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BETWEEN THE CANYONS

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Make small changes to conserve water this summer

Council member Shawn Newell



Governor Cox recently declared a state of emergency in Utah due to the drought conditions and asked all Utahns to reduce their water use as they did in 2021. This is a time when we all have to come together and realize we have a precious

resource to be conscious of.

As a long-time Cottonwood Heights resident, I have been conscious of this issue for some time. While you don't have to be as drastic as me, I've made a few changes over the years to conserve water:

- **Watering my lawn only as needed** (I don't have a sprinkler system)
- **Being conscious of my culinary water use**
- **Minimizing bath and shower times**

• **Ensuring I don't have drips in my home**

One of the easiest ways you can limit your water use is by addressing the park strip in front of your home. Did you know removing grass from this area can save 5,000 to 8,000 gallons of water each year? You'll also earn some cash: Central Utah Water Conservancy District offers rebates of up to \$1.25 per square foot for replacing the grass in your park strip with a water-efficient design (including gravel, bark, or compost mulch). You'll provide photos of your project site, request a pre-conversion site visit, attend a park strip class, complete your project, and schedule a post-conversion site visit. Learn more at utahwatersavers.com.

Central Utah Water Conservancy District also rewards property owners who install a new landscape or renovate their existing property to make it more water-friendly. The average reward for a quarter-acre lot is around \$2,000. Visit utahwatersavers.com and click on **Localscapes Rewards** to see if you're eligible

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CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

JUNE 7

- CITY COUNCIL/STAFF COMMITTEE REPORTS
- RANKED-CHOICE VOTING REPORT
- UTAH ELECTION INITIATIVE REPORT
- PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT BID DISCUSSION
- 2022-2023 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
- PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE REAPPOINTMENTS
- BIG COTTONWOOD MARATHON DISCUSSION

JUNE 21

- FINAL PROPERTY TAX RATE ADOPTION
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND RENEWAL AGENCY (CDRA) MEETING
- 2022-2023 CITY BUDGET ADOPTION

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- **JUNE 6 - JULY 6:** PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW AND CONTEST
- **JUNE 7:** CREATING WATERWISE PARK STRIPS CLASS
- **JUNE 24:** *GHOSTBUSTERS: AFTERLIFE* IN MOUNTVIEW PARK
- **JULY 8-9, 11, 14-16:** *WILLY WONKA: THE MUSICAL*
- **JULY 28-30:** BUTLERVILLE DAYS
- **AUG 12:** *SPIDERMAN: NO WAY HOME* IN BUTLER PARK

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT CH.UTAH.GOV AND CLICK **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Cottonwood Heights Arts Council

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW & CONTEST



JUNE 6 - 20
JULY 6, 22

AWARDS CEREMONY & RECEPTION
June 16, 6-8pm

EXHIBIT OPEN
Monday - Friday 8am-5pm

Cottonwood Heights City Hall - 2277 E Bengal Blvd.

CHCITYARTS.COM

Logos: Cottonwood Heights, Utah Legislature Arts & Museums, ZAP IS YOU SALT LAKE COUNTY, Cottonwood Heights Arts Council

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS

Movie Park

IN THE

June 24 - Mountview Park
1651 E. Fort Union Blvd.



Scales and Tails 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Food Trucks - Movie at Dusk

Logos: Cottonwood Heights, GRANITE, COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS PARKS & RECREATION SERVICE AREA

Volunteer now for Butlerville Days activities, held July 28-30 in Butler Park!

Butlerville Days, scheduled for July 28-30, 2022, is only a few weeks away! We're now accepting applications for both the parade and vendor booths.

Parade. Held Saturday, July 30, at 11 a.m., the Butlerville Day parade begins at 3425 E. and Bengal Blvd. and ends at 2300 Bengal Blvd. Floats, musical

groups, classic cars, businesses, and community dignitaries can fill out a parade application at bvdays.com.

Vendor booths. Promote your commercial or home business and crafts at Butlerville Days on Friday, July 29, from 4-9 p.m. and Saturday, July 30, from 12-9 p.m. in Butler Park (7500 S. 2700 E.).

