



CEDAR HILLS

OUR HOME TOWN

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Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	May 6 & 20
Resident Appreciation Day—Free Golf!	May 10
Lacrosse Registration Ends	May 15
Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.	May 22
2014 Family Festival	June 21—28

City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then ext. number:
Front Desk, 100
City Recorder, 503
Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500
Business Licensing, 504
Building Department, 200
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Vista Room, 300

Other Phone Numbers (801):

Public Works After Hours, 420-2243
Golf Pro Shop, 796-1705
Animal Control, 763-3020
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Family Festival, June 21-28 "There's No Place Like Home"



The Family Festival Committee has been hard at work all year planning the 2014 events, and we are excited to share those efforts with you. Please mark your calendars for the 2014 Cedar Hills Family Festival June 21 through June 28. We have so many wonderful events planned and hope to see you all there. We recommend purchasing event tickets in advance at the City offices. There is a cost savings in doing so. In addition to the ticketed events, we also have many free activities. Bring your family, your friends, and your neighbors and celebrate the wonderful City of Cedar Hills, because there really is "...No Place Like Home." We look forward to seeing you at the Festival!

June 21: AF Canyon Half Marathon and 5K

Runners, walkers, and strollers of all ages are invited to participate. The races, which Cedar Hills celebrate as part of the Family Festival, are sponsored by the American Fork Hospital. Proceeds benefit cancer patients in our community who need cancer treatments but cannot afford the full cost of care. More information and registration at: [AF Canyon Half Marathon and 5K](#).

June 23: Family Swim Night - Pleasant Grove Veteran's Pool, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., \$2 in advance

This is a great opportunity to spend time with family, friends, and neighbors. Admission is \$2 in advance or \$3 at the gate. Dinner will be provided by Macey's. The pool has a kid area, diving boards, slides, and lots of room to swim. Don't feel like getting wet? No problem. Beach chairs and umbrella tables make poolside a great place to relax.



June 24: Firecracker Golf Tournament - Cedar Hills Golf Club, 8:00 a.m.

Sign up your foursome at the Cedar Hills Golf Club or call the Pro Shop at 801-796-1705. Includes lunch and prizes!



June 25: Community Service Project - Community Center, Vista Room, 6:30 p.m.

We need lots of people to show up to assemble 1,000 feminine hygiene kits for people in desperate need in Chiapas, Mexico. To find out how to make monetary or supply donations please call the City office.

June 27: Rocky Rhiddlehoover Memorial Fun Run and Bake Sale - Cedar Ridge

Elementary School, 5:30 p.m., FREE. Fourteen year-old Bruce Rhiddlehoover, known affectionately as "Rocky" to his family and countless friends, was tragically killed on July 9, 2013, at a Boy Scout camp in Sanpete County while engaged in one of his favorite pursuits: unselfishly providing service to others. Registration begins at 5:00 p.m. and the run begins at 5:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted to benefit different charities in which Rocky was involved.



June 27: Dinner and Movie in the Park - Heritage Park, 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy a catered dinner for the entire family, and then kick back and watch a family-friendly movie under the stars at dusk. Dinner tickets in advance are just \$5, and will be available at the gate for \$7. The movie, the original *The Love Bug*, is free for everyone!

June 27 & 28: Carnival - Heritage Park

Midway West Carnival will provide rides, games, and concessions. All-day ride passes are \$15 at the gate. A two-day pass is available in advance at the City office for just \$18.

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Mayor's Minute

They say, "April showers bring May flowers," so hope springs eternal that it will be enough to get our soil ready for the ensuing planting season. Just like our gardens, we as a city have three very important issues that we are planting and nurturing, so we would like

to ask for your help.

The first deals with the aforementioned rain and watering our lawns. We created a water conservation committee to advise us on how to best plan for the city's future use and conservation of this precious resource. Our water committee, chaired by Richard Noble, who has decades of experience as a water engineer, has told the council that the only long-term solution for Cedar Hills is to install individual meters to measure our pressurized irrigation water use. This will enable the city and each property owner to pay for what is used, rather than just a fixed base rate and usage fee. We have been using three times as much water as the State recommends. If the council approves the metering of our secondary water, then construction would start in the fall, and next summer you would be charged on how much you use. Please watch your water consumption this year and read our water conservation tips each month, so, when the system becomes metered, you won't be surprised with a much higher water bill next summer.

