

12-3-21: PARLEYS CANYON LIMESTONE QUARRY; I-80 CLOSURE COMING; HOLIDAY LIGHT CONTEST; CANYON RIM HOLIDAY DRIVE; etc.

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*The area of Parleys Canyon where the future limestone quarry would be located. The land is owned by Tree Farm LLC. (Photo: Mark Wetzel, KSL-TV)*



**Announcements**

## **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**Mt. Olympus  
Community Council**  
Mon., 12/6/21, 6 pm  
Join virtually [HERE](#)

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## **NEWS**

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### **A Message from Mayor Silvestrini Regarding the Proposed Limestone Quarry in Parley's Canyon**

MILLCREEK. At the end of last week, we learned for the first time from published news about a proposed new limestone quarry in Parleys Canyon, across from the existing quarry. That quarry has a sorry history as the source of fugitive dust, which has polluted the airshed of our Canyon Rim neighborhood for years. There is legitimate reason to believe that a new, perhaps

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Council**

Tues., 12/7/21, 6:30 pm  
City Hall, 3330 S 1300 E  
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larger quarry on the other side of the canyon could present similar or worse problems. Not only are there concerns about fine-particulate air quality, but the dust is a nuisance to residents, covering cars, windows, outdoor furniture, etc. Closer neighbors in the Mt. Aire community of Parleys/Millcreek Canyons have concerns about blasting and noise. Recreationalists hiking the trails of Grandeur Peak have concerns about drastic disturbance of the hillside.

Two separate applications have been filed by the owner of this quarry, Tree Farm, LLC. One is a small mine application for a 10 acre operation and the other a large mine application for a mine in excess of 600 acres, apparently in the same location. The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOG M) has jurisdiction over the applications, and additionally, a mining operation may require a conditional use approval from the Salt Lake County Mountainous Planning Commission. While opportunities for public input are limited to non-existent for small mine operations, it is expected that opportunities for the public to weigh-in may be available in both the large mine process and the conditional use process. Comments to DOGM can be sent to [oilgasmining@utah.gov](mailto:oilgasmining@utah.gov)

Millcreek is retaining legal counsel with mining and natural resources expertise to advise the city concerning how best to oppose this application, or at minimum, secure adequate protections to mitigate the impacts which directly affect our residents, mainly dust control. The city is working with our partners at Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities (which has concerns about water quality both up and down canyon) as well as Salt Lake County, which has jurisdiction over the land upon which this quarry would be located. The land is in the County's Foothill and Canyon Overlay Zone, which normally restricts certain types of development on sensitive lands. However, special protection is given to mining operations in our state.

If you are interested in keeping updated on this issue or wish to learn more about how you might participate in any public input process, please email Communications Director Rita Lund at Millcreek: [rlund@millcreek.us](mailto:rlund@millcreek.us) or call the Millcreek Information Center at (801) 214-2700.

*Jeff Silvestrini, Mayor*

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# I-80 ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

I-80 Overnight Closure Starts **Tonight!** I-80 will be closed in both directions between 700 East and Foothill Drive in Salt Lake City while crews on the @UtahDOT I-80 & I-215 Renewed project team complete bridge work at 1700 East. Weather depending, **this closure is scheduled to start tomorrow night, Dec. 4, 2021, and last through Sunday morning, Dec. 5, 2021, during the following hours:**

- Westbound I-80:
  - 10 p.m. to 10 a.m.
- Eastbound I-80:
  - 10 p.m. to 11 a.m.

Local traffic can use I-215 and 700 East to 3300 South as alternate routes, should follow the posted signage during the closure and expect delays. Access to Foothill Drive (Exit 1) from I-215, westbound I-80 from 700 East and 1300 East, and eastbound I-80 from southbound Foothill Drive will remain open to local traffic. For real-time updates during the closure, check [UDOT Traffic](#). Questions? Reach out to the project team at [saltlakeeast@utah.gov](mailto:saltlakeeast@utah.gov) or 844-909-3278. Visit [udot.utah.gov/saltlakeeast](http://udot.utah.gov/saltlakeeast) for more information!



The poster features a winter scene with snow-covered houses and a string of colorful lights at the top. In the center, a circular graphic contains the text "2021 Holiday LIGHTS TOUR". The dates "DEC 1" and "DEC 26" are displayed in dark blue boxes on the left and right sides, respectively. At the bottom, logos for the participating municipalities are shown: Bluffdale, Midvale City, Millcreek, South Jordan, and West Jordan.

**It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas!**

The Holiday Lights contest has begun! Registration is now open and will close on December 21st. As always, we'll have some INCREDIBLE prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners, generously donated by various Millcreek businesses.

