



CEDAR HILLS

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Upcoming Events

City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Nov 13
Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Nov 14
Town Hall Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Nov 15
City Offices Closed for November Holidays	Nov 12, 22 & 23

City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then ext. number:
Front Desk, 100
City Recorder, 503
Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500
Business Licensing, 504
Building Dept, 200
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Public Works After Hours, 420-2243
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Mayor's Minute

In the fall of 1621, starving and weak pilgrims and puritans gave thanks to their creator for giving them a bountiful feast and the opportunity for a new life in this grand country. Almost 400 years later, we will celebrate and give thanks to our creator this month as we enjoy Thanksgiving and the wonderful blessings and opportunities we have been given as Americans.

I truly relish the last Thursday in November, as it is replete with great food and recreation with my family. Each year a "Turkey Bowl" football game is played with my brothers and friends, followed by watching a real football game or two and enjoying the best meal of the year. Americans have much to be grateful for this year, as we have weathered probably the most difficult economic era of our lives. We look forward with a bright hope that things will now get better.

Part of the Thanksgiving Day celebration we recognize was enjoyed prior to the famous 1621 event by Native Americans and Europeans. They would give thanks for a bountiful harvest, but also it was a time to ask God for a good spring to plant the next year's crops. I think as a city and country, we are doing much of the same. We have experienced much difficulty and may still have tough times ahead, but we are working through our problems, and for that I am grateful. Like many of you I am thankful for a wonderful family and many friends, who bless me and my wife and family; but, at the same time, I recognize that life doesn't come without challenges for us or our society. Our city has had its issues, as all cities do, but I am optimistic about the future and so grateful for all that you do. I am constantly humbled by the kind words and the willingness from so many of you to contribute to the success of our city. I am confident that we will see the bounty of those efforts in the years to come.

Enjoy your turkey and fixings with your families this month, as we all, who live in this beautiful area, have so much to be grateful for.



Mayor Gary Gygi

Mayor Gygi offers residents time to chat

Mayor Gygi will be available to speak with residents every Thursday from 8 to 10am. Anyone wishing to speak with Mayor Gygi may find him at the Public Safety Building (fire station), 3925 W. Cedar Hills Drive, in the basement office, which is accessible only by the outside stairs located on the east side of the building. The Mayor may be contacted anytime by e-mail or phone (see page 3).

Light Up Cedar Hills

This year we will have a "Light Up Cedar Hills" contest. Members of the Beautification, Recreation, Parks and Trails Committee will drive around the City on December 19 – 21 to determine the most impressive light displays for the holidays. Five winners will be selected and announced in the January newsletter. If you would like your house to be considered, please contact the City's Front Desk. Let's "Light Up Cedar Hills"!

Family Christmas Event

On December 10 at 7:00pm the City will host its first annual Christmas event at the Community Recreation Center. Join us for hot cocoa and a visit from Santa. More information will be provided in the December newsletter and on the City's Facebook page and Web site.

FrontRunner South Opens December 10

UTA has re-designed its local bus service to create a fully integrated bus/rail transit system for its customers going to Salt Lake City. Specific bus route and train schedules will be posted at www.rideuta.com 30 days prior to the FrontRunner South grand opening on December 10. For more details, including a summary of the upcoming service changes, please go to www.letsrideuta.com. UTA may also be contacted at 1-888-RIDE-UTA (1-888-743-3882). UTA would like input from residents concerning a bus stop near the CH Walmart.



Happy birthday, Cedar Hills - You're 35 years old!

Cedar Hills was incorporated as a town on November 2, 1977. At that time there were 31 occupied homes. Town Council meetings encouraged concern regarding sufficient water supply for the future, encouragement from the Council to adhere to high building standards and wise planning, and discussion about hiring a part-time secretary and establishing regular office hours. Other issues addressed during that time were: police protection, water wells, street maintenance, and the crushing plant at the mouth of American Fork Canyon.

Cedar Hills was recognized as a City of the Third Class on August 3, 1999. (The classification was later changed to fifth class,

which is now based on a population between 1,000 and 10,000.) Based on the number of boundary adjustments and building permits issued since the 2010 census, the population is currently estimated to be 9,889 with 2,464 residential dwellings, making 4.01 individuals per household.

