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Letters to the Editor

[Response to Life & Laughter column "Free Range Children" by Peri Kinder, June 2015, Volume 12, Issue 6.]

Perry Kinder:

Montgomery County, Maryland (location of the 'Free Range Children' mentioned last month in your article) was a wonderful place to grow up for me. During the 60s I could roam anywhere I wanted and not worry my parents as they knew I had to come home when I would grow hungry. Up in the morning at the crack of dawn, riding my bike all over the town in which I lived, exploring and learning new things. No one had to worry about children disappearing in that day as only children of the rich and famous were taken.

While I was away at College in 1974, however, the unthinkable happened. Two young girls were kidnapped off of a quiet suburban street. Sheila Lyon and her younger sister, Katherine, lived in Kensington, Montgomery County, Maryland with their 2 brothers and parents, Mary and John Lyon. John Lyon was a well known radio personality at WMAL.

On March 25, 1975, just days before both girls' birthdays, Sheila (then 12-years-old) and Katherine (then 10-years-old) left their family home in Kensington between 11:00 a.m. and 12 noon. The girls were walking

to the Wheaton Plaza Shopping Center in Montgomery County, which was approximately one-half mile from their house and no major streets needed to be walked along or crossed. It seemed perfectly safe.

Today the girls are still missing and the cold case team turns up new information on occasion. This event has changed Montgomery County into an environment of doubt and fear. No one allows their children outside alone unless it's close to home. The parents have never recovered from this horrific experience and the entire community has been scarred also.

This is why the ten-year-old and six-year-old found wandering along Georgia Avenue (comparable to State Street here in Utah) caused uproar. They were several miles from home and were playing in a deserted parking structure where unsavory characters are known to visit. A man walking his dog called the police who, although they handled the situation poorly, removed them from what appeared to be an unsafe environment.

Utah is still a reasonably safe place to allow children to wander within certain limits, while the D.C. metropolitan area is not. No parent wants a repeat of what happened to the Lyon sisters back in 1974.

Christine Shetrone

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Taylorsville Heritage Museum Helps Children Learn About The Past

By Jessica Thompson

Have you ever thought what items in your house could be considered an ancient artifact to your children? What about your very first MP3 player or your camera that used rolls of film?

Connie Taney, historic preservation committee chair, said, "Someday you are going to be standing here in this museum and my iPhone is going to be on display! It's a little mind blowing to think we live in a world where the first smart phone belongs in a museum."

In May, Taylorsville Heritage Museum gave tours to nearly 1,200 Taylorsville elementary schoolchildren. Taney enjoys showing the children the museum. "The children are so cute because they just eat up everything you say. They just have thirst to learn of how (life) used to be," she said.

While Taney gives the children a tour of the museum, they are full of questions. One artifact that produces many questions is the wooden rocking chair with a hole cut out of the seat's bottom with a metal bowl slid under the hole—a chamber pot. "I tell the kids about how my grandpa needed to make a decision to use this chamber pot or to run out to the outhouse. The kids have so many questions. Where's the flush? No flush. Where's the privacy? No privacy. It's just how it was. The kids really get a kick out of this," she said.

While some objects on display are foreign to the children, some artifacts are familiar because of popular movies the children have seen. When Taney shows them corsets women wore, the children remember the corset Elizabeth Swann wore in "Pirates of the Caribbean." When the children notice there

is no refrigerator in the kitchen, Taney tells them about the ice box, which reminds many about Kristoff's profession from the movie "Frozen." "It is so fun for me to see the light switch turn on within the children, one of those ah-ha moments," said Taney.

One thing that makes Taylorsville Heritage Museum child-friendly is that the tour guides let the children touch some of the artifacts. "This is a hands-on museum. This is not a 'do not touch museum'," said Taney. One popular hands-on area is the Plymouth Schoolhouse. Taney teaches the children about pens and ink and how it would take the children an entire day to write one paper for school. After this Taney lets the children practice their own penmanship on a giant blackboard. Once the tour of the schoolhouse is over the children dress up in clothing popular during the school's time. The girls wear bonnets and carry baskets while the boys wear caps and carry buckets. The children then stand in front of the schoolhouse for a picture.

Taney's favorite artifact is the square grand piano that was donated by LDS apostle Elder Bennion's family. Bennion grew up in Taylorsville and taught piano lessons on that grand piano. The museum hosts children's piano recitals where the children play on the grand piano while the audience watches in the house's parlor. "I'm a musician, so I love teaching the children about how the piano and pipe organ work," said Taney.

The Taylorsville Heritage Museum gives children a learning opportunity on how hard people had to work at what are now simple tasks such as doing laundry, making dinner or hand turning the Victrola to make music. "Sometimes after



Students are given a hands-on experience at the museum. In the Plymouth Schoolhouse children have a chance to practice their penmanship on the blackboard. Photo by Jessica Thompson

the student's field trip the kids will come back for a private tour with their parents," said Taney. "They want to show off everything they learned."

To visit the Taylorsville Heritage Museum go to www.taylorsvilleut.gov/visitors.heritagecenter.html for museum hours and how to set up a private tour.

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By Jessica Thompson

Did you know that the Family Center of Taylorsville is now 60% vacant? For 20 years the intersection of 5400 South and Redwood Road has been the retail hub for most of the west side of Salt Lake County. Over those years the buildings have aged, and newer retail centers were developed in other cities, making this lively shopping center lose its appeal. However, residents of Taylorsville

properties. With them, we celebrated hope, renewal and the fulfillment of years of work to rebuild the area, as the residents of the city have requested."

The demolition party consisted of speeches given by Mayor Johnson and S Squared Development founder William Stone. Mayor Johnson stated, "This demolition celebration is a major milestone for Taylorsville as it her-

Cinema, the world's leading movie experience provider, to the center; the theater complex will be comprised of 12 state-of-the-art luxury auditoriums which undoubtedly will contribute to The Crossroads' emergence as the most desirable destination in the greater Salt Lake Valley." Regal Cinema is scheduled to hold its grand opening in fall 2016. Along with the cinema there will also be new restaurants with

Taylorsville City mayor, Larry Johnson, councilmembers and surrounding local businesses were invited to the demolition party. Photo by Tim Murphy



still want to have shopping centers and entertainment close to their homes. The Economic Development Department of Taylorsville's focus is on bringing residents retail, office, commercial and industrial businesses close to where they live.

Wayne Harper, economic development director for the city of Taylorsville, said, "Having retail and services close to residential area reduces traffic, creates a better community, and provides the sales and property taxes the city uses to provide the basic services that residents demand — services like maintained roads, emergency response, and snow plowing." One way the city is achieving this goal is by working with S Squared Development and TriGate Capital, the new owners of the Family Center property. The new owner's plan is to demolish old buildings in the Family Center, rename the property The Crossroads of Taylorsville and fill the complex with exciting businesses.

On June 9 city officials, including Mayor Larry Johnson, were invited to join S Squared's demolition party where professionally operated large-scale equipment demolished the former Blockbuster video store. Harper said, "The city jumped at the opportunity to celebrate with the property owners as the owners kicked off the renovation and improvement of the

adds the significant investment that is being made by the new owners to elevate our city's dominant shopping destination via aesthetic improvements and attractive new concepts and tenancies."

At the demolition S Squared used a fun approach to celebrate the occasion. Mayor Johnson, with bull horn in hand, said, "Gentlemen, start your engines." With that the on-site equipment was fired up and the mayor began to swing a green "starter flag" to start

different cuisines and serving formats. Stone says, "We will be bringing new tenants into the market, some of which aren't even located in the state of Utah."

Harper and other city officials are excited for what this demolition celebration will do for the community. Harper says, "The city hopes that this rejuvenation and the focus of retailers and business owners to look at, invest in, and locate their businesses in the Crossroad

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the demolition. When the first piece of rubble fell, confetti cannons were released and music played. Harper said, "It was like a birthday party: you celebrate accomplishments, clear the way for growth and development, and support people who are trying to make a positive impact and difference."

