

Call the UPD at 801-743-7000 to report illegal fireworks. Call 911 for an emergency.



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council

This week's meeting canceled for 24th of July
Next meeting 7/31/17

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BUSINESS LICENSES

[Millcreek business licenses](#) issued July 10-14. We appreciate your choice of Millcreek to do business.

CRIME STATS

[Millcreek crime statistics for June 2017](#)

This week's traffic jam update is below.

MAYOR SILVESTRINI'S PLEA TO FOREGO FIREWORKS THIS 24th

To all Millcreek residents, and particularly, those who want the City Council to ban fireworks city-wide:

State law expressly prohibits cities from banning fireworks, except under limited circumstances where the fire marshal has declared a risk in "mountainous, brush or forest-covered lands or in the urban-wildland interface." See Utah code sections [53-7-225\(3\)](#) and [15A-5-202.5\(1\)\(b\)](#). Thus, unless a city's ban follows these restrictions, it is unlawful and unenforceable.

The fire marshal who has jurisdiction over Millcreek has not been as liberal as those in other jurisdictions. Our fire marshal has designated large areas of Millcreek as off-limits to fireworks. We have asked him to examine other areas. He has included some and not included others. We have banned fireworks in every area he has identified. See the maps on our website at <http://millcreek.utah.gov>. Should he designate more, our ordinance is written to ban fireworks there as well. At this point, Millcreek has gone as far as the fire marshal and state law allow.

As a practical matter, enforcing the prohibition of fireworks (citywide or just in the prohibited areas) is problematic. Fireworks are readily available throughout the Salt Lake Valley. Millcreek's police and fire resources are stretched to the limit. Fighting fires caused by fireworks (illegal or not) takes priority. Other life-safety issues--the ones our law enforcement officers routinely handle--do not disappear during fireworks season. Even with active patrols, we cannot have a policeman on every street, or in every parking lot. Perpetrators are usually long gone before law enforcement can arrive. Thus, in all practicality, a ban is only as effective as the individuals who choose to respect it.

Some Millcreek residents have expressed their belief that an outright ban might at least discourage the use of fireworks. Enacting a city-wide ban would amount to government overreach, which could alienate the very legislature we need to convince to change the law. In light of the ready availability of fireworks, the impossibility of enforcing a ban, and our lack of authority, the City Council and I made the choice to stay within the bounds of the law.

I am working on solutions with the legislature, including our local representatives and leadership of the Senate and the House. Fundamentally, the problem was created three years ago when fireworks were made readily and easily available in our state.

In the meantime, I have arranged with the UPD to increase patrols in Millcreek's restricted areas over this 24th of July fireworks season. We have placed signs in and near the restricted areas, and will make every effort to enforce the ban. It still boils down to people exercising personal responsibility.

Because it's too hot and too dry, I implore all Millcreek residents to forgo personal fireworks this Pioneer Day. The safety and well-being of all of us and our neighbors requires this small sacrifice. Please, let's all be smart about this.

~ Jeff Silvestrini, Mayor

Some really hot things in our neighborhoods.



MILLCREEK. We all know not to leave living things in hot cars during the summer. KSL TV recently pointed out that on hot summer days, the surfaces of some playground equipment, as well as some types of ground coverings under them, can reach temperatures nearing 200 degrees. That's a pretty serious thing for parents to think about.

Dogs, too, can suffer from hot surfaces. A recent letter from Millcreek resident Michael Ramirez to City Councilmember Cheri Jackson reminded us that we have shoes, but our pets do not:

I have noticed a number of people walking their pets in the heat of the day

without regard as to how hot the pavement, concrete or asphalt can get. I also see individuals riding their bicycles with dogs in tow during the very hot times of the day. These pets are running on hot asphalt to keep up while their owners are riding, not quite the same amount of exertion.

Dogs have some of their sweat glands located in their feet, which help to cool them off. If their feet get too hot then they are not able to adequately cool themselves. Also older dogs just do not have the stamina they once did, just like ourselves when we get older, so a little mindfulness in how hard we push our older furry family members during peak heat times goes a long way. And remember that going on hikes or bike rides or long walks means not only getting to your destination but the return trip too, and that may add up to too much in some circumstances.

I recently ran into a flyer posted near the park that pretty much says it all. I took a picture and scanned it to send it along.

Respectfully, Michael Ramirez

The flyer features a dark grey background with orange and white text. At the top, the title 'HOT ASPHALT AWARENESS' is centered in orange, flanked by three horizontal red lines on each side. Below the title, two columns of text compare 'Outside Temperature' and 'Asphalt Temperature'. The outside temperatures listed are 77, 86, and 87 degrees, while the asphalt temperatures are 125, 135, and 143 degrees. A large white equals sign is placed between the two columns. In the bottom left corner, there are four blue paw prints. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for 'Central California SPCA' featuring a dog silhouette.

Outside Temperature		Asphalt Temperature
77 Degrees		125 Degrees
86 Degrees	=	135 Degrees
87 Degrees		143 Degrees

Test the heat of the asphalt by firmly pressing your hand on it for 7 seconds. If it is too HOT for you, it's too hot for your pet!

Central California SPCA

**VentureOut Signature Event
TONIGHT**

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

CANYON RIM PARK | 2900 E. 3100 S.

JULY 21ST

6PM - TWILIGHT

Classic cars have a tale to tell. Whether it's a story of the past, the wear and tear on the leather seats or nicks and scratches in the paint or pristinely restored upholstery and an engine so clean you could serve a meal off it. These cars whisper clues about their histories and reveal the enthusiasm of their present owners.

If you love history and cars, this is the show for you.

Join Venture OUT! for a new Signature Event: A classic car show presented by Rockin Hotrod Productions.

Peruse the gallery of cars and listen to owners reveal the stories each car is waiting to tell. Enjoy live music and then choose cuisine from 8 fabulous food trucks. Participate in the many activities for all ages...both vintage and new models.

At dusk, pull a blanket or two out of the rumble seat and settle down to watch La La Land under the stars.

ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Pinewood Derby Races-bring your old cars
- ▶ Cool Car Craft with Avalon Health Care
- ▶ Lego Activity with American Family Insurance
- ▶ Mega-Slide with Graham Orthodontics
- ▶ Inflatable fun with Nate Wade Subaru
- ▶ Monster Bubbles
- ▶ Wacky Tricycles with Olympus Hills Shopping Center
- ▶ Carnival Games with Cotopaxi
- ▶ Mario Kart Gamers Experience in CenturyLink PRISM Trailer
- ▶ Look! It's A Bird...It's A Plane...It's A Paraglider!!
- ▶ Salt Lake County Animal Services Pit Crew
- ▶ Pony Rides and Petting Zoo
- ▶ Train Rides



The movie
tonight?
LaLa Land!

I-80/I-215 Construction

The construction crews are taking off the 24th of July holiday weekend. So we get a temporary break.

Starting at 5 am on Tuesday, they'll be back, and the daily lane closures will continue. These are particularly fun during rush hours. We suggest you avoid the westbound I-215 entrance to I-80 during the morning rush hour, and the eastbound I-80 / I-215 split during the evening rush hour. The 23rd East exit is also not ideal during the evening rush hour. Sigh....

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NO CITY COUNCIL MEETING UNTIL JULY 31st

Have a wonderful 24th of July. Be careful out there, and remember:

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FIREWORKS FIRES
PLEASE MAKE A SMALL SACRIFICE
AND FORGO FIREWORKS THIS 24th

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