The City has enjoyed some significant growth in its commercial district during the past several years and now has three public buildings. The community is nestled at the mouth of American Fork Canyon on a mountain bench, which provides an impressive view of Utah Valley. The City offers an extensive pedestrian trail system, which links its many parks and open spaces.

STORM WATER TIP—You Can Make a Difference!

It's time to think about environmentally friendly ways to control ice on residential pavements. Traction agents, such as sand, kitty litter, and ashes, help prevent slipping on ice, but don't melt it, and they 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 City's pressurized irrigation system has been winterized. Leave the shut-off valve in the "open" position for a time to allow for proper drainage of the system. Each irrigation system must be completely drained to prevent damage to the system's components, caused by frozen water inside the pipes and valves. Prior to the system being energized in the spring, close your individual shut-off valve to prevent damage to sprinkler heads during the energizing process.

WINTER REMINDERS

Slow Down: Give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination and allow extra stopping distance. The City strives to ensure that the roads are safe for travel, but road conditions are continually changing. Be patient, watch for pedestrians in the school zones, and drive carefully.

No Street Parking: Keeping the roadway clear of additional vehicles increases safety for other drivers and reduces obstructions during snow removal. If there are cars parked on a road during snow removal operations, the street may not get plowed due to an increased risk for damage and collision. Street parking is prohibited:

- When snow is falling
- When there is a visible amount of snow on the street
- When the street has not been plowed since the last snowfall
- 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

Shovel Sidewalks: Please make sure that the sidewalks along your property have been shoveled to allow safe travel of pedestrians. Snow from sidewalks or driveways should not be placed in the road; it should be placed on your property.

Snow Plows: Please maintain a safe driving distance from snow plows. When plows are removing snow, it may create 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 plow room to do its job.

Message Board

City Offices Closing for Nov. Holidays

The City offices will close for Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 12, and the Thanksgiving holiday, Nov. 22 and 23. Garbage pick up 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.

Recycling Old Phone Books

Residents with curbside recycling service are asked to recycle old books in the blue toter. Others may drop the book off at the City offices or place it in the GreenFiber recycling receptacle behind the Fire Station on Cedar Hills Drive.

Got green waste?

Green Waste is accepted at no charge at Timpanogos Special Service District (sewer plant), located at 6400 N. 5050 W., Utah County (just off the I-15 PG Exit #275). Green waste is also accepted at the North Pointe landfill (2000 W. 200 S., Lindon), but there is a charge of \$4 for "clean" waste and \$7 for green waste with trash mixed in. Cedar Hills households may obtain two free "dump passes" (good for \$7 each) from the City office for North Pointe. These passes are also good for garbage loads.

Street Light Maintenance

If you see a street light that isn't working properly (not turning on at night; remaining on during the day; flickering or cycling on and off; broken lens), please contact the City to report the problem. The City owns and maintains about half of the existing lights, with Rocky Mountain Power responsible for the rest. The City's Public Works Department will either service the light or request the repair through Rocky Mountain Power. To request street light service, contact Public Works at 801-785-9668, ext. 202, or publicworks@cedarhills.org.

Receive Agendas for Public Meetings

Public meeting agendas and notices are posted at the City office and may also be viewed on the City's Web site. But if you would like to receive agendas and notices by e-mail, please send your name and e-mail information to: frontdesk@cedarhills.org. You will receive information on how to set that service up with the State.

Park Restrooms

The City's park restrooms have been winterized to prevent damage from frozen water lines. The restroom facilities will be re-opened for use in April.

City Council Corner

Jenney Rees, City Council Member

Website and Facebook

Just a reminder that the City's website has a section called "Council Corner," which contains information and messages from the City Council. We encourage residents to visit the website frequently to receive important updates. We also encourage residents to "like" the City's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/cedarhillsutah to receive information about the City.

