



CEDAR HILLS

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## Our Home Town

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Winter is the time for comfort, good food and warmth, and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.

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### Upcoming Events

City Council Meeting	Dec. 3 @ 5pm
Night Out with Santa	Dec. 2 @ 6pm
Pro Shop will remain open	Mon-Fri 9am-4pm
The Reading of The Polar Express	Dec. 16 @ 11am

### City Phone Numbers

Dial 801-785-9668 & ext:  
Front Desk 100  
Building Department 200  
Business Licensing 504  
City Recorder/Passports 503  
Pro Shop 600, 603  
Public Works 200  
Recreation 302 or 603  
Utility Billing 400  
Vista Room 300  
Zoning/Code Enforcement 500

### Other Phone Numbers (801)

Police/Animal Control 763-3020  
Cedar Hills Golf Club 796-1705  
Police Department 763-3020  
Public Works After Hours  
801-420-2243

### Enjoy a Safe Holiday Season

Holiday safety is an issue that burns brightest from late November to mid-January, when families gather, parties are scheduled and travel spikes. Take some basic precautions to ensure your family remains safe and injury-free throughout the season.

### Traveling for the Holidays? Be Prepared

Many people choose to travel by car during the holidays, which has the highest fatality rate of any major form of transportation based on fatalities per passenger mile. In 2017, 329 people died on New Year's Day, 463 on Thanksgiving Day and 299 on Christmas Day, according to **Injury Facts**. Alcohol impairment was involved in about a third of the fatalities.

### Watch out for Fire-Starters

Use of candles and fireplaces, combined with an increase in the amount of combustible, seasonal decorations in many homes during the holidays, means more risk for fire. The **National Fire Protection Association** reports that one-third of home decoration fires are started by candles and that two of every five decoration fires happen because the decorations are placed too close to a heat source.



### Food Poisoning is No Joke



Keep your holidays happy by handling food safely.

The **foodsafety.gov** website from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services provides some valuable holiday food safety tips such as: Keeping raw meat away from produce, washing your hands frequently when handling food, when storing turkey, cut the leftovers in small pieces so they chill quickly.

Please visit our website at [www.cedarhills.org/enjoy-a-safe-holiday-season](http://www.cedarhills.org/enjoy-a-safe-holiday-season) for a full list of tips.

### Stocking Stuffers Every Golfer will Love

The golfing season may have ended, but our Pro Shop at the golf course will remain open and fully stocked with the perfect stocking stuffers. Everything from golf balls, and hats to passes and gift cards. Stop by Monday-Friday 9-4pm.

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### Mayor's Message

The end of the year is a time when many reflect on the past and express gratitude for the good. I want to take this time to express my appreciation for the many people who work hard to make Cedar Hills a wonderful community.

First, we are fortunate to have a team of dedicated people who work for the city every day. We have a great relationship with American Fork Police and Fire and are grateful for their professionalism and their desire to be actively engaged in our community. Our public works team works yearlong to maintain our infrastructure so that the city utilities and assets we rely on are functioning well. Every year our finance team receives national recognition for the city's financial reporting and is continually looking at ways to save on expenses. Our community services department puts together a variety of recreation programs that provide many opportunities for the youth in our city and our golf team works diligently to keep the golf course in great condition. Our administration team does the day-to-day work to keep our city going and to provide services our residents need. Because we are a small city, we have many staff members who are asked to take on additional responsibilities outside of their normal job duties, and they have been happy to do so in order to assure that we are not only meeting mandated



obligations but that residents are receiving the highest level of service.

In addition to staff, we have many volunteers who serve on various committees. Members of our Planning Commission meet monthly to address land use issues; our Beautification committee plans for the continued care of our green space and puts together community events; our Family Festival committee spends months planning fun activities for our annual city celebration; and our Youth City Council and their advisors plan activities for children and teens to enjoy throughout the year.

I also want to thank our City Council. They are a great team to work with and are all dedicated to serving the residents of Cedar Hills. While there isn't always consensus when it's time to vote, there is always a demonstration of mutual respect and appreciation for the work being done by others.

Lastly, thanks to all of you for sharing your feedback, for staying engaged, and for doing the small daily acts of service that make this city so remarkable. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season.



