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Mayor-elect
Steve Nelson

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Preliminary Iron County Election Results 2025

CEDAR CITY

Cedar City Mayor:
Steve Nelson
Cedar City Council:
Waldo Galan,
Scott Phillips

ENOCH CITY

Enoch City Mayor:
Jim Rushton
Enoch City Council:
Kimberlee Trower,
Jacob Daniel Miner

PAROWAN

Parowan City Mayor:
Mollie Halterman
Parowan City Council:
Lyle Clayton Barton,
Rochell Topham

BRIAN HEAD

Brian Head Town Mayor:
Clayton Calloway
Brian Head Town Council:
Mitchell Allen Ricks, Logan Cruz

PARAGONAH

Paragonah Town Mayor:
Dakota J. Veater
Paragonah Town Council:
Travis Isaacson,
Todd Blaine Memmott

KANARRAVILLE

Kanarraville Town Mayor:
J. Tyler Allred
Kanarraville Town Council:
Jared Valentine Blackburn,
Darcie D Hirschi

For more information about the election results please visit IronCountyut.gov.

Smith's to Replace Current Cedar City Store with New Marketplace

Future plans to expand with a second store on the north side of town

from Mike Dale

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

(Cedar City, UT) — Smith's Food & Drug has announced plans to build a new Smith's Marketplace in Cedar City, Utah. The 123,000-square-foot multi-department store located at 1247 South Main Street will offer a wide range of products and services, including full-service grocery, pharmacy, apparel, fuel and household goods.

The \$50 million investment will anchor an 18-acre retail development. Upon completion, anticipated in early 2027, the existing Smith's Food & Drug store at 633 South Main Street in Cedar City, which opened in 1996, will close, and all employees will have the opportunity to transfer to the new Marketplace.

The new Marketplace is a key part of Smith's broader strategic plan to serve the growing Cedar City community. Negotiations are already underway to build a second store located off Minersville Hwy and Old Hwy 91, further contributing to a significant multi-million-dollar investment in full-line grocery services and hundreds of employment

opportunities located near where people live and shop.

"We're excited to bring a Marketplace to Cedar City to better meet the evolving needs of our customers," said Kenny Kimball, president of Smith's Food & Drug. "This new store, and our plans for a future store, reflect our long-term commitment to anticipate and deliver expanded services, greater convenience, and an overall exceptional shopping experience to the Cedar City community."

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Former teacher sentenced to 10 years to life following undercover child-sex sting

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A former high school teacher was ordered to serve 10 years to life in the Utah State Prison on Wednesday after admitting he attempted to meet with someone he believed was a 13-year-old for sex.

Derek Lange, 35, was originally charged with multiple felonies, including attempted rape of a child, a first-degree felony; enticing a minor for sexual activity, a second-degree felony; and five third-degree felony counts related to enticement and dealing in materials harmful to a minor.

He later pleaded guilty to attempted rape of a child, a first-degree felony as part of a negotiated plea agreement, and the remaining counts were dismissed.

According to court records, the case began during an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children operation in March. Investigators posing as a 13-year-old communicated with Lange over several days, during which he agreed to travel to Cedar City to meet the minor.

When he arrived, officers found the back of his van arranged with bedding and other items, including condoms, indicating the vehicle had been prepared for a sexual encounter. He was arrested at the scene.

During the Iron County investigation, detectives also uncovered additional online conversations from the same time period involving a separate undercover investigator based in Utah County. That related case is being prosecuted separately in

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FORMER TEACHER

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4th District Court.

During sentencing, 5th District Judge Matthew L. Bell said the behavior did not occur in a single exchange. He pointed to the Utah County case, saying Lange had already acknowledged those conversations as part of the same pattern.

"This was not a fleeting aberration," Bell said. "You took actions that went well beyond improper online conversation. That kind of dark conversation is poison to the soul. You have children. You worked with children. This is especially concerning and underscores the risks posed."

Iron County Attorney Chad Dotson argued for a 10-to-life sentence, describing the case as deliberate and planned. Dotson said Lange spent weeks communicating online with who he believed was a 13-year-old and arranged to meet in Cedar City.

"While there was no actual child harmed, the defendant's actions reveal a mindset that poses an inexcusable threat to children," Dotson said. "He crossed every line society has drawn to protect its most vulnerable members."

Defense attorney Brad Henderson asked the court to consider a lower minimum sentence allowed by statute, emphasizing Lange's cooperation, immediate admissions and participation in addiction and recovery programs while jailed.

"At no time did I hear, 'Can they prove it?'" Henderson said. "It was, 'I'm an addict. I need help. How do I get that?'"

Henderson also noted Lange has already begun treatment coursework and argued that motivation should be preserved as he enters the state prison system.

Lange read a prepared statement apologizing to his ex-wife and four children.

"I know my behavior has caused many people immense harm," Lange said, becoming emotional. "I felt immense remorse for the way I've turned the world upside down for my family. I am eager to do the work ahead of me in prison. I couldn't get it right outside of prison on my own."

Lange's father also addressed the court, saying he and his wife do not condone their son's actions but will remain involved as he undergoes treatment in prison. He told the court the family intends to support him during incarceration and when he is eventually released.

Bell agreed to the 10-to-life term, saying the conduct "still warrants a significant prison sentence" due to the ongoing risks of Lange's behavior.

The Utah Board of Pardons and Parole will determine if and when Lange may be released. Bell recommended Lange receive credit for time served and access to treatment programming while incarcerated.

Lange was remanded to the Utah Department of Corrections

to begin immediately serving his sentence.

In a statement to Iron County Today following the hearing, Iron County Attorney Chad Dotson said:

"I hope this potential life sentence sends a clear message: Iron County will not tolerate those who prey on children, whether online or in our communities.

Derek Lange, a former high school teacher and coach, spent weeks grooming his intended victim, confessed to similar chats with other minors, and drove through the night—leaving his own children unattended—to act on his depraved intent.

This outcome was only made possible by the tireless work of the Cedar City Police and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Their proactive sting operations and swift action prevented harm and secured justice. We thank them for their vigilance and for standing as the frontline defense for Utah's kids.

Let this sentence deter every would-be predator: we are watching, we will prosecute, and you will be held accountable."

What's your experience looking for work?

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by Megan Banta and Rachel Crosby

THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Utah's unemployment rate was one of the nation's lowest in August at 3.3%, according to federal statistics that haven't been updated during the government shutdown.

But experts still pointed to signs of possible economic troubles here during a recent roundtable.

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Mostly Cloudy

63°/41°

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WINDS: S 20-30+

FRIDAY

Rain/Snow Mix

44°/32°

PRECIP: 70%
WINDS: S 15-25

SATURDAY

Sunny

43°/21°

PRECIP: 0%
WINDS: N 5-10

SUNDAY

Sunny

49°/23°

PRECIP: 0%
WINDS: W 5-10

MONDAY

Partly Cloudy

46°/31°

PRECIP: 10%
WINDS: SW 10-20

TUESDAY

Isolated Showers

41°/26°

PRECIP: 20%
WINDS: SE 5-10

WEDNESDAY

Isolated Showers

45°/25°

PRECIP: 20%
WINDS: SE 5-10

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FROM THE EDITOR



CASSI SCHMUTZ
COPY EDITOR

This weekend is shaping up to be a fun one. Not just because we're kicking off holiday prep both at home and here at Iron County Today, but because two incredible football teams are

heading to the Utah State Championships: Cedar High School and my alma mater, Kanab High School!

I encourage you to check out our Sports section to read more about Cedar High's journey and their final game on November 15. It's an exciting time for both teams, their communities, and all of us cheering them on from near and far.

A few months ago, I had the chance to attend a Kanab High football game and watch my niece cheer during her senior year. It was my first time back at a game since I was a student myself, and it brought back so many memories. Sitting with my family, introducing my boys to Friday night lights, and cheering from the stands reminded me just how special small-town high school sports are.

There's something almost magical about how high school athletics unite a community. How pride in our town, our schools, and our youth transcends generations. Whether you're a lifelong fan or just looking for a fun weekend adventure, consider heading up to Herriman in the Salt Lake Valley to support Cedar High School (and Kanab for me!).

It's the perfect excuse for a quick getaway! Do a little Christmas shopping, enjoy the cooler weather, and cheer on our local teams as they chase championship glory. Go Reds and Cowboys!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"A champion is simply someone who did not give up when they wanted to." - Tom Landry



What's Going On Here and There?

by **Edy Meredith**

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Is it going to be easy to choose happiness or are difficult choices in front of us as the example of New York City (the second largest Jewish community in the United States) goes under the governing (i.e. ruling) of its new mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani, a 34-year-old who is set to take office on January 1, 2026. Mamdani won last Tuesday's election with barely a majority of the vote cast, 50.4 %, less than 10 points ahead of his closest rival, former Democratic New York Governor Andrew Cuomo who received 41.6%. Mamdani delivered an angry and bitter acceptance speech, calling Trump all sorts of names, but he should have offered a verbal handshake to Trump and to his rival who lost by a small percentage. Instead, he didn't offer conciliation, but a continuing struggle. During the election campaign, New York voters were offered goodies by Mamdani such as rent stabilization, free transportation, lower grocery costs, and other freebies. Who is going to pay for

these still to be delivered goodies which may sound wonderful but will be difficult for Mamdani to deliver? Is this a harbinger of things to come?

Mamdani was advantaged by the changing nature of New York City's population, specifically by the growth of New York City's African, Muslim, and Chinese (CCP) community. Two weeks before the election, a Patriot Polling survey found that 62% of foreign-born New York City voters favored Mamdani, compared with only 31% of American-born voters. Mamdani also received adoring coverage from the media. Yes, his left-wing supporters, consisting of progressives and members of the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), were great at organizing and getting young people with idealistic values on their side, but Hank Sheinkopf, a political analyst, said that socialists like Mamdani are horrible at governing. Time will tell whether their socialist ideas will

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WORD OF THE WEEK

ANTITHESIS

[an-tith-esis]

Noun

a person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else



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work in a capitalistic system, especially in New York City where you can't just give away things, tax rich people who will just then say "OK, tax me to death". The rich people will depart and take their tax basis and businesses with them.

Recently on October 23, 2025, before the New York City election, an alarming article by Melanie Phillips was published titled "Gallopang Islamization in Britain and America" warning Americans about the rapid descent and ascent of Islam in the United States, even quoting Mamdani saying that he has gotten involved in politics to spread Islam, posting pictures of himself at Masjid At-Taqwa mosque in Brooklyn, N.Y., with its imam, Siraj Wahhaj, who Mamdani described as one of the U.S. foremost Muslim leaders. Wahhaj has been quoted as saying, "I will never, ever tell people, 'Don't be violent, that is not the Islamic way.' The violence has to be selected...You don't get involved in politics because it's the American thing to do. You get involved in politics because politics are a weapon to use in the cause of Islam. Wherever you came from, you came to America ... for one reason—one reason only—to establish Allah's deen (law or way of life in Arabic).... Democracy will crumble, and there will be nothing, and the only thing that will remain will be Islam."

What is not understood by many in America is that Mamdani is a Shia Muslim "Twelver", a member of the sect that believes the "Twelfth Imam" or Shia messiah will be brought to earth in an apocalypse or destruction of what currently exists. The most prominent Twelver currently in the world is the Iranian Supreme Leader. Does Freedom of Religion extend to those who want to kill me or my way of life? Look to guidance to the Ten Commandments which is the basis of western law: 1) Thou shalt have no other Gods before me, 2) Thou shalt not make any graven image, 3) Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord in vain, 4) Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, 5) Honor your father and mother, 6) Thou shalt not kill, 7) Thou shalt not commit adultery, 8) Thou shalt not steal, 9) Thou shalt not covet, 10) Thou shalt not bear false witness. Which of these is the most important? They hang together and for those who follow them, they create a perfect life of gratitude and choice. God always uses persuasion. The God of the Bible never forces, always helps, always directs us to love and persuade. We need to teach our children well and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Freedom is not about always getting our own way. Freedom is about the love that frees us from bondage to sin and with prayer to the God who sets us free to love fully and live without regret.

