



City Council Article J. Scott Bracken – District #2

DUI CHECKPOINT IN COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS

On June 8, Cottonwood Heights Police Department conducted a DUI checkpoint at 7900 S. Highland Dr. from 10 p.m. until 3 a.m. While I was standing on site and observing the operation of the checkpoints, a variety of comments and attitudes were evident, everything from cheers for taking the time to do the check to expletive-laced comments on police services in general. Many questions get asked about these types of operations, and I hope to be able to answer some of them in this article.

DUI checkpoints are organized according to protocol which is established by statute. The first step is to obtain a signed warrant to conduct the checkpoint. Within the warrant a magistrate will dictate what types of screening may be done—typically, it’s a check for valid license and registration. The warrant also requires that statistics be kept as to how many vehicles traverse the checkpoint, how many are stopped, wait/delay times, and total arrests made in order to ensure that the preservation of individual rights and

the public interest in safe roads are balanced.

In order to accomplish the mandates in the warrant, CHPD designed and implemented a plan that ensured the safety of the public and officers during the operation. Traffic control signs and lighting were put up to alert drivers of a checkpoint ahead. Traffic was organized into three lanes: one for bypass traffic (those not stopped or checked), an eight-vehicle capacity screening lane, and a third lane used to detain any car that was unable to produce documentation that complied with the warrant or for which there was probable cause for the officer to investigate other violations. CHPD also prepared appropriate on-site facilities to process suspected DUI violations. A K-9 unit was on call if needed for drug investigations, and towing operators were on call to remove any vehicles that had to be impounded.

During the June 8 operation, 1,314 vehicles travelled southbound on Highland Drive through the

checkpoint. Of those 1,314 vehicles, 563 (42.8%) vehicles were screened for current license and registration, and 85 of those vehicles (15%) were detained for various reasons, such as the inability to locate vehicle registration promptly, expired registration, or probable cause for other violations.

From the 85 detained vehicles, 23 arrests were made. Sixteen CHPD officers, one CHPD civilian employee, and four Utah Highway Patrol officers staffed the checkpoint for a total of 106 man hours, and overtime was paid through a grant from the Utah Department of Public Safety. All of this work was in addition to the regular patrol services in the city by CHPD.

A common concern about checkpoints is the delay of traffic through an area. During this checkpoint, 761 vehicles bypassed all screening, so their delay was no more than you would experience with road work or a traffic accident requiring traffic lanes to be limited.

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Some Reminders About Popular Mountview Park

Since Mountview Park opened in May, its splash pad, playgrounds and sports courts have become a featured attraction in our area. We welcome the people that have flocked to our city to enjoy this new amenity.

However, the park is also in danger of being loved to death unless everyone does their part to keep the park clean and undamaged. Park rules have been posted on signage around the park, but we’d also like to remind users of the following items:

- Groups are allowed to reserve the pavilion and the tennis courts, and those people with reservations have first priority, even if other groups were there first. If you’d like information on how to make reservations, please call the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center at 801-943-3190 ext. 0.
- The splash pad and the playgrounds may not be reserved.
- When using the pavilion, please make arrangements to carry your trash out with you. Though the park has several trash cans available, they are being overwhelmed by the heavy use.
- Please look around as you leave and make sure you don’t leave trash behind in the park, especially around the sports courts.

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The demonstration gardens at the south end of Mountview Park are finished and open to the public. The city would like to thank the Garden Club of Cottonwood for their generous donation which helped make the park a reality





2012 FIREWORK SAFETY TIPS



Asst. Chief Mike Watson

Using consumer fireworks on our nation's birthday is as American as apple pie, backyard barbecues and parades on Main Street. And it can be equally safe if a few common sense rules are followed.

Due to extensive testing of consumer fireworks in China through the American Fireworks Standards Laboratory and other testing programs and rigorous enforcement of federal fireworks regulations by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, consumer fireworks today are safer than ever before.

However, it is important to remember that fireworks-related accidents do occur each year and that most could be eliminated if some basic safety steps are taken.

The National Council on Fireworks Safety offers these safety tips for using consumer fireworks in the hopes that property damage and injuries to consumers can be greatly reduced this season:

- Parents and caretakers should always closely supervise teens if they are using fireworks.
- Parents should not allow young children to handle or use fireworks.
- Fireworks should only be used outdoors.
- Always have water ready if you are shooting fireworks.
- Know your fireworks. Read the caution label before igniting.
- Obey local laws. If fireworks are not legal where you live, do not use them.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix.

