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# Baldwin Radio Factory Turns 100

## A Place for Arts and Eats in Millcreek

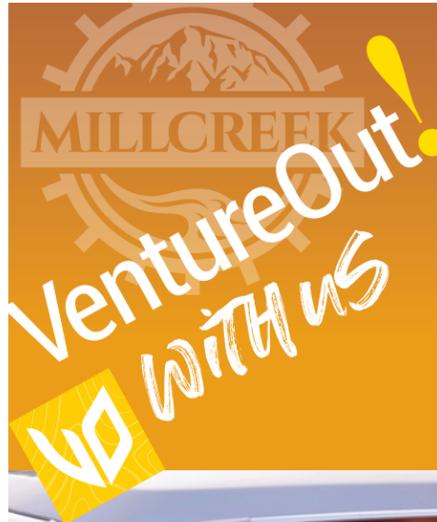
Nathaniel Baldwin, the inventor of headphones, constructed a building at 3474 E 2300 S in 1922 to produce headphones, speakers, and other radio equipment.



At one time it employed over 300 people and was powered by an electrical generator on Mill Creek that he designed. Baldwin was a generous employer who paid high wages and even built twelve bungalows along nearby Evergreen Avenue to house some of his employees.

Baldwin at one time employed

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## Here's Millie!



### MILLIE MILLCREEK

For years Milford and I have relished our mental bucket list of summertime activities and traditions. We don't always get to all of them, but in case you need some ideas to end your summer with some color like a high-flying kite swirling in the breeze, here are a few ideas:

- Try a new hiking trail. Milford and I are natives and STILL have some trails to explore up Mill Creek Canyon!
- Make fresh lemonade and sit outside in the evening to listen to the crickets
- Invite friends over for some lawn game tournaments or meet at a local park
- Kayak down the Jordan River (REI rents kayaks if you don't have access to one of your own)
- Make classic s'mores in the backyard
- Pack up some chairs with drinks and watch the sunset
- Go for a bike ride in the evening
- Lie out on the grass on a clear night and point out constellations

Something NEW we added to our list JUST last year is to go to up Millcreek Canyon for Camp Tracy for Venture Out Adventures. If you haven't registered, I would HIGHLY recommend getting some family and friends together and making a go of it. I understand the cabin reservations are sold out, but as of the writing of this article, there were still some campsite reservations available. Milford and I did a day access pass last year (a steal at only \$5 per person) and thoroughly enjoyed being with our family. It was like a family reunion where we didn't have to put together all the activities. Everyone we brought with us had a BLAST! For more information, check out [venture-out.org/camp](http://venture-out.org/camp). Hope to see you up there! Happy trails always!

XOXO

Millie

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE JEFF SILVESTRINI

### Inflation and Funding Options Continued



I've written about the problem Millcreek is facing meeting the competition in dramatic police salary increases over the past year. These increases were spurred by some cities having a shortage of officers. They increased compensation to attract officers from other jurisdictions, with the result that all cities have had to match those increases or face the prospect of losing trained, experienced officers. On the Unified Police Department Board, we are thinking of creative ways to attract more people

who want to become police officers for the right reasons, and we are collaborating with other jurisdictions to study and determine why we are having this recruiting problem to hopefully fix it. Our hot economy and the availability of many other opportunities for younger candidates to earn good salaries in construction and other fields has created problems in police recruitment. Policing is one of the toughest jobs around. It is mentally taxing. Our officers see some of the worst things, and given recent publicity around unfortunate lapses in training (or worse) resulting in unfortunate shootings, who wants to be a cop? Right? The profession is not attractive to many, and we need to be careful about who we hire to ensure the public is protected. Our officers no doubt deserved more pay for the work that they do-and we certainly do not want to scrimp and wind up with even more problems.

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# Congratulations!

## Millcreek Ranked One Of America's Best Cities To Start A Business

In an annual report by researchers at Verizon, Millcreek is ranked #4 in the nation for top small cities to start a small business. They looked at broadband access, tax rates, loans per business, commutes, income levels, and education levels.

"If you don't care for big city living, but still want to be close to all the action, Millcreek (a suburb of Salt Lake) is the perfect city for your small business," notes the report. They praise Millcreek's "growing job market and admirable tax score," as well as the dynamic demographics of the "excitement of this growing city."



## If Exercise Could Be As Easy As A Pill

If exercise could be put in a pill, it would be the biggest blockbuster medication of all time. Here's why:

**Better insulin sensitivity-** Exercise makes your cells and muscles more sensitive to insulin so you don't need as much. Less insulin means less belly fat. This is why exercise is the #1 preventer of type 2 Diabetes.

