



# FESTIVAL CITY USA

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



### COAL CREEK

**PARKWAY:** The Coal Creek Parkway project is about 80 percent complete. The project's total cost is estimated to be \$9,930,358, with \$6,860,358 having been allocated and spent. Completion of the project is awaiting the final allocation of \$2,620,000 from the federal government. When the money is allocated, the project can be completed in six months' time. The Coal Creek Parkway project consists of 3.5 miles of flood control and parkway improvements along the Coal Creek channel through Cedar City from the eastern limits of the City to the Interstate 15 freeway. The project consists of three main items: (1) Modification, restoration and repair of the irrigation diversions and structures (80 percent complete), (2) Improvement and restoration of the Coal Creek channel to handle future large flood events (70 percent complete), and (3) Construction of a walking trail along the restored channel (90 percent complete).

**STATISTICS:** A total of 368 building permits were issued by Cedar City in 2008, the fewest number since 2003 and fewer than half the number (754) in 2005.... Sales tax revenues in November 2008 totaled 353,597, seven percent less than November of 2007. RAP tax revenues in November totaled \$29,819, or 27 percent less than in 2008... The Library in the Park reports that there were 226,496 people visits to the library in 2008 with 274,811 materials checked out (of which 101,121 were children's

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## General Plan update available for review

The full draft of the City's update to the General Plan is now on-line at [www.cedarcity.org](http://www.cedarcity.org). Currently, the plan is under review by the Planning Commission, with the goal to develop a final draft of the plan by early spring. Citizens are encouraged to review the document and submit their comments to the City's Planning Commission during the next 30 days.

A city's General Plan is the principal guidebook for the future development of the City as envisioned by its citizens. At the core of the plan are the goals and objectives that establish the preferred directions the City should take in addressing the many dynamic issues that affect a city. Also, as an important feature of the update to the plan are six Strategic Area Plans. These plans look more closely at particular areas of the city, enabling a more detailed and direct planning strategy to be developed and adopted for those areas. Although only six areas have been included with the current update, the goal for the next several years is to have all portions of

the city included within a strategic planning area. By doing so, the City will be able to better respond to make a timely response to particular needs and development patterns that may pertain to only certain areas rather than having to address the entire City at once. With the review of a number of areas each year, the City will also be able to have what is essentially, a continual, ongoing



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update to the General Plan. All Planning Commission meetings, discussions, and tours regarding the General Plan are open to the public. A full Public Hearing will be held once the Planning Commission has completed its review, and prior to its recommendation of the plan to the City Council. The City Council will then hold discussions on the plan, with an additional Public Hearing prior to its action on the plan.

If you need further information or wish to submit comments regarding the general plan to the Planning Commission, please contact Brian Maxfield, the Cedar City planning director, at [mbrian@cedarcity.org](mailto:mbrian@cedarcity.org) or at 865-4514.

## Spring Clean-up set to begin this month

The annual Spring Clean-up for Cedar City residences will begin this year on March 23 and will conclude the week of April 20. The map of areas to be serviced and the dates for pick up may be found on page 3 of this *Community Update*. Also included on

that page inside are the conditions that apply to the service, some of which have changed this year. The Cedar City Public Works Department and its Street Division ask that residents abide by the pick-up regulations and extend their thanks to residents for doing so.



# Jon Savage is honored

Cedar City Fire Fighter Jon Savage has been named the March Employee of the Month by the Cedar City Employee Advisory Council.

“Jon is responsible for repairs and maintenance on all of the fire fighting apparatus and equipment for us,” said Fire Engineer Travis Douglas. “He goes the extra mile in all things and makes sure all repairs are performed correctly. Moreover, he does his work in a very timely manner and this is important so that downtime



for the equipment can be minimized.”

He takes a lot of pride in his work and in how the fire

station looks, said Douglas.

Jon is a native Cedarian and graduated from Cedar High School. He became a full-time fire fighter in October, 2006 after more than six years on the volunteer force, during which time he was a mechanic at Bradshaw Chevrolet-Buick.

He and his wife, Linda, who hails from Parowan, are the parents of two and his family often joins Jon when he pursues his outdoors hobbies which include fishing and hunting.

Jon said he enjoys his life “in our little corner of the world,” because the community, the area and the people are special and unlike those anywhere else in the world.



