

NEWSLETTER

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To Our Legislators - Thank You

By Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore Jr.



At midnight on March 12, 2015, the Utah Legislature concluded their constitutionally-allowed 45 days in session. I had the opportunity to visit Capitol Hill many times and talk to the legislators who were elected by the citizens of Cottonwood Heights. Those who represent Cottonwood Heights in the House of Representatives are Marie Poulson, Robert Spendlove and Steve Eliason. In the Senate our city is represented by Dr. Brian Shiozawa and Wayne Niederhauser, who serves as the President of the Senate.

These Representatives and Senators are asked to do an incredible amount of work in about seven and a half weeks. Each of these individuals gives of their time away from family and employment duties for the full 45 days of the legislative session. It is a total commitment that runs at least 12 hours a day and often longer. The actual legislative session is not all that is required. Throughout the year, they have monthly interim meetings and

other committee assignments, not to mention the time that is required to campaign every two years for the Representatives and every four years for the Senators. They also attend community events and make other public appearances. It is a significant commitment of time, and given that they are paid only \$20,000 per year for their service, I think that kind of devotion is motivated by a true desire to render public service.

During the session, they are asked to deal with legislation on a variety of topics from cow-sharing to healthcare. Over 1,000 bill files were opened this year and just under a thousand bills were actually debated and considered. Some bills were high profile, such as Healthy Utah (sponsored by Shiozawa), or the anti-discrimination and religious freedom amendments. Others were small bills to reform and streamline government. Every Senator and Representative votes on bills related to agriculture, taxation, transportation, education, healthcare, law enforcement, natural resources, human resources, judiciary and courts, governance

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Cottonwood Heights Arts Council Events

March 28 The Orchestra In The Heights Spring Concert - 7:30 p.m.
Butler Middle School

July 25, 27, 30 Aug. 1 Summer Musical - Shrek the Musical
Butler Middle School
Auditions for Shrek the Musical are April 21&22 at 6-9p.m Butler Middle School. Please come prepared with 16 bars of song from a similar musical. We are also still looking for some help with costumes, and set-building. Email kpedersen@ch.utah.gov for more info.

June 13 The Orchestra In The Heights Summer Concert - 7:30 p.m.
Butler Middle School

History Question of the Month

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT BUTLER HILL?

Over the next nine months, we'll highlight the newly designated Historic districts in our city check back every month throughout the rest of 2015 to learn more about Cottonwood Heights' rich legacy.

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COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS ARTS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES AUDITIONS FOR



AUDITIONS
Apr 21 & 22, 6-9 PM

SHOW RUNS 7/25-8/3
MORE INFORMATION AT
www.arts.ch.utah.gov



The Cottonwood Heights Arts Council is considering sponsoring a community choir. This volunteer group would rehearse one evening a week and perform regularly throughout the community.

If interested in participating (as a singer, accompanist, or conductor), please email Kim Pedersen at kpedersen@ch.utah.gov.



WWW.ARTS.CH.UTAH.GOV

Shrek

Don't miss everyone's favorite ogre in Shrek the Musical! This will be a great show for the whole family!

Applications

Cottonwood Heights City is taking applications for Arts Council Board Members.

Please contact Kimberly Pedersen kpedersen@ch.utah.gov for more info. ■

Follow Cottonwood Heights Arts Council on Facebook for info on upcoming events! ■

at the state, county and municipal level, housing, and most of all - budgets. They are constitutionally required to balance the budget every year. To have a better understanding of the breadth of bills they dealt with, go to www.le.utah.gov and

the position taken by the city leadership. If I sent an e-mail, I would always get an acknowledgement. If I texted, they would text right back. If I visited the House or Senate, they would meet with me and even invite me onto the floor to talk with them while they conducted business.

The public service rendered by these individuals does not come without great sacrifice.

review the bills passed this year.

