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New Municipal Center Taking Shape

By Councilman Scott Bracken



For the last few months, I've made it a weekly practice to visit the new city hall construction site to observe the progress being made and to learn in detail all that goes into a construction project of this size. It's been very interesting to see how things change, and how my perception of things changes as I've watched the construction progress.

As you read this, all the masonry work on the building will be essentially complete, the roof deck on the police side of the building (along 2300 East) will be in place and a good portion of the steel for the central areas (council chambers, multi-purpose/public room, lobby area) and the administration side (along Bengal Blvd.) will soon be completed. Of course, this is always dependent upon the weather. Once steel is in place, the roof



and roof deck can be installed, which will help move things along. At the very least, I won't have to drive down Bengal Boulevard and see a worker clearing out our city manager's office space with a snow blower!

It has surprised me to go back and see how my perception of the size of a space changes as construction progresses. I will admit that when I first went to the



site and looked at the footings and rough layout of the rooms, I was surprised that everything looked so small. Now that I've been inside the walls of the police wing, that same space now looks much larger – and big enough to house the functions that are required. I'm told that this is a common perception with laypeople such as myself.

As I catch the end of the weekly coordination meetings with our staff, the contractor, and the architects, it's gratifying to know how much work each is putting into the project. There is an extreme amount of detail on a project this size and coordination between city staff, the architect, and the contractors is critical. I also realize the vision of what it can be, while ensuring that cost-saving opportunities are not lost and all necessary steps in the construction process are followed to specification.

I look forward to getting the project complete (we're planning on a September completion) and having the new space. I'm particularly excited to see the multi-purpose/lobby areas, which will be open and available to the citizens of our city. Having a location for local groups to meet or hold events is something Cottonwood Heights needs. Adjacent to the multi-purpose area is a catering kitchen. I expect that school groups,

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Upcoming Cottonwood Heights Events

- March 25** **Teen Easter Activities - Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center (2700 E. 7500 S.)**
Free ice skating, pizza and fun!
- March 26** **Easter Egg Hunt- Butler Park (2700 E. 7500 S.)**
10 a.m. (arrive early) Easter egg hunt, Easter Bunny, face painting, and balloon animals
- May 3-5** **Auditions for Seven Brides for Seven Brothers (Location TBD)**
Callbacks will be scheduled as needed.

History Question of the Month

During the late afternoon on February 18, 1874, Alva Tanner, a South Cottonwood resident on his way from Union to Sandy, made a terrible discovery. What was it?

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Help wanted for the community summer musical

SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS

Come get involved and support the arts in Cottonwood Heights.
Contact Kim Pedersen at kpetersen@ch.utah.gov

Playing July 29-August 6, 2016

The following positions are available:

- Musical Director
- Choreographer
- Production Assistant
- Costumes
- Set Builder
- Set Designer
- Set Painters
- Marketing Director
- Rehearsal Pianist
- Orchestra director



Sponsors Needed for Butlerville Days 2016

Cottonwood Heights' annual Butlerville Days is the city's premiere community event. Each year, we rely on our sponsors to help us provide a fun atmosphere with many free activities for our residents. These activities include a movie in the park, the big parade, live music, and one of the best fireworks displays in the valley. Additionally, Butlerville Days offers a midway, inflatable rides, and a wide range of food options for attendees.

Butlerville Days is a great option to promote your business. In exchange for your support, you can receive an on-field event presence, promotional banners both at Butler Park and on main city thoroughfares, and mentions from the main event stage. Additional benefits include free entries to rides and the 5K race for your organization, VIP parking at the event, and your logo on marketing materials.

Last year, our sponsors reached an estimated 20,000 participants at the event alone. With packages ranging from \$1000 to \$4,500 and the flexibility to tailor a package that works best for your company, you can expect to get a great return for your investment.

For more information, or to sponsor this great city event, contact Ann Eatchel at (801) 550-8225, or aeatchel@ch.utah.gov. ■

I Can't Believe They Do THAT at Whitmore Library!

