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Rockville Rocking the Seed Art



Rockville's entry took second place at Hurricane's peach days in the seed displays category. These unique creations were made of all natural materials to create beautiful and powerful works of art. What a fun way to celebrate the United States of America and her 250th anniversary.

The Truth about Belly Fat and Exercise

by Debi Keys

You can't "crunch" belly fat away—but you can change what's happening underneath it.

Let's talk about belly fat.
It seems like every other advertisement promises a secret exercise, miracle supplement, or "10-minute belly burner" that will finally get rid of that stubborn middle.
But there's one big myth we need to clear up first:
You can't spot-reduce fat.
Doing endless crunches won't make your body burn the fat specifically from your belly.
When you lose body fat, your body decides where it comes from.
But here's the good news:
You can change the way your middle looks.



Exercise can absolutely help reduce overall body fat—including the stubborn fat around your middle—and it can help reduce visceral fat while preserving the muscle you want to keep.
That's a win-win.

And There's Something Else to Consider…

Have you ever noticed that your belly looks different depending on how you're standing?
That's not your imagination.
Your posture, pelvic position, hip mobility, and muscle strength can all affect how your midsection appears.
And your hip flexors are part of that equation.
When we spend hours sitting, the front of our hips can become stiff and restricted. Improving hip mobility and strengthening your glutes, hips, and core can help you stand taller and get your body into a better position.
It won't burn belly fat by itself—but it can help your belly look flatter by improving the way you carry your body.
Now THAT is worth paying attention to.

3 Easy Hip Moves to Try

1. Standing Hip Flexor Stretch
Step one foot back. Keep your chest tall and gently tuck your pelvis underneath you.
Shift forward slightly until you feel a gentle stretch through the front of the back hip.
Hold 20–30 seconds per side.
2. Supported Knee Lifts
Hold onto a counter or sturdy chair.
Slowly lift one knee toward your chest, then lower it with control.
8–10 per side.
3. Glute Bridges
Lie on your back with knees bent and feet flat.
Press through your feet, lift your hips, squeeze your glutes, and slowly lower.
8–12 repetitions.
These simple exercises help build stronger, more mobile hips—and stronger hips give your entire body a better foundation.

So… Can You Get a Flatter Belly?

Yes.
But think beyond crunches.
For the biggest impact, combine:
✔ Strength training to build and preserve muscle
✔ Walking and cardio to help burn calories and reduce visceral fat
✔ Good nutrition to support healthy fat loss
✔ Hip and core exercises to improve strength and posture
✔ Consistency because your body changes through what you do repeatedly
And remember:
A flatter belly isn't created by one magic exercise.
It's created by what you do consistently—inside and outside the gym.
So if a flatter, stronger middle is your goal…
Don't give up on it.
Just stop chasing it with 500 crunches.
Train your whole body. Move your hips. Build muscle. Improve your posture.
And give your body the time and consistency it needs to change.
Your flatter belly might be closer than you think.
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When Fear Took Flight (93)

thanks to Linda Brinkley's facebook post which inspired research for this article.
Also thanks to Charlotte Liam who wrote the article
(**https**://ifeg.info/2026/08/24/honor-elizabeth-wainios-final-moments-on-flight-93-the-story-of-a-young-woman-who-faced-fear-with-love-and-courage/#google_vignette) from which the following is summarized.

On the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, 40 ordinary people boarded United Airlines Flight 93. They were travelers, parents, spouses, friends, workers and young people with places to go and people waiting for them.
None expected to become part of history.
They expected an ordinary day—business meetings, family plans, vacations and the simple routines of travel. Among them was 27-year-old Honor Elizabeth "Lizz" Wainio, a young woman returning from a friend's wedding in Italy and traveling to San Francisco for work. Like everyone aboard, she had a future she expected to continue.
Then, at 9:28 a.m., everything changed.
The aircraft was hijacked. As passengers made phone calls and learned that other planes had been deliberately crashed into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, they began to understand what was happening. This was not simply a hijacking.
Their airplane was being turned into a weapon.
And in that terrible realization, they faced a choice.
They could remain still and hope for the best. Or they could act.
They chose to act.
What followed is one of the most remarkable examples of ordinary people choosing courage and selflessness in the face of overwhelming fear. The passengers and crew were not soldiers or first responders. They had no special training for the situation they faced. They were simply people who understood that their actions might determine whether others on the ground lived or died.
They knew the risk.
They knew they might not survive.
And they acted anyway.
That decision was not made because they were fearless. It was made because something became more important than their fear: protecting other people.
Among those aboard was Lizz, who called her stepmother during the flight. In what became her final conversation, she expressed her love and concern for her family before saying goodbye. Her story is a reminder that even in the most frightening moments, people can remain connected to those they love—and can find the strength to think beyond themselves.
The passengers' effort to regain control of Flight 93 ended when the plane crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, at 10:03 a.m. All 40 passengers and crew members were killed. But their decision to resist prevented the hijackers from reaching their intended target, believed to have been the U.S. Capitol or the White House.
They could not know whether they would succeed.
They could only know that they had to try.
That is what makes Flight 93's story so powerful. It is not simply a story about tragedy. It is a story about what people are capable of when confronted with unimaginable circumstances.
Fear was present.
But so was courage.
Self-preservation was natural.
But so was the selfless decision to protect others.
The people aboard Flight 93 remind us that heroism does not always begin with extraordinary people. Sometimes it begins with ordinary people making an extraordinary choice.
Today, the Flight 93 National Memorial honors those 40 lives. The Tower of Voices, with its 40 wind chimes, represents each passenger and crew member. Their sounds rise and mingle with the wind—a fitting symbol for 40 individual lives becoming part of one shared story.
Behind every name was a life.
Behind every life was a family.
Behind every family were hopes, plans and people who loved them.
And behind the history of Flight 93 was a choice made by human beings who were afraid, who understood the danger, and who nevertheless chose to act for the sake of others.
More than two decades later, that may be the most enduring lesson of Flight 93:
Courage is not the absence of fear. It is the decision that something else matters more.
On that September morning, 40 people faced the unimaginable. They chose to stand together. They chose to resist. And, ultimately, they chose the lives of people they would never know over their own.
In the darkest of circumstances, they showed us one of humanity's greatest possibilities—that even when fear tells us to save ourselves, compassion and courage can call us to save one another.



