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# BETWEEN THE CANYONS

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## Freedom demands participation

By council member Tali Bruce



*The statements in this article are the author's views and not necessarily of the entire city council.*

July is the month we celebrate our freedom from colonial rule.

However, since the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the word freedom has come to mean different things to different people. We all profess to love freedom, but what is it?

Writer Harley Hahn says, "Freedom is important because it leads to enhanced expressions of creativity and original thought, increased productivity, and an overall high quality of life." In the novel 1984, George Orwell wrote, "Freedom is slavery" because the man who is independent is doomed to fail.

Freedom clearly means different things to different people.

When I decided to run for office in 2017, I did so because I felt my freedom was at risk. The warning signs were there, and for me, action was required to ensure my voice was heard. My running was an effort to preserve and protect freedom.

Freedom to me means that my voice matters. It means having the right to vote and for my vote to be counted. I feel less free knowing that other votes count more than mine. As I see it, the two-senator rule blatantly violates a whole range of important democratic norms, including majority rule, fair representation and one-person/one-vote. This imbalance in democratic representation leaves me feeling less free.

Freedom must be guarded in political realms. When politicians are silenced due to threats and intimidation, we are less free. In *New York Times Co. v. Sullivan*, Justice William Brennan famously wrote

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## CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

#### JULY 6

- 2300 E REZONE
- FERGUSON PARK DESIGN DISCUSSION
- ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT CODE DISCUSSION
- UTAH OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION CONTRACT

#### JULY 20

- LITTLE COTTONWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT PROJECT UPDATE
- FINANCIAL ADVISOR SERVICES CONTRACT

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of the month**Answer on page 6**

Early farmers in our city sometimes had to be creative in disposing of the crops they grew. How did one family sell their watermelon crop?

## Volunteer with the Arts Council or Historic Committee!

Cottonwood Heights currently has vacancies on the Historic Committee and the Arts Council!

**Historic Committee**

- Identifies, preserves and enhances the buildings, artifacts, documents, and stories of Cottonwood Heights
- Past efforts include gathering historical site information, overseeing the historic trail marker creation, and publishing Allen D. Roberts' history book

Members meet monthly to plan initiatives highlighting city history. The committee also creates and staffs a Butlerville Days exhibit each year.

**Arts Council**

- Provides engaging cultural events and educational opportunities that foster creativity and passion for the arts
- Members meet monthly to plan events, including literacy and photography

contests, art shows, community concerts, children's theater productions, and the annual summer musical

If you're interested in serving with either group, contact culture manager Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov or 801-944-7040. Follow the Historic Committee and Arts Council on social media: **/CottonwoodHeightsHistoricCommittee** and **/CHArtsCouncil** (on Facebook) and **/chcityarts** (on Instagram). ■



# Cottonwood Heights Arts Council Presents



# ROALD DAHL'S Matilda

Book  
Dennis Kelly

THE MUSICAL

Music & Lyrics  
Tim Minchin

## July

9, 10, 12, 15, 16 & 17  
Matinees on July 10 & 17

**Cottonwood Heights Theatre**  
(Butler Middle School Auditorium, 7530 S. 2700 E.)

## Tickets: CH.SMASHPASS.COM



Showtimes and ticket pricing can be found at **CHCITYARTS.COM**





## Freedom demands participation *continued from cover*

of “a profound national commitment to the principle that debate on public issues should be uninhibited, robust, and wide-open.” Have I felt free, uninhibited and able to engage in robust debate during my four-year term on council? No, I have not. I’ve felt threatened and silenced. I’ve not felt free.

Freedom of the press is essential for democracy to flourish. If we are fed propaganda, can we ever truly be free? We become manipulated puppets. Russia, for one, finds journalists thrown from open windows. Do their citizens feel free? Do they even know the reality in which they live? Do we, in the United States, fight for democracy here and abroad?

I believe none of us are free unless all of us are free. While slavery has been outlawed in the U.S. for 155 years, Black Americans still encounter racism and inequalities that influence their daily lives. I would argue that Black Americans are tired of being forced to make the case for their citizenship, their humanity and their right to life, liberty and the

pursuit of happiness — the very things someone who looks like me never has to question.

