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## Councilmember Doug Petersen: An enthusiastic champion for Cottonwood Heights

A tribute by Mayor Mike Weichers, Councilmember Scott Bracken, Councilmember Ellen Birrell, Councilmember Shawn Newell, and City Manager Tim Tingey

At the end of every Cottonwood Heights city council meeting over the past three years, a common sight was Councilmember Doug Petersen, talking with residents, city staff or other council members with his characteristic engaging smile, sense of humor and enthusiasm. Doug loved Cottonwood Heights and its residents. Sadly, however, after a brief battle with cancer, Councilmember Doug Petersen, 65, passed away on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

Doug was raised in the Cottonwood Heights area and spent his younger years playing in the neighborhoods and exploring and hiking in the foothills and mountains surrounding Cottonwood Heights. There were not many people who knew the hills, ravines, and neighborhoods of the area better than Doug, and the stories of his youthful adventures were always amusing and sometimes astounding.

He attended local elementary schools and Brighton



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## CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### UPCOMING TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS

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- SUSTAINABILITY PRIORITIES
- CHICKENS/ROOSTERS ORDINANCE DISCUSSION
- PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING CONTRACT
- DOVERHILL DRIVE AGREEMENT
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- FIREWORKS AGREEMENT
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#### MAY 15

- CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 VACANCY APPLICANT INTERVIEWS

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- BUDGET DISCUSSION
- SENSITIVE LANDS EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (SLEDS) REPORT
- SPRING RUNOFF DISCUSSION
- BUDGET ADJUSTMENT
- CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 VACANCY DISCUSSION AND DECISION
- TELECOM TAX PUBLIC INPUT

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- **MAY 10:** DISTRICT 1 CITY COUNCIL SEAT APPLICATIONS DUE
- **MAY 15:** CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 VACANCY APPLICANT INTERVIEWS
- **MAY 24:** CHILDREN'S CHOIR CONCERT AT CITY HALL
- **JUNE 2:** FREE COMMUNITY SHREDDING AT CITY HALL
- **JULY 27-29:** BUTLERVILLE DAYS AT BUTLER PARK

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**Cottonwood Heights Children's Choir**  
**Presents**  
**Dreamin'**  
 Free concert for all ages  
**Wednesday, May 24, 2023**  
**6:00 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Cottonwood Heights City Hall**  
**2277 E. Bengal Blvd.**




## May Artist of the Month:

*Laura Williams*




Laura Williams is a Cottonwood Heights resident with various passions, including art. She took watercolor lessons at Petersen Art Center in high school and then began oil-painting lessons in 2017 after a long hiatus. She has continued learning realistic oil painting methods through various teachers and classes.

Laura has a passion for gardening and nature, and much of her work reflects this. When she isn't painting, she is most often in her yard gardening or playing pickleball. She has three children and a husband whom she adores.

**Meet the Artist**  
 City Hall  
 Thursday, May 25, 2023  
 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Find Laura on Instagram: [@laura\\_williams\\_art](https://www.instagram.com/laura_williams_art)

Laura's art will be displayed in the lobby at City Hall (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through the month of May.



## Cottonwood Heights BUTLERVILLE DAYS

**July 27-29, 2023**

- **Sponsors:** Advertise with us and show your community spirit
- **Volunteers:** Help with various events, including Bingo and the parade
- **Vendors:** Sell items and services from home and commercial businesses
- **Parade participants:** Apply to perform or promote your organization
- **Car show:** Sign up to showcase your vehicle (now held Friday, July 28)
- **Chalk art contest:** Fill out an application to share your drawings

**Get more information at [BVDAYS.COM](http://BVDAYS.COM)**



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High School, where he was an exceptional athlete and earned opportunities to participate in wrestling and football during his college years.

Doug began his city council term in January 2020. Just after he was sworn into office, a number of difficulties and challenges impacted the city. The pandemic, earthquake, strong winds and civil unrest all occurred during his first two years in office. Doug's insight, wisdom, presence and optimism were critical in helping the city successfully weather such challenges.