Upcoming Town Council Meeting

op-ed by the editor

The next meeting of Town Council, Wednesday, Sept 9, 5 pm, at the CCC has only one agenda item marked Public Hearing: "Opening and amending the budget."

They will also be adopting an undated code of conduct and rules of procedures for public officials and public meetings. This is the third and last of the legislative items on the agenda. One expects this wording to pass with little discussion. This is a better version than the last as it lacks the direction to not discuss items with the public when not at meetings.

The protocols maintain the position that the public cannot ask the town council questions during the meetings, but they can ask town staff questions. It also maintains inflexibility when it comes to responding to public comments by town council. They will not do it.

So be it.

When an item is marked public hearing, there is more latitude to ask questions and make comments. Their pattern is they only make things public hearing when the law requires them to. They could, if they desired, make almost every agenda item public hearing.

They have a great desire to have meetings which stress decorum and efficiency. They seem completely unnerved by the idea of dialogue with the public at meetings.

Even at the two cents event to discuss possibilities for the two acres by town hall, there was zero public dialogue between the citizens and Town Council. They have been unresponsive to requests for having Town Halls, a very common practice in many towns and cities to encourage engagement. Whatever it is they are afraid of, that fear is driving their decisions.

We can be grateful they are decent people who care about Springdale. It is unlikely they will do anything wildly contrary to its best interests, with or without public input and dialogue.

It is even more unlikely that the community dialogue with leadership which would increase transparency, trust, and a "we're-in-this-together" sense of unity will happen under this Town Council.

Town Council meetings will be polite and practical and that's not nothing. They could be communicative, informative, and community building.

Jake Gailey's Journey Update

Jake, Aryana , and Moki Gailey moved to Springdale a couple of years ago. As reported in last week's issue, Jake has started a never-before-



accomplished 1200 mile bike trip from rom Glacier National Park to Olympic National Park.

He reports, "I'm around 177 miles in and 19,500 ft climbed so far and I'm doing pretty well! The weather was perfect while I was cycling through Glacier Nation Park and then got really nasty and wet when I was up in the Whitefish Rand/10 lakes wilderness area. I'm averaging around 30-ish miles a day so far and I got a sidewall flat riding into Eureka that I repaired and I've spent the last two nights in town waiting out a huge rainstorm and I'm heading back to the trail tomorrow morning."



Towns that Went Bankrupt

A useful caution up front: **a town doesn't technically "go bankrupt" in the same way a private company does.** In the U.S., eligible municipalities can use **Chapter 9**, a federal process for restructuring debts and obligations. It is rare, and the underlying causes are usually a combination of structural deficits, debt, pension/benefit obligations, revenue collapse, or an extraordinary legal/financial shock.
Here are some particularly instructive **small-town/small-city examples**.

Community	Main cause(s)	Key caution
Central Falls, Rhode Island	Severely underfunded pensions and retiree benefits; persistent fiscal imbalance	**Promises made years earlier can become today's crisis.**
Mammoth Lakes, California	A **$43 million legal judgment** arising from a development dispute—roughly 2–3× the town's annual budget	**One extraordinary liability can overwhelm a financially small town.**
Vallejo, California	Falling tax revenues, state funding cuts, expensive labor contracts, pensions and benefits	**A town can be fiscally doomed even without enormous conventional debt if recurring costs exceed recurring revenue.**
Stockton, California	Long-term revenue/spending imbalance, recession-driven revenue loss, retiree costs and substantial borrowing	**A temporary recession becomes dangerous when it exposes a pre-existing structural deficit.**
San Bernardino, California	Long-term spending/revenue imbalance, falling tax revenue, retiree costs and problematic internal borrowing	**Using one fund or borrowing internally can postpone—not solve—a structural problem.**

Mammoth Lakes

The town had only about **8,000 residents**. A long-running dispute with a developer eventually produced a **$43 million judgment**. The amount was almost three times the town's annual operating budget, and the town had already been cutting services and dealing with a budget shortfall. It ultimately sought Chapter 9 protection.
The lesson isn't simply "don't lose lawsuits." It's more interesting:
A small government has very little capacity to absorb a large, unexpected liability.

That means small towns need to pay particular attention to **contingent liabilities**—lawsuits, guarantees, development agreements, pension obligations, environmental liabilities, infrastructure failures, and other obligations that may not appear as ordinary annual expenditures.

Central Falls: the slow-motion version

Central Falls illustrates the opposite phenomenon. There wasn't one giant event comparable to Mammoth Lakes. Instead, the city accumulated an increasingly serious problem with **underfunded pensions and retiree benefits**. Rhode Island's legislature later explicitly found that

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the bankruptcy occurred in part because the pension plan had become severely underfunded. The eventual restructuring was painful: retirees experienced significant benefit reductions, while the city also had to restructure its finances and workforce.

Caution: This is perhaps the most important warning for a small town:

A liability doesn't have to be large today to be dangerous. It can be dangerous because it compounds.