You probably know that Whitmore Library has a great collection of books, CDs and DVDs that can be checked out. You may know that the library offers classic programs for all ages, including story times and book clubs. But did you know that you can come to Whitmore Library for Zumba fitness, music and movie fun?

Here are some of the unique programs that can be found only at Whitmore Library in February:

- Zumba Kids is held every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. and kids of all ages (including adults)

are invited to join in for 30 minutes of dancing fitness fun!

- Winding Road, a Beatles cover band, will be giving a free concert at the library on Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m., and everyone is invited to rock out.



- Teens are invited to dress up in red carpet attire and join in a celebration of the movies on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 6:30 p.m. – including submitting their picks in an Oscar Award Winner contest.

All of Whitmore Library's events (and all Salt Lake County Library events) can be found on the library website, www.slcolibrary.org, or like our Facebook page at facebook.com/WhitmoreLibrary/. ■

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teams, volunteer groups, and possibly wedding parties will find many good uses for the space. The location is central to the city, and the views are amazing.

The space is also large enough to

"We think you will love our city's new gathering place."

accommodate public meetings that generate a lot of community interest, as well as host other intergovernmental groups or associations in our city. Our desire for the space is that it will be utilized well by city staff and the public.

I look forward to having a roof overhead

for those working on the site – that will help them keep dry at least, and possibly a little warmer. The next few weeks' work will really have the shape and feel of the exterior building come into its own. As the exterior stonework gets completed and the windows get installed, we will all get a better feel for what the building will become. As spring and summer pass, the

other exterior features will be completed, including the plaza area on the corner of Bengal Boulevard and 2300 East. This will be a nice, accessible area right along two main corridors of the city. Bengal Boulevard will become even more of a public services corridor

as Brighton, (the new) Butler Middle School, the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center, Butler Park, Guthrie skate park, and Canyon View Elementary are complimented by the new municipal center.

As a city organization, we have tried from the very beginning to capitalize on the synergy between various governmental entities serving our citizens that residents have come to expect. The continued cooperation between city leaders, school leaders/faculty/students, Cottonwood Height Parks and Recreation service area, Salt Lake County and others has yielded one of the most sought after locations for people to live. We think you will love our city's new gathering place. ■

Council Members Take Oath

On Jan. 4, Council Members Mike Shelton and Scott Bracken took the oath of office to begin a new terms on the Cottonwood Heights city council.



Bracken and Shelton were both reelected in November.

Bracken starts his fourth full term representing Cottonwood Heights' second

district. After the ceremony, he shared a few remarks and offered his continued devotion to make the community better.

Shelton begins his second term representing the city's first district. He also expressed his devotion to improve the lives of all Cottonwood Heights' citizens, and gratitude to his family for supporting him.

Debbie Tyler was also sworn in as a



member of the Cottonwood Heights Parks and Recreation Service Area Board of Trustees.

The audience was treated to a special musical performance of "God Bless America" sung by Brian Allen and Chantel Nate.

Justice Augustus Chin administered the oaths of office in the Cottonwood Heights city council chambers, where friends, family and citizens gathered to celebrate the occasion. ■

Curbside Glass Recycling Program Expanding in Salt Lake County

In cooperation with Momentum Recycling, the Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District is launching the second phase of its new curbside glass collection program starting in April 2016. The optional service will be provided in Emigration Canyon, Canyon Rim, East Mill Creek, Olympus Cove, Holladay and Cottonwood Heights.

Residents who subscribe for the service will be able to place all colors of glass jars and bottles in a small 35-gallon bin (with wheels) provided by the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District. Residents can opt to receive a reminder of their

monthly collection day through email, text or phone call.

After the resident subscribes and is provided a bin, the cost for the service will be \$8 per month plus a one-time \$45 startup fee.

