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Volunteerism Alive and Well in Cottonwood Heights

By Councilmember Mike Peterson



Shortly after Cottonwood Heights became a city a little more than ten years ago, I realized the overwhelming importance of volunteerism in shaping and defining the city's values. I've seen it even more clearly during the last four years while I've served as a city councilman. It's not just those who support and volunteer in various capacities directly related to the city that make such an impact, but also the thousands who volunteer throughout the community. Unpaid volunteers are said to be the glue that binds a community together, and I believe it's true.

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Volunteering allows us to connect to our community and make it a better place for all who live within it. Even helping with the smallest task can make a huge difference in someone's life. Volunteering is a win-win situation that can help you and your family as much as it benefits the program or cause you choose to support.

In recent months, I've been extremely impressed with the many volunteers who donate thousands of hours per year supporting city-sponsored activities, functions, and events, such as the production of the annual play by the arts council, the installation of historic markers on the Big Cottonwood

Canyon Trail by the historic committee, or the more than 200 volunteers who helped plan and implement this year's Butlerville Days celebration.

Volunteers are also instrumental in staffing Cottonwood Heights' Planning Commission, Architectural Review Committee, Board of Adjustment, Neighborhood Watch, and Emergency Preparation committee. Each time I have an opportunity to meet with any of these groups I can feel the passion and dedication each person has for their area of responsibility.

Volunteerism is also flourishing throughout our city in many other areas. I'm always impressed with the moms and dads in our community who spend hours on end teaching and coaching youth sports. It can be anything from water polo or lacrosse to baseball, soccer, and basketball. Again, there are thousands of hours donated to serving thousands of youth, all in an attempt to make our little area of the valley a better place to live.

We have PTA presidents and their boards who support our school communities. We have



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Upcoming Cottonwood Heights Events

Just because summer is over doesn't mean Cottonwood Heights is slowing down! There are two upcoming Arts Council events, along with a major sporting event and fun activity for your dog.

- Until Sept. 19 **Photography Contest**
The Cottonwood Heights Photography Contest is taking place right now. Photos may be taken in Cottonwood Heights until Sept. 19 and submitted for judging between Sept. 21 and Sept. 26. The photos will be displayed through the month of October at Whitmore Library.
- Sept. 1-30 **Art Show - Whitmore Library**
An open house will be held on Sept. 17 at 7 p.m.
- Sept. 9 **"Meet The Candidates" Evening - Hosted by the CHBA - City Hall**
6:30 p.m. City Hall Training Room, 1st floor at 1265 E. Fort Union Boulevard. See page 8 for info.
- Sept. 12 **2015 REVEL Big Cottonwood Marathon and Half Marathon**
For more information on the races, go to www.runrevel.com/bcm
- Sept. 19 **Bark in the Park - Mountview Park**
Splash pad open for canines, meet a police dog, Thunder Paws Flyball demo, animal-friendly vendors and contests - 10 a.m. to Noon
- Oct. 1-31 **Photography Exhibit - Whitmore Library**
An awards ceremony and open house will be held on Oct. 7, 2015. at 7 p.m. For more detailed information, including rules and deadlines for the Art Show and Photography contest, visit arts.ch.utah.gov.
- Oct. 24 **Midsummer Night's Dream - Butler Middle School**
The community children's theater will perform A Midsummer Night's Dream at 7:00 pm.

More information about arts council activities and other events can be found at www.ch.utah.gov.



Take The Ft. Union Boulevard Survey

The Fort Union Visual Preference Survey is now online at http://cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/city_services/planning_zoning.

By taking the survey, you can participate in making Cottonwood Heights a better place to work, live and play.

Look at each photo and tell us your likes and dislikes of what you see.

Your comments will be used to help plan the future of Cottonwood Heights. ■



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those who volunteer each year to read Dr. Seuss to local elementary students. There are the Boy Scouts who are constantly finding ways to serve by completing Eagle Projects in our parks and throughout our community. There are those who volunteer with the correctional system working at various detention centers serving at-risk youth, as well as those who deliver meals to the homebound and elderly. The list of opportunities to serve is endless.