No one should take freedom for granted, but many of us do. Brave men and women have sacrificed their lives to ensure we have freedom for Americans and our allies. Yet, I’ve seen that many citizens have willingly made us less free for the sake of denying freedom to others.

President Ronald Reagan said, “Freedom is a fragile thing and is never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. Those who have known freedom and then lost it have never known it again.”

Why is it important to share our definitions of freedom? Words are ultimately expressions; words are the vehicle to express yourself and even to think critically. When our concepts are vague, it is time to stop, ponder and articulate concisely what we mean.

It is important, now, that we all define freedom and find some common ground. ■



## 2021 municipal election information: Ranked-choice voting begins Nov. 2

Because the city council voted May 4 to implement ranked choice voting for the 2021 municipal election, Cottonwood Heights will not hold a primary election. The general election will be held Tuesday, Nov. 2.

### The following seats are open in 2021 for four-year terms:

- Mayor
- District 3 council member
- District 4 council member

### To run for office, candidates must:

- Be a Cottonwood Heights resident for at least one year
- Be a resident of the council district for which they are running
- Be a current registered voter in Cottonwood Heights

Candidates must file a declaration of candidacy in person with the Cottonwood Heights city recorder at City Hall. The forms will be available at the reception desk Tuesday, Aug. 10 - Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Email the city recorder at [recorder@ch.utah.gov](mailto:recorder@ch.utah.gov) for more candidacy information. You can find a district map by clicking the maps button at [ch.utah.gov](http://ch.utah.gov).

Curious about ranked-choice voting? Visit [ch.utah.gov/your-government/public-records-notices/elections](http://ch.utah.gov/your-government/public-records-notices/elections) to learn more about the benefits of this type of ballot and how it works. You can also check out our booth during Butlerville Days.

Cottonwood Heights is among 23 Utah cities participating in ranked-choice voting (RCV) in 2021, including Draper, Millcreek, Midvale, Riverton, Salt Lake City, Sandy, and South Salt Lake.

City officials originally approved RCV in the last election cycle, but Salt Lake County could not implement it at the time. ■



## Mountview Park splash pad open limited hours beginning Monday, June 28

The city council approved a modified 20-hour weekly schedule for the Mountview Park splash pad effective Monday, June 28, 2021:

- **Monday:** 5-8 p.m.
- **Tuesday and Thursday:** 1-6 p.m.
- **Saturday:** 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

We are currently at water conservation stage II (voluntary water use reductions). Stage III and IV will require greater restrictions. City officials will later restrict splash pad hours if needed.

The city council felt opening the splash pad a few hours a week was an appropriate balance

between conservation and resident desires.

The current schedule is a substantial use reduction and meets Salt Lake City Public Utilities' water conservation guidelines while still allowing limited public use.

Participants must push a button to activate the pad for short periods of time during operating hours.

The city and recreation district originally decided to close the splash pad amid the state's extreme drought conditions because it does not recirculate water. ■



## Fireworks restricted east of 1300 E through December 2021

Assistant fire chief Riley Pilgrim



At the June 21 special city council meeting, I met with the mayor and city council to discuss and seek approval of further fireworks restrictions in taking a proactive approach to reduce the risk to the community

of Cottonwood Heights. New restrictions were approved, and they include everything east of 1300 East.

The Unified Fire Authority fire marshal, along with the fire chiefs in Salt Lake Valley, strongly believe that with the current conditions of record-high temperatures and no precipitation and its impact on vegetation, all fireworks and other activities requiring fire pose a significant risk to citizens' safety.

Though a restriction of this magnitude may seem excessive to some, it is important to be aggressive in these current environmental conditions. We are concerned about resident, community and first-responder safety (both police officers and firefighters), protecting property, and reducing the risk of a catastrophic wildfire on the fringes of or even within the city of Cottonwood Heights.

We've learned lessons from Oregon and with other local and state fires. Though much of the city is urban, there are large pockets of vegetation throughout it that still pose a significant threat to adjacent homes. One small fire can easily turn into something unmanageable in these current weather conditions.

Though fireworks may no longer be an option, we still encourage you to find creative ways to celebrate the Fourth of July in a safe manner.