There is a renewed hope for what is to come. Stone, of S Squared Development, said, "We are excited to be adding Regal

Retail Center will bring less crime, increased community pride, more retail and entertainment close by the homes of Taylorsville residents, new tax revenue and improved public services." Harper continues, "New buildings are far superior to blight and crime. New buildings provide employment, jobs, opportunity, pride and community spirit. The city supports businesses and people who take a risk to accomplish their dreams." ✦

A New Take On A Technicolor Classic

By Jessica Thompson

Keanu Netzler is a 19-year-old from West Jordan. He's the University of Utah tight head prop for their rugby team and he plays Joseph in Taylorsville Art Council's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

"I love to perform because I want to show people that I and also people in the Polynesian community can do something different that you don't usually see," Netzler said. In the upcoming musical, Netzler plans on doing just that.

It's a story about a young boy who has a coat of many colors and 11 jealous brothers, but it's also a musical that is completely sung, with no dialogue. The story is based on the biblical Jacob, his 12 sons and the incredible story of Joseph's journey from young boy to the most powerful man in Egypt. Songs such as "Joseph's Dreams," "Go, Go, Go Joseph" and "Pharaoh's Dreams Explained," set the stage for the events that bring Joseph to become a ruler over his brothers. Director Wendy SmedShammer said, "The overall purpose for this musical is to watch a family come together and realize that each individual brings something special to the plate. That we truly do need each other."

Songs transport audience goes back to biblical days and take them on a journey with a young boy's dreams. "My favorite scene is when the brothers finally realize how amazing their brother Joseph truly is. It's magic to watch their hearts soften and to see the forgiveness in their hearts," said SmedShammer.

Joseph isn't the only boy who follows his dreams; the man who plays him does as well. Netzler's love for performing started in elementary school. In fourth grade he played Little John in "Robin Hood" and fell in love with the stage. Because of the passion he felt for performing, he then got to play leading roles in 12 other shows at his elementary school. He then went to school at the Salt Lake School for the Performing Arts and graduated in 2014. He is now studying vocal performance in opera and classical music at the University of Utah. Netzler said, "I enjoy performing because it's a chance for me to really put my heart out there, a chance to really connect with people on a whole other level that can't be expressed by words."

Life for Netzler is busy. In addition to studying, playing rugby and performing, he holds down a full-time job. His nights are spent rehearsing. "One of my favorite quotes is from Bob Marley: 'One good thing about music, when it hits you, you feel no pain' because I don't feel any pain when I perform. I don't worry about the problems that I may be having, the difficulties in my life, how hard my job is going to be the next day, my homework,



Keanu Netzler will be playing Joseph in Taylorsville Art Council's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." This is Keanu's first time performing with the Taylorsville Art Council. Photo courtesy of Wendy SmedShammer

school, none of that! Performing is a chance for me to escape the hard, unforgiving world that we live in today, in exchange to just have fun, share a message to people through song, and share with people my talent that the Lord my God has blessed me with."

Performing as Joseph has been very powerful for Netzler. His favorite song to perform is "Close Every Door." "I love the powerful message of humility that it has behind it; it's the moment in the show when he realizes that he needs more than just himself and that he has the Lord on his side who will always be watching over him and his family," he said.

Netzler is performing with his brother Oliva, who plays the Pharaoh and Joseph's brother, Dan. "It's really fun for the both of us to share the stage and show people what we can do together," said Netzler.

Netzler and the cast of over 50 have been rehearsing for three months. "I love working with the amazing director and choreographers. We are so blessed to have such an amazing group of talent that is leading us to be great and perform a great show. With all the work they have put into this show, it really shows off all of our strengths and none of our weaknesses," he said.

The play opens July 9 at 8 p.m. at the Salt Lake Community College Amphitheater and runs July 10, 11, 13 and 14. \$7 per ticket or \$30 for groups of 6 or more can be purchased at the door. †

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Racing Season Is Underway

By Greg James

Rocky Mountain Raceway, located in West Valley City, opened its 19th season on May 2. Despite the rain and poor weather, the racing on the oval track has been hot and heavily contested. The 3/8-mile asphalt oval has provided Utah racing fans with some high intensity racing this spring.

In North American auto racing, a short track is a racetrack of less than one mile. Short track racing is where stock car racing first became an organized and regulated competition. The 11 degree banking at Rocky Mountain Raceway has provided a great place for 10 classes of cars to compete for season championships.

The premier racing class at Rocky Mountain Raceway is the Maverick Modifieds. These cars sit on large, slick tires

exposed on all four corners of the car. They each run a stock crate Chevrolet 350 engine and will reach speeds at the end of the straightaway close to 100 mph. Michael Hale holds the track qualifying record, with an average speed of 86.26 mph.

The 2014 modified champion, Mark Ith Jr., won the initial modified main event May 2. He is currently the class point's leader. Jimmy Waters is in second place and Lynn Hardy is in third.

On May 30 the modifieds ran a double points 100 lap main event. Dan McCoy and Ith Jr. battled nose to tail before a late race caution sent Ith Jr. to the back of the pack. McCoy finished first, 2013 track champion Tyler Whetstone second and Hardy third.



Maverick Modified car number 84 is driven by 2014 track champion Mark Ith Jr. Photo courtesy of Action Sports Photography

driver must navigate the figure eight track while his brakeman helps keep them from crashing in the center intersection.

"I don't know much about the cars, but I like to watch the trains and figure eight cars. They are awkward and it is fun to see them almost crash," racing fan Jaylynn Merrill said.

The double deckers are another favorite at the racetrack. In that class one car is attached on top of another. The top car steers while the bottom driver has the gas and brakes.

Other racing classes include the super stocks, hornets, midgets, sprint cars, figure eights and mini cups.

On July 4, Rocky Mountain Raceway is scheduled to host the annual Copper Cup Classic. Winged sprint cars from around the western United States are scheduled to compete.

More information on upcoming events can be found on the track's website: www.rmrracing.com.



The figure eight trains are a fan favorite at Rocky Mountain Raceway. Photo courtesy of Action Sports Photography

"There was some bumping and banging between me and Mark. My car was fast tonight. I think he was the only one that could have caught me," McCoy said in his finish line interview that night.

The track hosts several other fan favorite racing classes.

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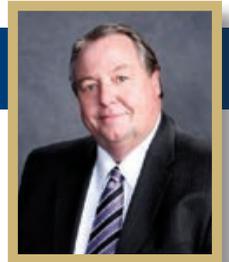
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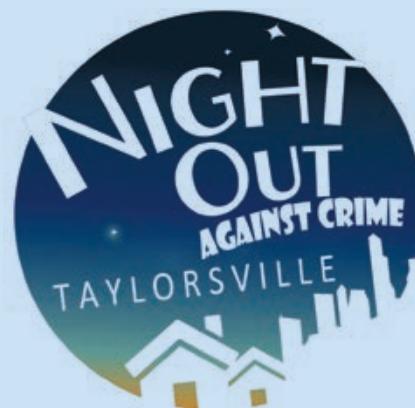
July is a month of holidays and celebrations that have great meaning to each of us. July 4th Independence Day celebrating our nation's history and July 24th Pioneer Day is celebrating those who immigrated to the Salt Lake Valley during the pioneer era. These honored pioneers came from everywhere—New England, Old England, the lands of the North. Upon arrival in the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, the settlers had to make a place to live. They created irrigation systems, laid out farms, built houses, schools and churches.

One of the most crucial items was access to water. It was difficult to find large areas where water sources were dependable and growing seasons were long enough to support crops. For this reason, many satellite communities began to be formed in areas around the Great Basin such as Bountiful, Ogden, Tooele, and Provo. The first celebration of Pioneer Day in 1857 was halted with news of the approach of Johnston's Army, heralding the beginning of

the Utah War. There was not another Pioneer Day celebration again until President Abraham Lincoln initiated a hands-off policy on Utah in 1862 during the American Civil War. It was at this time that Pioneer Day celebrations resumed once again.