Booth costs (include a 10-foot by 10-foot space):

- **Home crafts:** \$65
- **Home business:** \$175
- **Commercial businesses and services:** \$330

Fill out an application at bvdays.com.

For more information about Butlerville Days, email Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.org. ■

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and learn more.

Cottonwood Heights is also working to conserve water wherever possible. The city recently passed a landscape ordinance requiring all new city developments to use a WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller that automatically adjusts irrigation frequency and duration in response to

changing weather conditions.

The ordinance limits lawn areas to 250 square feet or 35 percent of the total landscaped area in single-family residential zones and 20 percent of the total landscaped area in commercial, industrial, institutional, and multi-family development common areas.

The city also conserves water in parks whenever

possible. The splash pad at Mountview Park, which opened May 23, uses water only between 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

We can all make small changes while continuing to ensure everyone in our homes, including our pets, stays hydrated this summer. Please join together as a community to help do your part to conserve water. ■

Community Renewable Energy Program: Offering cities sustainable electricity

In 2019, the city council adopted a resolution known as the Cottonwood Heights sustainable energy policy, recognizing sustainability's importance in protecting Cottonwood Heights' health, safety, and welfare by prioritizing reduced fossil fuel dependence through a suite of renewable energy goals. In short, these goals call for collaboration with Rocky Mountain Power and neighboring cities in exploring renewable electricity sources, with a stated goal of achieving 100 percent renewable electricity for city operations and securing the option of 100 percent renewable electricity for residents and business owners.

Although these goals are ambitious and complex, a pathway to realizing them exists via the Community Renewable Energy Program — a unique collaboration between Utah communities and Rocky Mountain Power.

Born from House Bill 411 during the 2019 Utah legislative session, the Community Renewable Energy Program created a legal route for Utah communities to collaborate with Rocky Mountain Power to offer net-100% renewable electricity for city operations, local businesses, and households. This means participating customers are still connected to the standard electricity grid, but their annual electricity consumption is offset by a renewable electricity production investment.

To qualify for this more sustainable electricity option, Utah communities were required to adopt a renewable electricity resolution by the end of 2019. Joining 22 other Utah communities, Cottonwood Heights has been working in a leadership role with Rocky Mountain Power and various state regulatory agencies to set the program up for customers. This group is currently working through

technical elements, including customer participation rates, which will be widely publicized once finalized. Once the group has established these critical program details, residents and business owners can choose to participate in the Community Renewable Energy Program or opt out and keep their existing electricity rates.

At this stage, the group is still working through the legal framework required by state legislation, but its creative approach to meeting one of the city's primary sustainability goals makes it an important option for Cottonwood Heights to continue exploring, with the intention of protecting our community's health, safety, and welfare for generations to come.

Visit utah100communities.org or email sustainability@ch.utah.gov to learn more. ■

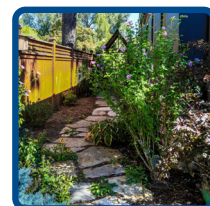
FREE Online Landscape Classes



Creating Waterwise
Park Strips
June 7th, 7-8pm



Intro. to Locascapes
June 14th, 7-8pm



Locascapes University
June 21st, 7-8:30pm



Planting Bed Design
June 28th, 7-8pm



CENTRAL UTAH WATER
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Full Class List & Registration at:
cuwcd.com/classes.html

Cottonwood Heights Arts Council presents

Roald Dahl's

Willy Wonka

Music and Lyrics by
Leslie Bricusse &
Anthony Newley



Performances: 7 p.m.
July 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, & 16
Matinees: 2 p.m. - July 9 & 16
Butler Middle School Theatre
7530 S. 2700 E.
Tickets: CH.SMASHPASS.COM



Be prepared to evacuate if wildfires threaten your neighborhood this summer

Assistant fire chief Riley Pilgrim



Though Cottonwood Heights is an urban community, its Wasatch Front location puts several neighborhoods along the wildland-urban interface, areas adjacent to undeveloped land with vegetation and

potential wildfire risks. These risks vary in severity depending on the neighboring fuel, lay of the land and any type of area wildlife management.