Glass will be taken to Momentum Recycling's processing facility where the glass will be processed into a raw material that will be manufactured into a wide range of products, including fiberglass, containers, water filters and other products.

Collecting glass separately is essential to successfully recycling it. When glass is mixed with other recyclables like paper, cardboard

and plastic, it often breaks into very small pieces during collection, and gets embedded in the other materials, making it very difficult to separate the glass from the other materials. By collecting glass separately, more than 95 percent of the glass can be captured and recycled.

The Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District plans to continue offering drop-off recycling locations for glass in addition to the voluntary curbside collection program.

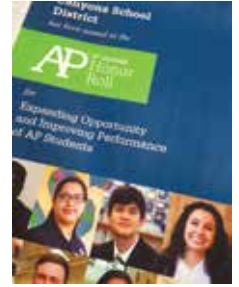
For more information about subscribing to curbside glass, visit <http://wasatchfrontwaste.org> or call the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District at 385-468-6325. ■

CH Student Profiles

AP Gold Star Performance



Brighton High students get a gold star for their performances on the Advanced Placement exams taken in 2015. The Bengals earned a stellar 83 percent pass rate on the college-level exams. Brighton's strong scores helped catapult Canyons District onto the prestigious 6th annual AP District Honor Roll, which is reserved for districts that show an increase in access to AP classes while also maintaining or improving the number of students who score a three or higher on the yearly exams. CSD joins just five other Utah districts on this year's 425-district honor roll. ■



Ice Skating on Wheels



This will warm your heart: student volunteers from Brighton High spent the last Saturday of winter recess at the Cottonwood Heights Ice Arena with students from Jordan Valley, Canyons District's school for students with severe disabilities. The event, called "Ice Skating on Wheels," paired the high school students with children in wheelchairs while they took spins around the rink. The event was sponsored by the Opportunity Foundation of America, which raises money and supports Eagle Eyes, a high-tech program that allows disabled students to move a computer cursor with just their eyes. The activity also served as the Eagle Scout project of Brighton student Brandon Clark. ■



Cottonwood Heights Honors Volunteers During Appreciation Dinner



Volunteers are the heart of our city. They donate countless hours serving in our wonderful community. You might see some

of them at the arts council play or maybe in a boardroom planning new roads, or approving new structures. Some are out in the community, searching for information about the area and its history.

We certainly could not hold our annual Butlerville Days celebration in July without them.

Each year, the city honors a few of the outstanding volunteers during a special dinner. This year, the dinner was held on Saturday, Jan. 23 at the Market Street Grill.

The 2015 award recipients were:

Rebecca Kitchen for several years of service on the Arts Council and donating her talented directing abilities.

Jamie Jackson was awarded for volunteer

excellence as the Butlerville Days Chair. Jamie's talent of leading the committee was inspirational. Her vision to include a carnival led to a record-breaking turnout for the event.

Tom Eatchel and Craig Taft were both recognized as Butlerville Days Outstanding Volunteers. Tom has been with the committee for eleven years, while Craig served for five years. They both spent many hours setting up the electrical system and making it safe. They have been so dedicated that they usually didn't leave until 1 a.m. during the event.

James Jones was awarded for Community Development. He is a seasoned planning commissioner whose consummate judgment has helped the city carefully assess, review and then act on the city's demanding land use cases. He also serves in the city's neighborhood watch program.

M. Tom Shimizu was awarded for Community History. Tom has been on the Historical Committee for several years, most recently serving as chair. His dedication to preserving history will be missed since he is retiring from the committee this year.

Carlos Cardon was given the award for Emergency Preparedness. He has devoted countless hours in supporting the amateur (HAM) radio communications for the city and staffing the annual emergency prep "shakeout" day.

The Liljenquist family was presented with the Community Partner Award. Thanks to their innovation and forward thinking, they have single-handedly re-energized the Union Park area by bringing in top-notch companies like Trader Joe's, Café Rio, Zao's Asian Cafe, Orange Theory Fitness and Sierra Trading Post.

