

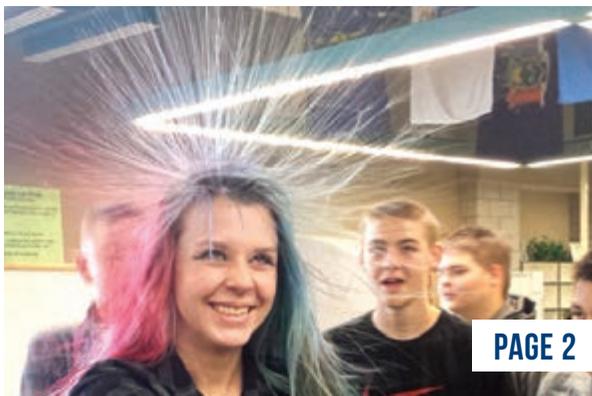


Deb Coffey and Utah refugee ambassador Thurl Bailey.
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Community Exploration Card Lets Families Visit Museums for Free

By Jessica Thompson

The Discovery Gateway Children's Museum, located at The Gateway in downtown Salt Lake City, has wonderful exhibits to help children learn. This museum has an exhibit called The Terrace, where children can put their rescue skills to the test as a pilot, paramedic or commando by sitting in an actual helicopter.

Then there is the Leonardo Museum, where families can make a spooky movie scene this Halloween by using the museum's green screen and animation technology. Visiting these family-fun museums can cost around \$40 for a family of four. In order to offset costs, Salt Lake County Library Services has partnered with five museums in Utah to give patrons the Community Exploration Card so families can experience different museums in the Salt Lake Valley for free.

"This is such a great opportunity for families to help their

kids experience something they might not have the opportunity to experience. The museums offer great hands-on learning and a chance to see different aspects of our community." Susan Sticer, West Jordan Library manager, said.

The Community Exploration Card makes it possible to visit The Discovery Gateway, The Leonardo, Natural History Museum of Utah, Red Butte Garden and the Utah Museum of Fine Arts for free.

"Our community partners were super excited to have people come and to see their many exhibits. The Discovery Gateway, Leonardo and the other museums were happy to be in partnership with this program." Sticer said.

The card is valid for general admission for four people. A limited amount of cards are available for check out on the first day of the month. To make sure that many families have an opportunity to use this new program, cards are limited to one per household per year and expire at the end of the designated

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month. A Community Exploration Card can be picked up at the larger library branches: Sandy, Hunter or West Jordan libraries. Cards go quickly, so it is recommended for patrons to visit one of the three libraries early on the first day of the

The Discovery Gateway Children's Museum has hours of hands-on learning for your child. As part of the Kid's Eye View exhibit, children can pretend play in a Neighborhood Market, where they can be the customer or the employee. Visiting this museum can be free for a family of four by using the Community Exploration Card. Photo Credit: www.discoverygateway.org/visit-the-museum/gallery/



Visit the Hunter, Sandy or West Jordan Library to pick up a Community Exploration Card, which makes it possible for four people to visit five museums in the Salt Lake Valley for free. Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson

At the Leonardo Museum, families can become mad scientists by learning how Tesla coils work in a demonstration, or by learning about the mask art of Saul Steinberg by creating their own spooky mask to take home. These exhibits can be free for a family of four by using the Community Exploration Card. Photo Credit: www.theleonardo.org/exhibits-programs/spooky-science-things-to-do/



month to get the Community Exploration Card.

"We just bought a home and have two kids, so visiting a museum is something we can't really afford right now. If it weren't for the exploration card we wouldn't be able to take my kids to such fun places." Sammy Acree, a mom of two who stood in line to receive a Community Exploration Card, said.

Acree and her little girl were most excited to take their nephew and cousin to the Discovery Gateway Children's Museum.

"We hope families take advantage of the Community Exploration Card and work it into their schedule to visit each museum. We hope they have a great time," Sticer said. ✦



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New Granite Refugee Center Helps Students Succeed

By Stephanie Lauritzen

A development director of the Granite Education Foundation, is determined to help Utah refugee students and their families succeed in their new environments. In order to better serve the thousands of students who enter the state each year, the Granite Education Foundation created the Granite Refugee Center, a center designed to address the needs of new students, from learning a new language to finding friends and support within the community.

"Imagine how difficult it is to be a 15-year-old 10th grader, without any English skills, to walk into a new classroom facing the same expectations and graduation requirements as their English-speaking peers. It's extremely difficult, and extremely easy for this student to fall through the cracks," she said.

Coffey's work with the Granite Education Foundation motivated her and Granite School District superintendent Dr. Martin W. Bates to form a center specifically designed to address refugee needs.

"In Utah, 70 percent of the refugee population lives in Salt Lake County, which means Granite School District has a special obligation to provide as much specialized training and education as possible, all designed to better assist our schools in addressing the needs of the refugee population," Coffey said.

The Granite Refugee Center opened in July 2015, and according to Granite School District, the center hopes to "offer educational, cultural and life skills opportunities for refugee families in Utah. It will also serve as a hub for business and community leaders to connect with families through service and mentoring."

Coffey said her role at the center is providing community awareness on how individuals, companies and service groups can get involved in serving the refugee community. "We work with everyone, from Eagle Scouts and moms looking for professional development opportunities, to businesses and financial institutions with the ability to finance grants and provide additional funding." Coffey's work with the Utah Refugee Center provides not only a partner in funding and service opportunities, but gives Coffey "a unique position to look at services and help coordinate efforts between both organizations. This means I can develop more specialized outcomes."

Granite communications and community outreach director Ben Horsley noted that since many students come directly from refugee camps, the center prioritizes providing basic items such as clothing and hygiene supplies for all members of the family.

"The Refugee Center is unique in bringing together community members and resources to one location. This makes it easier for us to bring refugee individuals into our culture and give them the greatest opportunity to succeed in our schools. Even though these students represent a small percentage of our overall student population, their need is great," he said.

Refugee services also help students and parents navigate a new school system. In August, Coffey helped organize the Granite School District's Refugee Outreach Event,

which helped 500 refugee families access important health and educational services, like dental care and immunizations. The event also helped parents sign up for financial services such as fee waivers and free and reduced lunches. Now that the school year has started, the

the Granite Refugee Center also provides resources to help families establish themselves in the community. One of the major initiatives for the center is helping refugee families overcome institutional barriers. "Ninety-five percent of refugees rely on public transportation, which

"The Refugee Center is unique in bringing together community members and resources to one location."



Granite School District Refugee Center grand opening. Photo courtesy of Granite School District

center will focus on providing parents and students with the resources needed to navigate the Utah school system.

"Many of our students are second and third generation families that previously lived in refugee camps. They need help not only in accessing educational resources, but finding jobs, child care and transportation as well," she said.

Coffey believes emotional health and community acceptance also play a significant role in helping refugee students adapt and thrive in school. "Part of our outreach program involves training educators and volunteers so they can help students feel included. If you look at school from the youth perspective, one of the most important things is the element of having friends."

Refugee students are at a higher risk for falling into gangs and other negative social environments when they feel vulnerable and isolated at school according to Coffey.

"It is so important for these students to feel welcomed and accepted, and to be given the opportunity to maintain true friendships. Once they feel like they fit in, other things seem to fall into place; when a student feels they belong, they are motivated to work harder. Isolation is one of the biggest difficulties for a refugee student," she said.

