant referring to God as the One made up of more than one part) shows His love for humanity throughout the Bible. Read and study about God's love for you when you make Bible study, prayer, and thanksgiving an important part of your daily life as the ancient prophets did.

sports

SCORES + RECAPS FROM IRON COUNTY COMPETITION

Reds boys start hoops season with two wins

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

With the start of the new basketball season, the 35-second shot clock was introduced to the Cedar Reds. Once the opener against Maple Mountain was tipped off, the Reds had no trouble with its shooting and coasted to a win.

Landon Kreitzer led three players in

double figures with 19 points and Cedar drained 13 3-pointers on the way to a 74-65 victory over Maple Mountain on Nov. 22 in the game played at UVU in Orem. The Reds led 42-39 at the break, but outscored the Golden Eagles 17-9 in the third quarter to take control of the game and secure the win.

Kreitzer led Cedar with five 3-pointers while Boston Garrett

added 17 points with two treys and Ty Bronson added 14 to go along with two threes of his own.

Just over 24 hours later, Stockton Albrecht had 21 points to lead four players in double figures as Cedar built a 17-point halftime lead on the way to a 74-51 rout over the Wasatch Wasps on Nov. 23 to improve to 2-0 on the young season.

Kreitzer and Garrett added 14 points apiece in the win for the Reds, and Nate Rogers helped with 11 points. Cedar nearly doubled Wasatch in field goals made, 30-18.

The Reds will return to play Thursday, facing Sky View in the first of three games at the North vs. South Challenge. Tipoff is at 4:30 p.m. at Pine View High in St. George.

FALCONS SLIP PAST BEAVERS

by Tom Zulewski

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When asked about one of her younger players on the roster, Canyon View girls basketball coach Jaycee Barnhurst described Bethanee Vargas as “a kid that can make a .300 team a .500 team.”

In the regular-season opener, Vargas played a second half that proved her coach to be spot-on and accurate with the statement.

Scoring 11 of her team-high



Canyon View's Kamryn Brush takes the ball to the hoop as the Falcons outwitted the Beavers.

were hurting ourselves too much. We focused on spreading the floor, slowing down and getting the right look. Take more than 10 seconds off the (shot) clock.”

With the debut of the 35-second shot clock, it proved to be a challenge for the Falcons as they trailed the visiting Beavers 20-14 at the half. The lead never got any bigger than that thanks in large part to Barnhurst's half-time message that preached patience.

Vargas had eight points in the third quarter despite picking up her fourth foul and senior Jayda Gleave added two 3-pointers late in the period as CV took a 32-31 lead heading to the fourth.

“I had to play smart instead of aggressive,” Vargas said. “We worked as a team and made sure we helped each other when we needed help.”

The Falcons never trailed in the final eight minutes, and Vargas hit a key free throw with 10 seconds left that pushed the lead to three. The sophomore came up with a key steal and got fouled with 4.5 seconds left, but missed two free throws.

After a timeout, Gleave came up with a steal of her own that prevented Beaver from getting a possible look at a game-tying 3-pointer. For the game, the Falcons overcame a 3-of-13 effort from the free-throw line and made five 3-pointers – two coming from freshman Kambree Potter.

CV traveled to play at Hurricane on Tuesday in a game that was too late for press deadline. They will face Juab on the road Thursday in a 7 p.m. tipoff.



Canyon View

46


Beaver

43

Beaver 10 10 11 12 - 43
Canyon View 7 7 18 14 - 46

Beaver – Eyre 12, Brown 3, Ka. Carter 4, Alisa 14, Ke. Carter 4, Bradshaw 6. Totals 16 9-19 43. 3-pointers – Brown 1, Ka. Carter 1.

Canyon View – Nichols 8, Brush 8, Potter 6, Davie 2, Gleave 9, Vargas 13. Totals 19 3-13 46. 3-pointers – Nichols 1, Potter 2, Gleave 2.

