



CEDAR HILLS

# Our Home Town

City Newsletter  
November 2004

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

[www.cedarhills.org](http://www.cedarhills.org)

## SNOW PLOWING & PARKING

The City currently contracts with private companies to assist in snow removal. The City's policy regarding snow plowing is that streets will be cleared according to their priority beginning when the street has accumulated a minimum of two inches of snow, and continuing until driving conditions are considered adequately safe. Streets receive a higher priority according to volume of traffic, location near schools or public buildings, steepness of grade, collector streets, etc. Typically, low-volume streets and cul-de-sacs remain the last to be plowed. The staff is committed to providing safe conditions for City residents. Be cautious and patient when driving in adverse conditions such as heavy snow or rainfall.

### **Here are some frequently asked questions about the City's policy on plowing and on-street parking:**

- Q. How does the City's street snow removal program work?**
- A. Cedar Hills' snow removal program is designed to help keep the City's roadways as safe and accessible as possible both during and after snowstorms. A snow removal operation will run continuously until the roads are safe for travel. Since safety is the first priority, school zones and main roadways are plowed first. When these areas are clean, collector roads are plowed followed by subdivision streets, cul-de-sacs and dead-end roads. If the storm is continuous and heavy, the plows will continue to open the main roadways and school zones as necessary, returning to the lower priority streets when possible.
- Q. Can I park my vehicle on the street during the winter season?**
- A. Cedar Hills' ordinance prohibits parking on the street *at any time* when snow is falling, when there is a visible amount of snow on the street or when the street has not been plowed since the snow fell. As always, parking of over-sized vehicles such as trailers, busses, recreational vehicles, etc. is strictly prohibited. Parking on the street after a snowstorm makes it difficult for snowplows to clear the streets and makes for hazardous driving conditions for other vehicles trying to maneuver through the deep snow. Cars left on the street during snowstorms will be **ticketed and/or towed**.
- Q. The snowplows push snow into my freshly cleared driveway. Isn't there a better way to clear the streets to show some consideration to City residents?**
- A. Unfortunately, there isn't a better way to clear streets. The snow has to go somewhere, and to make our roads safe, that "somewhere" is the side of the road. Snowplow blades are designed to push snow to the side of the road. The driver has no other option as to where the snow goes. Homeowners are asked to wait until the street is cleared prior to cleaning out the drive approach, when possible. Just a reminder that it is illegal to throw or push snow into any street. This can make the road more dangerous for cars and snowplows. You are encouraged to move the snow onto your own property.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

If you are interested in learning more about Neighborhood Watch or starting a program in your neighborhood, be sure to attend the meeting on **Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at Deerfield Elementary School, 4535 W Harvey Blvd, Cedar Hills.

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY ONLY	911	Cedar Hills City Office	785-9668
Police & Animal Control	763-3020	Cedar Hills Golf Club	796-1705
C.H.A.M.P.S. 24-Hour Hotline	785-9668 x112	Craig Carlisle, Fire Station	763-5365
Waste Management	785-3000	Mayor Mike McGee	472-6228 <a href="mailto:mmcgee@cedarhills.org">mmcgee@cedarhills.org</a>
Lone Peak High School	763-7050	Council-Melissa Willie	763-1142 <a href="mailto:mwillie@cedarhills.org">mwillie@cedarhills.org</a>
American Fork High School	756-8547	Council-Rob Fotheringham	763-1444 <a href="mailto:rfotheringham@cedarhills.org">rfotheringham@cedarhills.org</a>
Mountain Ridge Junior High	763-7010	Council-Jim Perry	796-5517 <a href="mailto:jperry@cedarhills.org">jperry@cedarhills.org</a>
Cedar Ridge Elementary School	785-8726	Council-James Parker	763-1820 <a href="mailto:jparker@cedarhills.org">jparker@cedarhills.org</a>
Deerfield Elementary School	796-3141	Council-Darin Lowder	492-8047 <a href="mailto:dlowder@cedarhills.org">dlowder@cedarhills.org</a>