In order to better serve refugee parents,

often involves switching from a train to a bus, or knowing where to get off and switch to a new train. This can make getting to school or work very difficult," Coffey said. As a result, the center is working on developing a driver's license program to increase refugee mobility. Additionally, the center will focus on helping parents, especially women, find affordable child care so they can work and provide for their families. "Essentially, the Granite Refugee Center will identify gaps in refugee services and help find out what various communities might need. Every community is different. We work with refugee community leaders like Utah Refugee Center refugee ambassador Thurl Bailey to find out what each community needs," Coffey said.

For individuals or organizations interested in working with the Granite Refugee Center, Coffey works directly with each volunteer to create a customized service project. Coffey understands that "every volunteer has a unique niche and brings special skills to the community. I want to help them create a service project or professional development opportunity that emphasizes their talents and abilities. Those are the projects that are the most successful." ✦

Those interested in volunteering can contact Coffey through www.granitekids.org.

Granite School District superintendent Dr. Martin Bates speaks at the Granite Refugee Center grand opening. Photo courtesy of Granite School District



Del Taco Comes to Taylorsville

By Jessica Thompson

There's a crunchy corn shell stuffed with seasoned beef and crispy lettuce, with a little hint of pico de gallo salsa, in one hand, and a freshly-sprinkled cinnamon and sugar churro in the other, all while a mariachi band plays rhythmic music in the background. This scene has come to Taylorsville in the form of a brand new Del Taco, located at 4620 South Redwood Road.

On Sept. 9, Taylorsville Mayor Larry Johnson, Economic Development Director Wayne Harper and other city officials attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the grand opening of this new restaurant.

"We are very excited to welcome this great restaurant to Taylorsville. Our residents are eager for additional restaurants in the city, and we know Del Taco will be a popular one," Johnson said.

Guests at The VIP grand opening party and ribbon-cutting ceremony were given the opportunity to sample menu items, all while being serenaded by a mariachi band. Johnson and Paul Hitzelberger, president and co-founder of Utah Del, gave speeches to honor the grand opening of the new restaurant. After a dedicatory prayer given by a minister, Johnson

and Hitzelberger joined together to cut the ceremonial red ribbon.

Hitzelberger has been with the Del Taco brand for nearly 30 years. He has received many awards for his commitment to community giving and his dedication to civic involvement. Taylorsville's Del Taco is the 27th restaurant in the Salt Lake City area to be operated by Utah Del. This franchise group employs over 800 people and is known for its active community involvement.

"We're honored to join the Taylorsville community. We've had the pleasure of donating more than \$500,000 to charities over the past few years and look forward to building upon our commitment to the neighborhoods we serve with the opening of this new location," Hitzelberger said.

This Del Taco restaurant features a new design with more contemporary red and green colors, as well as bold architectural elements such as an open ceiling structure and a new "freshness cooler" displaying a 40-lb block of cheddar cheese and fresh produce. The menu includes Del Taco's recent launch of their handcrafted ensaladas and three new salads that are under 600 calories.



Mayor Larry Johnson using ceremonial scissors for Del Taco's ribbon-cutting ceremony. The new Del Taco is located at 4620 South Redwood Road in Taylorsville. Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson

Del Taco's menu is full of classic Mexican dishes such as tacos, burritos and nachos, as well as American favorites of hamburgers, crinkle-cut fries and shakes. Del Taco has an "UnFreshing Believable" campaign that makes it possible for guests to receive handmade pico de gallo salsa, slow-cooked beans, fresh sliced

avocado and marinated chicken -- homemade, quality food at a fast-food price.

The new restaurant is now open to the public. Coupons for free food are available by liking Del Taco on Facebook or joining the Raving Fan eClub at www.DelTaco.com/RavingFan.com.



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Taylorsville's 2015 Veterans Day Parade and Program

By Jessica Thompson

Taylorsville City has been finding ways to help families show respect for the veterans within the community since 2008. What greater way to show gratitude for the veterans throughout Utah than through a parade and celebration in their honor?

In 2008, former mayor Russ Wall announced that the City of Taylorsville would begin commemorating Veterans Day each year with a community Veterans Day program at City Hall. Then in 2010, Taylorsville was selected to be the host of Utah's Veterans Day Parade, which is co-sponsored by the United Veterans Council of Greater Salt Lake City and County.

"Taylorsville is a community that rallies around its veterans. Almost every family has a veteran. The goal is to honor them and let them

the opportunity to host the Veterans Day Parade and program," Taylorsville Mayor Larry Johnson said.

There are also areas around Taylorsville City Hall where families can learn more about Utah's veterans. One area is the Flags of Honor, which is a memorial to fallen soldiers from Utah who lost their lives in recent wars. A flag representing each fallen soldier and their information is part of the memorial set up on the south side of Taylorsville City Hall. Also, inside City Hall, the largest World War II collection in Utah will be on display for families to learn more about the soldiers they are honoring on Veterans Day.

Chip Henneman, owner of the World War II collection, first became interested in WWII memorabilia at the age of five and has



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know we appreciate their sacrifices," Tiffany Janzen, Taylorsville's public information officer, said.

This year's Veterans Day Parade begins at 11 a.m. at the Taylorsville Recreation Center and ends at the Taylorsville City Hall. The theme for the parade is, "Honoring Combat Veterans." Last year's Veterans Day Parade had 45 -50 parade entries, and parade organizers are expecting that many entries this year.

The celebration continues with a program following the parade at 12:15 p.m. The program includes a flag ceremony by Taylorsville High School's Jr. ROTC, the National Anthem by Matthew Boeckmann and a patriotic medley by Vista Elementary's second grade class. Congressman Chris Stewart will be the program's keynote speaker, and introductions of grand marshals Dennis Chomech and Roy Feragen will be made at the end of the program.

"We are humbled and honored to have

been collecting items for the past 30 years.

"Attending the parade and program is a great way for parents to teach their children to pay respect to all our fellow veterans, both past and present," Janzen said.

The City of Taylorsville Veterans Day committee sponsors an annual poster contest for children in first through fourth grades, and an essay contest for fifth through eighth grades. These contests are open to all students in the Salt Lake Valley, whether in public, private, charter or home schools. The first-place essay winner will have the chance to read their essay at the Veterans Day program.

"We hope the students will become more aware of the sacrifices and the dedication to freedoms that have been shown by our veterans who have served in combat," Janzen said. "It is important to celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good."

Navy SEALs Visit YMCA During Navy Week

By Jessica Thompson

Navy SEALs arrived in their 1813 uniforms at the Taylorsville YMCA on Sept. 9 to teach the youth about the past, present and future of the U.S. Navy, while giving them a hands-on experience. As part of the event, youth had the opportunity to try on the uniform of a Navy SEAL. “The youth really liked being able to dress up in the SEALs’ uniforms. It was so fun for them to try on the big coats and hats. They really got involved with it,” Julia Breinholt, the YMCA’s marketing and events manager, said.

The youth of the YMCA were captivated by the unique presentation given by the Navy SEALs. They were taught how to tie a special knot, and the children reenacted a battle from the Navy’s history. During the reenactment, the kids got to shout BOOM as loud as they could. Another favorite moment was when a Navy SEAL brought out a sword.

“There is no faster way to get kids to say, ‘WOW!’ than to bring out a sword,” Breinholt said.