One of the larger celebrations includes the Pioneer Centennial Celebration in 1947 that included exhibits, beauty pageants, conferences, banquets, dances, music, theater performances, parades, and sporting events. As you enjoy the holiday celebrations and activities, please be aware of the dry conditions that surround us. Please use caution with fireworks and keep in mind the City of Taylorsville Firework Restrictions. Wishing you happy and safe celebrations this month. ✦

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who graciously accept this yearly three day party in your neighborhood. Thank you to the sea of people who relaxed on the lawn, listened to the great entertainment and were dazzled by the incredible fireworks.

What's next? Make a bucket list of fun and adventurous activities for you and your family. Summer is a perfect time for family reunions, picnics, swimming, vacations, neighborhood parties and much more. Check out the Taylorsville website for family fun activities over the next couple of months. We hope you take advantage of all the opportunities of the summer. Make family fun, laughter, safety and adventure a priority! ✦



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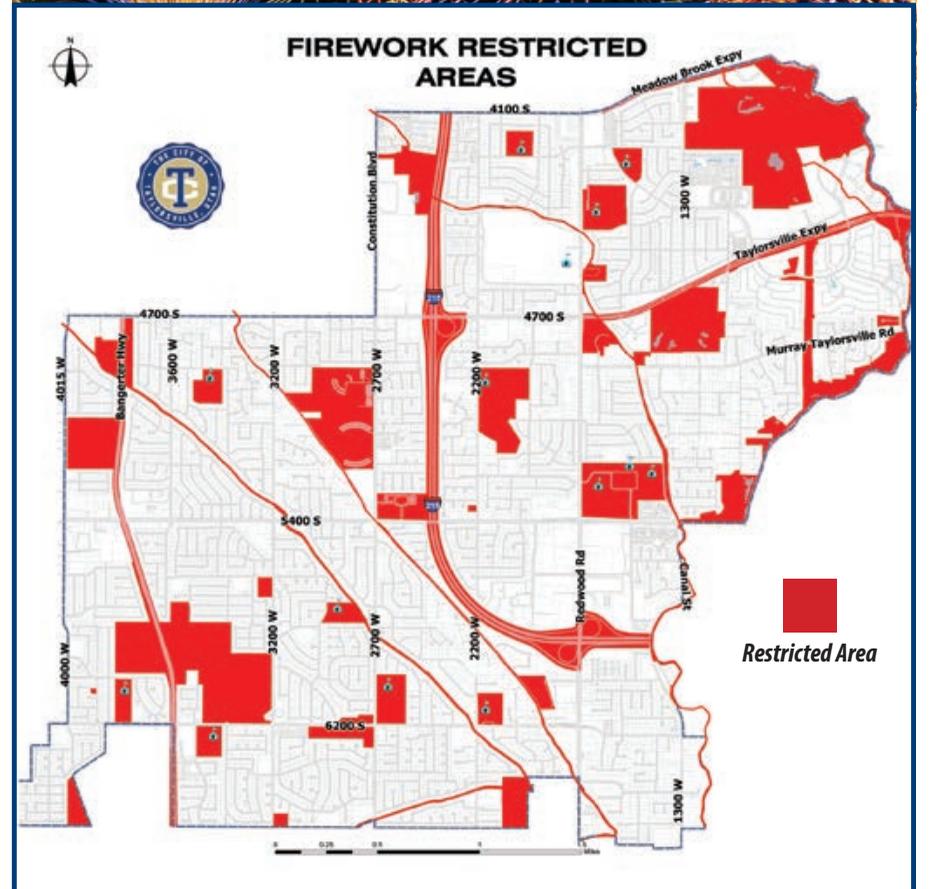
FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS AND REMINDER *about Taylorsville Fireworks Restrictions...*

Fireworks-related injuries are most common on and around holidays associated with fireworks celebrations, especially July 4th and July 24th. The following tips may help ensure your safety with regard to fireworks:

- The best way to enjoy fireworks is to visit public fireworks displays put on by professionals.
- If you plan to use fireworks, make sure they are legal in your area. (see below information specific to Taylorsville)
- Never light fireworks indoors or near dry grass.
- Always have a bucket of water and/or a fire extinguisher nearby. Know how to operate the fire extinguisher properly.
- Do not wear loose clothing while using fireworks.
- Stand several feet away from lit fireworks.
- If a device does not go off, do not stand over it to investigate it. Put it out with water and dispose of it.
- Always read the directions and warning labels on fireworks. If it is not marked with the contents, directions and a warning label, do not light it.
- Supervise children around fireworks at all times.

Please keep in mind the City of Taylorsville Fireworks Restrictions (Ordinance 13-14)

The discharge of fireworks is prohibited within those areas of the City described on the below map. Violation of this Ordinance shall be a Class B Misdemeanor.



Taylorsville Dayzz 2015

By Chairman Jim Dunnigan

Taylorsville Dayzz 2015 was bigger and better than ever! Word has definitely gotten out about the fun, family friendly event. The Billy Joel and Elton John Tribute drew several thousand audience members and the next night, the Elvis, Cher, Garth Brooks and Dolly Tribute performed to a crowd of over 20,000. Many women were clamoring for the scarves Elvis was handing out and Garth proved there are a lot of Country fans in Taylorsville.

Several hundred people enjoyed "How to Train Your Dragon 2" at the movie in the park and the Cannoneers of the Wasatch blasted 18 live cannons in conjunction with the Utah Symphony's 1812 Overture.

130 cars entered the car show with everything from antiques to muscle cars.

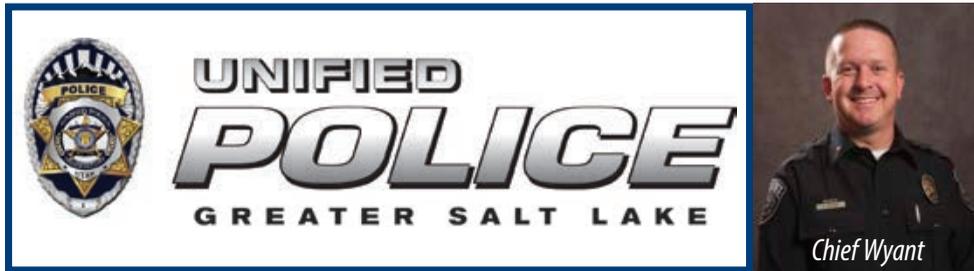
The pony ride and petting zoo were very popular with the little ones.

The new carnival ride "Sizzler" was guaranteed to scramble you dinner and their was a great variety of different food offerings.

The culmination of the festivities was the 30 minute long Fireworks Extravaganza on Saturday night. There was a big surprise at the end of the fireworks show when 9 fireballs were ignited at the same time for a terrific finish. People were so surprised they didn't know if it was a mishap or a planned event.

Of course the fireworks artist, Vortex Fireworks Artists had the whole thing planned to add a little spice to the end of the show and a great celebration! ✦





MENDEZ FOUNDATION

Taylorville Precinct Chief Wyant has made the decision to introduce the Too Good Program into nine elementary schools in Taylorville as a pilot program.

Detective Scott Lloyd is heading up this program throughout the elementary schools in Taylorville. Detective Lloyd has been assigned to work in Taylorville City for the last 18 years in many roles within the police department, primarily focusing on community problem solving in neighborhoods and schools.



The program curriculum includes practicing and setting reachable goals, making responsible decisions, resisting peer pressure, effective tools to deal with bullying and violence prevention, and saying no to drugs and alcohol. Another aspect of the Too Good Program is comprehensive drug and violence prevention education designed to mitigate risk factors and build protection against problem behaviors.