Residents are responsible for mitigating wildfire risk on their own properties. Here are several preparation tips from the Ready, Set, Go! website (wildlandfirersg.org):

- **Be ready.** Create and maintain defensible space around your home and property. This includes removing flammable vegetation within 30 feet of your home and

extending outward from there with other protective measures. If your home borders public land, work with the city and fire department to address your concerns.

- **Get set.** Ensure your family is prepared to evacuate on short notice. This includes having important valuables, documentation, medicine and other essential items ready for a quick retreat.
- **Be ready to go.** When wildfire strikes and you're concerned for your safety, leave the area before safety officials tell you to. Public safety authorities will do their best to evacuate areas when necessary, but we also rely on residents to act on their own if they feel threatened by fire.

Now is a great time to begin assessing your readiness for the wildfire season. Whether you're collecting needed items in case of an evacuation or planning for a property risk assessment, it is never



too early to prepare for the wildfire season.

For more resources, check out these sites:

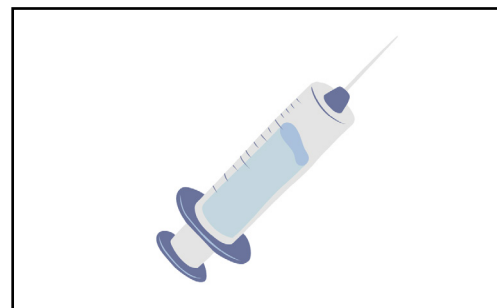
- Unified Fire Authority: unifiedfire.org
- Utah Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands: ffsl.utah.gov/fire/wildfire
- Utah Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal: utahwildfirerisk.utah.gov
- Fire-adapted Communities: fireadapted.org ■

Centers for Disease Control approves COVID-19 booster for kids aged 5 to 11

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends all children 5 to 11 years old receive a COVID-19 booster vaccine five months after completing their primary series. Children 5 to 11 years old who are moderately or severely immunocompromised should receive a booster three months after completing their primary series. Only the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is authorized and recommended for children 5 to 17 years old.

The CDC continues to recommend a booster for children and adolescents 12 to 17. They also recommend everyone 50 years old and older and those who are moderately or severely immunocompromised receive a second booster dose due to a steep and substantial increase in hospitalizations for older Americans.

For more information about COVID-19 booster shots, visit coronavirus.utah.gov or contact your local healthcare provider. ■



Bengal Boulevard roundabout update: Construction detours began May 27

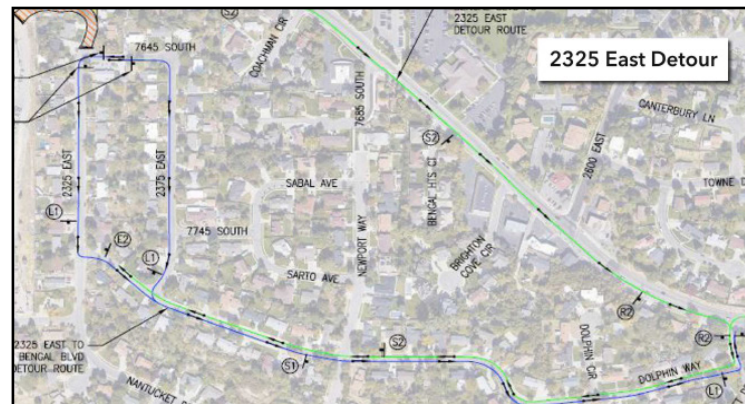
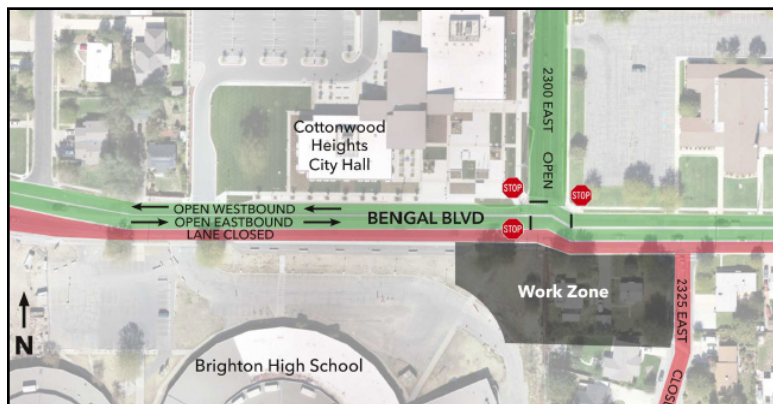
On Tuesday, May 31, 2325 E. was closed from Bengal Blvd. to 7645 S. for construction, and detours are now in place. Motorists can access Bengal Blvd. via Dolphin Way. Bengal Blvd. will be realigned north of the construction zone, and one eastbound and one westbound lane will be open.