The SEALs were very careful with the sword, and it was a great way for the children to learn about our country and its history. Children of the YMCA were taught about the history of the United States through a presentation on the U.S. Navy’s past. “Instead of hearing it from the news or hearing it from a parent, an actual Navy SEAL came and gave a presentation on the U.S. Constitution. It’s something out of the ordinary



Children enjoyed learning from U.S. Navy SEALs on how to think outside of the box by using their imagination to make a positive change in the world. Photo Credit: Julia Breinholt

and something the kids will never forget,” Breinholt said.

The Navy SEALs reached out to the YMCA, and the Salt Lake Valley was selected as a location for the SEALs to give their presentation. A lot of children haven’t had an experience with the Navy or its past, so having them come visit different schools, as well as the YMCAs of West Valley and Taylorsville, was a great experience for the children to learn something new and gain a different perspective.

“It’s a very unique and novel presentation because we are land locked, making this experience one not a lot of children have had before. It was great to see the kids so engaged. They were very well-behaved and were really quiet,”

Breinholt said. “We are so thankful to have these positive role models for the kids of the YMCA. The Navy SEALs made such a good impression that we are very thankful for.”

For more information about events and activities hosted by the YMCA, visit www.ymcautah.org for a calendar. The YMCA is located at 4223 S. Atherton Drive, next to Lincoln Elementary, in Taylorsville. ✦

Navy SEALs visited the YMCA to teach children about the history of the Navy. Children were involved by reenacting certain parts of history. Photo Credit: Julia Breinholt



Children of the YMCA were given the opportunity to dress up in historic Navy SEAL uniforms and gear. Photo Credit: Julia Breinholt



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Mayor Larry Johnson

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We have an active, diverse and caring citizenry with community members who look

out for one another. Thank you for all your efforts to keep it a wonderful community.

Thanksgiving is an opportunity to reflect on the many things in life that we often take for granted. I encourage us to be mindful of those that are less fortunate. Giving to our food bank is a great way to show we care. As you gather with family and friends, I hope you will remember to give thanks simply for the opportunity to be together again.

Mayor Johnson



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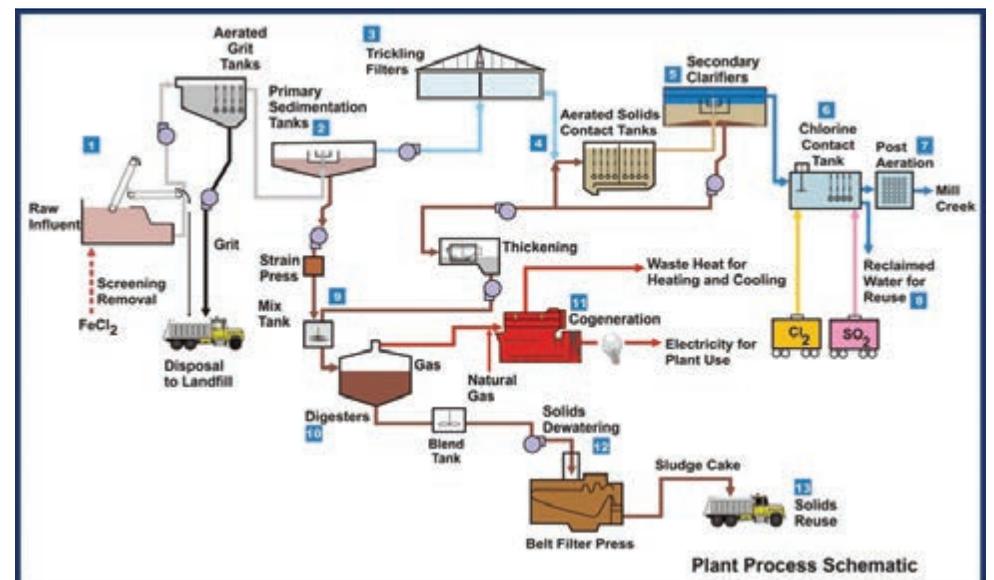


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The Mission of Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District is to preserve the public health and environment through safe and reliable distribution of culinary water and collection of sanitary sewer. The collection for sanitary sewer is accomplished by utilizing 187 miles of pipe within the District. Once the sewer leaves the District and arrives at Central Valley Water Reclamation Facility (CVWRF) it goes through a 13 step treatment process before returned to the environment.

The need for CVWRF was prompted in 1971, when the U.S. Congress implemented the Clean Water Act to “restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the nation’s water.” In 1978, the Central Valley Water Reclamation Facility Board was organized. Members of the Board represent districts and cities which owned and operated five small treatment plants. The new Board was to replace the five small antiquated wastewater treatment plants that could not meet the requirements of the new laws with a new regional treatment plant what we know today as CVWRF. This information and more can be found on Central Valley Water Reclamation website www.cvwrif.org.

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



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COUNCIL CORNER

What Do You Love About Taylorsville?

It's time for a General Plan update and we need your help! What do you love about Taylorsville? What would you change? What would you like our city to look like in 5 years, 10 years, or 20 years? These are just a few of the questions we would like residents to answer.

As we plan for Taylorsville's future, implementing a plan based on input from residents and businesses is critical to the success of our city. We use this document to help make sound decisions regarding quality of life, economic development, neighborhoods, public safety, job growth, parks, open spaces, infrastructure, transportation and housing, just to name a few.

In a previous public meeting, we had great response from residents city wide who came together with plenty of opinions and ideas. Armed with maps, markers and mission statements we brainstormed our way through a very productive 2 hour meeting.

It's not too late to become involved! We are excited to present another Town Hall meeting on Thursday, November 19, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at City Hall. Please join us and let your voice be heard, our future depends on you.

General Plan Update - Town Hall Meeting



Thursday, November 19th
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
Taylorsville City Hall - Council Chambers



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 Kristie Overson – District #2



Vice-Chair
 Ernest Burgess – District #1



Council Member
 Dan Armstrong – District #5



Council Member
 Dama Barbour – District #4



Council Member
 Brad Christopherson – District #3

YOUTH COUNCIL CORNER

Youth Council/Ambassador Appointments

We are so excited to present our newly appointed 2015-2016 Taylorsville Youth Council. On October 21, the City Council unanimously approved the following youth to serve as Youth Council members:

Abigail Barney, Abigail Philpott, Aubree Newton, Cheyanne Bradshaw, Cole Arnold, Gideon Baxter, Jared De Leon,

Jessica Forsyth, Joshua Warnock, Joslyn Slade, Julia Conrad, Kaitlyn Kim, Lydia Flores, Marin McIff, Megan Squire, Mercedes Fortune, Preston Handy, Shelby Handy, Sofia Baxter, and Thomas Ollis.

From among these Youth Council members, four have been interviewed and selected to represent the city as Youth

Ambassadors. They are: Aubree Newton, Cheyanne Bradshaw, Jessica Forsyth and Preston Handy.

This is an exceptional group of youth who have demonstrated their commitment to service in the community, increasing their leadership skills and gaining a greater understanding of local government. Congratulations!



Pet Licensing Information

West Valley City/Taylorsville Animal Services proudly serves the City of Taylorsville residents. For questions, concerns, or to report a stray animal, call 801-965-5800. For after-hours service, call (801) 840-4000.