- Wear safety glasses whenever using fireworks.
- Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.
- Soak spent fireworks with water before placing them in an outdoor garbage can.
- Avoid using homemade fireworks or illegal explosives. They can kill you!
- Report illegal explosives like M-80s and quarter sticks to the fire or police department.

And note these special safety tips if using sparklers:

- Always remain standing while using sparklers.
- Never hold a child in your arms while using sparklers.
- Never hold, or light, more than one sparkler at a time.
- Never throw sparklers.
- Sparkler wire and stick remain hot long after the flame has gone out. Be sure to drop spent sparklers in a bucket of water.
- Teach children not to wave sparklers, or run, while holding sparklers.

Unified Fire Authority urges everyone to follow these common sense safety rules this season during their holiday celebrations.

Information provided by www.FireworksSafety.org

City Amends Special Events Ordinance

It's summertime, and lots of residents are planning or participating in outdoor parties, local concerts and 5k runs. If you are the event organizer, we want to remind you that the city council recently amended the special events ordinance, and if your event includes any public streets or property, you will need to get a special events permit.

According to the city code, a special event is defined as an event that takes place on public property such as city streets, parks or schools. These can include block parties, athletic events or entertainment.

If your event qualifies as a special event, you are required to get a special event permit from the city, and permit applications must be received at least 30 days prior to the event.

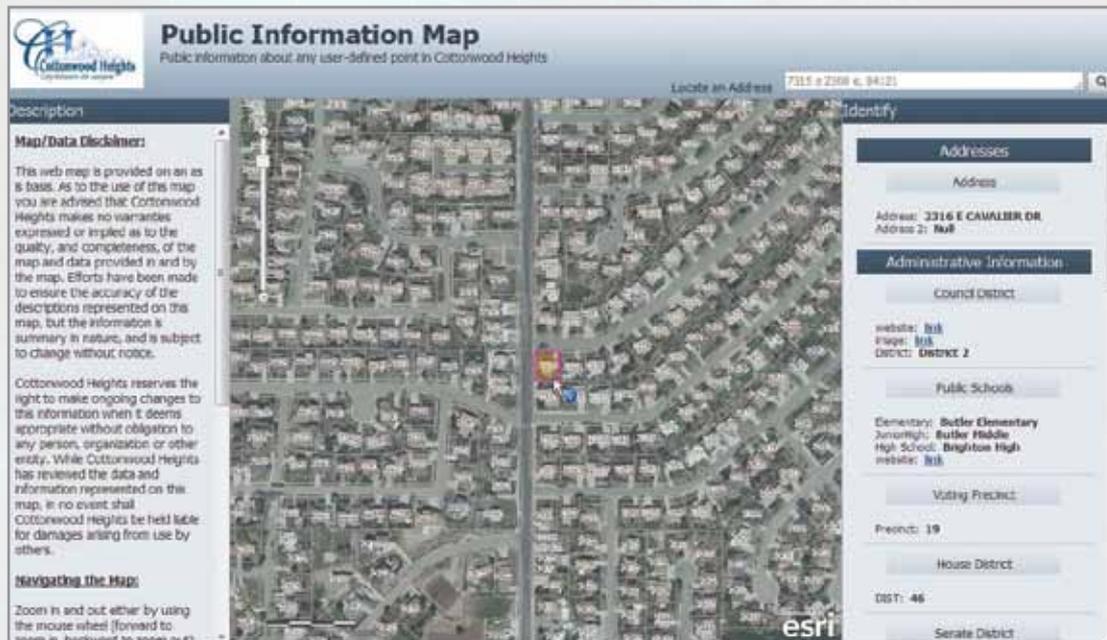
For more information on the special event application process--and applicable fees, if any--please call the city offices at 801-944-7020.

