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WELCOME TO ROOTS COUNSELING & WELLNESS

Hello, my name is Darian Hall, and I am an Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (AMFT) here at Roots Counseling & Wellness. I have been at Roots Counseling since 2023, where I joined the Roots team as an undergraduate student doing my internship, helping run group therapy sessions. I returned to do my graduate internship at Roots Counseling and have stayed here ever since.

My approach to therapy will always start with connecting with you and everyone else in the therapy room. This means I want to understand who you are as a person, not just as a client, but what makes you, you. My most important goal in therapy is for you to first feel like therapy is truly a safe space where you can feel and be secure and understood enough to be honest with how you're feeling.

I believe change is going to be a process that looks different for everyone, but can be achieved by everyone. With this, while therapy helps us change, change is ultimately going to come from within each person themselves. This change can sometimes be hard or uncomfortable to go through. I want to help people understand, process, and tap into their own strengths and qualities needed for this change.

Sometimes we do not know our own strengths, qualities, values, and unique aspects of ourselves that make us who we are. We also, at times, aren't aware of our behaviors, how they affect those around us, where these behaviors come from, or why we even do them. If we do not know these things, change will be a lot harder. I believe my role as a therapist is to simply "move things out of the way" or to "point things out", while the client actually does what is needed to create the change.

MEET THIS MONTH'S CLINICIAN!

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Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (AMFT)

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Does a working forest offer lessons for communities across Utah?

An innovative forest management project brings together private landowners, state foresters, and researchers to explore solutions to Utah's wildfire challenges.

by Amy Joi O'Donoghue
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Wildfire danger in Utah's Cottonwood canyons has been discussed for years. Dense forests, dead trees, heavily traveled roads and critical drinking-water watersheds all add to the concern. Now, on private property in Big Cottonwood Canyon, a demonstration forest is turning some of those warnings into action.

About seven miles up the canyon, crews working under a contract issued by the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands have completed an initial forest-thinning project on approximately 9.6 acres of the Lower Cardiff property. The effort is associated with the Cardiff Canyon Owners Association (CCOA), whose members hope the site will help other Utah landowners see what forest management can look like in practice.

Former Utah Department of Natural Resources Executive Director Mike Styler envisioned a demonstration forest in the canyon years ago. "Wildfires are on the front of everyone's mind, but how do we stop them from burning?" Styler asked.

He said he has wanted to see a demonstration forest established in the Cottonwood canyons for several years.

The initial work involved selectively removing dead trees and certain live conifers, preserving healthy aspen and larger trees, and pruning lower branches that can carry fire into the treetops. Future demonstration areas are intended to show visitors different thinning approaches, rather than suggesting that one treatment fits every forest.

Doug Campbell, forestry operations manager for the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands, explained the project's educational purpose. "Our goal is to create a place for the public to visit and learn how forest treatments can benefit our forests and make them more resilient to insects, disease, and wildfire," Campbell said.

The state provided funding for the initial thinning project, issued the contract and coordinated much of the work. Private landowners made the property available and have committed additional funding for future forest management. The work also required coordination with county officials over rules governing vegetation removal in the canyon.

Evan Johnson, who owns the demonstration forest property and other land in Big Cottonwood Canyon, said the effort is about moving beyond discussion. "We have a responsibility to do more than just talk about these risks," Johnson said. "That's what working stewardship means to me — taking care of the land, protecting public safety and working together to get things done."

The thinning project also provides another benefit: firewood for Native American families. Some downed wood is being collected for distribution to families, including those living in hogans on a reservation. Cleon Yazzie, operations manager for the Urban Indian Center of Salt Lake, said the wood will also be used for ceremonial purposes. The collected wood will be brought to the center for distribution to people who need it.

The remaining woody material is awaiting burning under state forestry direction. Managing what is left behind is part of the treatment, not an afterthought.

Researchers affiliated with Utah State University's Utah Forest Restoration Institute have established 63 permanent monitoring plots in Big Cottonwood Canyon, including plots associated with private and federal forest management projects. Their measurements of trees, vegetation and forest fuels will help evaluate how conditions change after treatment. The research does not establish that thinning increases water supplies.

The project's relevance extends well beyond the Cottonwood canyons. Iron County Commissioner Paul Cozzens, who has toured the Cardiff property, sees the demonstration forest as an opportunity to show how active forest management can be carried out. He has advocated expanding forest management across Utah and improving practical resources for landowners undertaking the work.

The CCOA is developing a statewide Working Stewardship Guide based on the Cardiff experience. It is intended to help private landowners evaluate forest conditions, work with professionals, find funding, implement treatments and plan for long-term maintenance. Approaches will vary by location: what works in a high-elevation canyon may not fit other Utah forests.

The initial treatment covers only a small portion of the canyon's forests. Organizers hope expanded demonstration areas and public information signs will help visitors understand the work and encourage similar efforts elsewhere. After years of warnings, the question is no longer only whether forest stewardship can begin, but what the results can teach other communities.

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Iron County Today Transitions to Local Newspaper Delivery

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Iron County Today is making an exciting change to how our newspaper reaches the community. After years of delivering through the United States Postal Service, we are transitioning to our own team of local newspaper carriers.

The transition has already been underway for several weeks, and we are happy to announce that all of our current mailing routes in the 84721 ZIP code are now being delivered by our local carriers. We will continue expanding our delivery network and transitioning additional routes to local carriers in the coming weeks.

This change is part of our ongoing effort to improve newspaper delivery and better serve our readers. By working directly with our own carriers, we can have greater oversight of the delivery process, address concerns more quickly, and help ensure that newspapers are reaching households each week.

While rising mailing costs have contributed to this decision, our main priority is creating a more reliable and efficient delivery system that allows us to stay better connected with the community we serve.

With this change, residents who were previously getting their paper in the mail should now start looking for their weekly copy of Iron County Today in their driveways rather than their mailboxes.

If you have any questions or concerns about receiving the newspaper, please contact our office at 435-701-9981 or email officemanager@ironcountytoday.com.

We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we continue making this transition. Our goal remains the same: to keep Iron County residents informed, connected, and up to date on the news and events that matter most to our community.

Thank you for your continued support of local journalism with Iron County Today!

Iron County School District, Board Briefs 10-27

by Shauna Lund

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Education of Iron County School District adopted three policies and retired seven policies in the ongoing effort of updating old policies. First readings were also held on eight policies.

Superintendent Dr. Lance Hatch reminded the board that district administrators and the policy committee are looking at policies that have not been amended or adopted for several years. For many of the retired policies, there was either a redundancy with another policy or its contents no longer apply. Some were also combined into one broader policy as the subject matter was similar.

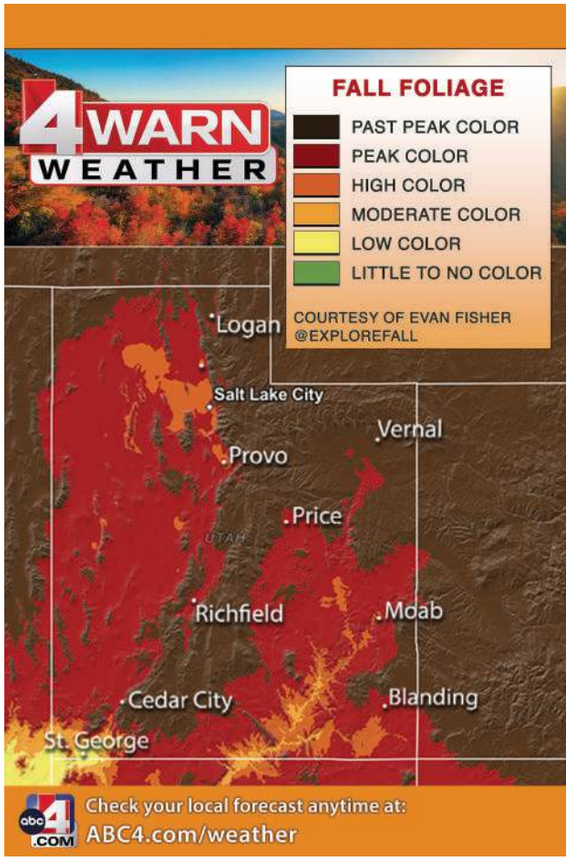
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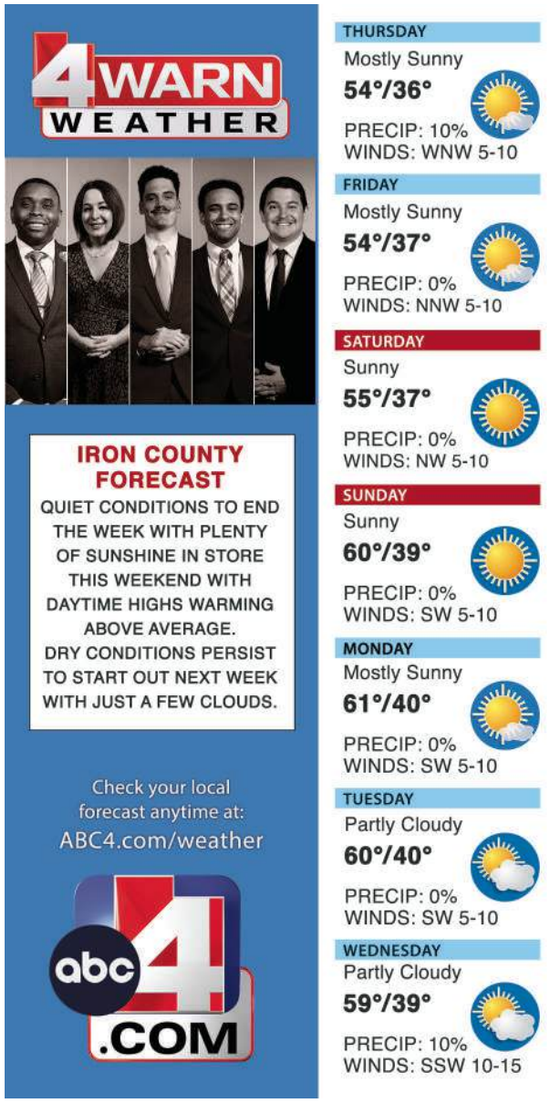
- Administrator and supervisory coaching prohibitions policy - Changes to the policy indicate that elementary principals and assistant principals can serve as a volunteer coach, but that position should not interfere with their principal duties. Secondary administrators are still prohibited from serving in coaching positions due to their oversight of coaches.
- Safe schools policy - A small change was made to the type of hearing that will be held if a violation is determined to be sexual harass ment. Hatch said a Title IX process is already more in depth than a safe school hearing.
- Bullying, cyberbullying, hazing, retaliation and abusive conduct - Added to the policy was a small section prohibiting the creation or distribution of sexually explicit or noncon sensual intimate images. After some discussion, another provision was added about the creation or distribution of AI-generated content that would be considered bullying, cyberbullying et al.

In other business:

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FROM THE EDITOR



BECKA DIMICK
COPY EDITOR

There are opinions I once held with great confidence that I would now prefer not to see in writing.

This is an inconvenient admission for someone who writes opinions for a living.

I suspect most of us have a few. Positions we inherited, judgments we made with incomplete information, things we dismissed before giving them much thought. At the time, of course, we considered ourselves quite reasonable. My own examples are vast, including foods I once refused to eat, clothes I thought looked good, relationships I defended, and political or spiritual beliefs I once considered settled.

What interests me is how difficult it can be to grant our present opinions the same possibility of eventual embarrassment.

We tend to admire people who stand by their convictions. There is good reason for that. Principles should withstand some pressure. But I wonder how often we confuse the strength of a belief with the length of time we have held it.

"I've always thought that" tells us something about duration. It tells us considerably less about whether the thought deserves another look.

I understand the temptation to defend an opinion simply because it is already mine. Once I have announced a position, reconsidering it can feel less like learning and more like losing an argument, even when nobody else is keeping score.

Changing your mind requires admitting that your earlier understanding had limits. It also requires enough confidence to survive that admission.

The question I want to ask more often is whether I still believe something for good reasons, or whether I have simply grown attached to being someone who believes it.

I suspect the answers will occasionally be inconvenient. That seems like a reason to ask.

