

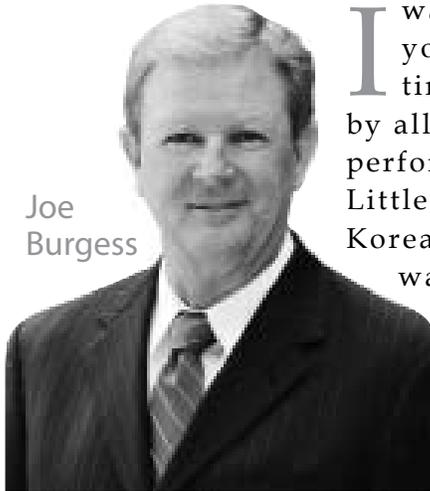
# Festival City USA This Month

CEDAR CITY, UTAH, COMMUNITY UPDATE



FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2012

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Joe Burgess

I want to tell all of you what a special time was enjoyed by all who attended the performance of "The Little Angels" from Korea in February. This was a delightful event featuring charming and talented young people. I'm so glad I was able to attend.

As most of you know, we now have a new city manager, Rick Holman. Cedar City is fortunate that we had so many well-qualified candidates apply, and that Rick accepted the position. He has worked for Cedar City Corporation for 20 years and his experience will be a great asset. I have asked him to write about himself this month, so we can get to know him better. In the next few months I am sure you will see him all around the city as he begins his new job. So in his own words, here is a profile on Rick Holman, our new city manager.

This is not the most comfortable assignment from the Mayor, but like a flu shot, let's get it done.

I was fortunate to grow up in Panguitch. Both my parents were raised there and when my dad had an opportunity to move back (1967) we did without knowing what great youth experiences we were in for. Southern Utah was (and is) a great place to grow

up and Panguitch was no exception. Small towns offer many "creative opportunities" for entertainment. Many of you can relate, so there is no need for details.

It was also a time and place to be taught and learn important values. Work was expected, even at an early age. Spending time mowing lawns (pulling the mower behind my bike), hauling hay and household chores were the rule, not the exception. Service was another important and frequent opportunity. My parents were always finding ways to encourage their kids to help others. These and other family activities (hunting, camping, Lake Powell) created a foundation of values that define what a person is, beyond any title.

After high school and a year of college, I was able to serve an LDS mission to Holland. Talk about a culture shock - going from Panguitch to Amsterdam - from one foreign language (Highway 89 drawl) to another (Dutch). Again, another series of opportunities to learn, grow and prepare for the future.

Two years after returning to Utah and getting some schooling at BYU, a cute Orem girl, who had just become a Registered Nurse, decided to take a chance with me. I had more school ahead of me and she had a full time job - what more could I ask? She helped me finish a bachelor's degree in Business Management and a master's degree in Public Administration. Now our family consists of four married couples, two single kids and 8.9 grandchildren.

Professionally I have been able to work in

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## Bruce Burt honored

Building Facilities Supervisor, Bruce Burt has been selected by the Employee Advisory Committee as Employee of the Month for March.

Bruce was nominated by Larry Palmer, Cedar City's Chief Building Official, who wrote, "Bruce always shows up ready to work. He will do whatever is asked of him and will do it with a smile. He has the attitude that he can and will accomplish anything. Bruce is always at work and can be counted

on to get the job done. He will be there early and stay as late as necessary to get the work done. Bruce needs little to no help to get him going, and



keeping going to get the job done. He has the capability to do just about anything. Bruce is a person who has the talent and ability to accomplish a multitude of different things and willingly does any chore or task that is asked of him."

Bruce has worked for Cedar City for almost four years. He was born and raised in Fillmore, but made his home in Cedar City 34 years ago after graduating from SUU (then SUSC) majoring in building construction.

Bruce is single and has two daughters and two granddaughters.

He enjoys outdoor hobbies such as fishing and hunting, and he is currently learning to play the guitar.

He says he loves "everything" about his job. He likes the atmosphere at work and the people that he works with. He also likes taking care of the Aquatic Center and thinks that it is "a wonderful thing for Cedar City that can be enjoyed by all." Congrats, Bruce!

## Exercising safely on City streets

We can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel, and before you know it, winter will be over, which means that even more of us will try to get out and exercise along the streets of Cedar City. Although working out outside has many benefits, it can be hazardous, particularly when it is dark outside or the streets are wet or icy. Please follow these common sense road-safety reminders when exercising outside.

**For the pedestrian:** Avoid roads that have a narrow shoulder, blind curves, or that are poorly lit. Run facing traffic, so you can see what is coming and won't be surprised from behind. Wear reflective clothing at dawn, dusk or night-time, and bright, visible clothing at other times. A head or belt lamp will help you be seen if you exercise when it's dark outside. It can also help you to identify pot holes or icy patches BEFORE you trip on them. Remember, just because you can see a vehicle, doesn't mean the driver can see you, so make sure to "exercise defensively." Even if you have the right of way by law, it won't help if the motorist doesn't see you. Running or walking in the snow can be a great workout, but if the snow plows are out or visibility is poor, consider an alternative indoor workout that day. Missing one outdoor workout won't affect your training schedule nearly as much as being hit by a car! Ensuring your personal safety is every bit as important as your pre-workout stretch.