Thanks to all the great volunteers of Cottonwood Heights who so freely give of their time and talents to make our community a better place to live. ■



Police K-9s: Saying 'Goodbye' to an Old Friend

By CHPD Chief Robby Russo



The Cottonwood Heights Police Department has three canines assigned to handlers. One is certified as a

drug detection dog, while the other two are dual-purpose dogs (they locate drugs and successfully track fugitives while defending their handler). The working life of a police dog is approximately seven to eight years, and the

acquisition cost is between \$6,000 to \$10,000 depending upon the age, level of training and aptitude. The dogs are an expensive yet crucial tool in law enforcement. Police budgets also contain a line item for food, vet bills, kennels and maintenance. CHPD recently retired K-9 "CHIP" who has served the city since we began the police department was created eight years ago.

The newest member of our K9 group is "Kia," a one-year-old Belgian Malinois that is being paired with his handler. Both are in training to meet the certification requirements. To be certified in Utah, the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) requires 320 hours of training for narcotic detection and another 320 hours for patrol certification.

The K-9s actually live with the handler and their family. It's not exactly a pet since it's really a law enforcement tool. Nevertheless, everyone helps care for the furry creature and naturally they become attached and integrated into the family. This was the case with Officer Michael Alcivar and his two-year-old canine "Koa."

You can imagine how hard it was to learn that Koa was diagnosed with Lymphosarcoma, a common cancer of lymphocytes in dogs. He was given two to four months to live. Even with chemotherapy, the percentage of dogs

living more than one year after treatment is less than 20 percent. It's sad Koa contracted this disease in his prime. This form of cancer is unbelievably painful, so the family spent a little time with Koa before his suffering ended in mid-January. For most members of the law enforcement community, their lives revolve around the health of their families pets, so it's very distressing when a beloved dog gets terminal cancer.

CHPD is hoping to find the budget to replace Koa with a new puppy and begin the training process. Thank you Koa, for making the officers a bit safer and proudly serving the Cottonwood Heights Community. ■



Officer Michael Alcivar and Koa



Kia

CHPD Hosts Citizens Academy

In an effort to educate and connect with the great people of our city, the Cottonwood Heights Police Department offers a special training course called the Citizens Police Academy. The program's intent to give citizens a better understanding of the challenges and benefits of life on the force.

The academy will provide insight into police operations and procedures, and build better relationships between the public and CHPD officers.

Attendees will learn about the legal system, firearms and the use of deadly force, S.W.A.T.,

K-9, patrol/traffic/DUI tactics, criminal investigation/evidence collection, domestic violence, gangs and narcotics.

This 10-week program will be a combination of classroom and hands-on experiences and

tours. All classes will be taught by CHPD officers. The 2016 Citizens Academy will begin on March 16 until May 18 and will be held every Wednesday from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

There is limited space for those who wish to attend the academy, but if you are interested in joining, please contact Liz Jones by email at ljones@ch.utah.gov or call 801-944-7100. ■



Answer

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On Feb. 18, 1874 Alva Tanner found the dead body of Peter Van Valkenberg, his father-in-law, lying in the road when Alva was on his way from Union to Sandy. After an investigation by Silas Richards, a Sandy justice of the peace who also acted as coroner, it was determined that Mr. Van Valkenberg was coming home from Sandy with a wagon load of manure when he experienced a problem with the wagon. While repairing the wagon, he was hit with almost a dozen balls from a shot gun and killed. At the time, it was unknown by whom.

While the inquest was going on, Martin Florida, Deputy Sheriff for Salt Lake County, was in pursuit of those that committed the crime. By the time the sheriff was through, he had arrested seven men. William Kelley, one of the deceased's in-laws and Philip Shafer, a blacksmith living with the Kelley family, were eventually charged with the murder. Three others were charged with being complicit in the murder but they had the charges dismissed due to lack of evidence. The other two, Gray, a Sandy saloon keeper and Thomas Fox, another of VanValkenburg's in-laws, became the main witnesses for the prosecution in the trials of Kelley and Shafer.