The next item concerns Canyon Road or State Road 146. This road is owned by the State, not Cedar Hills or the County, and it has not been maintained very well. We have an opportunity to fix the road this year

with money from the State, the County, and Mountain Association of Governments (MAG). I am currently serving as vice-chair of MAG's Regional Transportation planning committee and working hard to get us close to \$10,000,000 to fix the road with Pleasant Grove City, as well. We are working on this together, as this is not just a city road. I view this as a regional road, as residents from many Northern Utah County cities use it. My concern is not today, but 10 years from now, as money allocated to maintain the road would be used up, and then it would be up to Cedar Hills to pay for the upkeep of the road, which would not be easy. I am working with Pleasant Grove to encourage the County to take the road and pay us to maintain it as we can respond quicker to snow storms and plowing.

The last item is our commercial zone. We have a developer who is interested in master planning our entire commercial zone with much retail and restaurants, perhaps even a theater. The developers also want to develop a large retirement building on the far east side of our commercial land by the roundabout. This has been controversial and has pros and cons to its development. I wish many more people would come to the planning commission and council meetings for the next few months as we debate this issue. However, if you would like me and a council member or two to come to your neighborhoods for small cottage meetings, we are happy to do this. Please reach out to one of us to arrange a meeting, so all the facts can be discussed.



Mayor Gary Gygi

City Implements Water Conservation Guidelines

The City finds there is an urgent need to establish a water conservation goal and has created a Water Conservation Citizens Advisory Committee, which is made up of Cedar Hills residents with expertise and focus on conservation. Last year, the City's usage exceeded the State's recommendation by more than three times. Additionally, the City's pressurized irrigation system was pushed to its delivery capacity. **After reviewing historical data, the committee recommends a pressurized irrigation consumption reduction of 50% over last year's usage, phased over the next three years.**

For the 2014 irrigation season from mid-April through mid-October, the committee proposes a 15% minimum consumption reduction. With that percentage in mind, the City's goal for the first two weeks of this year's season would have been 20.40 million gallons of secondary water. We actually used 25.67 MG in that two-week period, which still far exceeds the State's recommended usage of 12.25 MG for a city of our population

We encourage residents to utilize the many online resources, which provide suggestions for conservation, watering guides, zeriscape landscaping, etc. The Utah Division of Water Resources offers many tips about how to "Slow the Flow" and become water wise. Visit: www.conservewater.utah.gov for information. The City's water conservation committee plans to implement an educational campaign, including water usage tips and recommendations, throughout the irrigation season.



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Storm Water Tip of the Month

What can I do? Here are some wise general practices:

- Use biodegradable pesticides/herbicides.
- Never use the gutter or storm drain system for disposal of household or garden waste.
- Store your pesticides, fertilizers, and other chemicals indoors, in a shed, or in a storage cabinet.
- Remove pet waste from yard and curb, and dispose in the trash to prevent spread of bacteria.
- Wash household tools over grassy areas away from curbs and gutters.
- Clean leaves, sediment, and trash out of the gutters and dispose of in garden or trash.

2014 Road Maintenance Projects Planned

Throughout the months of May and June a number of road maintenance projects will take place throughout the City. We ask for your cooperation as these improvements are completed. The contractor will provide more detailed information to each neighborhood prior to the commencing of the work. During this project you may be asked to eliminate on-street parking and turn off your sprinkler system timers for a short time. To ensure safety and efficiency during the project please 1) reduce speeds, 2) follow requested traffic-flow modifications, 3) and drive with caution. The asphalt removal and replacement project begins May 5, and the micro-surface project begins June 12. Questions may be directed to the City's Public Works Department at: 801-785-9668, ext. 200, or by e-mailing: publicworks@cedarhills.org.

Congratulations, Jr. Jazz players!

The Recreation Department once again received recognition and a plaque from the Utah Jazz for having the most players in the category of cities with less than 15,000 people. Cedar Hills had 715 participants this year, and we look forward to everyone joining us again next year! Thank you, players, coaches, referees, and parents for making Jr. Jazz a fun experience for all. Go, Cedar Hills!

City Council Corner

Jenney Rees, City Council Member

Recently, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) presented the City with both the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget document, and the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).



Jenney Rees

According to the GFOA, the certificate "is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management." This is the first year that Cedar Hills has received the Certificate of Achievement and the 12th year to receive the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of GFOA's program, including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the financial report.

We wish to thank Finance Director Charl Louw and the entire financial team for performing all of the work required to obtain this prestigious award. We are fortunate to have excellent people working for the City and are happy they are being recognized for their hard work and dedication.