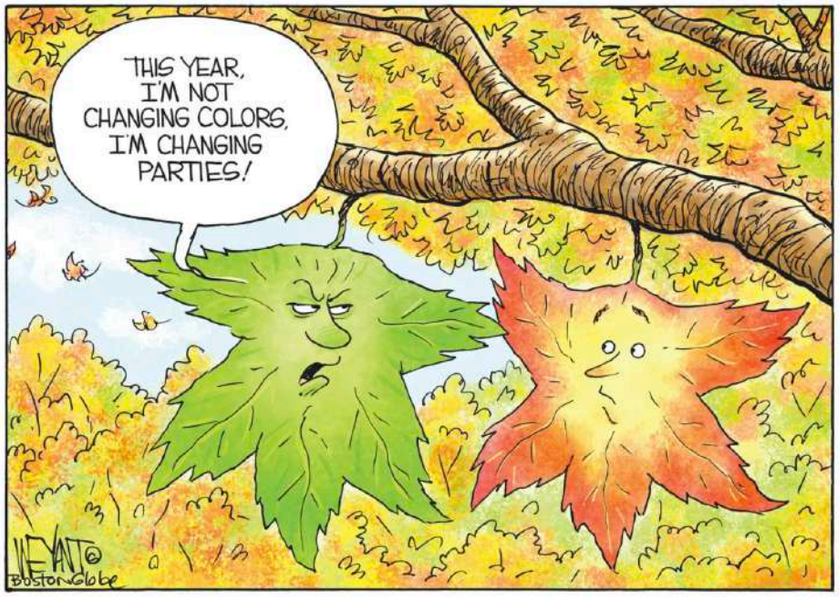
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RECONDITE

[RE·CON·DITE]

adj.

difficult or impossible for one of ordinary understanding or knowledge to comprehend : deep



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Iron County Commission recently lifted the moratorium on data centers in Iron County paving the way for more beyond the already approved Antelope data center. I attended and commented at several of the public meetings where new regulations were presented. As compared to other gatherings in many parts of the state, those attending brought thoughtful comments in a respectful manner.

What I observed was reasonable comments from reasonable people who expected the Commission to consider changes that would improve and minimize the effects of future data centers on our community. How were those expectations met? By a Commission who actually weakened the regulations through the process, bowing to developer requests more than the interests of their constituents. This was surprising considering the data center backlash across the country, as well as Utah, is only strengthening; there are currently more than 500 moratoriums in place and at least 60 data center build cancellations across the country. Recent polls conducted by USU and ABC4 (through Noble Predictive Insights) show a minimum of 60% of voters oppose constructing large data centers in Utah, including 42% strongly opposed in one poll. One would think that we could leverage that to gain some concessions that would benefit Iron County while also allowing developers to move forward with their critical projects. Instead, the commissioners dismissed the polls and made it clear their attitude was geared to making sure we don't push the developers out with all these darn regulations.

I am not against data centers. Pandora is out of the box and most of us already routinely use artificial intelligence (AI) knowingly or not whenever we interact with the internet. I believe AI will be a major contributor to the U.S. economy in the future. Data centers are a necessary evil required for this future. Assuming that there will be benefits like expanded job opportunities and tax benefits from their location here, the question for our community is how to minimize their negative effects.

I was disappointed to learn that the public comment process was treated as a perfunctory obligation, and little was changed to lessen the effects of these massive industrial developments here. Consider adopting noise ordinances that would allow those nearby to sleep at night? Nope. Consider encouraging the use of sustainable technologies? Of

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

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course not. Adopt hard thresholds for water use? Hey, when you need more water than what you bought, just call us and we can work something out. Limit air pollution from the proposed gas-fired power plants and diesel generators? Not our problem, that's up to the Utah state government. Require developers to respond to public concerns? Not a chance. Perform legally required consultation meetings government to government with the Indian Peaks Band of Paiute Indians? Ignored. And on and on.

The Commission clearly believes anecdotes – asking family members for advice instead of consulting the vast trove of information on positive and negative effects readily found on the internet (and yes, through AI), visiting data centers that may or may not mimic what we are facing here – are superior to real research or listening to those in their community who have done their homework.

Iron County will indeed be home to multiple data centers, that is clear. What is also clear is that when we had the opportunity to make it a mutually beneficial endeavor, our leaders chose data center developers as the winners. It will be years before all the effects will be evident. The young people in our community will bear the brunt of these decisions. I'm betting they aren't going to be applauding.

Ingrid Akerblom

Cedar City UT

Parents arrested after 36-day-old baby found with seven fractures

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Police arrested the parents of a 36-day-old boy after doctors discovered seven fractures when the couple brought him to the hospital coughing up blood.

Jarrid Anthony Stoklosa and Amelia Mae Ramirez, both 21, were arrested Oct. 29 on suspicion of seven first-degree felonies of aggravated child abuse and three counts each of third-degree felony child endangerment.

The arrests stem from an investigation that began March 10, when Cedar City police responded to Cedar City Hospital after child welfare officials reported suspected abuse.

Imaging revealed fractures to the infant's ribs, arm and leg, including one acute rib fracture, according to charging documents.

"Doctors believe that the possibility of these injuries occurring during birth is very small given the various healing stages and the location of the fractures," the affidavit states.

Stoklosa told investigators he had fed and burped the baby and was swaddling him when the infant began spitting up a significant amount of blood as he put him down.

Ramirez told police Stoklosa had been changing the baby after feeding him and laid him down to sleep before blood began coming from his mouth. She identified herself as the primary caregiver and said she had not seen anyone hurt the infant.

Both parents denied any accidental falls, drops or bumps that could explain the injuries.

Stoklosa suggested the infant's grandmother might have caused the injuries, telling investigators he had twice heard the baby screaming after leaving him in her care.

Police questioned that explanation because of the number of fractures and their different stages of healing.

Ramirez denied that either Stoklosa or her grandmother had caused the injuries. The couple told investigators they took turns caring for the baby and remained next to each other while doing so, the documents state.

The infant also tested positive for THC during the hospital visit. Investigators reported finding marijuana or THC products in the parents' bedroom while serving a search warrant.

Police

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Education approved a mid-year bonus for all employees. Full-time employees will receive $1300 and part time employees would see $500.

- Closed South Elementary and Iron Springs Elementary to out of boundary variances. After Oct. 1 enrollment counts district administrators look at the capacity and enrollment at each school to determine if any schools should be closed. Early enrollment variance applications can be submitted from Nov. 15 through the first Friday in February for the 2027-28 school year.
- The Board adopted the meeting schedule for 2027. Most months will have a work meeting on the third Tuesday and business meeting on the fourth Tuesday. Only one meeting is held in July. The board also chose to list a Nov. 9 and Dec. 7 work meeting if needed. Otherwise only one meeting will be held Nov. 16 and Dec. 14.
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with Parowan City for use of recreational facilities.



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Iron County Commission Meeting Summary - Oct. 26, 2026

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Department Reports

The county attorney's office reported operating well under budget despite handling nearly as many cases as last year. The office also reported that Homeland Security and the sheriff's office identified individuals in Cedar City with final removal orders. The sheriff's office plans to coordinate with federal authorities.

The Children's Justice Center reported an increase in interviews and medical exams compared to last year. Due to limited grant funding and delays in victim reparations, the center has relied on additional community funds. Its annual Dancing with the Community Stars fundraiser will be held November 17 at the Heritage Center.

The Justice Court reported being fully staffed and under budget, although overall caseloads have declined. DUI and assault cases have increased, while domestic violence cases have decreased. The court will seek recertification in November.

The Victim Advocate's office reported serving numerous clients this year and highlighted research into community justice advocates who assist individuals with protective orders.

Commission Reports

Commissioners reported on work involving the zoning overlay ordinance, economic development, the Care and Share micro-home groundbreaking, and plans for Southern Utah University's building remodel, expected to begin next summer. Other updates included public health meetings, county budget hearings, the Heritage Festival, discussions with Senator Lee, and a report from local wool growers. They also opened a county engineer position.

Strategic Development Zone Ordinance

Planning staff reviewed changes made since the October 12 meeting. The 150-acre industrial campus category was removed, and the solar and geothermal threshold increased from 50 to 100 megawatts. Protections were expanded to include schools, hospitals, daycares, and nursing homes, while the solar facility separation requirement was reduced from half a mile to 500 feet. Additional changes addressed application requirements, expired development agreements, and modifications to existing projects. The 50,000-gallon-per-day water threshold now requires an additional water resource plan rather than serving as a limit.

During the public hearing, representatives of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah raised concerns about the lack of government-to-government consultation and requested postponement of the vote. Several residents supported delaying the decision, citing concerns about water use, electrical infrastructure, environmental impacts, and weakened protections. Others requested stronger requirements for agricultural land, financial assurances, and public notice.

Noise regulations also drew criticism, particularly the proposed 65 dBA boundary limit and 55 dBA half-mile limit. Speakers requested stricter noise standards, limits on generator testing, and consideration of low-frequency sound. Additional concerns included water vapor, heat impacts, and changing technology. However, several speakers, including representatives of solar development projects, supported adopting the ordinance.

Staff explained that water use would be monitored through the Cedar Valley Water Conservancy or required public reporting. Development agreements could also establish enforceable penalties. The 30-day tribal historic preservation officer comment period had been restored.

Commissioners emphasized that water rights in the Escalante Valley are fully appropriated, requiring new users to purchase existing rights. They also discussed potential infrastructure improvements funded through the Utah Inland Port Authority.

Following discussion, the commission approved the ordinance, including the revised Chapter 17.33 language, with no opposition noted.

Remaining Items

The commission repealed the data center and solar moratorium and discussed school zone safety near Three Peaks Elementary, directing staff to explore options for reducing speeds. The 2027 tentative budget was approved, with a public hearing scheduled for November 23 and final adoption December 14.

Commissioners also approved an agreement with the Utah Inland Port Authority, several property tax abatements, and the appointment of Camila Peterson as a part-time victim advocate. Travis Lobb was appointed to the Planning Commission, replacing Mark Halterman.

Parowan City Council Meeting Summary for October 22, 2026

by Jennelle Zajac

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Annexation Requests Reviewed

The council held public hearings on proposed annexations for Daveco LLC and Heritage Hills Holdings. No decision was made on either proposal.

The Daveco proposal covers about 21.48 acres near 325 North and 600 West. City Manager Dan Jessen explained that the survey also includes portions of Interstate 15 and 600 West to create a contiguous city boundary; those areas are included for surveying purposes and are not part of the applicant's property.

A written objection from a resident raised concerns about the city's water and electrical capacity, the effects of growth on Parowan's character, the potential for higher-density or commercial zoning, and the cost of providing services such as road maintenance, snow removal, police and

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

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emergency response. The Planning Commission recommended R-1 zoning and asked staff to consider whether the applicant's tree-service and wildfire-contracting business could be addressed through an annexation agreement.

The second hearing concerned approximately 60.41 acres proposed for annexation by Heritage Hills Holdings near Charis Road and 950 South. The applicant requested rural-estates zoning, which the Planning Commission supported. Staff cited the area's steep terrain, wildland-urban interface and limited-development designation in the city's general plan.

The city outlined additional steps before either annexation comes to a vote, including preparation and review of annexation agreements. Staff suggested a future work meeting to discuss agreement terms.

Winter Wonderland Request Approved

The council approved the Parowan & Brian Head Area Chamber of Commerce's request to use Library Park for Winter Wonderland 2026, including connecting the displays to city electricity. The city will cover the electricity cost. Organizers said the event is returning for its seventh year and is expected to run nightly for about a month, from around Thanksgiving through New Year's.

Pickleball Lighting Approved

Council members also approved support for lighting at the city's pickleball courts, including power and water connections. Pickleball 4 Parowan, a 5013c corporation made up of fund raising pickleball enthusiasts, has raised $36,000 in grant and donated funds. A pickleball representative told the council the courts are heavily used and that evening lighting could make room for more leagues and tournaments.

After discussion of project costs and possible contributions from city crews and the power company, the council capped power-company in-kind work at $3,500. If the project's total cost exceeds $39,500, it must return to the council for further review. The council discussed possible operating hours and automatic shutoff controls, but did not set a schedule.

Curb Gutter and Sidewalk Review

The council directed the Planning Commission to review city code governing curb, gutter and sidewalk requirements. Members said the current language is unclear about when requirements can be waived and who has authority to grant a waiver. The Planning Commission is expected to return with clearer wording.

Updating Administrative Procedures

City Manager Dan Jessen presented proposed updates to administrative procedures for council meetings and city boards. The changes address agenda requests, reconsideration of votes, ethical conduct and civil discourse, as well as using consistent procedures across public bodies. Council members took the proposal for review; no action was taken.

Reports, Updates and Follow-Up

During reports, council members discussed community programs, the community garden and a volunteer effort planned for mid-November to identify damaged sidewalks. Staff said the city's water-diversion project was awaiting transformers, power work and fencing before final inspection. A council member encouraged residents to comment on the Five County draft natural hazard mitigation plan during its Oct. 21-Nov. 4 public-comment period.

Mr. Jessen also reported that the city had issued a 30-day notice of default to the airport's current fixed-base operator. A joint work meeting to explore solutions has been scheduled for Monday, November 2.

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

UTAH LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Sen. Vickers' Legislative Update- October 2026



SEN. EVAN VICKERS
UTAH SENATE DISTRICT 28

Friends and Neighbors,

As we look toward the upcoming legislative session, our interim committee meetings are becoming increasingly important. We have just one more interim meeting period before the session begins, and these meetings give us an early look at the issues legislators may consider in January.

Election integrity and the protection of personal information are important parts of maintaining public trust in our elections. Recently, Utah's Lieutenant Governor discussed her experience with the U.S. Department of Justice regarding requests for statewide voter registration information on 60 Minutes. These discussions raise important questions about how voter information is handled and protected. I believe Utahns should be able to participate in our elections with confidence that their personal information is treated responsibly.

