

# OUR HOME TOWN

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## Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	<b>Nov 1 &amp; 15</b>
City Office Closed	<b>Nov 11</b>
Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	<b>Nov 29</b>
Classy Date Night Dinner & Dancing	<b>Dec 2</b>
Night with Santa at the Vista Room	<b>Dec 5</b>

## 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  
 Pro Shop 600, 602  
 Rainout Hotline 150

## Other Phone Numbers (801)

Public Works After Hours, 420-2243  
 Cedar Hills Golf Club 796-1705  
 Cedar Hills Grill 801-900-1282  
 Animal Control 763-3020  
 Police 763-3020

## Mountain Ridge Jr. High Hosts Veterans Day Program

**M**OUNTAIN Ridge Jr. High School invites the public to a short outdoor program to honor local veterans on Veterans Day, November 11. The event will take place from 9:40 to 10:05 a.m. in front of the school with all students in attendance. The program includes patriotic music provided by the school band and choir, presentation of the color guard, and a short speech by the principal or a veteran. All veterans in attendance will be honored. Everyone is encouraged to wear school spirit wear (navy blue, maroon, gray) or patriotic attire.



The school is located at 5525 West 10400 North, Highland. For more information, please contact the school at 801-610-8758.

## Hairspray Jr. Performance Dates Set

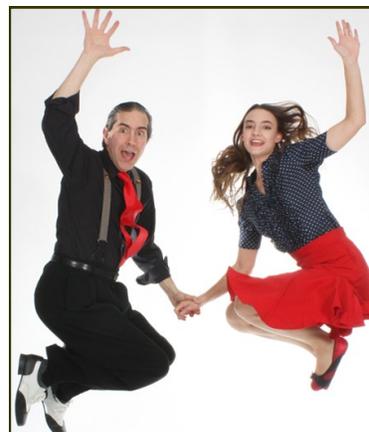
Cedar Hills Youth Musical Theater presents *Hairspray Jr.* on November 3, 4, and 5 at Lincoln Academy, 1582 West 3300 North, Pleasant Grove, with showtimes nightly at 5:30 and 8:00. Tickets are available online now at [showtix4u.com](http://showtix4u.com).

## YCC's Annual Santa's Workshop

Each year the Youth City Council plans and executes multiple fundraising projects, with proceeds going to help families in our community at Christmastime. The YCC needs monetary donations or gift cards to Wal-Mart, in order to purchase specific items needed by the families. No new or used toys will be accepted. Donations may be mailed or dropped off at the city office building by December 1. Just mention it's for YCC's Santa's Workshop. The YCC will also have a donation table set up on December 5 at the city's annual "Night with Santa" party.

## "Night with Santa" Set for December 5

The annual Cedar Hills "Night with Santa" party will be held on Monday, December 5, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Vista Room at the city's community center. To start the evening off, Santa will arrive in his fire truck, so come early to see his arrival. He will then join everyone in the Vista room, where he will lead the singing of several favorite holiday songs. Everyone will be able to visit with Santa, receive a candy cane, and have a complimentary picture taken. The photo will be emailed to you within a few weeks. There will also be refreshments, so don't miss this great holiday event.



## Classy Date Night: Dinner & Dancing

Slip on your dancing shoes and dressy attire and invite a date to the Cedar Hills Cultural Arts 2nd Annual Date Night on December 2. This year Cameron Burr, operator of The Grill at Cedar Hills, will serve a catered dinner at 6:30, followed by a fun time learning 1940's swing dancing from a professional instructor. Cost for the evening is \$20 per couple online, or \$30 per couple at the door (if there is space available). There are only spots for 32 couples, so this event will fill up quickly! The event will be held in the Vista Room at the Cedar Hills Community Center. Sign up online today at [cedarhills.org/date](http://cedarhills.org/date).



