

# Cedar City This Month

CEDAR CITY, UTAH COMMUNITY UPDATE



FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2021

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Mayor Maile Wilson-Edwards

As I sit here today, trying to find the words I would like to use in this month's newsletter, I am overcome with emotion at just how much has happened recently in our community.

Within the past 6 months, our community has faced so many life changing events, from the monsoonal flooding that came during the summer to a new strain of the COVID

virus, and the personal struggles directly related to these events that a lot of us have experienced. I feel very fortunate to have my little family on the mend after my baby daughter, my husband and I all tested positive for COVID last month. It really takes a physical, as well as an emotional, toll on your ability to even perform basic functions of every day life.

It has also given me the opportunity to see many things in a whole new perspective and recognize not to take anything or anyone for granted. Many residents in our community have lost loved ones or are going through their own personal struggles and may have found themselves in a place of despair. I just want you all to know that you are not alone in the challenges you have or are currently experiencing. You never know what someone may be facing at this time, so it is imperative that we all have compassion and kindness in our hearts and actions.

Congratulate all of the newly elected officials from the recent election and wish them the best of luck in the future. I realize that elections tend to divide communities instead of unifying them. While we all have different ideas, we need to work together to be able to serve our residents of this amazing City. Instead of tearing each other down because we don't agree, at the end of the day, we are still neighbors, and we are stronger when we work together. I am extremely passionate and protective when

it comes to our City and maintaining a good relationship with City staff, elected officials and YOU, the residents of Cedar City. Together, by supporting each other, we are better as a whole, and I can truly say that it is a privilege for me to be your Mayor and an advocate for our wonderful city.

The Annual Children's Story Book Holiday Parade is truly an event for children of all ages. This Saturday, November 6th at 2:00 p.m., watch the magic of the season unfold, as dozens of floats, giant helium balloons, marching bands, superheroes, hundreds of costumed characters and storybook celebrities parade along Cedar City Main Street (200 South to 400 North). This event is FREE, but you'll want to bring your own chairs, blankets and bundle up to enjoy this fantastic display. For information or to get involved in the parade, call Laci (435) 590-8392.

The Iron County Children's Justice Center (CJC) will present "Dancing with your Community Stars: When you Wish" on Tuesday, November 9th. Based on the popular television series, this event will feature our own "community stars" of Iron County that will be paired with an experienced partner from the SUU Ballroom Dance team. This is one of the CJC's biggest fundraisers, and it's a great opportunity to give back to the community. This event will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Heritage Center Theater (105 N 100 E, Cedar City). Tickets are \$15 each or \$50 for a family of four. For information and tickets, call 435-867-4275. All benefits go to the Iron County Children's Justice Center.

With daylight savings time this Sunday, November 7th, we will be turning the clock back an hour, which means days will be getting darker sooner. Safety is our concern for all our citizens. We encourage you to check the street lights in your neighborhood and report any that may need to be replaced. The Public Works Department is responsible for repairing the City street lights. Call (435)586-2912, and your concern will be forwarded to the appropriate person(s). Please provide the pole number, approximate address, side of street, and problem with the streetlight in your message. *(CONTINUED ON PAGE 4)*



# PUBLIC WORKS

## WATER:

As colder weather comes upon us and the irrigation season draws to a close, please remember that it is a violation of City Ordinance 37-5-3 for anyone other than a Cedar City Water Division employee to get into your water meter box. If you need to shut off your water meter before you shut off your stop and waste valve, please call the City Office at 435-586-2951 to have them arrange for a water employee to come to your home and shut off your water meter. We will be glad to take care of this. Remember, shutting off your stop and waste valve is your responsibility. City employees are not allowed to shut it off for you.

Water restrictions for irrigating with culinary water ended on October 31st. This year there were a total of 251 watering violations. The watering restriction ordinance goes into effect April 1st and continues through October 31st of each year. Ordinance 37-7 prohibits any water user from wasting water. Ordinance 37-7-1 sets out the parameters for time-of-day watering. Utah is one of the driest states in the nation. Please be on the lookout for ways to conserve water for the future growth of our area.

