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Southern Utah University Mountain Center Plaque Unveiling

STORY IN NEWS



Lee Introduces the Restraining Judicial Insurrectionists Act of 2025

Bill would stop blanket injunctions from sabotaging President Trump's legitimate constitutional authority as Commander in Chief

from Colby Walker

OFFICE OF SENATOR MIKE LEE

WASHINGTON –

Senator Mike Lee (R-UT) today introduced the

Restraining Judicial Insurrectionists Act of 2025, which establishes a three-judge panel to swiftly review injunctions or declaratory relief against the President of the United States and the Executive Branch, with quick appeal to the Supreme Court. This legislation comes in the wake of several decisions by district court judges usurping the role of the Chief Executive from President Donald Trump and attempting to thwart the will of the American people who elected him.

“America’s government cannot function if the legitimate orders of our Commander in Chief can be overridden at the whim of a single district court judge,” said Senator Lee. “They have presumed to run the military, the civil service,

foreign aid, and HR departments across the Executive Branch—blatantly unconstitutional overreach. This legislation will create a judicial panel to expedite Supreme Court review of these blanket injunctions, preventing unelected radicals in robes from sabotaging the separation of powers.”

BACKGROUND ON THE RESTRAINING JUDICIAL INSURRECTIONISTS ACT OF 2025

- The bill amends 28 USC 2284 to state that any action commenced against the executive seeking injunctive or declaratory relief against the Executive will go to a three-judge district court.
- Next, it requires that upon filing any covered

action, the district judge who received the complaint and/or motion for preliminary injunction will refer the matter to the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice will then be required to select three judges in active service to preside over the case.

- Additionally, the bill requires that a majority of the judges must agree to issue any form of relief, preliminary or permanent.
- Finally, because this is a three-judge district court, all orders are directly appealable to the Supreme Court without discretion—so they must take up the case.

Readers can find the complete bill text in this article published on ironcountytoday.com.

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Utah Gov. Cox signs away the state's popular universal vote-by-mail election system, requiring opting in

“Amendments to Election Law,” or HB300, has been criticized as a policy change that will make it more difficult for some communities to vote.

by Emily Anderson Stern

THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Tucked in the middle of a list of 100 bills Gov. Spencer Cox signed Thursday was “Amendments to Election Law,” or HB300 — the law that is set to end Utah’s popular universal vote-by-mail election system, forcing voters to opt in before 2029 to receive and send a ballot through the mail.

The governor did not include a comment on his decision to sign the bill in the news release, as he has for some other bills.

An initial version of the bill would have effectively eliminated Utahns’ option to vote via the postal

service altogether, but the version Cox ultimately signed allows voters to opt in to participating in elections through the mail. Utahns must opt in before 2029, when counties will stop sending ballots to every voter’s mailbox.

The compromise came after widespread opposition among the elected officials who oversee the state’s elections, as well as skepticism from the Senate over cutting off access to voting by mail.

Voters may ask to receive ballots in the mail when they apply for or renew their ID or driver license, or when they vote in person. Utahns will also be able to make that

selection online. Once the voter requests to participate in elections by mail, a ballot should show up in their mailbox for eight years unless they fail to vote in a regular election.

The law also starts Utah on the path of transitioning toward relying on the last four digits of a state ID number — or, if they don’t have one, the last four digits of their Social Security number — rather than the voter’s signature to verify a mail-in ballot.

It also moves up the deadline for returning a ballot, requiring voters to ensure that county clerks receive

St. George Man Arrested in Cedar City Burglary Spree

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A St. George man on felony probation was arrested in connection with a series of burglaries in Cedar City, including break-ins at a restaurant, smoothie shop, and pawn store, authorities said.

Jayme Lynn Patterson, 47, faces multiple felony and misdemeanor charges for burglary, theft, and property damage following three separate incidents this month.

According to court documents filed in 5th District Court, investigators said Patterson stole safes, cash, and electronics, causing thousands of dollars in damages.

The first burglary occurred on March 3 at an IHOP restaurant, where surveillance footage allegedly showed

Patterson smashing the front glass door and taking a safe containing \$500 in cash and the restaurant's keys. The damage, including repairs and rekeying, totaled over \$1,000. Patterson's girlfriend later identified him from the surveillance video, telling investigators, "I don't even need my glasses to tell you that is him," the affidavit stated.

On March 14, officers responded to a break-in at Pawn Plus, where the front glass door was shattered. Security footage captured a masked suspect grabbing laptops and two pellet rifles before fleeing. The rifles were later found abandoned on the side of Interstate 15. Police said items from the pawn shop were recovered during a search of Patterson's apartment.

The most recent

incident occurred on March 24 at Tropical Smoothie, where a safe and cash registers were stolen. Surveillance footage showed a light-colored sedan at the scene, which officers traced to Patterson using newly implemented Flock Safety cameras. The cameras captured Patterson's vehicle, a 2002 Mercury Grand Marquis, driving near the smoothie shop just after the break-in.

A damaged safe with a hole cut into it was later found near Interstate 15, along with a Tropical Smoothie gift certificate and deposit bag. Officers estimated losses at over \$1,400 in cash and \$2,000 in damages.

During a search of Patterson's vehicle, officers located tools commonly used for burglary, including a spring-loaded center

punch, crowbars, and a cordless grinder. Detectives also found large amounts of money and clothing matching the description from the surveillance videos.

"There was a large black coat that had pieces of broken glass and a 'Cardinals' baseball hat that appeared to match what the suspect was wearing in the surveillance video," the affidavit stated. "There were also scratches going vertically up the rear bumper into the trunk, consistent with having to lift a heavy object into it."

Patterson declined to speak with investigators. Court records indicate he was on felony probation for a previous burglary conviction at the time of his arrest. He is being held without bail at the Iron County Jail.

UTAH GOV. COX

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mailed ballots before 8 p.m. Election Day — likely resulting in fewer ballots being counted. Previously, all ballots postmarked by the day before Election Day were counted.

The bill has been criticized by Democrats and voting rights advocates as a policy change that will make it more difficult for marginalized communities — especially Native Americans and those with disabilities — to vote.

In a news conference on the final night of this year's legislative session, Cox called the bill "brilliant."

"Lots of people wrongly believe that we have mass fraud in our elections, and it's just not true, but we need to restore trust to them as well," Cox, a Republican, said.

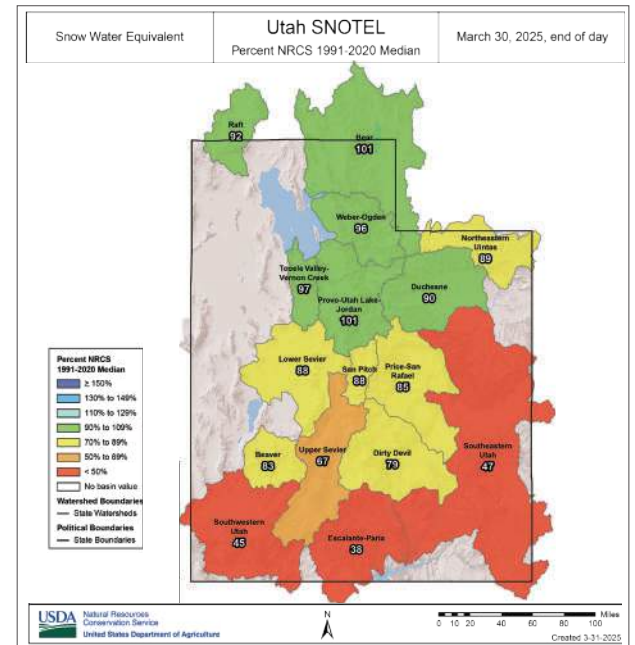
House Speaker Mike Schultz also championed the bill as a way to restore trust in Utah's elections.

A 2024 poll by the Utah-based conservative think tank Sutherland Institute found that most Utahns do trust the state's elections, with 87% saying they are "very confident" or "somewhat confident" in ballot

count accuracy.

Utah was one of eight states, the majority of which are in the expansive American West, that mails ballots to all active, registered voters. While Utah is the only solid red state of the bunch, it is also joined by Nevada, a swing state Trump won in November that is currently led by a Republican governor.

After last year's primary elections, The Tribune found that among the 26 counties that provided voting method data, 96.7% of Utahns who voted used the ballot sent to their mailbox.



IRON COUNTY FORECAST

WE WILL WRAP UP THE WORK WEEK WITH SCATTERED SNOW SHOWERS AND COOLER TEMPERATURES.

THE WEEKEND INTO NEXT WEEK WILL BRING THE RETURN OF WARMER WEATHER AND SUNSHINE.

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THURSDAY

Snow Showers
46°/22°

PRECIP: 40%
WINDS: NW 10-20

FRIDAY

Rain/Snow
50°/22°

PRECIP: 30%
WINDS: N 10-15

SATURDAY

Partly Cloudy
53°/27°

PRECIP: 20%
WINDS: NE 5-10

SUNDAY

Mostly Sunny
58°/26°

PRECIP: 0%
WINDS: W 5-10

MONDAY

Mostly Sunny
64°/28°

PRECIP: 0%
WINDS: W 5-10

TUESDAY

Partly Cloudy
67°/34°

PRECIP: 10%
WINDS: N 5-10

WEDNESDAY

Mostly Sunny
67°/37°

PRECIP: 50%
WINDS: W 5-10

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opinion

FROM THE EDITOR



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COPY EDITOR

As we step further into April, our quote of the week (found to the right of this page) from Shakespeare feels especially fitting.

The world around us is waking up—flowers bloom, trees regain

their greenery, and there's a renewed energy in the air. April is a month of transformation and vitality, much like the youthful spirit Shakespeare so often captured in his works. Shakespeare had a remarkable ability to observe the patterns of nature and human nature alike. He saw the seasons as reflections of life itself—spring as a time of fresh beginnings. Just as April revives the earth after winter, we, too, feel a sense of rejuvenation this time of year.

Beyond April's youthful energy, Shakespeare's wisdom applies to so many aspects of life. His words remind us of the beauty of love ("Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none"), the value of time ("Better three hours too soon than a minute too late"), and the importance of perseverance ("Strong reasons make strong actions"). Even centuries later, his insights continue to resonate, offering guidance in both joyful and challenging times.

So, as April unfolds, let's embrace its youthful spirit. Take a walk, start a new project, reconnect with old friends, or simply pause to appreciate the beauty of this fleeting season. As Shakespeare also wrote, "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin."

Readers, don't forget to check out our Easter Coloring Book Contest! If you missed the pullout in last week's paper, don't worry. You can find all coloring book pages on the banner of the Iron County Today website. Go to ironcountytoday.com to find the coloring pages and prizes up for grabs from our amazing local businesses! Complete pages must be turned in to the businesses by Monday, April 21!

WORD OF THE WEEK

SARTORIAL

[sar-to-ri-al]
adjective

Relating to tailoring, clothes, or style of dress

NATIONAL SECURITY
TEAM RECEIVES NEW
GOVERNMENT-ISSUED
PHONES...



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The letter to the editor on March 20 was correct in that Trump and Vance weren't elected solely because folks didn't want to vote for a woman, but the rest is repeated word for word from Trump's rallies. For those not quite so willing to take a known exaggerator's and embellisher's comments at face value, Glenn Kessler's fact-checking columns in the Washington Post can provide some perspective. Kessler is a journalist and is therefore held to much higher standards than commentators or social media influencers. Moreover, his sources are provided so you can check them yourselves. What follows are not my opinions. All are proven and documented by legitimate professionals. I haven't space to list them here, but they are not hard to find.

