

LEHI LEDGER

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Lehi's Library Evolution

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When my family moved to Lehi in 2002, we were excited to live in a town with its own library. Back then, few in Utah County did (and my sisters in neighboring communities were jealous). The Albrecht kids spent many happy “story times” at the old library, and we’ve always been grateful to those who established it. For this month’s newsletter, I did a little history dive to learn more.


In the early 1900s, Lehi citizens began advocating for a public library. On February 8, 1910, the City Council established a library and reading room in the 1891 “blue rock” Senate Building. Originally a saloon, it became Lehi’s first public library until 1915 (when the rent increased, and the library was moved). However, the collection of books was so sparse and outdated that at the time, the newspaper said it was “Almost a Joke!” Despite these humble beginnings, Addie Winn Rodeback became Lehi’s first public librarian, marking the start of Lehi’s formal commitment to literacy.

The push for a Carnegie Library gained momentum in 1917 when the City Council, commercial club, business owners, and citizens rallied for the creation of a permanent building. A petition was submitted, and the election held in 1917 resulted in overwhelming support. The city moved forward with plans to build a Memorial-City Hall, incorporating a public library, city offices, and community spaces in a Spanish-style brick building (now serving as the home of the Hutchings Museum).

City Information

INFORMATION CENTER: 385.201.1000
LEGACY CENTER: 385.201.2000
POLICE: 385.201.1005
FIRE: 385.201.1081
LIBRARY: 385.201.1050
POWER: 385.201.1040
STREETS: 385.201.1900
UTILITIES: 385.201.1000
WATER: 385.201.1900
LITERACY CENTER: 385.201.1060
SENIOR CENTER: 385.201.1065



 Lehi Historical Society

This was a significant milestone in Lehi’s civic development and library history. A big drive for library books was organized by Lehi’s schools in April of 1921. To encourage participation, the school room that collected the most books was treated to a “peanut feed!” After years of planning, the \$10,000 Carnegie Library was officially dedicated and turned over to the people of Lehi on January 5, 1922. The library had 3,535 books on hand at the close of 1922, with 1,025 borrowers’ cards issued. From then on, the library became an increasingly important resource in our community. Today, there are approximately 103,000 items and over 20,000 registered cardholders!

A century later, in response to the city’s rapid growth, Lehi is once again preparing to open a Civic Center that will blend a modern City Hall with an expanded Public Library. Our story is one of growth and resilience, and our library’s journey—from its humble beginnings in 1910 with a small and outdated collection, to the dedication of the beautiful Carnegie Library in 1922, to storytime for the Albrecht kids in 2002—reflects our community’s ongoing dedication to education and public service. The new City Hall and library will carry forward this enduring legacy of civic pride for generations to come.

- Paige Albrecht

Join Us!
LEHI CITY EXPO
Thursday, April 24th, from 4 - 7 p.m. at Legacy Park (123 N Center St.)
Meet Mayor & Council • Fire & Police Demos • Free Food & Activities

Mary Wantass Hutchings Historical Marker Unveiling

April 26, 2025 - 10 a.m. - 111 E. Main St.



Mary made a promise to her mother,
a promise that would guide her and her family across the plains.
After being left behind, they witnessed miracles of
friendly Native Americans, the survival of a violent storm
and the unlikely success of arriving in Lehi.



Library News

Have you explored our FREE digital resources available through the library? Try them out today!

Libby-Libby is a free app by OverDrive that lets you borrow and download ebooks, audiobooks, and magazines from your library, allowing you to read or listen anytime, anywhere. Download from your app store.

Tumble Books-animated, interactive e-books for children, combining picture books with narration, sound, and music. Log in through the library website.

Gale- A comprehensive suite of high-quality online learning resources, including databases, eBooks, and primary source content, designed to support learners at all levels, from elementary school to professional development, with a focus on accessibility and engagement. Browse the "What do I read next" option to find your next great read! Log in through the library website.

Creativebug- An online platform offering thousands of art and craft video classes taught by design experts. Make something new! Log in through the library website.

Universal Class- Choose from over 600 classes. Whether you're interested in software training, history, cooking, creative writing, or candle making--we have it all! Access hundreds of online courses in an easy-to-use learning environment that promotes skill-building with verified achievements. Log in through the library website.

For information on April library programs visit the programming tab on our website and watch our social media channels.

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 am - 8 pm

Friday- 10 am - 6 p.m. Saturday 10 am - 4 pm Closed Sundays

Literacy Center



Our Spring After-School session began on March 3 and will continue through May 8, 2025. Our After-School classes offer reading classes for Lehi students K through 4th grade and Math classes for Lehi students 1st through 4th grade. Classes are 45 min twice a week, Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. The Summer Reading & Math Session will run from June 2 through July 29. Assessment and registration appointments are required for the summer session. An appointment scheduler for assessments will be available on April 28 on our website. Parents can schedule a time May 12-15 for student assessment & registration for new students. Class times for the Summer Session are 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 12 noon.