### Mayor's Minute

Every day, I receive a patriotic email based on facts or events that happened on that day sometime in our county's history. I enjoy reading it, as America is surely a God-blessed country. That is why I see a bright future for us, despite whoever lives in the White House. Our divinely inspired founding fathers wrote some wonderful documents: Declaration of Independence, Federalist Papers, and the Constitution. It is the last one that gives me great comfort now. It established three branches of government with different duties, but also as a check on each other. So, despite who is in the White House, our republic will survive and thrive again.

I was at dinner with some old and dear friends recently, and one of the group, who has been out of the country with the State Department for the last five years, asked if we thought that America's best days were behind her, or are we now just managing the decline. I quickly said, "No," and I would like to tell you why I feel that way.

We, as a country, are incredibly innovative and entrepreneurial. Silicon Valley continues to create and design products used and demanded around the globe. Imagine, if Amer-

ica had a manufacturing revival, where not only goods were invented, but also all built here in our country. What a time that would be! And, it is not just technology—as energy has seen tremendous advancements, with seismic mapping, horizontal drilling, and hydraulic fracking—but now it seems we are a few short years away from becoming energy independent.

I am not whistling past the graveyard in my thinking about our future. We have very deep and serious problems in our country right now, including debt, deficit spending, and a stagnant economy. If we see a rise in interest rates, we will struggle to service our debt, but we will get through it, even if it means things get worse before they get better.

My friends, we hit the lottery by being born in America, where we enjoy freedoms and liberties wanted by the rest of world—wanted so badly that they are willing to risk their lives to get here and have a shot at a better future. Our standards of living are higher, and despite all of our struggles, I will take those struggles over any other governmental system in the world.

We will get through this.



Mayor Gary Gygi

## STORM WATER TIP OF THE MONTH

### We Can Make a Difference!

Streets and driveways are sources of water pollution. Oil and antifreeze from leaks and spills are washed into storm drains, becoming major contributors to water pollution, killing fish and harming wildlife when they reach streams and waterways. Remember, most of the water from driveways and sidewalks flows directly into streams without treatment.

### Pressurized Irrigation Is Winterized

The pressurized irrigation system will remain off until approximately April 15. Leave your individual shut-off valve in the "open" position for a time to allow for proper drainage of the system to prevent damage caused by freezing water inside pipes and valves. Prior to April 1, close your individual shut-off valve to prevent damage to sprinkler heads during high-pressure surges that may occur.

### Winter Reminders

**Reduce Driving Speeds:** The most important thing that you can do to make winter driving safer, is to slow down! Give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination, and allow extra stopping distances behind other vehicles and at intersections. The city strives to ensure that roads are safe for travel; but, during storms, road conditions change. Plowing begins when there is an accumulation of two or more inches of snowfall on the streets, and de-icing begins with severe icy conditions. Be patient, watch for pedestrians and school children, and drive carefully.

**On-Street Parking:** Keeping roadways clear of additional vehicles increases safety for other drivers and reduces obstructions during snow removal. If cars are parked on a street during snow removal operations, the street may not get plowed, due to an increased risk for damage and collision. Parking on a street is prohibited:

- When snow is falling
- When there is a visible amount of snow on the street
- When the street hasn't been plowed
- Between the hours of 1:00am and 7:00am (November 1 through March 31)
- During snow/ice removal
- For any continuous period of more than 48 hours

**Keep Sidewalks Clear of Snow & Ice:** Please assure that city sidewalks abutting your property have been cleared of snow and ice; this will provide safer travel for pedestrians. Snow from your sidewalk or driveway should never be placed in the street.

**Snow Plows:** Please maintain a safe distance from snow plows to avoid reduced visibility 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 snowplow drivers room to do their job.

The city office will close in observance of Veterans Day, November 11, and for the Thanksgiving holiday, November 24 and 25. Garbage and recycling services will run as usual the week of Veterans Day, but there will be a one-day delay for Friday's pick up the week of Thanksgiving.

Park restrooms have been closed and winterized for the season and will open again in April. There will be a limited number of garbage containers at the parks during the winter season.