Pet Licensing

If you live in Taylorsville City, you may license your pets at the West Valley Animal Shelter located at 4522 West 3500 South WVC, Utah 84120, West Valley City Hall located at 3600 Constitution Blvd. WVC, Utah 84119, or Taylorsville City Hall 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd. Taylorsville, Utah 84129.

Requirements:

Listed owners must be 18-years-old or older. When licensing, you must provide a copy of the most recent rabies vaccination verification, and the sterilization certificate if your pet is spayed or neutered.

Animal License Fees

Dogs, Cats, Ferrets (required to be licensed annually, unless noted):

West Valley City

- o Sterilized and microchip \$5
- o Sterilized \$8
- o Unsterilized \$35
- o Senior \$1

City of Taylorsville

- o Sterilized \$5
- o Unsterilized \$25
- o Sterilized Senior License (over 60 years of age) — \$15 one-time lifetime fee
- o Unsterilized Senior License (over 60 years of age) — \$15

Taylorsville Park Permit Fees:

- o Nonresidents \$25
- o Senior Citizens \$10 lifetime fee (residents and non-residents)
- o Taylorsville Residents \$10



City of Taylorsville

Meeting Schedule • Location: Taylorsville City Hall

Planning Commission	Nov. 10th	7:00 p.m.
Board of Canvassers Mtg.	Nov. 17th	6:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Nov. 18th	6:30 p.m.
General Plan Town Hall Mtg.	Nov. 19th	6:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Dec. 2nd	6:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	Dec. 8th	7:00 p.m.
City Council Meeting	Dec. 16th	6:30 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.

Thank You Ted Jensen

On November 4, 2015, Mayor Johnson, and City Council members recognized Ted Jensen for his years of service and dedication to the City of Taylorsville as a planning commissioner. Ted was instrumental in the incorporation efforts in Taylorsville. He led the Ordinance Review Committee for many years, even serving double duty for a time after appointment to the planning commission in April 2004. Ted was re-appointed to the Planning Commission in 2007 and again in 2010 for a total of 11 years and eight months. Ted has been the longest serving Planning Commissioner, in the history of Taylorsville. With the expiration of his Planning Commission term, Don Quigley was appointed to be moved from an alternate member to full time.



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Tombstone Tales DVD's are NOW on Sale

DVD's of the 2015 Tombstone Tales production, are now available for purchase at the Taylorsville Bennion Heritage Center Museum located at 1488 West 4800 South on Saturdays from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

There are also DVD's from previous years (1998, 2003, and 2009) available with special pricing of \$5 each or 4/ DVD's for just \$15.00.



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1728 West 5000 South
Clothing Store

TAYLORSVILLE RIBBON CUTTINGS

Wendy's Unveils Innovative Restaurant Design in Taylorsville

You may have noticed something different about the Wendy's located at 1789 W. 4700 S. in Taylorsville. The restaurant has been completely remodeled in a modern, innovative style.

Some of the features include revitalized décor, comfortable seating, large windows with contemporary design and additional

customer benefits such as FREE Wi-Fi and televisions. There has also been a reimagining of the entire menu, with the launch of several items; fresh, made-by-hand salads such as Strawberry Fields Salad, Premium beverages such as Honest Organic Tea, along with tantalizing menu selections.

Other enhancements include a revised Wendy's logo, new crew uniforms, and product packaging innovations. This bold new look was celebrated, complete with a visit from Wendy herself for the Ribbon Cutting on Wednesday, October 21st.



Jordan River 4500 South Pedestrian Bridge

On Tuesday, October 13th the City of Taylorsville hosted a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate the opening of a new Pedestrian Bridge that goes across the Jordan River at 4500 South.

This bridge is another segment of the east-west trail systems in Taylorsville and Murray that create a safe walking route at 4500

South. This new Pedestrian Bridge connects into the existing Jordan River Parkway, the expanding trail system in Taylorsville, in addition to the future trail systems connecting into the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

Before this project, there was not any pedestrian access between 500 West and 700 West at 4500 South. In efforts to improve regional connectivity and safety for pedestrians, the City of Taylorsville, Murray City, UTA, UDOT and Salt Lake County came together to make this project possible.



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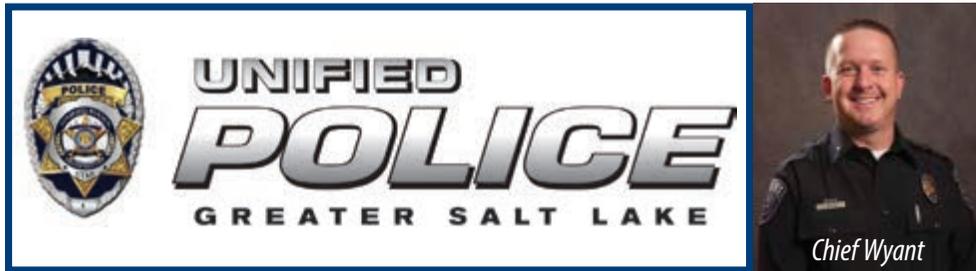
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Team Citation Award

In the October 7, 2015 City Council Meeting, UPD Taylorsville Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant presented a Team Citation Award to the Investigations Unit. From March 15, 2015 through September 15, 2015, a total of 803 cases were investigated by the Taylorsville Precinct Investigations Unit. These cases resulted in the following: 156 Arrests, 45 Pounds Methamphetamine, 44 Pounds Heroin, 15 Pounds Cocaine, 352 Grams Bath Salt, 22 Firearms, 7 Occupied Stolen Vehicles, \$254,107 U.S. Currency. Under the leadership of Lieutenant Mike Schoenfeld and Sergeant Vaughn Allen, the Investigations Unit continues its leadership in the law enforcement community in efficiency and results. Lt. Schoenfeld, Sgt. Allen, Sgt. Miller, Det. Bennett, Det. Lovendahl, Det. Fowler, Det. Lloyd, Det. Bullock, Det. Valencia, Det. Johnson, Det. Muniz, and Det. Neal. We appreciate their commitment to the community and residents of Taylorsville City.

Sergeant Brett Miller, Detective Michell Valencia, Detective Richard Bullock, Detective Scott Lloyd, Detective Jeff Johnson, Detective Jaren Fowler, Chief Tracy Wyant



St. Marks Hospital Taylorsville Emergency Center Celebrates Grand Opening

The Taylorsville Emergency Center Grand Opening started with a program that included a Ribbon Cutting and Tours of this new facility. Community members were invited to bring their families for trick or treating, free teddy bears, free first aid kits and free pumpkins

The Taylorsville Emergency Center is now open serving the community in and around Taylorsville City. The fourth of its kind in Utah, the new stand-alone facility will provide comprehensive, hospital-based emergency services. Similar to other satellite emergency departments across the country, it is not attached to a hospital building but is equipped and staffed to deliver high-quality patient care. You can expect Board-certified ER physicians, a full range of emergency services for children and adults – 24/7, State of the art imaging and diagnostics equipment, a fully equipped laboratory, below average wait times.



Honoring Our War Heroes: Faces Of The Fallen



The City of Taylorsville is honoring our Taylorsville Heroes who died while serving in the Armed Forces in any era by featuring the faces of these soldiers on banners. Each banner will have a picture and the name of the soldier, his/her branch of service, and the date he/she died as a result of war. The banners will be displayed at Taylorsville City Center and along 2700 West for Veterans Day beginning in 2016.

