



CEDAR HILLS

Our Home Town

City Newsletter
March 2004

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Friday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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DECISIONS 2004 - UPDATE

Currently, the Decisions 2004 analysis is being conducted. A feedback form was mailed out with last month's newsletter. Approximately 53 feedback forms have been received. Please mail in your form by **March 5th**, so your voice can be heard. Also, neighborhood meetings were held Tuesday, February 24th at the golf course Sunset Room. In addition to these efforts, a city-wide phone survey is being drafted that will give the City Council, Mayor and other city officials an accurate measure of the concerns of its residents.

MILITARY PERSONNEL UTILITY PROGRAM

The City of Cedar Hills City Council recently adopted a resolution that offers the waiver of certain utility fees for active duty military personnel. Cedar Hills was one of the few cities that did not have a waiver policy in place to recognize the service and sacrifice performed for the city and the nation by our service men and women.

Here are the guidelines that must be met to claim the waiver of utility fees: 1) The utility account has to be in the name of the military member or the spouse of the member, 2) A copy of the activation to active duty 'orders' will need to be given to the City, 3) The applicable person can be either spouse, 4) A waiver application will need to be completed by the family, 5) The waiver of fees includes all utility charges except the monthly pressurized irrigation charge. (Bond payments depend upon this collection.), 6) The waiver must be renewed monthly and shall be effective until the member returns home and/or is de-activated from active duty. Please contact the City office if you are interested in further information regarding this program.

UTILITY DIRECT PAY PLAN

Residents may now choose to enroll in Cedar Hills' utility direct pay plan. With this option, you may arrange to have your monthly utility bill automatically paid from your checking or savings account (via Electronic Funds Transfer or EFT). There are no checks, no stamps, and nothing to mail— it's automatic, free and easy—and you will still receive a monthly statement. To enroll, come to the office to fill out an authorization form. (Please bring a voided check as part of the enrollment.) You can also download the form from cedarhills.org and mail it in with your voided check.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY ONLY	911	Mountain Ridge Junior High	763-7010
Police & Animal Control	763-3020	Cedar Ridge Elementary School	785-8726
C.H.A.M.P.S. 24-Hour Hotline	785-9668 x112	Deerfield Elementary School	796-3141
Waste Management (Toter Repair)	785-3000		
Lone Peak High School	763-7050		
American Fork High School	756-8547		

Cedar Hills City Office	785-9668
Cedar Hills Golf Club	796-1705
Craig Carlisle, Fire Chief	763-5365
Mayor Brad Sears	3 1 9 - 2 0 3 0 bsears@cedarhills.org
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MEETING UPDATES - FEBRUARY

February 3, 2004 - City Council Meeting

- A request was made to review a modification to the City's current Zoning Ordinance relating to Home Occupation Businesses. Currently, the ordinance does not allow business to be conducted in any accessory building, garage, etc. The Planning Commission was asked to review a modification to the current requirement.
- The Utah County Division of Substance Abuse made a presentation to the City Council about a new program targeted at reducing the incidences of underage drinking.

February 17, 2004 - City Council Meeting

- Acceptance of subdivision improvements, release of the performance guarantee, and the start of the durability period for Canyon Heights, Plat D was approved.
- A resident stated an interest in creating a neighborhood watch program for his neighborhood. The resident asked for support from the City Council in allowing signs to be installed. The City does have a budget for miscellaneous signage and will work with the neighborhood to install appropriate signs.
- An Executive Session was held. After reconvening the public meeting, action was taken authorizing the Mayor and staff to negotiate a contract with Gina Higbee, current Director of Golf, through the end of December 2005, and with Mr. John Geertsen through December 2006, and direct staff to continue their due diligence in regards to the Golf Course options.

February 26, 2004 - Planning Commission Meeting

- The Planning Commission recommended approval of a Zone Designation and Zone Map Change from the PR2.2 Zone to the R-1-11,000 Zone for Properties Located in Temple Ridge Subdivision, Plat B, Lots 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, and 45.
- Recommendation was given to the City Council regarding a proposal for a Premises Business License. A Public Hearing will be held and this issue will be reviewed for approval by the City Council.

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS

This is a voluntary position that requires attendance at two meetings to be held March 10 & 24, 2004 at 7:00 pm at the City Building. The first meeting will be about an hour long and will give a basic introduction to the Cedar Hills Storm Water Management Program. The second meeting will last approximately three hours and will require input and ideas to help identify problem areas and possible Best Management Practices for the following measures:

1. Public education and outreach on storm water impacts
2. Public involvement/participation
3. Illicit discharge detection and elimination
4. Construction site storm water runoff control
5. Post-construction storm water management in new development and redevelopment
6. Pollution prevention/good housekeeping for municipal operations

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Public Works Department at 785-9668 immediately.