**For the bicyclist:** Remember to ride with the traffic flow, as close to the right edge of the road as possible, and to travel in single file while on City streets.

**For the motorist:** Be aware of pedestrians and move over and give joggers, walkers and bicyclists a wide berth (three feet is the law for bicyclists). Many joggers/walkers don't use the sidewalk due to the perception that the roadway is easier on the joints than the cement sidewalk and sidewalks may also be more slippery in wet weather than the street. When walkers or runners are in the street, please remember that pedestrians have the right of way, so move over and be courteous. Remember to follow the posted speed limit, even if it is early in the morning or late at night so that you can stop in time to avoid a collision.

A little civility and common sense can make sharing Cedar City's streets safe for everyone.

## Pedersen inducted into Hall of Fame

Cedar City Recreation Coordinator, Susie Pedersen, was inducted into the SUU Hall of Fame on February 11. Susie, who has worked for Cedar City since 1995, was among seven prominent athletes, coaches and administrators who received the honor.

While attending SUU Susie was proficient in volleyball, basketball and softball, and earned a total of eleven varsity letters. Among other awards, Susie was named Most Valuable Player and All-Conference in basketball; All-Conference and All-District in softball; and was honored as Outstanding Female Athlete at (then) SUSC in 1979.

Although Susie is very humble about her award, she is obviously well-deserving. Be sure to congratulate her when you see her around town.

# CEDAR CITY SPRING CLEAN-UP 2012

**\* 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 Friday, 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

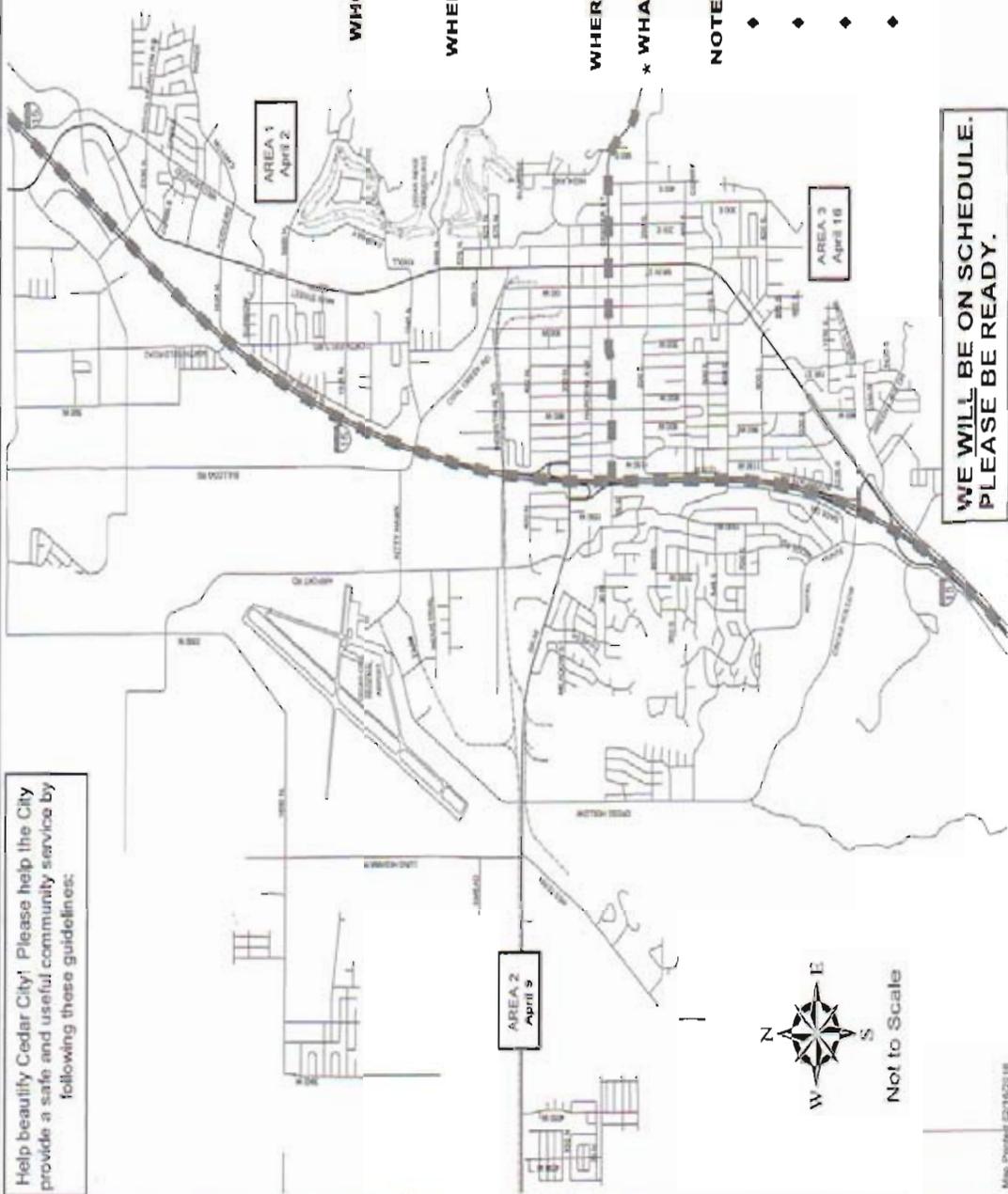
**NOTES:**

- ◆ 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.