In order to do this, the City of Taylorsville is requesting the families of these fallen service members to submit photos and information about their loved one's life and service. The photos will be scanned and returned to you. A picture featuring the honored soldier in uniform is preferred, but not necessary. You will be required to sign a "Release Form" to give us permission to use the photos and information about your loved one.

We will never forget those who fought and died to protect our freedoms. Please contact pkimbrough@taylorsvilleut.gov, or 801-955-2009.

Leaf Bag Program Reminder

The Leaf Bag Program has started and you can divert leaves from the landfill and save on tipping fees. Beginning October 1st, residents in Taylorsville started picking up leaf bags at several locations including area libraries, recreation facilities, and senior centers.



Between October 15th and November 30th, full leaf bags can be dropped at area parks for collection:

LEAF BAGS CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Taylorsville City Hall
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd. (5400 S.)

South Ridge Park
5210 South 4015 West

Kearns Recreation Center
5620 South 4800 West

Vista Park
5000 South 2055 West

Kearns Library
5350 South 4220 West

Valley Ball Complex
5100 South 2700 West

Kearns Senior Center
4850 West 4715 South

All locations may be found on our website: wasatchfrontwaste.org



America Recycles Day



Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District will be participating in this year's American Recycles Day as a participant at the Utah America Recycles Day on Friday, November 13 at the South Towne Expo Center in Sandy; and with a collection event on Saturday, November 14, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, location TBD. Additional details for these and other events will be posted on our website and Facebook page as they become finalized.

www.americarecyclesday.org

Saturday with Santa

Saturday, December 12th from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
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FROM THE KITCHENS OF TAYLORSVILLE & BENNION



This month's historic recipe is from the kitchen of Nada Murray. Nada is a long time resident of Taylorsville and is sharing this easy recipe with our community. She was born in a little town called Altonah, Utah in 1926, the oldest of six children. She used to tease her mother by saying, "You raised your babysitter and your dishwasher before you had other children" as Nada was the oldest!

She married Claude Murray and eventually moved to Kearns, Utah then to Taylorsville because his parents lived here. They sold the farm to Claude and Nada at 1307 West 4800 South and Dad Murray was so excited because he found a

real good place where he could grow a garden and get plenty of water for irrigation. (1964)

Well, Claude and Nada made it to 50 years of marriage and celebrated long and hard. It was very special. "You stop and think of all those 50 years, and all the many things you've done in those 50 years. We did a little traveling and enjoyed that. Life is just good if you let it be!"

Breakfast Casserole

- 6 slices bread
- 1 tube (3/4 lb) Jimmy Dean sausage
- Grated cheese to taste
- 1 dozen eggs
- 1 ½ cup milk
- 1 T. mustard
- Salt and Pepper to taste
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- ¼ cup milk



Place 6 slices of bread in a 9x13 greased pan. Brown the sausage and place on top of the bread. Top with some cheese. Beat together the remaining ingredients, except the soup and ¼ cup milk, and pour over the bread, sausage, and cheese. Refrigerate overnight. Before baking, mix the soup and ¼ cup milk together and pour over the top. Bake at 300 degrees for 1 ½ hours.

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Tuesday, November 3rd- Birthday Tuesday Celebration. Help us celebrate our friends with birthdays in November. Special Entertainment by "Waldis Bradley Duo" at 11:30 followed by a special lunch at 12:00.

Wednesday, November 4th- AARP Smart Driving Class at 10:30. Sign up at the front desk. For more information call 385-468-3370.

Monday, November 9th-13th- Holiday Boutique

Wednesday, November 11th- Senior Center closed due to Veterans Day

Thursday, November 12th- Podiatrist Appointments starting at 11:00. \$10.00 suggested donation.

Monday, November 16th- The effects of exercise on arthritis presentation from 11:00-12:00.

Tuesday, November 17th- Special Holiday Buffet Meal at 12:00. Entertainment by "Anke and Friend" from 11:30-12:30.

Thursday, November 19th- Evening at the Center, sponsored by the Advisory Committee. 5:00-7:00-pm, Entertainment by Sherry Brennan. Dinner- Ham, funeral potatoes, salad and dessert.

Wednesday, November 25th- Senior Center Closing at 5:00 pm

Thursday, November 26th- Senior Center Closed

Friday, November 27th- Senior Center Closed

STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS



We are collecting items to fill stockings for overseas soldiers. **All items need to be donated by Nov. 30th.**

We would like the following items donated:

Candy canes, hard candy, gum, lip balm, shampoo, eye drops, sun block, batteries, playing cards, crossword puzzles.

All items need to be travel size.

Bring all items to Taylorsville Senior Center.

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00-10:00 for the past 13 years friends and members of the Taylorsville Senior Center have gathered to socialize, visit with friends and also improve their lives with fitness. Betty Hanneman has been the group leader of chair aerobics for the last 13 years. This group has ranged from 5 to 35 people on any given day. Many of our center volunteers join this group including Lillian Brito, Joe Pons, Virginia Watts and many more. We also need to mention the great pool players who take time out of their morning to help set up the chairs for this class before they start playing billiards.



The LARP Committee's 2015 Christmas Home Decorating Contest

A holiday tradition in Taylorsville, bringing your attention to the best displays of illuminating holiday cheer found within our neighborhoods. Nominate your own home or a neighbor's in the City of Taylorsville by sending the homeowner name and address with a picture to LARP@taylorsvilleut.gov.

All entries must be received by December 31, 2015. The first and second place winners will have their home featured in the Taylorsville Journal.

Silver Pen Essay Winners Announced

By Jessica Thompson

Audience members were transported to the splendor of the past as contest judges Florin Nielsen, Lee Alexander and Debbie Leasure stood and read beautifully-written stories. The stories read were written by contest winners Robert Gallagher, Helen Droitsch and Chuck Golden.

"I enjoyed reading all of their writings. I am grateful to be a part of the Silver Pen essay and have been involved for many years now," Nielsen said.

This year's Silver Pen essay contest's theme was "I Surprised Myself When..." The stories read followed the theme well, making the audience members gasp with surprise. Third place winner Chuck Golden wrote a wonderful story about how he surprised himself when he was able to transition back to civilian life after many years in the Army.

The contest's second place winner, Helen Droitsch, wrote a story about how she surprised herself when she was brave enough to call Jay Marriot and find a solution to the Meals on Wheels program she was a part of. Her story was titled "I Surprised Myself When I Made a Crucial Phone Call."

Robert Gallagher was the essay contest

first place winner with an essay titled, "Memory of a Special Dance." When he decided to write a story for the Silver Pen contest, he sat down in the library with a pen and paper and wrote down his story in long hand, later asking a librarian to help him type it up and turn it in to the contest.

His story was magnificently written about a couple he would watch dance together at a bar, until one day it was only the wife who entered the bar. He surprised himself when he got up and asked her to dance, after finding out she had recently become a widow.

"Writing this story was an inspiration to me. While I wrote I could see her tortoise shell comb in the back of her hair and her husband, tough and lean and leather-born. While I was writing it felt just like it was yesterday," Gallagher said.

Being able to be transported to a moment in an individual's life and be able to see what is important to them was very special.

"We believe in the power of writing and the power of experiences to change people's understanding of the world. It enriches the lives of the writers by writing, and the audience by reading and hearing the essays," Aging and



Judge Florin Nielson reads first place Silver Pen essay winner Robert Gallagher's essay titled, "Memory of a Special Dance." Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson

Adult Services director Susie Cates said.

