A Message from the Mayor

AFTER the August 4th and August 11th Banana Split Book Club events, we will wrap up a wonderful summer of reading at the Cedar City Public Library. It has been my pleasure to offer the club and personally meet nearly 1,400 of our children and encourage them to read. I have loved every second of it. Many thanks to all the people who have assisted me in this adventure including my daughter Lori Yardley, niece Michelle Harris, friends, daughter in laws, Wendy, and many others. It has been magical.

We are pleased to announce the schedule for next summer! Next year will have more book options, more movie opportunities, but the same amazing banana splits at our fabulous Library.

In 2023, the book club will have the following dates: Saturday May 20th, Thursday June 14th, July 13th, August 10th, and Saturday, September 9th. Every event will run from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with the last movie starting each day at 4:00 p.m.

BANANA SPLI T BOOK CLUB RECAP

KITTY HAWK DR & AIRPORT RD

I am pleased to announce that the City will be installing a new traffic signal at Kitty Hawk and Airport Road.

After a recent traffic study, it was highlighted that this busy interchange has become near impossible after the opening of the overpass on Coal Creek and I-15.

REMINDER: WASTEWATER EFFLUENT

Cedar City is seeking proposals as to how we can better utilize this asset. We are making a “Request for Proposals” (RFP) to be submitted by Monday, August 15th. To learn more about the specifics, visit our website at www.cedarcity.org/1220/Requests-For-Proposals.

A committee will be formed to evaluate proposals and a report will be provided to the City Council at the City Council Meeting on Wednesday, September 7th at 5:30 p.m. Later on, there will be public hearings and as always, the community is invited to participate.

Water is a tremendous issue in our valley and we need to implement several initiatives to mitigate the problem. Best utilizing our wastewater is just one of the many avenues.

REMINDER: IRRIGATION SCHEDULE THROUGH SEPT. 30TH:

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WILDFIRE SEASON AT THE AIRPORT

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Every summer, the Cedar City Regional Airport experiences increased activity due to wildfire season and the Cedar City Interagency Air Center which operates from the Air Tanker Base at the airport.

Flying over Cedar City, you’ll see smaller Single Engine Air Tankers (known as SEATs), Large Air Tankers (known as LATs), as well as firefighting helicopters, which look significantly different than SUU’s flight school aircraft that we see more regularly.

These specialized aircraft cover a major portion of the southwestern United States and can stage at our airport until being called to their next fire assignment, or as a pit stop loading up on fuel or fire retardant.

Driving on our roads, you may never know that pilots and support staff from all over the United States, are at the same stoplight as you, calling Cedar City home for a minimum of 90 days at a time (per contract) spending time away from their families, staying in our hotels, dining in our restaurants, and frequenting our stores.

These pilots have a variety of backgrounds, leading them to where they are today taking direction from Air Attack at the Cedar City Interagency Center, navigating difficult conditions such as wind, smoke, heat, low-level topography, and other hazardous expert-level conditions to drop retardant and slow the spread of wildfire.

The Boise Smoke Jumpers, an elite crew of 12 parachuting firefighters, also travel to Cedar City from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Smokejumper Base in Idaho every summer. Their goal is to be readily available for fires in remote areas or ones caused by lightning during our July/August monsoon season.

All of these “tools” serve a unique purpose and are national resources through BLM and the USDA Forest Service, meaning they can be called anywhere in the United States at any time to render aid for wildfires.

But what makes Cedar City unique for these operations?

With our unique elevation and centralized location compared to surrounding airports, Cedar City offers these resources convenient lodging and food, as well as fuel and retardant that is loaded onto aircraft based on elevation and several other factors.

When speaking with the pilots and smokejumpers, it was unanimous that Cedar City is at the top of everyone’s bidding list during fire season because of the location, beauty, and small-town feel.

Safety is their number one priority on the job, not only for one another but for the life and property they vow to protect every day. It all comes together like a well-oiled machine at the Cedar City Interagency Air Center, from dispatch to air attack commanders to the fleet of aircraft that we see in the sky.

We are thankful for the partnerships they foster across the United States as part of the BLM-Color Country District Fire & Aviation Program, and we are proud to have them call Cedar City home during the summer months.

So, if you happen to see increased air activity, feel free to give a wave and send up a “thank you!” for all the dedication and coordination that goes into keeping us and others safe.
You may have noticed our Public Works Street Division in your neighborhood this summer, that’s because it’s chip sealing season!

Street maintenance is done annually according to the City’s road maintenance program. Cedar City’s road maintenance is divided into seven areas. Road work is usually performed in one area annually, beginning in July.

The City’s entire road maintenance program is completed every seven years. The process begins with “skin patching,” which fills dips and potholes in the asphalt and is completed prior to crews chip sealing the roadways.

When crews start the chipping and sealing process, affected neighborhoods will receive flyers from the Streets Division to make sure all residents are aware of the roadwork and can make proper accommodations.

After chipping, a sealant is applied to the roadway. This involves oil and tar, and it takes several hours for the process to dry. If possible, we ask residents to keep all vehicles off of the roadways.

We make every effort to notify residents 1 to 2 days in advance of street closures. We ask residents to please make arrangements to have all vehicles moved off the street during scheduled maintenance.

This year, the crews are working in areas 6 & 7. Due to the flooding last year, we were not able to perform maintenance in area 6 so we are catching up to try and complete both areas this year to stay on schedule. Work is expected to be completed in August.

To view a map of which roads are being chip sealed this year, visit www.bit.ly/chipseal2022.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Jeff Hunter at (435) 233-0059.
UPCOMING EVENTS HAPPENING IN CEDAR CITY

WHO’S READY TO CELEBRATE WITH US AT THE HALF MARATHON FINISH LINE ON SEPTEMBER 10TH?

- Saturday, August 13th (9:30 p.m.) - Moonwalk & 5k Run
- Saturday, August 20th (8 a.m.) - Free yoga at West Canyon Park
- Thursday, August 25th (6 p.m.) - Slow Roll at Southview Trailhead
- Saturday, September 10th (6 a.m.) - Cedar City Half Marathon

LEARN MORE: WWW.CEDARCITY.ORG/EVENTS

FOLLOW CEDAR CITY EVENTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

FREE ESL CLASSES AT THE CEDAR CITY LIBRARY

Free English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are offered by Cedar City ESL at the Public Library every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Cedar City ESL helps students complete job applications, study for driver’s license tests, learn basic computer skills, prepare for citizenship, etc.

During the summer months, teens are welcome to attend classes or meet with individual tutors to improve their English skills before a new school year begins.

Cedar City ESL teaches students at all levels of English mastery from very beginners to advanced students preparing to take the TOEFL exam (Test of English as a Foreign Language) to enter college.

This is a FREE program, at no cost to learners.

WHEN: Every Wednesday, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. (Other times can be arranged to fit the learner’s schedule)

WHERE: Cedar City Library (303 North 100 East)

CONTACT: Linda Blanchard, (435) 590-6642

SHARE YOUR TRANSPORTATION IDEAS!

UDOT is updating their Long-Range Rural Transportation Plan and your input is needed! Scan the code to fill out the survey and comment on the map, or email: planning@utah.gov, or call 385-360-1900.

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