State Bank Offers New App for Kids

Teaching Kids & Teens to Earn, Spend, and Save

by Tyler Brown

STATE BANK OF SOUTHERN UTAH

Many high school graduates

enter adulthood without the financial skills needed to navigate today's digital economy. To help families build those skills early, State Bank of Southern Utah has launched the SBSU Kids App, a first-of-its-kind offering from a financial institution in Southern Utah. The SBSU Kids App is available free of charge to all residents of Central and Southern Utah, regardless of whether they bank with State Bank.

Designed for children and teens ages 5–17, the SBSU Kids App is a fun, interactive tool that helps families teach essential money management skills through hands-on experience. The app allows parents to assign custom chores, track completion, and reward kids with weekly earnings. Children can then use their funds to spend, save, donate to local nonprofits, or even invest in stocks, all within a secure, parent-guided environment. Each child receives a personalized prepaid Visa® card, and the app includes an educational platform to reinforce financial concepts in a practical, engaging way.

"The SBSU Kids App is a game changer for parents," said Cordelle Morris, CMO at State Bank of Southern Utah. "My children love having their own debit cards. Instead of begging for treats every time we stop at a store, our conversations have turned into ways



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AGE 5+

Parker

Black Sheep Novelty

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Olivia Neat

AGES 13-18

Traegon Joslin

AGE 19+

Alona Patch

Cedar Drug

GRAND PRIZE

Megan Zufelt

AGE 12+

1ST PLACE

Geneva Richards

2ND PLACE

Kollen Armstrong

AGES 6-11

1ST PLACE

Ivie Mascherino

2ND PLACE

Leo

AGES 0-5

1ST PLACE

Tyson Lee

2ND PLACE

Rigby Williams

Dairy Queen Chevron

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Rilynn Roundy

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Ryeesa Rose

Dippers

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Hans Oberhelman

AGES 6-10

Olivia Robinson

AGES 11-17

Cecily Yorgason

AGES 18+

Victoria Charles

Dry Lakes

AGES 0-4

1ST PLACE

Aaron Young

2ND PLACE

Ellie Forsyth

AGES 5-8

1ST PLACE

Cora Jane Nielsen

2ND PLACE

Bodie Miller

AGES 9-11

1ST PLACE

Mary Alice Carter

2ND PLACE

Lola Garcia

AGES 12-18

1ST PLACE

Talon

2ND PLACE

Eleanora Hunt

Enoch Drugs

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Aria

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Lincoln Fuessal

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Geneva Richards

Farmers Insurance

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Sandra Banks

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Alexander Parsons

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Uciel Cruz

AGE 15+

Jacquelyn Cowdell

Legacy Flooring

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Banks Conder

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Odin Anderson

AGES 7-8

Rigby Williams

AGES 9-10

Olivia Neat

AGES 11-13

Smantha Perez

Sandstone Psychology

AGE 9

1ST PLACE

Daniel Marquardt

AGE 11

2ND PLACE

Jade (no last name given)

AGE 13

3RD PLACE

Samantha Perez

State Bank

AGES 0-8

Stormy Sheridan & Aria

AGES 9-14

Dahlia Yorgason & Nycole Hernandez

AGES 15+

Carly Phillips & Logan Atkinson

2nd East

AGE 11

Lola Garcia

TDS

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Nolan Hair

AGES 7-11

Savannah Peterson

AGES 12-16

Lila Fuessel

Webster's Ortho

AGES 2-9

Aria Johnson

AGES 10-16

Eleanora Hunt

AGES 17-90

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Cedar City Council Work Meeting Summary

by Iron County Today Staff
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Election Results and Appointments

The mayor congratulated the winners of the recent city elections: Mayor-elect Steve Nelson, re-elected Councilman Scott Phillips, and Councilman-elect Waldo Galan, who will take office on January 5th. The council also announced four candidates who filed to fill Tyler Melling's vacant two-year seat: David Johnson, Aleese Cardon, Jaden Rearen, and Phil Schmidt. These candidates will present to the council next week, with council members voting to select the appointment.

Community Events

Cedar City's Birthday Spectacular is set for Tuesday, November 11, with family games at 5 p.m. and a 7:30 p.m. program featuring the Cedar City Community Band, historical reenactments, and patriotic tributes. The Storybook

Cavalcade Parade also returns to Main Street this Saturday at 10 a.m. after several years.

Infrastructure Updates

City Engineer reported that the well pump replacement will begin Monday, with results expected next week. The median curb project by Maverik is nearly finished, with striping scheduled over the next two nights. UDOT confirmed the current layout is best despite traffic concerns on westbound 200 North.

Council Business

The council approved a \$9,029 change order for the Canyon View Detention Pond Landscape Restoration Project, which still came in under budget thanks to savings from the 1600 North storm drain project and in-house work.

Police Chief Darren Adams requested restoring 50.5 hours of sick leave for Sergeant Zack Adams, who was injured apprehending a suspect on I-15, in line with city policy.

Keith Naylor was appointed to the Board of Adjustments, replacing Terry Hermanson. Several items were approved for next week's consent agenda.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

November Community Update Legislative Work in Progress



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In October, my committees and I spent time digging into issues that matter deeply to our communities — from protecting data privacy to strengthening our justice system and improving local infrastructure. These discussions are where ideas turn into real solutions for Utah families, and your input helps guide that work. If you weren't able to tune in, you can catch up by reading the meeting highlights here or streaming full recordings at le.utah.gov. The final interim meetings of the year will be held on November 18th and 19th, and I encourage you to join us in person or online as we wrap up this important phase of the legislative process.

Supporting Utah's Firefighters

This year, the Legislature took major steps to protect the health and safety of Utah's firefighters. With the passage of H.B. 65, we expanded free cancer screenings and medical coverage for firefighters and funded the new Rocky Mountain Firefighter Cancer Clinic—a first-of-its-kind program that will save lives. Firefighters face significantly higher cancer risks because of their service, and this bill ensures they have access to early detection and specialized care. It also expands the list of cancers presumed to be job-related, helping firefighters and their families receive the benefits they deserve. Utah is proud to stand behind those who stand ready to protect us every day.

Lowering Gas Prices for Utah Families

Utahns shouldn't be paying more at the pump

than our neighbors — especially when we're home to five refineries that produce about one and a half times the fuel we use. The Legislature is taking a close look at why prices remain high and exploring solutions to make fuel more affordable for Utah families. Our goal is simple: keep energy reliable and affordable, protect Utah jobs, and ensure the benefits of our strong energy industry stay with the people who live and work here.

Supporting Utah Families During Uncertain Times

With the federal shutdown halting SNAP benefits for 86,000 Utah households, Utahns need immediate help. To ensure our most vulnerable Utahns have food, the state of Utah will provide resources to support the Utah Food Bank and its partners. This effort will not be possible without support from nonprofits, faith-based groups, community partners, businesses, and families stepping up to fill in the gap.

Utahns have shown time and time again that when we come together, we can accomplish anything. As the most charitable state in the nation, and during a time when Democrats in Congress are putting politics over people, we all should step up and help our neighbors.

- Donate money to the Utah Food Bank at utahfoodbank.org.
- Donate food by visiting one of the Utah Food Bank distribution centers or drop off location in our community: Utah Food Bank Southern Distribution Center - 4416 River Rd, St. George, UT 84790
- Or drop off at any Harmons location statewide or your local food pantry. Check out utahfoodbank.org to find one nearest you.

BUDGET SUMMARY

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

* Information was obtained directly from the governmental entities listed.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- Volunteer time by scheduling with the Utah Food Bank.

Your help will ensure Utah families receive the help they need. If you are in need of food during this time, click here to find a food pantry near you.

Standing Up for Fairness in Girls' Sports

Utah has reaffirmed a simple but important principle: girls' sports are for girls. The lawsuit challenging our law (H.B. 11) that keeps boys from competing in girls' sports has officially been dropped. With this challenge behind us, Utah's commonsense protections for fairness and safety in school athletics remain in place. I'm proud that we stood firm to ensure our girls can compete on a level playing field—one that honors their hard work, talent, and opportunity.

Investing in Utah's Students and Workforce

This year, the Legislature took bold steps to strengthen Utah's higher education system through HB265 Higher Education Strategic Reinvestment Plan — a reform that's already making a real difference. Under this plan, colleges and universities are redirecting resources toward high-demand fields like health care, engineering, artificial intelligence, and technology. These investments ensure that Utah students graduate with the skills our economy needs while keeping higher education affordable and accessible. By aligning academic programs with real-world opportunities, we're preparing the next generation to thrive — and making sure every taxpayer dollar works harder for Utah's future.

Happy Thanksgiving

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Utah House of Representatives Report Representative Carl Albrecht November 2025



REP. CARL ALBRECHT
UTAH HOUSE DISTRICT 70

Legislative Work in Progress

In October, my committees and I spent time digging into issues that matter deeply to our communities — from protecting data privacy to strengthening our justice system and improving local infrastructure. These discussions are where ideas turn into real solutions for Utah families, and your input helps guide that work. If you weren't able to tune in, you can catch up by reading the meeting highlights here or streaming full recordings at le.utah.gov. The final interim meetings of the year will be held on November 18th and 19th, and I encourage you to join us in person or online as we wrap up this important phase of the legislative process.

Supporting Utah's Firefighters

This year, the Legislature took major steps to protect the health and safety of Utah's firefighters. With the passage of H.B. 65, we expanded free cancer screenings and medical coverage for firefighters and funded the new Rocky Mountain Firefighter Cancer Clinic—a first-of-its-kind program that will save lives. Firefighters face significantly higher cancer risks because of their service, and this bill ensures they have access to early detection and specialized care. It also expands the list of cancers presumed to be job-related, helping firefighters and their families receive the benefits they deserve. Utah is proud to stand behind those who stand ready to protect us every day.

Lowering Gas Prices for Utah Families

Utahns shouldn't be paying more at the pump than our neighbors — especially when we're home to five refineries that produce about one and a half times the fuel we use. The Legislature is taking

a close look at why prices remain high and exploring solutions to make fuel more affordable for Utah families. Our goal is simple: keep energy reliable and affordable, protect Utah jobs, and ensure the benefits of our strong energy industry stay with the people who live and work here.

Supporting Utah Families During Uncertain Times

With the federal shutdown halting SNAP benefits for 86,000 Utah households, Utahns need immediate help. To ensure our most vulnerable Utahns have food, the state of Utah will provide resources to support the Utah Food Bank and its partners. This effort will not be possible without support from nonprofits, faith-based groups, community partners, businesses, and families stepping up to fill in the gap.

Just Updated

The Trump Administration just released two more weeks of SNAP Benefits this afternoon.

Utahns have shown time and time again that when we come together, we can accomplish anything. As the most charitable state in the nation, and during a time when Democrats in Congress are putting politics over people, we all should step up and help our neighbors.

You can donate money to the Utah Food Bank at <https://www.utahfoodbank.org/give/give-money/>. You can also donate food by visiting one of the Utah Food Bank distribution centers or drop off locations:

Utah Food Bank Southern Distribution Center
4416 River Rd
St. George, UT 84790

Central Utah Food Sharing
2050 S Industrial Park
Richfield, UT 84701

Volunteer time by scheduling with any Utah Food Bank.