"I would often receive a call from Doug expressing encouragement and appreciation for efforts of the city staff, which was very helpful during these trying times," said City Manager Tim Tingey. "My conversations with Doug helped ease the burdens that our city was facing during these difficulties, and I will truly miss my interactions with him and our friendship."

Doug often shared kind words and expressed himself with a keen sense of humor. He built strong relationships with city staff, including department heads Chief Robby Russo, Mike Johnson, Matt Shipp, Paula Melgar, Scott Jurgens and Shane Topham. Doug was an advocate and enthusiastic supporter of the Cottonwood Heights Police Department. In one of his last emails to Chief Russo, Doug expressed his great support of the police department and stated how grateful he was for his friendship with Chief Russo.

The relationships Doug fostered with city residents and committee members were another key element of his leadership. He truly cared about people and would often spend hours on the telephone with staff and residents talking about issues and working to solve problems. His enthusiasm and love for community helped foster positive relations and move forward important policies that enhanced the city.

Mayor Mike Weichers said that Doug had become one of his closest friends and allies these past 18 months.

"Doug could make anyone laugh at any moment and was dedicated to his constituents. There was nothing more important to Doug, other than his family,



than helping our community increase its quality of life," he said.

Doug's relationships with Mayor Weichers, former mayor Mike Peterson and the city council members with whom he served were a true source of joy and satisfaction for him.

"Doug Petersen and I found common ground in sharing stories of our childhood — he riding horses amidst the orchards of Cottonwood Heights, and me within the orange groves and open fields of Orange County. We discovered mutual friends from our business careers and found ways to talk about diverse subjects together over the months that we served together on the council. His dedication to his family and community were crystal clear," said Councilmember Ellen Birrell.

Councilmember Scott Bracken said, "Doug always had a smile and sense of humor. He worked hard. Whether it was helping someone with an issue or clearing his parents' driveway time and again this winter from all the snow, he worked hard. He made you feel like he was your best friend. The immense loss we feel is indicative of the love and respect we have for him."

Councilmember Shawn Newell also paid Petersen tribute.

"In the short time that I have known Doug, he showed himself as a giving and compassionate man. I will cherish his energy and engaging manner," he said.

Following the news of Doug's death, there has been a major outpouring of love and loss by community residents and city staff.

"We are heartbroken to learn of Doug's passing. He was an amazing person, colleague, and council member. We will sincerely miss our beloved friend," Mayor Mike Weichers said in an April 21 statement. "We send our condolences to his wife, Cathy, their children and grandchildren, his parents, Jay and Nancy Petersen, and other family members."

Councilmember Doug Petersen was an enthusiastic champion for Cottonwood Heights. The common scene of Doug talking with staff, residents and council members after city council meetings will sadly not be occurring anymore. Doug did so much for our city, and the loss of his great energy, leadership, sense of humor, personality, engaging smile, and passion for the community will leave a definite void in Cottonwood Heights. We will greatly miss Doug Petersen. ■

## Ensuring trust and confidence in Cottonwood Heights' municipal elections

Councilmember Scott Bracken



Since we incorporated in 2005, the city has been open to new ideas, and Cottonwood Heights has implemented many ideas with varying degrees of success over the years.

### Mail-in voting

Cottonwood Heights was among the first cities in Salt Lake County to volunteer to test 100% mail-in voting in 2013. There were some concerns about it, but with careful deliberation we chose to move forward. We

included town hall meetings and other ways for people to learn more about the process and be able to trust it.

It was a success, as participation in our municipal elections almost doubled. In 2009 and 2011 (before mail-in voting) voter turnout was between 13.9% and 21.5%. In the 2013 election, turnout was 40.6%, and in the 2015 election, turnout was 39.3%-40.1%. The greatest advantage in higher participation is that the will of the people/voters is superior.

In the years since the change, I've heard people say they enjoy having time to research candidates and other items on their ballot. We can all agree that a better-informed electorate is better for choosing and having

trust in our representatives.

### Ranked-choice voting (RCV)

In 2019, the legislature gave cities the choice to try ranked-choice voting (RCV) in municipal elections. I undertook some extensive study to find out the 'why' and 'how' it was done. After extensive review, I became a supporter. However, at that time the Salt Lake County clerk told cities the county couldn't implement RCV and the option was not available to us. Two years later (2021), multiple cities in Salt Lake County — including Cottonwood Heights — utilized RCV.

