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By Council Member Tali Bruce



As we come to the end of another year, it is with pride and pleasure that we can celebrate the many accomplishments of our great city's departments and employees. As a Council, we couldn't be prouder of the incredible team that runs the daily operations of our city. This past year, we've had more diversity of thought and representation for all voices in our community. We've learned and grown together and are better for our inclusive conversations. It is with enthusiasm that we anticipate the exciting new paths we will follow as Cottonwood Heights moves boldly into the future.

Our people are at the heart of all we do. The Cottonwood Heights' Human Resources department helps us find and retain the amazing people who run our city daily. This year, they have implemented a paperless application process with a broader advertising network which has led to an increase in applicants and a more efficient application process. This tool also allows job

seekers to apply from any electronic device. In addition, HR recently implemented Performance Pro®, which increases interaction and feedback between employees and their supervisors.

Kudos, too, to our police department. True public safety requires a collaboration between law enforcement and the community. To that end, our fine police department holds inviolable the constitutional rights of every person. Our officers and staff believe in dedicated, skillful enforcement of the law and the delivery of humanitarian services which promote community peace through proactive, solution-oriented policing. We can be extraordinarily proud that CHPD was the first police department in Utah to establish a Narcan opiate overdose program. Since taking CHPD's lead, the program has saved 100 lives valley-wide and 13 right here in our community. They have also successfully expanded the Neighborhood Watch Program to the entire city, and we are working to update the city's emergency management plans to refocus efforts on ensuring proper training for



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Upcoming Cottonwood Heights Events

- Dec. 3 Utah Wind Symphony Chamber Orchestra & Sing-a-long @ Butler Middle School 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 5 Planning Commission Meeting @ City Hall 6 p.m.
- Dec. 12 CHBA Cottonwood Connect @ City Hall 8 a.m.
- Dec. 18 City Council Meeting @ City Hall 5 p.m. (7 p.m. Business Meeting)
- Dec. 24 & 25 City Offices closed for Holiday
- Jan. 1 City Offices closed for New Year's Day
- Jan. 2 Planning Commission Meeting @ City Hall 6 p.m.
- Jan. 8 City Council Meeting @ City Hall 5 p.m. (7 p.m. Business Meeting)
- Jan. 22 City Council Meeting @ City Hall 5 p.m. (7 p.m. Business Meeting)
- Jan. 28 Utah Wind Symphony and Utah Choral Arts Society "Masterworks" concert @ Butler Middle School 7:30 p.m.

NEW CITY OFFICE HOURS: 8 A.M. – 5 P.M. (M-F)

Holiday Sing-a-long

The Utah Wind Symphony and Cottonwood Heights Arts Council will present a Chamber Holiday Sing-A-Long on Dec. 3. The program begins at 7:30 p.m. inside the Cottonwood Heights Theater at Butler Middle School (2700 E. 7500 South).

You won't want to miss this sing-a-long concert featuring the fabulous musicians of the Utah Wind Symphony.

The chamber orchestra will play fabulous holiday music at the beginning of the concert, while the remainder of the program will feature a sing-a-long with full audience participation.

Tickets can be purchased at www.UtahWindSymphony.org/shows

The cost is \$12 for adults and \$7 seniors and students. ■



UTAH WIND SYMPHONY
PRESENTS

CHAMBER HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG

December 3 | 7:30 PM

Butler Middle School
Cottonwood Heights,
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city employees and enhanced coordination with volunteers. We are grateful to all these fine professionals for their dedication and innovation.

The department began a comprehensive, long-range study of the Wasatch Boulevard area, which will help maintain the desired aesthetic and quality of life in the area and

"The future depends on what we do in the present.' Thank you to everyone who has made our present the foundation of our bright future."

Our Public Works department continues to provide public services to residents, local businesses and other city departments in a prompt, courteous, safe, efficient and cost-effective manner, which enhances the quality of life for all of us. Highlights of 2018 for the Public Works department include the implementation of a 5-year street maintenance rotation schedule, which will give longer life to our roads at minor cost. (Reconstructing a road versus maintaining it is as much as seven times the cost). The city also has added 4.3 miles of designated and shared bike lanes, demonstrating its commitment to alternative transportation options.