Your help will ensure Utah families receive the help they need. If you are in need of food during this time, find a food pantry near you at <https://www.utahfoodbank.org/find-a-pantry/>

Standing Up for Fairness in Girls' Sports

Utah has reaffirmed a simple but important principle: girls' sports are for girls. The lawsuit challenging our law (H.B. 11) that keeps boys from competing in girls' sports has officially been dropped. With this challenge behind us, Utah's commonsense protections for fairness and safety in school athletics remain in place. I'm proud that we stood firm to ensure our girls can compete on a level playing field—one that honors their hard work, talent, and opportunity.

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Warm regards,

Carl Albrecht
Utah House of Representatives
District 70

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"Science and the Humanities" Panel for Day of Grace Tanner Center Talk

from the Grace A. Tanner Center
for Human Values

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cedar City, UT
— For the fifth
annual Day
of Grace



celebration on Nov. 18, an interdisciplinary panel will address "Telling the Stories of Science through the Humanities." This presentation, held in LIB 002 on the Garden Level of the Gerald R. Sherratt Library at 10:00 a.m., will be followed by a reception featuring a birthday cake. The Day of Grace, hosted by the Grace A. Tanner Center for Human Values, commemorates Grace Adams Tanner's birthday with speakers chosen specifically to honor the center's student-focused mission of cultural understanding, empathy, and social responsibility.

Grace A. Tanner was an alum of Southern Utah University. Her academic interests inclined toward the sciences, especially biology and anthropology, fields where

she contributed generously. This year's Day of Grace will be in partnership with Utah Humanities and will feature two SUU faculty—Dr. Sam Wells, biologist and member of the Utah Humanities Board of Directors, and Writing Center Director Dr. Rosalynn Eves. Dr. Wells is the author of the essay "The Spired Bees of Rosalyn Chapel." Dr. Eves will discuss her novel *Beyond the Mapped Stars* about a 17-year-old Mormon girl of the 19th century who dreams of becoming an astronomer.

The panel will also be comprised of regional writers and professionals in the field of science writing. Zak Podmore, an award-winning author and journalist, is the author of *Life after Dead Pool: Lake Powell's Last Days and the Rebirth of the Colorado River*. Podmore has spent more than a decade writing about water and conservation issues in the western United States. David Pace is the science writer for the University of Utah's College of Science's Marketing & Communications team and author of a novel and a short story collection.

"This year the Center is exploring the theme of Human Values and a Sense of Purpose," said Grace A. Tanner Center Director Dr. Danielle Dubrasky. "The panelists will discuss how they have incorporated science into the field of humanities, or humanities into the field of science. Such a discussion connects to Grace A. Tanner's own interdisciplinary background."

The Grace A. Tanner Center for Human Values, housed in SUU's Special Collections, promotes human values through critical thinking and dialogue in order to better appreciate the complexities of the human condition. Utah Humanities, a nonprofit organization, strengthens Utah communities by cultivating connections, deepening understanding, and exploring the complex human experience.

More information on the Day of Grace can be found on the SUU Events Calendar.

60-year-old Iron County man arrested on suspicion of providing drugs, alcohol to minors

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

An Iron
County man
was arrested
Tuesday after

investigators say he provided alcohol and marijuana products to two juveniles multiple times.

Ross Allen Valo, 60, was booked into the Iron County Jail on two first-degree felony counts of distributing a controlled substance; two third-degree felony counts of child endangerment; and misdemeanor charges related to furnishing alcohol to a minor and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

According to charging documents filed in support of the arrest, the Iron County Sheriff's Office opened the investigation in June after receiving a report involving a male and a female juvenile.

During interviews conducted at the Iron County Children's Justice Center, both teens described being given alcohol and marijuana products at Valo's residence.

"The female juvenile stated that Valo had given her alcohol and marijuana (THC) and another unidentified substance," the affidavit states. The male juvenile "disclosed that Valo had provided alcohol and offered him marijuana (THC)."

Following his arrest, Valo was advised of his Miranda rights and chose to speak with investigators.

In that interview, he allegedly admitted to giving the juveniles alcohol and THC gummies on multiple occasions.

"Valo stated that he provided beer, wine and vodka to the juveniles on more than one occasion," court documents state, adding that he also acknowledged sharing THC gummies with both teens. "Valo did this knowing that both individuals were under the age of 18."

Utah court records show no prior criminal history for Valo beyond traffic violations.

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TANNER CENTER TALKS 2025 DAY OF GRACE



Telling the Stories of Science Through Humanities

A Panel with Rosalyn Eves, David Pace, Zak Podmore, and Sam Wells

November 18, 10-11:15 a.m. | LIB 002

Reception with birthday cake to follow



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Celebrating 30 Years of Independent Orthopaedic Excellence

Dr. Randy G. Delcore Marks a Milestone— And Welcomes a Hometown Surgeon to Carry the Torch



Sponsored by Cedar Orthopaedics

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY, UT – The year 2025 marks a rare milestone in modern medicine: Dr. Randy G. Delcore, Cedar City's own board-certified orthopaedic surgeon, is celebrating 30 years of solo private practice. Known for his integrity, surgical excellence, and unwavering commitment to ethical, patient-centered care, Dr. Delcore has built a legacy unlike any other in Southern Utah.

"My patients are my only priority," said Dr. Delcore. "Independence in medicine allows me to put their health first—without interference, red tape, or corporate pressure."

In a time when large hospital networks and corporate systems dominate healthcare, Dr. Delcore's continued success as an independent, solo surgeon is not only rare—it's inspiring. For three decades, he has delivered expert orthopaedic care with integrity, transparency, and fair up-front pricing.

His innovative all-inclusive bundled pricing model (available at delcore.org) has drawn patients from across the U.S. and internationally—

making Cedar City a destination for affordable, high quality orthopaedic care.

Passing the Torch: Welcoming Dr. Nathan C. Weaver

Now, as Dr. Delcore reflects on his 30-year journey, his practice enters an exciting new chapter with the arrival of Dr. Nathan C. Weaver, a board-certified general orthopaedic surgeon and proud Cedar City native.

"I'm incredibly excited to be moving back home," said Dr. Weaver. "This is something I've always wanted—to raise my family in the community that raised me, and to care for the people I've always considered my own."

Dr. Weaver brings a wealth of education, leadership, and clinical experience back to Southern Utah:

- SUU Graduate, Magna Cum Laude (Biology, 2010)
- Medical Degree from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (2014)
- Orthopaedic Residency completed in 2019
- Master of Science in Medical Education completed in 2017.

- Board Certified in Orthopaedic Surgery (AOBOS, 2022)

Most recently, Dr. Weaver practiced in Bullhead City, Arizona, where he served in multiple hospital leadership roles—including Medical Director of Orthopaedic Surgery, leader of the Total Joint Replacement Program, and active member of Peer Review and Medical Executive Committee.

"Although I'm a surgeon, I view surgery as a last resort," Dr. Weaver explained. "I take a thoughtful, conservative approach and believe in partnering with patients to explore every appropriate treatment option first."

Two Generations. One Shared Mission.

Dr. Delcore and Dr. Weaver will now work side by side—offering patients the perfect balance of legacy and innovation, experience and fresh perspective, all grounded in shared values:

- Ethical, conservative, patient-first care
- Transparent, all-inclusive pricing
- Surgical excellence rooted in community values

- Access to high-quality care without corporate influence

Whether you're recovering from an injury, exploring joint replacement options, or seeking a second opinion, the team at Cedar Orthopaedics is here to serve you—right here in Cedar City.

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This partnership feels like a full-circle moment,” said Dr. Delcore. “Dr. Weaver shares the same vision I’ve built this practice around. I’m so proud to welcome him home.



Dr. Nathan Weaver

Dr. Randy Delcore

public & health

Cedar City Hospital Trail N' Treat Draws 2K visitors, Community Crowns Favorite Halloween Booths

by *Rachelle Hughes*

INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH

On Halloween, Intermountain Cedar City Hospital hosted the annual Trail N' Treat and handed out candy and Halloween fun to over 2,000 trick or treaters who visited decorated booths along the hospital trail. Cedar City Hospital is excited to announce trick or treaters' favorite booths as voted on by community members.

Themed booths were put on by different departments in

the hospital, and the community was encouraged to vote on the cutest, scariest, funniest, and overall favorite booth. The tallies are in and here are this year's winners.

The Medical/Surgical department won the "Overall Favorite" booth with their Alice in Wonderland theme, complete with Alice, Twiddle Dee and Tweedle Dum, The Queen of Hearts and the White Rabbit. The winner for the "Funniest Booth" goes to the Women and Newborn department with their tropical gorilla! The "Scariest Booth" winner is the Security Department with their spooky deadly pirates. Finally, the "Cutest Booth" winner is Intermountain Medical Group with their version of Alice in Wonderland - including a photobooth!

Congratulations to all the winners and a huge thank you to everyone who voted, participated, and played along the hospital trail during the annual Cedar City Hospital Trail N' Treat this Halloween.



The "Overall Favorite" booth was full of Alice in Wonderland characters from the Medical/Surgical floor at Cedar City Hospital.



The "Funniest Booth" at the Cedar City Hospital Trail N' Treat featured a friendly gorilla in his tropical habitat decorated by the Women and Newborns department.



"Scariest Booth" at the Cedar City Hospital Trail N' Treat decorated by the hospital security team.



The "Cutest Booth" had lots of fun Alice in Wonderland activities hosted by the Cedar City Intermountain Medical Group team.

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Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025
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Randall L. Jones Theatre

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General admission tickets are required and can be picked up at Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) and the Hunter Alumni Center during regular business hours.

Visit the *Merry Christmas, Charlie Brown!* exhibition at SUMA from November 17th to January 3rd.

by CHARLES M. SCHULZ
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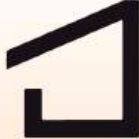


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AARP OFFERS SMART DRIVING CLASS

by Roland Gow

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

There's no doubt that Cedar City's traffic is on the increase.

So-much-so that your daily drive might not be as pleasant or as easy as it used to be. It may be that you are a little apprehensive about the drive. Well, the American Association of Retired Persons is sponsoring a series of safe driving classes designed specifically for older drivers. The classes cover the many changes that occur within ourselves, in roadway design and in the vehicles we drive. They also cover rules of the

road, sharing the road with others and what to do when you can no longer drive.

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

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

The next event will be held on December 1, at the Iron County Visitors' Center. It will be led by Roland Gow (435-865-5825). You must call to make a reservation, as space is limited.

WHAT'S YOUR EXPERIENCE

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"Even in Utah, in recent months, it feels like things have gotten a bit flat in regard to job creation," said Mark Zandi, the chief economist at Moody's Analytics.

"Nobody's hiring, and nobody's firing," said Phil Dean, chief economist at the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute. "You kind of have firms hunkering down a little bit."

The Salt Lake Tribune and Iron County Today wants to hear from you about your experience looking for work.

Why are you looking for work right now? Have you applied to different types of jobs, or are you looking in a specific field?

Have you heard back from hiring managers? Made it to interviews?

Did you recently land a role?

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of earning, budgeting, and spending wisely."

What sets the SBSU Kids App apart is its emphasis on real-life financial experiences. With parents acting as a safety net, kids learn to manage money responsibly, and building habits that will serve them well into adulthood.

"As Southern Utah's community bank, we're proud to offer this new resource to families across the region," said Trevor Andersen, CEO of State Bank of Southern Utah. "By investing in the financial literacy of our children, we're investing in the future of our communities and economy."

The SBSU Kids App is available in the Apple and Google Play stores. Simply search for "SBSU Kids." For more information, visit sbsu.com/state-bank-kids-app.

About State Bank of Southern Utah

Since 1957, State Bank of Southern Utah has focused on serving local communities with personalized banking. Founded by leaders who believed in local decision-making, we continue to support individuals and businesses across Central and Southern Utah. Visit any of our 17 branches and experience the difference of true community banking. Visit **sbsu.com** to learn more.