Mayor Jenney Rees

### STORM WATER TIP OF THE MONTH

**Since winter is here it is time to think about environmentally friendly ways to control ice.**

Deicers lower the melting point of ice to help remove ice and snow from pavement. Sodium chloride (rock salt) is the most common product because it's effective and cheap. However, it is highly corrosive and ecologically damaging. Some deicers are significant sources of phosphorous. Be sure to keep the deicer in a covered area to prevent runoff to the storm system and contamination of ground water. Always apply deicing products according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Using the old fashion approach of a shovel means eliminating ice and snow without harmful chemicals and with the added benefit of physical exercise.

### Prepare for Winter

**Shovel Sidewalks:** Please make sure that the public sidewalks abutting your property have been cleared of snow and ice; this will provide safer travel for pedestrians. Snow from your sidewalk or driveway should not be placed in the street.



**No Street Parking:** Keeping roads clear of additional vehicles increases safety for other drivers and reduces obstructions during snow removal. If cars are parked on a street during snow removal operations, the street may not get plowed, due to an increased risk for damage and collision. On snowy days or during snow/ice removal, citations will be issued for all vehicles left in a public right-of-way.

### Please keep vehicles off street/sidewalks areas when:

- Snow is falling, or there is a visible amount of snow on the street.
- Streets have not been plowed since the last snowfall.
- Between the hours of 1:00am to 7:00am (November 1 through March 31)
- For any continuous period of more than 48 hours during snow/ice removal.

### Don't Crowd the Plow and be Patient

City crews are committed to provide safe winter driving conditions for everyone. Please maintain a safe distance from snow plows. Do not tailgate or try to pass, as they may need to travel slower than regular traffic. Conditions may create reduced visibility behind or next to the plows. Please be patient and allow yourself plenty of space to slow down. The city's policy is that the streets will be

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cleared according to priority, beginning with a minimum accumulation of two inches of snow, and continuing until driving conditions are considered adequately safe. Priority is given according to volume of traffic, location near schools or public buildings, and steepness of grade, etc. Low-volume streets and cul-de-sacs remain the last to be plowed.

Emergency after hours: (801)420-2243

### PLEASE SLOW DOWN!

The most important thing that you can do to make winter driving safer, is to slow down! Give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination and allow extra stopping distance. The city strives to ensure that roads are safe for travel, but conditions continually change. **Please be patient.** Watch for pedestrians, and drive carefully.



### Story Time: The Polar Express

Join us for the 9th annual reading of the Polar Express! **Monday December 16th at 11am** at the Vista Room by the fire place. Come bring your young children and enjoy cookies, crafts and lots of holiday fun.

### No Sledding on the Golf Course

Sledding and all other snow related activities on the golf course are prohibited. It causes expensive damage to the turf for the next season. Please report violations to the city. Thank you.

### City Offers Christmas Tree Recycling

Recycling locations for live Christmas trees **ONLY (no artificial trees)** will be available at the following two locations: Mesquite Park parking lot, 10440 N. Mesquite Way, and Heritage Park parking lot, 4425 W. Cedar Hills Drive. These areas will be available for tree drop off from **Thursday, Dec. 26, through Wednesday, Jan. 8.** All attachments must be removed from the trees, including stands. **Flocked trees are NOT accepted**, as they are not recyclable. No other waste, or commercial dumping is permitted. Mixed loads cannot be recycled. With everyone's considerate compliance, the City will be able to continue this service.



### Holiday Office Hours and Garbage Pickup

The city office will be closing at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 24th and closed all day Wednesday, Dec. 25th, Christmas Day. There will be a one day delay for Friday garbage services during the weeks of Dec. 24th and 31st.



### TALK SHOP WITH A COP

In law enforcement we tend to see society at its worst. It has been said that, "No one calls us because they have had a good day." Because of this, sometimes this job can help you maintain a perspective that life is fragile. We never know when life's tragedies will change someone's life or when we will see someone for the last time. As we approach the Holiday Season, I would just like to encourage everyone to appreciate every moment. Remember to tell those close to you that you care and that they are appreciated. Treat those you encounter with a little more patience and kindness.

As a police department, we would like to express our appreciation for those citizens and businesses that we have the opportunity to serve. We may not always see eye to eye. There are times that we may have to issue a citation or even make an arrest. On any given day we may be called to respond and help you when tragedy may come your way. We just want to take this time to express our appreciation for what you bring to our community. As a community, we are in this together and can continue to make this a great place to live.

You are encouraged to contact the police department if you have any questions; e-mails may be sent to [police-talkshop@afcity.net](mailto:police-talkshop@afcity.net). Depending on the number and type of questions received, your question may be answered via the city newsletter, e-mail or phone call.