Visit [ch.utah.gov](http://ch.utah.gov) for the city firework restrictions map, or go to [unifiedfire.org/prevention/fireworks](http://unifiedfire.org/prevention/fireworks) for the Salt Lake County restrictions map. ■



## SLCPU water conservation guidelines

The Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities (SLCPU), which provides water to Cottonwood Heights residents, has issued the following guidelines during the statewide drought:

- **Water once every three days** through July and August for about 20 minutes each time
- **Don't water between** 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- **Set your lawnmower height** to 2.5 - 3 inches to reduce the amount of water the lawn needs
- **Check your irrigation system** for broken or missing sprinkler heads at least monthly

SLCPU has also partnered with Utah State University and the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy to offer FREE irrigation water checks. Sign up at [cwel.usu.edu/watercheck](http://cwel.usu.edu/watercheck) or call 435-797-5529 (press 2).

You can find more conservation plans on the SLCPU website ([slc.gov/utilities/conservation/](http://slc.gov/utilities/conservation/)) and review the full lawn-watering guide there, too. Follow SLCPU on Facebook and Twitter (@slcpu) for up-to-date info. ■







# Good Ol' Family Fun

Butler Park, 7500 South 2700 East





# Mayor's Message

I've been involved with Butlerville Days since Cottonwood Heights was incorporated back in 2005 and always look forward to this annual city festival.

Since I'm not seeking a second term as mayor, I'm especially excited about the 2021 Butlerville Days. It's been two years since we've celebrated together!

The city is bringing back the parade and fireworks show. This year's theme, "Community Spirit with Good Ol' Family Fun," adds a focus on old-fashioned activities, like gunny sack races and line-dancing.

Butlerville Days has always been a great way to bring the community together. I look forward to seeing you celebrating soon.



- Mayor Mike Peterson



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### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Beverly Beckstead - Historical Display  
Jamie Jackson - Entertainment  
Lyse Durrant - Food Vendor Chair  
Brittany Davis - Publicity & Kids Craft

Craig Taft - Electrical  
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Kris Monty - Co-field Manager  
Aabri Coon - Parade  
Brian Allen - Sponsorship  
Ryan Gardner - Parks Coordinator  
Larry Scott - Bingo

Whitney Dodge - Chalk Art Contest  
Warren Hallmark - Pickleball  
Ben Hill - CWH Rec Center  
Unified Fire Authority  
Cottonwood Heights Police

**More info at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com)**

# EVENT SCHEDULE

## JULY 14-23

Time may vary Pickleball tournament

## MONDAY, JULY 19

7 p.m. Rolling Car Cruise (sponsored by Cannon Mortuary) **(new & free!)**

## TUESDAY, JULY 20

9 a.m. Butlerville Days Rock Hunt **(new & free!)**

6:30 p.m. Moose, Owls, and Limber Pine. A Nature talk. **(new & free!)**

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

9 a.m. Butlerville Days Rock Hunt **(new & free!)**

## THURSDAY, JULY 22

5 - 9 p.m. Picnic in the Park (food vendors)

5 - 9 p.m. Chalk Art Contest (sponsored by Healthy Pets)

6 - 7 p.m. Painting in the Park (sponsored by Smartest Artist & Arts Council)

7:15 p.m. while prizes last Brighton Bank Bingo (sponsored)

### RULES & REGULATIONS:

For safety reasons, we do not allow barbecues, personal fireworks or alcoholic beverages in the park. No unauthorized vendors will be allowed in the park.



## FRIDAY, JULY 23

7 a.m. Yoga with Yogurt (sponsored by Trader Joe's) **(free!)**

7 - 10 a.m. Chalk Art Contest (sponsored by Healthy Pets)

4 - 10 p.m. Picnic in the Park! (food vendors)

4 - 9 p.m. Creative Craft & Commercial Booths

5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Scooter Rodeo (sponsored by Utah Pro Scooters) **(free!)**

6 - 8 p.m. Ice Skating **(free!)**

4 - 9 p.m. Stage Entertainment

Dusk Movie in the Park - The Croods: A New Age **(free!)**  
(sponsored by Rocky Mountain Power)