The signals at Bengal Blvd. and 2300 E. and 2325 E. were also replaced with two three-way stops to allow traffic to flow through the corridor.

The construction will temporarily impact residents who live near 2325 E. Bengal Blvd., but they will still have access to their driveways during this period. A

road base will be installed to replace any asphalt and concrete removed while driveways are reconstructed.

Look for variable message signs and flaggers to help you drive safely while construction is underway. For more information, visit ch.utah.gov/bengal-blvd or call 1-385-557-7090. ■



Sign up for Wasatch Front Waste's weekly green waste collection program

Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District's green waste collection program resumed this spring and will continue through mid-December 2022. You can sign up and help divert green waste from the landfill to be processed into mulch others can buy from the Salt Lake Valley and Trans-Jordan landfills.

Pay a one-time \$60 start-up fee for the can and \$31.50 per quarter (\$126 per year). A green waste can is less expensive than another black garbage can (\$204 per year).

You can put the following items in your green waste bag unbagged:

- **Vegetables and fruits**
- **Eggshells**
- **Lawn clippings and weeds**
- **Coffee grounds**
- **Tea bags**
- **Tree branches and leaves**

Green waste is collected the same day as your trash and recycling. To sign up, visit wasatchfrontwaste.org/green-waste. ■



Pick up a landfill fee waiver voucher at City Hall before taking loads

Come to City Hall (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.) to get a landfill fee waiver voucher before hauling your own truck or trailer load to the landfill. These vouchers are only good for one free 4-foot by 8-foot load (about the size of a truck bed or truck-sized trailer).

Voucher users must still follow all landfill regulations. Visit slco.org/landfill for household disposal information. ■

Celebrate International Plastic Bag-Free Day on July 3

On July 3, Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District will join other organizations around the world in support of International Plastic Bag Free Day. To celebrate, choose paper bags over plastic or, even better, bring your own bags to stores to shop. Some merchants even offer discounts or other perks for customers who bring their own bags. Visit plasticbagfreeday.org for more ideas. ■

Salt Lake City Public Utilities proposes 15 percent water rate increase

Salt Lake City Public Utilities (SLCPU), which provides water to Cottonwood Heights, is proposing a 15 percent water rate increase for fiscal year 2023. If the Salt Lake city council approves it, the new rate will take effect on July 1, 2022.

Rate adjustments allow SLCPU to continue providing high-quality customer service, helping to fund water treatment plant upgrades, and supporting water line and other aging infrastructure repairs and replacement.

The Salt Lake city council will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget (including these rate change proposals) on June 7.

Visit the SLCPU website, slc.gov/utilities/rates2023, for more information. ■

Apply for a small business assistance grant by June 10

The Cottonwood Heights business assistance grant provides qualifying city businesses up to \$5,000 for eligible expenses, including operating costs, employee incentives, and technology and business improvement investments. Businesses must:

- **Hold a current** Cottonwood Heights business license
- **Have 25 or fewer** full-time employees
- **Have begun operating** on or before Jan. 1, 2021
- **Have an owner** at least 18 years old
- **Provide valid employer ID numbers** or Social Security numbers (if established as sole proprietors)
- **Document and report** grant fund use

Cottonwood Heights will accept grant applications through June 10, 2022. For more information, visit ch.utah.gov/grants, email citygrant@ch.utah.gov, or call 801-944-7067. ■



Attend the city's free community shred event Tuesday, June 28

Bring documents you need to shred to the City Hall parking lot (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.) Tuesday, June 28, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Columbus Secure Shredding will park their mobile shred truck and shred all materials in compliance with applicable laws. Staples and paper clips are fine, but you must remove all other metal objects.

