



CEDAR HILLS

# OUR HOME TOWN

City Newsletter • August 2016

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## Upcoming Events

City Council Meetings 7:00 p.m.	<b>Aug 16</b> <b>Sep 6</b>
Bookmobile, 1-3pm	<b>Aug 8,</b> <b>22</b>
Community Pancake Breakfast, 9-10:30am	<b>Aug 13</b>
Concert in the Park with Pete Conder	<b>Aug 13</b> <b>6:00pm</b>
Plants & Soils Class	<b>Aug 17</b>
Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	<b>Aug 23</b>

### City Phone Numbers:

Dial 801-785-9668 then extension:  
Front Desk, 100  
City Recorder, 503  
Zoning & Code Enforcement, 500  
Business Licensing, 400  
Building Department, 200  
Public Works, 200  
Utility Billing, 400  
Recreation, 302 or 601  
Vista Room, 300

**Other Phone Numbers (801):**  
Public Works After Hours, 420-2243  
Golf Pro Shop, 796-1705  
Animal Control, 763-3020  
Police, 763-3020

## Free Pancake Breakfast

Good food, good friends, and good fun—a great way to start off the morning. The Pancake Breakfast has become a fun tradition for Cedar Hills families. Breakfast includes: pancakes, eggs, bacon, milk, and juice. Tables will be provided inside, but if you would like to eat outside, bring a blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy the view! The event will take place on Saturday, **August 13**, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. in the Vista Room at the Cedar Hills Community Center, 10640 N Clubhouse Drive. Be there or be hungry!



## Concert in the Park

Join us for Concert in the Park with Pete Conder. Simultaneous to growing up singing and jamming out on the piano in his simple little way, Pete Conder developed a love for personal expression through song and songwriting. He learned music at a young age memorizing hymns, learning piano, and performing in theatre and choral groups, to playing the organ during church service. His creativity, coupled with life experiences, transformed him into a song fighter, writing songs heavily connected to personal conviction and understanding.

Pete will perform a selection of songs from his new album "One to Love" (2016). The concert will be held on Saturday, **August 13**, at 6:00 p.m. at the Heritage Park Amphitheater, 4425 W Cedar Hills Drive. Grass seating (bring blankets or chairs).

## Road Closures and Maintenance Coming This Month

Please be aware that street maintenance projects are scheduled during the first, second, and third weeks of August. **Cedar Hills Drive and Box Elder Drive** will receive repairs and surface treatments as part of the projects. Lane closures on Cedar Hills Drive and Box Elder Drive will begin on Friday, August 5, and be in effect until Thursday, August 11. During the third week of August there will be crosswalk, parking lot, and street striping work done to get ready for the school year. Please use caution around construction zones and follow the traffic control devices.

During the closures on Cedar Hills Drive and Box Elder Drive, please use alternate routes, including: 9900 North, 4600 West, Redwood Drive, Cottonwood Drive, Bayhill Drive (to Canyon Road).

Maintenance notices are generally broad in scope to accommodate delays due to equipment failure, product availability, weather, and unforeseen conditions. We appreciate everyone's cooperation. Please refer to the city's website to view a map of the roads that will be affected by the closures.





## Mayor's Minute

*I hear babies crying,  
I watch them grow,  
They'll learn much more  
than I'll never know.  
And I think to myself  
what a wonderful world.  
Yes, I think to myself  
what a wonderful world.*

These words make up the fourth verse of the song sung by Louis Armstrong "What a Wonderful World." Armstrong, also known as Satchmo, was a jazz trumpet player, but also appeared in many movies, including *Hello Dolly* as himself. I loved Satchmo's distinctive voice and musicality; he was definitely one of kind.

The song I mention above describes how I feel about our city: What a wonderful city.

I met a real hero recently who lives in our little city. His name is Spencer Kelley. Recently the Kelley family's home almost burned down. That would normally be bad enough, but when the Kelley family gathered outside the burning home, they noticed that 12-year-old Conner was not with them. Spencer selflessly ran back into a burning home, not knowing if he or Conner would make it out alive.

Luckily he did find Conner, and while they were both burned severely, they did make it out alive. This does not

always happen this way, so we are grateful for two of our own to still be with us and the Kelley family still whole.

When Spencer was being interviewed, he credited his neighbors in Cedar Hills for helping them get through this. The Kelleys say how special Cedar Hills and our residents are. I could not agree more; we are a special group of people living in a spectacularly beautiful city. Spencer is a true hero to me. He did what every dad would do, but for most of us it will never happen that way. He actually did it. I love this story.