- Trump's immigration and crime numbers are false, according to reports from border officials and law enforcement.
- Far from doling out money to "corrupt" governments, USAID provided invaluable "soft power" to the U.S. Examples of waste and fraud described by the administration are either flat-out false or demonstrate a complete misunderstanding of complex situations. Freezing aid has destroyed our reputation as a reliable, trustworthy ally. Elon Musk prances around crowing and waving a chain saw while blocking distribution of food to starving children. Far from restoring respect for the U.S., Trump has again demolished it and once again proven himself to be glaringly and humiliatingly incompetent.
- Top economists have determined that any inflationary role Biden's policies played during his presidency would have been

temporary and that complex supply-chain problems during and just after the pandemic were the major causes of the WORLD-WIDE inflation that actually occurred. Trump would have faced the same thing had he been elected in 2020.

- Kamala Harris was never "border czar." Her job was to study root causes of increased immigration, not to police the border.
- Trump was prosecuted because he **BROKE THE LAW**. Extensive investigations proved that Biden was NOT involved any of that. Trump learned his shady methods of doing business early on and mistakenly believes they can be applied to governing. The results are becoming only too clear.
- In true Orwellian manner the GOP is claiming that fact-checking and disproving conspiracy theories is censorship while simultaneously working to silence Trump's critics. That's true "media corruption."

Speaking of censorship, check out Trump's newest proclamation ordering removal of material from the Smithsonian describing "improper" ideologies, regardless of accuracy or historical relevance. Does anybody still doubt that his ambition is dictatorship?

Respectfully,
Leigh Washburn

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"April hath put a spirit of youth in everything."

- William Shakespeare

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opinion

Women and the Divine

PART IV

by Edy Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

At dawn one morning, Jesus went to the temple to teach. The people gathered round, ready to be taught, but the Pharisees rushed up, bringing a woman with them. "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" (John 8:4-5) Jesus knew the hearts of these men and knew that a man had also been taken in adultery but was not being accused. Jesus didn't let the Pharisees confuse him but with mercy and knowledge Jesus spoke words that have echoed throughout the minds of people of conscience ever since. "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her". (John 8:7). Jesus spoke with the wisdom of the ages and spoke for and about women that patriarchal societies throughout history have ignored. Then after the crowd began to leave, Jesus asked the woman, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" (John 8:10) "No one, sir" she replied. "Then neither do I condemn you. Go now and leave your life of sin." (John 8:11). As the Bible reiterates time and time again, women are not less than men but are coequals. Many societies throughout the history of the world have been patriarchal and dominated by men; even today this is a problem, especially in sex-trafficking. We should pray that this practice stops and donate time and money to stop sex-trafficking.

One woman who refused to be caught in the crosshairs of sexism and misogyny (the hatred of women and girls) is Dr. Pamela Prince Pyle who has spent more than thirty years caring for people both in the United States and Rwanda. Rwanda suffered from a genocide against the Tutsi from April 7 to 19th, 1994, when thousands were systematically killed by Hulu militias. We shudder when thinking that such a massacre happened, but we need to remember that God looks at our hearts. What do our hearts and our actions reveal to God about us? Do we see the divine in others? Dr. Pyle who is a board-certified internal medicine physician has spent her life chairing Africa New Life Ministries and providing care to the needy. In doing so, she has also been privileged to see the sick and dying make their transition to the next life after the death of the

body. She has written a book titled "Anticipating Heaven: Spiritual Comfort and Practical Wisdom for Life's Final Chapters" which is a guide for people battling terminal diagnoses when it is normal for patients to feel fear. She also shares her own experience when her husband was lying on his deathbed after a terrible accident. At that time, she shares that "Jesus saved my husband". Prior to his accident, her husband was not a believer in the Jewish Messiah Jesus. When her husband woke up, he told her how he had a "divine" experience with Jesus who saved him spiritually and physically. Dr. Pyle was not a believer at that time, but two years later her husband led her to faith in Jesus; she states, "We know that, medically, that area of the human brain that receives the sense of hearing is still active even while dying," stating that Jesus can still reach the dying. "The most beautiful experience was a friend who was unconscious in the two days prior to his death and then he sat up with unbelievable strength, clapping his hands above his head saying 'Jesus, Jesus, Jesus' after which he died." Dr. Pyle's experience with the dying provides countless evidence that the dying who receive Jesus experience supernatural peace as a light comes through their eyes as they are being escorted to Jesus. She says that we should never give up hope for others. The Biblical definition of hope is "the sure and confident expectation of receiving what God has promised us in the future"—not a faint or obscure wish but "an anchor for the soul, firm and secure". (Hebrews 6:19) In the Bible, hope is a virtuous quality because it is always trusting in God's faithfulness and presence no matter the circumstances, whether good or bad (Psalm 71:5).

The apostle Paul was in prison in Rome with his fellow apostles, Junia and her husband Andronicus. Paul states in 1 Corinthians 13:13, "And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." Love is a selfless, sacrificial, and unconditional commitment to the well-being of others as we reflect the divine nature of God's love. Love is patient, love is kind. Women can bring grace as well as activism to our communities. Let's cultivate the womanly attributes as well as stubborn compassion as we study women's history all year, and not just in March during Women's History Month.



Corporal Patrick McCoy and K9 Badger

Iron County K-9 Team Earns 5th Place in National Narcotics Detection Trials

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Iron County Sheriff's Office K-9 team placed 5th in two categories at the 33rd annual Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department K-9 Trials, marking a significant achievement for the agency.

Corporal Eric Rohmann and his K-9 partner, Voyak, earned 5th place in vehicle and overall narcotics detection, competing against 53 other teams from the Western United States.

"We went down there just wanting to see where we stood," Rohmann said. "I wasn't expecting to place, but it really speaks volumes about our program and the training we do here in Iron County."

The trials, held at the South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, brought together law enforcement K-9 teams from across the country to test their skills in a variety of categories. Competitions included

narcotics and explosives detection, suspect apprehension, obedience, and agility courses.

The event is hosted by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and aims to foster camaraderie among agencies while providing an opportunity to showcase the dogs' abilities.

"These trials really highlight the dedication and hard work that goes into K-9 training," Lt. Shawn Peterson said. "It's a chance to see how we measure up against other agencies and learn from each other."

For the Iron County Sheriff's Office, the decision to participate followed encouragement from the Cedar City Police Department, whose handlers have attended the trials in previous years. The two agencies, along with other local departments, conduct joint training sessions every week.

"Our agencies train

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IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

Cedar City Council

from Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Pastor Thrower introduced himself. Originally from Alabama, he moved with two families to start a church, currently meeting in a theater while seeking a permanent space. He emphasized community involvement and past engagement with city council candidates.

Police Chief Adams reported a successful burglary investigation. The Flock system helped identify a St. George suspect linked to multiple break-ins, leading to his arrest on felony charges.

They debated road improvements for the 4B Ranch Phase Five development along Westview Drive, navigating challenges between city staff and the developer.

The developer resisted immediate upgrades, citing potential waste and future reconstruction needs. Concerns included geographical constraints, drainage, and the necessity of sidewalks. While the developer opposed sidewalks due to the area's undeveloped state, the council highlighted future needs, including a school and fire station.

After extensive discussion, the council compromised: Phase Five platting could proceed, but no building permits would be issued until a deferral agreement was finalized within 30 days, possibly including a cash bond.

The council addressed a waterline issue for the Magnolia Fields subdivision, focusing on a reimbursement plan for new infrastructure along 3900 West. Tim Watson of Watson Engineering outlined several connection options, but the council deferred a route decision.

After discussion, the council approved a \$1,000 per-unit reimbursement fee for new subdivisions, effective immediately and payable at final plat submission. Existing platted developments are exempt, with a 15-year reimbursement cap. Commercial and apartment projects will be assessed by ERUs.

Dr. Eric Frisch of Justice Research Consultants presented a 5-year staffing plan for Cedar City Police, recommending 20 new personnel to meet rising operational demands.

To address a projected 7.7% annual increase in calls, Frisch proposed adding 12 patrol officers, aiming to cut priority one response times from 6 to 5 minutes. He also suggested hiring a Patrol Captain, a second Patrol Lieutenant, a traffic officer, two detectives, and converting part-time roles to full-time. His plan would increase department staff by 50%, from 40 to 60 employees.

The study also highlighted the department's success with online reporting, freeing officers for critical tasks. The presentation was informational, outlining a strategic roadmap without requiring immediate council action.

The Council approved a \$315,583.73 bid from Southwest Plumbing for the Canyon View Detention Pond underground storage project, covering pre-cast materials. Additionally, a \$348,800 bid for another project was approved without opposition.

Iron County Commission Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Iron County Auditor reported on SB97, a new bill that will significantly impact the county's property tax abatement program. Currently, residents 65 and older who meet income requirements qualify for a circuit breaker abatement, but the bill will freeze new enrollment after this year and reduce benefits for existing participants.

Building and Zoning reported issuing 118 permits as of March 21, slightly up from last year. These include 30 new building permits and seven commercial projects. The department has completed 674 inspections and generated \$226,880 from permits and projects.

Officials discussed several major projects, including two Terrible's gas stations, a Maverik convenience store, and a potential data center near Lund Highway. The data center, a 10-year project with over \$50 billion in investment, has improved technology to reduce water consumption.

Concerns were raised about nuisance violations along Lund Highway, prompting a review of county ordinances on unpermitted

dwellings, animal keeping, and waste management.

The meeting also covered infrastructure issues, including roof leaks in county buildings and elevator repairs.

Commissioner Blake provided updates on key issues. Cedar City Airport, the busiest in the state without a control tower, is working to secure one with community support.

A joint meeting on SUU's athletic expansion discussed FEMA-funded softball complex upgrades and revamped gymnasiums to attract tournaments. Blake stressed the economic benefits, citing a national cheer competition turned away due to space limitations.

He shared insights from meetings on supporting the local sheep and wool industry, drought conditions, and rural government offices. Discussions with Senator Lee covered public lands and low-income housing.

Blake also highlighted the economic impact of local bike races, which generated \$1.2 million in a weekend, including \$80,000 from lodging.

A public hearing addressed amendments to the 2025 budget, including a \$600,000 reduction in jail medical expenses, allowing for new positions.

Changes included a part-time victim advocate, a full-time attorney, and a reduced assistant position in the attorney's office. Three new jail correction deputy positions were also added. Despite these additions, the adjustments saved approximately \$100,000.

Minor budget adjustments included \$2,760 for jail standards, \$8,000 for search and rescue equipment, and \$16,435 for state-mandated software funded by a grant. The county also allocated \$105,000 from liquor tax funds and \$58,000 for a fairgrounds

BUDGET SUMMARY

YEAR	STATE OF UTAH	IRON COUNTY	SCHOOL DISTRICT	CEDAR CITY	COUNTY POPULATION	INFLATION RATE
2020	\$18,500,000,000	\$64,397,882	\$97,275,145	\$84,121,067	57,286	1.4
2021	\$20,300,000,000	\$68,529,185	\$111,206,179	\$82,661,906	58,672	7.0
2022	\$25,600,000,000	\$80,413,678	\$116,183,977	\$82,219,239	62,508	6.5
2023	\$26,000,000,000	\$78,255,317	\$172,080,787	\$97,198,239	64,211	3.4
2024	\$29,400,000,000	\$67,789,445	\$200,512,950	\$150,125,060	65,765	3.2
2025	TBD	\$132,282,649	\$221,113,931	TBD	TBD	TBD
ANNUAL INCREASE	11.78%	20.57%	21.23%	15.58%	2.96%	4.3

* Information was obtained directly from the governmental entities listed.

IRON COUNTY GOVERNMENT RECAPS

master plan study.

The public hearing opened with no initial comments but later, community members raised concerns during the public comment section.

Residents of Rainbow Ranchos raised concerns about dangerous dogs that killed a neighbor's pet and have a history of incidents. Despite multiple complaints, no action has been taken. One resident also questioned the property's abandoned septic system, while another suggested possible legal issues, including drug activity.