## New Cedar City Youth Council is sworn in

Cedar City’s 2009 Youth Council began service last month. They are (left to right, front) Councilor Eric Walker, Recorder Lynae Lewis, Mayor Misha Regouski, Deputy Mayor Ammon Bunker, Councilor Tanner Shipp. Back, left to right, are councilors Lonia Thomson, Caleb Smith, Justin Rea, Melanie Wilson, Clarissa Fackrell and Alyssa Skirvin. Not pictured are councilors Eric Leibhardt, Mary Matheson, Madison Wray and McKenna Drew. Advisement for the group is by the Iron County Volunteer Center with Tuesdee Thomson as adviser and Kelsi Thomson as assistant adviser.

## SUU Founders’ Day events will feature concert

SUU’s Founders’ Celebration includes a concert in the Heritage Theater this year.

Michael O. Leavitt speaks March 11 at 7 p.m. in the SUU Auditorium. On March 12, the Founders’ Celebration Banquet will induct Rod Decker and Jim Bowns into the Hall of Honor and recognize Marva

Middleton and June Sewing for distinguished service. To purchase tickets, phone 586-7775. Following the banquet, a Founders’ Celebration Concert will be held in Cedar City’s Heritage Theater at 8 p.m. The free show will feature pianist Kirill Gliadkovsky, as well as students and faculty members.

## Spaying, neutering service available for pets

Pet owners are reminded that although the Big Fix discount spay and neuter clinic won’t be here until April, if you are a Senior Citizen or on Medicaid, WIC, foodstamps, or other aid programs, you can qualify for spaying or neutering of up to three dogs and

three cats at no cost through any local vet if you go to [www.utahpets.org](http://www.utahpets.org) or phone 1-866-738-7349. You must complete the application prior to taking your animal to the vet for the procedure. To learn more, phone Animal Control at 586-2960.

## Public Works Report

**STREET:** The Street Division will begin spring clean-up this month. The map is on page 3 at right and may also be found at [www.cedarcity.org](http://www.cedarcity.org). Please note that any unacceptable items (see list on map) are the homeowner’s responsibility and must be removed from the street.

As the snow melts, you may notice there are cinders present along the streets and sidewalks. Each property owner is responsible for clearing the sidewalk of the cinder debris. Please push debris from

the sidewalk into the street so that it may be swept up by our City street sweeper.

To find out more about the street sweeper schedule, call the Public Works office.

**WATER:** During these early spring months the ground is still saturated from the winter so there is no need to jump the gun on irrigation. Cold nights are still a threat. Recent snow reports indicate that the amount of moisture in the mountains is well above normal.

The Public Works Department appreciates any comments or observations. Please call 586-2912.



# CEDAR CITY SPRING CLEAN-UP 2009

## \* Spring Clean-up map has changed \*

(Please note new dates, area number rotation and what are acceptable materials that will be picked-up.)

**WHO:** This service is provided to Cedar City Residents, except those living in a Planned Unit Development (PUD).  
**This is not for Commercial or Industrial Properties.**

**WHEN:** Cedar Collection crews will begin in each area on a Monday. Crews will NOT come on Saturday or Sunday, or return to streets that have been completed. Have your debris out on the curb by 7:00 A.M. the day your area is scheduled for clean-up (See Map).