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Creatives in our Community - Cedar City Arts Council Awards Fall 2025 Mini-Grants

by Ann Oberhelman

CCAC GRANT DIRECTOR

Though the Final Friday Art Walks are concluded for this year, a brisk walk through any part of Iron County still gives me that telltale feeling. The feeling of a vibrant, creative energy that runs through our schools, our studios, and our public spaces. This community doesn't just appreciate the arts, it produces them. Since 2008, the mini-grant program has been a partner in this creation, to-date investing over \$101,960 directly into the great ideas conceived by our neighbors.

We know that the quality of life here is tied directly to the ingenuity and dedication

of our community. These mini-grants are designed to offer a practical way to turn your inspired ideas into a public benefit. As we announce the latest recipients, we're celebrating the genuine, heartfelt projects that are about to enrich our community even further. This round's recipients perfectly embody this diversity. In the world of art and technology, we've funded Denise Bartolome's innovative project to showcase holograms in a storytelling and game play setting, blending the digital future with creative expression.



Meanwhile, our heritage will be beautifully preserved through Dr. Wayne Cox's Echoes Of Iron photography project, which will document the area's heritage and traditional knowledge tied to the region's flora.

The mini-grant recognizes that impactful innovation often comes from those attentive people who see needs and are able to come up with creative and specific solutions. The impact of this funding touches our core local institutions, starting with education. Sara Hales at Iron Springs Elementary received funds to purchase recorders for the students, bringing musical education tools directly into young hands. If you were like me and

had been given a recorder in elementary school, I'm sure you appreciate the unbridled joy that came from making up impeccable melodies to regale your very appreciative family members.

The mini-grants also support hands-on learning for all ages. Tiffany Marchant received funding to create a class teaching the intricate basics of stained glass making to her eager students, sharing a beautiful and enduring craft. Similarly, Mona Woolsey secured a grant to help pay models for a much-needed community figure drawing class at the local library, making artistic skill development accessible to everyone. This event takes place on Fridays from 9am-12pm and is open to all adults.

And finally, these grants enable essential community enrichment. Jason Tyler

Burton received funds to support the production of his new music album, sharing local talent with the wider world with tangible CDs as media. While Lyle Hadlock, representing The Hope Forever Foundation, will use his grant to create beautiful hope chests for auction, providing comfort and resources to those in need.

We extend our warmest congratulations to this cycle's recipients. Your projects are reminders that the greatest change often starts small, powered by local people and supported by a community that believes in its own potential.

Do you have an arts project that may benefit the community? Our next cycle deadline is February 28th, 2026. The next CCAC mini-grant recipient could be you!

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Over 5,000 Pounds of Food Collected for Iron County Care and Share

by Marlo Ihler

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

a worthwhile cause for the local food bank. Two and a half tons of food was collected to give to the Iron County Care and Share, more than twice what was collected during the Festival's food drive last year. The food donations were part of their 22nd annual

CEDAR CITY—This fall, patrons of the Utah Shakespeare Festival contributed mightily to

Fall Food Drive from September 9 to October 4, the final weeks of the theatre's season.

In total 5,140 pounds of food was donated to help members of the local community. Residents of Iron, Washington, Kane, Garfield, Piute, and Beaver counties in Utah and Lincoln County in Nevada were encouraged to take part in the drive. They were able to donate six items of nonperishable food and receive a half-price ticket to a Festival production, with no limit on the number of half-price tickets.

"Thank you so much for this food drive that is done for us every year," said Sara Mendoza, the Food Pantry Warehouse Manager at the Iron County Care and Share. "We're so glad for all these donations that the community was able to raise. All this will help so many families."

The Iron County Care and Share was founded in 1984 by a group of local churches of different denominations to address the issue of hunger in our community. Working with partners in the community, neighboring counties, and in the state, the Iron County Care and Share is able to help homeless and low-income individuals and families work toward self-sufficiency. It is located at 900 North 222 West in Cedar City, Utah. Monetary donations are always accepted. Please consider donating by visiting <https://kindest.com/iron-county-care-and-share>.



STORYBOOK PARADE – THE MAGIC IS BACK

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Gerald Sherratt, former mayor of Cedar City and president of Southern Utah University, had a dream, a Storybook Parade that would bring imagination and joy to the community. Thanks to his vision, dedication, and generosity, that dream became a reality in the early 2000s.

Sherratt personally funded many of the floats and costumes still used today. He loved watching the faces of children light up as the parade passed by and took great pride in seeing his idea come to life. Before his passing in 2016, he knew his dream would continue, helping further establish Cedar

City as “Festival City USA.” His goal was to enhance the city’s identity as a place that celebrates creativity, community, and tradition.

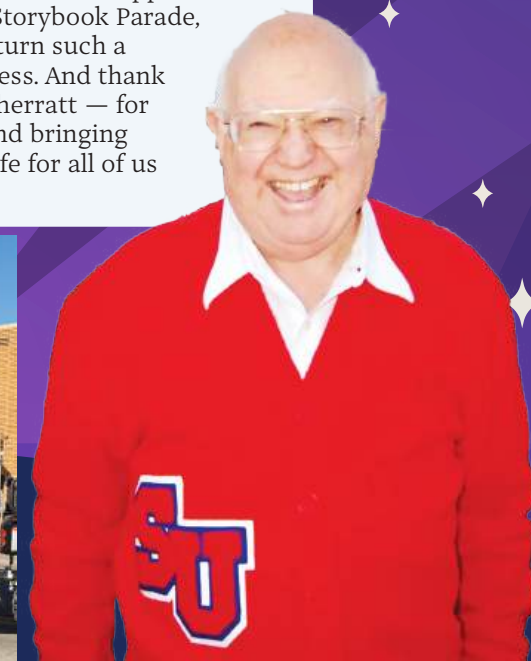
The Storybook Cavalcade, as it’s officially called, has been a beloved local tradition for many years. After a three-year hiatus, the parade made a dramatic comeback this year — welcomed by hundreds of enthusiastic parade-goers lining the streets once again.

Parades have a unique way of bringing people together. They connect generations through shared celebration, nostalgia, and joy. The Storybook Parade

especially reminds us that stories can come to life right before our eyes, it’s a celebration of imagination, both for children and for the child in all of us.

“I’ve always loved the Storybook Parade, so I was thrilled to hear it was coming back! My kids grew up watching and participating in it, and this year I got to share the magic with my granddaughters. They absolutely loved it!” — Jennifer Davis, Cedar City resident

Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported this year’s Storybook Parade, making its return such a wonderful success. And thank you to Gerald Sherratt — for dreaming big and bringing that dream to life for all of us to enjoy.



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Thanksgiving Dinner Honoring Veterans and Welcoming All in Need of a Friendly Meal

by Celeste Sorensen

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cedar City, UT —
November 2025

This Thanksgiving, the Cedar City community is invited to gather in gratitude and fellowship at a special dinner honoring our local veterans and welcoming anyone who may need a warm, friendly meal.

Hosted at **First Baptist Church**, with heartfelt thanks to **Pastor Scott** for opening the doors, this event is more than a meal—it's a celebration of service, sacrifice, and the spirit of togetherness that defines our town.

Date: Thursday, November 27, 2025

Time: 12pm -5pm

Location: First Baptist Church, 324
West 200 North Cedar City Utah

Cost: Free and open to all

Why This Matters

The inspiration behind this dinner comes from a deep personal connection to military service. Organizer Celeste Sorensen shares:

"I come from a proud line of veterans. My grandfather, Vern Sorensen, served in the Army during World War I. My father, LTC Colonel Glade V. Sorensen dedicated 30 years to the Army, including service during the Korean conflict. My nephew, Army Sergeant Nevada Sorensen, is currently serving in the Army. Veterans have given so much and asked for so little. This dinner is a way to say thank you—and to make sure no one in our community feels alone on Thanksgiving.

As a friend mentioned "Cedar City has long been known as a "small town Mayberry," where neighbors look out for one another and kindness is a way of life. This event reflects that spirit, offering a place to share stories, enjoy a hearty meal, and give thanks for the freedoms we hold dear.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Celeste Sorensen 208-949-6670 or Sarah Dobrinski 435-559-4188

From Pastor Scott

The First Baptist Church is truly honored to partner with Cedar City Post 74 American Legion in providing a welcoming space for the Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner.

We extend our warmest invitation to all who wish to join us in celebrating the brave men and women who have made profound sacrifices for our freedom. This gathering is more than a meal—it is a moment to express our gratitude, share fellowship, and recognize the enduring spirit of service that strengthens our community. May this Thanksgiving be a time of reflection, appreciation, and unity as we honor those who have given so much for us all. For those that need a friendly meal, we welcome you to join us.

From Tris Colman

The Cedar City Post 74 American Legion is proud to assist with the sponsorship of the Veterans and Community Thanksgiving Dinner. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor the service of our veterans and invite those in our community who may be alone or less fortunate to enjoy an excellent dinner alongside friends, family, and neighbors. Everyone is welcome—whether you are a veteran, a community member seeking companionship, or simply wish to join in fellowship and gratitude. We deeply appreciate everyone who has dedicated their time and effort to make this event possible, as well as the First Baptist Church for graciously providing their facilities. Come out and join us for good food and fellowship.

All Are Welcome

Whether you're a veteran, a neighbor in need, or simply someone who wants to spend the holiday surrounded by warmth and gratitude, please join us. Together, we'll honor those who've served and lift up those who need a little extra love this season.



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Celeste: 208-949-6670 or Sarah: 435-559-4188



calendar

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Joshuaolsen2002@gmail.com
702-576-3530

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SAT, NOV 15

7TH ANNUAL WINTER WONERDLAND
BAZAAR (10AM-4PM) @ True Life Center
Church 2111 Coffee Shop and 2111 N
Main St. Cedar. Beautiful Handmade
Goods & Crafts from Local Artisans,
Bakers and Cooks.

DAY OF THE SHRED (11AM-3PM)

Brian Head Resort launches park sea-
son with the Day of the Shred Rail Jam
at the Navajo Lodge Base Area (329
UT-143, Brian Head, Utah 84719). Local
riders and spectators are invited to join
hometown heroes Pat and Joey Fava
for a Ride With the Fava Bros session
from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., followed
by a rail jam competition from 1:00 to
3:00 p.m. Registration is free and open
from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Navajo
Base. Registration: Pre-register online
at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfPSFLYrO8sMk-Z7DJwQNQGVBx-WWc42feirqKUi3wPGD9ZSSg/viewform>

or sign up on-site the morning of the
event.

TUES, NOV 18

WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS WITH
Disabilities (1-2PM) The Art of
Making Music & Motion. Held at The
LIGHTHOUSE Art & Learning Center
(between Sweet Basil & Subway
restaurants). Select Tuesdays, Dec 2nd
& 16th. Questions? Call Jill Spatafore
702-917-2151

FRI, NOV 21

STATE BANK BOOT-STOMPIN' 68TH
BIRTHDAY BASH! (11AM-2PM) @ At your
local State Bank Branch. Games, food,
and fun! Come celebrate 68th years
with us!

TUES, NOV 27

Thanksgiving

THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR
VETERANS AND ANYONE THAT WANTS A
FRIENDLY MEAL FOR FREE (12PM-5PM)
@ First Baptist Church 324 W 200 N
Cedar City. For questions or to sign up
to help or donate food contact Celeste
(208) 949-6670 or Sarah (435) 559-4188

SAT, NOV 29

DOWNTOWN LIGHTING CEREMONY
- 10am - Set up begins, 12pm -
Christmas Market opens, 3pm - Event
activities start (carriage rides, Santa
arrives, fireworks, live nativity, holiday
tree jubilee)

Want your event on our calendar?