A town can look perfectly solvent on a current-year budget while quietly accumulating obligations that will eventually consume a large percentage of future revenue.

Vallejo: the "everything is fine until revenue falls" example

Vallejo demonstrates another common pattern. Its financial problems weren't principally a giant pile of conventional debt. The city had a **structural mismatch between recurring revenue and recurring expenditures**, including expensive labor agreements and pension obligations. Then the recession caused property and sales-tax revenues to fall sharply.

That's a particularly important lesson for smaller communities dependent on a narrow economic base.

If a town relies heavily on:

- **tourism**,
- one major employer,
- property taxes,
- sales taxes,
- development fees,
- a particular industry, or
- state/federal transfers,

then a seemingly modest economic downturn can produce a disproportionately large fiscal shock.

The biggest cautions

Watch these **seven indicators** more than simply asking whether it has "a lot of debt."

1. **Recurring revenue less than recurring expenditure**
   This is the fundamental red flag.
2. **Pension and retiree-health obligations growing faster than revenue**
   Central Falls is the cautionary example.
3. **Dependence on one or two revenue sources**
   Especially tourism, development fees, sales tax, or a single employer.
4. **Using reserves or internal borrowing to balance ordinary operations**
   That can disguise a structural deficit rather than eliminate it. California's analysis specifically identified internal borrowing as a contributing factor in San Bernardino.
5. **Deferred infrastructure maintenance**
   Cutting capital spending can make today's budget look better while creating tomorrow's liability.
6. **Large contingent liabilities**
   Lawsuits and contractual obligations can matter enormously in a small municipality. Mammoth Lakes is the dramatic example.
7. **Optimistic revenue projections**
   The dangerous scenario is when a town keeps assuming that development, property values, tourism or sales will rebound—and therefore postpones difficult decisions.

Don't judge a town's financial health from its annual budget alone. Look at its *unfunded obligations, deferred maintenance, pension/retiree costs, debt service, reserves, revenue concentration, pending litigation, and five-to-ten-year projections*. That's where the future crisis usually becomes visible before the bankruptcy filing does.

The latest official financial information for

Springdale in Particular

The latest official financial information for Springdale, however, actually shows some important strengths. Springdale's FY2026 budget was adopted by the Town Council, and the town continues to publish annual budgets and audits.

W**hat could make Springdale financially vulnerable?**

1. Its revenue is unusually dependent on tourism

A huge percent **of Springdale's General Fund revenue comes from sales taxes**, including local-option, resort-community and transient-room taxes. That's both a strength and a vulnerability.

Zion tourism produces an extraordinary tax base for a town of only roughly 500–600 residents. But it means a major decline in:

- Zion visitation
- hotel occupancy
- restaurant activity
- retail spending
- tourism-related development

could hit Springdale's municipal revenue much harder than it would hit a diversified community.

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2. Debt has increased substantially
Springdale's FY2025 financial report shows **$12.4 million of outstanding business-type debt**, compared with $6.6 million the previous year.
Much of the increase relates to new sewer and municipal-building financing.
That's not automatically alarming. Much of this is **enterprise debt backed by water/sewer revenues**, rather than unrestricted general-government borrowing.
But it deserves monitoring because the town is tiny.

3. Springdale has an unusual advantage: a very large economic base relative to its population
Springdale does have an enormous visitor economy relative to its residential population. Consequently, **per-capita municipal spending and debt can look enormous without necessarily indicating fiscal distress**. The tourists, hotels, restaurants and businesses generate revenue that isn't proportional to the number of people who live there.

The thing to watch most closely:
→ **Zion visitation ↓**
→ **hotel occupancy ↓**
→ **sales/restaurant/retail activity ↓**
→ **sales & transient-room tax ↓**
→ **General Fund revenue ↓**
→ **pressure to subsidize services and infrastructure ↑**

Springdale's own budget documents acknowledge the concentration: sales taxes are the dominant General Fund revenue source.

There is another caution: infrastructure
Springdale has significant water/sewer infrastructure requirements for a community serving vastly more people than its permanent population.
That's one major reason to **not** look at the town's debt in isolation.
A $12 million water/sewer obligation could be perfectly manageable if rates and connection/usage revenues comfortably cover: **operations + maintenance + debt service + replacement reserves.**
The FY2025 report shows the town budgeting for renewal/replacement spending in its Water Fund, which is a positive sign.

One number to investigate further
The FY2025 budget appropriated **$748,500 of General Fund balance** as part of its $6.04 million revenue budget. That isn't necessarily a problem. Governments routinely use accumulated reserves for capital projects or one-time expenditures but it does warrant continued monitoring.

The biggest mistake would be to conclude that Springdale is financially safe simply because it has a prosperous tourism economy. Tourism is simultaneously the town's greatest fiscal asset and one of its greatest vulnerabilities. Though caution is warranted, Springdale is basically in good shape financially.
Risks could be characterized this way:

Risk	Springdale
Huge unfunded pension problem	🟢 Not the obvious issue
Structural operating deficit	🟡 Needs trend analysis
High conventional debt	🟡
Enterprise/water/sewer debt	🟡 Worth monitoring
Dependence on tourism	🔴 Significant
Dependence on sales tax	🔴 Significant
Large unexpected liability	🟡 Always important
Infrastructure replacement burden	🟡 Significant
Economic diversification	🔴 Limited

Glazier Update and Correction



The Glaziers continue to get back to their normal lives after their home in the basement of the Madsen's was destroyed by the deluge on August 31. They and their FOUR children (not, three, as reported in *The Springdale Sun* last week) are safe and working hard as they assess and renew. They express their deep gratitude to the many members of the community who offered prayers and gave a lot of blood, sweat, and tears — as well as warm, soft cash — to help them get rid of the crud and acquire new…well, everything.