This past month, our Business and Labor Committee heard reports on health insurance and artificial intelligence, along with a presentation on proposed legislation addressing property management. These discussions help us better understand emerging issues, hear from those directly affected and begin evaluating potential legislation before the session gets underway.

The Insurance Department provided an overview of Utah's health insurance marketplace, current market conditions and policy actions taken in other states. Following the presentation, the committee opened a bill file to incorporate the department's recommendations into potential legislation.

Members also reviewed a proposal to amend property management laws, including reporting requirements for violations involving the Division of Consumer Protection and the Division of Real Estate.

Beyond our interim committee work, Utah is continuing work to help people struggling with addiction, homelessness and serious mental illness find greater stability. The Recovery Utah Initiative brings state agencies, community and faith organizations, businesses and people with lived experience together to better coordinate treatment, housing, employment and recovery services. This work builds on more than $40 million appropriated by the Legislature this year to address these complex, often interconnected challenges.

Finally, the committee discussed artificial intelligence and its potential effects on Utah businesses, workers and consumers. These conversations help prepare legislators to address emerging issues during the upcoming session.

Health care is one area where Utah is already exploring how AI can be used responsibly. The state recently added a health care pillar to its Pro-Human AI Initiative and expanded a supervised program for testing clinical AI tools. These pilots are designed to gather real-world information about safety and effectiveness while maintaining human oversight. The findings will give legislators better information as we consider future policies and safeguards. As these technologies develop, protecting privacy, preserving professional judgment and making sure innovation actually benefits Utahns must remain at the center of our approach.

As always, thank you for staying engaged in the issues that affect our communities and our state. Your involvement helps keep our communities strong. I am proud to represent Senate District 29 and to work toward practical solutions that reflect the needs of Utah families, businesses and communities.

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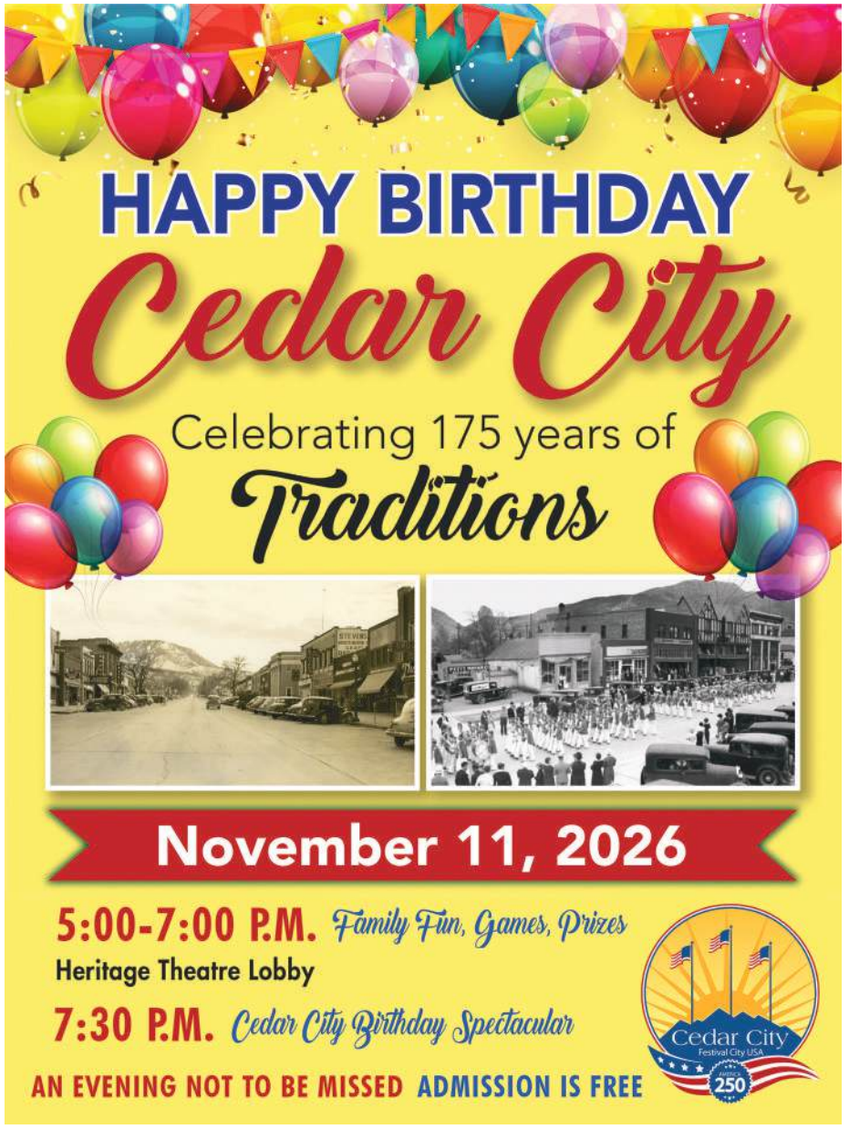
Cedar City's 175th Birthday Bash: Honoring Our Past, Celebrating Our Future!

by R. Scott Phillips

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

CEDAR CITY, UTAH — Cedar City is turning 175, and the entire community is invited to the party! The Cedar City Historic Preservation Commission invites residents, families, and visitors to join in a celebration on Wednesday, November 11, 2026, honoring the people, stories, and traditions that have shaped Cedar City while looking ahead to the future of this remarkable community.

From its humble beginnings as a frontier settlement to today's thriving city of nearly 45,000 residents, Cedar City has a story worth celebrating. What began as a determined pioneer settlement has grown into a vibrant community known for its welcoming spirit, cultural traditions, educational opportunities, and remarkable quality of life. For 175 years, generations of residents have contributed their talents, hard work, creativity, and commitment to making Cedar City a special place to call home.



"A birthday is an opportunity to celebrate not only how far we've come, but also the people and shared experiences that have brought us here," said Cedar City Councilman R. Scott Phillips. "We honor the Native American peoples whose history and heritage are part of this land, the pioneers who established the settlement that became Cedar City, and the brave men and women who have served and sacrificed to protect our freedoms. We also celebrate the generations who followed, building a community grounded in hard work, generosity, creativity, and a spirit of service. "

A Day of Remembrance, Community, and Birthday Fun!

10:00 a.m. — Veterans Day Ceremony

The day's events begin at Veterans Memorial Park, where the American Legion Post #74 will lead a ceremony honoring the men and women who have served our nation. The ceremony provides a meaningful opportunity to express our gratitude to America's veterans and recognize their service, sacrifice, and enduring contributions to our community and country.

5:00 p.m. — Family Birthday Bash

The celebration continues in the Heritage Theatre lobby with an entertaining evening of family-friendly activities. Bring the children, gather your friends, and join the fun! Enjoy games, puzzles, bingo, a scavenger hunt, prizes, and plenty of opportunities to share a few laughs while discovering more about Cedar City's fascinating history.

7:30 p.m. — Cedar City's 175th Birthday Spectacular

The highlight of the celebration will be a special live performance in the Heritage Theatre, featuring storytelling, dramatic presentations, film clips, and music celebrating the people and events that have shaped Cedar City over the past 175 years. Local leaders and the Cedar City Community Band, under the direction of Steve Shirts, will help bring the city's story to life through music and dialogue.

All birthday celebration activities are free, and everyone is welcome!

A community's history is about much more than dates, buildings, and historic events. It is also about the people who invest their time, talents, and resources to make their hometown a better place for everyone.

As part of this milestone celebration, the program will recognize the Thorley and Cardon families for their longstanding commitment to Cedar City and their meaningful contributions to the vitality of its historic downtown. Through their passion for the community, dedication to local commerce, and belief in the power of people and kindness, these families have helped preserve the character and welcoming atmosphere that make downtown Cedar City special.

Their stories reflect a broader Cedar City tradition: generations of individuals and families working together to strengthen their community, support local businesses, preserve treasured places, and create opportunities for those who will follow.

"We love celebrating the rich history of Cedar City," said Aleese Cardon, chair of the Historic Preservation Commission. "The determination of the early settlers, the contributions of generations of residents, the service of our veterans, and the generosity of community-minded families continue to inspire the next chapter of Cedar City's story and we celebrate that.".

As we celebrate this remarkable milestone, the Historic Preservation Commission invites everyone to take part, reconnect with our shared heritage, and help carry Cedar City's traditions of community spirit and service into the future.

All birthday celebration activities are free, and everyone is welcome!

Cedar City Construction Worker Killed in Tragic Accident

by Iron County Today Staff

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A 24-year-old Cedar City man who died in a construction accident Tuesday morning is being remembered as a hardworking, selfless individual who was eagerly awaiting the birth of his first child.

Truman Yardley was killed after being struck and pinned by a dump truck at a construction site near Sonrise Christian Church, off Iron Springs Road west of Cedar City.

According to the Iron County Sheriff's Office, deputies responded at approximately 10:20 a.m. Preliminary investigations indicate Yardley was greasing the bucket of an excavator when a dump truck, operated by another employee, backed into him.

LifeFlight was initially dispatched but later canceled after Yardley was pronounced dead at the scene. The incident remains under investigation, although authorities believe it was a tragic accident. No charges have been filed.

Yardley, originally from Enterprise, married his wife, Lexi, in June 2025. The couple was expecting their first child, a daughter, in just a few weeks.

In an interview with KSL, Lexi described her husband as a selfless man who was always willing to help others.

"He was just the most selfless man you'd ever met and always working hard," she said.

Beyond construction, Yardley had a passion for music. He was the lead singer of a band called Aquamarine and helped with sound and lighting at local college events.

At the time of his death, Yardley was serving as foreman on the construction project, a responsibility he took great pride in.

Lexi shared how excited her husband had been to become a father, saying, "He was just so excited to be a dad."

Friends and family have established a GoFundMe fundraiser to assist with funeral expenses and support Lexi and her unborn daughter.

The Iron County Sheriff's Office extended its condolences to Yardley's family, friends and coworkers.

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said child welfare officials were already investigating Ramirez because the baby had been born with at least two controlled substances in his system for which she did not have prescriptions. The documents did not identify those substances.

The arrest statements do not explain the interval between the March hospital visit and the October arrests or provide an update on the child's condition.

Man sentenced to prison after assaults on woman, roommate

by Tracie Sullivan

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

A man who assaulted a woman and his roommate minutes apart has been sentenced to up to five years in prison.

Joseph Gilbert Aguilar, 27, was sentenced this week by 5th District Judge Meb Anderson after pleading guilty to aggravated assault and violating a protective order, both third-degree felonies.

"The Defendant earned this prison sentence," Deputy Iron County Attorney Trajan Evans said. "The only way to stop Aguilar's cycle of violence is to incapacitate him through incarceration."

The assaults occurred Aug. 16, when Aguilar went to the victim's workplace, entered the business, pushed her and punched her in the face, charging documents state.

Police confirmed an active protective order was in place.

While officers were searching for Aguilar, they found him assaulting his roommate just minutes after the first attack. The roommate suffered a head laceration that required stitches.

Evans said he opted to enhance charges to third-degree felonies based on Aguilar's prior domestic violence convictions.

Aguilar was already on probation for domestic violence charges stemming from a 2025 incident.

With the latest convictions, Aguilar has been convicted of five felonies and five domestic violence offenses.

The prosecutor said he hopes the Utah Board of Pardons and Parole weighs Aguilar's violent history and lack of accountability when considering his future release.



MEET YOUR Baker





by Carson Boehme

GREAT HARVEST

About Carson Boehme:

I grew up in Cache Valley spending my time in the mountains mountain biking and skiing. During my first semester at USU I got a job baking bread for the Great Harvest in Logan. The early mornings (3:30a.m.) were tough, but the job was fun! I transferred to BYU to study entrepreneurship and couldn't get the bakery out of my head. While my classmates built AI startups and sales empires, I was searching for a way to return to bakery life. During a class about acquiring businesses, I discovered that the Cedar City bakery was for sale and jumped at the opportunity to come down and check it out! It was love at first sight. I moved down right after classes let up for the summer and started working in the bakery (and exploring all the mountain bike trails) to learn all I could while waiting for the sale to go through. Now, I love spending my days in the bakery making breads and sandwiches for the wonderful people in Cedar City.

About Great Harvest:

Great Harvest offers fresh breads, sweets, and sandwiches on phenomenal breads made from scratch daily. Family farms in Montana's Golden Triangle have supplied Great Harvest with the highest quality wheat for over 50 years. Every morning, the bakers rise early to mix, knead, and bake the breads and sweets for the day. When lunch time arrives, our breads create wonderful sandwiches. Every weekday there's a $12 lunch special with a cookie, drink, chips, and sandwich of your choice!

Why Great Harvest?