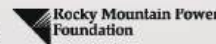
There is no charge for calendar items. Your submissions
can be made online at ironcountytoday.com, or emailed
to news@ironcountytoday.com or brought to 479 N 100 W,
#1, Cedar City, Utah 84721. The deadline is Friday at noon.
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NOVEMBER 20, 2025 • 7:30 PM**Heritage Center Theater • General Admission: \$15**myosu.org

calendar

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

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

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

Central Iron County Water Conservancy District Board Meetings
3rd Thurs., 6:30pm. 710 S. Westview Drive

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

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

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

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

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

Parowan City Council
2nd & 4th Thurs, 5:30 pm • City Hall, 35 E 100 N • (435) 477-3331

SERVICE GROUPS

American Legion Post 74
2nd Mon, 6pm, Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E. Learn about Veteran benefits, opportunities, fellowship. Honor Guard provides military honors at Veterans funerals. Post Commander Tris Colman (805) 268-4287.

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

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 Thurs, 6PM, Post 10846 meets @ Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N.

SUPPORT GROUPS

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

Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon

Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am

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

Misfits • M – F, 6 pm

Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm

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

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

Uncommon Sense • Sat, 10:00 am

My Story • Sat, 8 pm

Thank God Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am

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

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

Easy Does It • Tues, 6-7 pm • (435) 559-3333

Hope for Today (Family Groups)
Thurs, 6 pm • (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, utahaprograms@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.

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/canyoncreekservices.

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

Narcotics Anonymous
www.nasouthernutah.org • (435) 635-9603
KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed

Basic Text Study • Mon, 8 pm

Just for Today • Wed, 8 pm

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

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 • Mountain View Lodge 625 W 200 S Parowan UT 84724 • 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 @ Sonrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisechurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

CLASSES, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

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

Cars & Custard
2nd Mon, 6-8 PM at Culver's Treasures Thrift Store is: 1093 S Main Street, Cedar City, UT. Classic Cars & Trucks, Customs, Your pride and joy. A free small Custard for each car entry, provided by Culver's! Contact Mike @ 909-717-1232 or ekimjacobs@gmail.com for more info.

Cedar Breaks Model A/Vintage Car Club
1st Thurs, 6pm • Get to know other vintage vehicle enthusiasts, great camaraderie, have fun, win awards at car shows, parades, etc. INFO: Mel @ 435-919-4183 or email 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. 437-477-2243. 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 parkrun
Saturday 9 am • West Canyon Park, (133 S 400 E) • Free 5K for runners, joggers & walkers. Volunteers welcome. Info: Bruce @ 435-301-5480 or coalcreektrail@parkrun.com

Cedar City Toastmasters

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

Cedar City Unitarian Universalists
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.

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

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

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

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

Friends of Festival Country K9s
offers Dog Training classes and therapy dogs for libraries, schools, and more. We also have events like animal adoptions and microchip clinics. Call Gail Workman at 435-592-5487 for info.

Labyrinth Walk
Last Saturday, 12:00-2:00. St. Jude's Episcopal Church (70 N 200 W, 1 block north of W University Blvd). No Charge. Please join us in a sacred, calm environment for walking prayer on the largest indoor labyrinth in the state of Utah. No experience required, facilitators are present.

Local Cub Scout Pack (K–5th).
Wednesday @ 6 p.m. For more information, go to myscouting.org or contact local Cubmaster Tristin L. at CubScoutTroop1848UT@gmail.com

Parowan Pickleball
Mon, 6-8 pm • Tues-Thurs, 9-12 pm • Iron County Exhibit Building. Range of skill levels, 3 indoor courts, beginners welcome. INFO, fees and signup: Season: October 21 to July 25. Parowan Rec, 35 E 100 N, Parowan, UT 84761. 435-600-1597.

PB&J Therapy Groups
These two groups teach skills for different areas of life by utilizing recreational activities and engaging in other forms of expressing emotions. INFO: 435-267-4212.
College: forms.gle/SmGytgCfvQ1TS2pB7
Adolescent: forms.gle/BZiepPW63pR6Zd8k9

Rock Club
1st Thurs, 6 pm • Gateway Academy, 201 W Thoroughbred Way, Enoch. Learn about

geology, find gems, fossils and minerals. Learn to cut and polish and make jewelry. southernutahrockclub.org

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

obituaries

Marilyn Prince



Marilyn Sorensen Prince, the second of three children of Charles Cole and Helen Yeates Sorensen was born in Logan, Utah February 18, 1939. She passed away at home in Cedar City October 27, 2025.

After Logan, she went with her military family to many places including Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, Cleveland, and North Carolina, but ultimately settled in Sacramento, California where she graduated from El Camino High School and worked at Mather Air Force Base. She graduated from Brigham Young University, where she met her eternal companion Gerald Williams Prince, from New Harmony Utah. They were married February 3, 1961 in the Logan,

Utah LDS Temple.

Marilyn worked over 30 years for Cedar City as treasurer. She was meticulous and was very proud of having never failed an audit. She excelled within business and the community, serving as President of the Utah State Treasurers Association, the Southern Utah Women in Business Committee, as well as volunteering extensively with the Red Cross and at the hospital. She appreciated the opportunity to donate gallons of blood, and always encouraged her friends and family to follow suit.

She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was well known for her musical arrangements and efforts as a gifted organist. She also served at ward and stake level in activities, Relief Society, and Young Women.

Marilyn is the mother of three children, Gregory Sorensen Prince (Debra Bohne) of Ogden, Utah, NanciAnne (Jeffrey) Evans of Cedar City, Utah, and Michael Ameer (Bernadette Chappell) of Cedar City, Utah.

She is grandma to eleven grandchildren: Michael Ameer (Ambree), Ashley (Sean), Justin (Stephanie), Lindy (Brandt), Natalie (Gavin), Cason (deceased), Cordell (Michael), Lindsay, Jordan,

Marion, and Kaylee. She has eight great grandchildren: Flynn and Evelyn Prince, Grayson Evans, Sawyer, Sophia, Scarlett and Griffin Feltner, and Adeline Newcomb.

She is survived by her children and grandchildren, brother Jon (Karen) Sorensen of Roseville, California, and sister-in-law Nancy Sorensen of Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

She was preceded in death by her husband Gerald Williams Prince, grandson, Cason Dayanand Prince, and brother, Charles Cordell Sorensen.

A viewing will be held Thursday, November 6, 2025 from 6-8 PM Southern Utah Mortuary, 190 North 300 West, Cedar City, Utah.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 7, 2025 at 11:00 am at the Mesa Hills Ward Chapel, 1925 W 320 S, Cedar City, UT 84720. A viewing will be held prior to the services from 9:30 – 10:30 am. Interment will be in the New Harmony, Utah Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences can be sent at www.mortuary.org. The services will also be livestreamed and can be found under Marilyn's obituary.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions to the Cure Alzheimer's Fund, <https://curealz.org/>

Christine Thayer



Christine Thayer
1959 – 2025

Torrey, Utah – Christine Pace Thayer, age 65, passed away peacefully on November 5, 2025 surrounded by her loving husband and family in Torrey, Utah. She was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many. Christine was born on November 18, 1959, to Wilford Don and Carol Suzette Farmer Pace in Logan, Utah. She was the oldest of three children. She graduated from Granger High School in 1978.

Christine's oldest child, Josh, was born in 1978. In 1983 the two of them moved to Cedar City where Christine attended and graduated from cosmetology school. While working hard as a single mom and attending cosmetology school Christine was befriended by and mentored by Cedar City legend Lois Woodbury. They remained close friends for nearly 30 years until Lois' passing in 2012.

Following cosmetology school Christine enrolled at Southern Utah University to pursue a college degree. While attending SUU she met the love of her life, Dave Thayer. They were married on September 23, 1990 in Las Vegas at the Excalibur Hotel by a Wolfman Jack lookalike, who performed the ceremony in a wizard costume. She then moved to Parowan. Two years later in 1992, they welcomed their beautiful daughter, Sarah, into the family. Christine continued her college studies while raising Josh and Sarah, graduating from SUU in 1993 with a BS degree in Sociology.

In 2002 Christine was blessed by the birth of her first and only grandchild, Wyatt. From that point on, in her eyes, the sun rose and set on that young man's smile. She always made sure that she attended his school programs, little league sporting events and birthday parties. But her favorite moments were the quiet adventures, showing Wyatt her secret tricks for catching the biggest fish and passing on her love for Boulder Mountain.

Christine was known for her generous heart, quick wit, and her remarkable ability to make friends wherever she went. She had a zest for life that showed up in everything she did—whether she was fishing, hiking, hunting for arrowheads, gardening, doing rockwork, painting, or engaging in her favorite activity of all, shopping. After Dave's retirement, the two settled in Torrey, where they spent a wonderful year and a half together, making memories, sharing laughs, and cherishing every moment right up to her final hours.

Christine had a free-spirited, "hippie heart" that colored everything she did. She loved quiet moments of meditation, finding joy and peace in nature, and exploring the spiritual side of life with curiosity and openness. Whether watching a sunset, tending her garden, or simply sitting in reflection, she carried a sense of calm and wisdom that touched everyone around her. Her spirituality wasn't just a practice, it was a way of living, blending faith, laughter, and a deep appreciation for the beauty in the world.

Christine was an unstoppable force in the Parowan Lions Club, always at the heart of community projects and never afraid to roll up her sleeves. She often donated her time and materials to create hygiene kits for the local women's shelter, giving her all to anyone in need.

As a proud member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Christine brought her trademark flair to Primary teaching. "Conventional" was not in her vocabulary. Her lessons were part gospel, part adventure, and always unforgettable. One memorable Sunday, she led her class on a "quick field trip" to Maverik for donuts, because sometimes the best spiritual nourishment comes with sprinkles. Her Primary students adored her, her friends couldn't keep up with her, and anyone who crossed her path left with a smile and likely a to-do list. Christine also had a soft spot for \$2 bills. She was convinced they brought good luck and always kept a few tucked away, ready to hand out to family, friends, or anyone who could use a little extra fortune. If you were lucky enough to receive one, you knew it came with her love, her humor, and her wish for good things to come.

Christine is survived by her husband Dave and children: Joshua (Nubia) Thayer, Torrey; Sarah Thayer, Grapevine, Texas; grandchild, Wyatt Thayer, Payson; grand-doggies, Roxy and Bella; siblings: Douglas Wilford Pace, Torrey; Sheila (Gary) Griffin, Woodland Hills; Mother, Carol Pace, Woodland Hills. She is preceded in death by her father, Wilford Don Pace.

The family wishes to express heartfelt gratitude to Springer Turner Funeral Home for their compassionate service, and to hospice nurse, Melanie Oyler of Zion's Way for her tender care. They also wish to thank the many friends, ward members, and family who have shown love and extended condolences during this time.

Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2025 at 1:00 P.M. in the Torrey LDS chapel. Friends may call for viewing on Saturday morning from 11:30 to 12:30 prior to the Service. Burial will be in the Torrey Cemetery under the care of Springer Turner Funeral Homes of Richfield and Salina.

Livestreaming of Christine's funeral service will be available at springerturner.com under her obituary 15 minutes prior to her service starting.

Online guestbook available at springerturner.com



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Marlene Horrocks Swain



Marlene Horrocks Swain, an elegant yet adventurous lady from the small town of LaPoint, Utah, passed away on Sunday, November 2, 2025. She was born on March 16, 1943, the third child to Ronald and Merl (Jenkins) Horrocks. Marlene has five brothers and two sisters and lived to tell about many farm life adventures with scarcely a dull moment. She learned early to work hard and study harder in school. She excelled in high school as a class officer, student body officer, member of the LDS seminary council, and graduated as an honor student. She excelled in sports, especially tennis, and loved dancing.