## CITY MEETING UPDATES - OCTOBER

### **October 5, 2004 - Public Hearing and City Council Meeting**

- A Public Hearing was held regarding proposed amendments to the 2004-2005 Fiscal Year Budget. No public comment was received.
- Approval was given to the Second Annexation Agreement with the City of Cedar Hills and Savage Companies, with some modification. This agreement discusses 13.65 acres of land, which the City has been given the opportunity to purchase.
- The Geneva Rock-Juniper Heights, Plat C and D Development Agreement was reviewed and approved.
- Avanyu Acres, Plat D and Canyon Heights, Plat H were given Preliminary Plat approval.
- The Pleasant Grove/Cedar Hills Service Area Interlocal Agreement was approved.
- Two 2004-2005 Fiscal Year Budget amendments were approved: Reallocation of funds for Building & Zoning/Contract Labor and Transfer of funds from the Water/Sewer Unrestricted Fund to the Water Purchases fund.
- Changes were made to the following City Council responsibilities: C. Fotheringham was assigned to the Lone Peak Public Safety District and C. Lowder was asked to participate in the Family Focus meetings.
- An Executive Session was held; no action was taken.

### **October 19, 2004 - City Council Meeting**

- A resident raised a concern regarding the Avanyu Acres subdivision. Plat A has not entered its durability period and there are a number of outstanding issues. The item will be reviewed on the next Council agenda.
- A resident stated that his neighborhood is supportive of a recycling program, but felt that the public should give their input and make the final decision instead of the City Council.
- A resident raised a concern that there had been discussion during a prior City Council meeting on the possibility of re-zoning some property on Canyon Road for commercial use.
- A resolution was adopted indicating the intent of Cedar Hills to adjust the common boundary with Pleasant Grove City relative to the Elliott Fields subdivision.
- The City Council referred an item back to the Planning Commission on the Juniper Heights, Plats C & D subdivision. The Planning Commission is being asked to consider a connector road between Sandalwood Drive and Oak Road East.
- An Executive Session was held; no action was taken.

### **October 28, 2004 - Planning Commission Meeting**

- The Planning Commission recommended approval of Revised Final plat for The Cedars, Plat I, with some items yet to be addressed.
- Recommendation for approval was given to Juniper Heights, Plats C and D. This plan had previously been reviewed by the Planning Commission, but the City Council wanted to conduct further review of the possibility of a connection road between Sandalwood Drive and Oak Road East. The Planning Commission feels that the road would have to be too steep and might be unsafe. There will be a fenced, pedestrian walkway put in this area.
- City Staff was directed by the Planning Commission to compile further information regarding a proposed amendment to the Zone Map from H-1 Hillside to SC-1 Commercial.

## CITY MANAGER REPORT

Just a few interesting facts about our City:

- ★ Cedar Hills was incorporated in November 1977. Yes, we are 27 years old!
- ★ The City started with 31 homes, 137 residents and a total budget of \$31,400.
- ★ In 1991, the City had 191 homes, 848 residents and a total budget of \$149,350.
- ★ In 2000, the City had 686 homes, 3045 residents and an operating budget of \$1,471,839 and a total budget of \$2,407,143.
- ★ November 2004, the City has 1607 homes, 7135 residents and an operating budget of \$2,148,910 and a total budget of \$8,788,703.
- ★ The City estimates growth of approximately 250 new homes over the next 12 months or 1,100 residents.
- ★ The City has 25 full-time equivalent employees (19 full-time, two part-time and 12 seasonal). In addition, the City has four contract police officers; contracted park maintenance, garbage, sewer and partially contracted snow removal; the City is a member of the Lone Peak Public Safety District, providing fire and EMS, the only paramedic service in North Utah County.

As you can see, we are growing very quickly! As we grow, we are committed to continuing to provide our residents with the very best municipal services possible at the lowest possible cost. Thank you for helping us make our City the best place around.

## CEDAR HILLS GOLF CLUB

Season passes go on sale November 1. Between November 1 and December 15, when you purchase a season pass, you receive a FREE, five-round guest pass. This pass allows you to bring a guest on any Monday (excluding holidays) for 18 holes, with a cart, at no charge. This is a value of \$190 and is limited to the first 15 passes sold! Take advantage of having your season pass amortized monthly through your utility bill.