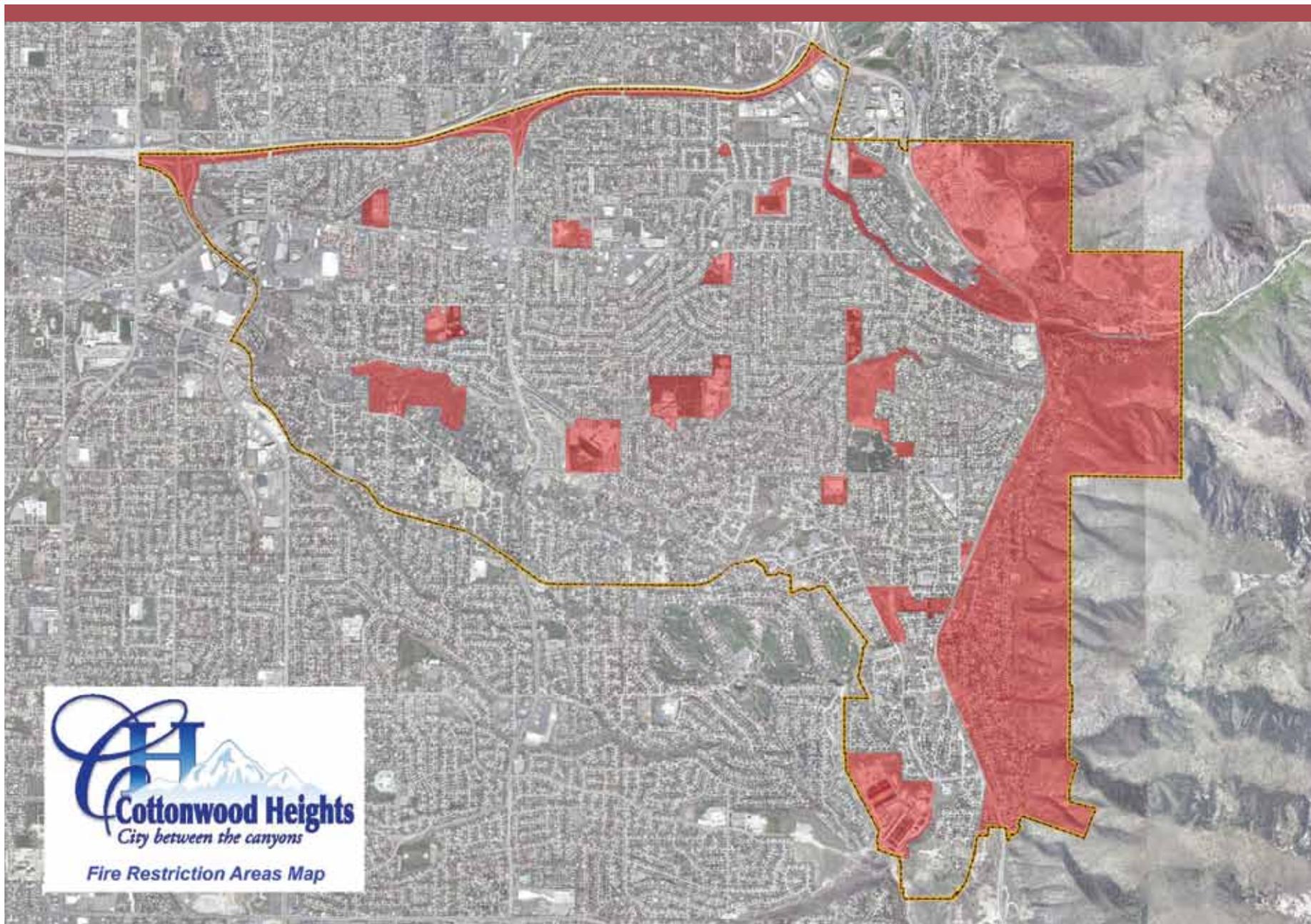
TECH CORNER

The Map of the Month for July is the "City Information Map," which can be found at www.ch.utah.gov/maps.main.html. Use the sliding scale in the upper left corner or the rolling wheel on your mouse to zoom into the map. Then use the mouse to pan across the city by clicking and holding and moving the mouse to traverse the map. You can also type an address into the "Locate an Address" search tool located at the top right

of the map and have the GIS locate and zoom to that address. If you click on the map, public information about that point will be displayed in the "Identify" pane located on the right side of the screen.

We hope this web application is useful to you. If you have any questions or suggestions about this web mapping application please feel free to email Kevin Sato at ksato@ch.utah.gov





City Council Votes To Increase Fireworks Restrictions

On June 26, the Cottonwood Heights City Council voted to approve Ordinance 191, which restricts the use of fireworks on or over any public property such as parks and schools. These restrictions augment existing restrictions on fires and fireworks in wildland interface areas such as the foothills east of Wasatch Boulevard and Crestwood Park.

In mid-June, Governor Gary Herbert asked counties and municipalities throughout the state to take any legally viable steps toward prohibiting the use of fireworks in areas that were susceptible to wildfire. Though the city council could

not ban all use of fireworks under existing Utah law, they tightened fireworks restrictions in certain areas not already covered in the municipal code.

