



CEDAR HILLS

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Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	Feb 2 Feb 16
New Karate Classes for Kids, Ages 6-12	Feb 8 Mar 14
Miss Marisa's Story Time - 11:00 a.m.	Feb 10
Plants & Soils Classes Rec Center, 6:30 p.m.	Feb 17 Mar 16
Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	Feb 23

City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then extension:
Front Desk, 100
City Recorder, 503
Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500
Business Licensing, 400
Building Department, 200
Public Works, 200
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

Cedar Hills Offers Soccer Leagues for Tots and Teens

Kids love soccer. The city offers leagues for pre-schoolers, high school teens, and children in kindergarten through the 2nd grade. Registration is available from the city's website using Recl.com, the city's new recreation management software. When creating an account, please sign up as the parent/guardian first, and then you can register your children. Questions? Call the Cedar Hills Recreation Department at 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or email recreation@cedarhills.org. Cedar Hills welcomes non-residents to join the youth sports programs at no additional cost.



Co-ed Teen Soccer

The Co-ed Teen Soccer League is for high school students, grades 10 through 12. Teens form their own teams and enter the team name when they register. The cost per player is \$40, which includes a shirt. There will be eight players from each team on the field with four girls and four boys. Register from cedarhills.org before March 15. Games begin in April and will be played on Monday afternoons in Cedar Hills.

Cedar Hills Soccer League

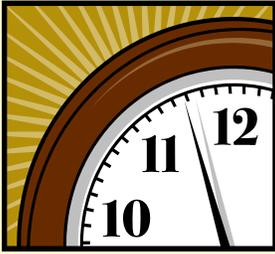
Soccer League is offered in the spring and fall for boys and girls in kindergarten through the 2nd grade. Children who played in the fall league are not automatically registered for the spring league and will need to register again. Registration begins February 15 from cedarhills.org. The registration fee is \$30 plus a one-time fee of \$5 for a reversible T-shirt, which can be worn for any Cedar Hills youth sports program. Spring Soccer League will begin play in mid-April.

Tot Soccer

Tot Soccer is a fun, six-week soccer league held in the spring and fall for children ages three and four. Register at cedarhills.org before April 9. The registration fee is \$25 plus a one-time fee of \$5 for a reversible T-shirt, which can be worn for any Cedar Hills youth sports program. Games will be played on Tuesday evenings, starting April 19. Parents are encouraged to volunteer to coach tot soccer.

Next Session of Karate Classes Begins Feb. 8

Karate classes for children ages 6-12 are offered at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. The one-hour classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays for different levels. Registration fee is \$50 for each five-week session. Online registration is available at cedarhills.org. Due to the growth of our karate program, we have added another class to the sessions. The online registration will now offer four levels: Beginners (white belt) 4-5pm; Intermediate (yellow-orange belt) 5-6pm; Advanced I (senior orange & blue belt) 6-7pm; Advanced II (senior blue & green belt) 7-8pm. Another session will begin March 14. Classes fill up quickly, so register now to secure a spot.



Mayor's Minute

On February the 3rd of 1943, a virtually unknown but tremendously heroic event took place off the waters of Greenland. Incidentally, my father served in the Air Force in Greenland during the Korean War, but the event about which I am writing took place during World War II.

My father was aware of it, so that is where I came to know of it. I believe these facts to be correct, as I have researched them.

A US Army transport ship named the Dorchester was hit by a German torpedo and took on water very quickly. Unfortunately, there were not enough life jackets, so four Army chaplains slowly handed their life jackets to some young and frightened soldiers. These chaplains chose to go down with the ship, while praying and caring for their fellow soldiers. I believe that heroic things like this still happen today; we just don't always hear about them.

It seems, though, in the world of modern-day politics that civility has given way to pettiness and a constant game of one-upmanship. I regularly hear the cries of "I am the most conservative or liberal and principled" to their fellow conservative or liberal colleagues. It seems to be a competition to say they are the most "whatever" in order to attract supporters.

I find this argument tiresome, as most everyone serving their city, state, or country is trying to do an honorable job. This "circular firing squad" of their own party members cannot be good for them or our society. Why not just debate ideas as Lincoln and Douglas did; they fought political issues out in the court of public opinion.

Everyone complains about how Washington DC, their state, or

city are broken, but it seems as if most politicians and some voters just want to hear someone declare they are the most conservative or the most liberal without an accompanying debate on serious policy issues. I know that is what I would like to see.

Cedar Hills, like Washington DC, is not immune from these same discussions of "I am the most 'whatever.'" I heard recently from a resident that "it doesn't matter what I do; it matters what I think or what that person thinks I will think." I don't understand this logic, to profess that unless we all think alike then we shouldn't think at all. We need more people to act like the World War II chaplains. They volunteered their lives for others who may not have held the same thoughts as they.