Planning Commission

Planning Commission met last Wednesday, September 2, 2026 for their regular work meeting with the only item on the agenda being: Discussion about potential amendments to clarify Chapter 10-15F of the Town Code (Geologic Hazard), specifically clarifying the requirement for geotechnical investigation reports in the Geologic Hazard Study Area.

They had their typical detailed discussion and decided to consult experts to ascertain whether certain numbers in the requirements made scientific sense.

What's the difference between ignorance and apathy?
I don't know and I don't care.

Never Bored in Springdale

CHECK OUT THE SEPTEMBER TOWN NEWSLETTER!!! It's actually "newsier" than usual. Why, they even have a crossword puzzle https://www.springdale.utah.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/273

TAKE A GANDER AT THE FLYERS AND INFORMATION AT THE END OF THIS ISSUE FOR DETAILS AND CONTACT INFORMATION WHEN PERTINENT. MUCH OF THIS IS REPEATED EVERY ISSUE

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS:

Sundays:

8:30 am, CCC, Catholic Service, every Sunday, enter from the back

4 -5 pm, Crystal Sound Bath Meditation, CCC, weekly, cost (SKIPPING SEPT 20)

Mondays:

9 am, free outdoor exercise class, by the gazebo, bring hand-held weights, yoga mat, bands, and water. Enjoy a warm up, cardio, and stretching.

6-8 pm Pickleball Social

6:30-7:30 pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesdays:

8 am, High Fitness, CCC, weekly, cost

10 am, Yoga, CCC, weekly, cost

2-4 pm, Craft Group, CCC, bring what you're working on and enjoy time with fellow crafters, weekly

6-8 pm, Adult Beginner Pickleball

Wednesdays:

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10:30 am, Storytime, Library, weekly

11:30 am, Adult Book Group, Library, monthly, the 2nd Wednesday, discussing *Hamnet* by O'Farrell for Sept 9

2:30 pm, Scribblers, a writer's club, the 2nd Wednesday so you can go from the reader's to the writer's club, meeting at 650 Watchman Dr. Share what you've written.

2-3pm, CCC, Alcoholics Anonymous

4 pm, Teen Time, 1st Wed: group games, 2nd Wed: D&D, 3rd Wed: Arts&Crafts, 4th Wed: book club

Tween Book Club, 4th Wednesday of the month, discussing *They Both Die at the End* by A Silvers for August 26,

5 pm, Planning Commission Meetings, CCC, twice monthly, the first Wed is a work meeting, the 3rd is a regular meeting

5 pm, Town Council Regular Meeting, CCC, monthly, the 2nd Wed

Thursdays:

Every **first Thursday** of the month from noon to 2, *Let's Get Cooking*, a cookbook club, making a recipe anything Halloweeny for Oct 1.

3-4:30 pm, Sketchers CCC reading room, the first and third Thursdays, starting Sept 3rd. Open to all levels. If you have paper and pencil, you qualify. For more info text Regina 435 773 3637 or Jan 907 382 2912

5 pm, D&D Club, library, monthly, every second Thursday

8-9 pm, Yoga, CCC, weekly, cost

Fridays:

6-7 pm, Crystal Sound Bath Meditation CHANGED TO SUNDAYS AT 4

6-8 pm, Pickleball Skills & Drills

Saturdays:

11:30 am to 1:30 pm Adult Beginner Pickleball

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Now - Sept 15, Application submission for the Arts and Crafts Fair: this PDF APPLICATION FORM

Sept 9, Wednesday, Free Botanical Prints with Gelli Plates Workshop for 55+, 3:30- 5 pm, Heritage Town Square 114 S Mill St, Virgin, Limited to 20, ,Must RSVP lanell@listendelicious.art

Sept 9, Wednesday, Karaoke, Bumbleberry Theater, 6-9 pm, no cover charge although I hear having a good time is mandatory.

Sept 10, Thursday, Blood Drive, CCC, 8am to 2pm, to schedule an appointment: https://rcblood.org/4bH4QeN

Sept 10, Thursday, 3hattrio Returns to Springdale, 7 pm, Bumbleberry Theater, Tickets on sale now https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/3hattrio-returns-to-springdale

Sept 11, Friday, Day of Service, community clean up at Jolley-Gifford Cemetery, 8 am.

Now - Sept 18, Edges exhibition at CCC gallery

Sept 21 to Oct 23, Exhibition of artwork by Donna Holt, in memoriam, CCC gallery

Sept 24, Thursday, Library Paint Night, CCC, Painting made easy, all materials provided, free, but please register in advance 435 772 3676 or emily.jurgensmeier@washco.utah.gov

Oct 2, Friday, Memorial and potluck reception for Donna Holt, CCC, 4 - 6 pm

TO ACCESS GENERAL INFORMATION

Z-Arts upcoming events: https://www.zarts.org/event-list

For Lion's Club: https://www.springdaletown.com/290/Zion-Canyon-Lions-Club

For Zion Animal Lovers (ZAL): https://www.springdaletown.com/310/Zion-Animal-Lovers-ZAL>

For a great listing of community events with links to greater details: <https://www.springdaletown.com/calendar.aspx>

Information about Wellness and Fitness Classes: <https://www.springdaletown.com/458/Wellness-Fitness-Classes>

Events at Bumbleberry Theater: <https://bumbleberry.com/springdale-utah-theater/>

Looking Ahead

Nov 14, Saturday, Butch Cassidy 10K/5K, Early Registration concluded August 24

Construction Update September 3, 2026

(Minimal change since last update-changes or additions in blue)

Through September 3*, crews and equipment will operate in the following areas:

Hurricane – SR-9 Milepost (MP) 2-5:

- Crews will be rock sawing underneath the roadway, installing junction boxes (conduit connectors that provide access points), and routing conduit around existing utility lines along the shoulder of eastbound SR-9. No direct traffic impacts are anticipated.