On July 1, a state law will go into effect allowing for further restrictions in areas of heavy brush or trees, based on recommendations from city fire officials. The city council may choose to take more extensive restrictive measures at that time.

Also, with the help of police, public works personnel and staff from the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center, the city is taking steps to increase awareness of potentially fire-prone areas in the city by posting signs in

fireworks-restricted areas.

Just as a reminder, the legal time period for using fireworks in Utah this year is July 1 through July 7 and July 21 through July 27. People who use fireworks outside that time frame or use fireworks in restricted areas can be charged with a class B misdemeanor.

Please see the attached map for a complete list of all restricted areas as of June 30. Residents with questions can call the city offices at 801-944-7000.

For years, Christina Callahan has volunteered her time and talents to the city as an advisor to the Cottonwood Heights Youth City Council. We are saddened to hear that this is her last year as YCC advisor.

During her time as an advisor, Christina focused her efforts on helping the YCC's social officer and worked tirelessly to help plan events such as Dinner with the Mayor and Meet the Candidates Night. She also helped significantly with the USU Leadership Conference display materials,

Thank You, Christina



which showcased YCC's accomplishments to other youth council members from around the state.

Councilman Scott Bracken, the city council's YCC liaison, said Christina's biggest strengths were her creativity, her enthusiasm and her willingness to do whatever it took to make things happen.

Christina has truly been an asset to the youth of the community, and her presence will be sorely missed. The city wishes her the best of luck in her next adventure!



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For the drivers whose vehicles were screened, the minimum delay was 61 seconds and the longest delay was 106 seconds, leading to an overall average of 97 seconds. To put this into context, the wait times at the Highland Drive and Fort Union intersection during a normal afternoon commute range from 63.4 seconds (eastbound traffic) to 119.9 seconds (southbound traffic). I find it admirable that CHPD was able to conduct a checkpoint and keep delays shorter than what a driver would experience during a typical commute at a single intersection.

Why does Cottonwood Heights conduct DUI checkpoints? The short answer is that they work. Last month's checkpoint resulted in 23 arrests,

and nine were within the first 90 minutes! An average of one in every 58 vehicles had a driver arrested because of a legally punishable offense at the wheel that night! I'd guess that most of us would encounter hundreds if not thousands of fellow drivers on a typical Friday night outing, and the results of this checkpoint indicate that a number of those drivers are impaired.

I believe that anything we can do to discourage impaired driving through education, publicity, and operations such as DUI checkpoints is time well spent. Fortunately for our community, we'll never know if any of those 23 arrests on June 8 prevented a traffic accident, injury or death.

Planning Commission Approves Corporate Center Project

On June 6, the Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission approved a conditional use permit for the Cottonwood Corporate Center Southwest Project by a vote of four to three. The project plans include two office buildings totaling 250,000 square feet and a two-level structured parking area on an 8.85-acre parcel in Cottonwood Corporate Center at 2750, 2770, and 2800 E. Cottonwood Parkway.

Because the site of the project borders the Mill Hollow single-family residential neighborhood, many residents voiced concerns that the plans for the property were too intense and inconsistent with the original intent presented by a related developer almost 20 years ago. The major concerns related to the height of the buildings and the parking structure. Other concerns were also expressed, most of which were addressed by mitigations made part of the conditional use permit granted by the planning commission.

After studying the matter for several months and consulting the city attorney as well as expert land-use attorneys, the planning commission determined that although they could impose mitigations on the project, they were legally unable to require the developer to decrease the height of the office buildings or parking structure.

"In my opinion, the planning commission should have the right to limit the height of buildings permitted with a conditional use permit due to negative impacts such as aesthetics, noise, light pollution, etc. Unfortunately, case law on the subject does not support my opinion," said Planning Commissioner Lindsay Holt in a prepared statement before the vote.

"As I see it, the purpose of the planning commission is to act as a buffer between commercial developers and the community at large, and I'm very disappointed that we live in a state that often doesn't let us serve that purpose," she said. "If the public has issue, it should be with the state legislature that has tied our hands numerous times in the case of conditional use permits."

However, Holt also noted that though the planning commission could not place certain restrictions on the developer, the developer made

an effort to make the project less intrusive by placing the buildings and parking structure farther away from neighboring residences, relocating some of the parking underground, shielding the outdoor lighting, increasing landscape buffers and relocating trash enclosures.

"I hope that the neighbors have taken note of this and are considerate of the fact that there was an effort made by the applicant and staff to mitigate negative impacts resulting from the project," she said.