The Iron County Veterans Association shared plans for a 30,000-square-foot Veterans Arts Center on 20 acres near I-15. The \$30 million project will support veterans, first responders, and those with PTSD through workshops, a gallery, a Vietnam War memorial, and an amphitheater.

Aimed at reducing isolation and providing therapy through art, the project has secured \$4.5 million in donations, with expected annual costs of \$1.5 million.

Iron County School Board Meeting

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The executive director of Iron County Care Share outlined the organization's efforts to support those in need. Around 78,000 county residents live below the poverty line, and Care Share provides food, emergency shelter, and support services.

Serving 600 people weekly, it distributes 375,000 pounds of food annually and shelters about 400 households. Demand is rising, especially among those over 55 and families with young children.

Funding comes from state grants (60%) and donations (40%). Community members can check careandshare-ut.org for seasonal donation needs.

The board recognized Canyon View High School's achievements. The girls' basketball team won its first state championship since 2006, finishing with a 22-5 record and as Region 12 champions.

The esports program, set to become a UHSA-sanctioned sport next year, has helped students develop key skills and boost academics. The team won state titles in Super Smash Bros. Ultimate and Mario Kart 8 Deluxe, placing third in Rocket League. A standout student, Joshua Fong, was acknowledged for his contributions.

The board approved two leave of absence requests, granting exceptions for late submissions.

A discussion focused on adjusting the meeting schedule for April, May, June, November, and December. Work meetings will now start at 3:00 PM, with public meetings at 5:30 PM to allow more time for discussions.

The board also voted to designate Iron Online as a separate school and awarded the internal audit contract to Baker Tilly for cost-efficiency and compliance.

The board discussed several policies, including Policy 718 on media use, suggesting a broader definition to cover various communication forms and adapt to new technologies.

Policy 729 on out-of-state student travel was reviewed and set to take effect on August 1, 2025. Changes included background checks for graduating students and lodging arrangements for trips.

Policy 835 on student conduct discipline was approved without changes, with a note about license plate regulations.

Both the media use and out-of-state travel policies were sent back for further refinement.

Parowan City Council Meeting

by Jennelle Zajac

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Utah Patchwork Parkway Update

Nancy Dalton presented the Utah Patchwork Parkway 2025 annual report and budget request. She highlighted the progress of the federal highway grant project, noting the completion of the design phase for interpretive panels showcasing local history, trails, and community efforts like the Brian Head Fire response. Dalton also discussed the website redesign, which will feature seamless links to local businesses and public lands partners. She requested an annual contribution of \$1,500 from Parowan City for the operating budget. The council approved the contribution, praising Dalton's work.

No Smoking/Vaping Signs in City Parks

The Parowan Prevention Coalition, a group of youth and adults working to prevent risky

behaviors, presented their request to install no smoking/vaping signs in city parks. They emphasized the importance of pro-social activities, training, policy, and messaging in their efforts. The coalition offered to provide the signage, poles, and installation. The council unanimously approved the request.

Ordinance Update: Purchase of Burial Rights

The council discussed an update to ordinance 13.16.030 regarding the purchase of burial rights. The primary change was the addition of an administrative fee. Council Member Burton expressed support for the change, thanking Connie Biasi for bringing it to their attention. The council unanimously approved the ordinance update.

Agreement with Judge Matthew Carling

The council considered an agreement with Judge Matthew Carling related to the suspension of the Parowan Justice Court. The city attorney explained the financial benefits of the suspension, noting the savings on public defender and judge costs. He recommended a lump sum payment of \$14,000 to Judge Carling, which would save the city nearly \$10,000. The council approved the agreement.

Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Presentation

Kelly Jones from Hinton Burdick CPAs presented the fiscal year 2024 audit. She reported a clean opinion, with no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Jones highlighted the healthy financial status of the general fund, water fund, sewer fund, and electric fund. The council accepted the audit presentation.

A.J.M. Investments LLC Annexation

The council discussed the A.J.M. Investments LLC annexation. The developer requested direction on next steps, having completed water and sewer studies but not yet completing power and traffic studies due to cost. After discussion about the timing and necessity of these studies, the council voted to move forward with the annexation development agreement process.

RV Park Regulations

The council reviewed the planning commission's recommendation to update ordinance 15.56, allowing longer stays

in RV parks via conditional use permits. The recommendation was for up to nine months in 30% of the park. The Painted Hills RV park owner, Scott Fotheringham, argued for no restrictions, citing the need for increased revenue and the park's self-regulation. Concerns were raised about TRT tax collection and compliance with existing fencing requirements. After further discussion, the council reached a consensus to follow the planning commission's recommendation.

Blowing Trash and Construction Dumpsters

The council discussed the issue of blowing trash from construction sites and the potential requirement for closed construction dumpsters. Council Member Burton shared a concerning anecdote about livestock deaths caused by ingested garbage bags. The council agreed to research existing ordinances and those of surrounding municipalities to develop appropriate language for a future ordinance.

Wage Committee and Comparable Cities

The council discussed the ongoing work of the wage committee and the challenge of identifying comparable cities for salary comparisons. Due to Parowan's unique characteristics, such as owning its utilities and operating an airport, finding truly comparable cities is difficult. The council encouraged members to research and suggest comparable cities to aid in this process.

Council Reports and Updates

Council members provided updates on various topics, including planning commission meetings, a trip to Brian Head to meet with Senator John Curtis, and the upcoming Utah League of Cities and Towns conference. The mayor highlighted Parowan's recent designation as a Healthy Utah Community.

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

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Two years ago this week

by Casey Anderson

INSIDERS CLUB MEMBER

Two years ago this week, a group of dedicated Cedar City community leaders came together with a bold vision: to resurrect their beloved local newspaper after it had abruptly shuttered its doors. The transition was anything but easy. During the process, two editions were missed as a new location underwent a complete renovation, a new printer was secured, delivery methods were updated, and a fresh team of staff members was hired and trained. It was an intense and demanding time, but thanks to the unwavering commitment of an entire team, this vital community resource—and the jobs it supported—were saved.

Today, Iron County Today continues to thrive as the community's trusted source for local news—providing

coverage you won't find anywhere else. From classified ads and obituaries to high school sports, Southern Utah University updates, arts and theater reviews, a weekly event calendar, local history features, faith-based content, and the always-popular puzzles, we remain dedicated to serving our readership. We are a platform that helps local businesses connect with over 50,000 engaged readers, ensuring that advertising dollars stay within our community rather than being funneled to large media markets like Salt Lake City or San Francisco. The impact of this is tangible. Time and again, we hear stories from local businesses about how advertising with us has made a difference. One business, after launching its marketing campaign in our publication, reported its highest-ever weekly revenue. Additionally, recent analysis has shown that political candidates who advertised more frequently in our paper experienced significantly stronger results in their campaigns.

The Iron County Today team is made up of hardworking, dedicated, honest, and kind individuals who

believe deeply in the power of local journalism. After two years of relentless effort, their dedication is paying off. Against all odds, Iron County Today has achieved what many in the industry deemed impossible—a self-sustaining, independent local newspaper. In an era where many small-town papers are disappearing, our success is a rare and valuable achievement. However, this would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our readers, advertisers, and community partners. We are deeply grateful for this support and remain committed to delivering the high-quality, relevant, and engaging content our readers rely on.

Looking to the future, we are now at a critical juncture—considering an expansion of our distribution. Our long-term goal is to ensure that all of Iron County, not just most of it, has access to our publication. These decisions are not taken lightly, as they come with both opportunities and challenges. We carefully weigh the short- and long-term implications of every strategic adjustment we make, always keeping our readers and advertisers at the forefront

of our decision-making process.

How can you be a part of our continued success? If you own a business, we would love the opportunity to help you meet your advertising needs. Our publication provides the best return on investment for local marketing, and we are happy to sit down with you to explore options. We also invite you to join our exclusive Insider's Club to access additional benefits. Community engagement is the lifeblood of our publication, so we encourage readers to submit letters to the editor or opinion pieces. While space is limited due to costs, and we are only able to print about 20% of the content we receive, every submission is reviewed and valued. Additionally, we welcome suggestions and constructive feedback to help us better serve the community. As the local public square, we strive to meet the needs of Iron County in ways that few other commercial entities can.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we will ensure that Iron County Today remains a strong and vibrant voice for our community for years to come.

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Consumer Advisory for Utahns: Protect Your Genetic Data Amid 23 and Me Bankruptcy

Utah consumers have the right to request companies delete their genetic data

from Madison McMicken

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

The Utah Department of Commerce's Division of Consumer Protection (DCP) and Office of the Utah Attorney General (OAG) are issuing a consumer alert regarding the recent bankruptcy filing by 23andMe, a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company. Utah residents should be aware of their rights and the protections afforded to their genetic data under the Utah Consumer Privacy Act

(UCPA) and the Genetic Information Privacy Act (GIPA).

23andMe utilizes saliva samples to provide consumers with reports on their ancestry and genetic predispositions. The company said in a press release, "There are no changes to the way the Company stores, manages, or protects customer data."

Since this data is incredibly personal and sensitive, it's important to understand your rights under Utah's privacy laws, including how to delete your genetic data from 23andMe.

Your Rights Under the UCPA and GIPA Include:

1 Right to Rescind Access:

As a consumer, you have the right to request 23andMe to delete your account and genetic data. In light of the company's financial difficulties and the potential risks to your sensitive information, you may want to consider this.

2 Right to Request Data Destruction:

You can also request the destruction of your genetic sample. If you previously submitted a test sample to 23andMe

and wish to ensure that it is no longer stored or used, you have the right to make this request.

3 Right to Delete Your Account:

You can delete your 23andMe account directly from your Account Settings page. Once submitted, this request should be followed with a confirmation email to the email address linked to your account. Upon your account's deletion, 23andMe will automatically opt you out of Research and discard your sample.

How to Take Action and Protect Your Genetic Data

If you wish to rescind access to your genetic information and request the destruction of your test sample, follow these steps:

How to delete genetic data from 23andMe

1. Sign in to your 23andMe account at www.23andme.com.
2. Navigate to your profile's "Settings" section.
3. Scroll down to the "23andMe Data" section at the bottom of the page.
4. Click "View" next to the "23andMe Data" heading.
5. If you would like to keep a copy of your genetic data, download your data before continuing.
6. Locate the delete data option.
7. Select "Permanently Delete Data".
8. Check your email for a confirmation link and follow it to

complete the deletion process.

How to destroy your 23andMe Test Sample

If you previously chose to allow 23andMe to store your saliva sample and DNA but would now like to opt-out, you can update your settings by going to "Preferences" on your account page.

To Revoke Permission for Your Genetic Data to be Used for Research:

If you previously consented to 23andMe and third-party researchers to use your genetic data and sample for research, you may withdraw consent from the account settings page under "Research and Product Consents."

The Utah Consumer Privacy Act Serves to Protect Utahns

The UCPA provides Utah consumers with several essential rights concerning their personal data. You have the right to confirm whether a business is processing your personal data. If a business is processing your data, you have the right to access that data and request it be deleted. You can also obtain a copy of the data you previously provided to the business.

Another critical right that Utah consumers have is the right to opt out of companies selling their data and from the use of their personal data for targeted advertising.

Please visit the Utah Division of Consumer Protection website for more information on your rights under the UCPA and GIPA, guidance in managing your data, or to file a complaint.

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together every week," Rohmann said. "We don't operate like separate departments when it comes to K-9 work. Being from a rural area, it makes us stronger when we collaborate. So Cedar City really encouraged us to go with them so we could represent Iron County as a whole and show what our dogs are capable of."

Voyak's success at the trials came as a surprise for Rohmann, who didn't spend much time preparing for the competition. Rather than focusing on trial-specific drills, Rohmann said he prioritized real-world training to ensure Voyak was ready for the challenges they might face on the job.