There were many bills considered this year that affected municipalities, including Cottonwood Heights. As I visited with our legislators, I found each to be very willing to consider our position and concerns. In virtually every case, they defended

One of the more challenging bills this year was to address transportation funding. The gasoline tax implemented in 1997 had not only lost purchasing power due to inflation, but had also lost momentum due to higher mileage vehicles. Without change, transportation funding

would fall \$11 billion short of meeting the needs of transit, local transportation and state transportation over the next 25-30 years. It required vision and courage to restructure transportation funding during this session. It was a heavy lift. The Utah League of Cities and Towns, the Utah Association of Counties, the Utah Transit Authority, the SL Chamber of Commerce and the Transportation Alliance, which consists of business and government organizations concerned about the future of transportation, supported their decision. We will benefit from this legislation and be better able to maintain our roads and infrastructure. More on that in next month's newsletter.

Some find sport in mocking or deriding the efforts of the Legislature. I do not share those perspectives. I am a first-hand witness of the significant and sincere efforts put in by each and every legislator that represents Cottonwood Heights. The public service rendered by these individuals does not come without great sacrifice. That sacrifice is not limited to their employment or personal pursuits, but is equally rendered by their families who essentially see little of them for the full session of the legislature.

To Representative Marie Poulson, a former educator, Representative Robert Spendlove, an economist, Representative Steve Eliason, a businessman, Senator Brian Shiozawa, an emergency room doctor, and Senator Wayne Niederhauser, a businessman, I express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the work you do to make Utah the great state that it is. Granted, not everyone agrees with every position or action of the legislature, but everyone should be appreciative of the public service you render. I ask my fellow citizens to join me and the Cottonwood Heights City Council in thanking you for a job well done this session; a job few of us would want to do. We are proud to say you represent our city! ■



Cottonwood Heights Monthly Report March 2015

Green Waste Subscription Program

We are excited to kick off the 2015 green waste season on March 16th. Curbside green waste collection reduces waste that goes into our landfills and provides valuable compost for home gardens. Cottonwood Heights currently has 315 subscribers out of 1909 District-wide.

2015 YTD Tonnages

Recycling: 258 tons (Savings in tipping fees: \$3,872, Revenue Gain: \$5,163)
 Green: 2 tons (\$30 in savings)
 Glass: 0 tons

Diversion rate for Cottonwood Heights is 27% compared to a District-wide diversion rate of 27%, contributing to the District savings of \$65,374 from waste diversion.



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Butlerville Days 2015 Needs You



Cottonwood Heights' Butlerville Days celebration is only a few months away, and there's plenty of time to get involved. If you love the parade or have a passion for helping people, the committee is looking for volunteers who want to make Butlerville Days the best it's ever been. We're looking for a Parade Chair, Children's Parade Chair and Information Booth Chair.

We are accepting food vendor, parade applications and submissions for paid and non-paid Butlerville Days stage entertainment.

We are also accepting sponsors for the two-day event. Butlerville Days attracts more than 15,000 people during the event. It's a great way to showcase your business. If you're a runner, you'll want to register for the 2nd Annual 5K Walk/Run, too.

If you'd like to volunteer, submit a parade or vendor application, become a sponsor or register for the race, go to www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/get_involved.community_events.html for more information and other links. If you have any questions regarding Butlerville Days, contact City Events Coordinator Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov or 801-550-8225. ■

Local Salon Owner Gets National Attention Via Social Media

When Megan Moore (who owns Moore Hair Design) started blogging a few years ago, she thought it would be a great way to drum up a little more attention for her salon located at 2497 Fort Union Blvd. She never dreamed her business would be noticed all over the country and various corners of the world.

Moore Hair Design has been in business since 2006, but Megan says the salon outgrew its Holladay location – which required a move to Cottonwood

Heights in 2010. Megan's blog (www.thebeautysnoop.com) has also grown, garnering thousands of daily views and some substantial national attention.

Allure Magazine recently named Megan and her Beauty Snoop blog as Second Runner Up in the Beauty Blogger of the Year competition for 2014.