In approving the conditional use permit, the planning commission imposed approximately 48 separate conditions on the developer, as well as a construction mitigation plan totaling almost eight pages, in order to mitigate the adverse impacts of the project. The developer is required to meet all of these conditions as part of the approval received for proceeding.

The decision of the planning commission may be appealed to the city's board of adjustment within 30 days of the June 6 decision. When rendered, the decision of the board of adjustment may then be appealed to Third District Court. Absent an appeal, the project will move forward as proposed.

Interested In Serving On The Planning Commission?

The city is looking for a volunteer planning commissioner from District One. Interested applicants should send a letter of interest to City Manager Liane Stillman explaining their qualifications and why they would like to serve on the commission. Letters must be sent to lstillman@ch.utah.gov by July 16. More information about the planning commission can be found on the city's website, www.ch.utah.gov.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

All City Council business meetings are held in the council chambers, 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., Ste. 300. The work meetings are held in the conference room at the same address but in Ste. 250. The July meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, July 3rd**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, July 10th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **Tuesday, July 17th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, July 24th**
NO MEETING
BUTLERVILLE DAYS
- **Tuesday, July 31st**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting

HISTORICAL QUESTION

What Cottonwood Heights resident saved a four-year-old boy from drowning in a fast-moving and swollen irrigation ditch in Butler in 1952? *(Hint: he served as a Salt Lake County Commissioner.)*

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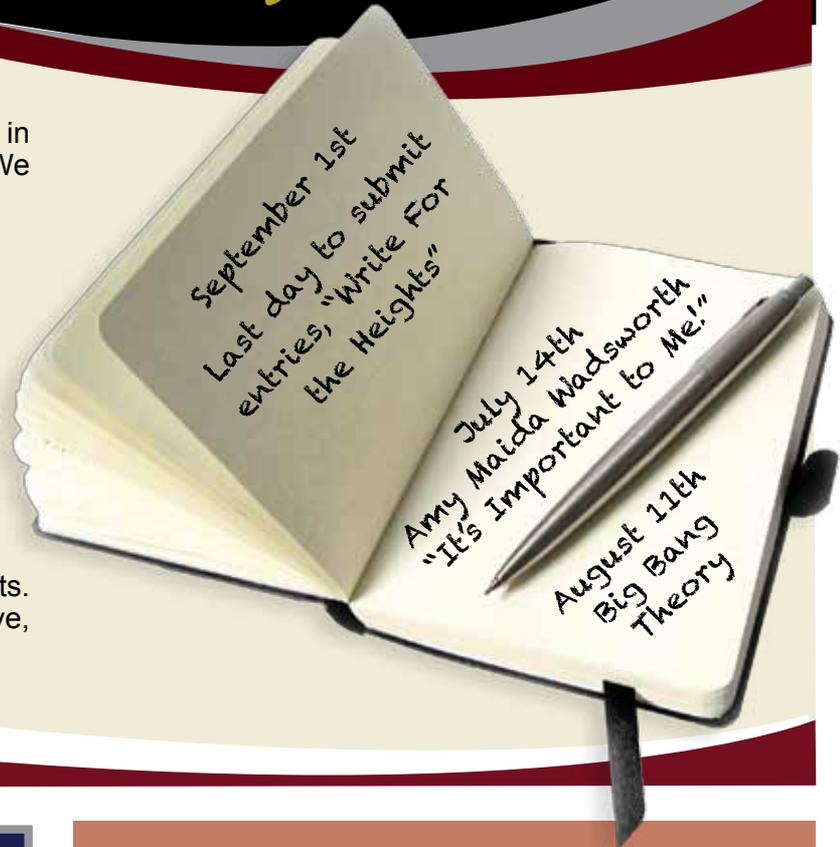
Write For the Heights

Many thanks to Paul Genesse for his fabulous class on creating conflict in fiction! Thirty-five people attended and benefitted from Paul's good advice. We also split into groups to discuss fiction that individuals were working on.

Two more free fiction writing classes will be offered this summer as part of our "Write for the Heights" program. On July 14, Amy Maida Wadsworth will teach a class called "It's Important to Me!" about why character viewpoint strengthens a story. Then on August 11, Amy will talk to writers about how to interest readers quickly in a class titled "The Big Bang Theory: Creating Great Beginnings."

Both classes will be held at Whitmore Library at 10:30 a.m. in the downstairs conference room.