"Even though I didn't specifically train for the obstacles, my dog just had the drive to go out there and perform," Rohmann said. "Still, he took them on without hesitation."

Voyak, who has served for nearly seven years, will retire in July. Peterson said the K-9's performance at the trials was especially impressive given his approaching retirement.

"He's had some dental issues, and we've put a lot of effort into maintaining his health with support from the Friends of Iron County Police K-9 organization," Peterson said. "But at this point, we

want him to enjoy his retirement."

With Rohmann's recent promotion to corporal, the sheriff's office plans to select a new handler and purchase a replacement K-9 by the end of the summer.

The results reflect the excellence of Iron County's training program, even though only the top five in each category received awards.

"It's not just about winning," Peterson said. "It's about knowing that our dogs and handlers are prepared for real-world scenarios, and that's something we can all be proud of. We're proud

of what our team accomplished. This experience showed the strength of our program and the dedication of our handlers."

Looking ahead, the department hopes to build on its success and continue its presence at future trials.

"This was a learning experience," Rohmann said. "Now that we've seen what to expect, I think we'll come back even stronger next time."

The Friends of Iron County Police K-9s sponsored the trip, providing financial support for the team's participation.



Corporal Eric Rohmann and K9 Voyak

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Southern Utah University Mountain Center Plaque Unveiling

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Each March, SUU Founders Celebration salutes the rich past and promising future with a variety of events. Starting the week-long of events, the Southern Utah University Mountain Center unveiled a plaque for the recogni-

tion and contributors who made the the Mountain Center possible.

Hidden up Cedar Mountain, the Southern Utah University Mountain Center, is located about 4.5 miles from Cedar City, Utah. It is located on a 2,800-acre ranch, the Mountain Center is a

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Mindy Benson, President of Southern Utah University, speaks at the Southern University Mountain Center Plaque Unveiling.

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PLAQUE UNVEILING

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Back Row:
Jeff Betensen, Mike Cardon, George Perkins

Front Row:
*(Daughters of D. Parry Mackleprang)
DeAnn Betensen, Lynne Cardon, Bonnie Perkins*

6,000-square-foot log cabin. It is enjoyed by SUU and the community for year-round use.

During “Founders Week” the unveiling of a plaque was held at the Mountain Center. The Plaque read: “Southern Utah University Mountain Center 1943–present. In recognition of those who came before us and their ability to imagine the possibilities of this place. We express our gratitude for their vision, hard work, and dedicated service to the Branch Agriculture

College, College of Southern Utah, and Southern Utah State College in making the Mountain Center a resource that is enjoyed by all ages for generations to come.”

With heartfelt thanks to many, including those who led the early efforts to create what we know today: The Kumen Jones Family, The D. Perry Mackleprang Family, Gerald R. Sherratt, President Southern Utah State College, Dr. Phillip Carter, Chair Mountain Center Steering Committee. 1985 Mountain Center Steering Committee members, McRay Cloward, Richard Kennedy, Dale Brinkerhoff, Blair Maxfield, Alan Hamlin, Brad Bennett.

Placed during Founders Week 2025 by family members and the faculty and staff of Southern Utah University. A beautiful commemorative picture of the Mountain Center and the plaque, was presented to each family who donated their mountain property and those who worked so diligently to make it all possible.



Melody Stevens, MK Jensen, Min Andrus, and Max Torres

2025 SUU Scholarship Banquet Honors Donors and Recipients

by *Ruth Scovill*

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

SUU’s Annual Scholarship Banquet was held Friday, March 20th in the ballroom of the Sharwan Smith Student Center. Every year, this banquet celebrates both the accomplishments of outstanding SUU scholarship recipients and the generosity of community members and other donors who make these scholarships available. The banquet is a unique opportunity for the scholarship recipients to meet and visit with the scholarship donors. It is also a very satisfying experience for the donors to meet those who benefit from their generosity.

This academic year, there are 1016 schol-

arship recipients at SUU who received a combined total of about \$2.4 million dollars in donor funded scholarships. These funds come from over 460 privately funded scholarships. Scholarship recipients are seated with donors at the banquet. This allows the donors to meet the students who benefit from their generosity, and the students to understand first-hand where the money that is helping to fund their education is coming from.

The evening included the delightful music of the Hal Campbell Student String Quartet (Melody Stevens, MK Jensen, Min Andrus, and Max Torres), and a lively and whimsical number

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Erin and Levi Larson

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called “Birds of Paradise” composed by Erick Morales, and performed by the SUU Trumpet Ensemble (Andrew Bean, Kobi Brittenham, Landon Fowles, Kail Limb, Seth Seegmiller, and Noah Smith, directed by Professor David Torres).

Two of the scholarship recipients also spoke: Gloria Garcia, a graduating senior who will be receiving a degree in social work; and Cade Brazier who is graduating this year with a master's in business administration.

Gloria was born and raised in a small town in Mexico. She is the mother of five children, three of whom are also attending SUU. She is a marathon runner who has competed in more than 60 long distance races. She has her own small business. After graduating she plans to take a master's degree and become a bilingual therapist, giving back to the community, just as she has received help in achieving her dreams.

Cade Brazier spoke of the challenges he faced making it to college as

a member of a family with 12 kids in the small town of Huntington, Utah.

Scholarships allowed him to achieve his dreams of coming to school and playing basketball as a Division 1 athlete. He also talked about his younger brother, Treven

Brazier, who also came to SUU amid his own set of challenges, and had the opportunity to participate in track and field at SUU. Unfortunately, Treven

passed away two years ago, a tragedy that inspired Cade and his family to establish and fund a scholarship in his memory that will allow a student from their community to attend SUU. Cade noted how scholarships help change lives and give students a chance to rise above their challenges.

The alumni speaker for the evening was Levi Larson. Levi graduated from SUU with a bachelor's in accounting in 2008. While at SUU, he was the recipient of the AW Stephenson endowed scholarship, and the William H. & Patricia Child Scholarship. He has now been working in the financial business for 17 years and is the founder and owner of Larson Financial Companies. Levi and his wife Erin serve as members of the SUU Legacy Advisory Council.

Levi's message was one of thanksgiving for the education and opportunities that have opened doors for him, as well as for his wife, and his business partner, Wade Williams, who also graduated from SUU. He

emphasized the importance of paying it forward, as we all benefit from the generosity of others. He said, “The scholarships which we received, and the ones specifically for me, empowered me to dream bigger, push myself further and higher.” He and his wife have made goals to pay it forward. Levi challenged those in attendance to pay it forward. “Give as much as you can, push yourself a little more, and you will bless lives.”

SUU President, Mindy Benson, concluded the program by sharing that each of us has a story. The following excerpt from her talk focuses on how those stories are woven together:

Our students, as you heard tonight, arrive here with challenges, and struggles, and they tell us stories of gratitude and resilience, and it all makes them who they are. . . SUU (will) be an important chapter in that.

Every donor has a story as well, and some may have sacrificed greatly to be able to give to a scholarship. . . because of that scholarship, your lives are inextricably intertwined from here on out. I want you students to make sure that you make these donors a part of your story,

and write that as a part of your lives.

President Benson then recounted the lasting effects that receiving a scholarship from Wes Larson, a former teacher at SUU who has since died, has had on her own life. She concluded by saying:

So students, as you write your story, I ask you to remember each of your donors. Listen to their stories tonight, Find out who they are, and why it's important to them to support you on your educational journey. Then carry on their legacy for them.

To our donors, thank you so much for believing in our students and investing in their future, And thank you from the bottom of my heart for trusting SUU to help make students' dreams come true. . . and students, remember, go leave a legacy that we will be proud of. Thank you for all you do and congratulations.

Anyone interested in supporting scholarships at SUU is invited to contact Staci Carson, Associate Vice President for Advancement, at carson@suu.edu.



Mindy Benson, Cade & Abby Brazier, Staci Carson

showcase

ARTS + ENTERTAINMENT IN IRON COUNTY

by Marty Warburton

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Even though the calendar says that Spring has officially sprung, our inner calendars still have us wondering about the 'winter that wasn't.' No doubt to be long remembered as, the Winter of '25. Yet we move on, eager to partake of all the goodness that Springtime has to offer. Baseball, flowers, leafy trees, sunshine, new lambs, Easter...the list goes on and on.

As is the case most every year, just as Spring is winding up, the annual Cedar City Music Arts season is beginning to wind down. For the last 95 years CCMA has worked through wars, depressions, pandemics and yes, even snow-less winters, to bring none but the finest performing artists from around the world to Cedar City, Utah.

This season, which began last October with a performance by the Utah Symphony Orchestra, has been a great success thus far and will continue as such for the remaining two performances for this season.

Gracing the stage at The Heritage Theater on Tuesday, April 8th will be the amazing Kruger Brothers. Born and raised in Europe, brothers Jens and Uwe Kruger started singing and playing instruments at a very young age. Growing up in a family where music was an important part of life, they were exposed to a broad diversity of musical influences. The brothers were performing regularly by the time they were eleven and twelve years old, and began their professional career in 1979. Jens' and Uwe's first public performances were as a duo, and in just a few years they were busking on the streets of cities throughout Eastern and Western Europe. In 1982, Jens was a featured guest artist of Bill Monroe and the Bluegrass Boys on the Grand Ole Opry making him quite likely the first European banjo player to ever perform on the hallowed stage.



Cedar City Music Arts Presents The Kruger Brothers

CBS Records contracted with Jens and Uwe when Jens was just seventeen years old, and shortly thereafter, the Krugers hosted a radio show on SRG SSR, the Swiss Public broadcast group. Years later, the brothers teamed up with bass player Joel Landsberg, of New York City, with an extensive musical upbringing in classical and jazz, thus forming a trio that has been playing professionally since 1995.

The trio moved to the USA in 2002

and are now based in Wilkesboro, North Carolina. On June 6th, 2006 an official US flag was flown over the US capitol in honor of Jens and his contributions to American culture. Jens and Uwe were eventually made honorary citizens of North Carolina and in 2020 The Kruger Brothers were inducted into the Wilkes County Hall of Fame. Since their formal introduction to American audiences in 1997, The Kruger Brothers' remarkable discipline, creativity, and their ability to

infuse classical music into folk music has resulted in a unique, nuanced sound that has made them a fixture within the world of acoustic music. The honesty of their writing has since become a hallmark of the trio's work. The Kruger Brothers are also very well known for their performances and commissioned works with symphony orchestras, chamber orchestras, and string quartets in collaboration with the National Endowment for the Arts and Chamber Music America, among others.

Accolades abound - in 2011 Jens was inducted into the Blue Ridge Music Hall of Fame. Two years later, in the fall of 2013, he was awarded the Steve Martin Prize for Excellence in Banjo. The Kruger Brothers have performed with Steve Martin in an appearance on Late Night with David Letterman. Jens is also a 2021 inductee into the American Banjo Hall of Fame.

In their ever-expanding body of work, Jens Kruger (banjo and vocals), Uwe Kruger (guitar and lead vocals), and Joel Landsberg (bass and vocals) together

as The Kruger Brothers personify the spirit of exploration and innovation that forms the core of the American musical tradition. Together, they established the incomparable sound that The Kruger Brothers are known for today. Their original music is crafted around their discerning taste, and the result is unpretentious, cultivated, and delight-

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Exploring New Possibilities

by Sara Penny

CCAC VICE PRESIDENT

What do you want to learn? My list is longer than the time available, so I just plug away with reading and learning. I feel fortunate to live in a community that values education and has so many resources.

Communities with universities enjoy extra vibrancy and many opportunities to explore new possibilities. Southern Utah University offers events open to the public, from dance and theater to art exhibits and sports. The new Music Building under construction will be a welcome addition.

So, I was surprised to read that only half of Americans view educational institutions as a positive. Maybe I am just lucky that I have seen more positives than other people see.