13 points after halftime, Vargas lit a spark that carried the Falcons to a 46-43 victory over the Beaver Beavers at the Nest on Nov. 22. The sophomore started her work in the third quarter with a driving layup that gave CV its first lead of the game at 26-24 late in the third quarter.

“She plays hard defensively, frustrates kids she plays against, and does all the little things,” Barnhurst said. “We stressed at halftime with the addition of the shot clock; we

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SCOREBOARD

SCORES

Region 10 Boys Basketball

11/22

Cedar 74, Maple Mountain 65
Wasatch 65, Hurricane 57

11/23

Cedar 74, Wasatch 51

Region 12 Boys Basketball

11/21

San Juan 82, Grand 52

11/22

Carbon 74, North Sanpete 58

11/23

Emery 59, Providence Hall 45

Region 19 Boys Basketball

11/21

San Juan 82, Grand 52

11/22

Piute 67, Beaver 51

Region 10 Girls Basketball

11/22

Snow Canyon 71, Enterprise 25

Region 12 Girls Basketball

11/22

Canyon View 46, Beaver 43
Carbon 42, Orem 26
Grantsville 52, Richfield 50
Judge Memorial 60, Emery 50

Region 19 Girls Basketball

11/22

Canyon View 46, Beaver 43
Snow Canyon 71, Enterprise 25
Kanab 68, Panguitch 43
South Sevier 45, Millard 41

STANDINGS

Region 10 Boys Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Cedar	0-0	2-0
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	0-0
Desert Hills	0-0	0-0
Dixie	0-0	0-0
Pine View	0-0	0-0
Snow Canyon	0-0	0-0
Hurricane	0-0	0-1
Region 12 Boys Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Carbon	0-0	3-0
Emery	0-0	3-0
Canyon View	0-0	0-0
Richfield	0-0	0-0
Grand	0-0	0-2
Region 19 Boys Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Kanab	0-0	2-0
Parowan	0-0	1-0
San Juan	0-0	1-1
Enterprise	0-0	0-0
South Sevier	0-0	0-0
Beaver	0-0	0-1
Region 10 Girls Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Snow Canyon	0-0	1-0
Cedar	0-0	0-0
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	0-0
Desert Hills	0-0	0-0
Dixie	0-0	0-0
Hurricane	0-0	0-0
Pine View	0-0	0-0
Region 12 Girls Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Carbon	0-0	2-0
Canyon View	0-0	1-0
Emery	0-0	1-1
Richfield	0-0	1-1
Region 19 Girls Basketball		
	REGION	OVERALL
Kanab	0-0	2-0
South Sevier	0-0	1-0
Beaver	0-0	0-1
Enterprise	0-0	0-1
San Juan	0-0	0-1
Parowan	0-0	0-2

Butler free-throws sink Sacramento State in 2OT

by Jason Marsteller

SUU ATHLETICS STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION

LAIE, Hawaii—The Southern Utah men’s basketball program outlasted former Big Sky foe Sacramento State, 91-87, in double overtime as a bevy of free throws by senior guard Harrison Butler iced the game down the stretch on Saturday, Nov. 26 in Laie, Hawaii. SUU improved to 4-3 with the triumph, while Sacramento State fell to 3-4 in a contest that featured 12 ties and 12 lead changes. Southern Utah dominated the paint to the tune of a 56-34 advantage against the Hornets. SUU also held off a scrappy Sacramento State squad on the glass, winning the rebounding war, 40-37. SUU held a slight advantage in shooting, bettering the Hornets 48 percent to 45 percent from the field. The ‘Birds also edged Sacramento State from the line, 77 percent to 73 percent.



SUU's Harrison Butler was instrumental in the Thunderbirds' victory over the Hornets.

Senior guard Tevian Jones led all scorers with 24 points, moving his career total to 1,041 along with his tally at SUU to 944. That’s the third consecutive overtime win for

the Thunderbird program. Previously, SUU downed Yale, 88-85, in overtime on Nov. 23, 2021, while also pouncing on Portland State, 85-82, in overtime on Jan. 27, 2022.