Upcoming Town Hall Meeting

The Golf Course Finance Advisory Committee has completed their research and will be presenting their findings at a town hall meeting on Thursday, November 15, at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Recreation Center. Over the past several months this ad hoc committee, consisting of Cedar Hills residents, has gone through every aspect of the golf course financials and has created a comprehensive analysis, which shows where the golf course is financially, and has developed recommendations for the future. Residents are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

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Burning in Backyard Fire Pits Now Permitted

After a summer of fireworks and open fire pit restrictions, as of October 1 open fires in approved backyard fire pits are now permitted. Fire pits must be 36 inches or less in circumference, and the height of the flame cannot exceed 24 inches from the ground. Additionally, only raw, natural fuels may be burned (no building materials, tires, furniture, or any manufactured items). Charcoal is okay. Open fires in open spaces are still not permitted. Approved fireworks (only those that the State legally mandates and only on the legal dates) will be allowed on Chinese New Year and New Years Eve.

Dial 2-1-1 to receive referrals for essential services

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember phone number connecting the public quickly to essential community services. In Utah 2-1-1 is operated by United Way of Utah County. Individuals and families receive referrals to non-profit and government agencies for such services as: emergency food pantries, utility assistance, health and dental care, child care and youth resources, government services, tax assistance and legal aid, and behavioral and substance abuse.

CH Resident Inducted into Hall of Fame

Lone Peak boys basketball coach and Cedar Hills resident Quincy Lewis is known in Utah for his successful high school program, but on the other end of the country he's also known for his accomplishments as a player. On October 27 in New York, Lewis was inducted into the Wagner College Athletics Hall of Fame. He played for the Seahawks during his final two years of eligibility, from 1991-1993. At the induction ceremony, Lewis was presented by his former coach at Wagner, Tim Capstraw. "Quincy Lewis is the most impressive athlete I've ever been around," Capstraw said later in an interview. "There are more talented players, but not a person with all the qualities necessary to be successful. He exuded that type of character and leadership," Capstraw said. We're proud of you, Coach Lewis!

The Charleston

The Charleston Senior Living Center at Cedar Hills is more than a beautiful building; it's home to some of the community's most accomplished residents. Each resident at The Charleston has their own unique story—everything from a costume designer for Ballet West, to a personal friend of John F. Kennedy, to a piano player who has accompanied Frank Sinatra. The Charleston really is full of amazing individuals. "I love all the different personalities here," said Alex, a CNA. "Each resident has so much knowledge to share."



The residents of The Charleston believe in giving back to the Cedar Hills community. They recently held a root beer float social, where over 300 community members attended, and a motorcycle show, where everyone voted for their favorite. They also held a drive to collect school supplies for Cedar Ridge Elementary School.

The Charleston is an assisted living community, where residents can maintain as much independence as they like, but can receive as much assistance as they need. The pursuit of the center is to be the senior living provider of choice in Utah County. "I couldn't ask for a better place to live," said Jean, a resident at the center for the past seven years.

The staff at The Charleston would like to thank the City of Cedar Hills for letting them be part of this wonderful community. The Charleston is open to visitors and would like to invite everyone to come and visit with their residents and learn how the center can exceed the quality, service, and care expectations of those they serve. Call any time: 801-772-0123.



Resident Feedback on Facebook

The City has begun to use its Facebook page to solicit feedback from residents on a variety of topics. If you haven't already done so, please "like" our Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/cedarhillsutah.

"I have a question...."

Q: What is the black material being dumped on the hillside above Sage Vista Lane?

A: The Public Works Department is cleaning the silt and algae from the pressurized irrigation reservoir. This material is being placed on the rocky slope to assist with and promote the growth of vegetation, which is desirable in this area for erosion control. Native plant seed and fertilizer has also been placed on the slope as part of a volunteer service project.



If you have a City-related question or comment that you would like addressed in a future edition of the City newsletter, simply e-mail your question to: frontdesk@cedarhills.org with the words "I have a question" in the subject line.

Jr. Jazz Basketball

We are excited for another great season of basketball! Junior Jazz allows boys and girls to develop skills and learn good sportsmanship while having fun. Registration runs through Dec. 7 and is available at the City office or from the City's home page Recreation Programs tab. There is no additional fee for non-residents. The season begins Jan. 5 and continues through approximately March 9.



Join the Cedar Hills Ski Bus!