As the person responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR, Mr. Louw will be recognized in the May 6 City Council meeting, which will be held at the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center, 10640 N. Clubhouse Drive, at 7:00pm.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a nonprofit professional association serving over 17,500 government finance professionals throughout North America.

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Spotlight on Cedar Hills Business

JY&B Water Solutions sells and installs new water softeners and reverse osmosis systems for purified drinking water. They also service existing equipment, change filters, and provide salt deliveries and resin treatments. Contact Byron Rivera at 801-717-6950 or 801-717-5786 for a free estimate today! Hablamos Español.

Planning to Install a Fence or Shed?

If you are planning to install a fence or shed, please visit the City's website or call the City office for important information prior to installation. The website provides a download and instructions for submitting the free installation permit.

Call **Blue Stakes** before you dig; it's the law! Dial 811 or 801-208-2110. Protect underground facilities and minimize service interruptions.

Parking for Boats and Trailers

Please remember not to use public streets for long-term parking of cars, trucks, trailers (for work or play), RV's, boats, campers, or basketball standards, etc. According to City ordinances, such items cannot remain on the street for more than 48 hours. Please keep all of the above-mentioned items in your yard on hard surfaces. It requires the cooperation of all residents to help keep our streets clean and safe for everyone.

Now is the Time to Prepare for Spring Runoff

Private property owners are encouraged to plan ahead. "Springtime in the Rockies" includes runoff when melting mountain snow flows into rivers, raising water levels. Spring runoff typically peaks in June, but each spring warmer temperatures and higher than average snow packs will result in higher flows and rising water levels along streams and rivers. Sudden, prolonged warm spells combined with heavy rains increase the chances of localized flooding. This can generally be forecasted, but it is ultimately every citizen's responsibility to protect their own properties and to consider how neighbors may be affected up and downstream.

The Lone Peak Fire District encourages residents to reach out to their neighbors and work together to address potential problems. Some actions property owners can take to protect property are:

- Remove debris and sediment from ditches to increase channel capacity.
- Protect buildings by purchasing and keeping sandbags on hand.
- Stabilize banks at risk, such as those undercut and unstable, for erosion.
- During runoff, residents and guests should stay a safe distance from stream and river banks, which in some areas have eroded and are less stable.
- Report any overflow of rivers or streams. If significant property damage is imminent or if the conditions present a life safety hazard, call 9-1-1.



Battalion Chief Joe McRae
801-763-5365



Each year the City spends thousands of dollars on sidewalk repairs, so that we can have beautiful and safe places to walk. Please think about how much your actions cost others; they increase the cost for everyone.



Get in the Loop on Facebook

The City's Facebook page is where residents are sharing important information and giving feedback on a variety of topics. If you haven't already done so, please "like" our Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/cedarhillsutah.

Family Festival events cont. from front

June 28: Parade - 10:00 a.m.

Cedar Hills welcomes floats, animals, bands, performing groups, decorated cars, trucks, ATVs, small vehicles, and bicycles.

If you are interested in participating, please submit the parade entry form on the City's website. Questions? Contact Rob Olsen at 801-420-2014, or send an e-mail to: familyfestival@cedarhills.org. The parade starts at Deerfield Elementary, travels north on 4600 West to the roundabout, and ends on Cedar Hills Drive at the church east of Heritage Park.



June 28: Children's Games Heritage Park, 12-4 p.m.

Free games, prizes, and candy are all you need to say to get your kids to Heritage Park on Saturday, June 28. The children's games area (located at the south end of

the park) will be open from 12:00-4:00 p.m. and include classic carnival-type games for children ages 3-11. The treasure hunt at the volleyball court begins at noon, and the popular Ducky Derby in the creek begins at 12:20 and runs every 20 minutes until 3:40, followed by the championship game at 4:00 p.m.

June 28: Baking Contest - Heritage Park Pavilion, 4:00 p.m.

Enter baked items in the Family Festival baking contest for a chance to win great prizes! There are two age categories: 13 and younger, and 14 and older. Submit the online registration form to the City office by June 27. It's FREE! Questions? Contact Marisa Wright at 801-900-1036, or e-mail: familyfestival@cedarhills.org.

June 28: Concert in the Park - Amphitheater

7:00 p.m., FREE. Nathan Osmond, voted "Best Local Country Artist" in Utah, will headline this concert, which is the first of the City's 2014 Concert in the Park series. Nathan delivers a high-energy, crowd-pleasing performance that always leaves his audiences wanting more.