Local media outlets are also taking notice. Megan frequently appears on KSL's Studio 5.

Megan employs 16 people at her salon, which has also seen a rise in customers since her blog took off. She credits social media, especially Pinterest, with the viral growth of her online venture. Ad revenue from the blog (which is a separate business from the salon) has also increased over the past year.

She graduated from the University of Utah in 2006 with a degree in consumer studies. During her college years, she took business, finance and a few web design



Photos courtesy: Megan Moore

classes to bolster her skillset. Megan also learned a lot from her parents, who are both entrepreneurs. She's been married for 10 years and enjoys being the mother of her two little girls.

Why did she choose Cottonwood Heights?

"The central location, great community and stable population," she said. "The consumers aren't as transient as they are in [downtown] Salt Lake City, and we get a lot of walk-in business from out-of-town customers who come to the ski resorts."

Cottonwood Heights congratulates Megan and for her business savvy and entrepreneurial spirit. ■



Meet the CHPD Officers... Who They Are and Why They Serve

By Martha Cardon

(This is the first of a series of articles that will introduce the citizens of Cottonwood Heights to their Police Department Officers and help us get to know them.)

ASSISTANT - CHIEF PAUL BRENNEMAN

Paul Brenneman grew up in the east Midvale/west Cottonwood Heights area. He loves working with the people who reside here. Paul has been married for 33 years, with 3 children and two grandchildren. He's been a police officer for 30 years, and was first hired by West Jordan P.D. in 1985. Paul has served the Cottonwood Heights area since 1998, first as a sergeant with the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Department and then as a

member of the newly formed Cottonwood Heights Police Department. Paul came to CHPD on April 1, 2008, and says he "enjoys working for an organization where we practice the motto, 'Solve the Problem.'"

Part of solving the problem is a rapid response time, and the CHPD is proud of their track record, averaging 3-8 minutes per call, depending on the priority of the case, with weather and traffic variables.

Assistant Chief Brenneman emphasizes that the CHPD is always respectful of the fact that to a victim, their case is of prime



concern, and the officers treat each case accordingly.

Asked what he likes best about his job, Paul said, "A lot of positive interaction, positive comments, and appreciation."

Many certainly appreciate the job Paul does for the citizens of Cottonwood Heights. The City also thanks Paul and the other officers of the CHPD! ■

Congrats to the Bengals!



Cottonwood Heights congratulates Brighton High School for all their success in the state tournaments. In basketball, the BHS Girls won the state title and the boys took second, only missing out on a last-second shot. The BHS racquetball team also won a state title. Go Bengals! ■



There are a lot of questions surrounding plastic recycling; Is this recyclable? What number is it? Does it have the recycling symbol on it? But there is one question that matters more than the others – is it a plastic container? All plastic bottles (soda, shampoo), tubs (yogurt, butter), jugs (milk, detergent), and jars (peanut butter) can be recycled in Salt Lake County. So next time you wonder if something plastic is recyclable, simply ask yourself if it's a container first. If the answer is yes, toss it in your blue bin! For more recycling information, visit recycle.slco.org or email us at recycle@slco.org

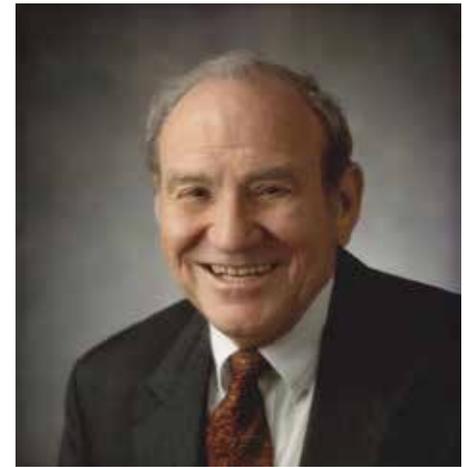
Answer

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Butler Hill was the hill on today's Fort Union Boulevard between 23rd East and 27th East. It was named Butler Hill because it led to the Butler Bench, which was the main part of the Butler community. In the early days the hill looked much different than it does today. It was a narrow dirt road and the hill was extremely steep. The first cars were unable to climb the hill, because of its steepness the gasoline couldn't flow to the carburetors. People would have to drive their cars up the hill in reverse. In the 1920's the bottom of the hill was filled in and the top cut down, decreasing the steepness so cars could make it up the hill going forward.