**Reduced stress-** I often hear clients say a good workout relieves excess stress. That's because exercise reduces cortisol – the stress hormone. Too much cortisol and you become insulin resistant and store belly fat. Too much cortisol also makes you crave sugar and carbs and seek comfort food. The lower the cortisol levels, the more likely you will steer clear of the comfort foods and make better daily food choices.

**Improved brain health-** Your brain on exercise performs so much better. Exercise improves memory, learning, cognition and concentration. Vigorous exercise is a better antidepressant than Prozac. Exercise helps to improve your mood, boost your energy, and reduces overall stress in your body and mind. How's that for a win/win!

**Reduced risk for chronic disease-** Exercise does this through several mechanisms. It protects your heart and reduces your risk of heart attack and stroke. It reduces inflammation (the cause of almost every disease of aging). And it balances hormones, therefore reducing breast and other common cancers.

**Enhanced detoxification-** Besides stimulating the colon, intense exercise allows your body to release toxins through your skin. It boosts the detoxification of environmental chemicals. Vigorous exercise will help you work up a sweat, but gentle exercise keeps your circulation going and flushes out all the toxic fluids that build up in your lymphatic system. Want to try something easy to help flush out the lymphatic system? Just lying on your back and putting your legs straight up against the wall for 20 minutes can make a huge difference.

**Slows the aging process-** If you want to turn back the clock figuratively, exercise becomes absolutely crucial. My Grandmother, Gae just turned 95. When I asked her what her secret was, she responded by saying, "That's easy. I walk around this mezzanine in my building 10 times every day, and I know that is close to 1 mile." She literally hasn't allowed her age stop her in any way. She also is known to wear high heels regularly (they are actually stilettos!) and is still sharp as a tack!

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## Be Safe and Serious When You Get Behind the Wheel

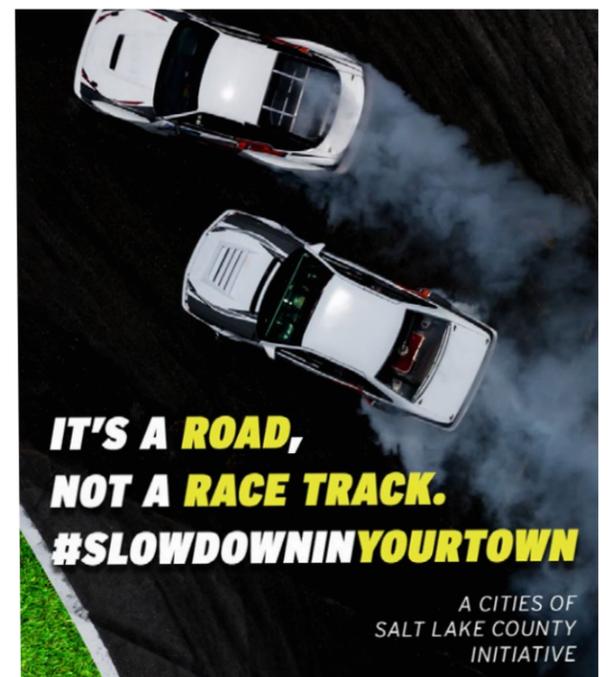
Summer is the most dangerous time on the roads but the danger does not go away as fall approaches. Across Utah in

2021, there were 8,106 speed related crashes. There were 89 fatal speed related crashes and 106 speed related fatalities. Thirty percent of all fatal crashes were speed related. The summer of 2021 was one of the deadliest summers in Utah's history due to fatal car accidents.

Remember that there is a reason for speed limits. Roadways are to be driven with caution and the speed limits

are designed to protect everyone – drivers, passengers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. A speed related accident is always serious and often life-changing, the higher the speed the greater amount of energy that must be absorbed in a crash with more likelihood of severe injury or death.

During the summer of 2022 we have already seen a significant increase in traffic speeds. Law enforcement and the mayors of Salt Lake County are asking everyone to slow down, give yourself extra time to get where you need to be. Millcreek has joined with the other cities, metro townships, and law enforcement agencies across the county to promote the traffic safety initiative, **#slowdowninyourtown**, to ask our residents to slow down. Please do your part – stay safe on the roads, it is better to arrive late than never!!



# New Millcreek Logo

You may have noticed the city logo has a new look.

The city council approved a design that stays true to the spirit of the city's historic logo but simplified for a cleaner look and better useability, the logo pays homage to the historic mills in the area,



Mt. Olympus and the beautiful Wasatch Mountains, and the importance of water flowing through our community. This stream can represent Mill Creek and the Jordan River on the city's western edge and how streams connect us. After all, the city motto is "Connected by Nature."

We are grateful to Blue Cairn Media, a Millcreek business, and it's owner Jay Griffith, a Millcreek resident, for working with us to create this new and improved logo.

