



CEDAR HILLS

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Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	Apr 4 & 18
Miss Marisa's Story Time - 11:00 a.m.	Apr 19 May 17
Citywide Spring Clean Up - 7AM to Noon	Apr 15 & 22
Plants & Soils Classes Rec Center, 6:30 p.m.	Apr 19 May 17
Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	Apr 25

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
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Pro Shop 600, 602
Soccer Rainout Hotline, 150

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Cedar Hills 6S Grille, 385-233-3291
Animal Control, 763-3020
Police, 763-3020



Make a difference—get involved

We Need You! Cedar Hills Service Days

Each year, the Beautification Committee provides opportunities to participate in service projects in our neighborhoods, parks, and other areas. This year's projects will be at the roundabout on Cedar Hills Drive on **two Saturdays: April 8 and 22**. Please visit cedarhills.org/service to fill out a quick registration form to volunteer. You may sign up for one or both days. Because the work will be done in and around traffic, only those 14 and older will be allowed to participate. Everyone will meet at Heritage Park, 4425 W Cedar Hills Drive, at 10:00 a.m., and pizza will be served to the volunteers on both days at noon, after the work is completed.

Please get involved. You can make a difference! For more information, call or text Boyd Wilkins, Beautification Committee chair, at 801-822-7601.

City Provides Dumpsters for Spring Clean-Up

The city will sponsor its 18th annual Spring Clean-Up on two Saturdays, **April 15 and April 22**. Large roll-off dumpsters will be available from 7AM to NOON at the following locations:

- Sunset Park: 9814 N Dorchester Drive
- Heritage Park: 4450 W Cedar Hills Drive
- Hayes Circle: The Cedars
- Timpanogos Cove Park: 9508 N Timpanogos Cove
- Morgan Blvd/Sage Vista Drive



Do not place the following items in the dumpsters: car tires, car batteries, motor oil, appliances, electronic devices, concrete, construction materials, or liquids. Tree limbs should not exceed six inches in diameter and 12 feet in length. If the dumpster is full, please take the load to another location. The city encourages residents to clean their yards, sweep gutters and sidewalks, and do their best to improve neighborhoods. Owners should clear vacant lots of garbage and tall weeds. In the spirit of Spring Clean-Up, please assist those who may need a helping hand.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Utah County residents with gasoline, paint, pesticides, fluorescent light bulbs, batteries, and unused medications, are offered safe disposal at the Provo Towne Centre Mall west parking lot in Provo on Saturday, **April 8**, from 9am to 3pm. For details visit the Utah County Health Department website or call 801-225-8538.



Mayor's Minute

My Cedar Hills friends, a neighbor of mine, Barry Hallsted, wrote me about watering our grass and gardens, as he is an expert and concerned about conserving water like I am. His letter was much more persuasive than I have been about water conservation, so I am giving him my column this month.

Our soil should be cared for as a living system. For our plants and lawns to thrive, we need to consider the ideal "textbook" breakdown of soil. Soil consists of 45% mineral matter, 5% organic matter (although in Utah it is less than 1%), 25% water and 25% air. When we overwater, the air is displaced, compaction of mineral matter occurs, and the cycle of living organisms in our soil is disrupted.

Plants and grass will wilt and stress if they are lacking for water. But when we overwater, the air (oxygen) needed by the root system is displaced and the soil becomes waterlogged. When we overwater, root rot prevails and our plants and grass will become stressed, unhealthy, and often die.

Knowing exactly how much to water is a real science. Most are unaware of the importance of proper watering. Many of us just don't want to keep adjusting our sprinkler clock throughout the growing season. As such, we tend to overwater. Occasionally I am asked to check on a neighbor's ailing tree. Consistently the problem is a result of overwatering. Here are some points to consider:

The water districts in our state have teamed up with USU County Extension offices to provide a free "water check." Go to slowtheflow.org and click on "are you water-wise." Their schedule fills quickly, so get scheduled as early as possible. When they come out, they will help you know exactly how long to run each sprinkler or drip station. They will also point to areas where sprinkler coverage is less than adequate.



Mayor Gary Gygi

Another great way to water adequately, adjust for weather changes, and reduce or eliminate the need to adjust your timer clock is to install one of the new smart sprinkler system controller systems. Several are Wi-Fi enabled. The controller is linked to the local weather station and adjusts the watering days and times as needed, based on temperature, hours of sunlight, humidity levels, and precipitation. The schedule can easily be adjusted from your smartphone for mowing days or planned outdoor activities. You can also set up one schedule for the lawn and another for gardens and trees. Currently, Central Utah Water Conservancy District offers a rebate of 50% of the cost up to \$150. To learn more about the controller, go to rebates.cuwcd.com. If you purchase a smart controller, make sure it meets the EPA "Water Sense" criteria. The rebate website has a link of qualifying controllers.