During her junior year, her lifelong sweetheart, Von Swain, caught her eye. They married in the Salt Lake Temple on December 20, 1961. The newlywed couple moved to Ogden and then Logan to pursue Von's education aspirations. Quickly, Marlene adapted to university life and supported Von by working various jobs. When Von graduated from Utah State University, they moved to Vernal, and later to Phoenix, Arizona, next to Casper, Wyoming, and settled in Cedar City for 27 years. They raised four children, two daughters and two sons. Marlene continued a master's course in motherhood while supplementing the family's income by working several part-time jobs.

As empty nesters, they fulfilled their lifelong dream to retire in Vernal, Utah, where Von worked on a small farm and Marlene created her magnum opus...her incomparable flower gardens. Her favorite pastime, between chasing children and grandchildren, was cultivating flower beds. However, Marlene and Von always prioritized interests in their children: Tamera (Dan) Sullivan, Monica (Larry) Rowe, Darren (Kate) Swain, and Jason (RaDel) Swain. Marlene doted, unapologetically, on her eleven grandchildren, Shelby, MaKayla, Blake, Alexis, Chandler, Dezmond, Damon, Ginny, Marlee, Jackson, and Belah, and several step-grandchildren. Marlene deeply loved all of her 16 great-grandchildren. They helped her survive the last 13 years without her sweetheart, Von, who died on October 8, 2012.

Our dearest mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother loved travelling the world, seeing new cultures, and surviving mishaps and surprises around every corner, and visiting all the main continents, except for "those cold ones." She instilled in her family the power of her testimony in Jesus Christ, the importance of service, being a hard worker, loving books, learning (always), and making friends wherever you go.

Marlene served in many callings in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She relished learning gospel principles and topics and attended, and repeatedly attended, LDS institute classes until she said, "I think I should have a master's degree in LDS studies." These last two years, Marlene strengthened her testimony and gained power, purpose, and peace by worshipping in the temple. She said she couldn't wait to meet all the people she helped.

Marlene is survived by her four children, all of her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and the following siblings: Keith Horrocks, Howard (Karen) Horrocks, Glenn (Pauline) Horrocks, Judy (Mark) Corfine, Lewis (Sherry) Horrocks, Bruce (Westona) Horrocks, and Becky (Lance) Hancock. Marlene's death is preceded by her husband, Von, and her parents, Ronald and Merl Horrocks.

Marlene survived several illnesses in her life, but she always exhibited a tender heart with high expectations, compassion with high standards, with unwavering loyalty towards her many friends and family members. Her private pursuits included retelling her treasured moments, captured in fleeting time, uninhibited through her constant yearnings for the thrill before a grand adventure. Happy reunion with your loved ones, Mom. We will see you again.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2025, at 11:00 am at the Blackburn Mortuary at 15 East 100 North, Vernal, Utah. A viewing will be held at 10:00 am, before the service. Interment will be in the LaPoint City Cemetery under the direction of Blackburn Mortuary. Instead of flowers, Marlene would encourage you to smile at a passing stranger and do a good deed every day.

Janine Jolley



Janine Wilcock Bauer Jolley returned to her heavenly home on November 1, 2025. She was born on December 16, 1938 in Cedar City, Utah, as the first child of Washington LaVand and Virginia Wilcock Bauer.

Janine was raised in Cedar City, graduating from Cedar High School and College of Southern Utah as Valedictorians. Janine met Evan W. Jolley while they were both attending CSU. They were married in the

St. George LDS Temple on February 18, 1961. Janine was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Janine's faith in Jesus Christ motivated her dedicated service as a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served faithfully as Ward Young Women's President, Ward Relief Society Counselor, Stake Primary Board Music Director, organist for many organizations, and temple worker. She was passionate about family history and was an avid genealogist.

After completing her first degree in 1960, a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, Janine later returned to school to complete a Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education at Southern Utah State College in 1980 and Master of Secondary Education from Utah State University in 1987.

Janine taught at elementary and secondary schools in Cedar City and Bountiful, Utah and was a business education instructor at SUSC/SUU. She was instrumental in the establishment and success of Jolley's RanchWear by completing all accounting functions for many years. Janine also taught piano lessons to numerous students for 15 years.

Janine enjoyed volunteering and her associations in a variety of organizations. She served as PTA president at two different schools, on the Iron County PTA Council, as a member of Lady Lions, as a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, and as President of SUU Lady Faculty and Staff Organization. She was delighted to sing as part of In Jubilo Women's Chorale.

Janine anxiously anticipated joyful reunions with her husband, parents, and sister (Ruth Marie), and Jolley in-laws who preceded her in death. She is survived by her six children, Jan (Todd) Thorley, Lynette (Danny) Harris, Kris (Pete) Thorley, Steve (Holly) Jolley, Jolynn (Trevor) Pollock, and Lori (Shawn) Whetten, 23 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and brother Danny (Nancy) Bauer.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2025, at 12:00 pm at the Cedar West Stake Center, 725 South 1100 West, Cedar City, Utah. A viewing will be held at the church prior to the funeral from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Interment will be in the Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary.

The family wishes to express our deepest thanks and gratitude to All Seasons Senior Living in Cedar City and all the nurses and CNA's for their loving and tender care to our mother in the final months of her life. Special thanks to Jennifer Parry, Carisa Archuleta, Ethan Bunker and Dr Steve Newman for their tender and loving care up to mom's passing.

To view a livestream of the service and share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

Carol Ann Johnson



Carol Ann Johnson graduated from this life peacefully on October 21, 2025, in Cedar City, Utah after 82 years of a life well lived. On December 25, 1942, our Christmas Carol was born in Dowagiac, Michigan to Floyd E. Ingersoll and Virginia Benson Ingersoll. Carol lived a life marked by devotion—to her family, her faith, and her calling as a nurse.

From an early age, Carol demonstrated sharp intellect and great determination. A reader before starting kindergarten (thanks to her older sister, Judy, and hours of playing school), she skipped the fourth grade and

graduated at 17 having married her Keith on June 10th, 1960, the day before her high school graduation, wearing her wedding dress for both occasions. Later, she pursued a career in nursing, graduating in 1974. She worked as a Registered Nurse for nearly 30 years and especially loved working in the maternity ward and was always eager to learn new things. Her passion for caregiving made it difficult to decide when to retire, a testament to how deeply she valued her work and those she served. The majority of her career was spent working graveyard shifts and she continued to stay up with the skunks her whole life.

A woman of many talents and interests, she found joy in crocheting intricate patterns making doll clothes and beanies for babies, dancing, traveling, writing newsy heartfelt letters, creating and sending handmade cards to celebrate birthdays, reading good books, sharing stories, listening to her records (especially Elvis and Hawaiian music), doing genealogy and cultivating friendships. She crocheted daily to provide hundreds of life-saving beanies for those in the NICUs of St. George Regional and Primary Children's hospitals. She completed her final bag full of beanies, which her husband delivered, the day before her passing. These hobbies reflect her: vibrant spirit, desire to give service and to create and maintain connections with those she loved.

Central to her life was her faith and relationship with the Savior as a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Carol served faithfully in numerous callings throughout the years. She was a beloved Primary chorister and taught Gospel Doctrine, Relief Society, and early morning Seminary. Together with her devoted husband of 65 years, she served a mission in Germany, returning to where she had lived as a young teenager with her military family. Her love for her numerous ward families and neighbors was profound and enduring.

Carol faced many challenges with courage and grace, most notably living with diabetes for 61 years. She embraced her earthly graduation with peace and readiness, expressing happiness returning to the other side of the veil, to be reunited with loved ones and in anticipation of receiving a perfected body.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband Keith Orval Johnson; children Darlene Smeltzer (Hal), Brian Johnson (Judy), Joanna Tapasa (Solomona), Karina Barrett (Justin), Aaron Johnson (Zenaida), Roxanne Coston (Nate); siblings Judy Black, John Ingersoll, Jack Hawkins, Rita Amick, and Bob Ingersoll; many grandchildren (17 + spouses), great grandchildren (17) and countless cousins. Now reunited with her children Virginia and Eric Johnson; parents Floyd and Virginia Benson Ingersoll; and dad Elvey Hawkins, Carol's legacy lives on through those who knew and loved her—a legacy of resilience, faithfulness, compassion and joy.

Celebrated with a heartfelt "Aloha 'Oe - Until we meet again", her memorial was held October 30, 2025, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Green Lake Chapel, in Cedar City, Utah with many friends and family in attendance. May her memory bring comfort to all who were blessed to know her. To share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

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Paul Lauzen



Paul Evan Lauzen was born to Louis Jr. and Marjorie Lauzen in Glasgow, Montana, October 28, 1937 and peacefully passed on October 08, 2025 at the Southern Utah Veterans Home in Ivins, Utah. He had lived there for the past 3 ½ years and truly found joy in participating in bingo, art classes and the home's choir. Paul was very social and made many friends throughout his life.

Paul served his country in the US Naval Reserve and active-duty US Army in both South Korea and Fort Hood, Texas. After military service he worked a myriad of jobs in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada including as a driver for Bell Transportation Services and as the bar manager for both the historic Silver Slipper Casino and Castaways Hotel & Casino on the Las Vegas Strip. Perhaps his most notable job though was as a milkman in Reno where he met and married his second wife Dawn Taylor Holmes.

Paul was preceded in death by his wife Dawn (Sturzebecker) Lauzen, his first wife Carla (Stark) Wermuth, his step-son Gary Taylor, and his sister Joyce O'Neel. Paul is survived by his son Michael (Terri) Lauzen, daughters Paula (John) Matta and Jennifer (Michael) Roberts, step-sons George Taylor and Keith (Robyn) Holmes. As a loving Granddaddy/Papa he leaves behind 16 grandchildren, two great-grandsons, two great-granddaughters, with another great-granddaughter on the way, two nieces and countless cousins.

A celebration of life is planned for the spring of 2026. Contact the family for details.

Lyle C. Judd



Lyle C. Judd, 66, passed away peacefully on Friday, October 31, 2025, at his home in Cedar City, Utah. He was born on December 5, 1958, in Cedar City to Mary Lyle and Mosdell Paul Judd.

Lyle graduated from Southern Utah University with an associate degree in auto mechanics. He married the love of his life, DeLois Hughes, on May 10, 1985, in the St. George Temple.

He is survived by his wife, DeLois Judd; his children, James, Michael (Kylie), Christopher, Charla, and Anthony; his siblings, Paula Walker, Chris (Robin) Judd, and Kathy (Jerry—deceased) Christensen; along with two grandchildren and twenty-two nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mary Lyle and Mosdell Paul Judd.

A viewing will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N. 300 W., Cedar City, Utah 84720). Final arrangements are under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. Online condolences may be shared at www.mortuary.org.

schools

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Colby Leavitt

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Parowan Elementary



We just finished up Red Ribbon Week at Parowan Elementary. Our PTO did an amazing job helping our students pledge to be drug free. This year the theme was, "Life is A Puzzle, Solve it Drug Free." This reminds us that every choice we make is a piece of our future. By making healthy decisions, you're building a puzzle filled with success, happiness, and purpose! At our Flag Ceremony on Friday, Officer Townsend handed out prizes for the Drug Free Poster Contest. We had some really amazing posters this year as all of our students pledged to be drug free.

Iron Springs Elementary

Our Drug Dog Assembly during Red Ribbon Week is always a huge hit! Students loved learning how police dogs are trained and seeing them in action as they help officers with important tasks. This year, we even had the privilege of meeting a dog from Southern Utah who is specially trained to detect bombs! Students had the chance to ask great questions — and learned some fascinating facts, like how these incredible dogs can sniff out drugs underground and are so well-trained that they only take bathroom breaks when

commanded by their handler!

The assembly also served as an important reminder for students about making good choices now, so they'll always be ready and confident to say "No" to drugs as they grow older.