## STREET DIVISION:

The crisp, cool Autumn weather is not only harvest time, but the time when the trees are shedding their leaves. As you clean up leaves in and around your yard, our Street Division would like to remind you NOT to blow or rake them out into the street. These leaves end up in the gutters and block the storm water grates causing flooding in the streets and in your neighbor's driveways. Your leaves can also end up in your neighbor's yard which can cause neighborhood problems that we don't deal with. You can bag your leaves and place them in your trash can, but any bagged leaves that are left on the outside of your can will not be picked up. You will be responsible to dispose of any bagged leaves that are not in your can. The Street Division carries out a Spring Cleanup of yard debris each April, but in the fall, you are responsible for your leaves and yard waste.

The Public Works Department can help you with maintenance of streets, water lines, water meters, water leaks, sewer lines, missed trash pickups, replacement trash cans, streetlights, etc., but we can't help you set up new service, pay bills, or answer questions about your account. We're happy to forward these calls to the City Utilities Department, but to help save you frustration from being transferred from department to department, please call 435-586-2951 to ask questions about your utility bills, pay your bill, or set up new services with the City.





Join us for the  
**CEDAR CITY  
HOLIDAY TREE JUBILEE**

SANTA, PRIZES, HOT COCO & MORE!  
PROCEEDS WILL GO TO HOMELESS CHILDREN & TEENS  
FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

**A Thrill of HOPE**

NOV. 27<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 - 9:00 PM  
NOV. 30<sup>TH</sup> & DEC. 1<sup>ST</sup>  
5:00 - 8:00 PM

FESTIVAL HALL  
105 NORTH 100 EAST,  
CEDAR CITY, UTAH



## Iron County Holiday Assistance

**The Iron County Holiday Assistance (ICHA) program is accepting applications and donations NOW!**

The ICHA helps the residents of Iron County have a Merry Christmas by providing a holiday meal box and Christmas gifts for children age 0-17 (or 18 if still enrolled in high school), and a holiday meal box for people in our community who need help during the holiday season. The program relies completely on volunteers, as well as donations from local individuals, families, and organizations, and partners with Toys for Tots, Shop With a Cop, and other programs to ensure that families receive assistance from one program. The program serves between 500 and 600 families and over 1,200 children in Iron County each year!

Donations of new, unwrapped gift items and gently used coats can be dropped off at either State Bank location or the Enoch or Cedar City office buildings. Donations of hams, turkeys, or turkey breasts, as well as other holiday meal items, can be dropped off at Care and Share Monday through Thursday, 9 am-4 pm, 222 W. 900 N. Monetary donations are also accepted and can be made online at [www.suu.edu/community](http://www.suu.edu/community). Applications will be accepted through Monday, November 22. Gifts and food will be distributed December 6-10.

For more information on this program or to volunteer your time, please contact the SUU Community Engagement Center at (435)865-8335 or visit their website at [www.suu.edu/community](http://www.suu.edu/community).

The Orchestra of Southern Utah  
**Patriotic Veterans Tribute**  
and Cedar City Birthday Celebration  
Thursday, November 11, 2021  
7:30pm • Heritage Center  
Carylee Zwang  
Conductor

**FREE CONCERT**

Plakats will only be available to the general public for free through email, no money starting October 28, 2021. Based by mailing will be available after 7:00pm. For more info visit our website and availability each morning. Children over 8 welcome. No better please, as resources are essential.

Featuring Guest Artists:

Eric Dodge

Bill & Loretta Westbrook

Southern Utah Chorale - In Jubilo - and more!

Major Concert Sponsors:  
The Charles Maxwell Parrish & Gloria F. Parrish Foundation  
George S. and Suzanne Dark Sciles Foundation  
Ariana, S&P, and Cedar City Corporation.

## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Each year on December 18th, the Wreaths Across America (WAA) organization coordinates wreath-laying ceremonies across the United States for our fallen military men and women. From the Revolutionary War to present day conflicts, military service members continue to lay their lives on the line, so we can enjoy our freedoms. The mission for this event is to **Remember, Honor and Teach**. **REMEMBER** our fallen U.S. Veterans. **HONOR** those who serve. And **TEACH** our children the value of freedom. Our local WAA group will be laying wreaths at the Cedar City Municipal Cemetery, located at 685 N. Main Street, on Saturday, December 18th at 2:00 p.m. For more information, visit the WAA's website at [wreathscrossamerica.org](http://wreathscrossamerica.org). Please join us to honor and remember our local veterans.