## SATURDAY, JULY 24

7 a.m. High Fitness aerobics (sponsored by Trader Joe's) **(free!)**

9 a.m. Historic Walking Tour **(free!)**

11 a.m. Butlerville Days Parade

Noon-2 p.m. Ice Skating **(free!)**

2 - 10 p.m. Picnic in the Park! (Food Vendors)

2 - 6 p.m. Cannon Mortuary - Antique & Classic Car Show  
(sponsored)

4 - 9 p.m. Creative Craft & Commerical Booths

4 - 10 p.m. Stage entertainment

5 - 9 p.m. Inflatables **(free!)**

6 - 9 p.m. Ol'-Fashioned Games **(new & free!)**

6 - 9 p.m. Balloon artistry **(free!)**

10 p.m. City Fireworks Show  
(subject to Unified Fire Authority clearance)

See a description of events on the following pages or visit [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com).

**More info at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com)**



# MULTI-DAY ACTIVITIES



## Mayor's Cup PickleBall Tournament



**\$40 per team (mixed doubles)**

**July 14-23**

**Outdoor pickleball courts adjacent to rec center**

Register at [strideevents.com/mayors-cup/event-information](http://strideevents.com/mayors-cup/event-information).

Registration deadline is 12 p.m. on Friday, July 9.

## ICE SKATING

**Free!**

**Friday, July 23, from 6-8 p.m.**

**and Saturday, July 24, from 12-2 p.m.**

**Cottonwood Heights Rec Center**

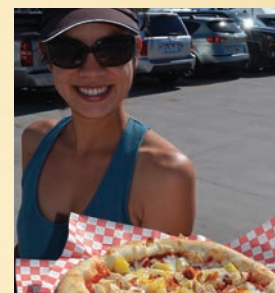
Skaters of all ages can come and cool off on the ice rink.



## Picnic in the Park

**Thursday, July 22 through Saturday, July 24**

Enjoy dinner with friends and family from various food vendors.



## BUTLERVILLE DAYS ROCK HUNT

**Free!**

**Tuesday, July 20, and Wednesday, July 21**

Find rocks painted by the Cottonwood Heights Arts Council in city parks and along trails after 10 a.m. both days. Keep the rock or hide it again, but first share a photo of it on social media with #ButlervilleDaysRocks. Park and trail maps are available at

[Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com) or scan QR code.



## Chalk Art Contest

**Free!**

**Thursday, July 22, from 5-9 p.m.**

**Friday, July 23, from 7-10 a.m.**

**Sidewalk on west side of Butler Middle School**

Register at [butlervilledays.com](http://butlervilledays.com) or scan QR code. Artist of all ages welcome. Judges will present awards Friday at noon.

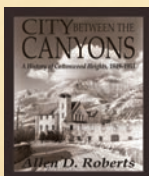


## Cottonwood Heights Historic Display

**Thursday, July 22, through Saturday, July 24**

**In the information booth**

Trace your own path through history. Watch the city evolve through changing landscapes shaped by new roads and buildings that are now fixtures in our community!



The Cottonwood Heights history book *City Between the Canyons* will be available for purchase Thursday - Saturday from 6-8 p.m. 1 for \$20 or 3 for \$50.

## Creative Craft Market

**Friday, July 23, and Saturday, July 24**

The creative craft market will feature artistic handmade products from local vendors. Jewelry, paintings, photos and other crafts will be available for sale.



## COMMERCIAL BOOTHS

**Friday, July 23, and Saturday, July 24**



## MONDAY, JULY 19

## TUESDAY, JULY 20

**CANNON**  
MORTUARY

### *Rolling Car Cruise*

Free!

6 p.m. (staging) - 7 p.m. (cars start rolling)

7530 S. 2700 E., Butler Middle School parking lot

Registration form at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com) or on site. All vehicles are welcome to enter. Route available online.



### Moose, Owls, and Limber Pine

Free!

6:30 p.m.

Butler Park Pavilion

The Parks, Trails, & Open Space Committee brings you a nature talk about the animals, natural history, and ecology found in the Cottonwood Canyons.



## THURSDAY, JULY 22

### PAINTING IN THE PARK

(SPONSORED BY THE SMARTEST ARTIST)



Arts Council event

Free! (ages 4 and older)

Main food tents

6 - 7 p.m.