Stay up to date during the 2022-23 Southern Utah Men’s Basketball season by following @SUUBasketball on Twitter and Instagram and by liking the Southern Utah Basketball page on Facebook.

Thunderbirds come up short against Gauchos in triple overtime thriller

by Seth Whitehouse

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SUU's Megan Jensen prepares to drive past her Gauchos defender in a tough loss for the Lady T-Birds.

CEDAR CITY — The Southern Utah University women's basketball team fell to UC Santa Barbara 102-96 in a triple-overtime slugfest Saturday night at the America First Event Center. The loss moves the Thunderbirds to 2-4 on the year. Southern Utah played efficiently offensively, edging out the Gauchos in field goal percentage shooting 45.9 percent from the field compared to UCSB's 40 percent while pummeling them from a three-point range shooting 42.9 percent to 26.1. The Thunderbirds also racked up 20 assists, while the Gauchos only had 12. In a fiery physical matchup, the Thunderbirds got off to a rocky start falling behind 9-2 in the opening minutes, but a series of Cherita Daugherty trips to the free-throw line and a deep circus shot three-pointer from Daylani Ballena cut the lead to 13-10 at the end of the first quarter. In triple overtime, Southern Utah held the game close, but it wasn't enough in the end, as UCSB walked away with the 102-96 victory.

Thunderbirds bury Bearkats in final game, 17-7

by **Regan Hunsaker**

ASSISTANT AD, SUU SPORTS INFORMATION

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — The Southern Utah football team buried the Bearkats, 17-7, on the road at Sam Houston State on Saturday, Nov. 19 at Bowers Stadium. With the victory, SUU improved to 5-6 overall and 1-3 in Western Athletic Conference play.

Southern Utah's defiant defense stepped up for the second straight week causing three turnovers and forcing the Bearkats to turn the ball over on downs six times. The T-Birds held Sam Houston to just 4-16 on third down as well. Southern Utah opted for a bend don't break mentality allowing 349 yards of total offense but only one touchdown.

Junior wide receiver Isaiah Wooden led the Thunderbirds on offense with 99 yards on the ground and 33 yards receiving. Graduate student running back Elijah Burns found the endzone on the ground while junior quarterback Justin Miller

The SUU Thunderbirds celebrate a final victory during the sunset of their season.



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hooked up with sophomore tight end Mata'ava Ta'ase through the air for a score. Miller finished the game 13-30 for 154 yards through the air. Wide receiver Brennon Hutchings had three

receptions for 41 yards to lead the team in his final game as a T-Bird.

Graduate student defensive end Zach Strand led the charge for SUU's defensive effort. Strand notched six

total tackles and two huge sacks. Sophomore defensive back Davin Wilson and junior defensive back Rodrick Ward each gathered interceptions in the second half of the game. Graduate student defensive back Mitchell Price picked up six tackles and freshman linebacker Kohner Cullimore added six stops of his own including a forced fumble.

Redshirt junior defensive back Rodrick Ward and redshirt sophomore Davin Wilson each came up with big interceptions in the first part of the fourth quarter. The 'Bird defense would continue to be the story of the game as the Thunderbirds held on for the 17-7 win.

The Thunderbirds take this win into the offseason finishing with a 5-6 record overall. The first season under Southern Utah head coach DeLane Fitzgerald has been a turnaround for the Thunderbirds and the program will continue to grow and get better as the players and staff turn their focus to offseason growth.

SUU MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER PROFILE: JASON SPURGIN

by **Trevor Marbut**

ASST. DIRECTOR, SUU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATION

After only appearing in 14 games throughout his freshman season in 2020-21, Jason Spurgin arguably made the biggest improvement in his game of any player on the SUU roster last year, becoming a consistent presence for the Southern Utah University men's basketball team and making a massive leap in his production on the court for the Thunderbirds.

Spurgin was originally born in England and has lived in Tanzania and South Africa throughout his life; but he spent most of his youth living in Toowoomba, Australia.