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Both RCV proponents and opponents have many talking points, and I took each under consideration over many weeks to determine how they may or may not impact races in Cottonwood Heights. I researched the results and reports of other locations that had run RCV elections and had confidence that it would work well in Cottonwood Heights.

For me, cost savings (having to run only one election rather than a primary and a general) as well as reducing the time of campaigning and the resultant signage throughout the city were compelling issues. I was also impressed by the amount of publicly available data I was able to obtain from other cities to see how each election went and how the votes were tabulated.

Unfortunately, after the RCV election, I

found out that under Utah state law, the "record of the vote" is not publicly available. I support the privacy of the individual's ballots but was shocked that an aggregate of the ballots in a race would be unavailable.

Additionally, things are not the same as they were a couple of years ago. This time around, estimated costs show essentially no significant difference between using RCV and a traditional primary/general system. We saw a long, drawn-out campaigning cycle — even pre-dating the decision on using RCV. Also, some groups in neighboring cities worked diligently to stir up fear, uncertainty, and doubt about RCV. Similar distrust has been propagated on a national level as well.

While I believe that RCV is a reliable system and has benefits, at this point in time with trust in our elections being assailed from all sides, I feel it prudent to return to the more widely trusted method.

With costs being effectively the same to the city, campaign length of time up to individual candidates, and a significant number of residents with concerns about RCV's efficacy, I have chosen not to support it.

The City Council as a whole will not request to conduct our election using RCV this election cycle and will return to using the traditional primary/general election, thus keeping the largest possible share of our residents' faith and trust in our elections intact. ■

## District 1 city council vacancy: Applications due by Wednesday, May 10, at 5 p.m.

Due to Councilmember Doug Petersen's recent death, the Cottonwood Heights city council is seeking qualified applicants to fill an interim council appointment, which would expire upon the newly elected district 1 councilmember's swearing-in, on or about Jan. 1, 2024.

All interested Cottonwood Heights residents are invited to submit an application to fill the vacancy but must meet the following requirements under law:

- **Be at least 18** years old
- **Be a citizen** of the United States

- **Be a registered voter** in the city
- **Be a Cottonwood Heights resident** for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the appointment
- **Be a district 1 resident** at the application time and continuously thereafter while serving as a councilmember representing district 1
- **Not be (a) a mentally incompetent individual,** (b) an individual convicted of a felony, or (c) an individual convicted of treason or a crime against the elective

franchise until the right to hold elective office is restored under Utah code section 20A-2-101.3 or 20A-2-101.5

To apply, visit [ch.utah.gov/council-application](http://ch.utah.gov/council-application) to fill out the online form or download the application. **The deadline for submitting an application is Wednesday, May 10, at 5 p.m.**

The city council will tentatively meet Monday, May 15, at 4 p.m. to interview applicants. We anticipate that the council will meet Tuesday, May 16, at 7 p.m. to fill the vacancy with the selected applicant. ■

## Attend the Rainwater Harvesting for Homeowners course held on Tuesday, May 9

Learn more about managing stormwater on your property and adding rain gardens, bioswales, and barrels in the **Rainwater Harvesting for Homeowners** course, held Tuesday, May 9, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the West Jordan Conservation Garden

Park (8275 S. 1300 W.). Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District (JVWCD) staff will teach this course and explain more about landscaping and using irrigation in your yard, especially during drier years.

The course is free, but registration is required. Visit [conservationgardenpark.org/events](http://conservationgardenpark.org/events) and click on **Rainwater Harvesting for Homeowners** to sign up now. You can also find more information about future classes on this website. ■

## Don't forget to join the Volunteers in Parks (VIP) program to keep parks clean!

The Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee is seeking residents to join the Volunteers in Parks (VIP) program and serve as park leaders for Antczak, Bywater, Butler, Crestwood, Ferguson, Golden Hills, Mountview, and Mill Hollow parks.