After the winning essays were read, other contestants were given the chance to read their stories to the group, giving many the opportunity to share special moments from their pasts.

"I would like to thank the people who put

together the Silver Pen essay contest, who gave me the opportunity to write poems, especially emotional tender poems, to give me a chance to reminisce and to think about things that have happened in my past. I know this can be very helpful for a person's health, memory and well-being." Gallagher said. ✦



City of Taylorsville Holiday Food Drive

The Taylorsville Food Pantry is in need of some items to help fill the shelves for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday season. The items needed to complete holiday meals for those in need include: Potatoes (instant or fresh), Pumpkin Filling, Yams, Gravy Mix, Turkey, Ham

The Taylorsville Food Bank is located at:

4775 S. Plymouth View Drive (behind the Senior Center)

Hours of operation are:

Monday from 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday from 4-6 p.m. and

Saturday from 10 a.m. until 12-noon

Donations may be dropped off during the hours above.

The Taylorsville Food Pantry offers emergency food to help families going through hard times temporarily to get through the month. We are neighbors helping one another.

COUNTY MAYOR'S MESSAGE

2016 Budget Prioritizes Public Safety, Criminal Justice Reform

By Salt Lake County Mayor Ben McAdams

Salt Lake County's 1.1 million residents deserve a county government that steps up to the plate and confronts a serious criminal justice challenge. That's what I've tried to do with my 2016 proposed budget. It is structurally balanced with existing revenues and it supports my belief in taking on tough issues and solving problems. This year, I have prioritized the county's core responsibility – public safety.

We have a lot going for us. As a thriving metropolitan area, Salt Lake County is leading the way forward on economic growth and jobs, low taxes, cleaner air and quality education. I share the positive view most residents have that Salt Lake

County is a great place to raise a family, start a business and give something back to the community. However, we do face some challenges.

This year, due in part to the legislature's passage of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative, sentencing for some drug crimes and other non-violent offenses will require jail time, rather than prison. That change took effect Oct. 1. I support the reforms to our criminal justice system, but in the short term, this adds to the jail overcrowding without providing sufficient funding for much-needed jail diversion programs that provide sentencing alternatives, dealing with substance abuse and mental health issues. Also, without a Utah plan for Medicaid expansion, this amounts to an unfunded mandate on the counties.

Instead of just throwing up our hands, we've come up with a plan. Fully three fourths of the county's general fund is taken up by the county's criminal justice and human services investments. The jail and the District Attorney's office are both experiencing a double digit increase in jail bookings and new criminal cases screened by law enforcement and that trajectory is continuing. We must pay for those immediate needs and at the same time, look for new ways to address the major causes of recidivism that just add to the problem.

My budget proposes that we continue a jail levy—passed by taxpayers in 1995 to build a new jail—and re-dedicate the approximately \$9.4 million annually

to deal with increased crime while trying to stem the tide in the future. A portion of the money would be used to build a Community Corrections Center. This secure treatment facility is a sentencing alternative to the jail. It would include space for intake efforts, behavioral health services, job counseling and other programs, within a secure environment. This will free up the "hard beds" for criminals who need to be kept away from society.

I'm convinced we can limit the number of new beds needed in the future, by funding some innovative programs that follow data and evidence to lower the recidivism rate, and prevent homeless individuals and those with mental illness and substance abuse issues from crowding the jail. Of 8,700 inmates released in 2011, nearly two-thirds were back in the jail within three years. In other words, they're out just long enough to get into legal trouble again. It's a repeating loop that serves no one—not the victims of crime, not the police, not the prosecutors and not those cycling in and out of the system, or their families.

How will we measure success? We'll know we've succeeded when 1) we've put the criminals behind bars, 2) the homeless in housing, 3) substance abusers in treatment, and 4) children in school, through high school graduation.

You can read more about my budget at www.slco.org/mayor. Thank you for giving me the privilege of representing you as Salt Lake County mayor. ✦



Ernest Burgess cares about Taylorsville City

Thank You!

I would like to thank all the voters, candidates and people who participated in the election process.

I look forward to continuing my service to this community.



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At Hartvigsen School, Every Child Matters and Every Opportunity Counts

By Stephanie Lauritzen

Hartvigsen School principal Janice Wayman describes her school as “a unique, special place” for both students and faculty. The school serves special education students with significant cognitive disabilities, with ages ranging from first graders through adults at age 22. Despite the range in ages and level of abilities, Wayman and her faculty value the opportunity to teach students with unique challenges and circumstances.

“We have established a legacy of service and acceptance that transcends the typical student/teacher relationship,” Wayman said.

In addition to receiving an academic education, Hartvigsen also offers life skills training to help prepare students for independent and successful lives outside school.

“Our goal is to educate the whole child so they can meaningfully participate in life. We have adapted physical education classes, a pool, a music class and occupational and physical therapy services on site,” Wayman said.

In 2014, Hartvigsen School was rebuilt at its current location at 1510 West 5400 South, on the northeast corner of the Taylorsville High School campus. This location is ideal

lorsville High School have students who come to socialize and play games with Hartvigsen students... The elementary students used our pool last year and have attended assemblies at Hartvigsen. We are continually looking for ways to allow our students to participate in educational opportunities and social activities with regular education students,” she said.

Hartvigsen teachers describe working at their school as a privilege and a joy. Rhonda Small-Oakes remembers being inspired to enter special education after volunteering at a summer camp for severely disabled students living in a residential facility.

“I got to be a part of the absolute joy these people experienced and realized that I could be a positive force in their lives. I was smitten and hooked. My career choice was certain – I would be a teacher for students with severe multiple disabilities. I would do all in my power to be their voice, their advocate and walk beside them on their life journey.” Small-Oakes said.

Now, after 40 years working in special education,



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has given me lasting accomplishments. I do make a difference in the lives of the students I have, and that lasts a lifetime,” she said.

Working with special needs students allows Jensen to feel creative and engaged in her work, similar to how she felt as a graphic designer. However, she chose to work with students with significant cognitive disabilities “because of the daily challenges and creative problem-solving skills that are required to reach each child on an individual level. My creative side has been pushed to find unique solutions to teaching things that you and I take for granted.”

As part of her mission statement, teacher Barbara Hegland dedicates each day to recognizing her students’ potential and talents. Part of her class mission statement reads, “As a special educator, I will never say a student cannot learn. I will provide opportunities that enrich their life. I will see that a student does not remain a stagnant star going nowhere, but can be the shooting star reaching their potential.”

In addition to teaching academic subjects and skills, Hegland focuses on teaching emotional strength and resiliency. She hopes to “promote excellence for students and staff through respect and trust of others. I strive to be kind, compassionate, considerate, supportive and wise in our relationship.”

Wayman believes the school vision is encapsulated in the following statement: “Every child matters, every opportunity counts.” Her faculty and fellow administrators feel honored to work in an environment with “truly amazing students who add to the quality of our lives.” ✦



Left to right: Hartvigsen School principal Janice Wayman, Secondary special educator Barbara Hegland and Elementary special educator Rhonda Small-Oakes and Jody Jensen.

for students at both schools, allowing Hartvigsen students the opportunity to attend certain classes at Taylorsville, and providing internship and service opportunities for Taylorsville students interested in special education. Wayman describes the relationship between the two schools as mutually beneficial.