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Cedar City is celebrating its 170th Birthday!! Come join us during our three-day celebration, November 11th - 13th. Various events at different locations will be part of this celebration, including the Orchestra of Southern Utah's special Veterans Day concert November 11th, a Birthday Scavenger Hunt beginning November 12th, and free entrance to Frontier Homestead State Park (635 N. Main St, Cedar City). Scavenger Hunt papers can be found in the Iron County Today, on the City website ([www.cedarcity.org](http://www.cedarcity.org)), or on the City's Facebook page. For more information, call (435) 586-9290.

The Orchestra of Southern Utah (OSU) will be performing a special combined Cedar City Birthday Bash and Veteran's Day Concert to celebrate our heritage and honor our veterans. The Patriotic Veterans Tribute will be held Thursday, November 11th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Heritage Center Theater (105 N. 100 E.). The concert will include Eric Dodge, Bill & Loretta Westbrooke, and the Southern Utah Chorale with a BIG Orchestra backing. Birthday cake will be served at this event. It will be a night you won't want to miss! For your FREE tickets, visit [www.myosu.org](http://www.myosu.org).

On Veterans Day, November 11th, the National Parks Service will again be offering a fee FREE entrance to all national parks across the country. It's a great time to get out and enjoy the natural beauty of our national parks and to remember our Veterans who have given and continue to give selflessly to provide for our freedoms. For more information, visit [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).

Momentum is growing as the volunteers of "Wreaths Across America" are making final plans for this year's tribute to the Veteran heroes buried in the Cedar City Cemetery. The second annual event will take place on Saturday, December 18th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cedar City Cemetery, and all are invited to attend.

We welcome your participation. Each memorial wreath is \$15, but gifts in any amount are appreciated. Make checks payable to: Bald Eagle Chapter-DAR and send to: Wreaths Across America, 126 South 2050 West, Cedar City, UT 84720 or drop your check at the City Offices, c/o Councilman R. Scott Phillips. Help us honor America's heroes by making a contribution.

To kick-off the holiday season in a splendid fashion, the Cedar City "All Is Bright" Downtown Lighting Ceremony is set for Saturday, November 27, 2021,

from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The ceremony will take place from 5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. and the Lights on Main Street will be lit up at 5:45 p.m., all in front of the Cedar City Offices (10 N Main St, Cedar City). Join us as we turn on the lights in Historic Downtown with a holiday feast for the senses of music, hot chocolate, and a surprise visit from the Jolly Old Elf himself.

The Annual Holiday Tree Jubilee is back this year, and the Jubilee Committee is inviting you to come join in the fun! The festivities are scheduled Saturday, November 27th from 6:00-9:00, Tuesday, November 30th from 5:00-8:00, and for the final night, Wednesday, December 1st from 5:00-8:00. Come to the Heritage Theater, located at 105 N. 100 E. in Downtown Cedar City, where you'll see Santa, get free professional photographs taken, enjoy free hot chocolate, enter to win prizes and giveaways, and wander through their Christmas wonderland of over 50 beautifully decorated and donated Christmas trees. All proceeds go to our local families and children in need at Christmas time through the Shop With A Cop program, Iron County Homeless and At-Risk Teens, and our local Care and Share. The final drawing for the trees and auction items will be Wednesday, December 1st, at 8:00 p.m. on the Heritage Center stage.

November is Native American Month in our country, and we celebrate the culture and heritage of these remarkable Americans who deeply enrich the quality and character of our Nation. It is a time to celebrate the rich histories, diverse cultures, and important contributions of our nation's first people.

Did you know that within in the United States there are 562 Native American Tribes? Understanding and learning from their stories, their struggles, their families, and their beliefs, make us all better Americans. I hope all of you will take some time this month to reach-out and more fully understand the traditions of our local Cedar Band of the Paiutes.

Marie Osmond will perform her *A Symphonic Christmas* tour, Wednesday, December 1st at 7:30 p.m., in the America First Event Center (351 W. University Blvd., Cedar City). Special guests include her nephew, David Osmond, and "America's Got Talent" finalist, David Emmet. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$25 for students, and can be purchased on [tbirdtickets.com](http://tbirdtickets.com). For more information, call Southern Utah Concerts at (435) 586-7872.