Come and have some family fun painting with acrylics.

Event is for ages 4 to 100. Register at

[Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com) or scan

QR code. Limited seating. Art supplies will be provided.



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### BRIGHTON BANK BINGO

Free! (ages 4 and older)

7:15 p.m. - until prizes are gone

Main food tents

Come and play bingo for free! One prize per person. Limited seating.



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**More info at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com)**



# FRIDAY, JULY 23

## TRADER JOE'S Yoga with Yogurt

Free!

7 a.m.

Field behind the Recreation  
Center Pavilion

Join us on the grass for a healthy  
stretch and refreshing yogurt.

All ages are welcome. Yoga and  
other group fitness classes taught  
regularly at CHRC.



## SCOOTER RODEO

Free!

5:30 - 8:30 pm

Guthrie Skatepark (Butler Park)

Grab your scooter and head over to  
the skatepark! Utah Pro Scooters is  
providing FREE safety lessons and  
amazing trick riding. You might  
even win a prize.



## Creative Craft and Commercial Booths

## FOOD TRUCKS AND BOOTHS



Check out the multi-day activities page!

## STAGE ENTERTAINMENT

4:00 p.m. - Paul Brewer (magician)

5:15 p.m. - Cowboy poetry by Thatch Elmer

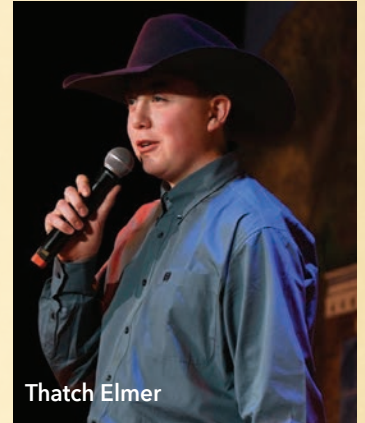
6:30 p.m. - Clayton Smalley

7:45 p.m. - Hypno Hick (comedy hypnosis)

Bring a chair or blanket to watch the concert. Seating will  
not be provided.



Clayton Smalley



Thatch Elmer



Hypno Hick



## MOVIE IN THE PARK The Croods - A New Age

Free!

Movie begins at dusk, so come early  
and get your spot.



More info at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com)



# SATURDAY, JULY 24

## TRADER JOE'S

### High Fitness Aerobics

Free!

7 a.m.

Butler Park

Join us on the grass for a fun High Fitness class. All ages welcome. High Fitness and other group fitness classes taught regularly at CHRC.



## Historic Walking Tour

Free!

9 a.m.

City hall (walk takes 60-90 minutes)

Slow walk with a local historian. We will follow part of the city hall/Butlerville walking tour. Come learn about historical events in our community, pass by historic homes, hear about Native Americans and discover how neighborhoods and streets were named. Scan the QR code for a full historic walking tour map.



## Butlerville Days Parade

Free!

11 a.m.

The parade begins at 3425 East and Bengal Blvd and ends on 2495 Bengal Blvd at the Guthrie Skate Park. Come take part in this family tradition and see all the floats, musical groups, classic cars, marching bands and community dignitaries.



## OL'-FASHIONED GAMES

Free!

6-9 p.m.

Bring the whole family for some friendly competition! Can you beat your mom or sister in a gunny sack race? Will you team up with a friend for a water balloon toss? You may be great at three-legged race with a grandparent or winning a tug-of-war against your neighbors. We may even have a dance contest.

## INFLATABLE ATTRACTIONS

Free!

5-9 p.m.



## CANNON MORTUARY

### Antique & Classic Car Show

Free!

2 - 6 p.m.

South end of Butler Park



It's free to enter a vehicle in the show. Register onsite between noon and 2 p.m. You must enter the park entrance off Bengal Blvd. Check out all the cool rides. DJ for car show is JW Productions.

## Stage Entertainment

4:00 p.m. - HawkWatch (bird of prey show)

5:15 p.m. - Hales Family Music

6:45 p.m. - Learn to line dance with Eric Dodge (instruction and singing)

8:30 p.m. - Charley Jenkins

Bring a chair or blanket to watch the concert. Seating will not be provided.



