

# LEHI LEDGER

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## *The Future of Parks and Arts*

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One of our local gems, Wines Park, was a donation of land from a local businessman more than a hundred years ago. Although the ground was free, the deal required Lehi citizens to develop the park within a certain time frame in order to obtain the deed. Rather than force this financial obligation upon the residents, the City Council put the question to Lehi citizens at a mass meeting held on

April 21, 1908, in which it was decided to move forward. We all love Wines Park, but did you know that Ira Wines also offered to sell Lehi the adjoining block to the west, for a total of six acres? Lehi decided not to buy it.

When I moved here in 2002, I remember seeing an architectural rendering of a new arts center displayed on an easel at City Hall. A Deseret News article tells the story behind it: Those plans included a 2000-seat theater, classrooms, offices, rehearsal spaces, and a recital hall. Thanksgiving Point had set aside 4 acres for the 155,000 square foot facility. The Arts Council was promised private donations of nearly \$6 million. The projected completion date was the summer of 2001. It was never built.

As citizens, we currently face these kinds of issues on a larger scale. I awoke this morning to a Daily Herald headline that sums up what most of us already know: "Lehi, Eagle Mountain, Saratoga Springs and Vineyard motor Utah County's growth." The article points out that in just ten years, Lehi has grown from a population of 47,407 in 2010 to 75,907 in 2020, a staggering increase of

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more than 60%. But in some ways, not much has changed, especially in terms of arts and parks.

The dream of a regional facility for the arts eventually faded, as the remainder of the necessary funding never materialized. The Lehi Arts Council is currently housed in a tiny brick building, with a theater that seats just 86 people. Their children's workshops have 120 kids enrolled for this fall, but registration filled up within 10 minutes and many Lehi kids were turned away, because there simply isn't enough space in the building for them to participate.

As for parks, our past leaders showed great foresight in acquiring recreational property, while it was still readily available and relatively affordable. The result is that Lehi citizens now have the tremendous privilege of owning approximately 366 acres of land, just waiting for sufficient funding to be developed. The Parks Master Plan from 2015 showed us to be deficient in almost every kind of facility, but there isn't enough revenue to build any faster than we currently are.

In November we will have the opportunity to vote on Proposition 7, which would collect a sales tax of one penny of every \$10 spent in Lehi from all consumers, including nonresidents, for Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Culture (PARC). It is up to our residents to decide how we want to fund our parks and arts and how long we want their development to take. I encourage you to be educated and be informed before you vote.

- Paige Albrecht

# Lehi Historical Society

Mark your calendars—Lehi Heritage Day is Labor Day, September 6, at the Legacy Center at 123 N. Center. This year's theme is, "Back to the '60s," with an emphasis on what Lehi residents did for entertainment during that time. The City-sponsored event is free and for the public.

The day will go as follows:

**Showcase Parade**—2:30 p.m. featuring the 2020 and 2021 Honorees.

**Honoree Celebration**—3 p.m., with the Mayor and City Council under a giant tent in front of the Legacy Center. Seating is limited; bring a lawn chair. During this event honorees will be presented with their own brick in the Walk of Fame Garden.

**Honorees greet visitors**—4-6 p.m. in the Senior Center where there will be displays honoring them.

**"Back to the '60s,"** —4-6 p.m. featuring displays, activities and food (Chick-fil-A). This will be held in the North Gym of the Legacy Center.

**Classic Car Show**—4-6 p.m., in the east parking lot of the Legacy Center. No entry fee. The first 20 cars to make a \$10 donation to the Lehi Historical Society will be given a pass to drive in the Showcase Parade. A parking spot will be reserved for all parade participants. For more information on the car show, go to [LehiHistory.com](http://LehiHistory.com) or call 801-836-2594.

Put on by the Lehi Historical Society and Archives, the event is created to honor Lehi's beautiful past and celebrate those who have contributed so much to it.