Also, be sure to mark Sept. 1 on your calendar. That is the last day to submit entries to our "Write for the Heights" writing contest. Entry forms can be downloaded from the city website at www.ch.utah.gov/get_involved.arts.html. For more information on the contest or on the classes described above, e-mail amy.charts@gmail.com.



July 26, 27, 28, 30

7pm & Sat matinee

Brighton High School

Come be a part of the magic!

Tickets on sale now @ PDQ & The City Offices

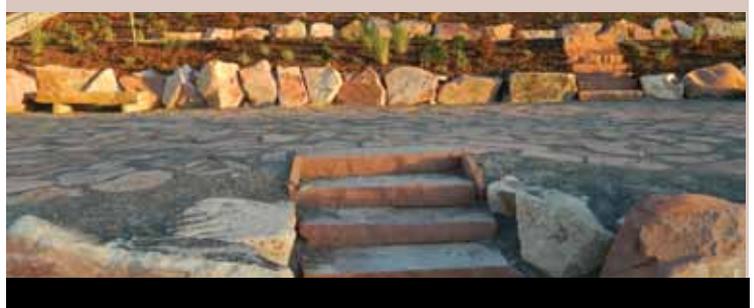
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- When using the splash pad, please be courteous to those who are walking the park paths. Place towels and personal items on the grassy areas, not on the sidewalks.
- Please keep pets on leash and under control while at the park. Pets are NOT allowed in the splash pad area.
- The park closes each evening at 10 p.m., and gates to the parking lot are closed. Cars left in the parking lot after 10 p.m. are at risk of being towed, so please plan ahead.
- If you walk to the park, please use appropriate street crossings. For your safety and the safety of motorists, do not jaywalk across Fort Union Boulevard.

Though Mountview has been open for a while, it is a new park and this is its first season. There are still a few glitches that the city planning department is working to fix, such as the signage in the park, irrigation of the grassy areas and so on. We are doing our best to make sure they are taken care of as quickly as possible. However, if there is something we've missed, please let us know by calling the city offices at 801-944-7000.

Enjoy Your Summer At The Park!



Celebrate with Cottonwood Heights



Tuesday, July 24th, 3-10 p.m. – Butler Park, 7500 S. 2700 E.,
Behind Cottonwood Heights Rec Center.

Children's Events

- 4:30 - 9:00 pm..... Children's Inflatables and Children's Mining Activity
Home Depot Kids Workshop
- 4:30 - 8:30 pm..... FREE Face Painting
Cutters Kids' Fire Course by UFA
- 5:00 - 8:00 pm..... FREE Balloon Animals
FREE Old Fashioned Games
(new game every half hour)

Teen Events

- 4:45 - 5:00 pm..... Registration for Balloon Toss
- 5:00 pm..... Balloon Toss
- 5:30 - 5:45 pm..... Registration for Frozen T-shirt Contest
- 5:45 pm..... Frozen T-shirt Contest
- 6:00 - 6:10 pm..... Registration for Balloon Popping Contest
- 6:10 pm..... Balloon Popping Contest
- 6:45 pm..... Watermelon Drop
- 7:00 - 7:15 pm..... Registration for Donut Eating Contest
- 7:15 pm..... Donut Eating Contest

Family Events

- 1:30 pm..... Parade Staging Begins
- 2:30 pm..... Kids' Bike Parade Staging Begins
- 3:00 pm..... Parade
Food Booths OPEN
- 3:00 - 7:00 pm..... Classic & Antique Car Show
(by Rockin' Hotrod Productions)
- 4:00 pm..... Ticket Sales Begin
- 4:00 - 8:30 pm..... CH City Historical Display
- 4:30 pm..... Registration for Pie Eating
(at Pie Eating Booth)
- 4:30 - 9:30 pm..... Mechanical Bull Ride
(\$5 same rider receive 2 consecutive rides)
- 5:00 - 8:00 pm..... Juggling Show and a Strolling Magician
(they will be walking around the park)
- 6:30 pm..... Pie Eating Contest
- 7:00 pm..... FREE Watermelon until gone
(provided by Dan's)
- 7:00 pm..... Announcement of Car Show Winners

ALL DAY ACTIVITIES

- 4:00 - 7:00 pm..... Milosports Skate Competition
- 4:00 - 9:00 pm..... Jousting
- 5:00 - 8:00 pm..... Henna Body Art
- 5:00 - 8:00 pm..... Photo Booth