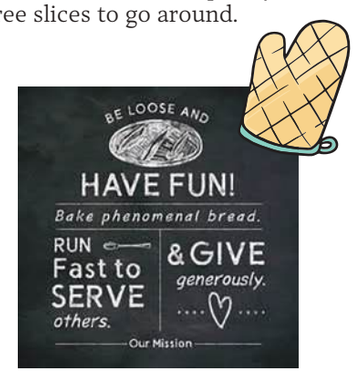
I got a job as a baker in the Logan Great Harvest during my first semester in college and quickly fell in love with bakery life. Milling wheat, kneading loaves by hand, sharing slices hot out the oven, and the daily challenge producing a phenomenal product was fun and exciting. It felt real and refreshing doing bread the way it ought to be done!

What are your favorite menu items?

The Sweet Turkey Pesto sandwich (add sprouts) is my go-to for lunch, or an Orange Cinnamon scone for breakfast. I'll usually take a loaf of 9-Grain home on Monday for sandwiches throughout the week. Right now, I look forward to a hot slice of Cheddar Garlic bread on Friday mornings when the cheese is still all melty. Delicious!

What's the future look like for you and the bakery?

I'm excited to find out! I hope to be Cedar City's baker for the long term. There will be ovens full of hot bread and plenty of free slices to go around.



Theatre as Profession

by Richard Bugg

DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN CROSSROADS THEATRE

My chosen profession is the theatre.

When I was growing up, my father supported whatever path I wanted to follow, but he gave me one important piece of advice: *make sure you gain marketable skills*, and *make sure you're offering the world something of good report and praiseworthy*. I took that to heart. And while training as an actor, I had a professor who would remind us: "Don't take yourself so seriously—this isn't cancer research." He was right—I did need to lighten up, to take more joy in each

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moment and each discovery. But deep down, I've always wished that my work could matter as much as *cancer research*.

Over the course of my life, I've come to believe that three things are essential to human survival—the three "S's": Shelter, Sustenance, and Storytelling. Shelter and food keep the body alive. But it's storytelling that defines who we are. It's how we understand the world and our place in it. It's how we pass on wisdom.

Our personal experiences simply aren't enough to give us the perspective required for a meaningful life. That's where stories come in. Through them, we live other lives. We see through other eyes. A well-told story is a cathartic journey, and through that catharsis we develop empathy—arguably the most important ingredient for peace in the world.

So, Dad—while my work may not be cancer research, I'd like to think it's just as essential in building a healthier, more compassionate society.

But like any powerful force, storytelling can be misused.

In recent years, I've watched with concern as much of the theatre world has shifted from honest, cathartic storytelling toward shallow propaganda—productions that preach rather than reveal, that offer slogans in place of truth. When stories are twisted to fit a single ideology, they deny the audience the chance to engage sincerely. And without honest engagement, there can be no catharsis. No empathy. Just outrage, division, and dogma.

We live in a time where some voices want to restrict which stories can be told—where classic works are rewritten or erased not because they are harmful, but because they are imperfect. As Orwell warned in 1984, this is how the range of human thought is diminished. Canceling the past won't help us understand it.

My life's mission has become clear: to protect and promote the true art of storytelling. Stories that open hearts, not close them. Stories that bring us together, not drive us apart. Stories that honor the complexity and beauty of the human experience—flaws and all.

I know my reach is small. But I still believe that telling honest, human stories here in our community can ripple outward. That's why I'm so grateful for each of you—for the stories you share in your own work and for any support you've given to American Crossroads Theatre.

Thank you for being part of this community—for the work you do, the service you give, and the stories you share.

Whatever your field, tell your stories. Not with rage, not with rants—but with honesty, love, and purpose.

Grace A. Tanner Center at SUU "Day of Grace" Celebration

Film screening and virtual Q and A with filmmaker Shalini Kantayya

by Grace A. Tanner Center for Human Values

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Cedar City, UT — Emmy-nominated director Shalini Kantayya, a William D. Fulbright Scholar and Sundance Fellow, will be featured during the Grace A. Tanner Center's "Day of Grace" celebration with a screening of "Coded Bias" on Tuesday, November 10, in the Sterling Church Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. Following the screening, Kantayya will be immediately available for a virtual Q and A at 7:00 p.m. to answer questions about the documentary, filmmaking, or other related topics. As part of the "Day of Grace" celebration, there will be free pizza and cupcakes in the Sharwan Smith Student Center Rotunda outside of the Church Auditorium from 5:00-5:30. As a filmmaker, Kantayya explores the intersection of technology and humanity, tackling questions of innovation, ethics and bias.

"Coded Bias" explores the fallout of MIT Media Lab researcher Joy Buolamwini's startling discovery that facial recognition does not see dark-skinned faces accurately, and her journey to push for the first-ever legislation in the U.S. to govern against bias in the algorithms that can impact everyone. As technology improves at a whirlwind pace, questions of ethics and safety seem to go unanswered. With care, nuance and integrity, award-winning director Shalini Kantayya investigates these questions through a critical lens, uncovering the opportunities and dangers behind the code and looking ahead to the future of tech.

Recently, Kantayya directed *Breakthrough* for National Geographic: a series profiling trailblazing scientists who will transform our future (Executive Produced by Ron Howard). Her award-winning sci-fi film about the world water crisis, *A Drop of Life*, was broadcast on national television in the U.S. and India. *A Drop of Life* was used as a tool to organize for water rights in 40 villages across Africa—making a real-world impact in the lives of thousands. Kantayya finished in the top 10 out of 12,000 filmmakers on Fox's On the Lot, a show by Steven Spielberg in search of Hollywood's next great director.

Kantayya is a TED Fellow as well as a finalist for the ABC/Disney Directing Program. As a Fulbright Scholar, she has lectured at Princeton, Yale, Stanford, and USC, among others. She has received recognition from the Sundance Documentary Program, IFP Spotlight on Documentary, New York Women in Film and Television, and the Jerome Hill Centennial.

The "Day of Grace" celebration is in honor of Grace A. Tanner, an esteemed alumna of Southern Utah University. The Grace A. Tanner Center for Human Values promotes human values by advancing cultural understanding, empathy, and social responsibility through critical thinking and dialogue to better appreciate the complexities of the human condition. For more information about the Grace A. Tanner Center Lecture in Human Values and the center as a whole, visit suu.edu/tanner.

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Film Director and Producer



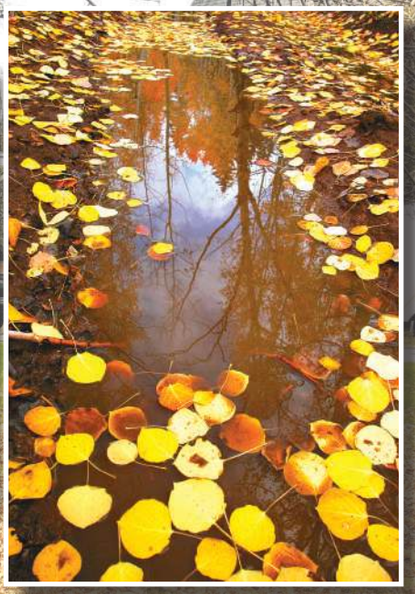
"Coded Bias":
A Screening and Virtual Q&A

Tuesday, November 10
Church Auditorium, Student Center
Film screening and Q&A from 5:30 - 7:30

Scan the QR code to RSVP
requested but not required

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Welcome to our Season of the Wetlands

by John Byron Turner

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

After weeks of the vibrant fall colors that we're treated to each year across Iron County, there comes a time when reality sets in, along with the welcome-to-winter rain and soggy days.

I keep reading that we may be in for a strong El Niño weather pattern that could bring above-average snowfall this winter. There's no doubt we need the moisture!

But just before that first frost arrives, there's a brief season that doesn't seem to have a name. It settles in between fall and winter, often right after Halloween. It's a soggy little season that brings an end to those lingering fall colors that glow across town, especially in the older neighborhoods where mature trees put on their best show.

Ever since our recent scattered showers, I've been trying to think of a name for that moment when the rain leaves us with an entirely different view of our community.

Undoubtedly, there are homeowners throughout the county who step outside, look at their wet, colorful, leaf-covered yards, and mutter to themselves, "Next year, I swear I'm going to get those leaves raked up before it rains."

Until someone comes up with the perfect name for this short-lived season between fall and winter, I suppose we'll just have to enjoy it for what it is.

Wishing you all a happy, soggy, leafy season!

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ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

GOVERNMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SERVICE GROUPS

American Legion Post 74
2nd Mon, 6pm, Cedar Library, 303 N 100 E. Learn about Veteran benefits, opportunities, fellowship. Honor Guard provides military honors at Veterans funerals. Post Commander Tris Colman. For information content Scotty, Post Adjutant, at (435) 590-3072 or hidesertdog@gmail.com

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

Cedar Area Inter-Faith Alliance (CAIFA)
3rd Tues 10:30am @ Cedar Library, West room. Help us plan and organize fundraising projects and quarterly community events. (No meet Jul, Nov, Dec)

DAR – Bald Eagle Chapter
3rd Tues, 11:30 AM @ the Cedar City Brian Head Visitors Center.

Elks Lodge #1556
111 E Freedom Blvd. Cedar City, (435) 586-8332

Kiwanis Club of Iron County
In October, the Iron County Kiwanis Club will meet at 6 PM on October 5th in Room 105 of Bristlecone Hall on the SUU Campus. The next regular monthly meeting will be November 3rd at 6 PM in the Cedar City Library.

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

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

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

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
1st Thurs, 6PM, Post 10846 meets @ Elks Lodge, 111 E 200 N.

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous
(435) 635-3603 • www.utahaa.org. Helpline: John (702) 802-1332, Kara (702) 232-6829
KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed
Speaking From The Heart • M – Sa, Noon
Steps and Traditions • M – Su, 7 am
Red Road to Sobriety • Mon, 6 pm Paiute Tribe, 440 N Paiute (435) 586-1112 Ext. 307
Misfits • M – F, 6 pm
Cedar Group • Tues, 8 pm
The Great Fact • T, F, Noon. True Life Center 2111 N. Main. (702) 802-1332 or (702) 533-7856
Red Creek Group • Wed, 7 pm • 685 N 300 E, Parowan • (435) 477-8925
Uncommon Sense • Sat, 10:00 am
My Story • Sat, 8 pm
Thank God Sunday Spiritual • Sun, 11 am
What a Way to Start the Day • Su, W, F 7-8 am • All are welcome

Al-Anon
KKCB Club (203 E. Cobblecreek Dr, Cedar City) unless otherwise listed
Easy Does It • Tues, 6-7 pm • (435) 559-3333
Hope for Today (Family Groups)
Thurs, 6 pm • (925) 508-9058
Key to Harmony (Online/Email Meeting) Sun & Tues 435-704-4979 • https://keytoharmony.org/

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

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

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

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

Holding Out HELP
Holding Out HELP provides those from a polygamous culture the care, support, and resources to become independent and self-sufficient (Cedar City and surrounding areas). Please call: 801.548.3492.

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

Nicotine Anon (12-Step)
Fri 5 pm • KKCB 203 Cobble Creek Dr. Ste. 201 (North Room), Cedar • (435) 559-0394

OARS - Open Authentic Relevant Spiritual: Are you between the ages of 18-36? Are you hungry for some FREE dinner? Are you looking for a spiritual community where you will be totally accepted just like you are? Are you looking for a Safe Space where you can work out issues of faith and life? Would you like to be with a group where ALL questions are more than welcome? Where all perspectives are respected? Are you interested in Christian faith and spirituality, but not thrilled about rules or doctrine or being judged? If you have answered yes, join us on Tuesdays 6 pm at the Cedar City Library (by Main Street Park) beginning September 15, 2026. Questions? Contact pastorschuyler@gmail.com or pastorrobyn@cedarpres.org.

Workshops for Adults with Disabilities. Every other Tuesday 1-2. Call Jill for more info. 702-917-2151

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

Pregnancy, Infant Loss
1st Thurs, 7:00 pm • Share Families of So. Utah • 565 N Main Street, Ste. 6, Cedar • www.southernutahshare.com

Reel Mental Health
A fun interactive support group focused on your mental health and well-being, available online https://www.facebook.com/groups/925451652789177/?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWBT

Senior Blind/Visually Impaired
3rd Thurs, 1:30 pm • Cedar City Library

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

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

Widows Ministry
2nd Sat, 11-1 pm • New Journey-Widow's Ministry @ Sonrise Christian Church (6843 W 1800 N, Cedar). INFO: 435-586-3640, info@sonrisehurch.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 City Farmers Market
(9am-1pm) on the north end of Cedar City, Design & Flooring parking lot (2232 N Main St, Cedar City). Admission is FREE. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans, as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information, visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735.

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

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild
Thurs, 10 am • Cedar Senior Center, 489 E 200 S. Projects for all abilities. Block of the Month. Make friends, improve skills & have fun. Visitors welcome. Info: Ms. Ronnie Badgett. 435-477-2243. 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
welcome all religious backgrounds, agnostics, and atheists. 3rd Sundays at 11 am. 5101 W 1125 S, Cedar City. Leave a message or call Valerie Whitaker if interested at 435-704-4262.