Pew Research reports "Americans' views of whether educational institutions are having a positive or negative impact on the country are essentially unchanged since late 2022. About half (53%) say colleges and universities are having a positive impact, while 45% say

they're having a negative impact."

On reflection I think it is a family respect for the possibilities of education that puts me in the positive camp. My Nelson grandparents definitely believed in the value of education and made sure their children took advantage of opportunities.

My father, Howard Nelson, remembered riding his horse across the Cedar Valley to school. This was in the 1920s before there were many fences and houses. That is the distance from the present Gateway School to Old Enoch. He attended Utah State University where he studied agriculture and art. I treasure the drawings from his college days and the sunset oil painting he did of Three Peaks. Whenever we went to Logan we ate at the Bluebird Cafe, because he remembered it fondly from his college days. He told me it was so warm during one of his Christmas college breaks that he was able to plow the fields.

Our family has definitely benefited from education. I am glad that we have

students learning to build bridges and buildings that are safe. I appreciate the health research that gives us improved treatments for diseases. In nearly all aspects of life we reap the bounty of those who study how to make the world better.

I hope you also take advantage of our stellar public library. In addition to books the library has music, audio books, and even art to check out. There are many community programs from sketch night to storytimes.



THE KRUGER BROTHERS

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fully fresh.

Jens, Uwe, and Joel have always felt a deep emotional responsibility towards their audience always striving to inspire hearts through their music leaving people feeling loved, respected, and with a renewed sense

of joy and hope. Courtesy of Cedar City Music Arts and the Rap Tax Committee, approximately 500 Iron County School District students will be treated to a morning matinee by the Kruger Brothers, with a chance to ask questions, and to



see and hear close up, how live music is created out of thin air.

The Kruger Brothers continue to tour extensively sharing their music with audiences far and wide. To date, they have recorded and released more than twenty-two albums.

So be there! Tuesday, April 8th. Doors at 6:30—Show begins 7:30 All events are held at The Heritage Center Theater, 105 N 100 E, Cedar City, Utah For Advance Tickets Call the Box Office at 435-865-2882 or Cedarcitymusicarts.org.

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A Fresh Way to Shop:

Cedar City's New Indoor Farmers Market Brings Local Excellence Under One Roof

by Robert Salyer

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cedar City is about to

experience a new kind of shopping experience—one that's fresh, local, and thoughtfully curated. The Indoor Farmers Market, opening on Saturday, April 5th, from 9 AM to 2 PM, is set to become a go-to destination for those who value quality, craftsmanship, and community.

Located at 909 South Main Street, next door to IFA, this one-of-a-kind market offers the best of Cedar City's artisans, farmers, and small businesses—all in a calm, boutique-style indoor space.

Unlike traditional markets where everyone can set up a booth, the Indoor Farmers Market is highly selective about who gets to have a space. Every vendor has been hand-picked to ensure that shoppers get only the finest homemade and homegrown products. The result? A carefully curated shopping experience where every item is crafted with care, grown with love, or baked fresh with the best ingredients.

Step inside, and you'll be greeted with the warm scent of freshly baked bread and pastries, the rich aroma of hand-poured candles and soaps, and the inviting sight of farm-fresh eggs, jams, pickles, live plants, native art, and unique handmade crafts. Vendors like Leather & Lather Shop, Lulu's Kitchen and Crafts, Freya's Garden, Our Daily Bread, Cedar Planters by Brian, and DeGroovey Designs bring their passion for quality and authenticity, ensuring that every purchase supports real people—not big corporations.



Why Shop Local? The Power of Supporting Small Businesses

When you shop at the Indoor Farmers Market, you're doing more than just buying great products—you're investing in Cedar City itself! Every loaf of bread, hand-poured candle, or hand-crafted piece of art represents hours of dedication from local artisans and farmers who pour their hearts into their work.

Supporting small businesses and family farms means:

- ✓ **Keeping money in the local economy**, helping Cedar City thrive.
- ✓ **Encouraging sustainability**, with goods made and grown close to home.
- ✓ **Building connections**, knowing exactly where your food and products come from.
- ✓ **Getting superior quality**, as small-batch, handmade items are crafted with extra care.

At the Indoor Farmers Market, shopping is more than a transaction—it's an experience. Without the hustle and bustle of crowded, outdoor markets, you can take your time browsing, meet the makers behind the products, and enjoy a stress-free, weather-proof shopping trip.

Whether you're picking up goodies for a homestyle meal, looking for a unique gift, or simply treating yourself to something special, this market brings the very best of Cedar City to one convenient location.

calendar

THURS, APR 3

WATER POLO TOURNAMENT

(APRIL 3-5) The Larry H. Miller Utah Summer Games Water Polo High School tournament will be held in the Sorenson P.E. Bldg (351 W University Blvd, Cedar City) and the Youth Tournament will be held in the Cedar City Aquatic Center (2090 W Royal Hunte Dr, Cedar City).

FRI, APR 4

SUU DANCE TRYOUTS (4:30-8PM)

@ America First Event Center. Check in at 4 PM. Tryout Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/kicYvd1BDGeeg6CJ8>. \$40 cash or Venmo. Contact Averirutherford@suu.edu for more information.

SAT, APR 5

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET (9AM-2PM) @ THE IFA parking lot (905 S Main St, Cedar City), admission is FREE. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735.

FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET (10AM-1PM) AT 100 West Center Street (Cedar City), admission is FREE. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, handcrafted items, and more. For information email festivalcityfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

INDOOR FARMERS MARKET GRAND OPENING

(9AM-2PM) 909 S Main St., Cedar City - (Right next to IFA) Local vendors are bringing fresh bakery items, Local eggs, pickles, jams & butters, freeze dried treats, candles, soaps and facial products! One of a kind crafts and second hand treasures, live plants, herbs and cedar planter boxes!

SUU DANCE TRYOUTS (9AM-2PM) @ AMERICA FIRST

Event Center. Times are approximate, cuts will be made throughout the tryout. Tryout Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/kicYvd1BDGeeg6CJ8>. \$40 cash or Venmo. Contact Averirutherford@suu.edu for more information.

KITE FLYING (10AM) KITE FLYING WITH SUU

Languages & Philosophy Department at 10:00 am at Park Discovery Lawn (2077 W Royal Hunte Dr, Cedar City).

BRIAN HEAD SPRING CARNIVAL (8AM-5PM) AT BRIAN Head Resort (329 S Hwy 143, Brian Head). Celebrate the arrival of spring with exciting competitions like the annual pond skim, Cardboard Box Race, and Costume Slalom Ski Race. Enjoy a week packed with family-friendly activities, delicious food, giveaways, and live music at Last Chair Grill & Brews. For information call (435) 677-2035 or visit www.brianhead.com.

TUES, APR 8

LIVE JAZZ! (7PM) MONTHLY JAZZCAST AT OFF THE CUFF (913 S Main St). Featuring local jazz vibraphonist Glenn Webb and trumpeter Rob Schmidt! This will be a night of hot jazz you won't want to miss! Free admission and free desserts!

ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES (1-2PM) MUSIC & ART

Workshops. At The LIGHTHOUSE Art & Learning Center (between Sweet Basil & Subway restaurants). Questions? Call Jill Spatafore 702-917-2151

FAMILY HISTORY CLASS (10AM) @ CEDAR CITY LIBRARY.

Pam and Catherine will finish this series of Family History Research classes teaching an Advanced Research Class focusing on Land Records. These Records can help advance your Family History Research progress. They will demonstrate where to find Land Records, how to examine them and how to use the information the records contain. This is an advanced class that will strengthen your researching skills. All classes are free!

CCMA CONCERT (7:30PM) THE KRUGER BROTHERS

concert @ the Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City). Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for Iron County & SUU students, available online. Enjoy an evening of live music

WED, APR 9

SUU THREE SISTER PERFORMANCE (7:30PM) THREE

Sisters by Anton Chekhov in the Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre (101-199 W University Blvd, Cedar City). Tickets are available at the Utah Shakespeare Festival Box Office and can be purchased online at bard.org/tdaa, by phone at (435) 586-7878, or in person a half-hour before each performance.

IN JUBILO SPRING CONCERT (7PM) AT THE HERITAGE

Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City). Admission is FREE and open to everyone. Featuring the Cedar City Institute of Religion Choir. For more information contact injubilochorale@gmail.com

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Cedar City Hospital earns national honor—again.

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history

Preservation Utah Calls on Community to Nominate Utah's Most Endangered Historic Places

by Brandy Strand

PRESERVATION UTAH

Most Endangered Historic Places List, an annual initiative to identify and advocate for historic sites, buildings, and cultural resources at risk of being lost forever. Released every May during Preservation Month, this list serves as a call to action to rally support, raise awareness, and find preservation solutions before it's too late.

We rely on the community to help us identify the places that need urgent advocacy," said Brandy Strand, Executive Director at Preservation Utah. "Without nominations, we don't know where to focus our efforts. If there's a place you love and are worried about losing, now is the time to speak up.

What Makes a Site Eligible?

Preservation Utah considers a variety of factors when selecting sites for the Most Endangered List, including:

- **Historic Significance** – Does the site have historical, cultural, or architectural importance?
- **Local Support** – Are there individuals or groups invested in its preservation?
- **Urgency** – Is the site at immediate risk due to neglect, development, or natural disaster?
- **Potential Solutions** – Could preservation efforts realistically save it?
- **Representation** – Does the site tell an important story from an underrepresented community?

Utahns play a crucial role in shaping the future of preservation efforts across the state by nominating a site. The Most Endangered List has a proven track record of catalyzing restoration projects, generating media attention, and prompting action from local leaders.

How to Nominate a Site

Community members are encouraged to submit nominations via Preservation Utah's website by Monday, April 14, 2025.

schools

NEWS FROM THE NEST

by Delaney Richards

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Prom Week!

What an exhilarating week it was at Canyon View from the 24th to the 28th—Prom Week! The campus was alive with a whirlwind of activities and vibrant dress-ups. Kicking off the festivities on Monday, Canyon View hosted an epic movie night combined with a game extravaganza, and wow, the turnout was fantastic! The student body government joined forces with the e-sports team for an unforgettable evening of video games, board games, and an amazing film.

Then came Tuesday, where the excitement continued with a thrilling baseball game and a lively tailgate party! The aroma of delicious hot dogs filled the air as everyone came out to cheer on our Canyon View baseball players. The energy was electric!

Wednesday brought the eagerly awaited Spirit Bowl, where the Canyon View gym buzzed with anticipation! Classes united, competing in an exhilarating showdown filled with team spirit and camaraderie.

Thursday was a blast with a karaoke night that included s'mores—what a perfect combination! Cedar High and Parawon joined the fun, and the talent on display was impressive, with some performances sparking pure laughter!

Finally, Canyon View wrapped up the week on Friday with an exciting pickleball tournament! It was heartening to see such a great mix of participants showing up for each event, making the week truly unforgettable! Huge thanks to everyone who participated and contributed to this amazing experience!

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IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Colby Leavitt

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

South Elementary

South Elementary 4th grade student Jenessi Sawyer was the winner of the Regional Spelling Bee. Jenessi competed against students in grades 4-8 from Delta to St. George.

Congratulations Jenessi!

Iron Springs Elementary

Third Graders participated in Farm Field Day last week at the Diamond Z Arena. They enjoyed learning about different farms found in Iron County, different livestock and how to run a farm. At the Cow Station where they learned about all the different products that we get from a cow, including meat, dairy and some non-food. The Sheep Station gave them the opportunity to learn about the different types, ages and names of sheep and what we get from them. The Utah State Extension Office taught about the different plants and vegetables you find on a farm and shared how they can get involved in their programs offered in Cedar City.

Fiddlers Canyon Elementary

We had such a fun Salute to Superheroes breakfast event! Students brought a parent, grandparent, neighbor, or other favorite grownup to enjoy a donut and breakfast drink in our gym. We are so grateful for all the SUPER grownups in our students' lives that help them with all their goals.