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

**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:



## Public Works

**WASTEWATER:** Beginning Mar. 1st the Wastewater Treatment Facility will give away biosolids at no cost; however, there are a limited supply. Biosolids are great for lawns, gardens, flowerbeds. This product meets ALL State and Federal requirements. Biosolids may be hauled by pickup truck or trailer only (no dump trucks). Pickup hours are Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more info, call the Wastewater Treatment Facility at (435) 867-9426.

**LANDFILL:** City garbage trucks can't take everything. Carpet/padding, appliances, furniture, and residential construction materials must be taken to the Landfill at 3127 N. Iron Springs Rd. Certain items require a fee before disposal. For more info, call the Landfill at (435) 865-7015.

**SPRING CLEAN-UP:** Spring Clean-Up will begin the first week of Apr. (see adjacent map). Crews will only pick up yard waste, untreated wood, asphalt, dirt, rocks, concrete and tires (four or less per pile, no rims). We will not pick up any furniture or appliances and regular trash bundles are not eligible for Spring Clean-Up. Unacceptable items are the homeowner's responsibility and will need to be removed from the street.

Please call us at (435) 586-2912 with any questions or concerns.

## Ready for an Emergency?

Be sure to attend the Iron County Preparedness Expo on Apr. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Heritage Center. The event features workshops, food, vendor booths, kids' activities and more. For info or to register for a booth, call (435) 867-7329 or go to [www.ironcounty.net](http://www.ironcounty.net).



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Cedar City; Visalia, CA; and then back to Cedar City, all in municipal roles. All have provided more opportunities to learn from others.

I look forward to working with the Council, staff and citizens.

Steven Heath shares information on local spring waterfalls below:

When the mountain snows start to melt, I look forward to visiting the beautiful seasonal waterfalls just south of Cedar City. The energetic can visit six waterfalls on Camp and Taylor Creeks in about three hours, including driving time.

The historic and beautiful falls on the lower part of Taylor Creek are the easiest to get to. From the New Harmony exit on I-15, travel south on the old highway on the east side of the freeway to the park boundary fence. Just across the fence is Taylor Creek. Cross the fence and walk towards the cliffs. The first waterfall is a few hundred yards upstream, and is about ten feet high. Fortunately, it can be by-passed by scrambling up the right bank just below the falls. Continue upstream another 200 or 300 yards to the next waterfall, which drops about 25 feet. John D. Lee hid from U.S. Marshals near here in the spring of 1859 and used it for bathing. From his hillside camp above the waterfall, he could see his New Harmony farm with his spyglass and also detect any who approached his camp.

Return to your vehicle and drive north toward Kanarraville. Turn east off the highway at the Chekshani Cliffs sub-division. Follow the roads eastward on the north side of the housing development. Right after you cross Camp Creek, drive east to a small parking area. Re-enter the park through the gate and follow the path south, then east to the Lower Camp Creek Fall. It is an impressive waterfall that drops about 75 feet. After your visit, return to your vehicle and proceed north to the base of a rugged jeep road, which leads to the water tank above. Walk up the steep road to the tank, then east up a steeper old road until you see Camp Creek below. From this ridge you can see the

Upper Camp Creek Fall. The adventurous can descend to the creek below and walk up to this waterfall. Two additional falls can be seen by walking downstream toward the Lower Camp Creek Fall. We will examine hikes to some permanent falls at a later date.

In April we will provide directions to a few natural arches in the Cedar City area.

VMC offers this tip for March:

Washing your hands is the best way to prevent getting sick and spreading illnesses. Many people wash their hands, but aren't effectively killing germs. The following guidelines are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Wash your hands:

- Before, during, and after preparing food
- Before eating
- After using the restroom
- After changing a child's diaper, or after helping a child clean up after using the restroom
- Before/after caring for someone who is sick
- After sneezing, blowing your nose, or coughing
- After touching any animal, or animal waste
- After handling garbage
- Before/after treating a wound

The CDC recommends washing your hands using the following steps:

1. Wet hands with clean water (cold or hot).
2. Apply soap.
3. Rub your hands together and scrub them well. Make sure to scrub the backs of your hands, as well as between your fingers and underneath your nails.
4. Continue to scrub hands for at least 20 seconds.
5. Rinse hands under running water.
6. Dry hands using a clean towel or air dry.

If running water and soap are not available, hand sanitizers are useful. Find a hand sanitizer that has at least 60% alcohol. Keep in mind that sanitizers do not kill all types of germs, and remember that hand sanitizers are not effective if the hands are visibly dirty.