Canyon View Middle School

Students at CVMS have been getting into the spirit. Last week they celebrated Red Ribbon Week with dress up days and lunch activities all week. Mrs. Humes's class also recently concluded their annual Scary Story Competition with a thrilling final round held around a cozy campfire, complete with s'mores and hot cocoa. For the contest, students wrote original scary stories that showcased the narrative writing skills they've been developing in class.

South Elementary

October was a fun and exciting month at South Elementary. Kindergarten students enjoyed a beautiful fall hike and trip to the pumpkin patch after learning about the lifecycle of plants. The week of "Say No to Drugs" was a great learning experience for them and we want to give a shout out to our PTA. The whole school finished up the month with a traditional Halloween parade that parents and students love.

Three Peaks Elementary

Three Peaks Elementary hosted their 7th annual STEAM Festival Night. We had activities including chemistry demonstrations, planetarium visits, live animal

meet and greet, animal anatomy puzzles, animal track lessons, constellation art, skulls and smiles, animal vision, VR animal interaction, biomimicry airplanes, shadow puppet art, animal art, creature comparison, robotics, glow germs, rock scavenger hunt, and much more. Thank you to all those who helped with these activities. The students and parents had a wonderful time interacting and learning all about science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

Parowan High School

Parowan High School students assisted in the respectful retirement of more than 600 American flags in a short ceremony today. Prior to the retirement, students properly folded the flags that had been deposited in the flag reception box. The annual ceremony began about three years ago when veteran Jim Shurtleff spoke to the city about the need to establish a permanent drop-off location for weathered flags. Parowan High administrators asked if they could involve students as well. The interest has grown every year since. The school now houses an outdoor deposit box to collect the flags. In recognition of the upcoming Veterans Day, area veterans are invited to attend the ceremony.



schools

International Day at Gateway Academy

by Joni O'Hanlon

GATEWAY ACADEMY

Gateway Academy Celebrated Children's International Day on Oct. 31st. Gateway has celebrated that since the school began over 16 years ago.



Students came dressed in outfits representing cultures from around the world. They participated in a parade around the school, while the Gateway Band and Percussion students provided wonderful music. The parade concluded with students and parents having a wonderful time in the gym, enjoying performances by local performers. Some

performers have displayed their talents with us previously, and some were new. The performers were Scott Sharp on bagpipes, Paiute Tribe Native Youth Dancers, Cedar City Hawaiian Hula, Iron County Rodeo Royalty, and Mexican Folklore Dancers. Most of these groups included Gateway Academy students. After the performance, staff, students, and parents enjoyed food tastings from cultures around the world. International Day is a spectacular celebration that embraces the rich tapestry of cultures and heritages represented within our diverse student body. This event brings together students from different backgrounds to share their unique traditions, customs, and cuisines.

We are so thankful for everyone's participation in the Gateway Academy's Children's International Day.

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Edward Sandgren, a Cedar Junior High choir teacher, started the Master Singers in 1947. In his honor, each year the Master Singers single out one (and this year, two) people who have made outstanding contributions to music. This year, they picked a dynamic musical duo, Allen and Caroleen Campbell Lee.

Allen sang in the Master Singers with his father-in-law, Hal Campbell, but began conducting them when Dee Rich, the former conductor, became seriously ill and passed away. Without missing a beat, Allen stepped in and took the Master Singers to an even higher level. A 31-year public school band educator, he has shared his musical skills in Grand County and Beaver County before being lured to Cedar Middle School in the town where his wife grew up. Because of his knowledge of Russian, he was called to assist in Operation Desert Storm. Along with his music, he also taught Russian for eight years at Beaver High. He has completed over a dozen arrangements for the Master Singers.

His wife, Caroleen, is no less accomplished

MASTER SINGERS – AMERICA: BRAVE, STRONG, TRUE

as a musician, beginning to teach piano lessons to young neighborhood children when she was 12. Caroleen furthered her love of music at SUSC and then earned a B.A. in violin performance at the University of Utah. She has taught hundreds of piano and violin students, many of whom have gone on to become notable performers. Caroleen is a gifted composer and has been recognized internationally for her music composition skills. After her father's passing, she stepped into his shoes and began writing and arranging pieces for the Master Singers.

For their multiple contributions to music, the Master Singers conferred the prestigious Sandgren Award for 2025 to Allen and Caroleen Campbell Lee.

Allen & Caroleen Lee received the Sandgren Award 2025 for their "Outstanding Contributions to music."

From 1997 until the present, the Master Singers have presented at least four concerts a year. They have taken their concerts on the road to many smaller towns in the area and also scheduled concerts with their St. George counterparts. They have sung at the Utah State Lions Convention, the Church History National Convention, the Sons of Utah Pioneer Encampment, and dedication of the Heritage Center, and the opening of the Summer Games.

Master Singers perform several 'Patriotic Songs' in honor of all Veterans to a full house.



Southern Utah Youth Choir performed Patriotic Songs.



Master Singer 1948

The Master Singers of Cedar City 1948

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Edward A. Sandgren, Conductor

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Second Row: Howard Stokes, Morris Buchanan, Ivor Jones, Sheldon Prestwich, Don Nelson, J.H. Bowen, Alfred Olson, Earl Lawrence, Vern Jones, Delworth Stout, Gordon Jones, Joe Hunter, George Grimshaw, Thornton Jones, Harry Plummer, Bill Gardner, Newell Wasden, Homer Jones

Third Row: McRay Cloward, Melvin Parker, J. Clive Davis, Cecil Adams, George Osmond, Jay Wilkinson, Chester Hatch, Vernile Terry, James Condie, Elloyd Marchant, Milton Jones, Theon Thorley, Otto Fife, Woodrow Dennett, Miles Walker, Walter Lunt, Leonard Berg, William Condie, Austin Heywood

Fourth Row: Lorin Miles, Elmer Cox, Ernest Brunson, Ralph Perkins, Henry Dotson, Jim Williams, Clifton Chatterley, Garth Beacham, Elwin Hunt, Randolph Grimshaw, Allen Bauer, Clyde Armstrong, Parson Webster, Ted Cox, Wilford Fife, Duwayne Matheson, Henry Grimshaw, Charles Cooley

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Reds hang on, beat Wasps in 3A semifinal

by Tom Zulewski
IRON COUNTY TODAY

In a season that featured video-game numbers for the offense of the Cedar Reds, the defense made the plays that mattered and allowed the team to move toward the edge of a historic achievement.

Quarterback Everett Kelling ran for two touchdowns and passed for another score near the end of the first half, and Cedar had to hold off a fourth-quarter surge as they beat the Juab Wasps, 23-16 on Nov. 7 under a clear blue sky at Eccles Coliseum. The Reds moved within one win of a perfect season at 12-0, and head coach Tye Hiatt knew where the credit belonged.

“Our defensive kids don’t get enough credit. We scored points and everyone wants to talk about Everett and Slade (Parsons), but our defense was outstanding,” Hiatt said.

Senior Dax Wankier led the defensive charge for the Reds and delivered one of the key hits that kept Juab (9-4) off the board through the first three quarters. The Wasps traveled deep into Cedar territory early in the second quarter, but Wankier made a well-timed fourth-down tackle on quarterback Price Armstrong that stopped him a yard short and forced a turnover on downs at the Reds’ 20.

“In all honesty, I saw him roll out and the coaches trusted me to be the pull-up player. I saw the opportunity and I took it,” Wankier said. “I was hoping I stopped him short.”

After a touchdown run by Kelling was wiped off the board on a holding penalty, he shook it off and threw

a 14-yard strike to Slade Parsons on 4th-and-11 to keep the drive alive at the Juab 25. The short-field drive would stall, and Stevenson

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Cedar’s **Slade Parsons** (9) makes a leaping catch over Juab defender Quentin Robinson (14) and scores a touchdown in the Reds’ 23-16 victory over the Wasps on Nov. 7 at Eccles Coliseum

(Carly Martin/For Iron County Today)



Cedar
23
Juab
16

Juab	0	0	0	16	–	16
Cedar	3	7	7	6	–	23

FIRST QUARTER

C – FG Stevenson 29, 6:02

SECOND QUARTER

C – Parsons 31 pass from Kelling (Stevenson kick), :08

THIRD QUARTER

C – Kelling 15 run (Stevenson kick), 9:21

FOURTH QUARTER

C – Kelling 14 run (pass failed), 10:52

J – Armstrong 1 run (Gempeler pass from Armstrong), 8:43

J – Richards 1 run (Vance pass from Armstrong), 1:43

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For Cedar football, the championship summit is in sight

RANDOM
thoughts

Tom Zulewski

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When it comes to its athletics, Cedar High has been successful in a lot of ways, as evidenced by 68 championships won across all sports and the banners on full display in the school's gym. The boys track team was the first state title winner in 1955 and has a total of nine championships. Seven decades later, the football team is one

48-minute game away from joining the banner display and claiming its first state title.

At 12-0, not only are the Reds on its longest winning streak in school history, but can earn a fire truck ride with a championship parade if they can handle the Manti Templars for the second time in the 3A title game Saturday morning at Zions Bank Stadium in Herriman.

For any team looking to complete an undefeated season, getting the last win can easily be the most challenging. Besides Cedar, the 4A Ridgeline Riverhawks are the state's only other undefeated team in Utah high school football in 2025.

Ridgeline fell short of a perfect season a year ago with a semifinal playoff loss to Spanish Fork and will need to get past Provo in this week's semifinals. Cedar cleared its semifinal hurdle for the first time since 1998 with the win over Juab last week.

Game by game, here's how the Reds have shaped a nearly-perfect season.

In Week 1, Cedar's offense took off and put up points in impressive fashion, starting

with a 51-14 rout at home over Bear River on Aug. 14. A healthy Everett Kelling threw three touchdown passes as the Reds built a 30-7 lead at the half before cruising.

The Pine View Panthers came calling in Week 2, and Cedar rolled to 2-0 after a 50-34 win. Kelling threw three more touchdowns and the Reds had a 31-7 lead at the half.

Heading on the road for the first time in Week 3, Cedar had its most challenging test of the early season, but Kelling delivered again when he hit Braden Crain on a 10-yard touchdown pass with less than a minute left that was good enough for a 16-13 win over the Dixie Flyers.

One more non-region game came in Week 4, and the 50-point onslaught continued in Cedar's 56-16 rout over the Logan Grizzlies. Kelling threw three more touchdowns and the Reds were 4-0 heading to the 3A South opener.

It wasn't necessarily a sign of things to come, but Kelling ran for three second-half scores to boost the Reds to a big 51-27 win over Manti on Sept. 12 and improve to 5-0. Tala Taulapapa ran for all of the Templars' touchdowns.

A 42-0 road shutout over North Sanpete followed, and a 49-41 Homecoming

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11/7	3A playoffs, semifinals At Eccles Coliseum Cedar 23, Juab 16 Manti 42, Morgan 28	Football		
		3A South		
			REGION	OVERALL
		Cedar (1)	6-0	12-0
		Manti (3)	4-2	9-3
		Juab (4)	3-3	9-4
		North Sanpete (6)	3-3	7-5
		Richfield (7)	3-3	7-5
		Canyon View (8)	2-4	5-6
		Carbon (12)	0-6	2-9
1A South Football		1A South		
11/8	1A playoffs, semifinals At Eccles Coliseum Kanab 43, North Summit 19 Beaver 24, Duchesne 14		REGION	OVERALL
		Kanab (1)	3-0	10-1
		Beaver (2)	2-1	10-2
		Enterprise (6)	1-2	4-7
11/15	1A playoffs, championship At Zions Bank Stadium Kanab vs. Beaver	Parowan (7)	0-3	4-7

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. The first rankings for this season's College Football Playoff came out last week. Name any of the teams that were placed in the top four – two are in the Big Ten, the other two are in the SEC.
2. From the same CFP poll, where did BYU and Utah end up?
3. What Utah Jazz forward sustained a season-ending shoulder injury during the team's Halloween Night road loss at Phoenix? He had been averaging 14.4 points per game and 10.8 rebounds in the season's first five games.
4. The Indianapolis Colts have one of the best records in the AFC through the season's halfway point, but they acquired secondary help when they traded for what N.Y. Jets cornerback who was the fourth overall pick in the 2022 NFL Draft?
5. What Detroit Tigers starting pitcher NOT named Tarik Skubal elected to stay with the team for 2026 on a salary of \$20 million?
6. The Chicago Bulls pulled off the largest comeback of the early NBA season when they rallied from a 24-point second-quarter deficit to beat what Eastern Conference team Nov. 4?
7. Two Utah Mammoth players lead the team in goals scored with eight, including one who got the scoring started early in the third period of a 2-1 overtime win at Buffalo on Nov. 4. Name either player.
8. Colts running back Jonathan Taylor leads the NFL in rushing yards, and he's one of only two players with more than 10 rushing touchdowns. How many times has Taylor found the end zone this season through Week 9?
9. The Los Angeles Dodgers are the first team to repeat as World Series champions since the beginning of this century. Who was the last team to repeat before the Dodgers,

winning three straight from 1998 to 2000?