On-Stage Entertainment

- 4:30 pm..... Ruby Chase
- 5:00 pm..... Johanna
- 5:30 pm..... Tri-Destiny
- 6:00 pm..... Argyle
- 7:00 pm..... Slaymaker – Hill
- 8:00 pm..... Cinderella Preview
- 8:30 pm..... Mayor's Announcements
- 8:30- 10:00 pm..... The Salamanders
- 9:40 pm..... FIREWORKS



Ticket Sales NEW

Wristbands
\$12.00 each or \$10.00 each with one-time purchase of 4 or more. *(Unlimited Inflatables and rock wall)*

Individual tickets - (\$.50)
Inflatables cost 1 ticket
Rock Wall costs 6 tickets (\$3)
Mechanical Bull costs 10 tickets (\$5)



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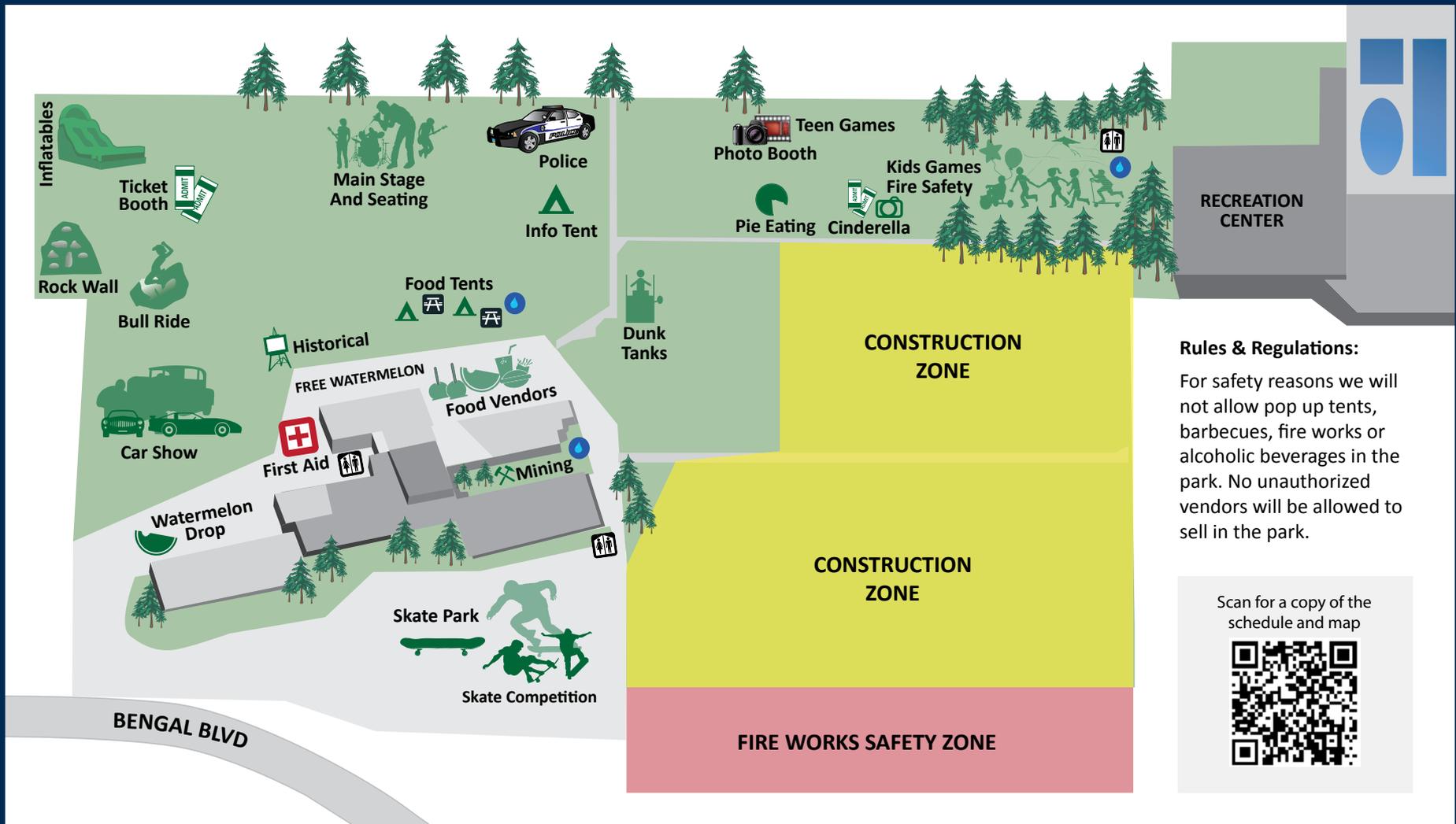
Scan for a copy of the schedule and map.