For season pass rates, please visit the course's web site at [cedarhillsgolfclub.com](http://cedarhillsgolfclub.com). They have gift cards for the golfer in your life who might love a round of golf, a range punch card, or a golf punch card in their stocking this year! Those can be purchased in the golf shop or over the phone.

## DID YOU KNOW?—TAKE THE CHALLENGE GETTING TO KNOW THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Cedar Hills Police Department is currently served by:

**Sgt. Shawn Richins** - 13 years of service - focus on firearms

**Officer Mark Udy** - 8 years of service - K9 and focus on DARE

**Officer Tami Kogianes** - 5 years of service - focus on bike patrol

**Officer Kevin Doyl** - 2 years of service - focus on DARE

We are lucky to have the skill, experience and talent of these officers in our community, but PREVENTION is still the most important thing that we can do for ourselves! Here are The Ten Commandments of Crime Prevention:

1. Install good, secure locks and use them.
2. Leave lights on while away from home.
3. Adequately secure all windows.
4. Lock garage doors and windows.
5. Do not advertise that you are away from home.
6. Be neighborly, but be suspicious of strangers in the area.
7. Record serial numbers and maintain a record of all your property.
8. Mark all property with your social security number or permanent Utah driver license number. (Operation Identification)
9. Organize your neighborhoods into a "Neighborhood Watch Program."
10. Call the police to report all crimes and suspicious activities.

## SMOKE DETECTOR SAFETY TIPS

PROVIDED BY FIRE CHIEF CRAIG CARLISLE

We have received a lot of questions and 911 calls regarding smoke detectors going off with no sign of fire or smoke. What do you do? The most important thing is to call 911 if you have a question or are not sure that there may be an emergency. Remember, if you see smoke or fire, call 911 and evacuate the building immediately. The fire department will come out and make sure that there is not a problem. There is no fee involved, and we would rather investigate the concerns now rather than find a problem later.

Home builders are required to install smoke detectors in homes, the number varying depending on the size of the home and the number of bedrooms. These detectors are wired together so that if there is a fire in one area of the home, all of the detectors are activated. That could be a life-saving feature when there really is smoke or fire; but if there is not, it can sometimes create a headache for the homeowner.

Here are some suggestions on how to address the problem:

### Bad or Faulty Detectors

Once you are sure that there is no smoke or fire, you can do some investigating on your own. Detectors typically last about eight years, so it may be time to replace them. You may also check the detectors while they are going off. Remove each detector and unplug it from the power source. If it does not silence the other detectors, move to the next detector. When you unplug the detector that silences all of them, this one may be the faulty detector. **BE SURE TO PLUG THEM ALL BACK IN AFTER TESTING!**

### Dust, Water or Insects

Clean your detectors often. You can use the "Air-in-a-Can" that you use to clean your computer keyboard. Also, change the batteries twice-a-year to ensure that the detector will work when the power is out and the detector is running off of battery back-up. With these few tests and precautions, fire detectors should operate properly.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION



**Jr. Jazz Basketball** - 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades sign up at the Cedar Hills Office by November 22<sup>nd</sup>. The season begins in early January. Games will be played on Saturdays. Girls and boys will be placed on separate teams; different grade levels are not on the same team. Registration forms are available at [www.cedarhills.org](http://www.cedarhills.org). Call with any questions 785-9668 or e-mail [jhowe@cedarhills.org](mailto:jhowe@cedarhills.org).

**Basketball** - Boys 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup>; Boys 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> deadline is November 11<sup>th</sup>; Girls 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> deadline is November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Registration will take place at the American Fork Recreation Department.

**Utah Jazz Tickets** - November 13<sup>th</sup> the Utah Jazz play the World Champion Detroit Pistons at the Delta Center. Cedar Hills has discounted tickets for sale at the City Office for only \$8. The tickets must be purchased in advance, no later than November 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are limited and are distributed first-come, first-served.

**Baseball** - Early Baseball registration for 2005 will be conducted until December 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information, contact the City Office at 785-9668 or Baseball Information at 763-9310.