Finally, I want to let you know that in August we will be doing some construction on Cedar Hills Drive. This a major collector road in our city, so I want you to know in advance that your ability to drive on this road will be affected. Please plan other routes so you don't get frustrated when it is being done, and it could last for weeks. The surface treatment is going to appear initially to be very rough, and you will wonder why we chose this treatment. I can assure you that it has been discussed and we believe that it will extend the life of this very important road. It may take until spring of next year before it is where we want it to be, but please bear with us, as this is long-term thinking to help our road for years. We will have to suffer some pain in the short run for a long-term benefit. Please enjoy the rest of the summer.



Mayor Gary Gygi

## STORM WATER TIP OF THE MONTH

### We Can Make a Difference! Did You Know...?

During this time of year when we are maintaining our yards, cleaning out garages, and washing cars, remember that all of the water that leaves your property enters the storm drain system and ends up in the local waterways, such as canals, streams, ponds, lakes, and rivers. Here are some important reminders to ensure that our water is protected:

1. Apply lawn and garden chemicals sparingly. Excess gets washed out to the gutter and into the storm drain.
2. Make sure that grass clippings and leaves are properly disposed of. These easily clog storm drain systems and don't allow them to function properly.
3. Landscaping materials that are delivered to your home should never be placed in the street or on the sidewalk. Have dirt, gravel, mulch, etc. delivered onto your property, and make sure to sweep up the excess and dispose of it properly.
4. Never allow liquids, such as motor oil, gasoline, paint, or other harmful items, to be washed down the storm drain. Always use proper disposal practices.

### "Maybe It's Your Filter!"

As we approach the hottest period of the season, there is a greater chance for moss and debris to build up on your pressurized irrigation filter, reducing the water pressure. It is good to clean the filter at least every month.

### August 11 Is "811" Day for Blue Stakes of Utah

Blue Stakes of Utah promotes public safety, protects underground facilities and minimizes service interruptions by processing location requests and providing damage prevention education before you dig. Blue Stakes can be reached by phone by dialing "811."

**Blue Stakes of Utah: Call "811" before you dig!**

### Water Conservation Measures Continue

The city will continue to implement outdoor water conservation measures for all residential and commercial water users. All house numbers ending in odd numbers will be allowed to water Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. All house numbers ending in even numbers will be allowed to water Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Additionally, spot watering with a hose is allowed on Sundays. Restrictions are enforced with a warning for the first violation, a \$50 fine for the second violation, and a \$200 fine for the third and subsequent violations. Thank you for your continued compliance.

There will be a one-day delay in garbage pickup service the week of September 5, due to the Labor Day holiday.



## City Council Corner

Council members have the opportunity to provide links to their council blogs, where city-related information can be shared. We hope this will increase communication and will provide a variety of views on the important topics facing our city.

### Daniel Zappala

Find blog at: [cedarhillsblog.org](http://cedarhillsblog.org).

### Jenney Rees

There are many reasons why I love Cedar Hills, and one of the things I love most is how involved residents are in the community. As a member of the City Council, I do a better job when I receive input from residents on things the Council is discussing and/or voting on. One question that comes up is how residents can be aware of what the Council is discussing at a future meeting. There is a way to be informed, and it's easy! See my blog at: [jenneyrees.wordpress.com](http://jenneyrees.wordpress.com) for more information.

### Rob Crawley

For years as I observed politics and politicians, both local and national, I was very skeptical about everything in politics. There was so little that I observed that was good. It seemed that the grass-roots efforts of the people were always ignored by the political leaders of our state and every state. I can't remember exactly what year it was, but for the first time in my life, I decided to go to a caucus meeting here in Cedar Hills. For the first time, I saw something in politics that was good. Neighbors getting together and discussing issues and choosing people to represent them who can truly make a difference. I was inspired! This process actually gave a voice to the people and gave the people the ability to work together to make a change in the political landscape where needed.

The caucus system allows a safety valve to help remove a politician that has lost touch with the people. On May 8, 2010, this safety valve was used in ousting Bob Bennett, despite the glowing endorsements from the Republican Party establishment in Utah and nationwide. This proved that the people can make a difference when needed. Unfortunately, political insiders did not like the people having more power than they, and this began the war against the caucus system. Read more at: [cedarhillsrob.blogspot.com](http://cedarhillsrob.blogspot.com).

## Yards of the Month

Each month during the summer the Beautification Committee awards residents in recognition of their efforts to beautify the city. Photos of July's winners are available to view on the city's website: *Residents > News*



*and Events > Yards of the Month*. Those who were recognized in July are the the Proctors at 4521 W Redwood Drive. The city has been divided into areas by voting precincts, and one winner from each area is selected each month.

## A Message to Parents in Cedar Hills

The crossing guard lights will soon be flashing and the sidewalks will be filled with kids eager to attend school. Drivers, please slow down to 20 mph in school zones. Watch for children and the crossing guards. Please take a few minutes and explain the following precautions to your children:

- Encourage children to use the crosswalk with the crossing guard located in front of the schools.
- Children should stand on the sidewalk until the crossing guard motions for them to cross the street. They are not to follow the crossing guard into the street.
- Children should walk quickly, not run, across the crosswalk. Bikes, scooters, skateboards, etc., are not to be ridden in the crosswalk.