“Currently, the Latinos in Action program from Tay-

Smalls-Oakes still feels the same passion and devotion for her students. “The story is the same. It is a privilege to teach these students, guide them on their journey and be their champion when their voice cannot be heard. These individuals give so much more to me than I could ever repay them. When you teach at Hartvigsen School, you can be a positive influence every day.”

Jody Jensen became a special education teacher after a career in graphic design. “While designing was fun, and I could see my products being used for a short season, teaching

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Taylorsville's Girls Soccer Team Celebrates Seniors

By Jessica Thompson

The story of the elephant's rope has been Coach George Sirstins' girls soccer team motto. Sirstins taught his team all about how baby elephants are trained at a young age by using a small rope to hold them back. Once the elephant becomes an adult, that same small rope keeps them from running free. The elephant won't break the rope, even though their weight and size would make it easy to break free. Sirstins used this story to help his girls realize they can push themselves and not let anything hold them back from playing hard.

"Each one of these girls pushed themselves and wasn't afraid to break that bond of that little rope and get out of their comfort zones. That is what I am most proud of this team for is that my girls may not be the best, but my girls will work 'til they drop," Sirstins said.

On Oct. 1, Taylorsville High School girls soccer played their last home game against Jordan High School. The team



Taylorsville's senior Tiffany Mascimento was honored by teammates and family members for all the hard work she has put forth the last three years. Her mother, brother and sister supported her at her last home game. Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson

played hard, adding four new injuries to their already 11 starters suffering from broken legs, broken forearms and three concussions.

"It was devastating to lose three of my top players to injuries, and they were my catalysts, so to lose them was sort of hard," Sirstins said.

Even with losing some of the team's top players, the girls did not give up. Noelle was noted by Sirstins as being the player whose performance stood out to him during the game against Jordan High School.

"Noelle's hustle stood out to me this game. She has asthma and she had to come back in halfway through the game, but she wanted to go right back out there. She never quits," Sirstins said.

The highlight of this game was when his goal keeper made a save right near the end of the game, keeping Jordan from making another goal. The final score of the game was Jordan at six goals and Taylorsville at zero.

"The greatest thing that was said to me was my kids are playing against thoroughbreds, and we are Shetland ponies. Why that is not an insult to me is a Shetland pony will run till they die, and that is what my girls are doing," Sirstins said.

After their last home game, the Warriors' senior players were honored and celebrated for their years of hard work on the team. Seniors were given flowers, balloons and gifts from their fellow teammates.

"I've been doing this for three years and it's great to be recognized because we've put so much effort into playing the game," Tiffany Mascimento, a Taylorsville senior, said.

Mascimento's mother, brother and sister watched her



Seniors were given flowers, balloons and gifts as a sweet send off to their last home game as Warriors soccer players. Photo by Jessica Thompson

play her last home game. Her mother, Veronica, said, "She loves soccer and she is really dedicated to it; even when she is sick, she wants to play the game. It is a pleasure to watch her do something she likes."

Sirstins was a great influence for these girls to learn those great life lessons from.

"Not only has George taught me to be a classy soccer player, he has taught me to be a classy person," senior Cescily Madsen said.

Mascimento also commented on how Sirstins was "the best man on the planet." This was Sirstins first year coaching the girls soccer team, and he wished he could have coached this group of seniors more than just one season.

"I'm really proud of my team, and it was a pleasure to coach them. I love them and wouldn't want to be anywhere else," he said. ✦

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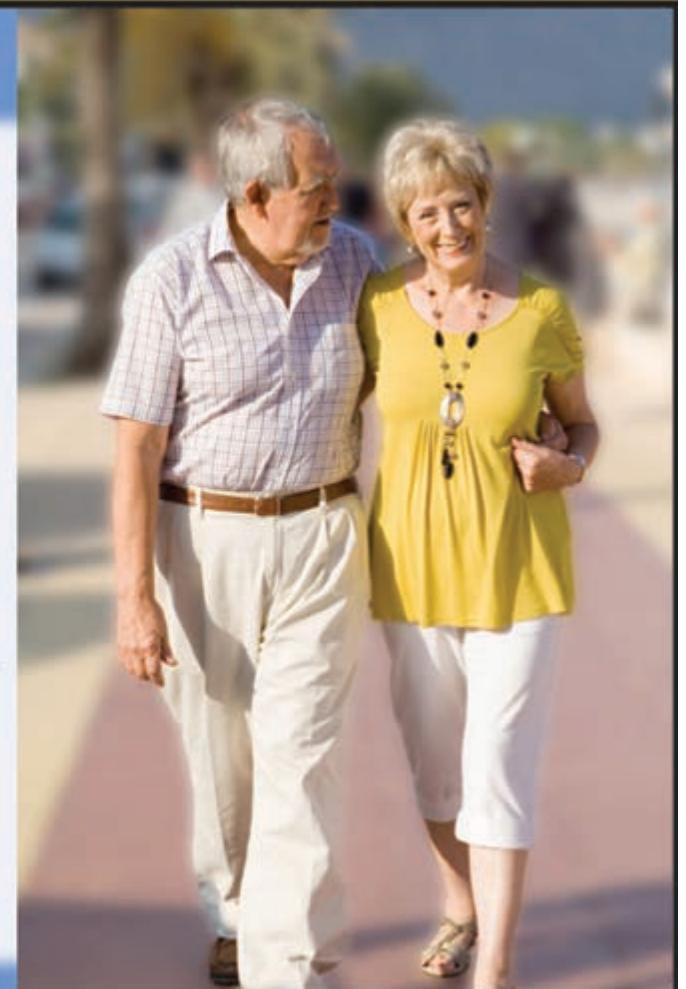


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Taylorsville High's Girls Volleyball Battles Jordan High

By Jessica Thompson

It was the fourth set, and Jordan High School's girls volleyball team score for the match was two, with Taylorsville at one. Audience members were cheering with each new point made. Taylorsville teammates were screaming with pride every time their girls made a block or a crazy spike, and those watching were shocked at how this game was unfolding.

The scoreboard read: Home 20, Guests 21. It had been that way the entire set. Taylorsville would earn a point, then Jordan, and vice versa. It was neck and neck until the very end. On a serve Jordan hit the net, making the score 24-23

for Taylorsville. Then on the return, Jordan hit the ball out of bounds, making the final score for set number four 25-23, with Taylorsville tying up the game.

"The highlight of the game for me was to see how hard our girls fought. They worked hard on defense and did a great job supporting each other," Coach Clint Barnes said.

"We are like best friends off the court: we have always been super close to each other. It is nice to have friendships off the court because we know each other so well and we know each other's tendencies," middle blocker Katelyn Tolem said.

With each point made, the team would cheer in excitement, and even each point made against them was met with high fives and encouraging pats on the back.

"These girls have known and played with each other for a while, making them great teammates," Barnes said.

Taylorsville's team worked so well together, but players Sara Paulson and Ginger Lei Wright stood out the most to Barnes.

The final set of the match started out rough for Taylorsville. There were a

Taylorsville High School's girls volleyball team worked well as a team, making some amazing blocks against Jordan High School. Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson



The Taylorsville Warriors girls volleyball team had an intense game against Jordan High School, where final scores were just points away from each other. Photo Credit: Jessica Thompson

lot of simple mistakes made, but they pulled it all together when they needed to most.