The Community and Economic Development department has helped our city grow with as few growing pains as possible, and aids our expansion

guide the future of land use, transportation and recreation. They have begun work on a citywide trails and open space master plan (in conjunction with the newly created Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee) and hosted several community events with the Cottonwood Heights Business Association, including Death by Chocolate dessert tasting, a community bike ride at City Hall, Trunk or Treat, Bites in the Heights food truck nights, and the Women in Business Leadership Conference. What's more, they did this while also issuing 720 building permits, with a total construction valuation of \$74.1 million.

Our Finance department is making exciting progress in aligning the budget with the wishes of the city's residents. We've recently hired Scott Jurgas as Finance Director. Scott

Police Department of Greater Salt Lake. We're thrilled with the experience that he brings to the city and look forward to higher levels of transparency and accountability. Tim Tingey,

our new city manager, also comes to us with a wealth of knowledge and experience that will provide the

ability to capitalize on our assets and overcome areas in which we need to improve.

All in all, 2018 has been a banner year for our beautiful city, and we are confident that



2019 will see even more excellence from our employees, our citizens and our community. It is an exciting time in Cottonwood Heights. Mahatma Ghandi said, "The future depends on what we do in the present." Thank you to everyone who has made our present the foundation of our bright future. ■



in a way that will ensure the community's vision is realized both now and in the future. They review and inspect all construction projects, actively support our local businesses through the Cottonwood Heights Business Association and strive to promote the ongoing economic well-being of the city through guided and balanced economic development.

earned a bachelor's degree in Accounting from the University of Utah and his MBA with an Accounting emphasis from Utah State University. He's been the holder of a CPA license for 15 years, with 16 years of governmental accounting and administration experience, including seven years with Salt Lake County and nine years with the Unified

History Question of the Month

Who were the first officers and directors of the Brown and Sanford Irrigation Company?

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New Finance/Administrative Services Director



Scott Juges has been hired as the new Finance and Administrative Services Director for Cottonwood Heights.

Juges has 16 years' experience in local government finance, having served seven years with Salt Lake County and the past nine years with the Unified Police Department.

Scott earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from the University of Utah and an MBA from Utah State University.

Juges was born and raised in the Salt Lake

Valley and graduated from Taylorsville High School.

He lives in West Jordan with his wife and four sons.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to serve the community of Cottonwood Heights," said Juges. "I'm looking forward to the budget process and providing all the information the City Council and Mayor need to make informed decisions." ■

Build a Snowman at Whitmore Library

This December, crafts are the order of the day at Whitmore Library. School-age kids can stop by on any of the 12 Days of Crafts to exercise their creativity and make gifts for friends and family. Adults might enjoy Snowmen: A Winter Craft, where you can build snowmen using gum, candy bars and soda bottles. Great for stocking stuffers, neighbor gifts or decorations. Other activities include:

- Utah Puppet Theater, which brings "The Shoemaker and the Elves" to delight families.
- A new monthly gamer club for players of Magic, Yu-Gi-Oh! and Pokemon. If you're a veteran player or interested in learning, this is the club for you!
- The Celtic Jazz ensemble, Synkofa, an evening of roots music played with a gypsy flair.



Answer

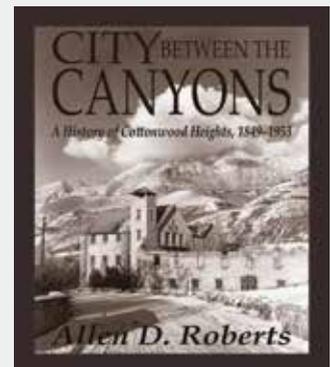
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In 1874, a group of homesteaders on the Butler Bench diverted water from Big Cottonwood Creek and dug a canal to feed their farms and homes. It was referred to by those living on the bench as "the canal." The canal was enlarged to cover more farms as the area population expanded. The canal then became known as the Brown and Sanford Ditch, named for two of the individuals instrumental in extending the coverage of the system.

In December 1900, the Brown and Sanford Irrigation Co. filed Articles of Incorporation with the Salt Lake County Clerk's Office. Board President William J. Panter, Vice President Charles F. Boyce, and Charles Colebrook,

secretary and treasurer, formed the Board of Directors, along with John W. Foulkes and Charles R. Wootton. Capital stock of the company was valued at \$19,500. There were 195 shares of stock issued, with a value of \$100 a share. The company's service area covered 1,000 acres and claimed one-fifth of the water from Big Cottonwood Creek.

The company eventually built dams on three Big Cottonwood Canyon lakes in 1910. Over the next decades, the lakes' capacity was enlarged more. In 1972, the dams had become unstable and were breached, and Salt Lake City purchased the rights to the water. ■



Buy the Book!