Remember to enter the City Hall parking lot from 2300 E. and exit on Bengal Blvd. ■

Join us for the Big Blue Swim School ribbon cutting June 20

Help us welcome the Big Blue Swim School to Cottonwood Heights with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Monday, June 20, at 8:30 a.m. at their new location (1340 E. Park Centre Drive). ■

BigBlue®
SWIM SCHOOL

Plaque will soon honor Mori and Tashiro homes near Brighton High School

The following plaque text will soon designate the former sites of the Mori and Tashiro homes, which once stood at 2312 Bengal Blvd. and 2318 Bengal Blvd.:

Near this spot in 1919, Japanese emigrants Tsunetaro and Tsune Mori leased and then bought 19.5 acres of land for a home and a small family farm in what was then known as Butlerville. The ownership was unique in the era, as several western states had enacted laws prohibiting Asian emigrants from owning property. While not in force at the time, Utah would briefly enact a similar law during World War II.

The 1,096-square foot Mori home was constructed in 1919 and remodeled in 1939. The family created a thriving farm, producing sugar beets, peas, and strawberries. The area became well known for its annual strawberry crop and remained productive for nearly 50 years.

One of the Mori family's six children, daughter Kiyo, married Akira "Korky" Tashiro, and in 1954 they built a 768-square-foot bungalow next to the Mori home. It had few decorative elements and was a good example of the post-1930s depression and World War II-era Minimal Traditional style.



Mori home



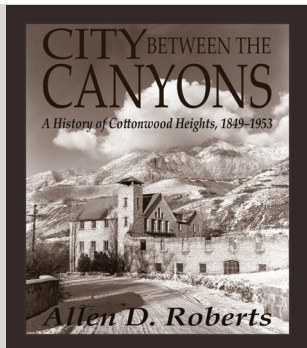
Tashiro home



Kazu Mori, left, holding baby Nancy Tashiro in 1948

The Mori and Tashiro homes stood side by side into the 21st century. While the physical structures are now gone, the Mori and Tashiro families' legacies

of determination, diligence, and resilience — along with their substantial contributions to the Butlerville community — remain. ■



Buy the book!

Find more community stories in *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953*. Buy yours at City Hall for \$20 (3 for \$50) or online at ch.utah.gov/history-book for \$25 (3 for \$59) with shipping. ■



CHRC Group Fitness

We will be offering 2 FREE outdoor yoga classes this summer!



STARTING MAY 31ST - LABOR DAY!

Tuesday @ 8:20am
Wednesday @ 7:40pm

Classes will be held on the lawn north of the outdoor pickleball courts and are free to anyone, ages 14 or older.



City council members

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Numbers to know

Emergency..... 911

Dispatch 840-4000

Fire authority 743-7200

Animal control 944-7100

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

- **June 7:** Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- **June 21:** Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings on ch.utah.gov.

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission generally holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

Editor

Lindsay Wilcox

Oakdale Elementary arts teacher earns honors

Marie Smith, who teaches at Oakdale and Crescent elementary schools, was honored May 5 with the prestigious Sorenson Legacy Awards for Excellence in Arts Education at a Utah State Board of Education banquet. The awards recognize distinguished educators who embrace the arts with excellence in their practice at Utah's public schools. ■



Important Canyons School District dates to know

- **Aug. 15:** First day of school (grades 1-12)
- **Aug. 18:** First day of school (kindergarten)

Brighton High School class of 1982 to hold 40-year high school reunion August 26-27, 2022

Bengals who graduated from Brighton High School in 1982 are celebrating their 40th high school anniversary this year! The celebration will be held Friday, Aug. 26, and Saturday, Aug. 27, at Snowbird Resort (9385 S. Snowbird Center Dr.) in Little Cottonwood Canyon.

The celebration also includes a golf tournament at the River Oaks Golf Course in Sandy (9300 S. Riverside Dr.). For more information about the reunion, join the **Brighton Bengals High School Class of 82** group on Facebook or call Theresa Kearns Ulibarri at 801-706-9076. ■

We're hiring public works specialists, crossing guards, police officers, and facility monitors!