Park leaders would gather volunteers to walk through the park and report any maintenance or graffiti issues, pick up trash, and note other site-specific items. We have had several teams volunteer but still need more help.

Interested in serving as a park leader or volunteering on a team? Call parks and facilities manager Andrew Davis at 801-943-3190 (ext. 157) or email him anytime at [andrew@cottonwoodheights.com](mailto:andrew@cottonwoodheights.com). ■

## Mayor and city council finalize Hillside Plaza shopping center purchase April 14

On Friday, April 14, the mayor and city council, acting as the Community Development and Renewal Agency (CDRA), finalized the purchase of the Hillside Plaza shopping center property, which includes about 10 acres on the southeast corner of Fort Union Blvd. and 2300 E. The final purchase price was \$14 million.

The city has received grant funding from the Wasatch Front Regional Council to develop a master plan for the area and is in the process of selecting a

consultant. The Hillside Plaza purchase also gives the CDRA more options to implement the Fort Union Boulevard Master Plan goals, which include:

- **Creating a more livable place** with a higher quality of life
- **Providing a balanced mixture of land uses** in the area
- **Implementing both transportation- and pedestrian-oriented mixed-use**

**development** to foster a vibrant and positive "town center" environment

- **Incorporating public spaces** to complement both commercial and residential investments

Watch for more information through the newsletter, emails, and social media about future public meetings where you can share your input about the goals for Hillside Plaza. ■

## Protecting our children from the explicit threats of social media apps

Police chief Robby Russo



Raising children has become a more complicated process in this electronic age. While the digital world has improved our lives, it has also created risks. I'm surprised by the number of cases the police department receives that involve sending or sharing intimate or sexually explicit messages, images or videos.

Sharing intimate images may seem like a bit of fun or innocent flirting, particularly for those in a relationship, but things can go wrong. It is important your child understands that once they share an image, someone can save it and share it with others or post it to social media and public websites. This occurs even with apps like Snapchat where photos disappear after a short time.

Young people may join dating sites and send

explicit images or videos to strangers, not knowing their real motives. Students who know each other may experience coercion or pressure to send a nude.

The police department has received some cases involving "revenge porn," in which an ex-partner or friend intentionally shares an intimate photo or video of a young person without their consent.

We are also seeing an increased number of sextortion cases. Victims meet people online and share intimate images with their new "friend," who typically lives in a foreign country and then threatens to share those images if the victim doesn't pay hundreds or thousands of dollars.

Other image-based abuse involves teens taking locker room pics without the teammate's knowledge and posting them to a social media group.

It can be extremely difficult to remove these images, and the consequences, which may include criminal charges, can follow a young person into adulthood. We have charged individuals

under Utah Law 76-10-1204, which prohibits distributing pornographic material.

For young people, sharing naked or sexually explicit images might result in:

- **Humiliation, guilt, shame, anger and self-blame**, which can lead to ongoing emotional distress, withdrawal from school and family life, and, in severe cases, self-harm and suicide
- **Bullying, teasing and harassment** from peers if photos are shared around their school community or friendship group
- **Damage to their reputation** and school performance, as well as employment opportunities in the future

This is a community problem, with the discussion starting at home, but educators, coaches, police and religious leaders all have a role in educating and protecting such a harmful threat when it emerges. ■

## Eight guidelines to follow to help prevent flooding in the city this spring

Volunteers filled about 90,000 sandbags in April at the public works yard and other areas throughout the city to prevent potential flooding. Please follow these guidelines to mitigate flooding and stay safe as well:

- **Call police dispatch** at 801-743-7000 to report flooded rivers and streams
- **Call Salt Lake County Flood Control** to report debris in a river, creek, stream or canal, and visit their website ([slco.org/flood-control](http://slco.org/flood-control)) for more resources

- **Remove debris in the streambed** before stream levels rise if you own property adjacent to it. Once you remove the debris, pile it on the street in front of your home and call the public works team at 801-944-7000 to remove it.
- **Do not enter the creeks** once the water level is high, and watch children and pets who could fall in
- **Monitor water sources for potential flooding** during rain and heavy runoff