When Spurgin reached high school age, he signed on with an Australian talent agency, hoping to get noticed by college programs in America. After receiving limited interest, Spurgin's family was able to get in touch with one of their family friends who had a son playing at Mater Dei High School and had been receiving significant interest from Division I programs. Through their family friend, Spurgin managed to get into contact with fellow SUU player Harrison Butler, and eventually word of Spurgin reached Southern Utah coaching staff.

After seeing some film of Spurgin, the Thunderbirds brought him over from Australia for a visit and just a few days later, Spurgin committed to play college basketball for Southern Utah.

During his freshman season, he appeared in 14 contests throughout the year, scoring a season high four points against St. Katherine.

The 6-11 center made a massive leap in both playing time and production from his freshman to sophomore year, as Spurgin became a force to be reckoned with in the paint and a critical piece of Southern Utah's success.

This past season, Spurgin appeared in all 35 games for the Thunderbirds, amassing season averages of 8.2 points, 5.2 rebounds, and a team-high .83 blocks per game. Spurgin scored a career-high 22 points on 8-9 shooting against Northern Colorado (2/14/22)

and pulled down a career-high 16 rebounds in SUU's Third Round victory in The Basketball Classic against Portland (4/26/22).

Spurgin credited a number of factors to the massive improvement in his production, but one of the things he specifically mentioned was how former SUU basketball player Ivan Madunic mentored him

and helped with his development.

"Obviously, I didn't play a ton my freshman year, because Ivan was a really good player; but I learned a ton from him that season. I talked to him a lot, and we had some great conversations about the game of basketball. He really emphasized to me how important the summers are and how to use them as a building block for the next year. So, the summer after my freshman year, I was here working out twice a day in the weight room and once a day on the court, just grinding to become the best player I could be. I saw my skill level increase exponentially, and having the coaches here supporting me the whole time really helped me step into the role of filling Ivan's shoes. The coaches here really gave me the opportunity to succeed and continue to improve, and I took it in stride and just kept going with it."

Spurgin is excited for the upcoming season for a number of different reasons, but what he is most excited for is the opportunity to play with a new group of players combined with some strong returners from last year's team.

"This year, we have a ton of new transfers, and I think the most exciting part is figuring them out in a game situation and understanding how to play with them and how we are going to need to play as a team to succeed. I'm really excited for that challenge and for this group to really come together."

Spurgin thinks that the sky's the limit this season if the group is able to come together and develop strong chemistry on the court.

"We have a lot of seniors this year, and they all came here to win, so our goal is to win the WAC Regular Season Championship and Conference Tournament Title and make it to the NCAA Tournament. We've been regular season winners, but we want to make that jump to winning not only the regular season title, but also the conference tournament."

Spurgin has also set some lofty standards and goals



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TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

With the 2022 World Cup in full swing, this week's dozen looks at highlights from the history of the game played on the pitch. Watch your head, keep pushing forward, and please remember...no wagering!

1. The 2018 World Cup final saw France beat Croatia, 4-2. In which capital city was that championship match held?

A. Bucharest
B. Moscow
C. Prague
D. Brussels

2. Italy is tied with Germany with four World Cups and won its most recent championship in 2006. How was the final match decided?

A. On penalty kicks
B. In regulation
C. In the first overtime
D. In the second overtime

3. The United States has hosted the men's World Cup once. In what year did it take place?

A. 1990
B. 1994
C. 1998
D. 2002

4. In a follow-up to the previous question, which U.S. venue hosted the championship match (the women's World Cup final was played in the same place five years later)?