Charley Jenkins



Eric Dodge



## City Fireworks Show

Free!

10 p.m.

Come and see the best fireworks show in the valley. It's the grand finale to our Butlerville Days celebration. You don't want to miss it. Subject to Unified Fire Authority clearance.

More info at [Butlervilledays.com](http://Butlervilledays.com)



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## 2021 Beautification/Landscaping Awards nominations open until July 23

Nominate a neighbor or business for the 2021 Beautification/Landscaping Awards! The program was established to recognize and reward Cottonwood Heights residents and business owners for improving their properties with beautiful, sustainable landscaping.

- Any property within Cottonwood Heights city limits is eligible and

will be judged on visible aesthetic appearance from the street

- The city council will judge properties based on district location and select a residential winner from each of the four city districts
- The mayor will select one commercial winner

Visit [surveylegend.com/s/3bf4](https://surveylegend.com/s/3bf4) to nominate your candidate by 5 p.m. on July 23. All winners will receive a prize and be awarded a certificate of recognition at an August city council meeting.

Pictures of the properties will also be displayed on the city website and on social media. ■



### Barbecue ash disposal

The summer holidays are quickly approaching, and barbecues are common ways to celebrate. Remember to let fire pit/barbecue ashes completely cool before putting them in waste cans. Smoldering embers will melt the can and create larger fire hazards on collection trucks. ■



### International Plastic Bag-Free Day

On July 3, Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District will join other organizations around the world in support of International Plastic Bag-Free Day.

The easiest way to celebrate requires a simple resolution from each resident.

If only for one day, choose paper over plastic or bring your own bags on your shopping trip. Some stores even offer discounts or other perks for customers who bring their own! ■



### Attend UDOT public hearing about proposed Little Cottonwood Canyon transportation options

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is reviewing two preferred transportation alternatives for Little Cottonwood Canyon and Wasatch Boulevard from Fort Union Blvd through Alta.

Attend an in-person public hearing **July 13 from 6-8:30 p.m.** at Butler Middle School (7530 S 2700 E) or a virtual hearing **July 20 from 6-8:30 p.m.** on the project website, [LittleCottonwoodEIS.udot.utah.gov](https://LittleCottonwoodEIS.udot.utah.gov). ■



### Can placement

Keep your garbage, recycling and green waste cans at least 3 feet away from each other and from other objects, such as cars, trees or mailboxes. WFWRD truck drivers need this space to use the automated collection arms for safely grabbing and emptying the cans. ■

### Bicycle lane safety

Be aware of marked and identified bicycle lanes in front of your home and don't put cans in these lanes. Recycling and garbage cans cause obstacles and hazards for bicyclists. ■

## Answer

**Question,** continued from page 2

The Walter Lorenzo Berrett family grew a huge crop of watermelons each summer, and trying to get rid of them became a problem. The family lived on 7000 South and east of 1300 East, and there was a lot of traffic (maybe 10 cars) on 7000 South on Sundays as neighbors drove up to the canyon. While Mr. Berrett didn't believe in working on the Sabbath, he decided this would be a good way to get rid of his crop.

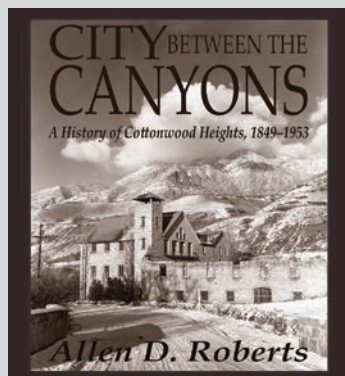
On Saturday nights, Mr. Berrett and his children would go down to the watermelon field with a stone boat, an eight-foot-long sled made of railroad ties and used for moving heavy objects. Once they heaped watermelons into the stone boat, the family would drag it up to the yard.

Mr. Berrett would then pull the load of watermelons to 7000 South and park it there after church services on Sunday mornings, where his children would sell them to those passing by. The big watermelons cost 25 cents, and the small ones were 10 cents.



