

LEHI LEDGER

December 2023



A Season of Giving and Gratitude

WRITTEN BY MAYOR MARK JOHNSON



About five years ago, I wrote about a young woman who demonstrated to me the greatest spirit of giving I have ever known. Her charitable act of selflessness left an imprint on me that I hope to never forget. Her story from 34 years ago is important to me, and I think of it frequently during the holidays in retrospect of my own life.

Cindy was a single mother with two young children, and her financial situation was quite bleak. I didn't pay close enough attention to recognize just how hard her life had become because she never indicated that she was struggling. She simply never complained. I should have been more considerate of her situation, but at the time, regrettably I was not.

It was only days before Christmas when Cindy admitted to me a miracle that had taken place in her life. She had not been able to purchase any gifts for her children and decided to go to Walmart with the hope that she could find something-anything-to give to her children on Christmas morning. She only had five dollars in her wallet, which would seem to most of us to be an unattainable task, but she had hope and, I believe, faith that somehow it would be enough. It was not long, of course, before she realized



she simply could not get anything with that small amount of money and decided to leave the store.

On her way out and just beyond the automatic doors, she walked by the Salvation Army stand and paused. She admitted to me that she reached into her wallet, pulled out that small amount of cash, and slid it into the donation pot. I can't remember her exact words, but she said something like, "That money was not enough for me to do any good, but it may help someone else".

The first lesson here is that many around us have far less than we do. Some have very little, and we may never recognize it unless we pay close attention. Both faith and charity are extremely important.

There is, of course, more to this story. A short time later, before Christmas Day, Cindy found an envelope stuck in the door of her apartment. When she opened it up, it was filled with the cash necessary to provide a very happy Christmas morning for her children. I have no idea, nor did she, as to who may have put that envelope in Cindy's door jamb. I have, however, often felt shallow that I was not the one to recognize her situation and respond.

The second lesson is: don't let opportunities slip by. They are not going to be obvious most of the time. We must work to find those who need our help, and we need to be prepared to offer the assistance needed.

My hope is that we all need opportunities to be charitable and supportive this holiday season, that we take care of those in need, and look for opportunities to love and care for others.

Please have a wonderful holiday season.

Mayor Mark Johnson

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

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LITERACY CENTER: 385.201.1060

SENIOR CENTER: 385.201.1065

Library News

We will have winter programming December 4 -December 14. No programming the rest of December.

For online story times and lots fun check out Niche Academy and Tumble Books. Contact a librarian or visit our website for more information.

Do you love to craft? Need to make some holiday gifts? Creativebug is a free learning platform that offers more than 1000 video classes in drawing, painting, sewing, quilting, knitting, jewelry making, and much more. You can get access to this site with your Lehi Library card! Visit our website for more information.

Join us for the last BOOK CLUB of the year and enter to win a KINDLE.

Wednesday, December 13 6:30-7:30 p.m. -The Education of Little Tree by Forrest Carter

December Closures: The Library will be closed December 25, 26, and 30. We will also be closed on January 1. See you next year!

Library Hours

Monday -Thursday

9:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

For more information, please visit our website

www.lehi-ut.gov/library



Literacy Center

Our winter after-school session begins this month and runs through February, and our fall ABC Program will be ending December 13 and 14. Open registration for the spring ABC Program will be open on our website December 4 until classes are full. There will be no ABC or After-School classes during the ASD Winter Break Dec 25 through January 7.

Literacy Center after-school programs offer reading and math classes for Lehi students in K - 4th grade. Classes are 45 minutes, twice a week, either Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs. Class times are 3 p.m., 4 p.m., and 5 p.m. Our ABC Program is a kindergarten readiness program for Lehi students 4 years old. Classes are 2 hours, twice a week, Mon/Wed OR Tues/Thurs from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Students may only attend one session.

Upcoming Dates

December 4 & 5 Winter After-School Session First Days

December 4 ABC Spring Session Registration Open

December 13 & 14 Fall ABC Session Last Days

December 25-January 7 Winter Break - No Classes

December 25, 26 & January 1 Literacy Center Closed

For updates and information visit:

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

www.facebook.com/LehiLiteracyCenter

COME SKATE WITH US!