**Youth City Council Halloween Decoration Contest** - The Youth City Council (YCC) braved the inclement weather to award homes in Cedar Hills with the prestigious "YCC Halloween Decoration Award" for the second year in a row. The winners received gift baskets filled with cider and caramel apple-making supplies. The 2004 winners were: The Lee Family - 4083 W Hayes Circle, The Sidwell Family - 9484 N Canyon Heights Drive, The Larsen Family - 10077 N Sage Road East, The Stephenson Family - 10194 N Cottonwood Drive, and The Webber Family - 4627 West 9850 North.

**YCC Kids Day** - Cedar Hills Youth City Council is hosting "Kids Day" on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am - Noon at the City Building. The theme of Kids Day is "Fall into Fun." Kids will enjoy making seasonal arts and crafts, festival entertainment and treats galore! The cost is only \$4 per child (ages 1-6). Not only is this is cheap babysitting, but it promises to be OH, SO MUCH MORE! Any profit will go to fund other YCC-sponsored activities such as the annual Cedar Hills Easter Egg Hunt.

**YCC Joint Meeting** - Cedar Hills' YCC will be host to the Youth Councils of Alpine and Highland on the evening of November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Sunset Room at Cedar Hills Golf Club. The Councils will discuss activities of their respective groups for the 2004-2005 academic school year and take steps toward getting to know each other better. Cedar Hills YCC would like to be more active with other youth councils to work together toward fulfilling their common goals.

**Youth City Council** - The Cedar Hills Youth City Council will hold their meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. If you are in high school and want to be involved, stop by to see how! All meetings are held at the Cedar Hills City Office.

**"Light Up Cedar Hills"** - The Parks and Trails Committee invites everyone to participate in this year's "Light Up Cedar Hills" decorating contest. Judging will be completed and prizes awarded on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This year the YCC plans to participate with the Parks and Trail Committee in judging. No entry forms are necessary; your outside holiday decorations automatically enter your home in the contest.

**North Utah County Community Choir** - The NUC Community Choir Christmas Concert will be performed on Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Alpine Tabernacle in American Fork. Singers from across the north end of Utah County have joined together under the directions of Donald Ripplinger, retired associate conductor for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, and Kenna Mills, conductor and voice instructor from Cedar Hills. Some of the current members are retired "MoTab" members. The Utah Premier Brass will also be joining in this beautiful evening with their highly skilled musicians. This is sure to be a wonderful Christmas venue to warm up the holiday mood. Admission is FREE, and donations of canned goods for the Utah County Food Bank are encouraged at the door.

**Congratulations** to the Cedar Hills 6<sup>th</sup> grade Falcon Football team. This team made it to the playoffs and defeated the Lindon Steelers and Highland Bears to take 3<sup>rd</sup> in the league. Thanks to all of the players, coaches and parents for their effort and support!

**Open Enrollment** - John Hancock Charter School is holding open enrollment through November 16<sup>th</sup> for K-8th grade. For more information, please visit their web site at [johnhancockcs.org](http://johnhancockcs.org) or call 796-5646.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - NOVEMBER

<p>2<sup>nd</sup> <b>City Council Meeting - 7:00 pm</b> ELECTION DAY</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> Youth City Council Meeting - 5:30 pm</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball Registration Deadline</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> Kids Day - Hosted by YCC 10am-Noon Utah Jazz vs. Detroit Pistons (Discount tickets available until November 9<sup>th</sup>)</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball Registration Deadline</p>	<p>16<sup>th</sup> <b>City Council Meeting - 7:00 pm</b></p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> Youth City Council Meeting - 5:30 pm</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> <b>Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 pm</b> Neighborhood Watch Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Deerfield Elementary School</p> <p>22<sup>nd</sup> Deadline for 3rd-6th Jr. Jazz Registration 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Girls Basketball Registration Deadline</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> <b>Thanksgiving Day - CITY OFFICE CLOSED</b></p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> <b>CITY OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>
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### LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER

<p>7<sup>th</sup> <b>City Council Meeting - 7:00 pm</b></p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> "Light Up Cedar Hills" Decorating Contest 7:00 pm</p>	<p>16<sup>th</sup> <b>Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 pm</b></p>
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