- **Turn around if a street is flooded** instead of driving through it
- **Check stormwater inlet grates** in front of your home and remove any debris that collects there. Call 801-944-7000 or fill out the form at [ch.utah.gov/public-works](http://ch.utah.gov/public-works) to report a blocked inlet.
- **Visit the city flood prevention page** ([ch.utah.gov/floods](http://ch.utah.gov/floods)) and city social media pages, and subscribe to emails at [ch.utah.gov/emails](mailto:ch.utah.gov/emails) for more details ■

## Four options to consider once you finish using sandbags to prevent flooding

Many residents have filled sandbags and taken them home over the past month to prevent flooding within their homes. Remember: Do not dispose of sandbags until you are confident the flooding risk has passed. Visit the city's flood preparations page ([ch.utah.gov/floods](http://ch.utah.gov/floods)) or Salt Lake County Flood Control ([slco.org/flood-control](http://slco.org/flood-control)) for more information.

Once you're ready to dispose of the sandbags, keep the following in mind:

- **Save your sandbags.** Flooding may become a risk sooner rather than later. After emptying the sand, clean your sandbags, dry them well, and store them somewhere dry and protected from moisture and sun, like a garage or shed. Do not store sandbags wet or dirty, as

mold and bacteria may grow.

- **Reuse the sand.** You can repurpose clean sand as yard fill or use it for traction in icy weather. Do not use the sand for play purposes (such as a sandbox). If you still have too much sand, save it for future sandbags or take it to the landfill. Do not dump sand in garbage bins.
- **Toss dirty bags.** Any bags that touched flood water likely contain some unsafe contaminants. If you find mold growing on a bag or notice a bad smell, throw the bag out.
- **Be mindful of pollution.** Apart from posing as a hazard to wildlife and human health, garbage in our waterways will clog water movement, increasing



flood risk. Only dispose of sandbags in a garbage bin or dumpster, not city creeks or gutters. Do not dump sand into waterways. ■

## National Register of Historic Places: Alvin Reuben and Annie Green home

The Alvin Reuben and Annie Green home on Danish Road was listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) in 2000. This one-and-a-half story cross-wing Victorian-eclectic house has brick walls and a rare ashlar-faced concrete veneer set on a foundation of granite stone. It was built from 1905 to 1915 and is a second-generation home, representing the change in architecture from the more primitive pioneer structures to more varied and substantial styles. The Green home is the only second-generation structure remaining in the Danish Town area.

Though the Victorian style was popular in Utah between 1885 and 1915, the veneer on this home makes it significant, as it is the only Utah NRHP house with this veneer type.

Alvin Green built the home using a horse and a large chain to drag granite boulders from Little Cottonwood Creek to the gully, where he cut them into blocks for the foundation. He built the exterior with hand-poured concrete blocks he made from a Sears and Roebuck catalog mold and lined it with bricks and plaster. The interior walls were built with two rows of brick, and Alvin also milled all the lumber for the house at the family sawmill. Though a fire burned the edges of most of the lumber, Alvin didn't have



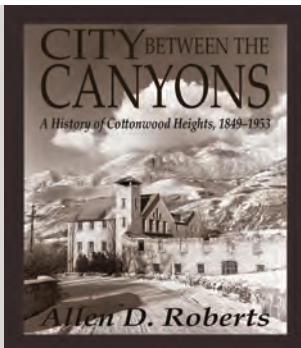
Photo of Alvin Reuben and Annie Green home courtesy of Gayle Conger

the money to replace it and used it in the home. You can still see burnt edges of the lumber used for floor joists from the cellar.

A wood and coal cookstove in the kitchen and coal-burning potbellied stove in the living area originally heated the home because electricity was not available until the early 1930s. The house had no indoor plumbing until 1939, when Alvin built a large cistern into the corner of the foundation and a pump brought water to the kitchen. Before

that time, the Greens carried water daily from an irrigation ditch on the east side of the road. They also used an outhouse until 1950, when the house was completely plumbed with a bathroom.

