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## We can all do a little to prepare, help, and heal.

By Mike Shelton

Most of us live in very favorable conditions. Even so, most of us experience tragedy in our lives. Recent events in my own life, as well as recent events throughout the city have me thinking of how we deal with tragic events. My experience has been that feelings of guilt, whether justified or not, almost always follow tragedy.

The other day in one of our city meetings, Asst. Chief Mike Watson of Unified Fire Authority eloquently expressed what most of us feel. He said, "Public safety professionals spend their days trying to prevent disasters. They train, they practice, they prepare. Even so, they can't prevent all disasters. Despite all of their training, when disasters happen, they can't help but feel guilty." I think that when something bad happens, good people all ask themselves whether they could have done more.

In my religious tradition, there is an axiom that says "Let us cheerfully do all things that lie in our power; and then may we stand still with the utmost assurance." I'm not sure that we will ever avoid the feelings of remorse that come when something bad happens. I think the best hope we have is to know that we have made a reasonable effort to be prepared.

We should all do our best to be prepared for hard situations. Parents, babysitters and other caregivers learn CPR and other life-sustaining measures. We teach our children about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Most drivers make sure they buckle a seatbelt before operating a vehicle, just in case that short trip to the grocery store leads to a traffic accident instead. Many people have prepared 72-hour kits to use in an emergency. You can find out more about how you can personally be more prepared at <http://chgetready.com>.

Cottonwood Heights is also constantly preparing. Cottonwood Heights prioritizes public safety and works with the city police department, Unified Fire Authority and city staff to make sure we



Council Member  
Mike Shelton



## Community Culture

Thanks for making  
"Fiddler" a success!

Fiddler  
on the  
Roof



Cottonwood Heights

ART  
SHOW

Submissions Deadline: Aug. 30  
Art Exhibit: Sept. 1 - 30  
Open House: Sept. 18, 7:00  
All events at Whitmore Library

More Information:  
[www.arts.ch.utah.gov](http://www.arts.ch.utah.gov)



Many heartfelt thanks go to the great cast, production team, orchestra and quiet backstage helpers of Cottonwood Heights' recent production of "Fiddler on the Roof." More than 50 people gave countless hours of unpaid service to create a successful cultural event for the community.

The actors ranged in age from nine years old to 60-plus, and their skill levels varied from first-time amateurs such as Hunter Hogan and Brooklyn Allen to veteran actors such as the Jason Wadsworth family and Becky Henriksen. Music director Christi Jones and Choreographer Brittne Bruin taught the cast how to hit each note and count each step. Accompanied by Cottonwood Heights' very own community orchestra directed by Shaun Davis, the production shone.

Joey Hogan and Bob Ithurrealde built and embellished the simple yet effective set while lighting guru David Aird and sound technician Ryan Pedersen creatively brought the play to life. And we can't forget the fantastic beards created by makeup artist Mike Porter as well as all the behind-the-scenes volunteers who made the play run smoothly.

Finally, we must thank the many people from Cottonwood Heights and beyond who attended the performances and supported the efforts of the Cottonwood Heights Arts Council. You are the reason we do what we do!

What makes our community theater successful? In the words of the song Anatevka, "A little bit of this, a little bit of that" stirred up with love and hard work from our community members!

### Community orchestra begins a new season

The Cottonwood Heights Community Orchestra will soon begin rehearsals for its 2014-15 season. The first rehearsal of the season will be on Thursday, Sept. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Butler Middle School, located at 7530 S. 2700 E. in Room C110.

For more information please contact Shaun Davis at [chcorchestra@gmail.com](mailto:chcorchestra@gmail.com).

### Apply to be a member of the Public Utilities Advisory Committee

Salt Lake City Public Utilities, which provides culinary water to most Cottonwood Heights residents, is in need of a new advisory committee member when current member Alan Orr completes his term of office this fall.

The advisory committee works with the Salt Lake City mayor and public utilities director to review the department's operations, examine the budget and expenditures and make recommendations regarding rate adjustments and proposed legislation, among other duties.

Anyone interested in applying to become a member of the advisory committee can apply online at [www.slccgov.com/bc/membership](http://www.slccgov.com/bc/membership).