For more information on Lehi Heritage Day, how to volunteer or participate or if you have something from the 1960s you would like to display, please contact the historical society at 801-768-1570, [lehihistory@gmail.com](mailto:lehihistory@gmail.com) or [lehihistory.com](http://lehihistory.com).



# Literacy Center



This month we begin our Fall After-School Reading & Math Session on September 8 & 9. This session runs through November 16. Our Fall/Winter ABC Session began last month and will continue until December 16. If you did not get your students in to these sessions, watch our Facebook page and website for information and registration dates for our next sessions. After-School programs offer reading and math classes for Lehi students in K - 4th grade. Classes are 45 minutes twice a week Monday/Wednesday OR Tuesday/Thursday. Class times are 3 p.m., 4 p.m., & 5 p.m. ABC program is a kindergarten readiness program for students 4 years old by September 1, 2021. Classes are twice a week either Monday/Wednesday OR Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

## Upcoming Dates

September 6- Labor Day - Literacy Center Closed

September 7- No ABC Classes

September 7- Volunteer Orientation 4 p.m.

September 8 & 9- After-School First Day Classes

For updates and information visit: .

[www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/literacy/](http://www.lehi-ut.gov/recreation/literacy/)

[www.facebook.com/LehiLiteracyCenter](https://www.facebook.com/LehiLiteracyCenter)

# Library News

## Encouraging lifelong learning!

We had a very successful Summer Reading Pool Party!

A BIG Thank You to everyone who participated!

**Programming: Fall programs begin on September 7!**

**Watch our website for more details and begin registering on September 6.**

**Beehive Library Consortium-** New free services offered on the Beehive Library Consortium (Libby)!

**Artist Works-** Learn a musical instrument online.

**Learn it Live-** Explore 1,000s of topics on health, wellness, spirituality, career development, and more.

**Universal Class-** brings libraries lifelong learning courses in over 30 subject areas, many of which offer continuing education units (CEUs). Contact us for more information.

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. -8 p.m.

and Friday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Come in and browse or use our curbside pick-up!

For more information, please visit our website

[www.lehi-ut.gov/library](http://www.lehi-ut.gov/library)



# Senior Center

## News & Updates:

Stay tuned for details on our Lunch Bunch Day Trip to the Shops at Riverwoods on October 11. (Tentative) Pre-register now or ask us questions if interested.

## Weekly Classes:

Monday: Tai Chi (TBA) 9:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: Crochet Cub (in-person) 10:15 a.m.  
Wednesday: Chair Yoga (online)  
Thursday: Quilting (in-person) 10 a.m.  
Friday: Line Dance (in-person) 10 a.m.  
Friday: Bingo (in-person) 11:30 a.m.

## Daily Lunches (Monday-Friday):

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

## Special Events and Activities:

**September 6** – CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

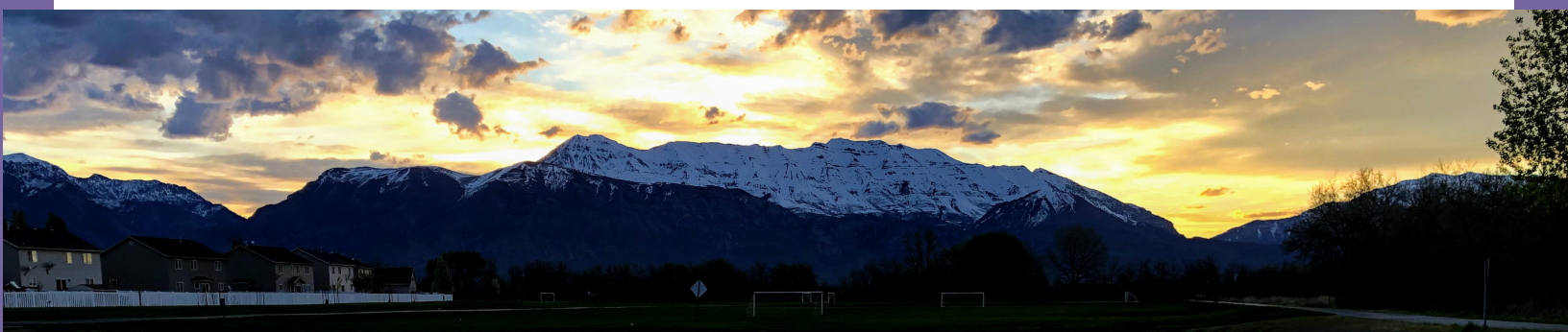
**September 8**– BUNCO Bash. A fun, easy game with dice. In-person at the Senior Center. Starts at 12:30 p.m.