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

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

Cedar City Community Band
We offer a wealth of opportunities for individuals of all ages and skill levels to get involved and experience the joy of ensemble music-making. Contact us at www.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

The Lunch & Learn
is every Monday at 11 AM at Brody's Mexican Restaurant, and attendees will make a free roller bottle of essential oils, learn about natural solutions for healthspan and enjoy a free lunch of 2 street tacos or an enchilada with rice & beans.

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

Workshops for Adults with Disabilities
Every other Tuesday 1-2. Call Jill for more info. 702-917-2151

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@sonrisehurch.net, sonrisechurch.net.

Zumba with Steff at Retro Fitness 929
S Main St, Cedar City, Tuesday at 9 AM. Membership or drop-in fee. Fun and easier to follow.

Bestselling Author Brandon Mull Returns to Cedar City for Book Signing

by May Hunter

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY





Bestselling author Brandon Mull recently returned to Cedar City for a special book signing and meet-and-greet at Deseret Book, giving local fans an opportunity to connect with the beloved fantasy writer.

Mull is the author of several New York Times, USA Today, and Wall Street Journal bestselling books and series, including Fablehaven, Beyonders, Five Kingdoms, Candy Shop Wars, and Dragonwatch. A Utah resident, Mull lives in a picturesque valley near the mouth of a canyon, where he continues to create imaginative adventures enjoyed by readers of all ages.

Deseret Book has welcomed Mull back for book signings over the years, and his latest visit highlighted his Guardians series, an epic fantasy adventure set in the world of Anora. The next installment in the series is scheduled for release on April 13, 2027.

Known for his captivating storytelling, Mull weaves valuable life lessons into action-packed adventures. Popular series such as Fablehaven and Dragonwatch emphasize courage, friendship, loyalty, and the importance of making good choices. His family-friendly stories inspire young readers while offering meaningful messages that resonate with audiences of all generations.

Deseret Book regularly hosts special events, including author meet-and-greets, book signings, and live painting demonstrations, providing opportunities for community members to connect with talented authors and artists.

Mull has frequently expressed his appreciation to Deseret Book and Shadow Mountain Publishing for their continued support in hosting local events. He is equally grateful to the loyal readers who have embraced his stories and eagerly anticipate each new adventure.

For fans in Cedar City and beyond, the opportunity to meet Brandon Mull is a special reminder of the magic of storytelling and the lasting connections books can create. Readers will undoubtedly be looking forward to the next exciting Brandon Mull adventure!



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WED, NOV 4

CCAC BOOK CLUB (7PM) at Main Street Books in Cedar City. This month's book is Three Wild Dogs (and the Truth), by Markus Zusak. We alternate between fiction and non-fiction titles. We are a welcoming and accommodating group and would love to have you join us.

DAY OF THE DEAD: WONDER WEDNESDAY - PAPER MARIGOLDS (4:00–6:00PM) at SUMA - Southern Utah Museum of Art (13 S 300 W, Cedar City). Admission is FREE and open to all students K-6. Children accompanied by an adult can join for drop-in activities and learn to make a paper marigold. Don't forget to pick up an ofrenda kit.

THURS, NOV 5

ORCHESTRA OF SOUTHERN UTAH: ROCK GOLD: VOL 4 (7:30PM) at Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City), general admission is $18 and $13 for students and seniors. Symphonic rock unites orchestra and voice in an electrifying program of legendary artists. Featuring music of Santana, Coldplay, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Pat Benatar, Van Halen, and Queen. Two performances celebrate the golden era of rock in bold style. Information and tickets are available at www.myosu.org.

THE BLUE MARBLE LIVE-TO-FLIM CONCERT! (7:30PM) The SUU Wind Symphony - The Blue Marble Live-to-Film Concert will be performed under the direction of Dr. Adam Lambert in the George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Music Center (351 W University Blvd, Cedar City). Tickets are $12 for adults, $10 for alumni, and $6 for youth and non-SUU students. SUU students, faculty, and staff are admitted FREE with a valid ID. Tickets can be purchased at www.bard.org/suumusic.

FRI, NOV 6

CEDAR CITY 175TH BIRTHDAY SCAVENGER HUNT From November 6–8. Celebrate Cedar City's 175th birthday with a free, self-guided scavenger hunt exploring historical locations, mysteries and legends throughout the city. Participants can download directions at www.cedarcityut.gov or pick up a printed copy at the Cedar City Offices, 10 N. Main St. Prizes will be awarded to those who complete the hunt and can be collected at the city's birthday celebration on November 11.

SUU - THE LIGHTNING THIEF: THE PERCY JACKSON MUSICAL (7:30PM) The SUU Department of Theatre, Dance, & Arts Administration proudly presents The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical with Book by Joe Tracz and Music & Lyrics by Rob Rokicki, Adapted from the book "The Lightning Thief" by Rick Riordan. This production, directed by Peter Sham, will run November 6, 7, 9, 13, & 14, 2026, in the Randall L. Jones Theatre. Tickets are $16 for adults, $14 for alumni, and $8 for youth and non-SUU students. As always, SUU students, faculty, and staff are admitted FREE with a valid ID. Tickets will be available at the Utah Shakespeare Festival Ticket Office or at bard.org/tdaa.

SAT, NOV 7

DAY OF THE DEAD: FESTIVAL OF ALTARS (NOON - 4PM) Festival of Altars held at Southern Utah University Campus (351 W University Blvd, Cedar City). Everyone is invited to join for a music and dance showcase, food, art, and history in celebration of Day of the Dead! Mariachi Fuego de Utah | Eccles Music Center (300 W University Blvd, Cedar City) Ballet Folklorico Herencia Hispana | SUU Auditorium (S 300 W, Cedar City) Activities | SUU STEM Center, The Frehner Museum of Natural History, and SUMA. Food Trucks and Vendors including Los Flores, Alicia's Tamales, and Zion Frescas will have food available for purchase. Complimentary Pan de muerto available while supplies last.

SUN, NOV 8

MASTER SINGERS VETERANS DAY CONCERT (7–9PM) The Cedar City Master Singers will celebrate America's 250th anniversary and honor Veterans Day with a special patriotic concert in Cedar City, Utah. Admission is free.

MON, NOV 9

STORYBOOK READING WITH THE QUEEN (10AM & 10:30AM) Iron County Events invites you to Storybook Reading with the Queen at the Cedar City Library (303 N 100 E, Cedar City). Join the Iron County Royalty for a storybook reading time to hear some of the classic children's stories that will be featured in the Storybook Parade on November 14th, on Cedar City Main Street.

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Gateway End of Summer Bash



by Cassie Laity

GATEWAY ACADEMY

Gateway PTO hosted an end-of-summer bash at the Cedar City Aquatic Center! Our Gateway families enjoyed a refreshing time at the pool. To everyone's surprise, the pool heater was not working. Despite the unplanned "polar plunge," we still shared many laughs and splashes. We are thankful to our PTO for putting on such a great event for all our families to enjoy together.

NEWS FROM THE NEST

by Madison Meredith

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



November has begun and comes with so many new fun ways to get involved at Canyon View. Starting off, tonight is opening night of the Hadestown play! There are shows on the 13th, 14th, and the 16th. These students have been working hard all year to perfect and polish their performance for the audience. This is going to be an incredible show so be sure to get a ticket and come and enjoy this performance. Another awesome event coming up is the Talon craft fair. This has been a longstanding event at Canyon View that will take place on November 20 and 21. There will be tons of amazing vendors selling all kinds of fun things, dancers performing throughout both days, and even visits from Santa! This is a big fundraiser for the drill team and they would love to see you there.

On the sports side of things, Canyon View's girls cross country team are state champions! They competed incredibly and came out on top. Basketball season is starting up this month as well, with the boys first game being on November 21. Both basketball teams are ready for a great season! The swim team has begun competing at swim meets as well. They have an awesome season lined up with lots of good events to go and support the swimmers!

IRON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS NUGGETS

by Colby Leavitt; Shauna Lund

FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

Canyon View Middle School

Seventh graders at CVMS recently experimented with magnets and magnetic field lines in science class. Students explored how forces change the magnetic field lines and noticed patterns in the field lines. Seventh graders had a blast applying their knowledge to the experiment.

Iron Springs Elementary

Our Red Ribbon Week theme was "Make a Difference. Be a Hero. Stay Drug Free!" Students joined in the fun by dressing up each day to match the daily themes and showing their support for living a drug-free life. We wrapped up the week with an exciting assembly featuring K-9 dogs from Cedar City, helping students learn the importance of making safe and healthy choices!

Fiddlers Canyon Elementary

Fiddlers Elementary students celebrated the students with perfect attendance by having cupcakes! Almost 2/3 of our students had less than four absences in the first quarter!

South Elementary

We kicked off Red Ribbon Week with an exciting K-9 police assembly. Students learned about police K-9 dogs, and the important jobs they do. The students enjoyed seeing these working dogs in action and learning about their special skills. The assembly was a fun and educational way to be focused on making healthy, drug-free choices. Throughout the week, students also participated in fun dress-up days and other activities.

Parowan High School

This week, we are excited to recognize Mr. Josh Maher! When asked what his favorite things about PHS are, he said he loves knowing all the kids in the halls and teaching multiple grades. We are so grateful for Mr. Maher and the time, dedication, and heart he puts into our school and students! Students were on the hunt for big piles of leaves this week. It was the annual Rake-n-Run at PHS. Students from CTE Clubs go throughout the community raking leaves, stuffing them in bags and then they... run! The event ends with a bowl of warm soup and bread.



Cedar Middle School

Cedar Middle School experienced a fantastic turnout at our annual Halloween Carnival, where the Spook Alley was a big hit. Thanks to our community for the ongoing support of Hope Squad and Student Council, who continue their holiday food drive and pop tabs collection for Ronald McDonald House Charities. To cap off an exciting Red Ribbon week, students were captivated by chemistry and static electricity during a thrilling "Science Magic" show hosted by Mr. K.

Three Peaks Elementary

We celebrated Red Ribbon Week! Children showed their school spirit with themed days, including Crazy Hair Day, Decades Day, wearing red, and Pajama Day. We also had a special K-9 assembly where drug dogs visited the school and helped teach children about the importance of staying drug-free. On Friday, children will get to wear their costumes for the Halloween Parade, and that evening, families can enjoy the PTA's Trunk-or-Treat!

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With Receipt, Honor, And Gratitude - Give Thanks To A Veteran

by May Hunter
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY



Veterans Day is a time for all of us to come together to honor and pay tribute to the brave men and women who have served our country. On this special day, we stand united in respect and gratitude for our nation's veterans, recognizing their courage, sacrifices, dedication, and unwavering commitment to protecting our freedoms.

There are many ways to express our appreciation, and sometimes even the simplest gestures can mean the most. One meaningful way to show your support is by attending a local Veterans Day ceremony on Wednesday, November 11.

The community is invited to gather at the Rotary Vietnam Memorial, located at 200 North (Freedom Boulevard) and 200 East, for a flag-raising ceremony and brief program beginning at 10:00 a.m. Veterans and community members alike are encouraged to attend as we honor the courage, service, sacrifice, and dedication of those who have proudly served our nation.

This special event is presented by American Legion Post 74.

Southern Utah University will also host a Veterans Day ceremony at 11:00 a.m. at the Eccles Music Center, located at 300 West University Boulevard in Cedar City, Utah.

Have you ever wondered why we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11?

The history of this important observance dates back to the end of World War I. Originally known as Armistice Day, it was first commemorated in 1919 under President Woodrow Wilson to recognize the anniversary of the armistice that ended the fighting on November 11, 1918.

In 1954, Congress officially changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day, expanding its purpose to honor all American veterans who have served in the military, both in times of war and peace. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation, ensuring that the service and sacrifices of veterans from every generation would be recognized.

America's veterans have served our country with the belief that democracy, liberty, and freedom are worth defending. Through their courage, sacrifice, and dedication, they have helped make our nation, and our world, a better place.

Words alone can never fully express the depth of our gratitude for all they have given. We are blessed to live in a country where freedom is cherished, and we owe so much of that freedom to the brave men and women who have answered the call to serve.

To all our veterans, past and present, thank you for your service, your sacrifices, and your unwavering devotion to our country. We honor you, we appreciate you, and we will never forget all you have done to protect the freedoms we hold dear.

God bless our veterans, and God bless America!

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Master Singers Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary and Veterans Day

by May Hunter
FOR IRON COUNTY TODAY

The Cedar City Master Singers will celebrate America's 250th anniversary and honor Veterans Day with a special patriotic concert on Sunday, November 8, 2026, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Heritage Center Theater in Cedar City, Utah.

A Rich History of Music and Tradition

The Master Singers have a long history in southern Utah, dating back to 1947 when Edward Sandgren, a chorus teacher at Cedar Junior High School, founded the group to represent Iron County during the centennial celebration of the pioneers' arrival in Utah.

In 1948, the 75-member choir embarked on a 10-day tour, performing eight concerts from Las Vegas to Logan. Over the following decades, the Master Singers continued sharing their music throughout southern Utah and eastern Nevada, remaining active until the mid-1970s.