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**Saturday, September 6**  
**10 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Mountview Park**  
(1651 East Fort Union Boulevard)

**Animal-friendly vendors  
needed. Please contact  
Ann Eatchel at  
[aeatchel@ch.utah.gov](mailto:aeatchel@ch.utah.gov)**

- Splash Pad open for Canines
- Police K9 Demo
- Animal-friendly Vendors
- Contests

More information: [ch.utah.gov/get\\_involved/community\\_events.html](http://ch.utah.gov/get_involved/community_events.html)

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are prepared for all types of emergency events. Hundreds of people throughout the city are CERT trained and have volunteered to learn how best to help their neighbors in a crisis. We have an emergency preparedness committee, made up of citizens and professionals that focus on various aspects of emergency planning and preparedness.

But what happens when, despite all of our preparation, bad things happen anyway? What do we do when a young, seemingly healthy man dies unexpectedly of a heart attack, leaving a family behind? What if a cherished son, daughter, or other loved one takes their own life? How does a neighborhood cope with the grief of an accident that takes the life of a beloved neighbor?

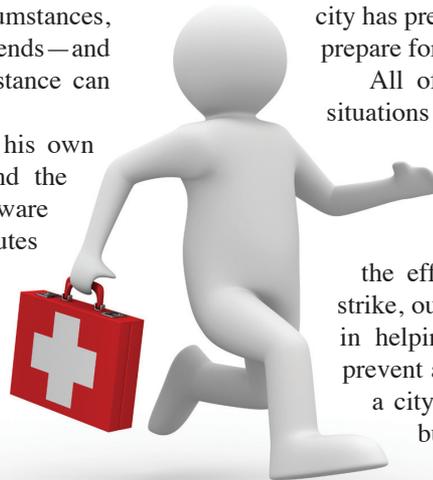
As I have struggled to come to terms with sad circumstances, I have learned that depending on trusted family, friends—and even sometimes caring strangers—for hope and assistance can heal deep wounds and mend broken hearts.

Several months ago, my sister's husband took his own life. Through that experience, we learned first-hand the value of a resource that many residents may not be aware of. The incident happened in Murray, so within minutes of discovering my brother-in-law the Murray Police Department arrived to handle our situation. I arrived a few minutes later and was greeted by police on the scene. They treated me with respect, courtesy and sympathy and carried out their work in a professional way. I am confident residents of Cottonwood Heights would have a similar experience with our police department.

I have come to understand that dealing with people in a crisis is often the duty of a police officer or a firefighter. The training of the officers was really important to our family crisis. Shortly after the police arrived, a victim advocate also came to help and provide support. We were completely unprepared for this situation and had no idea what to do next. It was the victim advocate that helped us navigate these unfamiliar waters.

Victim advocates in Cottonwood Heights and in the other communities in which they work provide invaluable support to those in need. When an unexpected death or a crime closely affects our city residents, victim advocates provide support, direction, information about available resources, or a safe place to stay. They serve victims of a wide variety of difficult situations. They are wonderful examples of how the city has prepared for situations that few of us would think to prepare for ourselves.

All of us will find ourselves in difficult situations throughout our lives. Some people in our city have recently been affected by tragedy of one kind or another. Our sincere sympathy goes out to those who are suffering the effects of a tragic situation. When tragedy does strike, our public safety professionals hope to play a part in helping to alleviate suffering. Preparation will not prevent all tragedy, but we hope that our preparations as a city and your preparations as families, businesses, and individuals will help our community grow stronger.



## Rat problem?

Get rid of them with these simple tips

By Tony Kassapakis

Cottonwood Heights Animal Control officers have received a number of calls lately concerning rats. Rats are a nuisance in every city, not just Cottonwood Heights. They will nest almost anywhere—under wood piles, shrubs, old appliances and cars—but always close to a food source.