The sooner you enter, the more time people have to vote for your holly jolly house!

Register [HERE](#)

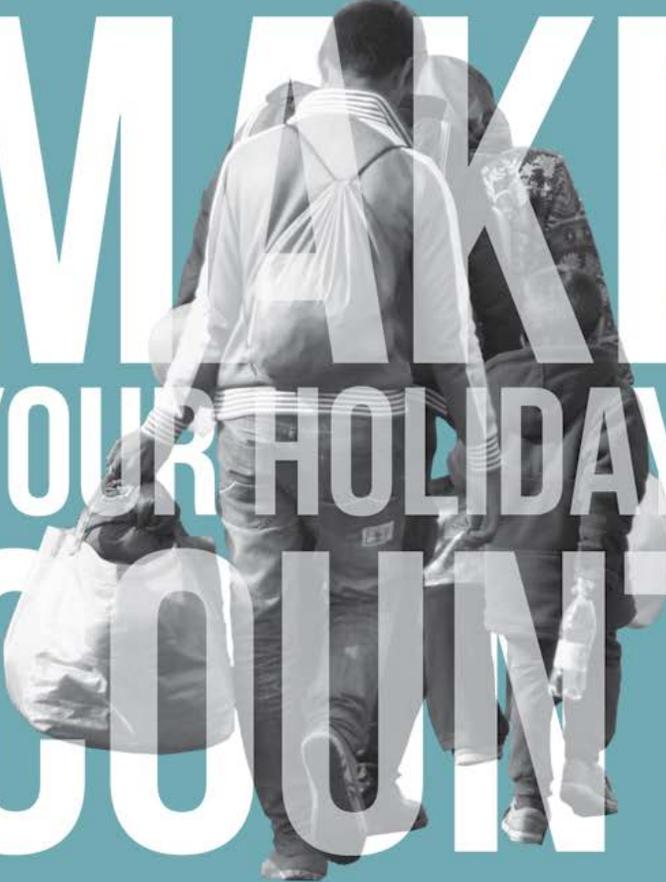
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### IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM WASATCH WASTE & RECYCLING

The last pickup date for Green Waste Collection in 2021 for Millcreek will be the **week of December 6**. Remember to not place the green cans out on the curb after that date. They will not be picked up nor emptied.

Collections for green waste will resume the week of March 14, 2022.





# MAKE YOUR HOLIDAYS COUNT

750

AFGHAN REFUGEES  
ARE RESETTLING  
IN UTAH

250

LOCAL VICTIMS OF  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Canyon Rim is Community is organizing a holiday drive to collect cash and goods to help two groups in great need this holiday season. The International Rescue Committee is assisting ~750 Afghan refugees resettle in Utah. YWCA

Utah's Candy Cane Lane provides a free holiday market for women and families escaping domestic violence. Please help these two groups by donating cash or any of the following:

- Gift cards
- Personal Hygiene items
- Household cleaning items
- Personal hygiene items
- New clothing
- New packaged toys

For a complete list of items, to make a cash donation or learn where to drop off goods, please visit the [Canyon Rim is Community](#) website.

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## Help Design the new Museum of Utah

The Utah Department of Cultural & Community Engagement is gathering public feedback on the schematic designs for the new Museum of Utah, which has an anticipated opening date in the Fall of 2024. Your input will ensure that the design team has a wide range of perspectives to consider.

In the survey, you will find images from each design alternative followed by a few questions related to each alternative. As you respond to the questions, keep in mind that the design team will be selecting parts from each option. While it asks for your overall preference, the design team also values hearing

which individual parts within each alternative feel connected to you, your family, friends, and community.

**Please submit your responses to this [survey](#) by Thursday, December 16th.**

Thank you for sharing your perspectives during this process!



There are many unknowns about the new Omicron COVID variant but we do know that our best chance to put this pandemic behind us is for everyone who qualifies to get your vaccinations and boosters. Find information on free vaccine clinics [HERE](#).

## **HOW IS COVID IMPACTING MILLCREEK?**

### **Case counts through 12/2/2021**

#### **Millcreek (surrounding cities) cumulative and current cases by zip code:**

- 84106: 4926 total cases (119 current cases)
- 84107: 6033 total cases (127 current cases)
- 84109: 3437 total cases (78 current cases)
- 84117: 3715 total cases (133 current cases)
- 84123: 6613 total cases (132 current cases)

- 84124: 3031 total cases (73 current cases)

TOTAL: **27,755** (increase of 749 since 11/18/2021, our last reported data).



## Meetings with the Mayor

Fridays from 2-4pm have been set aside for citizens to meet with Mayor Silvestrini (virtually for now). Please call 801-214-2700 to schedule a slot.

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