Our next ABC session will be Fall of 2025, watch our Facebook page & website for more details. Classes are 2 hours twice a week, Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Eligible students must be 4 years old as of September 1, 2025, and may only attend one session.

Dates To Remember:

March 31-April 3 ASD Spring Break - No Classes

For updates and information visit:

www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/literacy/

www.facebook.com/LehiLiteracyCenter

Water Department Spring Irrigation Turn-On Reminder

- Irrigation water is designated for lawns and gardens, not for drinking purposes.
- Drinking or playing in irrigation water can pose serious health risks.
- Secondary water is untreated water and may contain bacteria. Take precautions to avoid exposure and always wash your hands.
- Irrigation water should NEVER be used for activities such as bounce houses, pools, slip-n-slides, water tables, etc.

April 15
You may start
watering your
lawn!

For more information on secondary water, visit
<https://secondarywatersafety.utah.gov/secondary-water-safety/>

Senior Center

News & Updates:

Check out the Lehi Senior Center webpage online www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/seniors/ or visit our Facebook page @LehiSeniorCenter to see details about meals, events, and our newsletter.

Weekly Classes:

Monday: Tai Chi 9:30 a.m.

Monday: Adv. Watercolor

Tuesday: Beginning Watercolor

Tuesday: Crochet Cub 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday: Bingo 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Sit and Fit 11:00 a.m.

Friday: Line Dance 10 a.m.

Friday: Bingo 11:30 a.m.

Special Events and Activities

April 4 - Blood pressure clinic 11 a.m.
Sponsored by Dignity Health

April 9 – BUNCO Bash. A fun, easy game with dice. In-person at the Senior Center. Starts at 12:30 p.m.

April 18 - Game Day! Stay out of the rain, and come play games with us. 11 am - 1 pm

April 21 – Monday Movie Mania, "A Night at the Museum," at the Senior Center Starting starting at 12:30 p.m.

April 24 - City Expo

April 25 - Birthday Celebration

Lehi City April Events

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| 4/3 | Planning Commission
Work Session
5:30 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 4/8 | City Council Meeting
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 4/10 | Planning Commission
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 4/11 | Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt
9 p.m. @ Osier Park |
| 4/12 | Easter Egg Hunt-
Registration Required!
9 - 11 a.m. @ Osier Park |
| 4/12 | Youth Council Fundraiser
Pancake Breakfast
9 - 11 a.m. @ Osier Park |
| 4/22 | City Council Meeting
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 4/24 | Planning Commission
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 4/24 | Lehi Expo
4-7 p.m. @ Lehi Legacy Park |

LEHI CITY

EASTER
EGG EVENTS

TEEN FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT

DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025
TIME: 9 P.M. SHARP!
LOCATION: OSIER PARK
(385 N OSIER AVE.)
AGE GROUP: 13-18
COST: FREE
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Bring your flashlights and baskets! Hunt for cash and candy-filled eggs under the stars. Arrive on time; the hunt starts promptly at 9 p.m. sharp!

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025
TIME: 9- 11 A.M.
LOCATION: OSIER PARK
AGE GROUPS: INFANT-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12
AND SPECIAL NEEDS AREA
COST: FREE - PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
New this year: Timed egg hunts by age group to ensure a fun and organized experience for all children. Don't forget to bring your baskets!
Register at www.lehi-ut.gov

LEHI YOUTH COUNCIL FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast hosted by the Lehi Youth Council on April 12, 2025, from 9- 11 a.m. at Osier Park, Lehi, UT. All proceeds support our Lehi Youth Council. Tickets are \$5 per person. Join us for great food and community fun!

RECREATION NEWS

STAY UP TO DATE ON ALL THINGS RECREATION



SCAN TO
APPLY

JOB OPENINGS -APPLY TODAY

Adult Ballpark Concessions Supervisor
Seasonal 18+

Legacy Center Front Desk Attendant

Legacy Center Front Desk Early Morning Manager

4:30-8:30am/ 2-3 shifts per week,
1-2 Saturdays a month

Apply at <https://www.lehi-ut.gov/departments/hr/employment/>

DON'T MISS OUT-SIGN UP FOR SUMMER SPORTS

Resident Reg Starts

Golf	Beg-Adv	April 1st
Basketball Camp	k-12th Grade	April 1st
Kids Summer Camp	6-12 yrs old	April 1st
Tennis Lessons	Beg-Adv	April 1st

Register at https://lehilegacycenter.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t2.wcs

GET INVOLVED -SHOW UP FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

YOUTH MARKET

Come support Lehi City's young entrepreneurs as they further their experience in the marketing world. They will have booths set up, ready to sell, at the Lehi Legacy Center.

Saturday April 19th
10:00am-12:00pm

Follow the Legacy Center on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/lehilegacycenter>