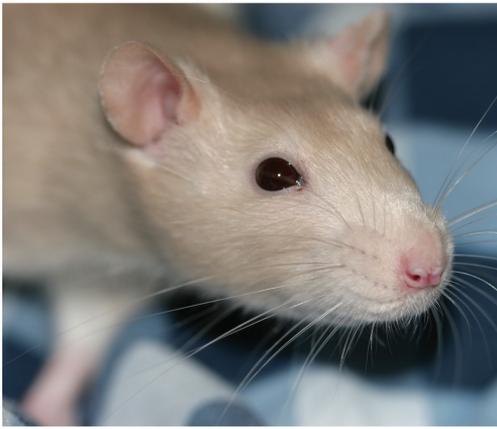
So what can you do to keep rats at bay? Follow these tips from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

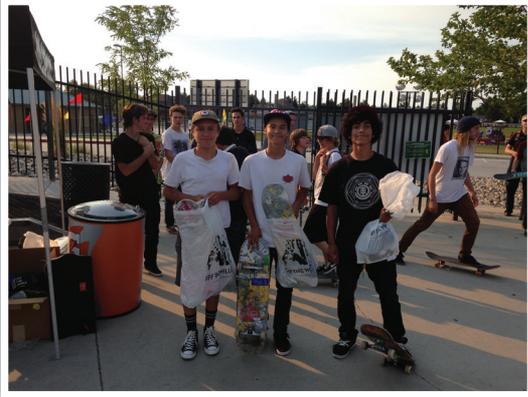
Seal up holes in your home or outdoor shed to prevent entry by rodents. This includes areas around kitchen cabinets and appliances, inside closets, around doors and vents, and in attics and basements. Small holes can be sealed with steel wool surrounded by caulk. Large holes may require cement or metal sheeting. These supplies can be found at your local hardware store.

Trapping is the preferred method for killing rats around your home or yard. Wooden snap traps are effective and inexpensive and can be baited with a little bit of peanut butter. Poison should only be used outdoors in a bait station or bait box.

Clean up possible rodent food sources and nesting sites. Rats will eat anything, but they love dog food and bird seed. Use squirrel guards to limit access to bird feeders, and don't leave pet food outside. Make sure to keep grills and outside cooking areas clean. Get rid of excess trash, bulk waste or old vehicles and elevate wood piles and garbage cans if possible. Trim shrubs and mow the lawn regularly.

For more detailed information on how to keep rats away, visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) and look up "Rodent Control." You can also contact animal control officers by calling 801-944-7100.





## Thank you for helping make Butlerville Days a success!

On July 24, Cottonwood Heights hosted its tenth annual Butlerville Days celebration, and we enjoyed every minute of it! Despite the heat, thousands of community members and volunteers turned out to help us celebrate the early days of our history and our city.

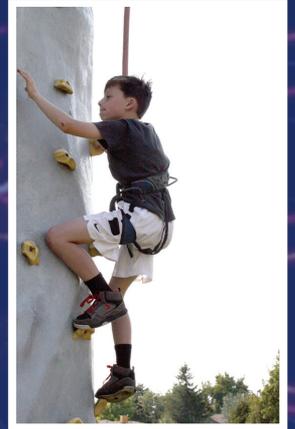
The Butlerville Days Committee Chair Mike Hanson and Vice Chair Jamie Jackson took on the task of creating new events to mark the tenth annual celebration. They decided to turn Butlerville Days into a two-day event, a decision which proved to be a hit with our residents. This year, we enjoyed a movie in the park on the night of July 23, complete with food vendors and inflatable rides. The next morning, nearly 150 people participated in the first-ever Butlerville Days 5K, followed by the annual parade and the main event at Butler Park.

Overall, the celebration was amazing and everyone at the city would like to thank all those who participated, especially the 100 volunteers and staff who made the event a success.

### The 2014 Butlerville Days committee included:

- Chairman – Mike Hanson
- Vice Chair – Jamie Jackson
- Events Coordinator- Ann Eatchel
- Parade Coordinator – Jim Andrus
- Sponsorship – Brian Allen
- Food Vendors – Patti Hansen
- Information Booth – Andrea Kitterman
- Hospitality – Debbie Tyler/Marshelle Shelton
- Parking – Ernie Cummings
- Historical Committee – Sylvia Orton
- Main Stage Entertainment – Christi Jones
- Car Show – Chuck Koehn
- Electrical Services – Craig Taft and Tom Eatchel
- Pie Eating Contest – Lorraine Turner
- Free Watermelon – Emilie Iliff
- Volunteers – James and Kris Monty
- Photographer- Rose Krystal
- Eagle Scouts – Tanner Steenblik and Jacob Hammond
- Cottonwood Heights Rec Center Parks Manager – Cory Frolic
- Cottonwood Heights Police Department – Asst. Chief Paul Brenneman, Sgt. Ken Eatchel and Sgt. Dave Broadhead
- Unified Fire Authority – Asst. Chief Mike Watson

We'd like to extend a special thanks to all of our sponsors, the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center, Unified Fire Authority, and the Cottonwood Heights Police Department. This event would not be possible without their help and support.