In 1997, as the group approached its 50th anniversary, Cherie and Kent Myers began locating former members. A smaller group reunited under the direction of Blaine Johnson, with Hal Campbell serving as accompanist.

The reunion rekindled enthusiasm for the Master Singers and inspired members from the St. George area to establish a separate choir in Washington County.

Since their revival in 1997, the Cedar City Master Singers have continued to enrich the community through music, presenting at least four concerts annually. For more than a decade, they have also honored veterans with special Veterans Day performances at South Elementary School.

Their musical outreach has extended to smaller communities throughout the region, along with joint concerts featuring their St. George counterparts. The choir has also performed at numerous community events, including the dedication of the Heritage Center and the opening of the Utah Summer Games.

Throughout the years, the Master Singers have benefited from the leadership of conductors Floyd Rigby, James Harrison, Keith Bradshaw, Dee Rich, and Allan Lee. Accompanists have included Roland Williams, Gerald

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Reault, Caroleen Campbell Lee, and Danny Hansen.

Celebrating 250 Years of American Patriotism

This year's November 8 concert promises to be an especially meaningful celebration, commemorating America's semiquincentennial, 250 years since the nation's founding in 1776.

Unlike traditional Master Singers performances, this special program will take audiences on a musical journey through American history. Beginning in 1776 and continuing through 2026, the concert will highlight significant events from each 25-year period, accompanied by a patriotic song representing that era.

A special highlight of the evening will be a medley of six songs from World War I, reflecting the patriotism, courage, and sacrifices of Americans during that defining chapter in history.

Through music and historical reflection, the Master Singers hope to remind audiences of the generations who have helped shape our nation and the service members who have defended its freedoms.

A Heartfelt Tribute to Those Who Served

For many, patriotic music carries a deeply personal meaning, stirring memories of loved ones who served and sacrificed for their country.

Harold Shirley beautifully expresses that sentiment:

"When I hear patriotic music, there is a quickening of the pulse, a flutter of the heart, especially when I hear the armed forces salute. These songs make me feel grateful to have been born in a free country. My father was seriously wounded at Verdun in World War 1. My oldest brother paid the ultimate price in World War 11. When I hear Master Singers sing God Bless America, it is more than a song: It is a solemn prayer."

As America celebrates 250 years of independence, the Cedar City Master Singers invite the community to come together for an evening of music, history, and gratitude for those who have served and helped preserve the nation's freedom.

obituaries

Emmett Dale Steed



Emmett Dale Steed of Cedar City, Utah, passed away on October 25, 2026. He was born July 14, 1950, in Logan, Utah, to Dale and Elizabeth Steed.

Emmett's most important priorities in life were his God and Church, his wife and children, and his work and friends. He is survived by his wife, Jana Jones Steed, his brother, Martin Steed, his children, Carolyn, Elisa, Anthony, Volana, and Laila, and his grandchildren, Kimberly, Kimora, and Adlee. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Barbara, and his son, Mark.

Emmett grew up with great friends in Logan and was an honorable mention All-American basketball player at Logan High School. He attended Utah State University and graduated in 1974. He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Chile. Emmett earned an MBA in International Management from Thunderbird, School of Global Management in 1975 and was hired by Marriott International. He was first assigned to Scottsdale, Arizona, to work at Marriott's Camelback Inn. While working in Arizona, he met Jana, his devoted wife of 50 years.

Emmett's work took them to New York City, Acapulco, Mexico, Los Angeles, California, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Panama City, Panama, Vancouver, Washington, and Costa Mesa and Anaheim, California.

When Emmett left Marriott and went to Red Lion Hotels and Inns in Vancouver, Washington, his choice to live in Vancouver caught the eye of Money Magazine. He and Jana were featured on the cover of the January 1990 issue for selecting to live in a tax haven rather than the highly taxed Portland area.

After twenty-five years of hotel administration and two vice president jobs, one in accounting and one in operations, the company he was then with, Promus Hotels, was purchased by Hilton Corporation. Emmett accepted the severance package rather than staying with Hilton and used that to attend UNLV for a PhD in Hospitality Administration. Southern Utah University in Cedar City, Utah, hired him to start its Hotel, Resort and Hospitality Management Program. He taught at SUU for nineteen years and retired in 2022 as a fully tenured professor.

While in Mexico, Florida, and Panama, he and Jana adopted three children. In Cedar City, they also adopted three of their grandchildren. Helping them grow and giving them opportunities in life brought him great happiness. He also found joy in serving in the church. He served valiantly in many callings, including as a district president in Mexico and as bishop, first in Panama and again in Cedar City.

In 2020, he had his first cancer surgery with a successful outcome. He found great delight in playing golf with friends, riding his Harley to the National Parks of southern Utah and Arizona, attending the temple with Jana, taking the family to their summer cabin in Arizona, and four-wheeling with the kids and grandkids. In 2024, cancer returned with a vengeance. Major surgery, intensive radiation, immunotherapy, and chemotherapy medications prolonged his life but couldn't stop the cancer. He passed away peacefully in his home with Jana by his side. He is greatly loved and will be missed tremendously.

Services will be held in Cedar City, Utah, on Saturday, November 7th, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at 370 North 4050 West. A viewing will be held at 10:30 a.m. The service will be at 12:00 noon.

A graveside service will be held at the Logan Cemetery on Monday, November 9th at 1:00 p.m.

A live stream of the service will be available through Southern Utah Mortuary at mortuary.org.

Aulene Jeffery Jeffery Bradshaw



Aulene Jeffery Bradshaw at 97 years old completed her earthly journey and returned home to her Heavenly Father on October 28, 2026, in Cedar City, Utah. She leaves behind a legacy of love, endurance, and devotion to her family.

Aulene was born on August 4,1929, in Delta, Utah to Orvil Fon Jeffery and Donna Jane Petersen Jeffery in the midst of the Great Depression. She rode a horse and buggy to school with her siblings until the Model T became available. She was a very inquisitive child, known for her curiosity. As the oldest of seven children, she was also a great help and support to her family, including at the family store.

Aulene married Truman Wallace Jeffery on January 22, 1946, they were later sealed in the Manti, Utah temple. Together they had four children; Mary Jane, Shirley, Wendy, and Mark. When Mark was just eight months old, Truman was killed in an automobile accident. This was an extremely difficult time for Aulene, but with the care and help of the Lord and of many family members, friends, and others, she was able to piece her life back together. She moved to Provo where she raised her children while working many long, hard nights over 10 years to complete her bachelor's degree in microbiology from BYU in 1968. She worked in the Provo Hospital and at the BYU Health Center as a Laboratory Technician.

After graduation, she moved her family to Cedar City and began working for Valley View Medical Center. She met Delon Kent Bradshaw, a widower with two children; Kent Jr. and Mary Ann. Aulene and Kent married on March 8, 1969 and they later welcomed two children to their combined family; Russell and Donna. Aulene and Kent spent many happy years together, working to raise their children, fulfill callings (especially as Scout leaders), attend the temple, and tend to their gardens in Cedar City and Hurricane (Kent's hometown). Aulene lost Kent to leukemia in 1992.

She moved to Delta to care for her aging parents until her mother's passing. Afterward, she served a full-time mission at the Las Vegas, Nevada Family History Center, which was a fulfillment of a lifetime dream. After her mission, she remained close to family for the remainder of her life, first purchasing her parents' home in Delta and then in 2005 moving to Cedar City, where she lived down the street from her daughter, Wendy, for 22 years.

Aulene was a woman of great faith who always strove to live and become like her Savior. She was humble, loving, and kind to all, with a vibrant love of learning and a deep desire to share her cherished faith with her family. Exceptionally resourceful, she was never one to waste anything, finding purpose and value in everything around her. She was always present for her family's big events and always thrilled to see everyone, greeting them with a big hug, and another, and another. She was so proud of her children, her 28 grandchildren and the generations that followed. She joyfully adopted the title of GG as her family grew to include 56 great-grandchildren, and 17 great-great-grandchildren with more on the way. Her loving spirit, unique mind, and example of endurance continue to be an inspiration for all of us who loved her.

Aulene is survived by: her daughters Mary Jane Jeffery Harris (Robert) of Panguitch, Utah, Wendy Jeffery Green, (Garth) of Cedar City, Utah, and Donna Bradshaw, of Newcastle, Utah; sons Mark Truman Jeffery, (Elna) of Tooele, Utah, and Russell Dean Bradshaw, of Ruby Valley, Nevada; step children, Kent Bradshaw (Becky) of Cedar City, Utah and Mary Ann McAllister (Wayne) of Vernal, Utah.

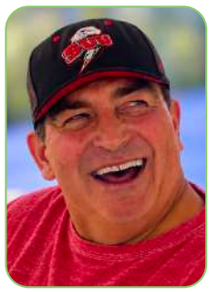
She is preceded in death by her parents, Orvil Fon and Donna Jane Peterson Jeffery; husbands Truman Jeffery and Delon Kent Bradshaw; siblings Dorothy Bladen, Reed Jeffery, Ralph Jeffery, Glen Jeffery; daughter Shirley Burroughs; grandchildren Chloe York, Beau Burroughs; and great-grandchildren, Kira Burroughs and Truman Yardley.

Special thank you to the Stonehenge Care Center and Cedar Health and Rehabilitation staff for their devoted love and service for our mother and grandmother. Thank you also to Ethan Bunker and his staff for the wonderful, loving hospice care during her time of need.

Funeral services will be held Monday, November 2, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at the Cedar Stake Center (400 South 100 East, Cedar City, Utah). The viewing will be held that morning prior to the service from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Interment will be in the Delta Cemetery on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., under the direction of the Southern Utah Mortuary. To view a livestream of the service and share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

obituaries

Steven Jenson



Steven Dwight Jenson, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, coach, and friend, leaves behind a legacy that will be felt for generations throughout the Cedar City community.

Steve was born to Jay Oliver Jenson and Betty Marie Miller and grew up in Cedar City, Utah, a place he would forever call home. From a young age, Steve had a natural gift for athletics, especially baseball. Those who watched him play remember his incredible ability to hit a baseball farther than just about anyone. He had a lifelong love for the outdoors, spending time hunting, archery, enjoying Lake Powell, and exploring the mountains of Southern Utah. He also spent countless winters as a ski instructor at Brian Head, sharing his passion for the slopes with others.

Steve married Paula Burgoyne Jenson and together they built a life centered around family, hard work, and the community they loved.

A general contractor by trade, Steve was known for his exceptional craftsmanship and unmatched work ethic. He built some of the finest homes in Cedar City, earning a reputation for his extraordinary skill in concrete work and framing. Steve took tremendous pride in doing things the right way, and his work will stand as a testament to his dedication and talent.

One of Steve's greatest legacies was his dedication to Cedar High School softball. What began as coaching his daughters grew into years of mentoring and inspiring young athletes. To Steve, softball was about more than wins and losses. It was about hard work, confidence, and believing in yourself. Countless players looked to him not only as a coach but as a mentor who genuinely cared about their success on and off the field.

Steve's dedication went beyond coaching. He was instrumental in building the Cedar High School softball field, creating a place where generations of young women would compete, grow, and make lifelong memories. More than just a field, it became a gathering place for families and a source of pride for the community. Every game played there is part of the lasting legacy Steve helped create.

Despite significant physical challenges and limitations in his later years, Steve demonstrated remarkable strength, perseverance, and determination. As his body became less capable of doing the things he once loved, his spirit remained strong. He refused to let his struggles define him or keep him from the people and moments that mattered most. Even when simply showing up required tremendous effort, he continued to do so. Whether at a game, a family gathering, or spending time with loved ones, Steve was there with a welcoming smile and almost always a treat to share. He taught those around him that strength is not always measured by physical ability, but by the courage to keep going when life becomes difficult. Steve endured to the end with quiet resilience, unwavering love, and determination. His example of perseverance will remain one of the greatest lessons he leaves behind.

Steve is survived by his loving wife, Paula Burgoyne Jenson; his daughters, Karli Jenson and Lindsey Romney (Cameron); his eight cherished grandchildren, Cohen, Ty, Tess, and Wes Romney, and Kendri, Ellie, Jenson, and Lennix Eldredge; and his siblings, Dave Jenson (Judy), Jeanne Mortensen (Ralph), and Rob Jenson (Ranae). He was preceded in death by his parents, Jay Oliver Jenson and Betty Marie Miller, and his beloved daughter, Jami Jenson.

Steve was a builder in every sense of the word. He built homes, he built a softball field, and most importantly, he built relationships, confidence, and memories that will last for generations.

He will be deeply missed, forever loved, and never forgotten.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at the Historic Rock Church (75 E Center St). Viewings will be held Tuesday, November 3, 2026 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Southern Utah Mortuary (190 N 300 W), and prior to the funeral from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the church. Interment will follow at Cedar City Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary. To view the livestream of the services and to share online condolences, please visit www.mortuary.org.