"I thought we played very well. I think it was the best we have played all year. Now we just need to focus on the little aspects of the game," Barnes said.

They played hard, but in the end Jordan made some great blocks and dives and won the game 15-13, with the final score Jordan 3, Taylorsville 2.

"This team is a great bunch of young ladies. I believe they truly care for one another, which is sometimes very hard to find in today's society," Barnes said. ✦



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Life & Laughter

Send in the Clowns

By Peri Kinder

It's a time of natural selection. A season of mass hysteria. Wolves, disguised as sheep, travel in packs, attacking the weak, the inferior, the less adaptable. I'm not talking about the latest season of "The Walking Dead,"—but it's close. I'm talking about the presidential campaign.

Next November we'll be electing a new president, then we'll spend 4-8 years slowly pecking him/her to death. And while the election is still a year away, I'm already tired of hearing campaign speeches, bloated promises and intolerant views.

Welcome to the Reality TV show political campaign landscape that's a combination of "Survivor" and "Hell's Kitchen." I call it "American Idle: Washington, D.C."

Instead of selecting a world leader who won't be ridiculed by the entire planet, we seem to be more focused on a celebrational popularity contest, electing a president who has the strongest handshake, the best suit or the whitest smile.

The fact that Donald Trump thinks he represents this country with his intolerant, puffy-haired self-importance and insane detachment from reality makes the back of my neck itch. I could list some of the dumbest things Trump has said, but it would be outdated before my column would be published.

In a circus act of national proportions, the presidential candidates twist the issues with the help of our frenzied media who jump on every possibly scandalous topic like piranhas in a



bloody river. We watch in horror as blooper reels blast through the Internet 24/7, and citizens become too fed-up (or lazy) to be educated about the real issues. The constant pandering to minority/women/young voters is nauseating and obnoxious. This pandermania has included Hillary Clinton appearing as a bartender on Saturday Night Live, and Trump interviewing himself on "The Tonight Show." I'm still waiting for the "Chris Christie/Marco Rubio American Ninja Warrior Challenge."

Candidates throw out terms like "equality" and "justice" in verbose sentences that make no sense, such as, "The idea of equal equality is mostly within our grasping fingers because justice."

Backpedaling, recanting, denying and contradicting are

commonplace in modern elections. Candidates often appear on news shows explaining what they "meant" to say. It seems voters don't even expect ethical behavior from the president-to-be. Voters are nothing if not irrational—which is fine, because the candidates are also irrational.

It's no surprise there is big money behind each candidate. Political action committees (inexplicably deemed legal by the Supreme Court) literally purchase the new president. Millions of dollars are spent on TV ads, glossy mailings and social media campaigns, not to explain why you should vote for a candidate, but why you shouldn't vote for their opponent. Mean-spirited, hateful speeches spew into the air, clouding the issues with their hazy pollution. As the presidential race continues weaning out the unpopular and the less pretty (leaving the populace with a candidate most likely to pose for a selfie with Kanye West), voters become desperate, feeling their voices are not being heard.

It's like watching a remake of the "Wizard of Oz" with Clinton trying to prove she has a heart, Trump trying to prove he has a brain and everyone else screeching and flapping like a barrel of flying monkeys. If we're lucky, a house will fall on all of them.

There will definitely be a winner next November. I'm pretty sure it won't be the voters. ✦

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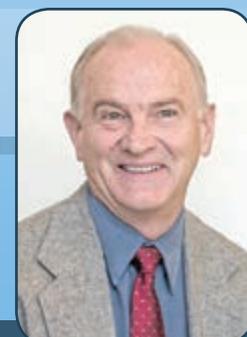
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THE GIFT OF A GIFTLESS HOLIDAY

By Joani Taylor



It's almost here: turkey time. I've always felt that Thanksgiving gets cheated. Before Halloween is even over, the stores cram their holiday sections with Christmas displays and have stooped to bribery by bargain, in an effort to get you out spending dough before you've had time to digest your dinner rolls. Poor Thanksgiving: it gets skipped right over.

Thanksgiving is actually one of my favorite holidays. What other day of the year is it socially acceptable to stuff your face with potatoes covered in fat, yell at the television and sleep on the couch, all while enjoying the company of family and friends without the expectation of ANY GIFTS?

Don't misunderstand; I'm only a wee bit of a cheap, old scrooge. I love the light that shines in a child's eyes when the jolly old man in a red velvet suit lands on the rooftop and sneaks a toy under the tree. Who can complain about a furry little barnyard animal that hides chocolate eggs under sofa cushions? But, it seems that entertaining kids with giving gifts is taking over our holidays.

Now we have creepy-looking elves wreaking havoc on the house and leaving daily surprises for an entire month. There are leprechauns that deliver gold coins. And, this year a Halloween witch has made her debut. She steals your candy in the darkness of night and leaves a gift in exchange.

What's next: the 4th of July, gift-bearing Uncle Sam?

While I'd love to be the one to capitalize on the making of Tom the Turkey, who would gobble in on Thanksgiving eve to stuff a magic cornucopia full of candy feathers and toy pilgrims before popping himself in the oven,



I'll have to leave that one to the magic of the marketing pros.

Until then, I am thankful that Thanksgiving is still a holiday that celebrates family without the expectation of presents. Joining together for a meal can take a toll on the wallet, though. Here are some tips for keeping the holiday eats big and cutting the budget to a minimum.

Keep It Simple: Alleviate yourself of the feeling that you have to prepare everyone's favorite. Keep the popular favorites and get rid of the rest. My hubby loves a creamed corn casserole my grandmother used to serve, but no one else will touch it. So, I make it for his birthday instead.

Shop the sales early: The best prices for Thanksgiving meal essentials start three to four weeks before the holiday. Watch the ads and start purchasing the essentials early. Look for free and discounted turkey promos. Most stores run them a couple of weeks before the big day.

Clip the coupons: Pair your coupons with the sale items. If you're a Smith's shopper, check out a blog called Crazy4Smiths.com. You'll find the unadvertised bargains, along with the clipable, printable and digital coupons for those items. Maceys has coupons right on their webpage (maceys.com). Harmons has a secret coupon special every Tuesday on Facebook. And always check coupons.com for last minute printable coupons before heading to the store.

Volunteer: Skipping your own Thanksgiving meal and volunteering to serve up the chow at shelters like the Road Home or SL Mission is a great way to kick off the season of giving. If the volunteer schedule is full, consider making care packages for the homeless and then deliver them to the shelters on Thanksgiving.

Make your own decorations: Fancy napkin rings and centerpieces are expensive. Check your local craft stores for ideas on making your own. Have the kids get in on it and make some memories, too. You can find a weekly list of craft store coupons on coupons4utah.com/craftstorecoupons.

Eating a dry turkey and unusual side dishes may not be the favorite of kids, but it is this giftless holiday that joins family and kicks off the season of sacrifice, love and compassion, and that is one heck of a gift.

Note: Last month's column had a notation about finding early movie previews at [advance\(d\)screenings.com](http://advance(d)screenings.com). There was a typo: the actual website is advancescreenings.com, without the "d".

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"[MountainStar] values input from physicians, nurses, other clinicians, and support staff, and use each person's contributions to improve care processes," Danielle Wilcox, director of marketing and communication for St.



Mark's Hospital, said. "This may be one of the reasons why more independent physicians choose to practice at our hospitals."

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