## Whitmore Library Celebrates 40 Years

By Nyssa Fleig



If you've visited your library recently, you may have noticed our 75 Years of Change banner, marking 75 years of service for the Salt Lake County Library System. Alongside this anniversary, Whitmore Library is proud to be celebrating our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Whitmore Library was built on land donated by Rich Whitmore of the Whitmore Oxygen Company. Within six weeks of the opening, more than 50,000 people had come through the doors. The library was so popular that an addition (now the popular children's room) was built in 1977. The library also housed system headquarters until 2012, when the library administration moved to the new West Jordan Library.

Since its opening, Whitmore has undergone many renovations and changes. This year saw the installation of a new book check-in machine, which automatically checks books in, even when the library is closed. However, over the years our core mission to make a positive difference in the lives of our customers has remained the same.

We figure you can't have a birthday without a party, so we are planning a birthday celebration in September. We would love for you to participate by sharing your library stories, memories, and reminiscences. When was the first time you visited Whitmore Library? Can you remember getting your first library card? Did you ever check out film from our film library? Submit your story, old or new, by e-mail to [azanarini@slcolibrary.org](mailto:azanarini@slcolibrary.org) or stop by the library to share your story. People of all ages are encouraged to participate.

## Upcoming races to affect city traffic

On August 9, two cycling events will lead to increased traffic and/or road closures on the east side of the city. Please be aware of these events as you plan your activities.

### Ultimate Challenge

This race will take place in the morning and will not affect the flow of traffic as it is a "rules of the road" race. However, vehicle drivers should be aware of cyclists and make sure to give them adequate space. Cyclists will leave Big Cottonwood Canyon and head south on Wasatch Boulevard before turning up Little Cottonwood Canyon.

### Tour of Utah

This premier cycling event takes place in mid-afternoon, likely between the hours of 1 and 4 p.m. There will be a hard road closure along the length of the route as participants turn out of Big Cottonwood Canyon onto Wasatch Boulevard and continue up Little Cottonwood Canyon. The road closure will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour.

## New Businesses in Cottonwood Heights

Business	Business Address	Business Type
EBH Southwest Services Inc.	7135 S. Highland Dr.	Outpatient Services
Heather Dee's	7235 S. Union Park Ave.	Cosmetology
Intuition Mind Body, LLC	7105 S. Highland Dr. #202	Massage Therapist
Mary Ann Williams	6965 S. Union Park Ctr. #230	Financial Advising

## Hot cars and pets are a deadly combination

By Chief Robby Russo



The Cottonwood Heights Police Department has responded to numerous calls in the last few weeks regarding dogs left unattended in vehicles during scorching hot summer days. Most of the calls originate from citizens who observe animals in distress while the pet owners are shopping in area supermarkets. Although our response times average less than five minutes, by the time we arrive citizens are often poised with tire irons prepared to break a window to rescue the animal.

In every instance, the cabin temperature of the car was more than 118 degrees, there was no available water, and the dogs were showing signs of distress. We recommend never leaving an animal unattended in a hot car, ever. In these incidents, officers charge the responsible care givers with animal cruelty under Cottonwood Heights City Ordinance 8.32.050, which carries a recommended fine of \$633.00.

A study conducted by the Stanford University of Medicine states that with high temperatures ranging from 72 to 96 degrees Fahrenheit, a car's interior can heat up by an average of 40 degrees within an hour. Cracking the windows does little to keep the car cool. Animals have a body temperature that's about 10 degrees higher than our own, so when you combine that with the fact the temperature can rise very quickly in a parked car on a hot day, the effects can be deadly.

Though we believe these pet owners absolutely love their pets, it is irresponsible to leave a pet in the car while shopping. They are safer at home. CHPD will continue to aggressively prosecute these cases, but we ask witnesses to call the police and avoid breaking car windows. I assure a very timely response by our officers.

Did you know that if your pet gets lost or runs away, one of the most effective tools is [KSL.com](http://KSL.com)? They have a "Lost and Found" pet section that reunites pets and owners. It's a great resource that works!

# Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

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## · Fall Swimming Lessons ·

Registration for Fall Swim Lessons will open on August 13<sup>th</sup>  
Lessons begin on September 15<sup>th</sup>

## · School Is Back In Session ·

The outdoor pool hours will be changing on school days  
Starting August 20<sup>th</sup>  
Open Plunge · 3:30pm-8:00pm

· Summer Celebration ·  
· **Ice Skating Show** ·  
Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

## · Come Join Us For Our · · **Annual Charity Golf Tournament** ·

Presented by Proficio Bank  
Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>

Whether you are a corporation or an individual,  
everyone is invited to participate in this fun, yet worth-while event.  
Pick up a brochure at CHRC

GET YOUR  
· **Membership** ·  
NOW

## · NOTICE ·

ALL Indoor Pools will be closed for repairs and maintenance  
from August 16<sup>th</sup> through September 14<sup>th</sup>

## · Free Movies In The Park ·

Inflatable rides, activities and entertainment begins at 7:00p.m.  
Movie will start around dusk

- Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> · Despicable Me 2 ·
- Bywater Park, 3300 E. Banbury Rd ·
- Opening Act · Magician Zane Gray ·



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## Meet the new Canyons District superintendent

Canyons District  
parents, students, employees  
and community supporters  
are invited to town hall  
meetings to meet the new  
superintendent, Dr. Jim  
Briscoe.

- Wednesday, Aug. 6—Corner  
Canyon High School, 12943  
S. 700 E., 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 13—Indian  
Hills Middle School, 1180  
E. Sanders Road, 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 4—Silver  
Mesa Elementary, 8920 S. 1700 E., 7 p.m.



## City Information

### City Council Members

**MAYOR** - Kelvyn H. Cullimore, Jr.

**DIST# 1** - Michael L. Shelton

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

**DIST# 3** - Michael J. Peterson

**DIST# 4** - Tee W. Tyler

**CITY MANAGER** - John Park

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Fire Authority ..... 743-7100

Animal Control ..... 840-4000

Justice Court..... 273-9731

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City Manager .....944-7010

City Planning .....944-7065

Public Works .....944-7090

Recorder .....944-7020

Finance Director.....944-7012

Code Enforcement .....944-7095

Police Administration.....944-7100

### City Council Meetings

August 5 ..... Work Session, 6pm

August 12 ..... Work Session, 6pm

Business Meeting, 7pm

August 19 ..... Work Session, 6pm

August 26 ..... Work Session, 6pm

Business Meeting, 7pm

**Agendas** are posted 24 hours in advance of public meetings.

For details about the agendas, check our web site:  
[www.ch.utah.gov](http://www.ch.utah.gov)

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## Historical Question

Who was one of the original members of the Cottonwood Heights Community Council, formed in 1952, and served as its chairman during those first months as the group studied the charters of other communities?

### Answer:

Earl Cox became the principal of Butler Elementary School for the school year starting in 1951. He also taught the fifth and sixth grades. Although the county had formally changed the name of Butlerville to Cottonwood Heights in 1938, most in the community continued to call the area Butler or Butlerville. Mr. Cox was instrumental in forming the group that would become the Cottonwood Heights Community Council in 1952. Mr. Cox served as chairman in community improvement, public relations and recreation and as main chairman during the last four years he served on the council from 1955 to 1958. During the time he served on the council, the population of the area grew from about 500 residents to more than 5000 residents.



## Upcoming safety fair to focus on emergency prep

**Would you say you're well-prepared for an emergency? If the answer to that question is "no," we have the perfect opportunity to help you get to "yes."**

Cottonwood Heights will host a public safety fair on Sept. 11, 2014 at Butler Park from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. You'll be able to gather information and learn about programs available in Cottonwood Heights to help keep you and your loved ones safe.

Come learn about the neighborhood watch program, preparation for large-scale disasters, and 72-hour kits among other things. In addition, representatives from Rocky Mountain Power and Questar Gas will be on hand to provide tips about how to safely deal with power lines and gas leaks. The Red Cross will distribute information about medical preparation, shelters and volunteer opportunities. And all seven local precinct teams within the city will be available to talk about emergency preparedness at the neighborhood level.

This is your chance to learn how to be ready for any emergency that comes your way. Don't miss it!