Of course, no one would buy one without first plugging it. Neighbors would cut a little square into the melon and pull it out to taste it. If it was green,

they wouldn't buy it. The Berrett family gave green melons to the pigs, who ate everything the family couldn't eat or sell. ■



### Buy the book!

Find more community stories in the book *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953*. Buy yours at city hall for \$20 (3 for \$50) or order it online at [ch.utah.gov/community/history/history-book](http://ch.utah.gov/community/history/history-book) for \$25 (3 for \$59).



  
COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS  
PARKS & RECREATION SERVICE AREA

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## City council members

**MAYOR** - Michael J. Peterson

**DIST# 1:** Douglas Petersen

**DIST# 2:** J. Scott Bracken

**DIST# 3:** Tali C. Bruce

**DIST# 4:** Christine Watson Mikell

**CITY MANAGER:** Tim Tingey

## City office

2277 E. Bengal Blvd.

Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

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Fax ..... 801-944-7005

## Numbers to know

Emergency ..... 911

Dispatch ..... 743-7000

Fire authority ..... 743-7100

Animal control ..... 743-7000

Justice court ..... 273-9731

## Call direct

City manager ..... 944-7010

City planning ..... 944-7065

Public works ..... 944-7000

Recorder ..... 944-7021

Finance director ..... 944-7012

Code enforcement ..... 944-7095

Police administration ..... 944-7100

## City council meetings

**July 6:** Work session 5 p.m., business meeting 7 p.m.

**July 20:** Work session 5 p.m., business meeting 7 p.m.

(Work session may reconvene after business meeting.)

*Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings.*

*For agenda details, visit [ch.utah.gov](http://ch.utah.gov).*

*City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. unless otherwise noted.*

## Planning Commission

The Planning Commission holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. This month, they will meet July 7 and July 21.

## Editors

Lindsay Wilcox, Kim Horiuchi

## Save the date: Register for school beginning August 2

You still have plenty of time for summer adventures like backpacking, backyard barbeques and beach vacations, but don't forget to register your kids for school beginning August 2!

Visit [canyonsdistrict.org](http://canyonsdistrict.org) for more registration information. The 2021-2022 school year starts Monday, August 16, 2021. ■



## Student interns help Canyons District schools curb water usage

As state leaders raise awareness of Utah's drought conditions, Canyons School District is redoubling efforts to conserve water.

Building upon a successful "water manager" internship program that has saved more than 20 million gallons of water annually for the past six years, mathematically-inclined high school students are tracking water usage this summer. The goal? Applying just enough water to CSD's 371 acres of greenspace to preserve high-use areas like fields.

The students also audit campuses to identify low-use areas to further slow the flow. They learn about evapotranspiration, or how much water from land and plants is lost due to evaporation, explains CSD energy engineer Christopher Eppler, who created the internship program in 2015 with the Utah Water Conservancy District.

Students then visit school campuses to monitor sprinkling systems and perform measurements and watering calculations based

on the soil moisture, relative humidity and temperature. The calculations bring greater precision to school watering schedules, applying the least amount of water needed to keep fields healthy, Eppler says.

"The public gets a lot of use out of these fields, and we take seriously our stewardship of these community assets. We also take seriously our stewardship of natural resources and taxpayer dollars. This internship program helps us conserve both while introducing students to concepts that could apply to jobs in public works, planning, landscape ecology, or environmental science," he says.

Investments to replace the football fields at CSD's five high schools with artificial turf and replace lawns with decorative rock and drought-resistant plants have further reduced CSD's water usage. CSD's maintenance crews have also raised their mower blades to allow fields to grow to 4 inches, helping the sod to better retain moisture. ■



## Business spotlights

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Contact or visit our local businesses for their July specials.

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Email [byron.mcintosh@hhg-hotels.com](mailto:byron.mcintosh@hhg-hotels.com) to get 20% off the already discounted local rate (when rooms are available). ■

### Ribbon-cutting held Wednesday, July 28

Join us in welcoming Courtyard Salt Lake City / Cottonwood to the community during a ribbon cutting Wednesday, July 28, at 3 p.m. at 7341 Canyon Centre Parkway. ■

Want to participate in the Love Your Locals campaign? Email Sherrie Martell at [smartell@ch.utah.gov](mailto:smartell@ch.utah.gov) or call 801-944-7067. ■