Mayor Gary Gygi

A quick, final comment on a different subject. The city has two culinary water wells that provide our drinking water and also supply a portion of our secondary water when the water from AF canyon dries up in late June. I have been saying for some time that if we ever have a well go down in the summer after the canyon water is depleted, then it would be difficult to provide enough drinking water and secondary water to take care of our needs.

Recently, both of our wells have been down for unexpected repairs and maintenance. Fortunately, the off season is a convenient time for this to happen, as we don't use as much water during the winter and our tanks are full. If this had happened in the summer, it would have been a completely different situation. Please help us continue to conserve our water resources this summer.

Storm Water Tip of the Month

Storm Water Runoff: *Why Should I Care?*

When it rains, storm water runs off roads, parking lots, driveways, and yards. As it flows across these surfaces, it picks up contaminants such as oils, salts, sediments, fertilizers, pesticides, and household chemicals. Contaminated storm water flows into gutters, storm drains, and ditches and eventually into streams and wetlands. Contaminants in storm water runoff impair water quality in streams and wetlands, and they can lead to fish kills, loss of wildlife habitat, and public health risks. Uncontrolled storm water runoff is one of the largest remaining sources of water quality impairment in the United States. Communities working together can lessen the degree of contamination and help protect local water resources.

IMPORTANT: Close PI valve before spring!

Please make sure your main pressurized irrigation valve is in the CLOSED position before April 15. This will protect the pipes and sprinkler heads from damage when the high-pressure system is activated around April 15.

Snow Removal Reminders

The city works to provide timely, efficient snow and ice removal. To help us do our job, please remember to:

Avoid street parking: Per city ordinance, parking is **NOT** permitted on city streets from Nov. 1 to March 31 between the hours of 1:00am and 7:00am and when one or more of the following conditions exist: falling snow, a visible amount of snow on the street, when the street has not been plowed, or during snow/ice removal.

Trust us – we will get there: When there is a significant amount of snowfall, the city prioritizes snow removal according to volume of traffic, location near schools or public buildings, steepness of grade, collector streets, etc. Please be cautious and patient when driving in adverse conditions.

Shovel sidewalks around your property: This allows safe travel for everyone. Snow from sidewalks or driveways must **NOT** be placed in the road; it should be placed on your property. Putting snow on roads creates a hazard for motorists and makes it more difficult for snow plows to keep the roads clear and safe. Thank you.

Council Corner

Council members have the opportunity to provide links to their council blogs, where city-related information can be shared. We hope this will increase communication and will provide a variety of views on the important topics facing our city.

Jenney Rees

In November the City Council placed a moratorium on new applications for the commercial zone, while the city reviews the zoning and development ordinances for that zone. Part of this process includes a survey of residents. When this short survey arrives I encourage residents to complete it, so the final plans will better reflect the desires of the community. Read “Feedback on the Commercial Zone” found at: jenneyrees.wordpress.com.

Daniel Zappala

The city is currently revising our zoning and development ordinances for the commercial zone. We will be collecting extensive public feedback to ensure that the changes reflect resident preferences and protect property rights. The changes will also be reviewed by our legal council to ensure that they meet the requirements of state and federal code. My council blog summarizes our process to date so that residents can be ready to provide feedback to the planning commission and city council. “Revising the City Code” found at: cedarhillsblog.org.

Rob Crawley

Council blog found at: cedarhillsrob.blogspot.com.

Save the Date!

Town Hall Meeting

The city’s fourth annual Emergency Management Town Hall Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, in the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center, time to be determined. The city will join with Be Ready Utah to focus on disaster preparedness for families. The meeting will be helpful in organizing your household for emergencies and giving families an opportunity to become involved in this community effort. For more information and/or suggestions, please contact the city’s emergency management coordinator, Laurie Petersen, at lpetersen@cedarhills.org.



“Who Ya Gonna Call?”

The City of Cedar Hills stands ready to assist our residents with water, sewer, and road emergencies 24/7. During office hours, city staff members are immediately available to help with city-related emergencies and non-emergencies via phone, email, or the "contact us" feature on the city's website.

When the city office is closed, our professional on-call public works technicians are available 24/7 to respond to water, sewer, or road emergencies—and they are just a phone call away, using the after-hours number: **801-420-2243**. In after-hours emergency situations, precious time can be lost when city administration or city officials are attempted to be contacted.

Life-threatening medical or fire emergencies should always be reported using **911**. Police-related issues such as vandalism, suspicious activity, etc. should be reported directly to the American Fork Police Department. Again, city’s after-hours emergency number should be reserved for emergencies and not issues that can be addressed on the next business day.