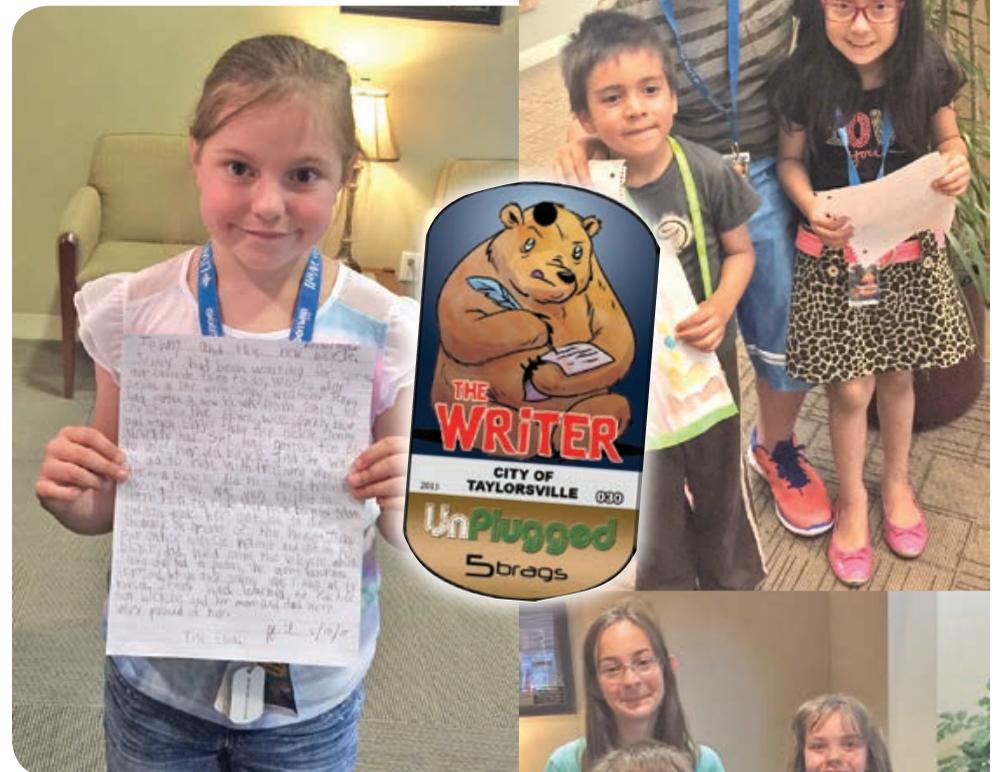
The Too Good Program also allows kids one-on-one time with a familiar officer that is in their school on a regular basis. This interaction creates a bond of trust allowing the kids to communicate concerns, ask questions, and solve problems. Detective Lloyd also participates in many other events throughout schools, such as bike and scooter safety, assemblies, and safety drills.

If you would like to learn more about this program, please contact Detective Lloyd at (385) 468-9435.



We had so much fun last year participating in Play Unplugged, we decided to do it again!

Taylorville City Hall is excited to be a sponsor of "The Writer" Brag Badge.

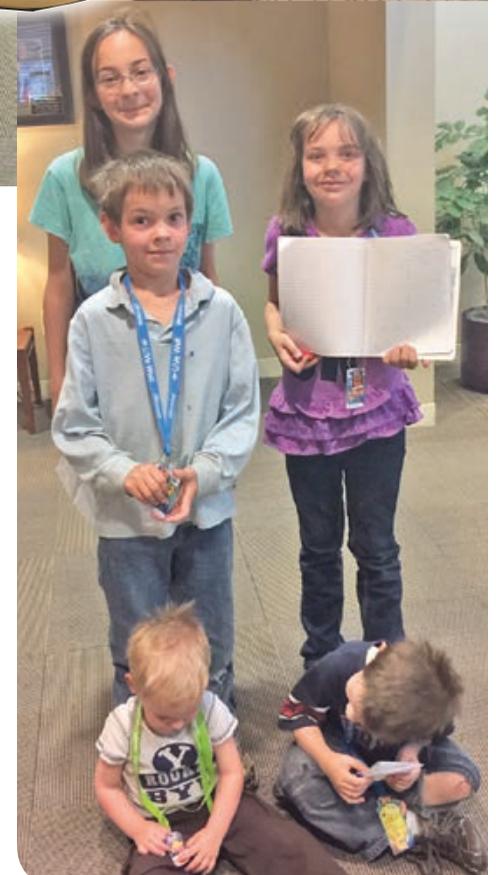


Put your ideas on paper. Come up with your own story, whether it be fiction, fantasy, or just fun.

Come in and show us your story and pick up your badge at Taylorville City Hall:

2600 West Taylorville Blvd.
2nd Floor West Reception Area
Taylorville, Utah 84129

Find out more information by visiting https://family.weplayunplugged.com/brag_badges/index.php



Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony



On June 14, 2015 the Knights of Columbus held their Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Freedom Shrine Park located at 612 West Taylorsville Expressway in Taylorsville, Utah. Mayor Johnson was invited to speak for a few minutes and shared the following poem.

I am the Flag

By Ruth Apperson Rous

I am the flag of the United States of America. I was born on June 14, 1777, in Philadelphia. There the Continental Congress adopted my stars and stripes as the national flag.

My thirteen stripes alternating red and white, with a union of thirteen white stars in a field of blue, represented a new constellation, a new nation dedicated to the personal and religious liberty of mankind.

Today fifty stars signal from my union, one for each of the fifty sovereign states in the greatest constitutional republic the world has ever known.

My colors symbolize the patriotic ideals and spiritual qualities of the citizens of my country.

My red stripes proclaim the fearless courage and integrity of American men and boys and the self-sacrifice and devotion of American mothers and daughters.

My white stripes stand for liberty and equality for all.

My blue is the blue of heaven, loyalty, and faith. I represent these eternal principles: liberty, justice, and humanity.

I embody American freedom: freedom of

speech, religion, assembly, the press, and the sanctity of the home.

I typify that indomitable spirit of determination brought to my land by Christopher Columbus and by all my forefathers - the Pilgrims, Puritans, settlers at Jamestown and Plymouth.

I am as old as my nation.

I am a living symbol of my nation's law: the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights.

I voice Abraham Lincoln's philosophy: "A government of the people, by the people, for the people."

I stand guard over my nation's schools, the seedbed of good citizenship and true patriotism.

I am displayed in every schoolroom throughout my nation; every schoolyard has a flag pole for my display.

Daily thousands upon thousands of boys and girls pledge their allegiance to me and my country.

I have my own law—Public Law 829, "The Flag Code" - which definitely states my correct use and display for all occasions and situations.

I have my special day, Flag Day. June 14 is set aside to honor my birth.

Americans, I am the sacred emblem of your country. I symbolize your birthright, your heritage of liberty purchased with blood and sorrow.

I am your title deed of freedom, which is yours to enjoy and hold in trust for posterity.

If you fail to keep this sacred trust inviolate, if I am nullified and destroyed, you and your children will become slaves to dictators and despots.

TAYLORSVILLE/BENNION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Feel That Summer Heat

All this hot weather causes us to be thirsty. Your tap water is the best beverage to quench that thirst. Take a refillable water bottle with you to help your body stay healthy and hydrated.

Our landscapes also get thirsty this time of year. It is time to re-check the following:

- When is watering taking place?
- How much water is being applied?
- Is the water going where you want it to go?

Please refer to the Suggested Watering Guide (at left) to help your landscape only get the water it needs.

If you have any questions regarding this article please contact Dan McDougal, Communications Manager, at Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District: 801-968-9081 / danmcdougal@tbid.org or visit our website at www.tbid.org

Can you have both a Beautiful Lawn and a Low Water Bill?