The Ski Bus will go up to Snowbird on three Saturdays: January 5, 12, and 26. Lessons are available for both skiers and boarders. All levels are encouraged to sign up. Cost for the three sessions, including transportation and a scarf, is \$175. You must **register in person** at the Cedar Hills City Office, located at 10246 N Canyon Road. Chaperones are needed and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Chap-

erones receive a lift ticket at no charge. Registrations will be accepted until the bus is filled. Non-residents are welcome at no additional cost!

Fitness Classes

A variety of fitness classes are being offered at the Community Recreation Center, 10640 N. Clubhouse Drive. Participants may purchase an unlimited-use monthly pass for \$15 or a 10-punch pass card for \$25. **Visit the City's website weekly to view any changes to the fitness class schedule and to purchase the passes.** Classes offered with the passes include: Zumba, Pump, Cardio, Zumbatomic, ZumbaCore, Yoga, Pilates, Muscle, KidFit, Yogilates, FusionFitness, and Kickboxing. Dance and Karate classes must be registered for separately online from the City's website.

Fitness Classes Winter Break

We will take a break from all fitness classes beginning Monday, December 17, through January 1. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 2. Please check the City's website for the most up-to-date fitness class schedule and to register for the classes.

Donations for Santa's Workshop

Next month the Youth City Council will run its fifth annual Santa's Workshop—a toy drive, which helps Cedar Hills families in need. Last year's effort was a great success and helped brighten the Christmas mornings of over 20 Cedar Hills families. To help, the YCC asks for your donations of new or gently used toys, games, books, stuffed animals, gift cards, or cash. Please bring these items to the City office at 10246 N Canyon Road to help make this program a success once again!



Volunteers Needed for Utah First® Lego® League

The Cedar Hills Community Services Department will host the Utah First® Lego® League competition on January 12, 2013, from 8AM to 3PM. We are in need of volunteers to assist as referees and judges. No experience is necessary. All volunteers will receive a free T-shirt, and lunch will be provided. If you are interested or have any questions please e-mail Nicole Allen at nallen@cedarhills.org or call 801-785-9668 ext. 302.

The Grill makes you SMILE!

Bring your family and friends to the Cedar Hills Grill at the Community Recreation Center, 10640 N. Clubhouse Drive, for delicious burgers and sandwiches, salads, fries, onion rings, ice cream, and more. The grill will be open from approximately 11 to 7 on Mondays through Saturdays and 10 to 2 on Sundays. Download a special coupon to save \$1 off on any combo meal for up to four people at: www.cedarhills.org/grill, or come to the City office for a coupon.



LPHS to present *White Christmas*

Here's a perfect way to start the holidays! Lone Peak High School presents Irving Berlin's *White Christmas* November 12-17, 19-20, at 7:00 p.m. with a matinee on Saturday, November 17, at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are available online only at showtix4u.com. For more information, call Becky Hoggard at 801-492-0335.



Elementary Band for 5th & 6th Graders Coming to Cedar Hills

Richard Bateman, the Mountain Ridge Jr. High band teacher, is starting an elementary school band for Cedar Hills 5th and 6th graders. The band will meet at Deerfield Elementary after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting Nov. 6, at 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Mr. Bateman invites all Cedar Hills 5th and 6th graders, including those in charter and private schools, to join the band. For more information and to register your child visit: www.mrjhbands.org.

Emergency medical kits make thoughtful gifts

Safe Community USA, a nonprofit public service program, and Lone Peak Emergency Medical Services are offering emergency medical kits at cost. For every kit purchased, Lone Peak EMS receives \$5 to help purchase needed medical equipment and emergency medical training. The Citizen Kit (for home or auto), valued at \$95, is available for \$42.55 (tax included). Also available is a Police Car Kit, which includes everything in the citizen kit, as well as larger trauma dressings, EMT shears, and a full CPR pocket face mask. In addition, there is a Family/Group Kit available. For a complete list of the contents of all three kits, go to:

www.safecommunityusa.com. The Citizen Kit (\$42.55) is available at the Cedar Hills offices. The Police Car and Family/Group kits may be ordered online at Safe Community USA/Lone Peak or by calling 801-794-0757. An additional cost for shipping will apply if ordered online.



Happy Thanksgiving