June 28: Fireworks - At dusk around 10:00 p.m.

Family Festival 2014 will go out with a bang! The annual Fireworks Spectacular will be let off from the golf course driving range.

Nathan Osmond



Cedar Hills Soccer League for K thru 3rd Grades

We are starting our second year of the Cedar Hills Soccer League for boys and girls going into Kindergarten through third grade this fall. Online registration is now open through July 7. The cost is \$65, which includes both the Fall 2014 and

Spring 2015 seasons. The fee includes a shirt, shorts, socks—and every child receives a soccer ball! All those who register will be invited to a FREE soccer camp hosted by professional soccer players before the season begins. The fall season begins mid-August and runs six weeks. The leagues consist of co-ed Kindergarten teams and 1st thru 3rd grade boy and girl leagues. Register online at: www.cedarhills.org. If you have any questions, please call the Cedar Hills Recreation Department at 801-785-9668, ext. 302. Non-residents are welcome to join at no additional charge.

Lacrosse Registration Ends May 15

Cedar Hills Recreation partners with Central Utah Youth Lacrosse for boys in grades 3-8. Cost ranges from \$55 to \$75, depending on the age group. The six-game season begins mid-June and runs through July. Games are played on Saturdays against teams from neighboring cities. **Registration runs through May 15** without a late fee on the Cedar Hills website. Questions? Contact Cedar Hills Community Services at 801-785-9668, ext. 302.

Come, play in your own backyard! - Sat., May 10

Cedar Hills residents are invited to enjoy a free round of golf at the Cedar Hills Golf Club! It's our way of saying "THANK YOU" for supporting the city's course. Between noon and 3:00 p.m. on Sat., May 10, residents receive **FREE green fees for 9-holes** with a required cart fee of \$7.00 per player. Driver must have valid license, and proof of residency is required at check-in. Call the pro shop at 801-796-1705 to reserve tee times. In addition, Sammy's Cafe, located inside the Recreation Center, will have special offers the same day between noon and 10:00 p.m. With your pro shop receipt you may receive a free ice cream cone, \$5 cheeseburger and fry special, and a \$2 half-size pie shake. Please come out and enjoy the day with us!

Summer Golf Camps for Youth & Women

Dates and times are set for youth summer golf camps. Classes are open for youth of all skill levels, ages 8 to 18, as well as a women's clinic. Each session includes four lessons, a T-shirt, and a certificate for a free nine-hole round of golf for the student (golf cart not included). The camp fee is \$65 per student per session. Sign up at www.cedarhills.org/sportsites or phone the Pro Shop at the Cedar Hills Golf Club at: 801-796-1705, or come in anytime. Here's the schedule:

Beginners: June 9, 11, 16, 18; 9:00 am – 9:45 am

Intermediate: June 10, 12, 17, 19; 10:00 am – 10:45 am

Women's Clinic: June 10, 12, 17, 19; 5:30 pm – 6:15 pm

Family Festival Service Project - June 25

For Cedar Hills' first annual Family Festival service project, we have decided to team up with the Escalera and Launfal foundations to help build schools and provide 1,000 feminine hygiene kits to people in desperate need living in the high mountains of Chiapas in Southern Mexico. Monetary donations will go directly toward school construction and hygiene kits. If you prefer to donate supplies for the kits, the list is as follows:

- Hand towels & wash cloths
- Safety pins
- Yellow Playtex rubber gloves (one size fits all)
- Bars of soap
- Ziploc™ snack bags
- Ziploc™ gallon bags



The supplies will be collected at the City office, 10246 N. Canyon Road, in a box in the front entry. Send monetary donations by check, made out to the City of Cedar Hills, to: City of Cedar Hills, Chiapas Service Project, 10246 N Canyon Road, Cedar Hills, Utah 84062. Cash donations should be made in person at the front desk. Donations made by credit or debit card may be made at the City's front desk by calling 801-785-9668, ext. 100.

In conjunction with Family Festival week, we will hold a service project event on **Wednesday, June 25**, at 6:30pm at the Community Recreation Center in the Vista Room, where we will assemble the kits. Our goal is to put together 1,000 kits, so we need lots of people to show up! Questions? Call Marisa Wright, service project coordinator, at 801-900-1036, or e-mail familyfestival@cedarhills.org.