**We wish you a happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!**

### Winter Fire Safety from American Fork Fire

It is that time of year when the snowflakes start to fall and temperatures drop to a bitter low. During the winter months, we tend to spend more time at home with our family and loved ones, so what better way to protect them than by making sure your home is protected from fire hazards. **Check Chimneys and Vents:** Fireplaces can produce creosote, which has the capability of igniting. If your family lights the fireplace often, you most likely need an annual chimney inspection to make sure that there are no hazards capable of starting a fire. It is important to always remember that when burning wood, use dry seasoned wood, which produces more flame and less smoke. **Have your Furnace Checked:** Although this is something that many people believe they can do themselves, it is often safer to invest in hiring a professional to come and inspect your furnace annually. It is always better to know when something is not working properly than to have it abruptly break down in those cold winter months when you need heat the most.



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Register for sports leagues and recreation classes at [cedarhills.org/recreation](http://cedarhills.org/recreation) using [Recl.com](http://Recl.com).  
Questions? Call 801-785-9668, ext. 302.

### Yoga

Every **Monday and Friday** at 10:00 a.m. Vinyasa Flow invites you to move your body with the music and breathe to create a high energy yoga class. First class is free with a \$5 drop in after that. You can also purchase a \$40 ten punch pass.



### Ski Bus is Almost Full!



Join the Cedar Hills Ski or Snowboard Night School at Brighton Ski Resort. Classes are based on the skill level and number of participants. All levels are welcome. Four classes will be offered in the month of **February: 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>**. Each Saturday includes transportation, lesson and a night lift pass. Fee includes chartered bus, 2 hours of ski or snowboard lesson and an all-night lift pass. Participants must ride the bus up to Brighton and back home. **Ages: 10 and up. Registration Dates: October 1<sup>st</sup> – January 19<sup>th</sup>.**

### CHEM LAB 101

In this newly revised and re-imagined STEM class, students will conduct hands-on chemistry labs to discover and explore the unique substances that make up matter and everything around us. They will discover how these substances can combine to create strange new substances and amazing chemical reactions. Classes will be held **January 28, February 4, 11, 25, March 3, 10.**



### HIGH Fitness Classes in Cedar Hills



Takes old-school aerobics to the next level by combining simple, modern fitness techniques such as HIIT training, plyometrics, and intervals of strength and cardio with music you know and love. Classes are held at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center, 10640 N Clubhouse Drive, **Mondays and Fridays @ 6:00am, Wednesdays @ 8:30pm, with a newly added class on Saturdays @ 7:00am.** Questions? Contact Erin Fugal by email

([erinhighfit@gmail.com](mailto:erinhighfit@gmail.com))

### The Vista Room at Cedar Hills

The Vista Room offers a beautiful space for your wedding, family party, corporate event, or any other special event you are planning. The Vista Room is located on the slopes of Mount Timpanogos with a stunning view of the valley--your guests will remember being able to witness the stunning rose and gold sunset right from our hillside. The Vista Room has a cozy stone fireplace dressed with mantle and hearth, gorgeous vaulted ceilings, and the southwest wall is comprised of ceiling high, panoramic windows that not only allow stunning natural lighting for pictures, but a magnificent view of the valley right from inside the room. To book a reservation, please call Becky at (801)785-9668 ext. 300



### HIGHLAND CITY LIBRARY

#### Hometown Holiday

December 2 @ 6:30 pm  
Story Time in your PJ's with the Mayor. Highland City tree-lighting ceremony, crafts and treats

#### The Gift Inside The Box

Nominate a friend/relative to receive the book and gift. Winners announced Dec. 20

#### Family Hour of Code

December 9 @ 4:00-5:00 pm  
All ages invited to come celebrate Computer Science Education Week. Register on our website

#### Elf on The Shelf

Come find JINGLETUES our Elf

#### Star Wars TEEN Craft

All month long

#### Letters to Santa

Bring or write your letter to Santa.

#### Story Time

Ages 3-5 @ 11:00 am  
Tues, Weds & Thurs

#### Baby Bookworms

Ages 0-2 @ 10:15 am Fridays  
**No Story Time or Baby Bookworms Dec. 16-Jan. 6**

#### LEGO Club

Ages 5-8 @ 4:00-4:45 pm  
Tuesdays  
No class December 17  
Register on our website

#### Tween STEM Time

Ages 9-12 @ 4:00-4:45 pm  
Wednesdays  
No class December 18  
Register on our website

#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ages 0-5  
Sign up at the Library

#### Meet the Mayor

December 11 @ 7:00 pm

**CLOSED Dec. 24, 25 & 31**