FIRST ANNUAL ICEBREAKER GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Cedar Hills Golf Club is hosting their First Annual Icebreaker Tournament on Saturday, March 27th. The tournament will begin at 10:00am with a Shotgun Start, 4-person scramble format. All men and woman are invited to play. The cost is \$50.00 per player and includes green fee, cart, hot lunch and tee prizes. Prizes will be awarded for First, Second, Third and Fourth Place Teams!! **Call the Cedar Hills Golf Club at 801-796-1705 to**

get signed up!

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Cedar Hills Youth City Council is hosting a City Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 10th starting at 9:30 am at Heritage Park, next to Cedar Ridge Elementary School. Toddlers through age 9 are welcome. This event is provided by the Cedar Hills YCC and is free of charge. If you have wrapped candy items, plastic eggs, or small, new toys you'd like to donate prior to the Easter Egg Hunt, please drop them into the box in the Cedar Hills City office. The YCC is also looking for money donations and there will be a bucket available at the hunt to make a donation to the YCC.

DID YOU KNOW? TAKE THE CHALLENGE! GETTING TO KNOW YOUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

We would like to take the opportunity to introduce the department who works hard throughout the day and even during nights and weekends at times to help keep your water, sewer, roads, and parks in the City running smoothly. All of our Public Works Crew has had focused training in the following areas: culinary water, pressurized irrigation, sewer, storm water, and streets. They take classes to continue their education and keep up with current regulations and requirements. If you have any questions regarding our Public Facilities please call 785-9668 or come by the City office. We will be glad to assist you wherever we can.

David Bunker is the City Engineer/Public Works Director and has been with the City since July of 2001. He is a licensed professional engineer and is certified as a Water Distribution Operator IV, Wastewater Operator II – Collection, and in Scour Control and Analysis.

Scott Rackman is the Public Works Coordinator and has been with the City since September of 2002. His certifications include Water Distribution Operator III, Wastewater Operator II – Collection, Journeyman Pipe Fitter & Welder, and Fire Fighter I.

Andrew Gabittas is a Public Works Technician and has been with the City since May of 2002. Andrew is certified as a Back Flow/Cross Connection II and Water Distribution Operator IV.

Kody Wall is a Public Works Technician and has been with the City since June of 2003. Kody is certified in Flexible Gas Piping, Backhoe, Forklift, and Mobile Equipment.

Angelyn Sears is the Executive Assistant and has been with the City since October of 2003. She receives the phone calls in the office and distributes the information to the crew accordingly. With a degree in Civil Engineering from BYU, she works closely with the City Engineer assisting with departmental development, projects, engineering, and public works services. She also updates the City maps.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

SPRINGTIME!!! Isn't it so nice to have a little more sun?! I just wanted to pass on a couple of important items that everyone can do to make our City even better.

- **Gutters and Storm Drain Covers** - please take a few minutes and clean out any debris that you may have in your gutter in front of your house and especially the storm drain cover, if there is one.
- **Park Landscaping and Trees** - please be vigilant and discuss with your children the need to respect property and landscaping. Last year, there were 5 trees hung on and broken along Cedar Hills Drive and 3 in our parks. Also, a variety of vandalism and damage occurred in our pavilions, bathrooms, etc. We have great parks and trails and are working to improve them, but this unnecessary vandalism takes away our ability for improvements.
- **Forest Creek Trail** - This trail should be completed in early Spring. This trail will connect with the Golf Course trail. We also are actively working on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail that will connect the Golf Course trail at the mouth of the Canyon up to the LDS Church on Bayhill Drive.
- **Golf Course Update** - The golf course will be opening anytime now!! The City will be operating the course and is excited about all of the positive prospects that this course can bring to our community. As a very well respected member of our community told me recently, "*I was against the golf course being built in the City, but now that the decision has been made and the course is here, I will do everything I can to make it successful!*" This gentleman used his employment network and has already set up a golf tournament at our course. This attitude is what we need to move forward. Let's all get on the same team and go forward!! We have a very excited and competent staff that is working very diligently to make this golf course a source of pride to our entire community. Together, we can make it the best course around.
- **Harvey Road East** - this small section of road will be completed immediately when the weather allows - we anticipate this road to be completed sometime in April 2004. We also will be going throughout the City sweeping the streets and painting crosswalks, etc.
- **Spring Clean-Up** - the City's annual Spring Clean-Up week is just around the corner. This event is held to promote community beautification through volunteers working together. Contact the office if you are interested in coordinating a group project.

COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION

GARDENING WORKSHOP: Have you noticed the “unique” soil we have in Cedar Hills? Very few plants enjoy growing in the compact clay we have in our yards. Come learn how to turn your dirt into soil – the kind that flowers, vegetables, trees and lawns like to grow in. Then learn which vegetable varieties grow best in this part of Utah. The workshop is being taught by Judy Arnold, 11-year resident of Cedar Hills and an Advanced Master Gardener from the Utah State University Extension Service at Thanksgiving Gardens. The free workshop is taking place at the Cedar Hills City Offices on Tuesday, March 23 at 7pm. Please contact Jennifer at the City office if you are interested in attending, 785-9668. Space is limited, call early.

