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Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	5 & 18
Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Nov 13
Cedar Hillbilly Day Heritage Park, 1-4 pm	Nov 15
City Santa Party	Dec 8
Story Time Reading: <i>The Polar Express</i>	Dec. 10

City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then ext. number:
 Front Desk, 100
 City Recorder, 503
 Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500
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 Building Department, 200
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 Utility Billing, 400
 Recreation, 302 or 601
 Vista Room, 300
Other Phone Numbers (801):
 Public Works After Hours, 420-2243
 Golf Pro Shop, 796-1705
 Animal Control, 763-3020
 Police, 763-3020

Community Veterans Program Set for Sunday, Nov. 9

An inspiring community event for veterans and families of veterans will be held Sunday, Nov. 9, at the Cedar Hills Stake Center, 3950 W Cedar Hills Drive, at 7:00 p.m. The event will feature keynote speaker Retired U.S. Air Force General Robert Charles Oaks, who served as commander of Air Training Command and United States Air Forces in Europe. Oaks also served as a general authority of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from 2000 to 2009. The general public is invited to attend.



General Robert C. Oaks, Ret.

Mountain Ridge Veterans Day Assembly—Nov. 11

All veterans and persons currently serving in the armed forces are cordially invited to attend a Veterans Day assemble in uniform at Mountain Ridge Junior High School on Tuesday, November 11, at 9:40 a.m. For more information, please call the school at: 801-610-8758. The assembly is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher-Student Association at the school.

City Receives Two Sizeable Government Grants

Great news! The City of Cedar Hills recently received two large government grants to supplement city expenses in forestry and emergency management. A forestry grant in the amount of \$8,000 was awarded for tree removal, pruning, and invasive species control in city parks and along city trails. In addition, an emergency management performance grant was allocated in the amount of \$10,000 to assist in supplementing necessary expenses for emergency supplies and equipment, assuring that city emergency management programs will be successful.

"The city is very fortunate," explains City Manager David Bunker, "in that few cities in Utah were selected for funding, as most of the monies were awarded to county governments. Laurie Petersen, the city's administrative analyst and emergency management specialist, has worked with us for several months gathering the necessary information to apply for the grants. We appreciate her hard work."

But the work for Petersen and the city staff isn't completed once the grants are awarded. Recipients are required to submit financial reimbursement and expense forms, along with progress reports. Receiving future grants can be directly affected by compliance to meeting specific guidelines and standards, including adherence to deadlines and completion of performance standards and goals.

In addition to overseeing grant researching and eligibility requirements, the administrative analyst provides services to the city in other related areas, including planning and organizing the city's emergency preparedness town hall meetings, overseeing FEMA training and certification to ensure the city's compliance and eligibility to qualify for other revenue streams, and representing the city in interlocal emergency preparedness activities with the Lone Peak Fire District and with Utah county.



Flag Football Winners!

Tim Pew's flag football team won the city's championship game on October 11. The seventh, eighth, and ninth grade boys were all from Cedar Hills. **Front row from left:** Draek Greco, Jake Richardson, Jaxon Williams, Kaden Powell. **Back row from left:** Coach Pew, Matthew Brady, Justin Garvin, Izak Pew, Garrett Smith, Tanner Romney. **Not pictured:** Hyrum Hallsted. Congratulations, boys!



Mayor's Minute

Our city has recently undertaken an important task. All cities use a General Plan to help city councils and planning commission committees evaluate land-use changes and to make funding and budgeting decisions. We have not completely revamped our plan since 1995, even though we have made two amendments to the plan since then. We are now going to rewrite our entire plan, with the help of a resident and staff committee, which will consist of two planning commission members, one council member, and six appointed residents.

I am a big fan of resident-driven committees, as they give credibility and firsthand feedback on our decision making. Our plan will become a comprehensive and long-range statement of community priorities, which will help day to day decision making. As a city we are mostly built out, but we have some commercial development that will take place, so rewriting the General Plan becomes a critical event that



will affect our city's future. Council Member Trent Augustus will chair this committee, and we want to thank him up front for his efforts and dedication in this important yearlong activity.