**Do not put debris out more than one week before your clean-up dates.**

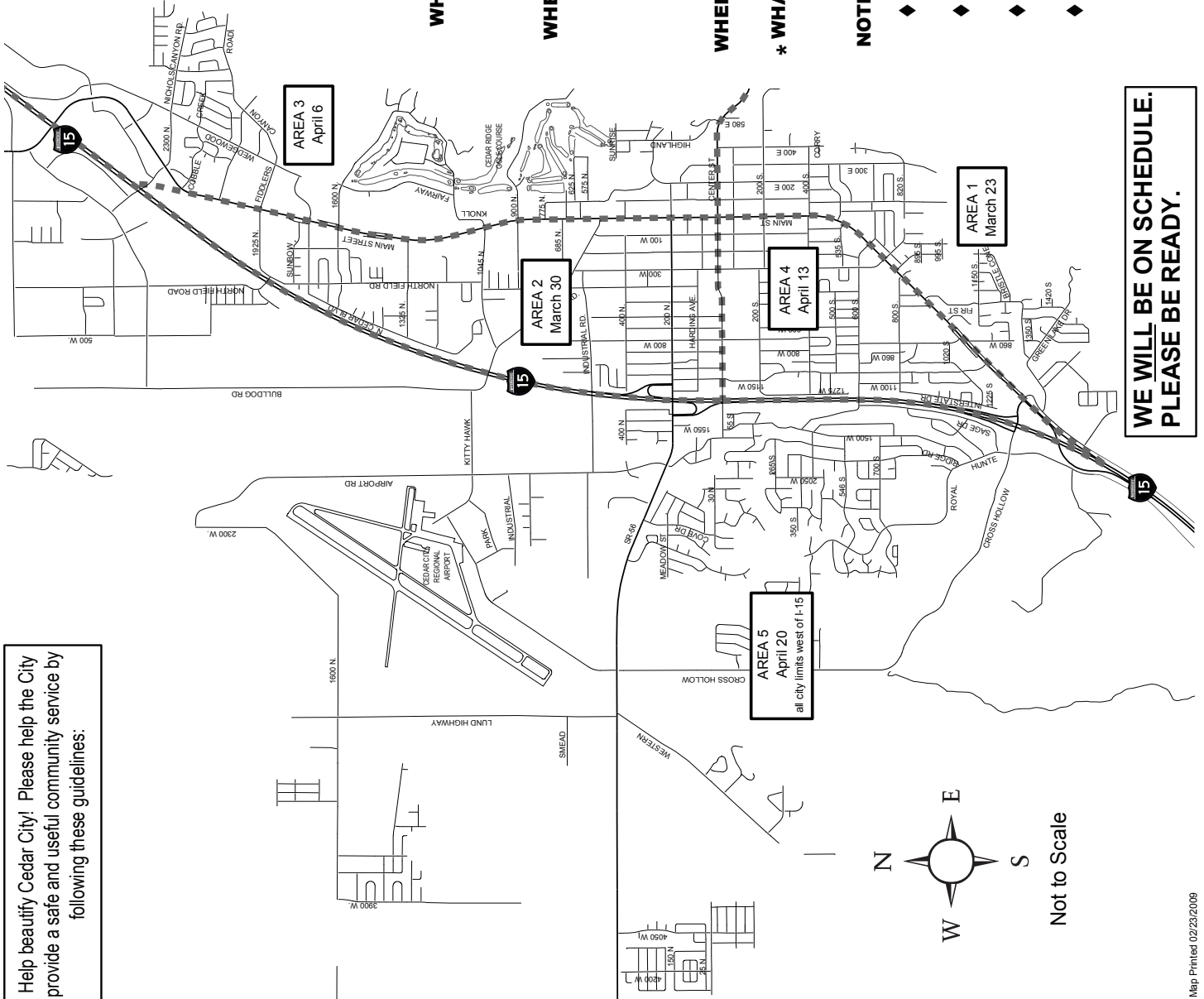
**WHERE:** Debris must be in front of the curb in the street. City crews will not load debris if it is piled on private property.

**\* WHAT:** Brush, branches, clippings, leaves, grass, untreated wood, including pallets and crates. Asphalt, dirt, rocks & concrete. Tires, 4 or less per pile (No Rims). No Furniture or Appliances

**NOTES:**

- ◆ Please keep vehicles off street during your scheduled week and the following week so that city crews can sweep the street.
- ◆ A maximum of one 10 wheeler dump truck load will be picked up at any one residence.
- ◆ Cedar City citizens are encouraged to report illegal or improper dumping of materials.
- ◆ **All unacceptable piles will not be picked up and must be removed from the street.**

**For additional information contact  
Public Works Dept. at 586-2912.**



Help beautify Cedar City! Please help the City provide a safe and useful community service by following these guidelines:

**WE WILL BE ON SCHEDULE.  
PLEASE BE READY.**





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materials). The Library has 74,229 materials, 62 serial subscriptions, and 41 databases... Visitation in 2008 was up 1.2 percent to 2.7 million at Zion National Park, up 4 percent to 538,016 at Cedar Breaks National Monument, and up 3 percent to 1.12 million at Bryce Canyon National Park.

**MEMORIAL GROVE:** Thirty-six trees have thus far been purchased for the Memorial Grove to be placed adjacent to the Coal Creek Parkway. The latest honor Wallace and Nettie Flanigan (donated by Wally and Helen Flanigan), Morton and Rachel Thorley (Wally and Helen Flanigan), Lyman C. Dodge (Glenna T. Dodge and family), Pratt M. Bethers (Gerald R. Sherratt), Mary Alena Bonzo Prothero (James E. and Eliza R. Bonzo family), Theresa Lorraine Polk Bonzo (Douglas G. Bonzo and Joshua D. Bonzo families), Don and Hilda Smith (Janet Smith), Harry B. Leigh (Janet Leigh and family), Kaitlin Brooke Barrick (friends of Mike and Amy Barrick), Dora Robinson Wade and James Leigh Wade (Shirl and Karen Wade), Megan Christine Einfeldt (Tim and Maureen Einfeldt), Ronald P. Jenkins (the Jenkins family), Joseph William Rocco (Marjorie Dick), and Lucille Ence (Stephen and Evelyn Ashworth). The Memorial Grove trees (all deciduous) cost \$200 each and can be purchased by sending a check to Memorial Grove, 10 North Main, Cedar City, Utah 84720 (please include the date of birth and death of the person to be honored and the name and address of the person making the gift).