## City Council Corner

The City Council provides brief write-ups of council actions taken during the last month and offers members an opportunity to share city-related information and updates.

**School District Bond:** Rob Smith, the Assistant Superintendent for Alpine School District, presented to the council regarding the proposed Alpine School District bond, which will be on the ballot for November 8. Due to the large growth within the district, there is a need for new schools. The proposed \$387 million bond will be used 68% for new school construction and 23% for rebuilding existing schools. Because the district is paying off some past bonds, there will be no net tax increase for residents. Information on the bond can be found at: [alpineschools.org/bond2016](http://alpineschools.org/bond2016).

**Nets at the Driving Range:** The council had previously made a decision to install higher nets at the golf course driving range to protect residents walking along Cottonwood Drive and playing at Mesquite Park from errant golf balls. The materials for this project have been delivered and work should be progressing on this soon.

**Ownership of Canyon Road:** The council discussed an inter-local agreement drafted by Utah County regarding ownership of Canyon Road. The County proposes using \$9.35 million, arranged by MAG, to improve Canyon Road, covering some of the most pressing safety issues, repaving the road, and installing some curb and gutter. In return, the County would like Cedar Hills to take ownership of the road north of Murdock Canal in 30 years and pay for maintenance of the road, including striping, potholes, storm drain maintenance, snow removal, police coverage, etc. The maintenance is estimated to cost \$15K to \$20K per year, and the costs after 30 years are unknown but assumed to be large when significant work is needed on the road. The council voted to reject the agreement and ask the county to fix the road regardless of any agreement, because of the persistent safety issues and poor condition of the road. The council would also like to meet with Pleasant Grove and County officials to discuss the future of the road.

**CARE Tax Discussion:** The council held a short discussion of the CARE tax that will be on the ballot this election. This is a 0.10% sales tax that helps pay for recreation and arts programs in the city. In past years, this has helped pay for the Heritage Park basketball court, community center basement, Mesquite Park bathroom, and various arts committee events. It will also help pay for Bayhill Park and Heritage Park improvements in the next year.

Two council members have updates this month:

**Jenney Rees:** This year we will decide whether or not to renew our Cultural Arts and Recreation (CARE) tax. I am in favor and voting yes. By collecting this small sales tax, residents and non-residents who shop in Cedar Hills assist in generating funds for arts and recreational programs in Cedar Hills. For additional information, please visit: [jenneyrees.wordpress.com](http://jenneyrees.wordpress.com).

**Rob Crawley:** We need God's help in the affairs of our country and our communities now more than ever. Many are uniting in fasting and prayer on November 5 and 6. I would like to call on those who are so inclined to join with this effort. See more at: [cedarhillsrob.blogspot.com](http://cedarhillsrob.blogspot.com).

### Safe & Sound: Police Safety Tip

As the holidays approach remember to lock your doors and always try to leave a light on, inside and outside. Put a timer on a lamp inside your home or purchase dusk-till-dawn lights for your yard. Lighting is one of the best deterrents against crime.

### Light Up Cedar Hills!

The city's Beautification Committee will sponsor the city's annual Light Up Cedar Hills contest. Judges from the committee will canvass the city on Friday, Dec. 16, 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 January newsletter.

### Crack Sealing Maintenance on City Streets

The city will conduct crack sealing maintenance on streets in the following subdivisions between November and April: Cedar Run, Apple Blossom, Landmark Estates, Temple Ridge, and Bridgestone. Refer to the map on the city's website for the specific areas to be treated.

Crack sealing extends the useful life of road surfaces. Cracks are cleaned out with compressed air, filled with a hot fluid material, and then leveled. The best time for optimal application is between 30 and 40 degrees, after the asphalt has contracted. Cedar Hills has its own equipment, which reduces the cost by completing the work in-house. The streets receive a better application, as we can schedule the work during optimal conditions.