Stories like this can be found in the book "City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights 1849-1953."

The book would be a great gift for the holidays. Pick up yours at City Hall. ■

Fifth Amendment Right Not Always Right for Officers

By CHPD Chief Robby Russo



Three years ago, police agencies in Utah investigated their own "Officer Involved Shootings." Public concern prompted the Utah Legislature to change the legal requirements for police agencies in 2015. It was determined that the formation of a Salt Lake County OICI (Officer Involved Critical Incident) Task Force should serve as the investigating agency for such incidents that occur in Salt Lake County to ensure that any investigation is conducted professionally, thoroughly and impartially.

After an Officer Involved Critical Incident, the responsibility for the investigation is turned over to the Protocol Team from outside the venue agency. They investigate all aspects of the event, providing their findings to the Salt Lake District Attorney's Office for a determination on whether the force used met the legal requirements.

As part of the investigation, the involved officers are interviewed. The officer(s)

imposing the force is the subject of the investigation, so he/she have all the rights afforded any citizen under the Constitution including the right to remain silent. This year, several officers have invoked the Fifth Amendment, the right against self-incrimination, leaving the determination on the use of force up to the witness statements and any video footage evidence.

This mirrors a trend by officers across the country, who have been refusing to give these types of statements. Although it is the officers "right," is that what the public expects from their police officers? Unfortunately, politics plays into the decision, but the unintended consequence is an increasing public criticism of police. The question becomes, is this necessary?

Very often it's important to understand what the officers state of mind was when the decision to use deadly force occurred. Most often, the officer's statement(s) provide clarity and assist in the lawful justification when reviewed by prosecutors.

As police administrators, we can't require an officer to give a statement in a criminal investigation, as we must respect the exercise of their rights. That said, there is also an administrative investigation to determine if policy was followed or if any training needs are identified. Those interviews are shielded from being used in a criminal proceeding, but the member is compelled to cooperate fully with the Internal Affairs investigator.

As the Opiate Epidemic remains and crime increases so does the violence in the community and against police officers. CHPD has issued body cameras to all our officers; I'm hopeful this will help bridge the trust where the officer can comment on the events. I'm worried that if an officer withholds statements some may presume he/she is hiding something and formulate their own narrative. The strategy isn't hurting the District Attorney but causes issues for the employing agency and officers, as we're working on building trust with all involved for the greater public good. ■

Red Cross Blood Drive

The Utah Red Cross will hold a blood drive at City Hall on Dec. 27.

The donation drive will begin at 11 a.m. and finish at 3 p.m.

You can schedule an appointment online at www.ch.utah.gov. ■



Citizens Academy Back

CHPD is offering its annual Cottonwood Heights Police Civilian Academy, a 10-session program held on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., beginning in late February and finishing in early May 2019. Space is limited,

so early registration is recommended for Cottonwood Heights citizens over the age of 18 years. A security background check is also required.

If you are interested, email Liz Jones: ljones@ch.utah.gov. ■



Council Holiday Message

The holiday season is wonderful time to reflect on the past year and look forward to new experiences in the year to come. The past year has been a time of great changes in Cottonwood Heights, with the inauguration of a new mayor, two city council members, and the hiring of a new city manager. We have been able to participate with neighbors in celebration, charitable causes and other gatherings. During this holiday season, may we all continue to reach out to one another in the spirit of giving, tolerance and civility to make Cottonwood Heights a shining example of the values we hold dear.



Skate with Santa

Dec. 8th from 3:30pm-5:30pm



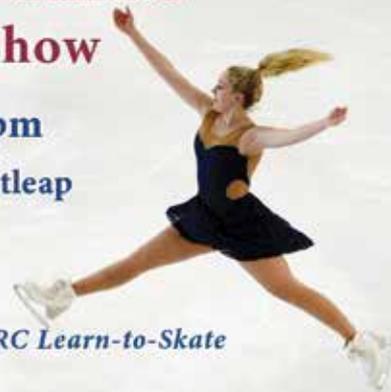
FREE EVENT!

**BRING
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The Annual CHFSC Winter Ice Show

12:45pm-3:00pm

\$3 online at Ticketleap
\$5 at the door.