Here are some examples of what may warrant a call to the Cedar Hills after-hours emergency line:

- Broken or leaking main utility lines
- Road problems or conditions that may cause a potential hazard for vehicles or pedestrians
- Sewer back-up
- Tap water outage
- Witnessing illicit or illegal dumping, discharge, or spills in street gutters or storm drains

Items that can wait until the next business day:

- Interruptions in pressurized irrigation service
- Park scheduling and non-emergency facility issues
- Inquiries about city event/activity schedules
- City utility new account hook-ups/activations
- Non-city utility problems or outages (power, gas, phone/cable). These should be reported directly to the utility provider.

Information regarding most non-emergency issues is readily available on the city’s website.

The city office will be closed on Presidents Day, Feb. 15. However, garbage and recycling will be picked up the week of Presidents Day as scheduled.

Miss Marisa's Story Time

Meet us by the fireplace in the Vista Room on Feb. 10 at 11:00 a.m. for stories, singing, and art with Miss Marisa. Join us for Story Time on the second Wednesday of each month through May 2016.

Series of Classes on Plants and Soils

These are not your typical gardening classes; they're the advanced edition! Have you ever had questions about what kind and how much fertilizer to use? Or the harm or usefulness of pesticides? In her light-hearted and entertaining presentation style Dr. Dianne Farrer will give the scientific background needed to understand soil and water relationships, botany, ecology, and more. There will also be field trips and invited speakers. The series of classes **continues February 17 and every THIRD Wednesday** from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. through October 2016 at the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center, 10640 N. Clubhouse Drive. No registration required. Oh, and did we mention that it's FREE! February's class will address pruning and plant propagation. Detailed information about each class is available on the city's website.

Golf Club Is Looking for Volunteers

Part-time volunteers are needed to help at the course. Individuals age 14 or older are needed to work with golf carts, building maintenance, and servicing the practice range. Individuals desiring to volunteer to earn golf time would marshal and patrol the course, work in the cart area, and assist in the pro shop as needed. Contact the pro shop to apply.

Resident Discounts on Season Passes

Get ready! Golf club season passes are on sale now, and current city residents receive a discount on green fees and pass pricing with proof of residency. Cart fees apply. A special season pass for families is also available for city residents to enjoy family time at the facility. Visit CedarHillsGolfUtah.com/membership for all the details.

Golf Club Pro Shop Winter Hours

The golf club pro shop will be open Mondays through Fridays from 9 to 5. The pro shop offers a competitive selection and prices on golf supplies. Need clubs, apparel, or gift certificates for that special golfer? Visit the pro shop today or call 801-796-1705.

Cedar Hills Night with the Utah Jazz

Purchase ticket vouchers at the Cedar Hills city office for the Jazz game with the Atlanta Hawks on **Tuesday, March 8**. The upper concourse vouchers are reduced to \$15 per person and include a hot dog and a drink. Purchase the vouchers early to get the best seats available. Ticket vouchers must be redeemed online with Flash Seats, the electronic, paperless ticketing system used by the Utah Jazz. The game starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Vivint Smart Home Arena. Go, Jazz!

Cedar Hills Grill Continues Winter Hours

Come and enjoy delicious sandwiches, burgers, and salads at "The Grill at Cedar Hills" in the Cedar Hills Community Recreation Center. The Grill's winter hours are Monday-Friday: 11:00-2:00 and 5:00-8:00; Saturday: 9:00-7:00 (buffet breakfast: 9-11am); closed Sundays.

Bookmobile Schedule for February

The bookmobile comes to town every other Monday (February 8 and 22) from 1:00 to 3:00. For more information visit bookmobiles.utah.gov/utah.

Lone Peak Presents Play

The Lone Peak High School Drama Department presents *The Diary of Anne Frank* Feb. 18, 19, 22, & 23. Curtain time is 7:00 p.m. at the LPHS auditorium. Advance tickets (\$5) are available at showtix4u.com or at the door. Come and enjoy the art of storytelling on the stage with this wonderful student cast.

Program for Disabled Persons

The Alpine School District Department of Special Education is attempting to contact persons with disabilities between the ages of birth and 21 in compliance with the Federal law, which mandates the provision of free educational programs and/or services for such persons.

If a child is having significant difficulty with vision, hearing, speech, behavior, is experiencing slow development untypical for his/her age, physical impairments, or learning difficulty, he/she may be a child with a disability. If you know of any child who you feel might qualify for these services, including students suspected of having a disability even though they are advancing from grade to grade, in a private school, homeless, or migrant, please contact the principal of your school or the Special Education office of Alpine School District at 801-610-8410.