**September 20**– Monday Movie Mania: "Remember the Titans". In-person at the Senior Center. Popcorn or treat included. Starts at 12:30 p.m.

**September 24** – Birthday Celebration: cupcake or treat with lunch. Must sign up by September 23 at noon to receive a meal and treat.

**September 28** – Health Screenings. UVU Nurses will be at the Senior Center to offer free Health Screenings like blood pressure, blood sugar, etc. No sign up needed.

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



## Lehi City September Events

**9/7** City Council Meeting  
7 p.m. @ City Hall

**9/9** Planning Commission  
7 p.m. @ City Hall

**9/21** City Council Meeting  
7 p.m. @ City Hall

**9/23** Planning Commission  
7 p.m. @ City Hall

## Planning

**Lehi City proposes to change several City and Alpine School District owned properties to the Public Facilities zone. The City deemed this newsletter as the most effective way to notify residents citywide of the proposed zone change. This rezone is following the change in General Plan designation on these properties which was approved on June 29, 2021.**

The Public Facilities designation is meant to ensure and protect the long-term public use of property. Common uses in the Public Facility District include, but are not limited to, parks, trails, public schools, city buildings, city parking lots, and city public utility buildings/infrastructure.

The Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on this item on September 23 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. A map showing the location of the proposed changes and additional information about the changes can be found on Engage Lehi ([engagelehi.org](http://engagelehi.org)). We encourage those with questions or concerns to contact the Planning Department at 385-201-1000.

# RECREATION NEWS

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

## **Halloween Party**

Come join us for a **Nightmare on Center Street** for a **SPOOKY** and **FUN** Halloween party at the Legacy Center!

**Date: Friday, October 29, 2021**

**Time: 5-8 p.m.**

**Tickets go on sale October 1, 2021**

## **Youth Entrepreneur Market**

Discover the exciting world of business through our hands-on experience for children ages 8-15 yrs. Children will get the opportunity to set up their own small business and sell their goods to the public during the market held on **Saturday, November 6, 2021**. Participants will learn valuable skills and life-lessons about business like promoting goods, pricing, inventory and handling money.

*Don't forget to invite your friends and family!*

**Market will be held from 10:00-12:30 p.m.**

**\$10 booth fee includes: Advertisement, a 9 foot table and 2 chairs.**

**Orientation will be held on November 3, 2021 at the Legacy Center.**

## **Bunco Game Night**

Come join us for a night out full of dice-rolling, treats, prizes, and **FUN!** All participants will receive a door prize and a chance to win one of our awesome prizes sponsored by our Scentsy rep. (Dannette Klein)

**Friday, November 5, 2021**

**Ages 14yrs and older**

**\$14 residents/ \$16 non-residents**

## **Room Rentals and Birthday Parties**

The Legacy Center offers a wide range of rental and birthday party options. This is a great place to host your next birthday party, family party, or work meeting. Rates vary depending on the room and activity.

**Call 385-201-2000 for more information.**

## **Sports Registering NOW!**

Jr. Jazz (Kindergarten-8th grade)

Tennis (Ages 8 yrs. and Up)

Wrestling (Kindergarten-4th grade)

## **Programs Registering NOW!**

Babysitters Course, Bunco Night, Cheer, Dance, Evil Scientist Class, First Aid & CPR, Gymnastics, Lego Class, Martial Arts, Parenting with Love & Logic, Sewing Class, Women on Weights, and Youth Entrepreneur Market.



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