Yes! Here's how:



www.slowtheflow.org



www.ConservationGardenPark.org

How Often?		When?	How Long?	
Mother's Day (start watering)	Once every 5 days	Before 8 am or After 8 pm	Fixed	Rotating
Father's Day	Once every 3 days			
Labor Day	Once every 5 days		25 minutes	45 minutes
Columbus Day (stop watering)	Winterize			

Suggested Watering Guide for Central/Northern Utah



Eighteen Utah students will be individually recognized during Salt Lake Bees home games this season. Beehive Broadband's Student-of-the-Game Award recognizes outstanding students who have met goals, helped others, served as classroom leaders, and done other things to achieve academic success and lift their peers.

Each winning student will receive complimentary tickets to a Bees game, on-field recognition during the game, a photo with the mascot, and a plaque. Here are the winning students selected from Granite along with a quote from their nomination:

One of winning students is Audrey Koch from Vista Elementary 5th grade right here in Taylorsville. Audrey's nomination said the following: "Audrey is a leader in our classroom. She does not need to be asked to help out because when she sees a need she steps into action. Audrey always strives to do what it takes to be successful."



Food Pantry Update

Thank you for your donations to the Taylorsville Food Pantry. Those who need the food are so grateful it is there. The pantry serves the residents of Taylorsville, and currently needs more canned vegetables, peanut butter, and tuna and other canned meats. (No expired or glass, please.) You can bring your donations directly to the pantry during our open hours, which are Mondays 1 - 3 PM, Wednesday 4 - 6 PM, and Saturday from 10 AM to 12- Noon. The Taylorsville Food Pantry is located behind the Taylorsville Senior Center. Driving Instructions: Turn onto 4800 South, going east, off of Redwood and make an almost immediate left onto Plymouth View Drive. Follow Plymouth View Drive all the way around the past the Senior Center to the back where the pantry is located. The Taylorville Food Pantry address is 4775 S. Plymouth View Drive Taylorsville, Utah and phone number is (801) 815-0003.



Every Wednesday from 4 - 6 PM we also have a grocery giveaway, which includes fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy and delicatessen items and bakery goods. You don't need to have applied for help from the Taylorsville Food Pantry to get grocery giveaway food. It's there for those who are in a real pinch for food at the moment.



head start

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Head Start is a FREE comprehensive preschool program that provides an exceptional preschool education complimented by family activities, medical and dental services, nutritional meals and self-sufficiency services for the entire family.

Join us at one of our Application Intake days to apply!

- Children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2015.
- Children with disabilities are given priority for Head Start enrollment.

FOR APPLICATION INTAKE' DATES AND FOR INFORMATION:

Call: 801-972-2337 or 801-743-6450 Email: ERSEAteam@slcap.org

Website: Print application and check our calendar at www.saltlakeheadstart.org

Summer and Urban Interface Fires

Wildland fires are a regular part of Utah summers. Tens of thousands of acres are burned each year throughout the state. While most are far outside of our city, some of our neighbors deal with these threats every year. In 2010 and again in 2012, the southwest part of the valley was largely affected by wildfires that burned on the eastern face of the Oquirrh Mountains, including destroying many homes.

Since Taylorsville rests in the middle of the valley, we don't often consider ourselves vulnerable to wildland fires. However, many homes within the city neighbor open spaces where grasses, brush and trees grow wild. When lightning, fireworks or other natural or human involvement starts fires in these open areas near homes, they are called urban interface fires. They spread very quickly, damage homes and other buildings and endanger people's safety.



Pictures include areas vulnerable to urban interface fires within the city and pictures of the Murray Fire Department responding to the fire along the Jordan River in March, 2015.

Some of the places in Taylorsville that are particularly susceptible to urban interface fires include areas near the Jordan River, the various canals, large open fields and freeway embankments. Fires of this type have happened in the city in the past. Even in March of this year, our neighbors in Murray experienced a similar fire near the Taylorsville border that destroyed approximately eight acres of land.

As summer gets started this year and the possibility of urban interface fires occurring increases, take the necessary steps to help your family prepare. Ready. Set. Go!

1. **Ready.** If your home or property has brush that grows wild, be proactive and remove brush away. Use fire-resistant landscaping. Collect emergency supplies and kits and plan escape routes. Teach these plans to everyone living in your home and share them with your neighbors.
2. **Set.** Stay up-to-date with information from local media, city government and the fire department. When you learn about a fire that may endanger you and your home, be ready to evacuate by collecting your family and kits.
3. **Go!** Don't wait for first responders to come and knock on your door to leave. If you don't feel safe where you are, go. Follow your evacuation plan and the instructions of public safety officials. This will protect you and your family as well as allow responders to focus on the fire.

For more information about how to prepare your family for urban interface fires or other emergencies, visit www.wildlandfiresg.org/resident or contact the City's Emergency Manager, Ben Gustafson, at response-coordinator@taylorsvilleut.gov.






PUSH TO SURVIVE!

Learn CPR for FREE at Fire Station 118
5317 South 2700 West Taylorsville, Utah



August 3, 9, 15, 21
6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Open House Event

Please join us, learn and meet your firefighters. Classes are just 10 minutes each at the Open House.

www.pushtosurvive.org

Mayor's Town Hall Meeting

Wednesday, July 29th

Taylorsville City Hall Council Chambers

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

There will be a presentation on the new "high-tech" Unified State Laboratory being built here at 4451 South 2700 West in Taylorsville. This high-tech facility will bring together most of the State of Utah's laboratories under one roof. Taylorsville will be central to the Department of Health, Public Safety and Agricultural testing from around the state. For the crime lab and medical examiner, all forensic testing will be done in these combined facilities. There is not anything else like this in the State of Utah. The Laboratory Director Jay Henry from the Utah Department of Public Safety will give the presentation and also take questions from residents.

UNIFIED STATE LABORATORY

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FOOD

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

TAYLORSVILLE, UTAH



FROM THE KITCHENS OF TAYLORSVILLE & BENNION



EDWARD DARWIN STEADMAN

This month's historic recipe is from the kitchen of Darwin Steadman. He was born in Winder Ward, March 15, 1909, and was the oldest child of Edward and Louise Steadman. He attended the first through 9th grade of schooling at the old Plymouth school on the corner of 4800 South and Redwood Road. His father, Edward, still has a watch repair shop in Murray and a 40-acre dry farm near the west mountains of the Valley where he raised wheat and a little hay for a cow or two. His mother used to make bread using wheat she processed into flour and utilized the flour for various baked goods for her seven children.

This is where his love of bread baking began, and he experimented with various recipes until he felt that he got the "Good Bread" recipe below.

Darwin left home at a young age working as a shepherd and was an adventurer at heart. His hobbies were gun collecting, motorcycling, and traveling. He loved to play the organ, xylophone, and tiddle. His posterity remembers his love of good homemade bread the most!

How to Make Good Bread by E.D. Steadman

BEGIN BY PREPARING THE YEAST:

1 TBL Dried Yeast
1 TSP Sugar
Dry mix both in bowl then add
1/2 cup warm water until dissolved
Then into bulb heated oven until rest done

INGREDIENTS:

2 Cups ground flour
(1:1 Peral Barley/Red Wheat)
1 TBL Salt
1 Cup Quaker 1 Min Oats
1 Cup White Flour
Dry mix on speed I, using
rubber spatula 1-2 minutes
Add 1/4 Cup Olive Oil followed by
1/4 Cup Molasses (Karo)

BLENDER MIXTURE:

1-1/4 Cups Warm Water in Blender
1 Sliced Banana
1/2 Cup Prunes
1/2 Cup Raisins
Blend till liquefied (30-45 seconds)

MIX:

Add blender mixture to ingredients and 1 Cup Hot Water used in cleaning out blender
Turn on Mixer to Speed 1 (Use warm spatula-bowl)
Add risen yeast – Clean out yeast bowl with spatula and mix (3 minutes)
Add very slowly ground flour, 1 cup, 2 cups, near last of third cup go to Speed II; by end Of fourth cup is ball in center of bowl (Let set 10 minutes)
Turn on mixer again (Kneading 1 min.)
Remove mixer top and clean off hook into bowl

TAYLORSVILLE SENIOR CENTER

(801) 293-8340
4743 Plymouth View Drive
Taylorsville, Utah 84123

Wednesday, July 8th-10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

AARP Smart Driver's Course. Sign up at the front desk. \$15 for AARP Members or \$20.00 for nonmembers.