**REMEMBERING 1852:** For nearly a year the settlers of Cedar City had labored to establish a new iron foundry on the banks of Coal Creek and by Sept. 29, 1852, the community was ready for a trial run of the new furnace. The entire town - men, women, and children - crowded around the foundry to witness the occasion. Would it succeed, they wondered? They held a program while they watched the torch applied and the blast turned on. Then they waited throughout the night to see the results,

the children sleeping on quilts spread on the ground. The adults wandered about, chatting nervously among themselves, and looking forward to the arrival of daybreak when the process was scheduled to end. As the sun came up over the mountain ridges on Sept. 30, 1852, the superintendent of the Iron Works, Richard Harrison, proclaimed that the time had arrived and ordered ironworker Robert Adams to take a pole and tap the furnace. As he did, a small stream of molten iron came belching out. The crowd began to dance and cheer, shouting with joy, "Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb," as the first iron manufactured west of the Mississippi poured from the furnace. Before nightfall, Harrison and three others were on their way to Salt Lake City to carry the good news to Brigham Young and the people of the Territory of Deseret.

**HAVE YOU NOTICED?** That two handsome new walking bridges have been installed at 300 West and Coal Creek and 300 East and Coal Creek that allow people to walk from one side of Coal Creek to the other to access the walking trails... The new design on Cedar City's web site ([cedarcity.org](http://cedarcity.org))... That new winter hours are being posted for a number of Cedar City restaurants... All the cars out in front of the new Maggie Moo's ice cream parlor... That the City is installing large pipes purchased by UDOT so the open ditch along north Main Street at the Sunbow subdivision can be filled in and the appearance of the area improved. When the project is finished, the City will apply for state pedestrian safety money to install a Main Street sidewalk in the area... The two businesses that were displaced by the recent fire on Center Street have relocated. The new location for the Bike Route is 491 S. Main. The new location for 5Buck Pizza is next to Applebee's Restaurant near Wal-Mart.

**COAL CREEK BALL COMPLEX:** The ball complex on Coal Creek is receiving a needed facelift at a cost of \$400,000. Included in the improvements will be new lights for two fields (bringing to four the number of lighted fields), protective fencing and new backstops,

replacing and upgrading of the irrigation system, 30 new shade trees, miscellaneous dugout repairs and painting, an electronic scoreboard for field 11, shade for the bleacher areas, new entry signage, sod replacement, and a new playground area, among others. The improvements are planned for completion by mid-summer.

**BAGPIPE BAND:** In the early years of Cedar City, the community had a band that played for important occasions. Today we have the Scarlet and Black Pipe Band composed of eight pipers, three snare drummers, a tenor drummer and a base drummer. The band is looking to increase its members and anyone interested in participating in the band are encouraged to contact the pipe major, Bruce Barclay, at 586-2624. The Scarlet and Black is considering reviving the popular Scottish Festival that was held here for a number of years. The Pipe Band or its members are available for parades, weddings, funerals, parties, civic events, and individual lessons. Considering that Cedar City was founded by settlers primarily from England and Scotland, having a pipe band fits in perfectly with the City's history. You can check out the band at its web site [scarletandblackbagpipeband.com](http://scarletandblackbagpipeband.com)

**REMEMBERING:** The recently passed federal stimulus package recalls the contributions of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) of the 1930s. The CCC put thousands of unemployed people to work on projects for forest and rangeland improvement. In Iron County, CCC workers constructed new roads up Parowan Canyon to Brian Head and between Cedar Breaks and Panguitch Lake; new campgrounds on Cedar Mountain with toilets and shelters; the rock pavilion on Brian Head Peak, the outdoor amphitheater at Duck Creek, and the Cedar Breaks Museum; constructed dams and livestock trails; and miles of roads and trails used for harvesting timber, fire fighting, and, ultimately, for hiking and hunting deer. The rustic rock look adopted for many of the buildings the CCC constructed still influences building architecture today.