Because the Butler community was so sparsely populated, there was very little

traffic. The hill was ideal for sleigh riding in the winter. Starting at the top of the hill one could ride all the way to today's Highland Drive. Butler Hill was the most popular place in the Salt Lake Valley to sleigh ride. Church and community groups would organize sleigh-riding parties on Butler Hill. School children could get at least one "good run" on their lunch hour. For those trying to get home from the valley in the winter, when the roads were snow packed or it was snowing, it was extremely difficult to make it up the hill without chains. Many times residents would leave their cars at the bottom of the hill and walk home. ■



Condolences

Cottonwood Heights mourns the loss of Richard Guthrie, who passed away on Feb. 12, 2015. He was 84 years old.

Guthrie was the Cottonwood Heights Rec. Center director for 30 years (1971 to 2001). Dick will be missed. ■

Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

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FITNESS FUN FOR EVERYONE:

* Get your 3 month or year membership now *

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- Cardio Room
- Weight Room
- Public Skating
- Public Swimming
- Full Basketball Court
- Indoor & Outdoor Pools
- Olympic sized Ice Arena
- Over 90 fitness classes per week
- Lessons (Ice Skating, Swimming, Tennis and more!)

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Parks and Recreation



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tennis

Reservations for Tennis Courts begin

April 1

Tennis Lessons begin (Youth & Adult)

April 27

Tri The Heights

May 30

Pre-Comp Tryouts

May 1 at 4:00 p.m.

Outdoor Pool Opening

May 25

Swim Lesson Registration

Register In-Person or Online

www.cottonwoodheights.com

WHAT'S NEW:

Positions Available

- Child Care
- Lifeguards
- Summer CSR's
- Football Referees
- Tennis Instructors
- Visual Maintenance
- Lifeguard Supervisor

Youth Programs

- Cross Country
- Sports Conditioning
- Sport Summer Day Camp



Police and Dog Encounters

By CHPD Chief Robby Russo



Police and dog encounters have captured recent headlines, sometimes resulting in unfortunate controversy.

Most officers love dogs, especially since dogs never lie, cheat or steal. Almost 40 percent of U.S. households have at least one dog in them and dog owners, including myself, consider their dog to be a member of the family. Because dogs are so much a part of our society, law enforcement officers routinely deal with them while conducting their day-to-day activities. Officers respond to calls about inhumane treatment of pets or animal bites and in almost every kind of police interaction with the public. From making traffic stops and serving warrants to searching neighborhoods, responding

within Cottonwood Heights. The training curriculum presented to staff covers the following topics:

- Communicating with Dogs: Police and Dog Body Language
- Tactical Considerations
- Use of Force Considerations
- Legal Considerations: Liability, Reporting and Documentation

We teach officers to develop a sense of how to read a dog and whether the officer's particular body language can affect that interface. For instance, if the dog's ears are back and the body gets small with the tail tucked, the dog is not likely threatened. Conversely, if the animal's body is positioned forward, with ears up and making direct eye contact, the officer should consider other tactical options.

The response can be as simple as rotating the officer's posture to a less aggressive position and looking for barriers to create protection and distance. We also train our officers that if no exigency exists the proper response may be retreating until an animal control specialist can arrive.