Wednesday, July 8th- 11:00 a.m. to 12-noon

"Safe Sex for Older Adults" Presentation by Planned Parenthood, this will be a mature topic discussion.

Wednesday, July 8th – 12:30 p.m.

Ice Cream Social hosted by the Advisory Committee

Friday, July 10th-2:00 p.m.

Afternoon at the Movies sponsored by Aspen Senior Care - "Independence Day"

Tuesday, July 14th-11:15 a.m. – 12-noon

Choir Concert by the Taylorsville Senior Center Choir
Wednesday, July 15th-11:30 a.m. to 12-noon "Around the World" sponsored by Humana. This month we will be going to Australia .

Thursday, July 16th- 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Evening at the Center- "Game Night and Dinner" \$6.00 per person. Dinner- Fried Chicken

Friday, July 17th-2:00 p.m.

Afternoon at the Movies sponsored by Aspen Senior Care - "Soul Surfer"

Monday, July 20th, 11:00 a.m. to 12-noon

Finance Presentation by Wells Fargo

Wednesday, July 22nd-12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Oral Cancer Screenings/Denture Cleaning/Fluoride Application

Friday, July 24th - Senior Center Closed

Monday, July 27th- 11:00 a.m. to 12-noon

Funeral Planning Presentation by Teresa Peck

Friday, July 31st at 2:00 p.m.

Afternoon at the Movies sponsored by Aspen Senior Care - "Despicable Me"

Volunteer of the Month Bonnie DeWeese

Bonnie was born in Murray, Utah where she was the 2nd of 11 kids. She and her husband Hugh have been married for 50 years; they met in Provo while attending BYU. They raised eight kids and have 15 grand-kids. Bonnie enjoys sewing, crocheting, wood-burning, and poetry. If you attend the city, county and state fairs you will most likely see her talented entries with blue ribbons attached.



Just last year, Bonnie went on a vacation to Yellowstone, where she had the best time ever. Bonnie has been teaching our diabetes class at the Senior Center for seven years. She started attending the Senior Center shortly after it first opened. She was the Advisory Committee president for three years. Bonnie worked as a registered nurse for ten years working at the Utah Valley Hospital and Jordan Valley Hospital. She enjoyed teaching primary for over 30 years. Thanks Bonnie for everything you do.

Save the Date

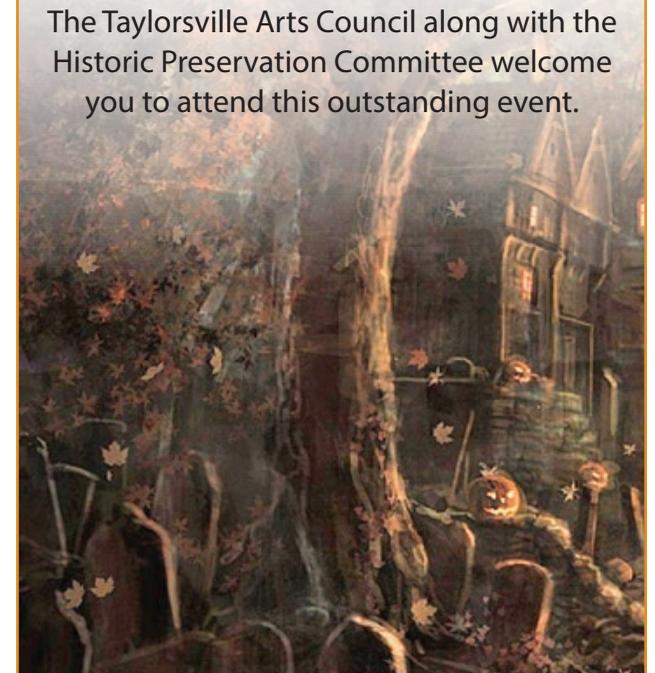
Tombstone Tales in Taylorsville

EXCITING, STUPENDOUS, AWESOME, INSPIRING, AND SO WORTH YOUR TIME!
What could all of these advertise?

The 4th production of Tombstone Tales, presented in the Taylorsville Cemetery.
The dates are September 10, 11 and 12.

So be sure to save the date and be entertained by local actors/actresses for an evening of history and memories!

The Taylorsville Arts Council along with the Historic Preservation Committee welcome you to attend this outstanding event.



Recycling Tip #71

Recycle all your household metals. Tin cans, bottle caps and soda cans can all be recycled!



Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling Annual Taylorsville Area Clean Up Program

We are excited to announce that our annual Area Cleanup program is now happening in Taylorsville. We are delivering bulk waste containers to Taylorsville neighborhoods from July 2nd until July 30th. All residents were notified in advance via mail with

exact details on when containers will be in their neighborhood. Residents can also use the look-up tool on our website, www.wasatchfrontwaste.org, to locate the specific date the Area Cleanup containers will arrive in their neighborhood.



CITY OF TAYLORSVILLE UTAH

NEW BUSINESSES

Welcome to Taylorsville!

7-Eleven Store

4684 So Redwood Rd
Convenience Store

Duane Trejo Insurance Agency Inc

5941 So Redwood Road
Insurance Agency

Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC

5667 So Redwood Rd #7-B
Collection Agency

MK Consulting, PLLC

5689 So Redwood Rd #28
Mental Health Therapy

National E-Realty, Inc

4900 So Redwood Road #B
Real Estate

Nutricion Fuente de Vida LLC

4134 Carriage Square
Natural Products and Herbal

Sherwin Williams

5640 So Redwood Rd
Sale of paint and Related Products

City of Taylorsville

Meeting Schedule • Location: Taylorsville City Hall

Planning Commission	July 14th	7:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	July 15th	6:30 p.m.
Mayor's Town Hall Meeting	July 29th	6:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Aug. 5th	6:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	Aug. 11th	7:00 p.m.
Board of Canvassers Meeting	Aug. 18th	6:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Aug. 19th	6:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Sep. 2nd	6:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	Sep. 8th	7:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Sep. 16th	6:30 p.m.
Mayor's Town Hall Meeting	Sep. 30th	6:00 p.m.



Public Meetings are subject to change. Official agendas for public meetings are posted the Friday prior to meetings. Please check the City's website at www.taylorsvilleut.gov to view upcoming agendas.

Neighborhood Community Service Projects at Little Confluence

"Small Acts, When Multiplied by Millions of People, Can Transform the World" – Howard Zinn

It was just a little over a year ago (June 2014) that Jerry Milne and friends Gene Anderson and Wil Meyer stood for a picture at the park strip directly in front of the Little Confluence Open Space Area.

They had spent the last few years working on the transformation of the sidewalk strip from thistle and weeds to beautiful and blooming.



In March, as the Little Confluence Project was near completion, Jerry took notice of the East side frontage area of the road that was full of weeds and thistle. He took quick action and contacted Council member Kristie Overson to see if she could assist in getting the City to cover the cost of

some mulch. Once it was confirmed the City would be willing to cover the cost of the mulch, it did not take long for Jerry to do some volunteer recruiting. Recruitment totals included 28 Cub Scouts, and 18 adults that included Cub masters, parents, and neighbors from the Taylorsville Stake ready



to spread some mulch. Jerry describes watching the Cub Scouts spread the mulch much like an army of ants and said they had a ball getting dirty. He had envisioned approximately three days to complete the project and was pleasantly surprised when it took just 2 hours. A special thank you to Don Breitling, of All Star Construction, for generously volunteering to use his dump truck to pick up and haul in all 15 yards of mulch. Thanks to the neighbors Gene Anderson, Mike Winck, Wil Meyer, and Mark Ethington, for all their work. Laurie Schembrie made it a very fun and fast project by involving the Cub Scouts.