Three Peaks Elementary

The 5th grade classes attended the Water Fair at the Heritage Center. During the mini-sessions, they learned about the water cycle, conservation tips, runoff and erosion, and even got to play a Jeopardy style game to answer questions about water. Three Peaks Elementary students met one of their fundraising goals last week and were able to enjoy watching their teachers dressed in various inflatable costumes compete in an obstacle course/race.



NEWS FROM THE NEST

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Award Winner!

On March 28th, Canyon View's remarkable Bella Brooks won the Youth Citizen Award. This honor represents a significant achievement, and no one deserves it more than Bella. As the FCCLA club president, Bella embodies dedication and a relentless commitment to serving her community. Great job, Bella! Canyon View is incredibly proud of you!



Bella Brooks and her award!

A FRESH WAY TO SHOP

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Grand Opening: A Market You Won't Want to Miss!

Join the celebration on

Saturday, April 5th, from 9 AM to 2 PM, and be among the first to experience Cedar City's newest local treasure. Bring a friend, chat with vendors, and discover why this market is more than just a place to shop—it's a community.

If you believe in quality, authenticity, and supporting local businesses, this is the place for you. Come see, taste, and experience the difference.

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ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

Brian Head Council

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

Cedar City Council

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

Central Iron County Water Conservancy District Board Meetings

3rd Thurs., 6:30pm. 710 S. Westview Drive

Enoch City Council

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

Enoch Planning Commission

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

Iron County Commission

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

Iron County Democrats

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

Iron County Republican Women

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

Parowan City Council

2nd & 4th Thurs, 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. Learn about Veteran benefits, opportunities, fellowship. Honor Guard provides military honors at Veterans funerals. Post Commander Tris Colman (805) 268-4287.

Bikers Against Child Abuse

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

DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter

3rd Tues, 11:30 AM @ the Cedar City Brian Head Visitors Center.

Elks Lodge #1556

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

Lion's Club

Tues, 12 pm • Call Pres. Michelle Wilson for mtg. info. Everyone welcome! (802) 359-2183

Marine Corps League

Detachment 1315, 2nd Wed, 6:30 pm
Elks Lodge (303 N 100 E)

Rotary Club

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

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

1st Tues, 6PM, Post 10846 meets @ Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N. Email: VFWinCedarCity@gmail.com

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous

(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org. Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829
KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon
Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

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

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

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

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

Uncommon Sense • Sat, 10:00 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Thank God Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

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

Al-Anon

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

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

Hope for Today (Family Groups)

Thurs, 6 pm • (435) 559-3333

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

Alzheimer's/Dementia

Last Tues, 5:30-6:30 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). Learn, access resources, connect. Virtual option available. Raven Albertson, 385.831.7124, utahprograms@alz.org.

ARP—Addiction Recovery

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

Caregivers

3rd Thurs, 5:45-7 pm • Zion's Way Home Health, 369 N 100 W #1, Cedar. All levels of the caregiver's journey from pre-caregiving to bereavement and rebuilding welcome. INFO: Kat at 702-292-9911.

Celebrate Recovery 12-Step

Fri, 6:30 pm • Sunrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). God can change any hurt, habit or hangup, not just alcohol addiction INFO: 435-586-3640

Embrace Grace

Unmarried, pregnant? You don't have to walk alone! Safe, judgment-free zone. Free baby stuff at a baby shower for you. Text or call 407-719-8595 . Info under Resources tab @ Threshingfloor.life.

Grief Support Group

2nd Tues, 5 pm • Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W, Cedar). Safe, supportive for those who have lost loved ones. You are not alone. Free. INFO: 435-586-4040

Grief Support - Child Loss

1st Tues, 7 pm • Cedar Library (303 N 100 E). FREE for bereaved parent, sibling or grandparent. Includes any child loss (pre-birth, young, teen, adult). INFO: 435-327-1856

Helproom

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

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

It Works - How and Why • Thurs, 7:30-8:30 pm

Live and Let Live • Fri, 8 pm

Candle Light Mtg • Sat, 9:30 pm (Sm rm)

Women Only • Sun, 11 am

Dopeless Hope Fiends • Sun, 8 pm • Mtg 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

OARS (Open, Authentic, Relevant, Spiritual) Young Adults Meeting

Every Tues. 6-8PM @ Cedar City Library in the Park - excluding holidays. Includes dinner, faith-oriented discussion and prayer. Info: text 541-579-1554 or pastorschuyler@gmail.com.

Porn Addiction Recovery

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

Pregnancy, Infant Loss

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

Reel Mental Health

1st Tues, 6PM • The Rambouillet Barn 197 W. 200 S, Parowan, Utah 84761 • A fun interactive support group focused on your mental health and well-being.

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired

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

Southern Utah Veterans Assoc.

1st Thurs, 7 pm • Westview Christian Center, 2624 W Hwy 56, Cedar. INFO: Chuck Waddell 907-252-1365.

Southwest Parkinson's Alliance

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

Widows Ministry

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

CLASSES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Adult Barre/Modern Dance

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

Arthritis Foundations Exercise

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

Arts for Adults w/ Disabilities

Every other Tues, 1-2pm, starts Nov. 28. • Johnson Arts Center (59 N 100 W Cedar). Fun, engaging activities. Drum/Flute circles, group juggling, fine arts projects, more! All levels/abilities! 702-917-2151.

Bingo & Lunch

Fri, lunch @Noon, Bingo @3 pm. Free for Seniors @ Our House Assisted Living (995 S Regency Rd, Cedar). INFO: 435-867-0055.

Book Club

2nd Thurs, 6 pm • Cedar Library 303 N 100 E.

Boy Scout Troop 1848

5th-17 yrs • Thurs 6:30 pm • Old School Library, upstairs, west door. Text Sheila 805-208-4545

Cars & Custard

2nd Mon., 6-8 PM at Culver's 1065 Main St., Cedar City. Classic Cars & Trucks, Customs, Your pride and joy. A free small Custard for each car entry, provided by Culver's! Contact Mike @ 909-717-1232 or ekimjacobs@gmail.com for more info.

Cedar Breaks Model A/Vintage Car Club

1st Thurs, 6pm • Get to know other vintage vehicle

enthusiasts, great camaraderie, have fun, win awards at car shows, parades, etc. INFO: Mel @ 435-919-4183 or email cedarmodela@gmail.com.

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild

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

Cedar City ESL

Wed, 6:30 - 7:30 pm • Free ESL lessons offered at Cedar Library, Rare Book Room (303 N 100 E). No pre-registration required.

Cedar City Toastmasters

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

Cedar City Unitarian Universalists

2nd Sun,11:00am @ 1280 E Midvalley Rd. Leave a message at 435 590-0596 if interested.

Cedar Professionals

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

Cedar Radio Control Club

4th Thurs, 7 pm • Cedar City Library, 303 N 100 E.

Cedar City Community Band

We offer a wealth of opportunities for individuals of all ages and skill levels to get involved and experience the joy of ensemble music-making. Contact us at www.cedarcitycommunityband.org or by calling 435-590-2513.

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.

Explorer Bible Club

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

International Folk Dancing

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

Iron County Moms For America

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

Friends of Festival Country K9s

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

Community Dance: Live music, Classic Country, Oldies Rock & Roll.

3rd Friday of every month, 7-9 pm. Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. No cover. Call the Senior Center for more information at 435-586-0832.

Parkrun

Sat 9am - Canyon Park West. A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! www.parkrun.us

Parowan Pickleball

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

PB&J Therapy Groups

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

College: forms.gle/SmGytgCfvQ1tS2pB7

Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9

Rock Club

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

Sagebrush Fiber Artisans Guild

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

Senior Yoga Classes

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

Sewing Group

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

Southern Utah Woodturners

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

StrongBoard Classes

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

Tai Chi For Health

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

TOPS–Take Off Pounds Sensibly

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

Water Aerobics Class

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

Wellness Place

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

Wellness Wednesdays

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

Youth Group

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

Southwest Educational Development Center Announces Winners of 7th Annual Regional Spelling Bee

from Clint Stephens

SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER

CEDAR CITY, UT – Southwest Educational Development Center

(SEDC) successfully hosted its seventh annual Regional Spelling Bee

on March 25, 2025. The competition, held in the Auditorium of Canyon View Middle School in Cedar City, Utah, brought together 18 talented students from the school

districts of Beaver, Iron, Kane, Millard, and Washington counties, as well as spellers from Valley Academy Charter School. Students in grades 3 through 8 were eligible

to compete.

The event provided a platform for students to showcase their spelling proficiency and academic dedication. Participants engaged in multiple rounds of competition, demonstrating their knowledge of vocabulary and orthography.

The first-place winner of the 2025

SEDC Regional Spelling Bee was Jenessi Sawyer, a 4th-grader representing South Elementary within Iron School District. Ms. Sawyer correctly spelled the word "tenacious" in the final round to secure the championship.

The runner-up position was awarded to Hayes Holyoak from Delta Middle School in Millard

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In order from left to right: Ellie Blackner, Minersville School, Beaver SD. Kaydee Ure, Belknap Elementary, Beaver SD. Jenessi Sawyer, South Elementary, Iron SD. Denton Corry, South Elementary, Iron SD. Niko Kirchhausen, Sunrise Ridge Intermediate, Washington SD. Eileen Burrows, Delta Middle School, Millard SD. Landry Holyoak, Delta North Elementary, Millard SD. Emilee Gibson, Valley Academy Charter. Brooklyn Strohn, Kanab Elementary, Kane SD. Weston Mee, Kanab Elementary, Kane SD. Ruby Schmutz, Kanab Middle School, Kane SD. Travis Max Seegmiller, Escalante Valley, Iron SD. Summer Oles, Valley Academy Charter. Linkin Brown, Valley Academy Charter. Makayla Bruner, Sunrise Ridge Intermediate, Washington SD. Daxon Jessup, Minersville, Beaver SD. Ryker Bruner, Sunrise Ridge, Washington SD. Hayes Holyoak, Delta Middle, Millard SD.

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School District. Mr. Holyoak reached the final stages of the competition, ultimately misspelling the word "pittance."

Following the initial rounds, a spell-off involving four participants was conducted to determine the third-place winner. Eileen Burrows, also from Delta Middle School in Millard School District, successfully spelled "wherewithal" to achieve third place.

All 18 participating spellers received a medal and a certificate of participation in recognition of their efforts. The top three spellers, Jenessi Sawyer, Hayes Holyoak, and Eileen Burrows, were each presented with a trophy.

The event commenced with a warm welcome from Lance Hatch, the Superintendent of Iron County School District, the hosting district. SEDC also extends its sincere gratitude to Jeralyn Shaw, the principal of Canyon View Middle School, for generously hosting the Regional Spelling Bee.

SEDC remains committed to supporting educational opportunities and recognizing student achievement within southwest Utah. The annual Regional Spelling Bee serves as an important event in fostering academic engagement among young learners.

Congratulations to Jenessi Sawyer, Hayes Holyoak, and Eileen Burrows on their achievements, as well as to all students who participated in the 2025 SEDC Regional Spelling Bee representing Beaver, Iron, Kane, Millard, and Washington County School Districts, and Valley Academy Charter School.

obituaries

Ione D. Bonzo



Ione D. Bonzo, 89, died March 23, 2025, on a peaceful calm spring Sunday morning. She was born August 13, 1935, in Parowan, Utah to Oleen J. Davis and Rachel Robinson Davis. At the age of one she moved to Cedar City where she proudly called home her entire life. She graduated from Cedar High School. She married David Keith Bonzo on November 16, 1952, in Pioche, Nevada.

Ione and David lived a simple life in their little home on 700 West that they called their castle and raised their five boys.