There are those who also take volunteerism to an even higher level. We have one particular citizen who volunteers with the American Red Cross and often travels great distances

throughout the world to serve those in need of his help.

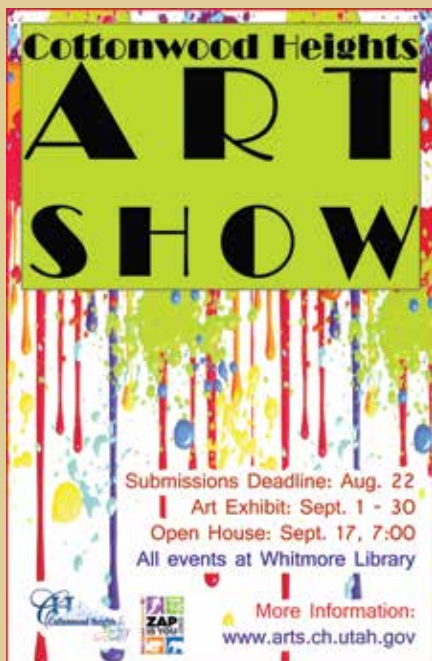
If you haven't found the time to become involved in volunteering in some capacity, it's never too late. Start today by contacting the city offices, the public library, or local youth sports organizations, just to name a few. Even the smallest act of service can have a monumental impact on those we serve. It also connects us with others in the community. It's good for our minds and bodies and can add purpose and happiness to our lives. Thanks to all of you who serve and to those looking to serve in the future. ■

History Question of the Month

What do you know about Union Fort Road?

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City Breaks Ground For New Municipal Center



On Monday August 3, 2015, several dignitaries, residents and building professionals gathered to commemorate the groundbreaking for the new Cottonwood Heights Municipal Center.

Layton Construction will build the structure over the next 13 months. GSBS Architects designed the building.

Mayor Cullimore, members of the city council and other local leaders turned shovels of dirt on the site located at 2277 East Bengal Blvd.

The single story building will be constructed on 4.75 acres of land that was acquired in 2014.

A ribbon-cutting is tentatively slated for September 2016. ■

Bengal Boulevard Project Nears Completion



A major road project covering most of Bengal Boulevard will be done soon.

The project included the replacement of sewer lines under the street, curb & gutter improvements and repaving of the road.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, crews were not able to complete the project before the start of the school year. Crews will work through most weekends to finish paving the street by the end of September.

The work was contracted by Staker Parson Companies. ■

Mountain Accord Signed



Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore, Governor Gary Herbert, Salt Lake County Mayor Ben McAdams, Salt Lake City Mayor Ralph Beck and other dignitaries signed the Mountain Accord during a ceremony in Cottonwood Heights on Monday, August 3.

The event took place at the Market Street Grill on Cottonwood Parkway, with several members of the local media reporting the historic moment.

The Mountain Accord is an agreement between civil leaders, elected officials, business

owners, environmental groups and other stakeholders who are motivated to preserve the beauty and utility of the Wasatch Mountains in Salt Lake and Summit Counties.

The project is a multi-phase initiative that seeks to make critical decisions regarding the future of the central Wasatch Mountains. It will evaluate and address issues and goals centered on four topic areas: environment, recreation, transportation, and economy. ■



Answer

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In 1848, Brigham Young sent eight families to settle what would become Union, in the western part of what is now Cottonwood Heights. The families were also charged to build a fort to protect themselves from native tribal attacks. After years of delay, the settlers eventually constructed a fort located between present-day North Union Avenue and South Union Avenue at about 10th East (Behind the Wal-Mart in Midvale) The homesteaders never really had any trouble with local tribes, and the fort was never used to house troops, but it did provide a safe place for teamsters to rest on their way to and from Little Cottonwood Canyon. There was a school inside the fort, too.