## Open-Pit Fire Restrictions Continue

Due to increased fire danger and dry conditions, open-pit fires east of Canyon Road are prohibited.

## Firewise Landscaping for Utah

Wildland fires affect many communities in Utah and the Intermountain West each year. The effects of these fires potentially become more serious as communities extend near and into former wildlands. A booklet published by an extension of Utah State University, "Firewise Landscaping for Utah" is a guide for homeowners and others concerned with management of the wildland-urban interface. Following the advice in this booklet will help you reduce the fire hazard around your home. There are no guarantees that a home will be fireproof, but if you take action to be firewise, you can greatly increase the chances that your home will withstand a wildfire. The booklet is viewable from a link on the Emergency Management page of the Cedar Hills website.

Please review this important information with your family.



### Youth Theater Class Registration

Cedar Hills Youth Theater Presents *Hairspray Jr.* Starting on August 18 and running for 12 weeks, students 8-18 years old (age exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis) will learn the basic and finer points of musical theater by auditioning, rehearsing,

and performing *Hairspray Jr.* Each student in the class will have a role and perform it three times on the evenings of November 7, 8, 9, 2016.

The classes will be taught by Jordan Long, assistant administrator and fine arts director at Liahona Preparatory Academy. Registration will be for the hours of 4:15-8:30, and all students will meet together for the first class. After auditions, the children will be divided into two classes: 4:15-6:15 and 6:30-8:30. If you cannot do a certain time, please make sure to notate it on the online registration.

Media packs, including a T-shirt, picture CD, and DVD, are now offered at registration, and if you choose to purchase one at check out, you will receive two complimentary tickets to the performance of your choice. Space fills up quickly, so register today from the city's website: cedarhills.org.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** The show will be cast true to its ethnic diversity. We encourage students of all ethnic backgrounds to join us!

### Karate Classes for Kids

These beginning and intermediate classes will create a fun, multi-level karate training experience for children ages six to twelve. The one-hour classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays for different levels. Registration fee is \$50 for each five-week session. Online registration is available at cedarhills.org. The next session of classes begins August 22.

### Tot Soccer Registration Is OPEN thru August 7

Tot Soccer is a fun, six-week soccer league for children ages three and four. Games are played on Tuesday evenings at Mesquite Park, beginning August 23. Parents are encouraged to coach. Online registration is open until August 7 at cedarhills.org.

### Teen Flag Football

Come, join the fun! Teen Flag Football is for kids in the 10th through 12th grades. Create a team of friends, boys and/or girls. Sign up under a team name or as an individual at cedarhills.org. Registration is open through August 28. Games will begin in September and will be played on Mondays on the Lone Peak Seminary field.

### Soccer League for Kids - K thru Second Grade

Cedar Hills offers leagues for co-ed Kindergarten teams and boys or girls teams in the 1st and 2nd grades. The fall session begins in mid-August and runs through September, with registration available online until August 14 at cedarhills.org. (Separate registrations are now required for the fall and spring sessions.) The cost is \$30. A reversible, reusable jersey (\$5) is required, if you haven't already purchased one. The jersey is used for all Cedar Hills recreation programs. Games will be played on Saturdays, beginning August 27.

### Flag Football Registration Open until August 28

Cedar Hills offers youth flag football for boys and girls in the 2nd through 9th grades. Registration is available online at cedarhills.org through August 28. The games begin the end of August and run through early October. Games are played during the week and on Saturday mornings at various locations nearby.

### Audition for Spark Singers!

Spark Singers is an exciting, new contemporary vocal program with professionally directed performing groups for ages 8-15 and 16-26. Auditions are on August 18. Singers can sign up online now. Rehearsals will be held on Thursdays at the Cedar Hills Community Center, where singers will learn group vocals, solo performance skills, and choreography. Christmas shows will include the Festival of Trees, the Dickens Festival, and a special community performance in Cedar Hills. See all the details at [SparkSingers.com](http://SparkSingers.com).



### Radon Test Kits

The U.S. Surgeon General has warned that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer, next to smoking. In Cedar Hills, one out of every two homes may have high levels of radon. The only way to know is to test. Test kits can be purchased at most hardware stores or ordered online through [radon.utah.gov](http://radon.utah.gov). The Utah County Health Department offers test kits for \$10 at either of their locations in American Fork or Provo. Kits for \$6 are available at Habitat for Humanity ReStores in Orem or Spanish Fork. Lab fees and instructions are included in the cost of all kits. The health department personnel will be happy to "walk" you through the process of using the kit. For more information, call Marla Brannum at the Utah County Health Department at 801-851-7513.