Virgin – SR-9 (MP) 22-23:

- Crews will be drilling for conduit installation along the shoulder of eastbound SR-9. No direct traffic impacts are anticipated.

Mount Carmel – SR-9 (MP) 50-55:

- A crew will be connecting and tying into existing conduit along eastbound SR-9. No direct traffic impacts are anticipated.

Springdale - SR-9 (MP) 29-31:

- Daytime work is anticipated to begin week of **September 8** at the west end of Springdale. Please anticipate minor traffic delays and pedestrian/cyclist detours.

Work in Zion National Park is paused through the Labor Day holiday and will resume on **Monday, Sept 14**.

Zion Fiber Phase II

Through September 11*, crews and equipment will operate in the following area:

- **Alton – US 89 (MP) 104-114:** Crews will be plowing, trenching, and drilling for conduit installation. Construction activities are primarily occurring within the roadway shoulders, so drivers should expect minimal traffic impacts.

Zion Canyon Fiber Optics Project Map (Phases I and II)



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Motorcyclist, Cyclist, and Driver Safety Information
(No change since last update)

Please use caution and prioritize safety while traveling through the construction area. Avoid any equipment in roadway shoulders over the Independence Day holiday while work is paused.

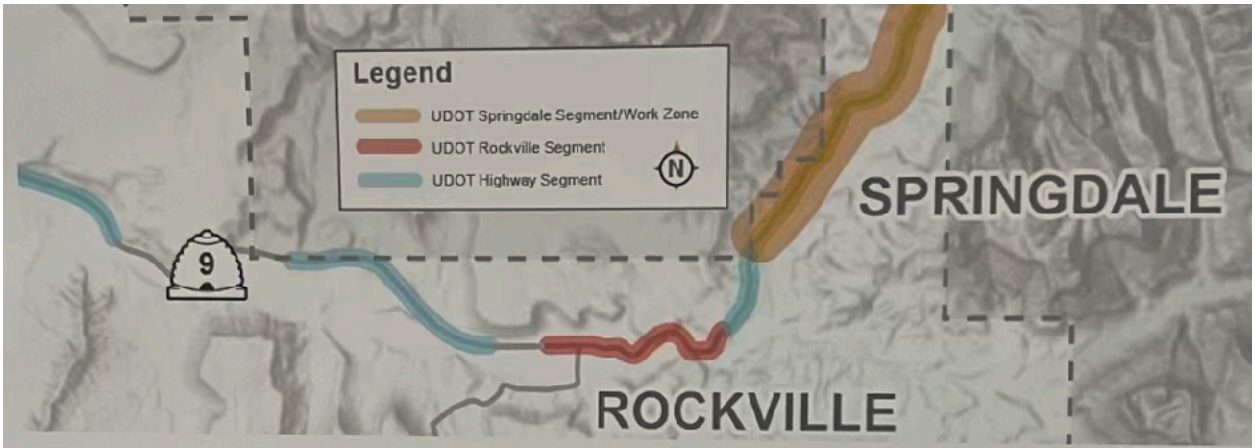
- **Stay alert** and watch for any lane shifts, crews, equipment, and posted signage.
- **Avoid distractions** by refraining from using mobile devices while traveling through the project area.
- **Maintain a safe following distance** from the vehicle in front of you to allow for sudden stops or changes in traffic flow.

Project Overview (No change since last update)

The Utah Department of Transportation's Zion Canyon Fiber Optics Project will:

- Install over 50 miles of fiber optic cable along State Route 9 and the Zion-Mount Carmel Highway
- Support ITS devices such as traffic cameras, road signs, and weather stations
- Help expand and modernize the state's fiber optic infrastructure
- Enhance connectivity

Work began Wednesday, June 3, and is anticipated to be completed by December 2026.



Springdale work area and nearby project segments

Want the latest? Sign up for email updates by emailing **zioncanyontechnology@utah.gov** with "Subscribe" in the subject line. Travel impacts can be found on the UDOT Traffic Website, **www.udot.utah.gov/traffic**, or by downloading the UDOT Traffic App.

HOTLINE 855 663 6800
WEBSITE udotinput.utah.gov/ziontechnology

Police Blotter for Springdale and Rockville

not available for one month until after the Town Council meets
on the second Wednesday of the following month

2026 JULY STATS

SPRINGDALE STATS

CITATIONS

Improper Pass- Unsafe	2
Improper Pass- No Pass Zone	3
Speed	10
Registration- Failed to/Expired	1
Failure to Operate Vehicle in a Single Lane	2
TOTAL CITATIONS	18
WARNING ON CITES	1

ARRESTS

Criminal Trespass-Notice Against Entry	1
Reckless Driving	1
Prohibited Activity in Park or Recreation Area	1
Alcohol-Consume in Public	1
Using Wireless Device While Operating Vehicle	1
Assault	1
Criminal Mischief- Loss<$500	1
Reckless Driving	1
TOTAL ARRESTS	8

ROCKVILLE STATS

CITATIONS

Follow Too Close	1
Registration- Failed to/Expired	1
Speed	9
Display Previous Owner Plate	1
Improper Pass- No Pass Zone	1
TOTAL CITATIONS	13
WARNING ON CITES	3