### License Your Pooch

The city appreciates responsible dog owners and depends on everyone to keep their animals properly vaccinated, licensed, and restrained. Please notify the animal control officer at the American Fork Police Department for assistance with nuisance animals. Impounded animals are taken to the North Utah Valley Animal Shelter in Lindon. Licensing serves as a way to locate lost animals, saving you time, money, and heartache and is your pet's ticket home.

Dog owners must obtain a rabies vaccination for the dog and a license within 30 days after the dog reaches the age of four months, or within 30 days of the acquisition of a dog over four months old. Dog licenses may be purchased at any North Utah County city office or at the animal shelter in Lindon. Please provide proof of a current rabies vaccination. The Cedar Hills office only accepts checks for payment of a license. For more information please visit the shelter's website or contact the shelter at 801-785-3442.

## Second Grade Co-ed Teams Added to Jr. Jazz League

Exciting News! We are pleased to add 2nd grade co-ed Jr. Jazz teams this year! Register online at [cedarhills.org/recreation](http://cedarhills.org/recreation) until November 30 for the 2nd through 9th grades. Games begin January 7th.

## City Hiring Jr. Jazz Officials

The city's recreation department has seasonal job openings for game officials for its Jr. Jazz basketball program. Applicants must have a general knowledge of the game and the rules of basketball. If interested, please contact the department at 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or send an email to: [recreation@cedarhills.org](mailto:recreation@cedarhills.org).

## Cedar Hills Ski Bus 2017

Attention skiers and snowboarders ages 7 to 17! The city offers lessons for all skill levels on January 28, February 4 and 11. The bus is filled, but for those who are willing to provide their own transportation to Snowbird, the cost for the two-hour lessons, lift tickets, and a half day on the slopes is \$160 per person. Register online at [cedarhills.org](http://cedarhills.org). For more information call 801-785-9668, ext. 302, or email: [recreation@cedarhills.org](mailto:recreation@cedarhills.org).

## Night Out with the Utah Jazz

Beginning November 15, purchase ticket vouchers at the Cedar Hills city office for the Jazz game with the New Orleans Pelicans on Monday, **March 6**, at 7:00 p.m. The upper-concourse vouchers are reduced to \$15 per person and include popcorn 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.

## Flag Football Champions

Congratulations to the 7th-9th and 10th-12th grade flag football championship teams. They had a great time!



**7th-9th from left:** Carson Dietrich, asst. coach; Chase Christensen; Owen Reynolds; Isaac Rutter; Berto Hixon; Coach Reece DeMille; Ben DeMille; Charles Wright; Adam DeMille; Steven Lewis; Isaac Carpenter



**10th-12th from left:** Andrew Knecht, Ty Smith, Josh Braithwaite, Chase Andersen, Brayden Beardall, Tanner Atwood, Tavian Hilton, Landon Call

## Utah County Bookmobile

The bookmobile comes to town every-other Monday (November 14, 28) from 1:00 to 3:00 at the church parking lot at the roundabout behind Walmart. This service is offered at no cost to the city or its residents. For more information and to view the bookmobile library catalog, visit Utah County Bookmobile online at: [bookmobiles.utah.gov/utah](http://bookmobiles.utah.gov/utah).



## BEYOND THE BOOKSHELF

### Chess Club & Family Game Night

Monday, November 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Art Classes

#### COMIC BOOK BASICS

Tuesday @ 4:30 p.m.

1st: Intro to Comics

3rd: Character Design

10th: Plot

15th: Create Comic Strips

17th: Finishing Touches

### Free Computer Skills Class

#### MAKING EXCEL WORK FOR YOU

Saturday, November 5 @ 11:30 a.m.

### Parenting Uplift

#### PATHOLOGICALLY POSITIVE

Thursday, November 10 @ 7:30 p.m.

### VETERANS DAY

CLOSED

Friday, November 11

### Robotics

Monday, November 14 @ 7:30 p.m.

### Holiday Photography

Monday, November 21 @ 7:30 p.m.

### Storytime

T, W, TH @ 11 & 2:00

### THANKSGIVING

CLOSED NOVEMBER 24-26

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**LIBRARY**