If you know Jerry Milne, you know he does not allow any weeds to grow under his feet before he takes immediate action. Jerry and the neighborhood Park Committee coordinated with Teresa Woodbury and 30 volunteers from the Oak Hill

ward in early June of this year. They cleaned up and removed nuisance weeds in Little Confluence Open Space and spent approximately 45 total hours pulling weeds, thistle, and Prickly Lettuce allowing the colorful wildflowers to stand out. They also trimmed around small trees and shrubbery so that when Salt Lake County mows the grass the trees and shrubbery are noticeable and will not be damaged by the mowing process. By taking the time to remove the weeds this year it should dramatically reduce the weeds next year. Thank you to these wonderful volunteers for all their hard work to make a difference in this community open space.



Taylorsville City Library Offers Summer Fun

By Jessica Thompson

It's mid-summer and you're probably running out of fun ideas to keep active children interested in something other than mischief. Perhaps it is time for a trip to Taylorsville City Library, which offers new events every day to entertain and educate children.

Most Taylorsville schools are on a traditional calendar, making summers an ideal time to take a family trip to the library. Shelly Ward, Taylorsville Library youth services librarian, said, "We want to encourage children to attend the library, to keep reading and to have an excuse to learn something they haven't learned before while having new adventures. The best part is if they liked what they learned during one of the programs, they can use the books at the library as a

springboard to keep studying those new and exciting topics." The library has a little bit of everything for your family. If your child likes Harry Potter, cowboys or Star Wars, the library's events have them covered.

In July and August, activities for the whole family include a movie matinee featuring "Into the Woods" and "The Hobbit." There will also be events for the little cowboy in your life called "Meet Cowboys of the Old West," where Craig Creek Johnson and Lannie Scopes of "Hired Guns" will sing songs, tell stories and have crazy adventures with cowboys of the Old West. The library also has craft pieces for your child to assemble at home, such as a moon rocket for the anniversary of the moon landing or Harry Potter potions and crafts to

Sawyer and his mom Leora Olsen look at a tortoise that is a part of the Wild Wonders event. Photo courtesy of Shelly Ward



"When you see a child in awe of something new and keep asking question after question it helps us see how kids are so capable of learning."

celebrate Harry Potter's birthday.

"It's fun to see children learn something new and ask questions. When you see a child in awe of something new and keep asking question after question it helps us see how kids are so capable of learning. In fact most of the experts at our events are the children. No one knows more about a dinosaur than a three-year-old. I love to watch children learn," said Ward.

Let the library help keep you and your family stay sane in the summer months by participating in these free and exciting events. "We hope people in our



At the Wild Wonders event children were able to take a closer look at wild animals. Here Aaboli Samant pets a spiky hedgehog. Photo courtesy of Shelly Ward

community will come to see what we have to offer. That the library is there as an asset and that we are here to help them during the summer and the school year. We hope the library will give them opportunities to get out of the heat, see new things and be together as a family," Ward said.

If you would like to learn more about how you can meet the Star Wars collector, Sean Vance, community firefighters or real-life superheroes, visit: www.calendar.slcolibrary.org for a calendar of the events at the Taylorsville City Library during July and August. ✦

Hard Work Rewards Taylorsville Grads

By Shirley Brosseau

Janet Tran of Taylorsville High School, valedictorian of her 2015 class, has many achievements behind her but is looking forward to many more in her future.

Tran has always lived in Utah. Her dad came to the United States to California as a refugee in the aftermath of the Vietnam War. Her dad's entire family then moved to Utah throughout this time period. She has three other siblings.

School was not always a top priority for Tran, who admitted that in elementary school she went through an adventurous stage.

"I did my homework because I knew it was the law, but it was not a top priority of mine," she said.

Things changed in junior high when her sister set the standard by graduating as the valedictorian from Taylorsville. The next year

her brother graduated as a valedictorian as well.

"That just reinforced a goal for me to accomplish," she said. "In the seventh grade I started in the honors program and by the ninth grade I was coming to the high school for some AP courses." It was at high school that she started finding her passions and achieving goals.

There is a stigma that goes along with being intellectually gifted, however. "The stigma of Asians doing well in school, I really do live that one well," Tran said. She noticed that some people compare themselves to her and doesn't mind if it is done in the right way.

"If they understand that if they challenge themselves they can achieve as much as I do,



Janet Tran, a lifelong resident of Utah, earned valedictorian of Taylorsville High in 2015.

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then it is a positive," she added.

Tran has been awarded a full-tuition scholarship to the University of Utah in business, which she hopes to use toward a business administration degree.



Jordan Etherington, salutatorian of Taylorsville High's 2015 class, juggled academics, sports and two part-time jobs.

Jordan Etherington, salutatorian of his 2015 class at Taylorsville, has many achievements behind him as well and is also looking forward to many more while reaching his career goals.

When Etherington was in elementary school he had one older brother, "about three years older, and for a while everyone knew me as Cameron's little brother," he said.

His brother was a smart kid and everyone expected him to get good grades and to work hard. "They knew who he was and they knew who I was, but I wasn't expected to live up to any big potential," he said. "I could pretty much make out what I wanted out of myself, and by high school a lot of my brother's teachers had moved on anyway and I had like a clean slate."

Etherington lettered in swimming all three years. Juggling academics and sports and two part-time jobs helped him learn how to deal with a rigorous schedule and prioritize. "That helped keep me motivated and I would just take my textbooks to work and when I had a break I would do my homework."

Etherington will be going on a mission in July. When he gets back he will decide on what to major in — mechanical engineering or physiology.

"I feel like being a physiologist would be really fun, to help people. I think I could do either one. I will figure it out," he said.

Etherington has been awarded a four-year scholarship to Utah State in the major of his choice.

Taylorsville High has achieved much academically this year. The total number of graduates in the 2015 class is 463 students. The number of scholarships awarded is 230; the total number of students receiving scholarships is 96.

The scholarship dollar amount awarded to Taylorsville High was \$4,962,752. ✦

TRIBUTE

**Happy 50th Anniversary
Shirley And Jerry Milne**

Shirley and Jerry Milne of Taylorsville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 1, 2015. They were married in the Salt Lake LDS



Temple in 1965. Shirley is a devoted wife and mother and has worked part-time for Ben Cook & Associates for 25 years. Jerry in turn has been a wonderful husband and father. He has shared a passion for biology as an educator at East High School and Salt Lake Community College before retirement, where he now enjoys spending time gardening.

Shirley and Jerry's lives have been the quintessential example of service, love, and devotion. On

behalf of Michael, Staci (Rob) and Lisa (Scott), and five grandchildren, Kylee (Addison), Raychel, Haylee, Austin and Allie and other family:

"Thanks for always being there for us—Happy 50th Anniversary! We love you."