Truman Yardley



Truman Yardley
Forever Loved, Forever Remembered

Our beloved Truman Garth Yardley, 24, tragically passed away on Tuesday October 27th, 2026 following an unexpected accident. He was a beloved husband, father, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin, and friend, and his absence will be felt in countless ways.

Truman grew up in Enterprise, Utah, alongside his seven siblings, raised by his parents, Mike and Lori Yardley. He loved growing up in a big family where there was no shortage of chaos and love.

He attended Enterprise High School, where he participated in theater, music, band, stage crew, cross country, track, and football. After graduating, he was called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Antigua, Guatemala mission. Due to COVID, he also served in Farmington, New Mexico and Phoenix, Arizona. He grew to love the Guatemalan people and their culture.

Truman married the love of his life, Alexa Harris Yardley, on June 6th, 2025 in the Manti Temple. Together they began building a beautiful life and were eagerly awaiting the arrival of their baby, Oaklee Jo Yardley due in November. Although their time together was far too short, Truman was the best husband and had already shown what a wonderful father he would be to their baby girl.

Truman always had a way of making people laugh. His goofball personality was contagious, and he brought joy to those around him.

Family meant everything to Truman. He loved spending time with his siblings and his many cousins. We all have memories of Truman and his brother Austin bringing big tools from work to the family cabin. Together, they built rafts and catapults with all the cousins, bringing the whole family together for crazy adventures. He had a special place in his heart for his nieces and nephews and was always willing to get down on their level, run around, play games, and join in on the fun. Their nickname for him was the “Hug Robot.” Those moments of laughter and play will be treasured by the little ones who loved him so much.

Truman loved working in construction alongside his brothers Austin and Charles as well as his uncles Philip and Mike Green, and the many friends he made on the crew. He enjoyed working hard, learning, and spending his days building.

He also had a deep love for music. Whether he was playing in a band, DJing, or helping with sound and lighting at events, Truman loved being part of something that brought people together.

Truman is survived by his loving wife, Alexa Harris Yardley, and their unborn daughter Oaklee Jo Yardley. His parents, Michael and Lori Yardley; and his seven siblings: Austin (Alyssa) Yardley, Allison (Quade) Jones, Emma (Braelyn) Jensen, Charles Yardley, Clara Yardley, William Yardley, and Adaline Yardley. His in-laws, Matthew and Joleen Harris, Austin Harris, Shayla Smith, Ashlee Harris, Nathan Harris, and Joshua Harris. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews, Ridge, Hazel, and Auden Jones, and Greyson and Colter Yardley, and Sadie Smith. As well as his grandparents, Garth and Wendy Green and David and Margaret Yardley; along with many loving aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Although our hearts are broken, we find peace in our faith and the promise that families can be together forever. We will carry Truman’s laughter, love, and adventurous spirit with us always.

Truman’s life may have been short, but the love he gave, and the memories he created will last a lifetime. He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday October 31, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at the Enterprise Church (75 W. Main, Enterprise, UT). Visitations will be held on Friday, October 30, 2026, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Cedar West Stake Center (725 S. 1100 W., Cedar City, UT) and on Saturday, prior to the funeral, from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Enterprise Church. Interment will be at the Enterprise Cemetery under the direction of Southern Utah Mortuary.

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

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FIRST QUARTER

M – Larsen 28 pass from Gilson (Turner kick), 9:28

M – Gilson 4 run (Turner kick), 6:57

M – Walker 15 blocked punt return (Turner kick), 4:54

M – Sydenham 2 run (Turner kick), :24

SECOND QUARTER

M – Pace 29 run (Turner kick), 9:36

M – Thurston 22 pass from Gilson (Turner kick), 5:39

M – Walker 29 interception return (Turner kick), 3:13

Trojans end Reds season with blowout playoff win

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

Owen GIlson threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score, while the defense added two touchdown returns as the top seed Morgan Trojans did all of its scoring in the first half of a 49-0 rout over the Cedar Reds in the 3A football quarterfinals Oct. 30.

Cedar's reign as defending 3A state champ came to an end as it finished the season with a 6-6 record. Morgan improved to 9-2 and will face the Richfield Wildcats, a 31-7 winner over Grantsville, in a semifinal matchup that will be played Nov. 7 at Zions Bank Stadium in Herriman.

Seeking its second state crown in the last three years, the Trojans wasted no time taking control as GIlson threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Rhett Larsen on the game's opening drive for the quick 7-0 lead.

After Gilson scored on a 4-yard run, the Trojan defense – more specifically Lawson Walker – went to work. Walker returned a blocked punt 15 yards for a touchdown and a 21-0 lead with 4:54 to play in the quarter. The surge was completed when Miles Sydenham scored from 2 yards out to make it 28-0 with 24 seconds to play.

The points kept coming in the second quarter as the Trojans put the game away. William Pace had a 29-yard touchdown run, Gilson hit George Thurston on a 22-yard score, and Walker finished the effort as he picked off a Colt Kelling pass and returned it 29 yards for what proved to be the final TD of the night with 3:13 still to play in the first half.

There would be no scoring in the third quarter, and the fourth quarter of play was not required due to the 45-point mercy rule.



Cedar quarterback ***Colt Kelling*** looks to pass against the Morgan defense during their 3A quarterfinal playoff game Oct. 3. The Trojans beat the Reds, 49-0.

(Eric Fieldsted/For Iron County Today)

Vandergriff keeps title hopes alive with Vegas win

by Tom Zulewski

IRON COUNTY TODAY

LAS VEGAS – In his rookie season in the Mission Foods NHRA Drag Racing Series, Jordan Vandergriff got the ultimate welcome to the John Force Racing team. Not only is his owner a 16-time Funny Car champion, but the challengers have come from all sides of the competitive coin.

Thanks to a bit of good fortune, all the dominoes fell in the right places and Vandergriff capitalized to earn a shot at his first title.

After his closest challengers were defeated earlier, Vandergriff beat Ron Capps to win the NHRA Mopar Las Vegas Nationals on Nov. 1 at the Strip at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Coming into the event, Vandergriff, points leader Matt Hagan and J.R. Todd were locked in a 3-way fight for the title, and the competition at Vegas showed how the battle was fully engaged. After Hagan was eliminated by Todd in the quarterfinals, Vandergriff beat Todd to reach the final.

That opened the door for Vandergriff, who won the Wally and closed the gap on Hagan to just 39 points heading into the season finale at

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VANDERGRIFF

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Pomona, Calif., that runs in two weeks. The 31-year-old is keeping pressure as far away from his mind as possible.

"Coming into this, I wanted to prove to myself I could just drive the car," Vandergriff said. "I knew if I could drive it well and all the people around me were going to be fantastic at their jobs as well, we were going to have a chance.

"It's a dream come true for me to be here, and it's not over yet."

In Top Fuel, Shawn Langdon lost his chance to clinch the Golden Wally trophy at Vegas when his car misfired a cylinder in the semifinals against Doug Kalitta. Kalitta ran a 3.665-second pass at 334.13 mph to reach the final against Leah Pruett.

Kalitta went on to beat Pruett in the final with a low ET of the weekend, but Langdon kept a 107-point lead heading to Pomona. Bonus points have been added for the season finale, but the task will be formidable.

"I had my car on a rail all day," said Kalitta, who won his fifth race of the season. "It feels like a longshot right now (heading to Pomona), but anything can happen."

Dallas Glenn qualified in the No. 1 position and put his championship fate in his own hands in Pro Stock as he turned a near-perfect reaction time at the start line (.002) into his sixth Wally win of the season, beating Troy Coughlin Jr. in the final.

The final in Pro Stock Motorcycle between Richard Gadson and Gaige Herrera was postponed due to windy conditions and will be run at Pomona.

NHRA Mopar Las Vegas Nationals Final Results

Top Fuel: Doug Kalitta (3.658 seconds, 338.60 mph) vs. Leah Pruett (5.751, 124.89)

Funny Car: Jordan Vandergriff (3.873, 331.36) def. Ron Capps (3.921, 335.15)

Pro Stock: Dallas Glenn (6.587, 206.26) def. Troy Coughlin Jr. (6.604, 207.69)

Pro Stock Motorcycle: Richard Gadson vs. Gaige Herrera, postponed, weather

Thunderbirds Score 17 in Fourth Quarter, Fall 34-27 to No. 7 Northern Arizona at Eccles Coliseum

by Regan Hunsaker

SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY

CEDAR CITY, Utah - Southern Utah scored 17 points in the fourth quarter to cut the deficit to a touchdown, but No. 7 Northern Arizona ran out the final 2:23 to hold on for a 34-27 win Saturday afternoon at Eccles Coliseum. Redshirt senior running back Floyd Chalk ran for 130 yards and two touchdowns. The loss drops Southern Utah to 3-6 overall, and 2-4 in Big Sky play.

Chalk's 130 yards on 23 carries pushed his season total to 1,223, moving him past Brook Madsen (1,214 in 1997) into ninth on the program's single-season rushing list. It was his eighth 100-yard game of the year and extended Southern Utah's run of having a 100-yard rusher in every game dating back to homecoming in 2025.

Game Breakdown:

1st Quarter:

Southern Utah struck first, marching 75 yards in eight plays on its opening drive. Floyd Chalk broke off an 18-yard run, converted a fourth-and-one with a 16-yard gain, then capped the drive with

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TOM'S SPORTS TRIVIA

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

1. In the very early stages of this NBA season, two Western Conference teams have yet to earn a first victory. One is the Sacramento Kings, but the other is 0-3 and has lost its games by a combined total of just 10 points. Name the team that lost to the Utah Jazz on Oct. 23.
2. The Tampa Bay Rays barely avoided a sweep by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 2026 World Series when pinch-hitter Ben Williamson singled with no outs in the bottom of the 12th inning to complete a two-run rally and give the Rays a 4-3 win Oct. 27 and force a Game 5. Who was the last team to sweep a World Series, defeating the Detroit Tigers in 2012?
3. In his final season after 22 years, how many goals has Alex Ovechkin of the Washington Capitals scored through games of Oct. 27?
4. True or False: No. 1 pick A.J. Dybantsa of the Washington Wizards made his NBA debut on Oct. 28 after missing his team's first four games due to injury.
5. What kickoff time was scheduled for the rivalry game between No. 8 BYU and No. 6 Utah that will be played Nov. 7?
6. Who did Utah Tech defeat on the road Oct. 24 to earn its first win as a Big Sky Conference member?
7. The Seattle Seahawks shut down the Kansas City Chiefs to hand them its first loss of the season last week. How many points did the Chiefs score?
8. Who threw for the most passing yards (321) in the NFL last week, the total coming in a 30-24 loss to the Chicago Bears on Oct. 22?
9. At 2-5, the Arizona Cardinals are still searching for a home win after the Denver Broncos posted a 30-16 victory last week. How many games in a row have the Cardinals lost at State Farm Stadium?
10. High-school quarterback Bo Bryan announced his commitment to Georgia on Oct. 25. Who is Bryan's famous country-singer father?
11. Who announced he will be leaving his role as host of the "Inside the NBA" pregame show at the end of this season, saying "it's just time"?
12. Where did former Winnipeg Jets goalie Connor Hellebuyck land via trade last week, stopping 16 of 17 shots he faced in a 5-1 win over the Dallas Stars on Oct. 27?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. The Philadelphia Phillies beat the Kansas City Royals.
2. The Brewers reached the World Series for the first time in 1982, losing in seven games to the St. Louis Cardinals.
3. BYU moved up six spots to No. 2. After a 39-31 loss at UCF last week, the Cougars fell back to No. 8 in the Top 25.
4. Oklahoma City Thunder.
5. True.
6. Memphis Grizzlies.
7. Indianapolis Colts.
8. Andre Szymt.
9. J.J. Watt.
10. Maryland.
11. Colorado.
12. Six Big 12 teams are in the latest AP poll, led by Utah (6), BYU (8), Texas Tech (13), Houston (18), Arizona (22) and Oklahoma State (24).



CV girls win first 3A cross country state title



With all five runners finishing inside the top 20, the Canyon View girls cross country team held on and won its first 3A state championship in school history Oct. 27 at Sugarhouse Park in Salt Lake City. The Falcons finished with 55 total team points, six ahead of the runner-up Ogden Tigers.

While Ogden's Avery Barton cruised to the gold medal over the 3-mile course with a time of 17:49.88, CV senior Ember Sorensen was the top finisher in third place overall, crossing the finish line in 19:05.54. The rest of the team score started with junior Taylee Hal in 8th, who had a time of 19:42.64, just .13 ahead of Richfield's Evelyn Goold.

Following Hall, Emeline Fife came in 11th (19:53), sophomore Briley Orton was 15th (20:34.05) and senior Eliza Rice was 18th in 20:48.79. In the team standings, Union finished third with 93 points, Richfield was fourth at 110, and Carbon had 143 points for a 5th-place effort.

Later in the week, the 3A and 4A state volleyball tournaments were held at the UCCU Center on the Utah Valley campus in Orem on Oct. 29 and 30. Canyon View, the Region 14 champion and No. 4 overall seed at the 3A tournament, swept aside Providence Hall, 3-0, in their opening match, then dropped a 3-1 decision to the Delta Rabbits in the quarterfinals.