We want to know what you think and what your preferences are so that we can best serve you.

Article, "How Do You Mobile."





Emergency Fair Helps Residents Prepare



It's estimated that more than 750 residents attended the city's Emergency Preparedness Fair on June 23 at Mill Hollow Park. The fair was a joint effort between the cities of Cottonwood Heights and Holladay.

The event also attracted approximately 40 vendors whose products are focused on emergency preparedness. Attendees were able to explore "go kits," water purification systems, alternate power sources and cooking gadgets. Neighborhood Watch, CERT, and the Red Cross were also on hand to talk to people about their programs.

Thanks to everyone who attended and made this event a success!



How Do You Do Mobile?

During the last year, the city has sought to expand our online presence through Facebook, Twitter and an extensive redesign of the city website, ch.utah.gov. The goal is to reach out to as many people as possible in the platforms they use on a daily basis.

Recently, the city's IT committee has been discussing the best way to access the city website on mobile smart devices such as iPhones, Droids and tablets. Should we "mobile-enable" our site the way it is? Or should we create an app solely for city information?

This is where YOU, the user, come in!

We want to know what you think and what your preferences are so that we can best serve you. To that end, we've created a short survey on our website in order to gather your opinions. Just go to ch.utah.gov and click the survey button on the front page of the site. We'll also link it to Facebook and Twitter.

Thanks in advance for your input!

Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center



cottonwoodheights.com

New: 3 mo. membership



TENNIS: GET IN THE GAME

Adults/youth, all levels register online or in-person now for our summer tennis lessons, leagues, & tournaments.

SESSIONS BEGIN JULY 16 & AUG. 21

LEARN TO SWIM

All ages & levels learn to swim in our heated indoor or outdoor pools with our qualified instructors.

Sessions 3 & 4

Mornings or Afternoons
Begins July 9 & 25

Session 2

Saturdays
Begins July 14

Sessions 2 & 3

Evenings
Begins July 10 & 31

LEARN TO SKATE

Learn to ice skate at CHRC. Each lesson has 35 min. of instruction, 10 min. of FREE time, skate rental, & a FREE public session. All ages & abilities.

July Session

1-1:45pm or 6-6:45pm Mon. & Wed.

SESSION BEGINS JULY 9

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Cottonwood Heights Recreation

FREE MOVIE IN THE PARK

Activities start at 7pm, the movie at dusk---ALL FREE!!

July 13

Mill Hollow Park

2900 E. (6800 S.)
Hollow Mill Dr.

HAPPY FEET 2

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July 4
Facility Open 12noon-5pm
Outdoor Pools Open 12noon-5pm
Skating Closed

July 24
Facility Open 9am-2pm
Outdoor Pools Open 10am-2pm
Skating Closed

Answer To July Historical Committee Question:

On a Thursday evening in early May of 1952, Mrs. Katherine Hinnenkamp, who lived at 3091 E. 7000 S., caught a glimpse of a child being swept down the fast-moving irrigation ditch in front of her home. She ran screaming, trying to get to the young child, but was unable to reach him. Fortunately, neighbor Tom Shimizu was a couple of blocks farther west, heard her screams and pulled the unconscious boy from the ditch. With the help of another neighbor, H.M. Gallegos, they were able to revive the child.

When they notified the boy's mother of the accident, it was discovered that her three-year-old son was also missing. A search for the child was started, but approximately 20 minutes later the boy's lifeless body was found lodged against a grate in the ditch near 2700 East and 7000 South.

HISTORICAL ANSWERS

Amateur Radio Volunteers Participate In "Field Day"

Did you know that part of the city's emergency plan depends on the local amateur radio operators in Cottonwood Heights? In the event of a large-scale disaster, they are the city's communications link, not only between city personnel but also with other agencies and municipalities.

For 24 hours on June 23 and 24, our volunteers participated in Field Day, sponsored by the American Radio Relay League, or the national association for amateur radio.

Participants set up shop in the city's Incident Command Vehicle and tested their equipment as if they were in a real emergency. They then attempted to contact as many other radio operators as possible in the U.S. and Canada.

Solar flares made communication tricky, but overall the exercise was a great success. The city thanks the volunteers who sacrificed their time in order to hone their skills!



DON'T FORGET BUTLERVILLE DAYS

July 24th - 3-10pm

(Butler Park)