Cottonwood Heights is hiring for the following positions:

- **Crossing guards**
- **Facility monitors**
- **Full-time lateral police officers**
- **Full-time police support specialist**

- **Police officer academy recruit**
- **Full-time public works operations specialists (with on-the-job training)**

Full-time positions include healthcare benefits and retirement pensions. To learn more and apply, visit cottonwoodheightsut.applicantpro.com. ■





Cottonwood Heights

BUTLERVILLE DAYS

JULY 28-30, 2022

Butler Park, 7500 S. 2700 E.

CARNIVAL RIDES
CONCERTS

CAR SHOW
FIREWORKS

WWW.BUTLERVILLE DAYS.COM

Business spotlight

Cottonwood Cyclery | 2594 E. Bengal Blvd | cottonwoodcyclery.com

Cottonwood Cyclery opened in October 2007, providing the Salt Lake community an opportunity to enjoy the outdoors through cycling or skateboards. Alan Greenberg, owner and Cottonwood Heights resident, has more than 25 years of cycling industry experience and focuses on getting everyone out to ride.

The shop, which carries a full range of bikes from striders to e-bikes, mountain bikes and road bikes, also maintains and repairs all bicycle brands.

Besides carrying skate and long boards and safety equipment, Cottonwood Cyclery also has an extensive hockey shop and carries equipment for all levels, ages and skills. Cottonwood Cyclery is the only independent hockey shop location in Utah. For more information, call 801-942-1015 or visit cottonwoodcyclery.com. ■



The Angry Korean | 6945 S. 1300 E. | theangrykorean.com

The Angry Korean is a fusion twist on Korean barbecue. Rice bowls are served with fresh white rice, Korean Japchae noodles, mandu dumplings, salad, fried egg and your choice of meat, including Bulgogi, grilled chicken, and chicken katsu. *The Salt Lake Tribune* recently featured the restaurant's Korean cheesesteak as one of the best dishes in Utah. Come try one for yourself! Visit theangrykorean.com to see a menu or order online.

Kore Investments partnered with owner Peter Kim again on his second restaurant (they completed the South Jordan location, too). A general contractor based in Cottonwood Heights since 2008, Kore Investments provides construction, remodeling, repair, and HVAC services for both commercial and residential customers and offers specialized work for modular and manufactured homes. Visit koreinvestmentsllc.com or call 801-381-5145 for more information. ■



VIBE Tech Utah | 6936 S. Promenade Dr. #301 Rm D | flowstatekneebrace.com

VIBE Tech Utah, a web-based sales platform, is excited to launch its first product, the flowstate knee brace. Founder and physical therapist Megan Hanrahan specifically designed the flowstate knee brace for those with active lifestyles and demanding schedules who want to achieve optimal physical recovery from painful knee symptoms.

The flowstate knee brace is made of soft-shell neoprene and includes three external pockets to hold thermotherapy hot or cold gel packs. It is convenient to use and improves the user's mobility and pain management.

To learn more about the flowstate knee brace and VIBE Tech Utah, visit flowstatekneebrace.com. ■



Visit our local businesses for their June specials. To participate, email Sherrie at smartell@ch.utah.gov.

VIBE Tech Utah | flowstatekneebrace.com

Get a free "Feel the Flow" t-shirt when you preorder the knee brace kit with gel packs by Sept. 30, 2022.

Mention the Cottonwood Heights newsletter and t-shirt offer in your notes when you order at flowstatekneebrace.com. ■



Attend the small business event series meeting Thursday, June 16

Join us for "How to Make Your Business Bankable," held Thursday, June 16, from 8 - 10 a.m. in the City Hall Community Room, sponsored by Fortis Bank and the Cottonwood Heights Business Association. Alpha Coffee owners Carl and Lori Churchill will discuss how they made their business a success, and Fortis Bank representatives will explain:

- Business banking
- Pitfalls to avoid when starting your business
- Ways to grow your business
- How to prepare when approaching a bank

The CHBA will provide a light breakfast. Register now for the event at makeyourbusinessbankable.eventbrite.com. ■