ARRESTS

Driver License Denied- Non Drug/Alcohol	1
Operate Vehicle Without Insurance	1
Drug Possession of Schedule III	1
Drug Possession of Schedule I/II	1
Use of Drug Paraphernalia	1
TOTAL ARRESTS	5

SPRINGDALE INCIDENTS

911 Hang Up	1	Other	0
Abandoned Vehicle	0	Overdose	0
Agency Assist	13	Panic Alarm	0
Alcohol Offense	0	Paraphernalia	0
Animal Bite	0	Park Security Check	54
Animal Emergency	1	Parking Problem	10
Animal Problem	4	PD Accident	5
Assault	0	Person Down	0
Attempt to Locate	7	PI Accident	0
Attended Death	0	Property Damage	3
Bike Patrol	0	Protective Order Violation	0
Brush Fire	1	Prowler	0
Business Alarm	6	Psychiatric	0
Business Burglary	0	Public Urination	0
Business Checks	53	Residence Burglary	0
Business License Problem	1	Resident Vacation Check	27
Camping Problem	2	Residential Alarm	1
Child Abuse Neglect	0	Retail Theft	1
Choking	0	School Zone Enforcement	0
Citizen Assist	7	Sex Offender Registry	0
Citizen Contact	14	Sex Offense	0
Citizen Dispute	0	Stalking	0
Civil	0	Structure Fire	0
Community Oriented Policing	5	Suicidal	0
Construction Site Checks	0	Suspicious Other	3
Counterfeiting	0	Suspicious Person	3
Criminal Mischief	0	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Crosswalk Enforcement	13	Telematic Alarm	1
Curfew	0	Telephone Harassment	0
Disorderly	0	Theft	2
Drugs	0	Threatening	0
DUI	0	Traffic Hazard	4
DV Assault	0	Traffic Offense	0
DV Criminal Mischief	0	Traffic Stop Warning	15
DV Unlawful Detention	0	Traumatic	0
Evading	0	Trespassing	3
Extra Patrol	107	Unattended Death	0
Family Fight	6	Unconcious	0
Felony Theft	0	Unsecured Premise	1
Fire	0	Utility Problem	0
Fireworks	0	Vagrancy	1
Follow up	11	Vehicle Burglary	0
Found Child	1	Vehicle Fire	0
Found Property	15	Vehicle Theft	1
Fraud	0	VIN Inspection	0
Gas Theft	0	Wanted Person	0
Graffiti	0	Weapon Offense	0
Harassment	0	Welfare Check	4
Hit and Run	1	Wildlife/Poaching	0
Hitchhiking	0	0	0
Illegal Burning	2	0	0
Impound	0	0	0
Intoxication	0	0	0
Jail Release	0	0	0
Juvenile Problem	0	0	0
Keep the Peace	0	0	0
Lewdness	0	0	0
Littering	0	0	0
Lockout	2	0	0
Lost Property	6	0	0
Medical Assist	3	0	0
Missing Person	0	0	0
Motorist Assist	0	0	0
Noise Complaint	2	0	0
Nuisance	0	0	0

TOTAL SPRINGDALE INCIDENTS **424**

ROCKVILLE INCIDENTS

911 Hang Up	0	Other	0
Abandoned Vehicle	0	Overdose	0
Agency Assist	1	Panic Alarm	0
Alcohol Offense	0	Paraphernalia	0
Animal Bite	0	Park Security Check	23
Animal Emergency	0	Parking Problem	0
Animal Problem	1	PD Accident	2
Assault	0	Person Down	0
Attempt to Locate	1	PI Accident	2
Attended Death	0	Property Damage	0
Bike Patrol	0	Protective Order Violation	0
Brush Fire	0	Prowler	0
Business Alarm	0	Psychiatric	0
Business Burglary	0	Public Urination	0
Business Checks	0	Residence Burglary	0
Business License Problem	0	Resident Vacation Check	0
Camping Problem	0	Residential Alarm	0
Child Abuse Neglect	0	Retail Theft	0
Choking	0	School Zone Enforcement	0
Citizen Assist	2	Sex Offender Registry	0
Citizen Contact	1	Sex Offense	0
Citizen Dispute	0	Stalking	0
Civil	0	Structure Fire	0
Community Oriented Policing	4	Suicidal	0
Construction Site Checks	0	Suspicious Other	0
Counterfeiting	0	Suspicious Person	0
Criminal Mischief	0	Suspicious Vehicle	0
Crosswalk Enforcement	0	Telematic Alarm	0
Curfew	0	Telephone Harassment	0
Disorderly	0	Theft	0
Drugs	1	Threatening	0
DUI	0	Traffic Hazard	2
DV Assault	0	Traffic Offense	1
DV Criminal Mischief	0	Traffic Stop Warning	18
DV Unlawful Detention	0	Traumatic	0
Evading	0	Trespassing	0
Extra Patrol	45	Unattended Death	0
Family Fight	0	Unconcious	0
Felony Theft	0	Unsecured Premise	0
Fire	0	Utility Problem	0
Fireworks	0	Vagrancy	0
Follow up	1	Vehicle Burglary	0
Found Child	0	Vehicle Fire	0
Found Property	0	Vehicle Theft	0
Fraud	0	VIN Inspection	2
Gas Theft	0	Wanted Person	0
Graffiti	0	Weapon Offense	0
Harassment	0	Welfare Check	2
Hit and Run	0	Wildlife/Poaching	0
Hitchhiking	0	0	0
Illegal Burning	0	0	0
Impound	0	0	0
Intoxication	0	0	0
Jail Release	0	0	0
Juvenile Problem	0	0	0
Keep the Peace	0		0
Lewdness	0		0
Littering	0		0
Lockout	0		0
Lost Property	0		0
Medical Assist	0		0
Missing Person	0		0
Motorist Assist	1		0
Noise Complaint	0		0
Nuisance	0		0

TOTAL ROCKVILLE INCIDENTS **110**

TOTAL INCIDENTS **534**



Let's Get Cooking

Springdale Cookbook Club

When: Thursday October 1st at 12 p.m.