Finally, I want to tell you about a new venture that I have begun. I have started writing an almost daily blog, which talks about things happening in our city, but also covers issues about local, state, or national



Mayor Gary Gygi

public policies, which may affect us locally. This will be different than my monthly newsletter column, and the blog will be more current. Please don't compare mine to Council Members Jenney Rees's or Daniel Zappala's blogs, as theirs are much more eloquent than mine, but I invite you to check it out. Please let me know what you think, and leave a comment or two. It's helpful for me to get feedback on the current events I write about. You can find me at garygygi.com.

On-Street Winter Parking Regulations

Regarding on-street parking, the city's ordinance states: "It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in the same location on a street or municipal property for a continuous period of time exceeding 48 hours" (Ordinance 8-6-2008A). In addition to this regulation, which remains in effect, there are added restrictions from November 1 through March 31. Street parking is prohibited:

- 1) when snow is falling;
- 2) when the street has not been plowed since the last snowfall;
- 3) between 1:00am and 7:00am, November 1 through March 31;
- 4) during snow/ice removal;
- 5) for any continuous period of more than 48 hours.

Please refrain from removing snow from your property and placing it in the roadway of any street. This makes it difficult to keep roads cleared, and doing so creates dangerous conditions for all motorists. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

TSSD Lifts Restriction on Green Waste

Green waste will now be accepted at Timpanogos Special Service District (sewer plant), located at 5050 West 6400 North, Utah County (just off the I-15 PG Exit #275). Please refer to the Cedar Hills website for a list of accepted and prohibited materials.

Storm Water Tip of the Month

We Can Make a Difference!

Since winter is here, it's time to think about environmentally friendly ways to control ice. Traction agents help prevent slipping on ice, but don't melt it. Sand, kitty litter, and ashes can harm habitats. Cracked corn has been suggested as an alternative, because animals can eat it before it washes into the storm drain sewers in the spring.

Winterizing Pressurized Irrigation

The pressurized irrigation system was shut off on October 15 and will remain turned off until April 15, 2015. Leave your individual shut-off valve in the "open" position for a while to allow for proper drainage of the system to prevent damage to components caused by frozen water inside pipes and valves. If your sprinkler system is presently still in service, please notify the city and we will provide an investigation for a possible cross connection. Sometime prior to April 15, "close" the individual shut-off valve to prevent damage to sprinkler heads from the sudden high pressure when the system is energized in the spring.

Keep Sidewalks Clear of Snow and Ice

Please make sure that the sidewalks around your property have been shoveled, to allow safe travel for pedestrians. Snow from sidewalks and driveways should not be placed in the roadways, where it may create driving hazards.

Cautious Driving Near Snow Plows

Please maintain a safe driving distance from snow plows. When plows are removing snow, reduced visibility may occur behind and next to the plow. When pushing snow or spreading salt, a plow may need to travel slower than regular traffic. Please be patient and give the plow room to do its job. Street plowing in Cedar Hills begins when there is an accumulation of two inches or more of snow or severe icy conditions exist.

Park Restrooms Winterized

With cold weather approaching, park restrooms will be closed and winterized to prevent damage from freezing water lines. There will also be limited garbage containers at the parks during the winter season. The restroom facilities will be reopened in April.

City Council Corner

Jenney Rees, City Council Member

Introducing the Youth City Council

We are excited to once again have an amazing group of youth on our Youth City Council, otherwise known as the YCC. The YCC meets twice each month to discuss, plan, and implement a variety of activities to benefit the community. They also engage in fundraisers throughout the year to raise money for the Santa's Workshop program. For this program, the YCC accepts donations and uses fundraising monies to purchase gifts for struggling families in our community during the Christmas season. The YCC hosted the annual Pumpkin Walk and Haunted Creek on October 27, and it was a big success. On Saturday, November 15, the YCC is hosting our first Cedar "Hill" billy Day at Heritage Park from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. There will be country-themed games, and the YCC will be accepting canned goods for donation to the local food bank. Please visit our website and social media sites often to keep updated on additional YCC events.