Alvin did not believe in going into debt, which is why it took him 10 years to build the home. During that time, he and his wife lived in three different two-room houses and had seven children. A family member still owns the Green home today. ■



### Buy the book!

Get your very own copy of the hardbound history book *City Between the Canyons: A History of Cottonwood Heights, 1849-1953*! Buy yours at City Hall for \$20 (3 for \$50) or online at [ch.utah.gov/history-book](http://ch.utah.gov/history-book) for \$25 (3 for \$59) with shipping. ■

## Cottonwood Heights

### Parks & Recreation

# DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE 3 MONTH MEMBERSHIPS?

**PERFECT FOR YOU TO BRING YOUR FAMILY TO THE OUTDOOR POOL FOR THE SUMMER!**

**OUTDOOR POOL OPENS 27 MAY SATURDAY**

MEMBERSHIP INFO



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Animal control ..... 944-7100  
Justice court ..... 273-9731

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City planning ..... 944-7065  
Public works ..... 944-7000  
Recorder ..... 944-7021  
Finance director ..... 944-7012  
Code enforcement ..... 840-4000  
Police administration ..... 944-7100

## City council meetings

- **May 2:** Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 7 p.m.
- **May 15:** District 1 vacancy applicant interviews at 4 p.m.
- **May 16:** Work session at 4 p.m., business meeting at 7 p.m.

City council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday each month at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. unless otherwise noticed. Agendas are posted at least 24 hours before public meetings at [ch.utah.gov/agendas](http://ch.utah.gov/agendas).

## Planning Commission

The Planning Commission generally holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Editor:** Lindsay Wilcox

## Celebrating the class of 2023 on Thursday, May 25!

Cue the "Pomp and Circumstance!" Brighton High, will perform commencement rites on Thursday, May 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Maverik

Center in West Valley. Circle your calendars and join us in celebrating the achievements of our exceptional class of 2023. ■

## Canyons School District announces its 2023 Teachers of the Year! See the local winners.

From the kindergarten whisperer at Canyon View Elementary to the French dual-immersion teacher at Butler Elementary whose students audibly cheered when she returned to the classroom following a short leave of absence, Canyons District's Teachers of the Year are, as one principal noted, masters of their craft "worthy of high accolades in any circle of educators."

Following a 14-year tradition, CSD chooses one Teacher of the Year from a public nomination process to represent each of its 49 schools and programs. From this field, Canyons will select one

teacher who will be honored as the overall Teacher of the Year.

- **Bella Vista Elementary:** Tamara Coombs
- **Butler Elementary:** Gretchen Givone
- **Canyon View Elementary:** Becky Carpenter
- **Oakdale Elementary:** Sacha Despain
- **Ridgecrest Elementary:** Colleen Lecker
- **Butler Middle:** Amy Stanton
- **Brighton High:** Brian Wilding ■



**Coombs**



**Givone**



**Carpenter**



**Despain**



**Lecker**



**Stanton**



**Wilding**

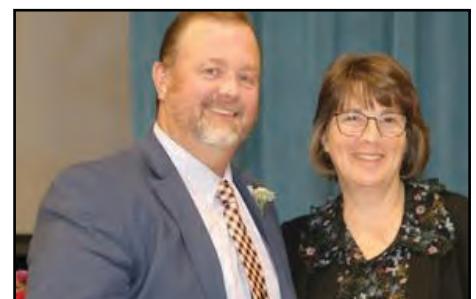
Visit [canyonsdistrict.org](http://canyonsdistrict.org) to find more information about Cottonwood Heights schools and enroll your children for the 2023-2024 school year. You can also review the current calendar to see more events.

## Brighton High School principal named new director of Canyons School District high schools

Tom Sherwood, currently principal of Brighton High, will put his leadership skills and talents to good use as the new director of Canyons District's high schools. The Canyons Board of Education approved his appointment on Tuesday, March 7, 2023.