Spring has sprung. Enjoy the weather.

Landscape Watering Restrictions

The city will continue to implement outdoor watering conservation measures for all residential water users. All odd-ending house numbers will be allowed to water **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays**. All even-ending house numbers will be allowed to water **Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays**. Additionally, spot watering with a hose is allowed on Sundays. Restrictions will be enforced with a warning for the first violation, a \$50 fine for the second violation, and a \$200 fine for the third and subsequent violations. The policy is in effect from April 15 to October 15. Commercial, church, park, and golf properties may be on different schedules, including daytime watering, to offset water demand.

As we begin another watering season, we encourage everyone to implement water conservation practices. Visit conservewater.utah.gov for info about water-wise plants and other methods of conserving water. Water is not a renewable resource, so we need to use it wisely!

IMPORTANT: Close PI valve before April 15!

Please make sure your main pressurized irrigation valve is in the CLOSED position before April 15 to assure that your sprinklers are protected while the system is being energized.

Lawn Watering Guide for April and May

A typical Utah lawn has a water demand curve that begins in mid-April, rises to a peak in July, and then falls rapidly until mid-October. Please be advised that, according to State guidelines, no lawn irrigation is needed in April. The recommendation for May is 21 minutes every four days (double the time for rotary sprinklers).

Storm Water Tip of the Month

Never fertilize when rain is expected

That's right! When we fertilize our lawns just before it rains, the fertilizer is flushed into the storm drains and pollutes fresh waters in lakes and streams. It also causes excess algae to thrive and use up the oxygen that fish need to survive. Everyone needs to be aware of the cumulative effects of lawn care practices. How can you help? Use slow-release, low-phosphorus fertilizer, sweep (don't hose) any excess onto your lawn, and never fertilize when rain is expected.

Has your sewer rate changed? Don't Panic!

Each year sewer rates are recalculated based on your average culinary water usage of the previous five months from November through March. This average becomes the new sewer rate for the next 12 months.

City Council Corner

Submitted by Councilmember Jenney Rees

The following actions were taken by the Council in March:

- Chandler Goodwin was appointed as the new City Manager.
- Approval was granted to the Thayne family to boundary adjust their property into the city of Pleasant Grove.
- A bid was awarded to In Site Design Group to create a Parks Master Plan.
- A conditional use permit was given to Walmart allowing them to stage certain items outside during the months of March through October. These include flowers, trees, barbecues, and bikes.
- The Municipal Wastewater Planning Program was adopted.
- An amendment to the Lone Peak Public Safety District was adopted allowing the mayor to appoint any member of the Council to the board on an annual basis, instead of requiring each member of the board to serve for a period of four years.
- Approval of a reconfiguration of the baseball diamond at Heiselts Hollow so that it can also be used by girls softball teams. This consists of removing the grass in the diamond and replacing it with dirt.

Spring is right around the corner, which means our pressurized irrigation system will soon be energized. We've had a great winter with regards to water, but water conservation should still be on our minds. Installing smart controllers and scheduling free water checks can help with our conservation goals. For more information, visit jenneyrees.wordpress.com.

Classes on Plants and Soils

This popular series of free classes with Dr. Dianne Farner held every third Wednesday continues **April 19** from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the community center. No registration required. April's class will address lawn care. Detailed information about each class is available on the city's website.

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The city's 2016 Drinking Water Quality Report is linked in this month's paperless billing and may also be viewed on the city's website. The report informs consumers of the water quality and services delivered by the city every day. We are pleased to report that our drinking water meets Federal and State requirements. If you wish to receive a printed copy of this report, please contact the city office.

Looking Forward to Family Festival 2017

Mark your calendars! Family Festival will run Tuesday, May 30, through Saturday, June 3. Our hometown parade will be on Saturday morning with Rhonda Bromley, principal at Lone Peak High School, as grand marshal. Advance discounted tickets for the swim night, Friday night dinner, and carnival will be available online and at the city office. Visit cedarhills.org/festival for the latest festival news and information.

Plant a Tree; Win a Prize!

Celebrate Arbor Day on April 28 by planting a tree! The first 25 people who send a photo of themselves planting a tree on or before Arbor Day this year will receive two free admission tickets to Thanksgiving Point Gardens, generously donated by Thanksgiving Point. Limit: two tickets per household. Please send photos to Laurie Petersen at lpetersen@cedarhills.org. Trees must be planted on private property only. Cedar Hills is a distinguished member of Tree City USA and continually focuses on the benefits of planting and caring for trees.

Youth City Council Application Deadline

Students in grades 9 through 12 can submit the application online through **May 25** at: cedarhills.org/youth-city-council. The new 2017-18 YCC session begins in June.