To register for ice skate lessons, visit www.lehi-ut.gov/legacy-center/

Come join us this winter at Lehi's ice skating rink

MON-FRI: 5-10 PM
SAT: 11 AM - 11 PM
*SCHOOL WINTER BREAK HOURS, 11 AM - 11 PM

LEHI SPORTS COMPLEX
2000 W. 700 S.

Thank you to our Ice Rink sponsors!!

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Senior Center

News & Updates:

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

Weekly Classes:

Monday: Tai Chi 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Crochet Club 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday: Bingo 11:30 am
Wednesday: Sit and Fit 11:00 a.m.
Friday: Line Dance 1, 15, and 22 at 10 a.m.
Friday: Bingo 11:30 a.m.

Daily Lunches (Monday-Friday):

Inside meals are available with required reservations. Call 385-201-1065 and leave a message. A \$3 donation per meal is encouraged. Lunch is served at noon.

Special Events and Activities

December 8 – Christmas Luncheon Celebration

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sign up by Wednesday, December 5

December 12 - Christmas Lights Tour

December 13 - BUNCO Bash. A fun, easy game with dice. Starts at 12:30 p.m. at the Senior Center

December 19– Monday Movie Mania. This month we will watch: "The Christmas Story," at the Senior Center 12:30pm

December 22 December Birthday Celebration

December 25 and 26 Senior Center Closed. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

December 29– Noon Years Carnival. Come celebrate the 'noon' years with lunch and games. Must sign up by December 27. Also, sign up for a new Senior Center Membership.



Lehi City December Events

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| 12/2 | Santa Parade
5 p.m. @ Main Street |
| 12/9 | Storytime with Santa
2 p.m. @ Lehi Ice Rink |
| 12/12 | City Council Meeting
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 12/14 | Planning Commission
7 p.m. @ City Hall |
| 12/15 | Jingle Jangle Jubilee
5-9 p.m. @ Lehi Ice Rink |
| 12/16 | Jingle Jangle Jubilee
12-8 p.m. @ Lehi Ice Rink |

Streets

Parking and Snow Removal

Please be aware that parking on city streets during or for 24 hours following a snow storm is prohibited by Lehi City municipal code. In addition, from November 1 to March 30, parking on a city street is prohibited from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Lehi Streets Division will prioritize snow removal on city streets during and after a storm. On average, the division plows 4,000 lane miles of road per storm. The Streets Division will begin with roads that receive the most traffic and then plow roads in residential neighborhoods.



RECREATION NEWS

We have lots of exciting activities happening this Winter!
Don't miss out!

Purchase a Legacy Center Gift Certificate for Christmas this Year!

Inquire at the Front Desk!

WELLNESS FAIR – Mark your calendars NOW!

Lehi Legacy Center

Saturday, January 14, 2023

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Win an Annual Pass!

Come to the annual HEALTH & FITNESS FAIR. Booths will include many local, health-related vendors and information booths, including 20% off Annual memberships during fair hours only. ***The biggest sale of the year!***

For booth information call Tina at 801-201-2309 or email her at tstrong@lehi-ut.gov

(Pass sale is just during fair hours).

Weight Room AND Cardio Room Orientation

The Legacy Center offers an instructional class on the use of our equipment.

Classes: First Thursday of the month

Time: 6pm

Fee: Free for passholders; included in the daily fee for non-members.

Group meets on the mezzanine area next to the weight room.

Programs Registering NOW!

Adult Gun Safety Course, Art Class, Babysitters Course, Cheer, Dance, Evil Science Class, First Aid & CPR, Gymnastics, Hunter Safety, Itty Bitty Basketball, Lego Class, Martial Arts, Preschool, Science Class, Scrapbooking, Crafting, and More, and Swimming Lessons

Sports Registering SOON!

Boys Baseball, Co-Ed Volleyball, Girls Softball, Indoor Soccer, Machine Pitch, Spring Outdoor Soccer, Spring Wrestling, T-Ball/Coach Pitch, Track & Field

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