Often, officers can simply use different voice tones, avoid eye contact and create distance to neutralize the interaction when the dog feels threatened. Obviously, it's important we understand that dogs are animals and may react as such, but our goal was to educate the officers and provide options for the best outcomes. Through proper training, law enforcement officers can be better prepared for safe, non-confrontational encounters successfully avoiding the worst-case scenarios. ■

on residential alarms, and even pursuing suspects through neighborhoods, dogs are almost always part of the situation.

I recently met with Mr. Dave Nicponski, who represents the Humane Society of Utah and at his suggestion, the Cottonwood Heights Police Department adopted a training program to provide officers with skills intended to increase more favorable outcome(s).

Police Officers never want to hurt an animal. Sometimes it's unavoidable but our goal is safe humane interactions



Photos courtesy: Debbie Inkley

Ice Skating On Wheels

Mayor Cullimore joined parents, teachers, caregivers and volunteers for the "Ice Skating on Wheels" event at the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center in early March.

The Opportunity Foundation Of Amerca (OFOA), a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting people with disabilities, sponsored the activity. ■



City Council Members

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DIST# 3 - Michael J. Peterson
DIST# 4 - Tee W. Tyler
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Justice Court..... 273-9731

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City Planning 944-7065
Public Works 944-7090
Recorder 944-7020
Finance Director..... 944-7012
Code Enforcement... 944-7095
Police Administration. 944-7100

City Council Meetings

April 7 - Work Session 6 p.m.
April 14 - Work Session 6 p.m.,
Business Meeting 7 p.m.
(Work session reconvenes after
business meeting.)
April 21 - Work Session 6 p.m.
April 28 - Work Session 6 p.m.,
Business Meeting 7 p.m.
(Work session reconvenes after
business meeting.)

Agendas are posted 24 hours
in advance of public meetings.
For details about the agendas,
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CH Business Spotlights



Performance Rehab Clinic

Performance Rehab Clinic (7827 S. Highland Dr.) is a physical therapy center owned and operated by Cottonwood Heights native Dan Mills. PRC treats older individuals, young elite athletes, cyclists, runners and triathletes with one-on-one attention from a physical therapist. As an Iron Man triathlete, Dan will assist you in reaching your unique fitness and rehabilitation goals. www.prcpt.net ■

Cottonwood Heights Honored for Financial Reporting

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has named Cottonwood Heights with GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget.

The award represents a significant achievement, including the commitment of the city and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.

This award was presented to CH Finance Director & Budget Officer Steve L. Fawcett.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a major professional association servicing the needs of more than 18,000 appointed and elected local, state, and provincial-level government officials and other finance practitioners. ■

New Businesses in Cottonwood Heights

BUSINESS	ADDRESS	BUSINESS TYPE
Beaumont Consulting	2825 E Cottonwood P	Business Consultation
Brooke Hall	2420 E Fort Union Blvd	Nail Technician
Commerce Real Estate	6975 S Union Park Ave	Commercial Property Management
Datacom Networks	2115 E Royal Farms Dr	Data Wiring
Evergreen Restoration	7528 S 2300 E	Handyman
Lee Burnham	2096 Hazelwood Way	Consultation/Teaching
Lone Peak Landscaping	9094 Treasure Way	Landscaping/Maintenance
Maverick Trading, Inc.	1910 E Fort Union Blvd	Online Stock Trading/Education
Mayfly Painting	1139 E 6720 S #21	House Painting
Michael J Larsen	2109 Karin Ct #201	CPA
Nicole & Company	1630 E 7080 S	Home Staging/Interior Decorating
Note Worthy Productions	2377 E 6895 S #8	Online Sales
Simon Associates	1981 E Curtis Dr	Geologic/Environmental Consult
Skibroker, LLC	3471 E Regalia Rd	Insurance
Stunning Heights, LLC	2825 E Cottonwood P	Ground/Aerial Photography
The Cheeky Whale	7956 S Portsmouth Ave	Art and Design
Verita's Funding, LLC	6415 S 3000 E #220	Residential Mortgage Lending
Wagstaff Design	6780 S Olivet Dr	Graphic Design