A road was eventually built from Danish Town winding westerly along what is now Creek Road to the fort in Union, which became the main route to other parts of the Salt Lake Valley. ■



34% of Clothes Dryer Fires are Preventable

By Assistant Chief Mike Watson
Unified Fire Authority



The potential to prevent one third of clothes dryer fires is impressive. Even more impressive is the fact that the preventive actions to improve clothes dryer safety are not complicated. So what is the cause of these preventable fires? Dryer lint! According the U. S. Fire Administration, the leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.

The good news is that we can do something about it now that we know the problem exists. Most of us are already in the habit of cleaning the lint filter before each load of laundry. Here are some other useful tips:

- Replace foil or plastic coiled-wire venting with rigid (non-ribbed) metal duct.
- Clean lint out of the vent pipe every three to twelve months.
- Don't leave your home or go to bed with your clothes dryer left running.
- Have the area inside your dryer cabinet inspected and cleaned regularly by a professional.
- Have your dryer checked by a professional if it is taking longer than normal for clothes to dry.
- If your dryer is gas powered, have it inspected every year by a professional to ensure the gas line and connections are still intact.
- Make sure the correct electrical plug and outlet are used and that they are connected properly.
- Keep the area around the clothes dryer free from items that can burn.
- Inspect the venting system behind the dryer to ensure it is not damaged or kinked.
- Make sure the outside vent covering opens when the dryer is on.

This is a long list, but regularly scheduled maintenance and cleaning does not take as long as you may think. And considering the fact that not taking these steps leads to one third of all clothes dryer fires, it is time well spent. The cost of maintenance, even when hiring a professional, is pennies on the dollar when compared to the cost of having a fire in your home. Even more important than the costs of repairing your home after a fire is keeping your family safe. Remember, only YOU can prevent dryer fires. ■

Big Cottonwood Canyon Marathon Coming



The 2015 REVEL Big Cottonwood Marathon and Half Marathon (Presented By Lexus) will occur on Saturday, September 12.

The canyon, a portion of Wasatch Boulevard and most of Fort Union Boulevard will be closed to vehicles before, during and after the race. The marathon and half marathon both begin at 6:45 a.m. and are expected to last until

midday, or whenever the last runners reach the finish line.

The event will close north and south access across Fort Union Boulevard. During the race, east and westbound traffic will be limited to one lane in each direction, and only accessible from the south. Residents and business owners should plan accordingly.

For more information on the races, go to www.runrevel.com/bcm.

You can also access an informational map on the city website at www.ch.utah.gov.

We appreciate your patience as this major sporting event is showcased in our city. ■





Sept. 19, 2015

10-12 pm

Mountview Park - 1651 E. Fort Union Blvd.

-  **Splash pad open for canines**
-  **Meet a police dog**
-  **Thunder Paws Flyball demo**
-  **Animal-friendly vendors**
-  **Contests**



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Crowds Enjoy 'Shrek'

Hundreds poured into Butler Middle School to enjoy "Shrek The Musical" between July 25 and August 3.

The Cottonwood Heights Arts Council's production involved more than 65 cast members, while featuring a live orchestra and puppeteers who made a giant dragon come to life.

Thanks to all who made "Shrek" such a big, bright, beautiful production. ■



Teachers Honored By City

Local teachers were honored during an appreciation luncheon on August 12, 2015.

Mayor Cullimore, members of the city council and Canyons School District officials all paid tribute to the dedicated educators in our community.

The event took place in the city council chambers. ■

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS RECREATION CENTER 7500 S. 2700 E. (801) 943-3190

UPCOMING LESSONS:

Learn to Skate

Tuesdays 6:15 pm-6:45 pm
Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29, Oct. 6 & 13

Wednesdays 6:15 pm-6:45 pm
Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7 & 14

Boy Scouts

Swimming Merit Badge
Sep. 19 10am-1pm

Life Saving Merit Badge
Sep. 26 10am-1pm

CPR
Sep. 9 5:30pm-7pm

Tennis

Mon.-Thurs.
Sep. 14-24

Private lessons are also available

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UPCOMING CHANGES:

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will be changing.
See our website for
updated hours.

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**Cottonwood Heights
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Recorder944-7020
Finance Director.....944-7012
Code Enforcement.....944-7095
Police Administration.....944-7100

City Council Meetings

Sept. 1 - Work Session 6 p.m.