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Wednesday, July 29th at 6:PM

West Jordan Golden Corral
8800 South Redwood Road, West Jordan

Thursday, July 30th at 6:PM

Murray Golden Corral
665 East Fort Union Blvd, Midvale

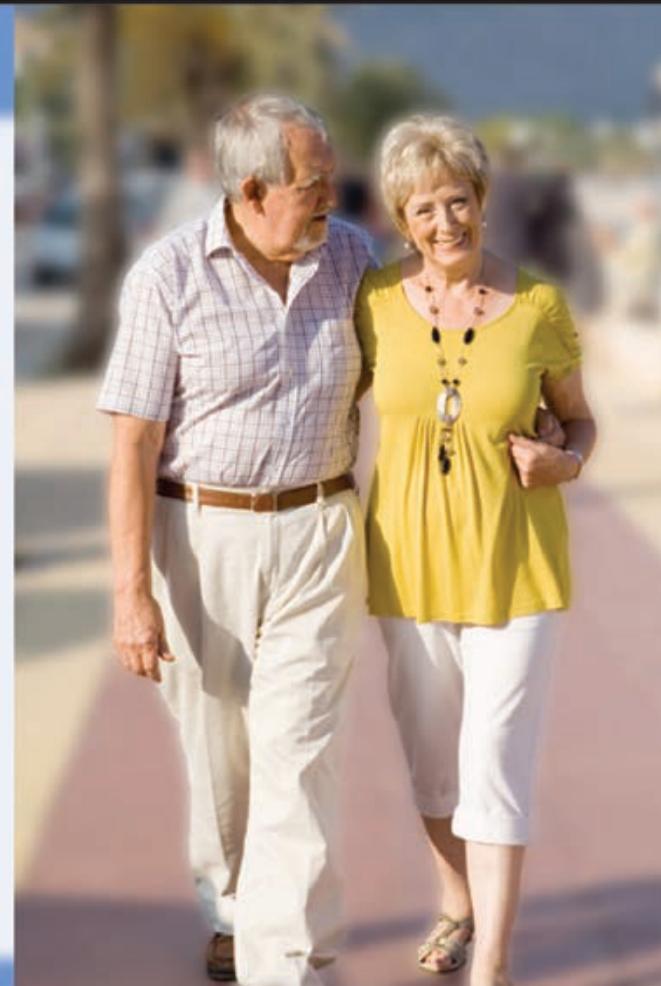
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5 TIPS FOR HOSTING A SPECTACULAR YARD SALE

By Joani Taylor



It's summertime and that means yard sales. For some this means hitting the road looking for great bargains; for those on the other side of the coin, hosting a sale is the fun. I've hosted many great yard sales; my last one bagged me over \$1,000. Here's some tips I've learned along the way for making your sale a success.



#1 Make a plan

A great yard sale doesn't happen overnight. It takes careful pre-planning and organizing. A few weeks before your sale, scour the house from top to bottom and clear out the clutter. Decide if you will be selling any large furniture items and price them. Plan to take a couple of vacation days to price and organize your items. It's also a great idea to team up with other neighbors, family or friends. It makes your sale more fun and allows you to have more items.

#2 Store up your clutter throughout the year

Create a corner of the house where you can store your yard sale goods. When I find items I think are worth selling, I stash them away in a guest room closet: under the stairs or in a corner of the garage also works. Price the items as you put them in boxes. By the time yard sale weather hits, you'll have a lot of your stuff ready to go.

#3 Advertise

Spreading the word about your sale is likely going to be the number one factor in how well your sale does.

I have never had a successful yard sale that I did not advertise somewhere in the media. Most successful for me has been in the newspaper. Craigslist is also a great resource; it's free to advertise and you can post a preview of items you have. The evening before or the morning of your sale, put out brightly colored signs along the main roads that lead into your neighborhood pointing the way. Make sure to take them down when finished.

#4 - Set up your shop and price things to sell

Make sure you have enough tables and blankets to display your items. Set up shop as organized as you can. Don't make up prices on the spot. Instead, invest a couple of dollars for some stickers or use blue painter's tape and price things clearly.

When pricing your items, price them to sell cheap. It's better to underprice than to not sell items because you expected to get too much. People want to know how much you want without asking. Some people may be too shy to ask for a price, or you may be busy helping someone else. Having clear prices makes it less likely you'll lose a sale and get a few more nickels for each item with less haggling and walkaways.

Mark items down on the last day or the last few hours. You might say everything is 50% off just before you're ready to call it quits. We've also left any unsold items that we planned to haul away out and marked as free for any stragglers.



#5 - Remember the lemonade and treats

This is a great time to teach the kids some life skills and give them a way to earn some money, too. Have them set up a refreshment stand with soda and candy or cookies and lemonade.

With a little work and preplanning, you can earn some extra money to use for some summer fun. For more money saving tips visit Coupons4Utah.com.



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With the gates opening at noon, there will be plenty of opportunity for fun until the festival ends. You can look forward to swimming all day in six swimming pools, ice-skating at the Utah Olympic Oval, eating great food provided by food vendors, participating in rides, games, and contests, and enjoying live entertainment.

All ages will be thrilled with the activities offered, from the Chomper's Tot Carnival providing free art projects and skill games for the little ones to the Teens Only Zone where there will be free airbrush tattoos, an Instagram photo booth,



and a Car Bash. This year's main stage entertainment includes School of Rock, LOL, and Speed of Sound. The festival will end with the highly anticipated 1600-shell Fireworks Skyshow, which will be choreographed to live music. In past years, the firework show took place at Kearns High School, but there will be a new location this year: the soccer fields south of the outdoor pools.

Steve Cook, festival director, expects this year to be the biggest and most memorable yet. "This festival is unlike any other: we have the best of everything for all ages to enjoy," Cook said. "The price is right, the atmosphere is exciting and the fireworks are the best around."

The event costs \$5 for adults (18 & up), \$4 for teens (13-17), and \$3 for children (3-12). Two and under are free. Bring a blanket, pool towels, bathing suits and plan to stay all day!

Free parking will be available in the north and south KOPFC lots, Kearns High School, and Olympic Oval parking areas. Ticket entrances will be located on the north and south sides of the facility. For complete festival details go to www.kopfc.com. ✦

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Life & Laughter

Me And My Shadow

By Peri Kinder

On the morning of my second birthday, my sister, Jenny, was born and destroyed my life forever. Instead of my parents fawning over me with glitter and ponies, they were in the hospital, snuggling with this red-faced creature called a “sister” like she was the greatest thing since chocolate-covered Twinkies.

At 2, I wasn’t even sure what a “sister” was, but I knew it wasn’t anything good. Once I realized she would be sticking around for a while, I decided to punish my mom and dad for trying to replace me with this whining little monster.

Was I not enough? Did they think they should start over with a new daughter?

Each year in July, when our birthday rolled around, I made sure my mom knew I was not going to share a cake with Jenny, and I was not going to share a birthday party, and I was going to act like an inconsolable selfish brat until I became a teenager. Then I’d get really bad.

Instead of slapping me and telling me to calm the hell down, my mom made two birthday cakes, planned two parties (inviting many of the same kids) and sewed two dresses that could not match. She was patience personified. And she cried a lot.

Not only did Jenny steal my birthday, but she was so cute that she got away with EVERYTHING and found a way to get me in trouble for stuff I DID NOT DO. Well, sometimes I did. Okay, usually I did.

I learned that a little sister is like having a rash. No matter



how much you scratch it and claw at it, it just never goes away.

If I tried sneaking off to my friend’s house, I’d hear, “Pe-RI! Jenny wants to go, too.” If I was playing with my doll and didn’t want to share, I’d hear, “Peri Lynn! You let Jenny play with you.” Then Jenny would cut my doll’s hair and I’d get in trouble for screaming. And punching.

Once, after being forced to take my sister to the field with me to play, I cut my hand on some barbed wire while climbing into the swamp I wasn’t allowed to enter. Jenny was frantic with worry, both because I was trespassing and because I probably had tetanus.

“I’m gonna tell mom,” she said, stupidly.

“If you do, I’ll never play with you again.”

She kept the secret for one day, then I heard her crying to mom, “I don’t want Peri to die. She cut her hand on a fence and she’s gonna die.”

Needless to say, I didn’t die. But I made sure Jenny paid for her tattletelling concern for my life.

She was a constant companion. I had to walk with her to school, play with her on weekends and share a bedroom.

We’d lie in our bunk beds at night and create imaginary ice cream sundaes for each other. She would give me mint chocolate chip ice cream with hot fudge topping and extra cherries. I’d give her mud-flavored ice cream with mayonnaise.

Now, several decades later, I reluctantly admit that sisters are kind of cool. Thanks to my parents’ indifference to my opinion, I ended up with three sisters—and a brother who is still undergoing electroshock therapy to counteract being raised with four sisters.

Every year on our birthday, I apologize to Jenny and let her know I forgive her for ruining my childhood. I grudgingly confess my life would be bleaker without her. But I still get my own cake. ✦

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