Jenney Rees

Below is the list of our current YCC members. You can learn more about each of them and read their great personal mottos, at cedarhills.org/youth-city-council.

Mayor: Kyle Schvaneveldt

Mayor Pro Tempore: Courtney Anderson

Service Committee: Kiera Gudmundson (chair), Madison Boone, Kaitlin Stufflebeam, Shelby Bergeson, Zach Ericksen, Zach Holley, Mandy Peck

Fundraising Committee: Matt Graf (chair), Brayden Beardall, Brayden Call, Bryce Baird, Clayton Mack Hansen, Hannah Hallsted, Hannah Murdock, Maddie Seegmiller

Publicity Committee: Nathan Bennett (chair), Adam Zappala, Annika Goodman, Emily Gustaveson, Haley Hallsted, Matthew Hovorka, Nate Osborne

Activities Committee: Sarah Lewis (chair), Abigail Phelon, Ariaiah Bleyl, Bethany Ericksen, Blake Oler, Joshua Balzen, Josh Erickson, Landon Call, Todd Paskett

We want to thank the YCC and their advisors, Emily Cox and Nicole Allen, for all of the time and effort they put into their activities. They work hard to make Cedar Hills a fun place to live.



Light Up Cedar Hills!

The Beautification, Recreation, Parks and Trails Citizen Advisory Committee is bringing back the Light Up Cedar Hills contest. Judges will drive around the city on Monday, December 15, to determine who has the best outdoor lighting displays. One winner will be selected from each voting precinct, and the five winners will be announced in the city's January newsletter.

Free Holiday Concert—Dec. 1

Celebration Young Performers will host a free holiday concert, featuring performances by Bryce Romney from BYU Vocal Point and Camille Butler from the BYU Ballroom Dance Company's touring team. Singing and dancing groups from Celebration Young Performers will also perform. The show will take place on Monday, December 1, at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center in the Vista Room. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. The public is invited, and goodies will be served! For more information, call Sherri Whitehead at: 801-492-7524 or visit:

CelebrationPerformers.com.



Camille Butler

Annual City Santa Party Set for December 8



The city will host its annual Santa party at the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center on Monday, Dec. 8, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bring the kids early to see Santa arrive with

bells and sirens in his fire truck! Join us for hot cocoa and brownies, and have a free picture taken with Santa. You may also bring your own camera. The City Santa Party is a free event for the entire family. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Caregiver Support Series Concludes Nov. 20

A free informative support series, focusing on the needs of those caring for their aging loved ones, concludes on Thursday, November 20, at 6:00 p.m. at The Charleston assisted living facility, 10020 North 4600 West in Cedar Hills. The scheduled topic is: "Coping with Grief and Loss." Questions? Contact Carrie Harris at The Charleston: 801-772-0123.



City Office Holiday Hours

The city office will close in observance of Veterans Day, November 11, and for the Thanksgiving holiday, November 27 and 28. Garbage pickup will run as usual the week of Veterans Day, but there will be a one-day delay for Friday's pickup the week of Thanksgiving.

Don't Miss YCC's Cedar Hillbilly Day!

On Saturday, November 15, the Youth City Council (YCC) will host the first ever Cedar Hillbilly Day at Heritage Park from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The afternoon will be filled with Hillbilly fun for the whole family, including square dancing to a live fiddle band, sack races, tug of war competitions, horseshoes, costume contests, a chili cook off, and a farmer's market! Bring your chili entry to the registration booth at 1:00 for judging by the City Council. Vendors for the farmer's market must contact Nicole Allen in the city's Events Department or e-mail events@cedarhills.org. Admission for the day is \$5 per family, plus one can of food per person. Proceeds will go toward Santa's Workshop. The canned food will be donated to the Food and Care Coalition of Utah.

Little Dragons Karate—Classes Begin Nov. 10

Karate classes for children ages 6-12 are offered at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. The one-hour classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays. Beginner-level classes are at 5:00 p.m. and intermediate-level classes are at 6:00 p.m. The registration fee is \$50 for each five-week session. Register online at cedarhills.sportsites.com.