STILL LOOKING FOR FAMILY FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS! CONTACT JENNIFER AT 785-9668.

YCC ELECTIONS: Become a member of the Cedar Hills Youth City Council and take part in representing the youth of the City! The Cedar Hills Youth City Council (YCC) is looking for new applicants for the 2004-2005 Council term. The requirements for the YCC are to be a high school student in fall of 2004, a resident of Cedar Hills, and maintain a 2.0 GPA. To become a member of the YCC pick up, fill out, and return an application to the Cedar Hills office before March 25th at 5pm. Elections will take place for the five seats on the YCC Council, as well as, YCC Mayor and YCC Mayor Pro Tempore (substitute) on March 31, 2004 at 5:30 pm at the Cedar Hills office. The remaining positions, which include YCC Treasurer, YCC City Manager, YCC City Recorder, YCC Historian, and YCC Publicity Chairperson will be appointed by the Adult Advisory Committee. Please state on your application which position you are interested in. **ADULTS:** The YCC needs your help! Please volunteer your time to be part of the YCC’s Adult Advisory Committee. Contact Jennifer at 785-9668 to volunteer.

BASEBALL: American Fork Recreation is registering for Boys Machine Pitch Baseball for ages 9 to 12 (as of July 31st, 2004). Deadline is April 1st, register at the AF Rec office, or phone 763-3080 ext. 3.

Highland Baseball has combined with last year’s Cedar Hill’s parent run organization to offer T-ball for ages 5 and 6, Farm (coach pitch) for ages 7 and 8, Minor League for ages 9 and 10, and Major League for ages 11 and 12. Registration is taking place by mail to 5698 West 10930 North, Highland, UT 84003, or by visiting the Highland City Building on March 6th or March 13th from 9am-12pm.

LITTLE LEAGUE SPONSORS: Thank you to all those who sponsored our Little League last year. Pyne Floor Coverings (785-3718), Chipper Beef Jerky (756-7941), Greg G. Pitts D.D.S (763-9000), Told Plumbing (785-5559), 5 Buck Pizza (756-6688), FDS (764-0788), Get in the Game (796-7005), Equity Title (492-1206), Utah Valley Pediatrics (373-8930), Century 21 Real Estate- Pamela Zundel (756-9559), Stewart Lawn Care (226-2261), Timpanogos Chiropractic (796-7075), and Blue Sheep Screen Printing (224-8328). **WE ARE ACTIVELY SEEKING NEW SPONSORS!** As many know, Cedar Hills Baseball has combined this year with Highland baseball. This means more traffic to our Cedar Hills field for our sponsors. The cost for a yearly sponsorship is \$400.00. If you would like another sign displayed at the Highland field, the cost is only \$250 additional plus the cost for a new sign. If you are a NEW sponsor there is a one-time charge of \$100 to make your sign (not charged for returning sponsors). Please contact Scott Taylor at 318-9070 if you are interested!!

CHEERLEADING TRY-OUTS: Cedar Hills Falcon 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Cheer Try-Outs will be April 28-29, 2004 at Lone Peak High School. There will be a parent orientation and registration. The cost is \$15. For more details, call Melisa Pitts at 756-6263 or Lori Eisinger at 492-3672.

SOFTBALL: American Fork Recreation is registering for Girls Softball for ages 9 to 17 at the AF Rec offices through April 1st. Games will be played in May and June.

SOCCER: The North Utah County Soccer Club (NUCS) will be holding Spring-Only Challenger and Recreation Soccer Registration on Saturday, March 13th 9am - 1pm at the Highland City Building. (This is for those who did not join last fall.) If you cannot come this day, you can fill out a form and leave it at the Highland City Building prior to the 13th. Your form **MUST** be received by the 13th in order to be considered for play this spring. Forms are also available at the City office. Cost for Challenger is \$18 (uniform fee \$15) and Recreation is \$18 (jersey fee \$13). The Spring Kick-Off will be April 3rd; Coaches Meeting begins at 8:30am at the Highland City Building. Play begins on April 10th and continues through May 22nd. Committed Parent Volunteers are needed! You can find more information about NUCS soccer online at www.uyasadistrict5.org/nucs.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

2nd	City Council Meeting - 7:00 pm	13 th	Cedar Hills Baseball “Walk-In” Registration
4th	Men’s Golf Association Kick-Off 7:00 p.m.		9:00 am - Noon (Highland)
5th	Deadline for Decisions 2004 Feedback Forms to be returned	16th	City Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
6th	Cedar Hills Baseball “Walk-In” Registration	17th	St. Patrick’s Day
	9:00 am - Noon (Highland)	20th	Spring Begins
9th	Parks and Trails Committee - 7:00 pm	25th	Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
		27th	First Annual Icebreaker Golf Tournament

LOOKING AHEAD TO APRIL:

6th	City Council Meeting - 7:00 pm	10 th	First Annual Easter Egg Hunt - 9:00 am
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