A. MetLife Stadium
B. Soldier Field
C. Rose Bowl
D. L.A. Coliseum

5. Which country has won the most men's World Cup titles with five?

A. England
B. Argentina
C. Czech Republic
D. Brazil

6. Which country has had the most runner-up finishes at the men's World Cup?

A. Netherlands
B. Germany
C. Argentina
D. Czech Republic

7. What is the name of the award that honors the best goalkeeper at the World Cup?

A. Golden Glove
B. Golden Ball
C. Golden Shoe
D. Golden Microphone

8. Who has scored the most career goals at the World Cup with 16?

A. Pele
B. Ronaldo
C. Miroslav Klose
D. Jurgen Klinsmann

9. Which nation was the last host country to win the World Cup?

A. (West) Germany
B. France
C. England
D. Spain

10. The U.S. men's team finished third in the first World Cup that was played in 1930. Which country was the host?

A. South Africa
B. Uruguay
C. Switzerland
D. Chile

11. Belgium's best World Cup finish came in 2018 when it finished third. Which country did Belgium beat in the third-place match – a team that lost to the eventual runner-up?

A. England
B. Croatia
C. Sweden
D. Mexico

12. In the 2010 World Cup, four different players tied for most goals in the tournament with five. Which one was part of the championship team?

A. Thomas Muller (Germany)
B. Wesley Sneijder (Netherlands)
C. David Villa (Spain)
D. Diego Forlan (Uruguay)

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. A: Philadelphia
2. B: Egg Bowl
3. B: Sunshine Showdown
4. C: Kick Six
5. C: Apple Cup
6. D: Stanford-Cal
7. B: Five games. Arizona's last win came at home in Tucson in 2016.
8. D: Four. The Wolverines beat the Buckeyes in 2000, 2003, 2011 and 2021.
9. A: ACC
10. B: Manhattan
11. B: Two. The Yellowjackets beat the Bulldogs in 2014 and 2016, both in Athens.
12. C: Old Oaken Bucket

Early returns good for shot clock

As I settled in to the Canyon View girls basketball season opener last week, I was intrigued on a number of levels that didn't have anything to do with head coach Jaycee Barnhurst and her bid to improve to 4-2 in opening-night efforts. I had one number on my mind, and that was 35. Utah has officially become the 13th state in the country to use a 35-second shot clock for varsity high-school games, and the reviews are positive so far.

There were some basic concerns. Would the shot clock be run accurately? Would teams handle their possessions effectively and not allow the clock to expire before getting a shot toward the basket?

The answer to both of these questions was, "Yes."

In one instance during CV's game against Beaver, officials briefly stopped play to ask the scorer's table to put the shot clock at 31 seconds instead of 35. It didn't take long to fix, and it was the only hiccup on the night.

We found out afterwards that the shot and game clocks at CV aren't able to run simultaneously due to technical issues. Even with that, it was a good night for the shot clock's debut.

As for the players and game play on the floor, there were no 35-second violations called, and the only one that came remotely

close was a third-quarter jumper by the Falcons' Kamryn Brush that landed in the net as the shot clock buzzer sounded.

When asked about it following a 46-43 Falcons victory, Barnhurst said her team was trying a little too hard to get shots up toward the rim in the first half. It showed as CV went to the locker room at halftime trailing the visiting Beavers, 20-14.

When the second half began,

RANDOM thoughts

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the team adjusted, Bethanee Vargas went to work, and the Falcons came away with a season-opening win.

Going forward, it will be interesting to see if we get things like a shot that comes within an eyelash of beating the buzzer and if it requires extra time for the officials working the game to confer one way or the other. If we're in those situations during close games, it only adds to the pressure without video replay available to help make the right call.

Across town, it seems the Cedar boys won't be having too many issues with the arrival of the shot clock. The Reds came away

with a pair of impressive wins at UVU last week, beating Maple Mountain and Wasatch while scoring 74 points in each.

The first draft of consideration for the next two-year realignment was announced by the UHSAA on Nov. 17, and the days of two 4A regions are likely coming to an end.

The draft, which is available on the UHSAA web site, showed the number of 4A schools in the next realignment will be nearly doubled from 13 to 25, and 3A will have 21 schools in the mix, including Canyon View.

The next step of the process comes up Dec. 8 when the UHSAA Board of Trustees will meet to determine final consideration of classification. After that, a public hearing will be held Dec. 14 to get feedback from schools and school districts in preparation for placement into regions.

Final placement of schools into regions will happen Dec. 15 and the first games with the next realignment will be played next fall.