CV went on to the best-of-3 consolation bracket and beat Juab and Layton Christian without dropping a set to claim 5th place at the tournament.

On the 4A side, Cedar was seeded No. 6 and also lost in the quarterfinals. The Reds started with a 3-1 victory over No. 11 Bear River, but was swept by No. 3 Provo, 3-0. They would go on to finish fifth after beating Ridgeline and Crimson Cliffs in a pair of three-set matches.

Canyon View finished the season with a 21-10 overall record, while Cedar was 23-9.

And finally, from the "make this make sense" file, we have a somewhat surprising piece of news as we close in on the Holy War football game between BYU and Utah on Saturday. After both teams posted wins on Halloween – the Cougars surviving a scare from Arizona State at home, 27-20, while the Utes were impressive in a 49-25 blowout victory at Cincinnati – the news of kickoff time came down.

Both teams were likely ranked well inside the top 10 – Utah was at 6 last week and BYU was No. 8 – when the new AP poll came out. With those credentials, logical people would think the TV folks could easily discern the teams would be worthy of a primetime showcase on ESPN or ABC. Sadly, they would be woefully mistaken.

The start time for kickoff at Rice Eccles Stadium will be 10 a.m. on Saturday, and the game will not be shown by Fox as a Big Noon showcase. ESPN or ABC (Channel 4 locally) will air the matchup that's probably going to be the game of next weekend.

My neighborhood Buffalo Wild Wings in St. George will open its doors Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. Manager Travis Hogge told me he thought the interest would draw "crickets" at that early hour. I'm genuinely curious to see what happens, and it's gonna be interesting.

It's a rivalry game, after all. Just remember to have a good breakfast before kickoff.

Contact Tom Zulewski at tominator19@yahoo.com.



PREP SCOREBOARD - FALL STANDINGS

SCORES

Football

3A South

10/30 3A playoffs, quarterfinals
Morgan 49, Cedar 0
Logan 66, Manti 20
Richfield 31, Grantsville 7
Juab 16, Ogden 13

11/7 3A playoffs, semifinals
At Zions Bank Stadium, Herriman
Morgan vs. Richfield
Juab vs. Logan

1A South

10/30 1A playoffs, quarterfinals
Duchesne 58, Parowan 0
North Summit 28, Millard 10
Kanab 20, Gunnison 8
Beaver 21, Enterprise 7

11/6 1A playoffs, semifinals
At Zions Bank Stadium, Herriman
Kanab vs. Beaver
Duchesne vs. North Summit

Volleyball

Region 9

10/29 4A playoffs, first round
At UCCU Center, Orem
Cedar 3, Bear River 1
Orem 3, Timpanogos 0
Wasatch 3, Murray 2
Desert Hills 3, Dixie 0
Crimson Cliffs 3, Mountain View 2
Green Canyon 3, Sky View 0
Ridgeline 3, Snow Canyon 1
Provo 3, Hurricane 0
4A playoffs, quarterfinals
Provo 3, Cedar 0
Orem 3, Wasatch 0
Desert Hills 3, Crimson Cliffs 1
Green Canyon 3, Ridgeline 0

10/30 4A playoffs, semifinals
Orem 3, Desert Hills 0
Green Canyon 3, Provo 1
4A playoffs, championship
Orem 3, Green Canyon 2

Region 14

10/29 3A playoffs, first round
At UCCU Center, Orem
Canyon View 3, Providence Hall 0
Delta 3, Richfield 0
North Sanpete 3, Ben Lomond 0
Juab 3, Emery 1
Morgan 3, Manti 0
Ogden 3, Carbon 0
Union 3, Logan 1
Layton Christian 3, Grantsville 1
3A playoffs, quarterfinals
Delta 3, Canyon View 1
North Sanpete 3, Juab 0
Morgan 3, Ogden 1
Union 3, Layton Christian 2

10/30 3A playoffs, semifinals
Delta 3, North Sanpete 2
Union 3, Morgan 2
3A playoffs, championship
Union 3, Delta 1

STANDINGS

RPI RANKINGS IN PARENTHESES

Football

3A South

	REGION	OVERALL
Juab (2)	6-0	9-2
Richfield (5)	5-1	10-2
Canyon View (6)	3-3	7-4
N. Sanpete (8)	3-3	6-5
Cedar (9)	3-3	6-6
Manti (11)	1-5	3-9
Carbon (12)	0-6	1-10

1A South

	REGION	OVERALL
Kanab (2)	3-0	8-3
Beaver (3)	2-1	7-4
Enterprise (6)	1-2	5-6
Parowan (9)	0-3	2-10

Volleyball

Region 9

	REGION	OVERALL
Crimson Cliffs (5)	10-2	23-9
Cedar (6)	10-2	23-9
Desert Hills (4)	9-3	22-8
Snow Canyon (10)	5-7	17-14
Dixie (13)	5-7	13-17
Hurricane (14)	3-9	13-18
Pine View (21)	0-12	5-18

Region 14

	REGION	OVERALL
Canyon View (4)	7-1	21-10
Delta (5)	6-2	23-9
Juab (8)	5-3	14-14
Richfield (12)	2-6	11-20
Providence Hall (13)	0-8	10-19

THUNDERBIRDS

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a 10-yard touchdown.

The Thunderbirds forced a three-and-out before putting together another scoring drive. A 15-yard catch by David Spjut and a personal foul helped move the ball to the NAU 13, and Jayden Rogers converted a 28-yard field goal to make it 10-0.

2nd Quarter:
Northern Arizona got on the board with a 46-yard field goal by Francisco Orduno Jr. after Lincoln Tuioti-Mariner sacked Ty Pennington on third down.

The Lumberjacks threatened again when Pennington hit Myseth Currie for 59 yards to the SUU 11, but the defense held firm, forcing another field goal to cut the lead to 10-6.

NAU reached the SUU 5 late in the half, but the Thunderbirds stopped a fake field goal, with Ty Pringle tackling Tyler Manship for a two-yard loss. Southern Utah took a 10-6 lead into halftime.

3rd Quarter:
Northern Arizona took control coming out of halftime, scoring on its opening drive as Quran Gossett punched in a fourth-and-goal touchdown from the one to give the Lumberjacks a 13-10 lead.

The momentum quickly swung further in NAU's favor. JaSire Peterson intercepted Will Burns at the SUU 41, and Pennington connected with Jeter Purdy for a 41-yard touchdown on the next play to make it 20-10.

After a Thunderbirds punt, NAU struck again, covering 82 yards in six plays. A 44-yard pass to Gossett set up Pennington's two-yard touchdown run, pushing the lead to 27-10.

Southern Utah moved into NAU territory late in the quarter, setting up a fourth-quarter push.

4th Quarter:
The Thunderbirds opened the fourth with a 13-play, 75-yard touchdown drive. Burns converted a fourth-and-four with a seven-yard run before connecting with Jack Fairchild for an 11-yard touchdown, cutting the deficit to 27-17.

NAU answered with a 75-yard drive, capped by a 12-yard Pennington touchdown pass to Luke Edgecomb to restore its 17-point lead.

Southern Utah kept battling. Burns ran for 16 yards and hit Spjut for 35 more before Rogers converted a 25-yard field goal to make it 34-20.

The Thunderbirds recovered an onside kick, but NAU appeared to get the ball back when Jesse Garza forced a Gossett fumble, and Colten Swanson recovered at the SUU 42.

Southern Utah capitalized on the turnover, with penalties moving the ball to the NAU 2 before Chalk scored to cut the deficit to 34-27 with 2:23 remaining.

The Lumberjacks closed out the game on the ground, as Pennington picked up 75 yards on three carries before NAU took three knees to secure the win.

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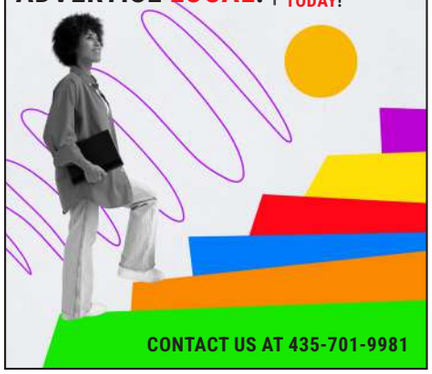
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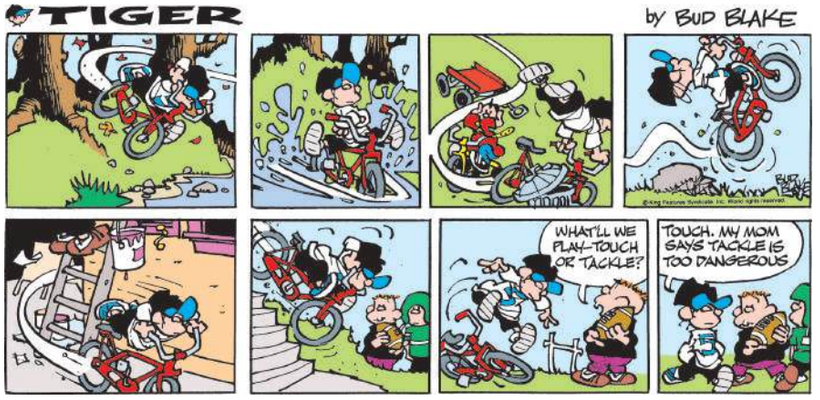
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Weekly SUDOKU

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Door is narrower. 2. Window is smaller. 3. Left arm is not skinny. 4. Pencil cup is moved. 5. Chair leg is moved. 6. Plant leaf is moved.

Trivia Test Answers!

1. Wilson Phillips; 2. South Carolina; 3. Mary Quant; 4. Four; 5. To bask in the sun; 6. Bill Cullen (The original show debuted in 1956); 7. Platelets; 8. Edith Wharton; 9. The U.S. Treasury Building; 10. 1994

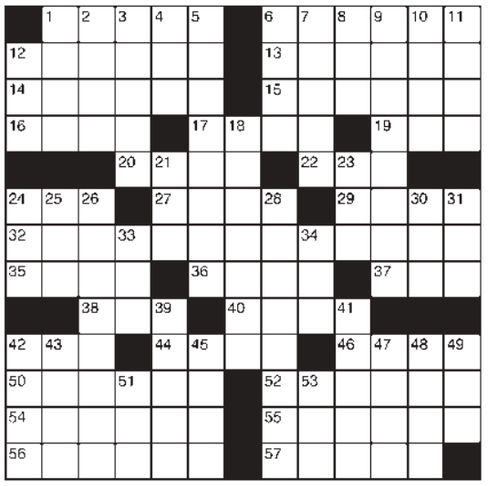
King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Interior design
6 Views
12 Made over
13 "Phooey!"
14 Aromatic herb
15 Found out, to Brits
16 Party pooper
17 "Dream on!"
19 Prof's helpers
20 Poker pot money
22 Covert agent
24 Jungfrau, for one
27 Melodies
29 Emmy winner Falco
32 Paintings of artists, say
35 Dessert fruit
36 Not even one
37 Mom's mate
38 "— -hoo!"
40 Grant basis, at times
42 Home for mil. jets
44 Horse's halter?
46 Eight (Pref.)
50 Illusionist David
52 — app
54 Boris of tennis
55 Hearth remains
56 Gardeners, at times
57 Synthetic fabric

DOWN

1 Woodland grazer
2 Writer Buchanan
3 Line dance
4 Small bill
5 Affinity
6 Pieces for one
7 Kitchen VIPs
8 Coach Parseghian
9 Bowlful served with chips
10 Sicilian spouter
11 Swift jets
12 "Mayberry —"
18 Hot chili pepper
21 Snooze
23 Pod dweller
24 Nile viper
25 Director Spike
26 Listen to a recording
28 Football game prankster
30 Judge Lance
31 Mentalist's claim
33 Swing to and —
34 Deli bread
39 Proprietor
41 Surround sound name
42 Shortened wd.
43 Dog bane
45 Towel word
47 Jazz singer Laine
48 Shore bird
49 Hosp. areas
51 Mamie's man
53 "— Little Teapot"



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— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

8	4	9	6	5	2	3	1	7
1	6	5	3	9	7	2	4	8
3	7	2	4	8	1	5	9	6
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9	2	3	1	7	4	8	6	5
7	8	4	5	6	9	1	2	3

— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

D	E	C	O	R	■	S	C	A	P	E	S	■	
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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: Which pop music group sings at the wedding in "Bridesmaids"?
2. U.S. STATES: Which state's official dance is the shag?
3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which designer made the miniskirt famous?
4. MUSIC: How many strings does a standard violin have?
5. LANGUAGE: What does it mean to apricate?
6. TELEVISION: Who was the original host of "The Price is Right"?
7. ANATOMY: Which component of blood initiates clotting?
8. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Age of Innocence"?
9. MONEY: What is depicted on the back of a $10 U.S. bill?
10. HISTORY: When did the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) go into effect?

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