In her younger years she worked at the turkey plant and Cedar Laundry. She worked at Valley View Medical Center in many capacities from

1963 to 2013. She received a lifetime service award from the hospital as the longest serving employee at that time. She enjoyed creating relationships with many associates while working at the old and new hospitals.

Ione served in the Church for over 20 years in the Cub Scout Program, as a Primary President, a dedicated visiting teacher and in the Relief Society. She enjoyed attending the St. George Temple for many years until her health would not allow her to attend any longer.

Ione's greatest joy was her five boys, her grandchildren, a clean house and serving others. She served many people and cared for others. She was famous for sending cards to her children and grandchildren on their birthday and many other occasions. She enjoyed making her homemade chicken noodles, sausage soup and pies. Ione will always be remembered as the hardest working and honest person we knew.

Ione loved talking on the phone especially to her children, grandchildren, siblings and many friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, David K.; her son, David Paul; her parents; and six siblings. She is survived by her sons: Ricky (Wendy) of Enoch, UT, Eric (Lisa) of Enoch, UT, Todd (Lorie) of St. George, UT and Scott of Salt Lake City, UT; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Susan Bonzo of Cedar City, UT and Patricia Close of Las Vegas, NV; brother, Mazel Kay Davis of Cedar City, UT; and sister Charlotte Weidemann of Cedar City, UT.

The family would like to thank the administration and nursing staff at Stonehenge Assisted Living for their exceptional and loving care of our mother.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 29, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the Cedar City 4th Ward Chapel, 500 West 400 North, Cedar City, Utah. A viewing will be held Saturday, prior to services, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the church. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery located at 685 North Main Street.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Metcalf Mortuary, (435) 673-4221. Please visit our website at www.metcalfmortuary.com to share memories and condolences.

Robert John Warren



Our beloved husband, dad and grandpa, Robert John Warren, left us on March 29, 2025 in his home in Cedar City. He was born in Cedar City on July 13, 1932 to John Enos Warren and Emma Woodbury. He married Lorraine Warren on August 23, 1956.

He grew up in Cedar City and also loved to go to Hurricane to help Grandfather Woodbury with his strawberries. He was a Cedar High Redman, graduating in 1950. He went to BAC (SUU) and received

an associate degree in zoology. He then went to Utah State University to receive a bachelor's degree in history.

Robert spent 21 years in the Air Force. They lived in France, Massachusetts, New York, Arizona, New Mexico and California. His main duties were ariel photography and working in the missile program. He retired in 1976 as a Lieutenant Colonel. After retirement, he worked at State Bank of Southern Utah, retiring after 13 years as Senior Vice President.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served as a clerk and scout leader who loved the many hikes to Zion. He served twice as a bishop and very much enjoyed his time there. He served 3 missions, one to the Granite Vault in Salt Lake, and the Cedar City and St. George canneries. He loved the gospel and his family and friends with all of his heart.

He also loved gardening, hiking, painting, photography, trains, stamp collecting, skiing, fishing, the gospel and family.

Robert is survived by his wife Lorraine Warren; sister Emma Lou Beecroft, San Diego; 3 Children, Sydney Ann Pearson (Tim), Enoch, Kent Robert Warren (Milei), Cedar City, and Kevin John Warren (Ilona), Las Vegas; 9 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents Emma Woodbury and John Enos Warren; his daughter Wendy Warren; and 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday April 5, 2025 at 11:00 am at the Cedarview Chapel (1925 W. 320 S., Cedar City, UT). Viewings will be held at the Cedarview chapel on Friday April 4, 2025 from 6-8 pm and Saturday morning prior to the service from 9:30-10:30 am. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences may be shared at www.mortuary.org.



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sports



Canyon View's Brady Anderson swings at a pitch during the Falcons' home game against the Richfield Wildcats on March 25. The Falcons won, 18-1.

Maine's big day keeps CV on roll

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

When Canyon View pitcher

Zach Maine saw a batted ball coming toward him, it ricocheted off the top of his foot and rolled back toward home plate and left the junior down on the ground for a few moments. Maine would recover quickly and used both his arm and his bat to shut down the Richfield Wildcats.

Maine allowed one run in four innings and homered twice, including the game-winner with two out in the bottom of the fourth as the Falcons used a pair of eight-run innings to break the game open and post an 18-1 rout over Richfield in the home opener played March 25. CV had taken a 2-1 lead on an RBI double from Price Atwood in the bottom of the second, then a bases-loaded walk to Jake Thomas triggered the first 8-run rally that came with two out in the third.

Head coach Jason Jacobsen was proud of the effort from the entire team, especially after the big innings.

"That's two good starts in a row for him," Jacobsen said of Maine. "He really settled in and threw a lot of strikes."

Richfield scored its only run in the top of the first on a solo home run to Fisher Jenson. The Falcons had an answer when Price Atwood hit an RBI double and scored on a throwing error in the bottom of the second. With the help of a two-out, bases-loaded walk to Jake Thomas, it lit the fire for CV to break the game open with eight runs in the third.

"It was a good day for us on offense, especially with Zach Maine on the mound," Jacobsen said.

After the walk to Thomas, Cannon Williams added a two-run single and Bubba Ludlow delivered a two-run triple. Asher Slack doubled to score Ludlow, Brady Anderson followed with a double of his own, and Jarron Bradshaw singled to score Anderson and complete the rally.

Maine would finish with four strikeouts – three on called third strikes – and went to work with his bat in

the bottom of the fourth. Maine homered to lead off the inning and put the win away early with a three-run shot on the first pitch he saw.

Switching to Richfield on March 28, Anderson took his turn on the mound and allowed only five hits as Canyon View beat the Wildcats, 6-0, for its eighth straight win to improve to 11-3 on the season, 4-0 in Region 12 play.

Ludlow went 3-for-4 at the plate and scored twice for the Falcons, who scored four runs in the top of the fourth inning to pull away and secure another victory.

Slack and Atwood added two hits apiece and Anderson helped his cause with a two-run single to highlight the fourth-inning rally. Anderson allowed only one walk and struck out 10 as he threw a complete game.

CV returned to region play with a home game against the Manti Templars on Tuesday and will play the rematch Friday starting at 3 p.m.

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CV softball earns second region win

by Tom Zulewski

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The Canyon View Falcons scored all the runs it would need in the bottom of the first inning, and the pitching of Elli John made sure they would hold up as CV held off the Manti Templars, 4-2, at home March 25. John also had two of CV's three hits in the victory, including a double, and

Quinn Matheson added the other Falcon hit with an RBI single.

The visiting Templars scored both of its runs in the top of the sixth, but couldn't overcome six errors in the loss.

To start the week, CV traveled out of region to Pine View and saw the Panthers score twice in the bottom of the eighth inning to come away with an 8-7 win. The score was tied at 6-6 through regulation as Pine View scored twice in

the sixth and forced extras.

The Falcons scored once in the top of the eighth and finished with 12 hits, but seven errors in the field were costly in the loss.

Canyon View played two more Region 12 road games to finish out the week, starting with a 9-3 loss at Carbon on March 27. The Dinos built a 6-0 lead after four innings and responded with three runs in the bottom of the sixth after the Falcons had cut the deficit in half to 6-3.

Alina Sluder and Payton Castillo had two hits each for CV in the loss.

To wrap up the week, the Falcons dropped an 8-7 decision to the Emery Spartans on March 28. As was the case against the Panthers earlier in the week, Canyon View (3-14 overall, 2-4 Region 12) scored once in the top of the seventh to take a 7-6 lead, only to see the host Spartans answer with two runs in the bottom half that earned them the walk-off win.

CV will play a single game this week on the road against the North Sanpete Hawks on Friday afternoon starting at 3:30 p.m.

Cedar's big bats shut down Flyers



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by Tom Zulewski
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Sloane Fielding makes contact with a pitch for the Cedar Reds as they defeated the Dixie Flyers, 9-1, on March 25.

Cedar head softball coach David Koontz wasn't around in the dugout when the Reds saw a 12-game winning streak come to an end in a loss to Springville last week. When he returned, the Reds shook off the loss and started another streak thanks to Sadie Parson and more high-powered offense.

Parson threw a one-hitter, doubled and drove in two runs as Cedar pulled away over the final four innings and beat the Dixie Flyers, 9-1 on March 25. The senior only allowed a solo home run to Eliza Kesterson in the bottom of the fourth inning, walked two and struck out 10.

"She's on fire on the mound and she's on fire with her bat," Koontz said of Parson. "I don't know if she's hitting over .400, but it's around .350 for sure."

After Kesterson's home run cut the lead to 3-1, the Reds wasted no time in answering with three runs in the top of the fifth. With one out, Kate Lopez doubled – just missing a home run – and Parson added a double of her own to score her teammate. Kinzie Hawkins stepped up and followed with a two-run homer to give the Reds a 6-1 lead. They would add a single run in the sixth and two more in the seventh to secure another win.

Cedar would complete the sweep March 28 by scoring a pair of four-run innings and putting away a 12-0 romp over Dixie to improve to 14-3 overall, 6-0 in Region 9 play. The Reds kept pace with Desert Hills, who are also undefeated in region.

Parson held Dixie to one hit for the second straight game, walked one and struck out nine. She would get all the run support she needed when the Reds put a single run on the board in the bottom of the first as Shaylee Johnson reached on an infield single that scored Lopez, who led off the inning with a single.

Lopez started a four-run Reds rally in the bottom of the third with another single, stole second, moved to third on a groundout and scored on a Johnson single. Kenzie Bulloch hit a sacrifice squeeze bunt that delivered a second run, and Mya Bishoff finished the rally with a two-run homer for a 5-0 lead.

Parson started the two-out fourth-inning rally with a two-run single, while Bulloch and Bishoff added run-scoring singles of their own to stretch the margin to 9-0. Cedar would end the game in the bottom of the fifth when Lopez sent a pitch over the wall in center field for a three-run homer.

Cedar continued Region 9 play with a home game against Crimson Cliffs on Tuesday and will face the Mustangs on the road Friday night starting at 7 p.m.

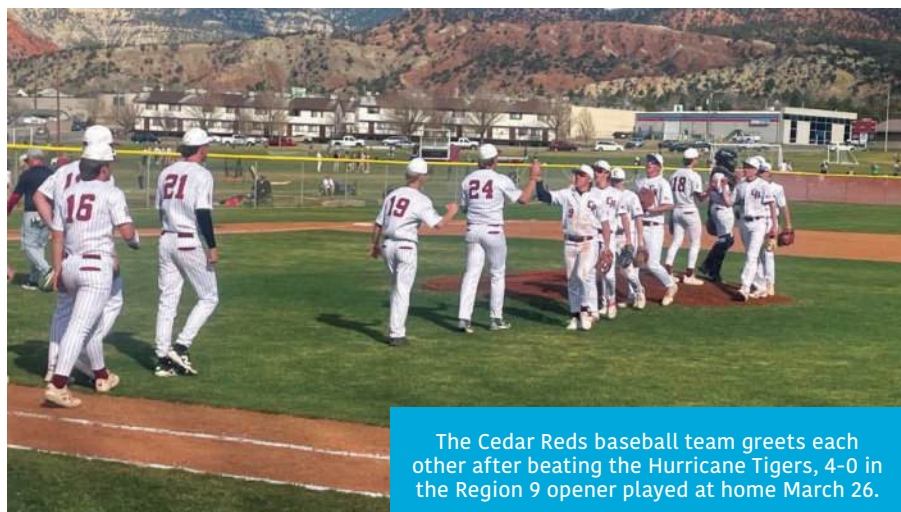
Martin pitches Reds past Tigers

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

As Cedar baseball coach Brad Larsen has observed his team, there's been one big constant in the 2025 season to date. Once one player starts hitting, everything else will fall into place.