With the influx of new schools coming to 4A, it's going to be worth seeing how the competitive balance will change. More details coming soon.

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for himself this season, as he thinks his Junior year has the potential to be a serious breakthrough season for him.

"I want to prove that I am a force to be reckoned with. I know that last year in the Big Sky, not many people had me on their scouting reports, and I want to become one of the guys that other teams have to constantly worry about. Another goal that I really want to achieve is to be the Defensive Player of the Year in the conference. I've set the expectation for myself that I need to be a great defensive player. Coach always talks about how we have to play great defense to win, and I want to do everything I can to help this team win, so I've really worked on my defense."

Spurgin put a strong emphasis on how much of an impact the Southern Utah basketball program and school as a whole have had on him during his two years here thus far.

"I wouldn't be the player I am right now without the coaches here. As a player, without the opportunities I've received from this coaching staff, I don't even know if I would be in America playing college basketball, so I'm always going to be incredibly appreciative of them. From a character standpoint, I've grown a ton since I've gotten here. I was actually pretty shy when I first arrived here, and coming to a new country and having to do new things here that are out of my comfort zone have really helped me grow and blossom as a person, and this has helped shape my personality."

Spurgin has really enjoyed his time in Cedar City so far, and there are many reasons why he loves living here; but he stated that if he had to pick a favorite aspect, it would be the community.

"Everyone here is really nice and happy. When I first came to America and I was in the airports, everyone was always distracted on their phones and nobody looked up at you. In Australia, if you are walking down the street, people will just talk

to you and start a conversation, and I think the community in Cedar City is very similar to that. Everyone is really friendly and seems to have a smile on their face, so I enjoy that quite a lot."

In his free time, Spurgin enjoys playing beach volleyball, hitting golf balls as far as he can, and relaxing and hanging out with friends.

Spurgin is currently majoring in exercise science, and he has aspirations of playing professional basketball upon graduation from Southern Utah; but he emphasized that he will finish his degree before he goes anywhere, because he promised his parents he would earn his degree. Down the road, Spurgin hopes to be involved with basketball in any way he can, whether that's as a coach, a strength coach, or a trainer.

For now, Spurgin is focused on doing everything he can to help the Southern Utah men's basketball team have the best possible season this year, as he seeks to continue his impressive development and become an impact player for the Thunderbirds night in and night out.

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Look through the newspaper and find a headline that interests you. Read the headline and look at any photos that accompany the article. With your learning buddy, discuss what you think the article will be about. Make a list of information you both expect to find in the article:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

PART 2:

Now read the article together. Which of your predictions were accurate? Which were not? List five facts you learned from the article:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Identify main idea and supporting details in expository text; make and check predictions.

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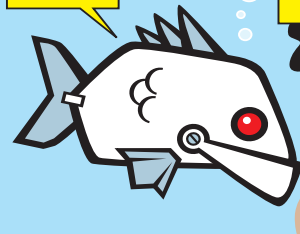
Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word GOALS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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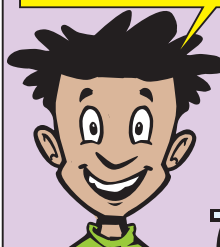
**Write On!**

Money Problems

Write a word problem using money.
For example: If Tom has \$2 and Annie has \$4, how much money do they have altogether?

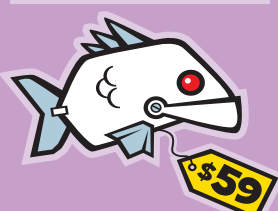
HELLO, JASON!Wow! I would *really* like to be able to buy that talking pet robot fish!*Psssst!*
Hey, Jason. I know how you could get that!**L
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E
R**

Wendy gave me a great idea! It really worked!

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How Jason Got the Robot Fish

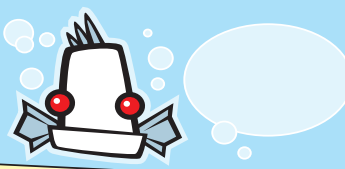
I got the pet robot fish by first setting a **goal** to save the money to buy it. The fish costs \$59!