Jr. Jazz Basketball Registration Continues

Jr. Jazz allows boys and girls from third grade up to eighth grade to develop skills and learn good sportsmanship, while having fun! Online registration is now available through November 30. The games begin on January 8 and will run through the middle of March. Register online from the Cedar Hills website. Non-residents may play at no additional charge. Questions? Contact the Cedar Hills Recreation Department: 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or e-mail: recreation@cedarhills.org.

Youth City Council Sponsors Santa's Workshop

There's nothing better than the feeling you get after helping someone in need. This holiday season, please donate to our sixth annual Santa's Workshop. We are accepting **donations of cash and gift cards** (Walmart, Visa, etc.), which will be used to purchase new gifts for struggling families in our community. Donations should be made at the Cedar Hills city office either in person or by phone by December 5. Thank you for your support! —Emily Gustaveson, YCC Rep.

All Aboard for *The Polar Express*!

"All aboard" for the annual reading of the children's holiday classic picture book *The Polar Express*. Children accompanied by adults are invited to attend on Wednesday, December 10, at 11:00 a.m. at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center in the Vista Room by the fireplace. There will be treats and "bells"! Questions? Call Marisa Wright at: 801-900-1036.

Volunteer Teachers Sought

If you have a skill or activity that you would enjoy teaching to other residents as a volunteer at our community center, we would love to hear from you! Please e-mail the Community Services Department at events@cedarhills.org for more information.

Cedar Hills Ski Bus 2015

Attention: Skiers and snowboarders ages 7 to 17! The City of Cedar Hills and Snowbird Ski Resort's Mountain School are offering lessons for all skill levels on February 7, 21, and 28, 2015.

Each week the bus will leave the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center at 8:00 a.m. and return at about 4:30 p.m. Participants must sign up for all three dates. The cost per person is \$190, which includes transportation, lift tickets, two-hour lessons each week, and a half day on the slopes. All sign ups need to be completed in person at the Cedar Hills city office building, 10246 N Canyon Road, in order for the guardian to sign a waiver. Registration will be accepted until the bus is filled. Non-residents are welcome to register at no additional cost.

Chaperones are needed and are required to stay with their group after the lesson, but will receive a complimentary lift ticket for each day. Chaperones will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please e-mail the Cedar Hills Recreation Department at: recreation@cedarhills.org or call the Cedar Hills city office at: 801-785-9668, ext. 302.

New BOOTCAMPS Coming!

Jill Griffiths of Tree Fitness offers a world-class personal training program at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. BOOTCAMP allows each participant access to a personal trainer for a fraction of a normal trainer fee. The month-long BOOTCAMPS begin each month through February 2015. For more details or to sign-up for BOOTCAMP, go online to TreeFitness.com.

Cedar Hills and Highland City Youth Theater Presents: *Annie! Jr.—The Musical*

Hey kids! Interested in musical theater? On Thursday evenings, beginning January 15, the City of Cedar Hills and Highland City are starting theater classes for youth ages 8 to 18. During this twelve week course students will learn the basics and finer points of musical theater, while rehearsing and performing *Annie! Jr.—The Musical*. Each student in the class will have a role in the production, which will be performed three times on April 3 and 4, 2015. The three-month class fee is \$35 per month or \$95, if paid in advance. Registration includes lessons by a certified theater instructor and tickets to four community theater productions. Classes will be held at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. Please sign up online at: cedarhills.sportsites.com, or for more information, e-mail Nicole at: nallen@cedarhills.org.

A Night Out with the Utah Jazz!

Purchase discounted tickets at the Cedar Hills city office, 10246 N Canyon Road, for the Jazz game on Monday, Feb. 23, 2015, with defending champions, the San Antonio Spurs. The upper concourse tickets are \$15 per person and include a free hot dog and a drink. Any seat is a great seat, with new video monitors positioned throughout the Energy Solutions arena. Game tickets make great holiday stocking stuffers! What a great way to spend an evening out with the family. The game starts at 7:00 p.m. Go, Jazz!