Jr. Jazz Playoff Champions

Meet the Cedar Hills 2017 Jr. Jazz playoff champions who won their games held on March 18. Way to go!



7th grade team, back left: Coach Rick Stewart, Isaac Bonner, Joe Brown, Jeff Lewis, Carson Bennett, Coach Darrin Simmons. Front from left: Jason Stewart, Kaden Franck, Janson Call, Jackson Brady, Mark Simmons.



8th-9th grade team, from left: Coach Cameron Stewart, Eric Nielson, Cameron McClellan, Dallin Richards, Tyson Stewart, Griffin Hessing, James Palmer, Austin Wallace.

T-Ball Registration Continues

T-ball for boys and girls, ages four and five. Each child bats every inning and plays in the outfield. Games played twice a week, beginning the last week of May through the end of June. Register online **until May 15**, or until the teams are full. Cost per child is \$25.



NEW! Coach-Pitch Baseball

For boys and girls ages six and seven. This is the next league after the T-ball program. Each child will bat every inning and play in the field. Games played two days per week on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday evenings. The season begins the first week of June and runs through the end of June. **Register online before May 7.**

Computer Camps for Kids

Hey, kids, ages 7 to 14! We're offering computer camps in June. Dive into the exciting world of computer coding and game design. Register now! Get all the information at: cedarhills.org/coding.

Lacrosse League for Boys, Grades 3-8

Cedar Hills Recreation partners with Central Utah Youth Lacrosse. Six-game season played on Saturdays. Games begin June 18. Optional training classes available with LPHS lacrosse coach for additional fee. All other information and registration is available on the city's website.

Free Golf for Week of Silver Star Day

The city wishes to honor all military personnel, including veterans, with a free round of golf at the Cedar Hills Golf Club during the week of Silver Star Day. Complimentary green fees for nine holes are available May 1-3. Carts not included. Please bring military I.D.

Miss Marisa's Story Time

Meet us by the fireplace in the Vista Room on April 19 and May 17 for stories, singing, and art with Marisa Wright. Story Time is held in the Cedar Hills community center, 10640 N Clubhouse Drive, at 11:00 a.m.

Free Lego Gear Car Workshop for Kids

This free workshop is an introduction to transmissions and gears for kids ages 5 to 12 to make a car that races across the room. Join the fun on Thursday, May 18, from 4:30 to 6:00 in the community center, lower level. Free registration at REC1.com. Questions? Contact Brie at 720-515-7309 or brianna@play-well.org.

Easter Egg-stravaganza for Children, 10 & Under

The Youth City Council presents an Easter Egg Hunt for children 10 and under on **Saturday, April 15**. Begins promptly at 11:00am at Heritage Park in Cedar Hills. The plastic eggs will be recycled. Bring your cameras for pictures with the Easter Bunny. Come, join the fun!

Teen Candy Hunt for Kids, 11-13

The Youth City Council presents a Teen Candy Hunt for kids ages 11-13. Bring a flashlight, headlamp, basket, bag, or bucket (and your friends), for hunting on the Cedar Hills driving range, weather permitting. Meet at the community center on **April 15 by 8:30pm**. The hunt begins promptly at 8:30. After the hunt, there will be a youth party in the recreation center until 10:00 pm.

Youth Present *School of Rock The Musical*

Cedar Hills Youth Theater presents the Utah premier of Andrew Lloyd Webber's new Broadway musical **SCHOOL OF ROCK!** Show times are April 13-15, and 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Valentine Theater in American Fork, located on the campus of the Utah State Developmental Center. Doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$5/adults, \$3/students, and children under 3 are free. Tickets sold at the door or online at www.showtix4u.com. The kids have worked very hard since January to be ready for the show!

Next Session of Karate Classes Begins April 24

Karate classes for children ages 6-12, various levels. Online registration available at cedarhills.org.

Summer Bowling Lessons for Kids

Cedar Hills Recreation, in partnership with Jack & Jill Lanes, offers bowling lessons for boys and girls. Six weekly lessons with two games, instruction, and shoe rental are all included in the \$40 registration fee. The six, two-hour lessons will be held on Mondays at 2:00 p.m. beginning July 10 at Jack & Jill Lanes, 105 South 700 East, American Fork. Register at cedarhills.org/bowling.

Great Attendance at Preparedness Event

Thank you to everyone who attended the multi-city family preparedness event last month. Well over 550 people attended and contributed to its success. The city has actively focused on citywide preparedness since 2010, progressing with The Year of Emergency Preparedness in 2011, and building momentum to the fifth annual town hall event last month. We appreciate our wonderful residents who are anxious to learn and share their knowledge and expertise. If you have a company that focuses on preparedness and would like to be considered as a vendor for next year's event, please contact Laurie Petersen at: lpetersen@cedarhills.org.