Shafer was tried in Third District Court in Salt Lake and found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to death. That conviction was appealed and he was later retried, convicted of second-degree murder and sentenced to ten years in prison. Kelley was convicted of second-degree murder in the First District Court in Provo and also sentenced to ten years in prison. Motive for the murder seemed to center around a long-standing dispute over property.

Peter Van Valkenberg was buried in the Union Pioneer Cemetery located on Creek Road. ■

Shiozawa Recognized as "Healthcare Hero"



Cottonwood Heights resident Dr. Brian Shiozawa was recently honored as a "Healthcare Hero" by Utah Business Magazine.

Shiozawa, who also represents Cottonwood Heights in the Utah State Senate, is an emergency room physician at St. Mark's Hospital. He was noted for "Lifetime Achievement" by the magazine for his years of service as a healthcare provider and involvement in his community.

Dr./Senator Shiozawa's career as an ER physician has spanned 31 years. He has also championed healthcare reform in the legislature, including playing a vital role in passing a bill that expands coverage for people with autism. ■

Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

7500 South 2700 East • (801) 943-3190

CHRC News & Events

Best Swimming

We were voted "Best Swimming" in Utah from City Weekly Magazine. Come check out what all the buzz is about!

Sweetheart Skate

Saturday, February 13, 2016
2 for 1 Special

Now Hiring

We are currently looking to fill the following positions:
Child Care
Visual Maintenance
Lifeguards
Tennis Instructors & more!

What's happening in Programs

Fit Kids

Keep the kids healthy with our Fit Kids Program!
Monday-Wednesday: 4:30pm
Thursday: 4:00 pm

Youth Sports Conditioning

Ages 12-18
Tuesdays & Thursdays at 4:30 pm.
Focuses on agility, strength, speed, & off-season training.

Tri-Camp

Feb. 1-Mar. 5
Mar. 14-Apr. 16
Apr. 25-May 28
3 Training Days per week
5 Weeks each of specific triathlon training

What's happening in the Ice Arena

Learn to Skate

Winter Session II*
Tuesdays 6:15pm-6:45pm
Feb. 23, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Apr. 12 & 19
Wednesdays 6:15pm-6:45pm
Feb. 24, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Apr. 13 & 20
* Includes participation in the Spring Ice Show

What's happening in Aquatics

Swimming Lessons

Mornings: 11am-12:30pm
Feb. 16-Feb. 26
Feb. 29-Mar. 11
Evenings: 6pm-7pm
Feb. 16-Mar. 3
Parent & Tot: 11am-11:30am
Feb. 16-Mar. 22
Saturday: 9am-11:30am
Feb. 20-Mar. 26

City Council Members

MAYOR - Kelynn 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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 Public Works944-7090
 Recorder944-7020
 Finance Director.....944-7012
 Code Enforcement.....944-7095
 Police Administration.....944-7100

City Council Meetings

Feb. 2 - Work Session 6 p.m.
Feb. 9 - Work Session 6 p.m.,
 Business Meeting 7 p.m.
(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)
Feb 16 - Work Session 6 p.m. ,
Feb. 23 - Work Session 6 p.m. ,
 Business Meeting 7 p.m.
(Work session reconvenes after business meeting.)

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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High School Shark Tank Event is Encouraging Entrepreneurs



The Cottonwood Heights Business Association has teamed up with Brighton High School and DevMountain to host a "Shark Tank" event on Wednesday, March 23. Students will work in teams of three to come up with an original idea for a product or service and the top six teams will be judged by successful entrepreneurs in the business community.

Serial entrepreneur John Richards, along with local hackathon judge Stephen Walter and Clint Betts from Beehive Startups will evaluate the students' business models, plans for marketing and overall product success and give valuable advice to young business leaders.