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City Council Members

- MAYOR** - Michael J. Peterson
- DIST# 1** - Michael L. Shelton
- DIST# 2** - J. Scott Bracken
- DIST# 3** - Tali C. Bruce
- DIST# 4** - Christine Watson Mikell
- CITY MANAGER** - Tim Tingey

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 City Planning944-7065
 Public Works944-7000
 Recorder944-7021
 Finance Director.....944-7012
 Code Enforcement.....944-7095
 Police Administration.....944-7100

City Council Meetings

Dec. 4 - No Meeting
(employee party)

Dec. 11 - *(no meeting)*

Dec. 18 - Work Session 5 p.m.,
 Business Meeting 7 p.m.
*(Work session reconvenes after
 business meeting.)*
 Agendas are posted 24 hours in
 advance of public meetings.
 For details about the agendas,
 go to: www.ch.utah.gov

Planning Commission

The Planning commission holds
 meetings at 6 p.m. on the first
 Wednesday of each month. This
 month's meeting will be held on
 Dec. 5.

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Six Bengals Earn Academic All-State Honors

Six Brighton High athletes are among the 25 students in Canyons District to have earned Academic All-State Honors in fall sports. The Utah High School Activities Association chooses students for their athletic and academic performance.



They are:

Girls Cross Country: Ellie Anderson

Boys Cross Country: Declan Gleason and

Girls Soccer: Megan Munger, Amelia Munson and Kaitlyn Conley

Joshua Johnson ■

Cottonwood Heights Resident Amber Shill Re-Elected



Amber Shill, 2nd Vice President of the Canyons District's Board of Education, was re-elected on Nov. 6 by the patrons of District No. 2 to represent Cottonwood Heights. Shill and her husband have four children who attend or have graduated from the Brighton feeder system. The District will host a Swearing-In Ceremony on Tuesday, Jan. 8. ■



Snow Day: CSD's Snow Closure and Delayed-Start Guidelines

Cold weather has rolled into Utah, which can bring heavy snow and, on rare occasions, lead to school cancellations and delayed starts. How can parents find out if their child's school is open for business? Canyons District will notify parents via email or an automated

phone call of any changes to the school day. No public announcement means schools are operating as usual, which is most often the case. For more detailed information, visit canyonsdistrict.org. ■

Business Spotlights

Maxfield Orthodontics | 7167 Highland Dr. #1 | 801-263-1333



Dr. Blake Maxfield was raised in Cottonwood Heights, where he attended Brighton High School. After practicing orthodontics in the area for 10 years, he decided to put down roots by building a new, state-of-the-art office building on Highland Drive. Complete with its own basketball court, iPad station, and free ice cream in the summer, the office is designed to make your experience as enjoyable as possible! Dr. Blake is passionate about creating perfect smiles for patients of all ages, whether with braces or Invisalign. Consultations are always free. Visit www.drmaxfield.com or call for more information. ■



Fitness Together | 2258 East Fort Union Blvd. #B1 | 801-733-7200



Most people simply don't know how to get a good workout. Even if they go to the gym regularly, they end up frustrated because they don't have the support and the know-how to get the results they want. At Fitness Together®, you will achieve a customized workout with a clear focus on goals and results. Whether you are looking to lose weight, tone and tighten muscles, or simply achieve better health, the FT philosophy is simple: Fitness Together® pairs you with a personal trainer in a private setting and a workout plan tailored for you. Owner Jacob Jones is passionate about helping people not only with the physical side of strength training but also with the physiological side of their relationship with food and nutrition. Stop by today or call for more information. ■



Green Waste Collection

The last pickup date for green waste collection in 2018 for Cottonwood Heights will be Wednesday, Dec. 5. Residents are asked not to place the green cans out on the curb after that date. They will not be picked up nor emptied. The Green Waste Collection program for Cottonwood Heights will resume Wednesday, March 20, 2019. ■



December Connect –

Wed., Dec. 12 @ 8 a.m.
Cottonwood Heights City Hall
Community Room
(2277 E. Bengal Blvd.)

Please join us this month for our Cottonwood Heights Connect gathering. We want to encourage our businesses to donate to selected Sub-for-Santa families, and we will be wrapping presents for them. Any help from our CHBA members would be much appreciated.

We are planning to deliver the items for families on Friday, Dec. 14. ■

Facebook/Twitter

As the cold, winter months approach, the Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District cautions about bad weather affecting its ability to provide timely service to your neighborhood. The District's Facebook and Twitter pages are the best way for residents and customers to find out if there could be a delay in service due to weather or traffic complications. Please follow WFWRD to stay apprised of these issues, and to receive waste and recycling tips. ■