Where: Community Center Reading Room

More Information:

- Pick any recipe as long as it is Halloween Themed! Must be ookie spooky!
- Bring your dishware and your own cutlery to eat off of.
- If you wish to make a dish that everyone can eat do not include gluten, cucumbers, or meat.
- Questions? Email alexisdegraw@hotmail.com







Arts and Crafts Fair




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Time & Location
EXHIBITION DATES: AUGUST 10 - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026
Canyon Community Center Gallery,
126 Lion Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767

About the event
EDGES - 1st Annual Juried Exhibition of Local Canyon artists
COME AND ENJOY THE ARTWORK THAT GETS CHOSEN





Thu, Sep 10 | Bumbleberry Theatre

3hattrio Returns to Springdale - September 10, 2026, Bumbleberry Theatre

The sensational musical talent of 3hattrio returns to Springdale for a one-night-only extravaganza on Thursday, September 10, 2026! Tickets on sale now!

Bumbleberry Theatre, 897 Zion Park Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767, USA

About the event

GET TICKETS

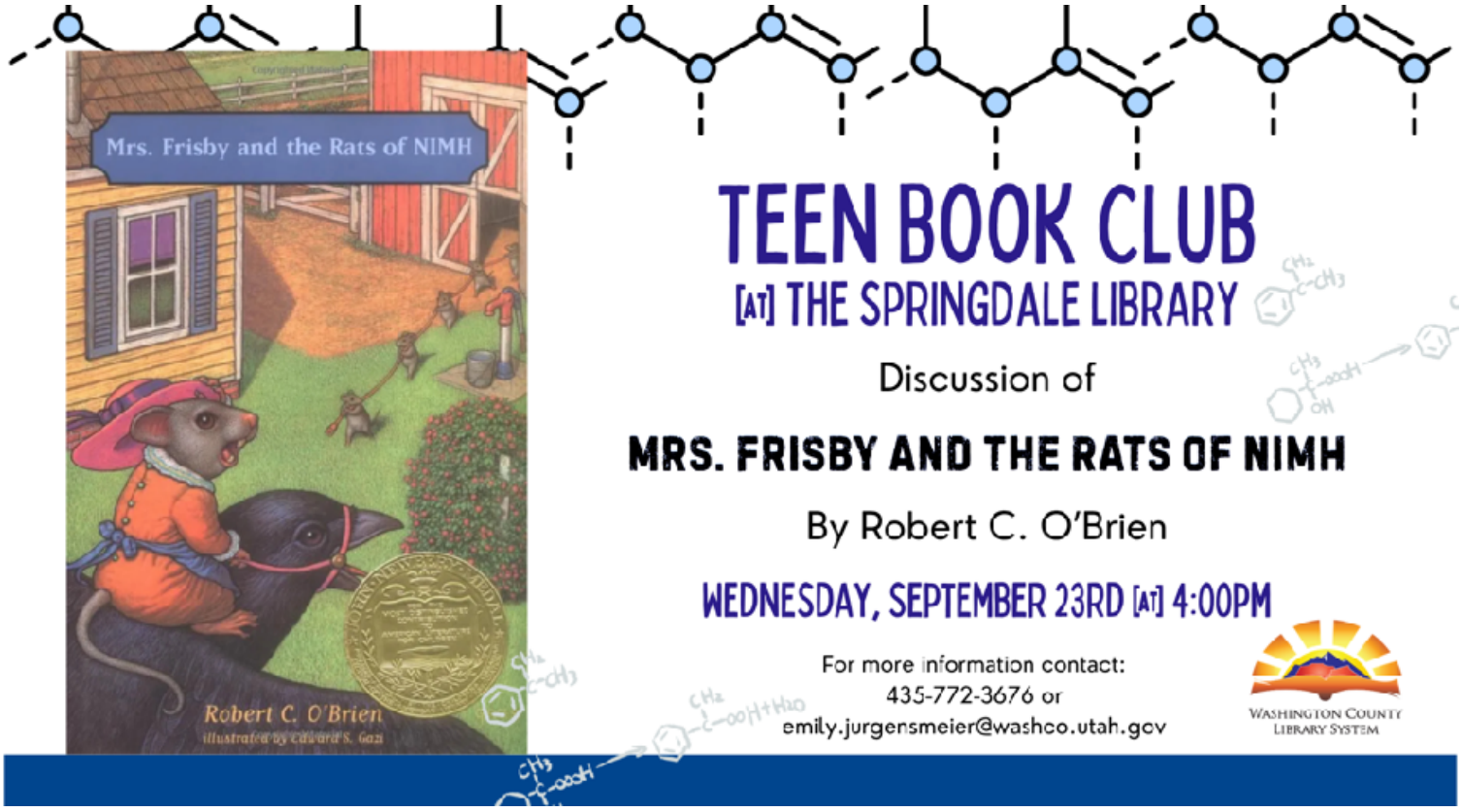
3HATTRIO RETURNS TO SPRINGDALE!
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026
BUMBLEBERRY THEATRE - 7:00 PM
Food and beverages will be available to purchase, limited seating. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.
Additional tour dates can be found here https://www.facebook.com/3hattrio

Born in the shadow of Zion's red cliffs, 3hattrio emerged from the red rock country of Zion, Utah in 2013, when teenage violinist Eli Wrankle fell in with veteran musicians Greg Istock and Hal Cannon. Their chemistry was instant. Blending their vastly different musical worlds, they forged their own sound, "American Desert Music". After seven albums, four European tours, and a pandemic pause, the trio reunites in September 2026.