10. In the NBA, the Golden State Warriors had a chance to three-peat as NBA champion when they reached the 2019 Finals, but who spoiled the dream by winning its first title?
11. Four. Oklahoma City and San Antonio were unbeaten in the West, while Chicago and Philadelphia were unbeaten in the East.
12. James Cook.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. Freddie Freeman.
2. Breece Hall.
3. Karl Malone.
4. Brian Kelly.
5. True. The Mammoth had its win streak snapped Oct. 28 in a 6-3 loss to the Edmonton Oilers.
6. Justin Herbert. Indianapolis Colts quarterback Daniel Jones threw for 342 yards in last week's 27-20 loss to the Pittsburgh Steelers and moved into the NFL lead with 2,404, 14 more than Herbert.
7. Hutchinson signed a 4-year deal to stay with the Lions.
8. Brad Paisley..
9. One. After the question was written, Ovechkin scored his 900th goal in the second period of the Capitals' 6-1 win over the St. Louis Blues on Nov. 5.

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hit a 29-yard field goal to get the Reds on the board first halfway through the opening quarter.

On its next possession, the Wasps drove to the Cedar 44, but Daxton DeMille intercepted a 4th-down pass by Armstrong to stop the scoring threat.

With time winding down in the half, Kelling threw a wobbly pass that landed in the arms of Slade Parsons for a 31-yard touchdown with just 8 seconds left. The Reds led 10-0 at the break.

"It was a relentless effort, and that's one of the things we ask from our guys," Hiatt said. "Give your best in the moment, and we did that for 48 minutes."

Kelling helped the Reds build on the momentum to start the second half when he scored on a 15-yard touchdown run to finish off a 64-yard drive and give the home team a 17-0 advantage.

Juab nearly matched Cedar's opening drive, but a 4th-down run by

Armstrong was stopped a yard short of the goal line. It was the second time the Reds came up with a stop on the doorstep.

From there, Kelling led Cedar on a 15-play, 99-yard march and found the end zone again from 14 yards out. A two-point conversion pass failed, but the Reds led 23-0 with 10:52 to play in the game.

Juab broke the Cedar shutout bid on their next possession when Armstrong scored on a 1-yard run and added the 2-point conversion, but didn't score again until Brock Richards reached the end zone from a yard out with 1:43 remaining. The Reds would recover

the onside kick and get a final first down to run out the clock and secure a chance to earn the first state championship trophy in 85 years of school history.

For the first time since the 1998 season, Cedar will play for the 3A title and face 3A South rival Manti on Saturday at Zions Bank Stadium in Herriman with kickoff set for 10 a.m. The Templars got three rushing touchdowns from Taula Talapapa, including a 2-yard score in the final minute of the third quarter that broke

a tie and lifted the team to a 42-28 win over the defending champion Morgan Trojans in the other semifinal.

In the regular-season meeting played Sept. 12 at Legacy Field, the Reds got three second-half rushing scores from Kelling and beat the Templars, 51-27.

Cedar defenders celebrate after a tackle of Juab's **Jaden Heap** (1) during the Reds' 3A semifinal playoff matchup against the Wasps on Nov. 7.

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win over Richfield had the Reds up to 7-0 heading to the showdown with Canyon View at Eccles Coliseum. A 97-yard fumble return early in the fourth quarter by Junior Togiai-Bloomfield sealed a 35-14 win over the Falcons and put Cedar at 8-0.

The comeback road win at Juab on Oct. 10 clinched the region trophy, and a 63-0 rout over Carbon in the home finale completed the regular season at 10-0.

After the playoff bye, wins over Ogden and Juab have the Reds on the edge of history. To get to this moment, head coach Tye Hiatt said his approach has been simple. Every player on the team is exactly that – a player who has done everything they can to get a shot at the school's first football championship trophy. No labels, just heart, guts and talent.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned are the duly appointed and qualified Trustee of the "HELEN GONZALES FAMILY TRUST" originally dated November 18, 2024, (the "Trust"). Pursuant to the Utah Code Ann. § 75-7-508, any creditor having a claim against the Trust estate or HELEN M. GONZALES, the Trustor of the Trust who died on October 7, 2025, must present his or her claim within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred from presenting the claim. Any claim may be made with legal counsel of the Trustee at the address given below within three (3) months after the first publication of this notice.

DATED: October 17, 2025

THE HELEN GONZALES FAMILY TRUST, dated November 18, 2025.

By: Alishia Hawk, Trustee

Claims should be filed with:

DAVID M. GRANT, ESQ.
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415 N. MAIN STREET, SUITE 102-A
CEDAR CITY, UT 84721

Published October 30, & November 6, 13, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Iron County Water Conservancy District will hold a Public Hearing concerning the Tentative 2026 Budget, **November 20th, 2025**, at 6:30 PM in the Board Meeting Conference Room, CICWCD Office 710 S Westview Drive, Cedar City, Utah. A copy of the proposed 2026 budget, and other associated documents can be obtained at: www.cicwcd.org, or the office at the address below or call 435- 865-9901. Written comments may be submitted to the District Office at 710 S Westview Drive, Cedar City, Utah 84720.

Published November 6,13, 2025

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States at the time of sale, in front of the entrance to the Fifth District Court Courthouse in Iron County located at 40 North 100 East, Cedar City, UT 84720, on December 3, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. of said day, for the purpose of foreclosing a trust deed originally executed by MONTEL REYNOLDS and SALENA SAWTELLE, as trustor, in favor of HARLAN V. MONNETT, as beneficiary, covering real property in Iron County, Utah described as follows:

All of Lot Sixteen (16), Block BT, CEDAR VALLEY ACRES, according to the Official Plat thereof, on file in the Office of the Recorder of Iron County, State of Utah

Tax Parcel No. D-0456-0619-0000

Notice of Default was recorded September 12, 2024, as Doc ID # 00823464 in Book 1689 Page 819 in the Iron County Recorder's Office.

The current beneficiary of the trust deed is HARLAN V. MONNETT, and the record owner of the property as of the recording of the Notice of Default was MONTEL REYNOLDS and SALENA SAWTELLE.

The sale is subject to bankruptcy filing, payoff, reinstatement or any other circumstance that would affect the validity of the sale. If any such circumstance exists, the sale shall be void, the successful bidder's funds returned, and the trustee and current beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, and will be for the purpose of paying obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and expenses of sale as provided by law.

Bidders must tender to the trustee a \$10,000.00 deposit at the sale and the balance of the purchase price by 12:00 noon the day following the sale. The deposit must be in the form of a bank or credit union cashier's check or bank official check payable to Spencer Fane, LLP Client Trust Account. The balance must be in the form of wire transfer, bank or credit union cashier's check, bank official check or U.S. Postal money order payable to the Spencer Fane, LLP Client Trust Account. A bank or credit union cashier's check must be pre-printed and clearly state that it is a cashier's check. A bank official check must be preprinted and clearly state that it is an official check. Cash payments are not accepted. A trustee's deed will be delivered to the successful bidder within five business days after receipt of the amount bid.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Weekly SUDOKU

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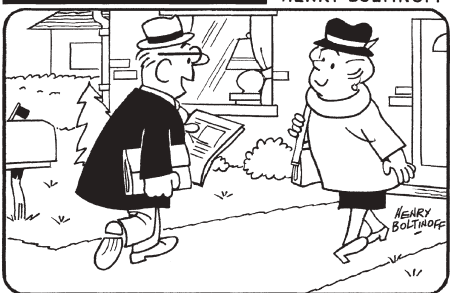
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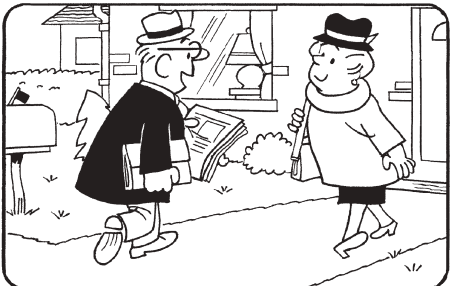
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Door is larger. 3. Tree is smaller. 4. Mailbox is taller. 5. House in distance is not as wide. 6. Pages are added to newspaper.

November 10, 2025 Posting Date

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Ella's style
5 Haydn nick-name
9 Oklahoma city
12 "Hell — no fury ..."
13 Pitcher
14 Goose egg
15 Long-snouted mammals
17 "Mazel —!"
18 Actress Ryder
19 Puccini work
21 ICU worker
22 Tablecloth material
24 Broadway production
27 Silent
28 Pesky insect
31 Poetic dusk
32 Khan title
33 "Hail, Caesar!"
34 Evening, in an ad
36 Rep.'s rival
37 Blue shade
38 "It's nobody — business"
40 Yes, to Juan
41 Least desirable
43 Iraqi currency
47 "Entourage" character
48 South Pole region
51 Corp. boss

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- 52 Leeway
53 Bandleader
54 Lith., once
55 Art Deco master
56 Leftovers recipe
8 Incendiary crime
9 Feelers
10 Couturier
11 Thomas — Edison
16 Raggedy doll
20 Identify
22 Olympic sleds
23 Mosque leader
24 Stock holder
25 Maui souvenir
26 Toward the front
27 Constructed
29 Director
30 Aviv preceder
35 Golf's Ernie
37 Colors lightly
39 Intent look
40 — Lancelot
41 Some WWII vets
42 Unrefined metals
43 Title for Judi Dench
44 Bickering
45 Bar mitzvah, e.g.
46 Garbage barge
49 Neither here — there
50 Preschooler

DOWN

- 1 "Candida" playwright
2 Kid's plea
3 Envelope abbr.
4 Supposition
5 Anti-fur org.
6 Shock partner
7 For each

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 25 mins.

Answers

King Crossword



1. SCIENCE: What is the study of clouds called?
2. GEOGRAPHY: Which country's highest mountain is called Ben Nevis?
3. ACRONYMS: What phrase does the acronym GPS stand for?
4. TELEVISION: What beer brand appears in "The Simpsons" animated TV show?
5. HISTORY: When was Earth Day first celebrated?
6. ANATOMY: What is a common name for the condition known as piloerection?
7. MOVIES: Which city was the setting for the movie "The Sting"?
8. MATH: How many yards are in a mile?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby ferret called?
10. FOOD & DRINK: Which celebrity chef stars on the cooking show "Hell's Kitchen"?

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1. Nephology; 2. Scotland; 4, 413 feet high; 3. Global Positioning System; 4. Duff; 5. 1970; 6. Goosebumps; 7. Chicago; 8. 1,760; 9. A kit; 10. Gordon Ramsay

Trivia Test Answers



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