Sept. 8 - Work Session 6 p.m.,

Business Meeting 7 p.m.

(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)

Sept. 15 - Work Session 6 p.m.

Sept. 22 - Work Session 6 p.m.,

Business Meeting 7 p.m. *(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)*

Sept. 29 - No Meeting (5th Tuesday of the month)

Agendas are posted 24 hours in advance of public meetings. For details about the agendas, go to our website: www.ch.utah.gov

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FREE Social Media Boot Camp scheduled in Cottonwood Heights

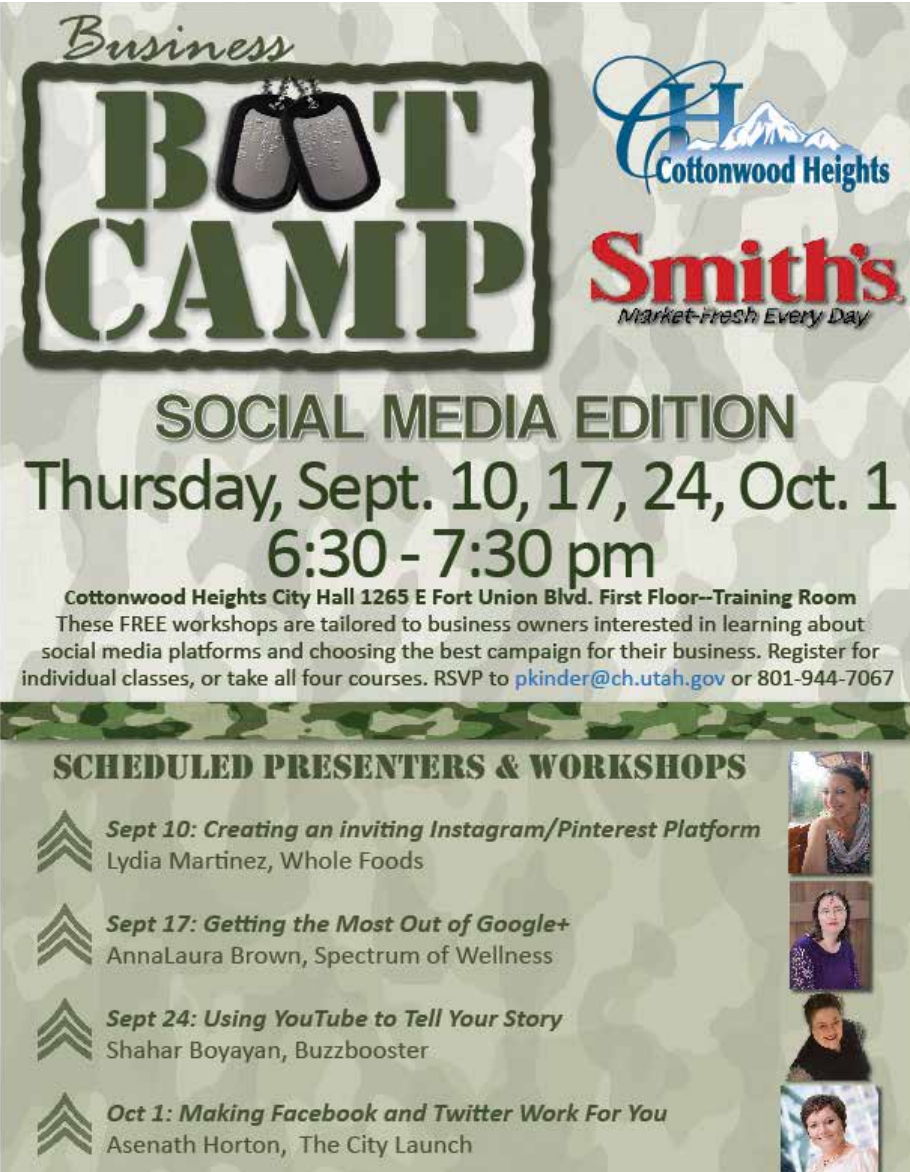
Are your social media platforms a nightmare? Which one works best for your business? How can you engage more customers? To answer those questions, business owners across the Salt Lake Valley are invited to participate in a Social Media Boot Camp at Cottonwood Heights City Hall. The city's Economic Development department is offering the free classes that run from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the following evenings:

- Thursday, Sept. 10: Creating an Inviting Instagram/Pinterest Platform--Lydia Martinez, Whole Foods

- Thursday, Sept. 17: Getting the Most Out of Google+-- AnnaLaura Brown, Spectrum of Wellness
- Thursday, Sept. 24: Using YouTube to Tell Your Story-- Shahar Boyayan, Buzzbooster
- Thursday, Oct. 1: Making Facebook and Twitter Work For You-- Asenath Horton, The City Launch

The sessions will be held in the training room on the first floor of city hall. RSVP to Peri Kinder at 801-944-7067 or pkinder@ch.utah.gov.

This event is sponsored by Smith's Food & Drug (3470 Bengal Blvd.). ■



Business

BOOT CAMP

SOCIAL MEDIA EDITION

Thursday, Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1
6:30 - 7:30 pm

Cottonwood Heights City Hall 1265 E Fort Union Blvd. First Floor--Training Room

These FREE workshops are tailored to business owners interested in learning about social media platforms and choosing the best campaign for their business. Register for individual classes, or take all four courses. RSVP to pkinder@ch.utah.gov or 801-944-7067

SCHEDULED PRESENTERS & WORKSHOPS

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CH Business Spotlights



AARF Pet Care

Suzie Ellison's AARF Pet Care business combines her love for dogs with her enthusiasm about hiking. AARF Pet Care specializes in dog hikes and walks through the foothills along the east bench. Other services include home visits, overnight stays in your home, training and neighborhood walks. Your dog will be happy if you visit www.AARFPetCare.com for contact info. ■



Harmony Business Center

Looking for ways to grow your small business? Harmony Business Center at 3434 Bengal Blvd. offers a wide array of business services to help market your business to customers. Harmony provides printing, color copies, faxing, computer work stations, high speed internet, conference room rentals, accessible mailboxes, shipping services and a whole lot more! Call 801-944-9966 for information about services and rates. ■



Project Drama

Project Drama is a new children's theatre company in Cottonwood Heights for ages 5 and up. Classes begin Sept. 16 in acting, musical theater and show choir, so register now. For more info, call 801-541-7274 or visit www.projectdrama.com. ■

Whitmore Library – Remodeled and Ready for Business

After a summer of renovation, the Whitmore Library will be reopening in September. Big plans are in the works to celebrate the grand re-opening of the library with entertainment, a story walk and activities for children and teens throughout the month. A grand opening ceremony is planned for Sept. 19 at 10:00 a.m. (2197 E. Fort Union Blvd.)

The library has been redesigned to provide improved service and accessibility for its customers. New circulation and information service desks have been built, express check out stations have been placed around the library, while public computer stations have been updated. Additional public seating areas have been created and the book sale area has been moved upstairs. Teens will find that they have a new, expanded area with exclusive teen computers and additional shelving for books. The lighting throughout the library has been improved and updated and there is new carpeting throughout the main area. An additional entrance has been created on the



north side of the building leading directly to the meeting room space on the lower level. Customers will notice that the new, improved Whitmore Library has a brighter, more open feel that features the same great customer service, materials, and programs that they expect.

You can look for library information around different locations in Cottonwood Heights through Whitmore Library Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/WhitmoreLibrary>. You can also bookmark the Salt Lake County Library Services webpage at www.slcolibrary.org to find out more. ■

CHBA To Host “Meet the Candidates” Evening

Be sure to mark September 9 on your calendars for a “Meet the Candidates” night, hosted by the Cottonwood Heights Business Association.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. Candidates running for Cottonwood Heights City Council Districts 1 and 2 will take a few minutes to introduce themselves and then greet participants individually throughout the night.

CHBA Chair Ron Benson will host the meeting in the City Hall Training Room, 1st floor, at 1265 East Fort Union Boulevard. ■