Sherwood approaches the post, which he will assume after the end of the school year, with nearly 20 years of experience as a high school administrator. Under Sherwood's leadership, Brighton has been consistently named by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the top high schools in Utah. He also helped oversee construction of the new home of the Bengals, which opened to great fanfare in August 2021. Funded with proceeds from a

voter-approved bond, the new school building received the 2022 K-12 Award of Excellence from the Associated General Contractors of Utah. Marielle Rawle, who served as assistant principal at Brighton High School for many years, will replace Sherwood. ■



## Atelier Art Lessons | 7050 S. Highland Dr. #130 | atelierartlessons.com

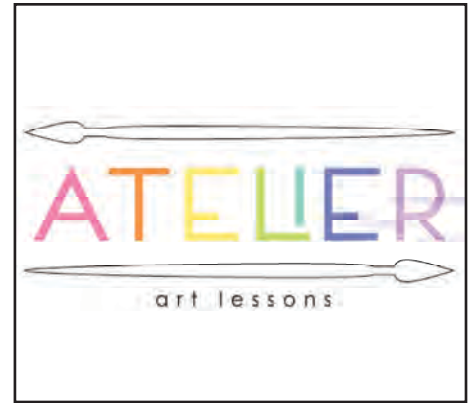
Atelier (ah-teel-yay), which means "studio" or "workshop" in French, is a fully-equipped art studio where kids and adults can work on art projects and learn new art skills. This studio is a fun, creative space for those who want to build their artistic confidence and abilities.

For more than 20 years, artist and teacher Bev Keyes ran Atelier before selling it in spring 2021 to former Atelier student Jessica Parker, who now teaches the classes. Jessica works to uphold Bev's legacy and help people feel more confident about their ability to be creative and artistic.

Students have access to a variety of artistic

mediums, ranging from watercolor and oil paints to pastels and colored pencils, as well as instructor support to help them to create projects. Typical classes are held once a week for 90 minutes in small groups of similarly-aged students, and each student works on a project of their choosing using our studio materials with instructor support.

Atelier also offers week-long summer camps for children ages 6-12 that include art topic instruction, a snack and time to work on a project. Visit [atelierartlessons.com](http://atelierartlessons.com) or contact Jessica at 385-955-4554 or [jessica@atelierartlessons.com](mailto:jessica@atelierartlessons.com) for more information. ■



## Jana Oman Real Estate | 801-699-4552 | janaomanrealestate.com

Jana Oman, known for her integrity, professionalism and personability, is affiliated with Coldwell Banker. She serves her clients by educating them on their residential or investment property, ensuring they are aware of value and future appreciation so they can grow their real estate portfolios.

As a Cottonwood Heights resident, Jana has a local's knowledge of schools,

neighborhoods and amenities. She works diligently to find buyers a home that fits their lifestyle and needs, and both first-time and seasoned investors can rely on her personal experience and expertise to help them land a promising property.

Contact Jana today for more information by emailing [info@janaomanrealestate.com](mailto:info@janaomanrealestate.com) or calling 801-699-4552. ■



## Medicare Advocates | 801-980-7847 | medicareadvocates.com

Daniel Montague, a 40-year Cottonwood Heights resident, recently became an independent Medicare and health and life insurance agent after five years of working for a Medicare brokerage house. He can answer questions about Medicare advantage plans, supplement plans or prescription drug plans and is currently licensed in all 50 states.

Not ready to enroll in Medicare? Daniel is also licensed to sell family insurance plans authorized by the Affordable Care Act in Utah, Idaho and Nevada.

To learn more about Medicare Advocates, contact Daniel at 801-980-7847 or email him at [danielmontague@medicareadvocates.com](mailto:danielmontague@medicareadvocates.com). ■



## Free shred event held Friday, June 2

Columbus Secure Shredding will offer secure document destruction in the City Hall parking lot (2277 E. Bengal Blvd.) on Friday, June 2, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Staples and paperclips are okay, but NO other metal objects are allowed. Please follow the traffic pattern shown below. ■



## Attend non-surgical knee-saving strategies seminar at City Hall

Leverage Fitness Solutions and Joint Regeneration Center of Utah are presenting a seminar on Wednesday, May 17, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. about the best strategies for keeping your knees in shape. Learn about osteoarthritis and avoiding knee-replacement surgery with several non-surgical interventions like biologics, tools and devices, and advanced rehabilitation. Space is limited, so register now using the QR code below. ■

 Joint Regeneration Center