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Springdale Library
History Project
Springdale Library would like you to add your and/or your family's stories to our Special Collections.
We are looking for personal histories, family histories, obituaries, photos and other writings pertaining to the people of Zion Canyon / Springdale / Rockville / Virgin area.
For more information or to donate to this project please contact Emily Jurgensmeier, Springdale Library Branch Manager, @ (435) 772-3676 or emilyj@washco.utah.gov
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OR EMAIL: EMILYJ@WASHCO.UTAH.GOV


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By Robert C. O'Brien
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SPRINGDALE
PICKLEBALL
Pickleball Schedule
Mondays
Springdale Pickleball Social
Free
6:00PM-8:00PM
Tuesdays
Beginner Adult Class
6:00PM-8:00PM
Fridays
Pickleball Skills & Drills
6:00PM-8:00PM
Saturdays
Beginner Adult Class
11:30AM-1:30PM
Pickleball
Information
Scan the QR Code For more info, to purchase a pass or sign a waiver
Springdale Pickleball Courts
126 Lion Blvd., Springdale UT

St. George to Springdale

Stop	AM Times					PM Times						
1670 S 120 E (Dixie Center) St. George	5:40	7:00	8:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:30
Red Cliffs Mall (Barnes & Noble)	5:49	7:09	8:09	10:09	11:09	12:09	1:09	2:09	4:09	5:09	6:09	7:39
Buena Vista (Boiler Park) Washington	5:58	7:18	8:18	10:18	11:18	12:18	1:18	2:18	4:18	5:18	6:18	7:48
5300 W Regional Park Rd (DMV) Hurricane	6:09	7:29	8:29	10:29	11:29	12:29	1:29	2:29	4:29	5:29	6:29	7:59
3400 W Hurricane (Walmart)	6:15	7:35	8:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:35	2:35	4:35	5:35	6:35	8:05
700 W State St Hurricane	6:24	7:44	8:44	10:44	11:44	12:44	1:44	2:44	4:44	5:44	6:44	8:14
300 N State St LaVerkin	6:30	7:50	8:50	10:50	11:50	12:50	1:50	2:50	4:50	5:50	6:50	8:20
Zion White Bison Resort Park and Ride	6:39	7:59	8:59	10:59	11:59	12:59	1:59	2:59	4:59	5:59	6:59	8:29
Kolob Terrace Rd Virgin	6:41	8:01	9:01	11:01	12:01	1:01	2:01	3:01	5:01	6:01	7:01	8:31
1130 Zion Park Blvd (Hampton) Springdale	6:57	8:17	9:17	11:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	5:17	6:17	7:17	8:47
Lion Blvd Springdale (Arrive)	7:02	8:22	9:22	11:22	12:22	1:22	2:22	3:22	5:22	6:22	7:22	8:52

Spingdale to St.George

Stop	AM Times				PM Times							
Lion Blvd Springdale (Depart)	7:20	8:40	9:40	11:40	12:40	1:40	2:40	3:40	5:40	6:40	7:40	9:10
1210 Zion Park Blvd (Bit & Spur) Springdale	7:23	8:43	9:43	11:43	12:43	1:43	2:43	3:43	5:43	6:43	7:43	9:13
Kolob Terrace Rd Virgin	7:37	8:57	9:57	11:57	12:57	1:57	2:57	3:57	5:57	6:57	7:57	9:27
Zion White Bison Resort Park and Ride	7:40	9:00	10:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:30
300 N State St LaVerkin	7:51	9:11	10:11	12:11	1:11	2:11	3:11	4:11	6:11	7:11	8:11	9:41
700 W State St Hurricane	7:57	9:17	10:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	4:17	6:17	7:17	8:17	9:47
3400 W Hurricane (Walmart)	8:03	9:23	10:23	12:23	1:23	2:23	3:23	4:23	6:23	7:23	8:23	9:53
5300 W Regional Park Rd (DMV) Hurricane	8:11	9:31	10:31	12:31	1:31	2:31	3:31	4:31	6:31	7:31	8:31	10:01
Buena Vista (Boiler Park) Washington	8:20	9:40	10:40	12:40	1:40	2:40	3:40	4:40	6:40	7:40	8:40	10:10
Red Cliffs Mall (Barnes & Noble)	8:29	9:49	10:49	12:49	1:49	2:49	3:49	4:49	6:49	7:49	8:49	10:19
1670 S 120 E (Dixie Center) St. George	8:40	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:30

TIMES POSTED ARE DEPARTURE TIMES. TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE. PLEASE BE 5 MINUTES EARLY.

ZION ROUTE INFORMATION

SunTran bus service has a new public transit route connecting St. George to Zion National Park! The 42-mile route, with stops in St. George, Washington, Hurricane, La Verkin, Virgin, and Springdale, aims to reduce traffic congestion while providing an affordable and convenient travel option.

Buses operate Monday through Saturday from 5:40 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Fares cost $5 for each one-way trip, with an unlimited monthly pass available for $100 ALTHOUGH PARKING AT THE ‘PARK AND RIDE’ IN VIRGIN IS FREE according to Mayor Bruno.

Riders are encouraged to be at stops at least 5 minutes early. Stop schedules may fluctuate a minute or two ahead or behind the listed stop time, depending on traffic.