The fruits of Larsen's thinking were on display as the Reds got RBI doubles from Payton Ludlow and Jacob Boyer to back the pitching of Brett Martin in Cedar's 4-0 shutout victory over the Hurricane Tigers in the Region 9 opener for



The Cedar Reds baseball team greets each other after beating the Hurricane Tigers, 4-0 in the Region 9 opener played at home March 26.

both teams played March 26. Martin allowed six walks, but struck out nine as the Reds got two runs in the first inning and added two more in the third.

"We feed off each other's hitting," Larsen said. "If someone starts it, they'll all continue to do it."

Ludlow and Boyer delivered their RBI hits in the first inning to give Cedar the early 2-0 lead, and they would add two more in the third on a passed ball and an error with two out.

"We got hits when we needed to have them, and these kids are believing in themselves," Larsen said.

Martin struggled with his control as the Tigers put two runners on with two out in the seventh, but Carter Corry came on in relief and needed only two pitches to get the final out and secure the victory.

In the rematch played at Hurricane on March 28, Cedar scored three runs in the top of the first and they held up the rest of the way as the Reds held on for a 4-3 win and improved to 8-4 overall, 2-0 in Region 9 play. Cooper Payne threw a complete game on the mound for the Reds, allowing seven hits and two earned runs to go with three walks and eight strikeouts.

Ludlow doubled, tripled and scored twice for the Reds, who managed only four hits. Hurricane chipped away at the deficit by scoring single runs in the third and fourth innings, but made Payne and the Reds sweat in the bottom of the seventh when Jack Fitzgerald hit an RBI triple with two out.

Payne made sure the Reds were able to exhale when he struck out Emiliano Zapata to leave two runners stranded in scoring position.

Cedar returned to play with a home-and-home series against Pine View on Tuesday night and Wednesday afternoon, and they'll take on the Dixie Flyers on Friday at home starting at 3 p.m.



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Baseball

Region 9

03/26 Cedar 4, Hurricane 0
Snow Canyon 13, Dixie 1
Desert Hills 12, Pine View 2

03/28 Cedar 4, Hurricane 3
Desert Hills 13, Pine View 0
Dixie 7, Snow Canyon 1

Region 12

03/25 Canyon View 18, Richfield 1
Manti 10, North Sanpete 4
Carbon 4, Delta 2
Juab 11, Emery 5

03/26 Union 10, Carbon 0

03/27 North Sanpete 9, Am. Leadership 7

03/28 Canyon View 6, Richfield 0
Manti 9, North Sanpete 5
Juab 6, Emery 5
Carbon 3, Delta 1

2A West

03/25 Beaver 5, Parowan 2
Milford 18, Millard 7
Kanab 3, Enterprise 1
South Sevier 30, Water Canyon 0

03/27 Milford 4-16, El Capitan (AZ) 2-0

03/28 Beaver 4, Parowan 3
South Sevier 19, Water Canyon 1
Enterprise 2, Kanab 1
Milford 10, Millard 5

Softball

Region 9

03/24 Pine View 8, Canyon View 7, 8
innings

03/25 Cedar 9, Dixie 1
Virgin Valley 11, Pine View 7
Hurricane 12, Snow Canyon 2
Desert Hills 1, Crimson Cliffs 0

03/28 Cedar 12, Dixie 0
Desert Hills 4, Crimson Cliffs 2
Hurricane 9, Snow Canyon 0

Region 12

03/24 Pine View 8, Canyon View 7, 8
innings

03/25 Canyon View 4, Manti 2
Delta 9, Juab 2
Carbon 10, Richfield 1
North Sanpete 6, Emery 3

03/26 North Sanpete 12, Richfield 7

03/27 Carbon 9, Canyon View 3
Richfield 23, Juab 15
Milford 19, Delta 8

03/28 Emery 8, Canyon View 7
Carbon 5, Juab 0
North Sanpete 8, Manti 3

2A South

03/24 Beaver 7, Grand 1

03/25 Millard 25, North Sevier 8
Milford 23, Monticello 0
Enterprise 11, Kanab 1
South Sevier 15, Water Canyon 0

03/26 Beaver 13, Parowan 3
Duchesne 17, Millard 7

03/27 Milford 19, Delta 8
South Sevier 12, Gunnison 2

03/28 Beaver 15, Parowan 3
South Sevier 22, Water Canyon 0
Milford 15, Monticello 0

STANDINGS

RPI RANKINGS IN PARENTHESES

Baseball

Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Desert Hills	2-0	14-0
Cedar	2-0	8-4
Snow Canyon	1-1	11-3
Dixie	1-1	7-6
Crimson Cliffs	0-0	8-4
Pine View	0-2	9-4
Hurricane	0-2	6-6

Region 12

	REGION	OVERALL
Canyon View	4-0	11-3
Juab	2-0	8-3
Manti	2-0	5-5
Carbon	3-1	5-8
Richfield	2-2	3-8
North Sanpete	1-3	5-6
Delta	0-4	7-5
Emery	0-4	3-9

2A West

	REGION	OVERALL
Beaver	4-0	11-1
South Sevier	5-1	11-2
Milford	4-2	11-5
Enterprise	4-2	10-5
Kanab	3-3	8-6
Parowan	1-5	4-6
Millard	1-5	2-10
Water Canyon	0-4	0-6

Softball

Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Desert Hills	6-0	15-1
Cedar	14-3	14-3
Hurricane	3-3	5-11
Crimson Cliffs	1-3	5-8
Snow Canyon	1-3	7-10
Dixie	1-5	6-13
Pine View	0-4	5-9

Region 12

	REGION	OVERALL
North Sanpete	6-0	9-3
Emery	5-1	8-7
Carbon	3-3	5-10
Manti	2-3	4-9
Richfield	3-3	5-10

Canyon View	2-4	3-14
Delta	1-3	1-11
Juab	0-6	2-9

2A South

	REGION	OVERALL
South Sevier	5-0	12-1
Beaver	4-0	15-4
Milford	4-0	11-4
Enterprise	4-2	9-5
Millard	3-2	7-7
Water Canyon	0-2	0-6
Kanab	0-5	2-10
Parowan	0-5	1-16

Boys Soccer

Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Crimson Cliffs	4-0	6-1
Dixie	3-0	4-2
Pine View	2-1	3-2
Snow Canyon	1-2	2-4
Cedar	1-2	1-5
Desert Hills	1-3	4-5
Hurricane	0-4	1-7

Region 12

	REGION	OVERALL
Carbon	7-1	7-1
Manti	6-1	6-3
Juab	6-2	6-4
Canyon View	6-3	6-3
Richfield	4-4	6-4
Delta	2-7	4-7
North Sanpete	2-7	2-7
Emery	0-8	0-9

Some numbers make no sense

Last week was a busy time for several teams in professional sports, including two that decided not to wait until the end of the regular season to remove its respective head coaches. While there's no such thing as a good time to end anyone's employment, it's downright awful when the coaches are removed with a minimal amount of time remaining before the season ends.

In the case of the NBA's Memphis Grizzlies and the NHL's Philadelphia Flyers, the respective moves to dismiss came with only nine games left in the regular season. It's bad enough to not allow for a chance to complete what the coaches started, but the window of calendar time involved works out to less than three weeks.

Our first exhibit comes from Taylor Jenkins, who was fired as head coach of the Grizzlies on March 28, one day after a 125-104 loss to the Oklahoma City Thunder. It capped a Western road trip that saw the team drop four of five games, all by double figures.

The lone win was a 37-point blowout over the Utah Jazz, but we defer any discussion of that game to a different time and topic.

There could be a multitude of reasons why Jenkins was let go before his sixth season as the Grizzlies head coach ended. Maybe it was the team's lack of success against opponents with winning records, an 11-20 mark that ranked worst among the top nine teams in the Western Conference.

It could also have evolved from past history. Under Jenkins, the Grizzlies were the No. 2 seed in the West twice, but had only one playoff series win to show for it. This year's team has been as high as No. 2 in the West, but a 6-8 record in March has knocked them down to the No. 5 playoff seed.

Before play began March 30, the

Grizzlies were only two games in front of the Minnesota Timberwolves, who stood as the No. 8 seed. For good measure, the two teams will face each other at the FedEx Forum in Memphis – amaze your friends with that bit of knowledge – on April 10.

From a lock for the playoffs to trying to dodge the play-in tournament, it may have played a hand in manage-

ment's decision to let Jenkins go before the season ended. We have no room to judge what's actually true, but we have the right and every reason to be baffled by all of it.

The second exhibit of premature coach-cutting came when the Flyers fired John Tortorella on March 26 after a stretch where they lost 11 of the last 12 games, including six in a row.

Like Jenkins, Tortorella was fired with just nine games left in the regular season.

Since assistant coach Brad Shaw took over, Philadelphia has won two straight and is still barely alive in the chase for the last Eastern Conference wild card playoff spot. The Flyers are eight points (four wins) behind the New York Rangers, but only have seven games left, including a head-to-head meeting at Madison Square Garden on April 9.

Still doable, but six teams are in the way and the odds are ridiculously long.

When you lose 11 of 12 and management sees you as "a complicated man," the writing was on the wall for Tortorella. All of this is only our opinion – we weren't close to being a fly on the wall – but that's why we pay attention. For all that is good, trying to understand why the bad happened can only make all of us better – athletes and writers alike.

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

RANDOM thoughts

Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY



TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

And now, we have liftoff on another dozen sporting trivia questions for your guessing enjoyment. This week's collection is a grab bag of challenging stuff that won't break your brain – at least that's the intended goal here. Have fun, embrace the chaos, and please remember...no wagering!

1. What Real Madrid soccer star and captain of the French national team recently received his own wax statue at Madame Tussaud's in London, calling it "handsome" and "a big honor?"
2. The MLB season has barely begun, but the Los Angeles Dodgers have already been made the big betting favorite at ESPN BET to win the 2025 World Series. What American League team had a similar distinction in 2002?
3. As of March 27, the Utah Hockey Club was eight points out of the second wild card playoff spot in the Western Conference with 11 games to play. Since 2010, how many times did the UHC's predecessor – the Arizona Coyotes – qualify for the Stanley Cup Playoffs?
4. Through March 27, the Detroit Pistons have won 27 more games than a season ago, one of the best turnarounds in NBA history. What Western Conference team had two turnaround seasons of more than 30 victories – a 35-game improvement in 1990 and a 36-game improvement in 1998?
5. The BYU Cougars reached the Sweet 16 at the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2011, but in what year did BYU last reach the Elite Eight? (Utah Jazz team executive Danny Ainge was a player on this team)
6. What NHL Eastern Conference team fired head coach John Tortorella on March 27 with nine games left in the regular season?
7. Who is the defending champion at the Masters? This player has won two of the last three green jackets.
8. Who is the only player from Japan to win the Masters, pulling off the feat in 2021?

9. What CBS golf commentator will be calling the action at his 40th Masters in 2025 and said he'll try to keep going until the 100th Masters is played in 2036?

10. True or False: After reaching the last two national championship games, the Iowa women's basketball team is still alive at this year's NCAA Tournament?

11. Which NBA Eastern Conference team is battling with the Utah Jazz for the best odds to earn the No. 1 pick in the draft lottery?

12. How many of the teams that were in the Sweet 16 at the NCAA Men's Tournament have NOT won a national title?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago Cubs. The Dodgers won both games of the series.
2. The Tampa Bay Rays will be playing its home games at George Steinbrenner Field in Tampa.
3. New York Mets.
4. Bob Feller.
5. Tom Seaver.
6. True.
7. William Howard Taft.
8. Cincinnati Reds.
9. Four. Robinson played for the Cleveland Indians (Guardians), Cincinnati Reds (three), Baltimore Orioles (three) and California (L.A.) Angels.
10. Cincinnati Reds.
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KENNETH M ZIEGNER,
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Probate No. 253500027
Judge Matthew Bell

All persons having claims against the above estate are
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DATED this 26 of March, 2025. BRYCE M. FROERER
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