The CHBA is looking for businesses willing to donate money for prizes, T-shirts, lunch and snacks for the event. Every company that donates gets its logo on the event T-shirt. Contact pkinder@ch.utah.gov for more information. ■

The Brighton High School Shark Tank logo was designed by BHS student David Hoshijima. Skullcandy headphones were donated by Instructure.



Updates from the District January 2016 Administrative Report

Collection Routes

Although our collection routes will be changing in February, Cottonwood Heights will not be affected by these changes and will keep their regularly scheduled collection day on Wednesdays.

Green Waste Subscription Program

For Cottonwood Heights residents, the Green Waste Collection Program will begin Wednesday, March 16th. This is a subscription-based program, and those interested in subscribing or getting more information can visit our website at www.wasatchfrontwaste.org. Cottonwood Heights currently has 465 subscribers for our Green Waste Program.



Like Us on Facebook

Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District is on Facebook. Please "like" our Facebook page. This is the best and quickest way to notify you of tips, issues, and important announcements that may impact your service.

Broken/Damaged Cans

If your garbage or recycle can is broken or damaged, please call our office at (385) 468-6325. We will come and repair your cans for free. You can also complete an online service order request on our website.



Business Spotlights

Skimo Co.



Skimo Co. (2477 Fort Union Blvd. #104) is North America's first and only ski mountaineering specialty store. They take great care in selecting products that meet stringent quality and weight requirements. As a specialty retailer of ski mountaineering equipment, Skimo Co. will import, test and service quality gear from around the world. Light is right when you're skiing uphill! For more info, contact Jason Borro at 801-942-9084 or visit www.skimo.com. ■

The Children's Montessori Garden

The Children's Montessori Garden Preschool is delighted to announce its opening in the city of Cottonwood Heights at 2122 Fort Union Blvd. The school provides a stimulating environment that allows your child to develop a solid foundation for learning. The curriculum promotes self-confidence, a positive attitude toward school and work, curiosity and good learning habits. For more information, or to arrange a tour, contact Jodi Turgeon at 801-849-8780. ■



Business Boot Camp Series Continues in February

Learn Valuable Communication Skills

Communication is the basis for any successful business. Whether you're dealing with customers, co-workers, employees or colleagues, knowing how to interact effectively is imperative.

As part of an ongoing series, Cottonwood Heights will host a FREE communications boot camp every Thursday in February from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at city offices (1265 E. Fort Union Blvd., 1st floor training room), covering different aspects of business communications.

On Thursday, Feb. 4, Kelvyn Cullimore, Jr.

(Cottonwood Heights Mayor and Dynatronics CEO) will teach "Communicating to a Diverse Audience."



On Thursday, Feb. 11, Beth Strathman (Firebrand Consulting) will teach "Six Approaches for More Powerful Communication."

On Thursday, Feb. 18, Jeff Olpin (Positively Critical) will teach "Effective Communicating & Coaching a Successful Team."

On Thursday, Feb. 25, Karin Palle (Advanced Business Consulting) will teach "How to Network Effectively."

Anyone interested in the workshops can register for individual classes, or all four courses by sending an RSVP to

pkinder@ch.utah.gov. This series is sponsored by Zions Bank. ■

Thursday, Feb 4, 11, 18, 25
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 developing the communication skills necessary to expertly engage with clients, employees, colleagues and other professionals. Register for individual classes, or take all four courses. RSVP to Peri Kinder at pkinder@ch.utah.gov or 801-944-7067.

SCHEDULED PRESENTERS

Feb 4: Communicating to a Diverse Audience
Kelvyn Cullimore Jr - Dynatronics CEO & CH Mayor

Feb 11: Six Approaches for More Powerful Communication
Beth Strathman - Firebrand Consulting

Feb 18: Effective Communicating & Coaching a Successful Team
Jeff Olpin - Positively Critical

Feb 25: How to Network Effectively
Karin Palle - Advanced Business Consulting