That seemed like an enormous amount of money, but Wendy suggested I think of the \$59 as a series of *smaller goals*.



So I made a goal to save \$10. After I did that, I made the goal to save \$10 again.

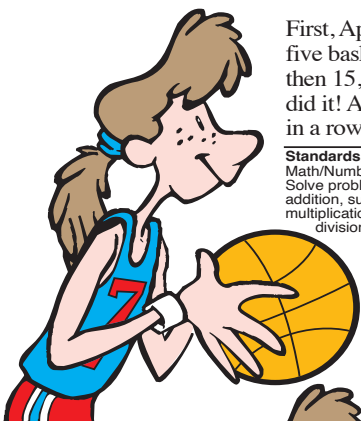
**HOW MANY TIMES DID JASON HAVE TO SAVE \$10 TO GET THE \$59 HE NEEDED TO BUY THE TALKING PET ROBOT FISH?**

I worked hard for my money. Put a check in the box next to each job that I did. If you checked the right boxes, they add up to exactly \$10.

- | | |
|---|-----|
| ☐ Mowed the lawn | \$3 |
| ☐ Made my bed (mom expects me to do that every morning!) | \$0 |
| ☐ Walked the dog | \$2 |
| ☐ Took out the trash one night | \$1 |
| ☐ Did the dinner dishes five nights | \$5 |

My Basketball Goal

April wanted to be able to sink 25 baskets in a row. At first she could only sink about three in a row. Twenty-five was a big goal, but breaking it into smaller goals saved the day.



First, April set the goal of sinking five baskets in a row. Then 10, then 15, then 20 and finally—she did it! April sank 25 baskets in a row!

Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Solve problems using addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

How many differences can you find between these two pictures of April?

Standards Link: Research: Find the differences between common objects.



You Can Do It!

What is a big goal you would like to achieve? Is it saving money, improving how well you play a sport or completing a big homework project?

My Goal: _____

Break your goal into smaller goals:**First:** _____**Second:** _____**Third:** _____**Fourth:** _____**Goal!**

Standards Link: Writing Applications:

Write brief expository responses to a prompt; main idea and details.

Extra! Extra!

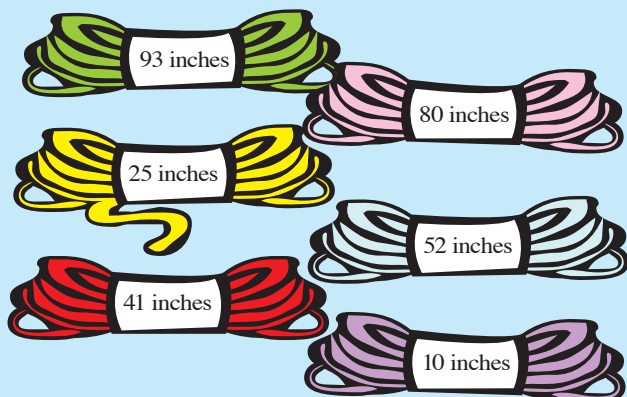
Newspaper Search for a Successful Person

Find an article from the newspaper about a person you believe has achieved success. It might be an athlete, actor, businessperson or community volunteer. Write the name of the person and the success that he or she is recognized for. List the things you think that person had to do to succeed.

Standards Link: Civics: Identify examples of civic responsibility.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

George is knitting a scarf. He needs four more yards of yarn. Help him find three skeins of yarn that equal exactly four yards of yarn.



Standards Link: Measurement: Calculate inches to yards.

Double Double Word Search

BASKETBALL
VOLUNTEER
GOAL
PROJECT
MONEY
TRASH
CHECK
ACHIEVE
SMALLER
SUCCEED
RENT
YARN
SCARF
FACTORS
SAVE

Find the words in the puzzle.
How many of them can you find on this page?

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K	Y	A	R	N	N	C	A	R	L
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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