Coming soon . . . a new city flag designed with help from the Millcreek Youth Council.



# Baldwin Radio Factory

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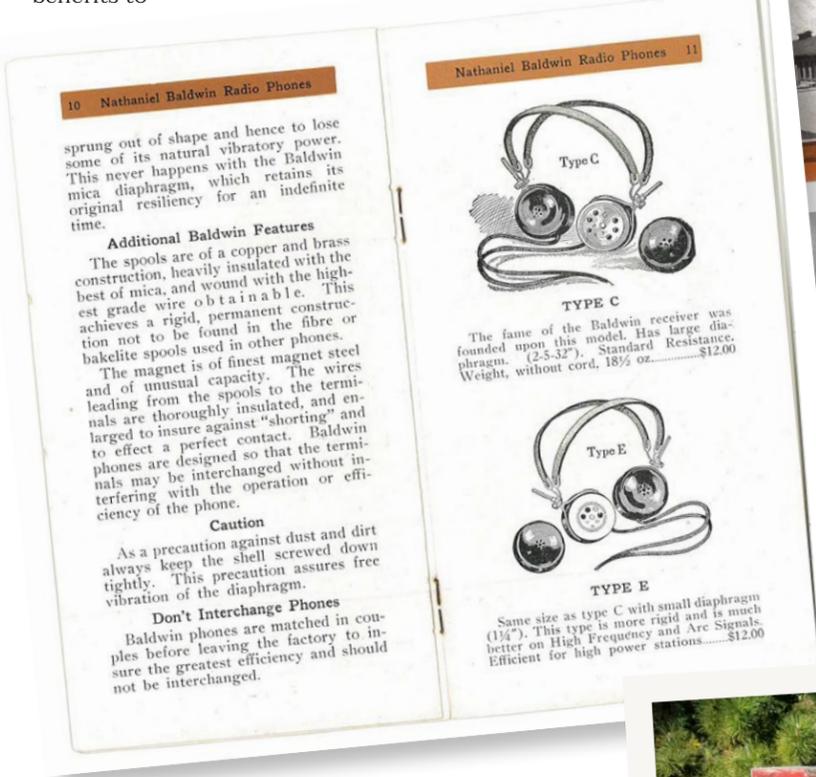
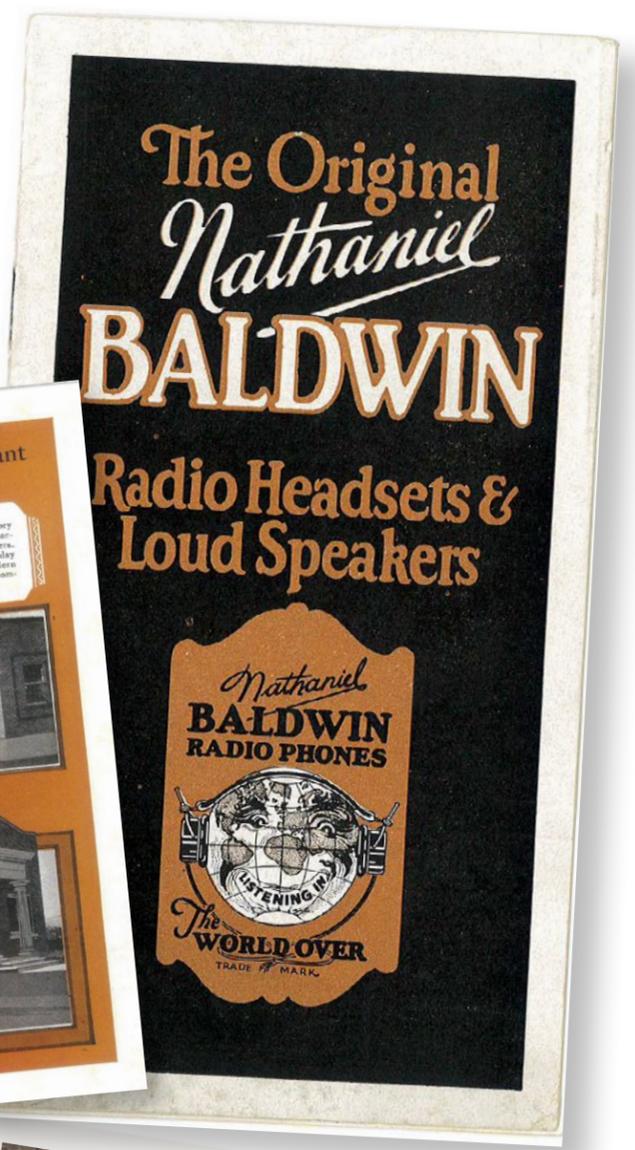
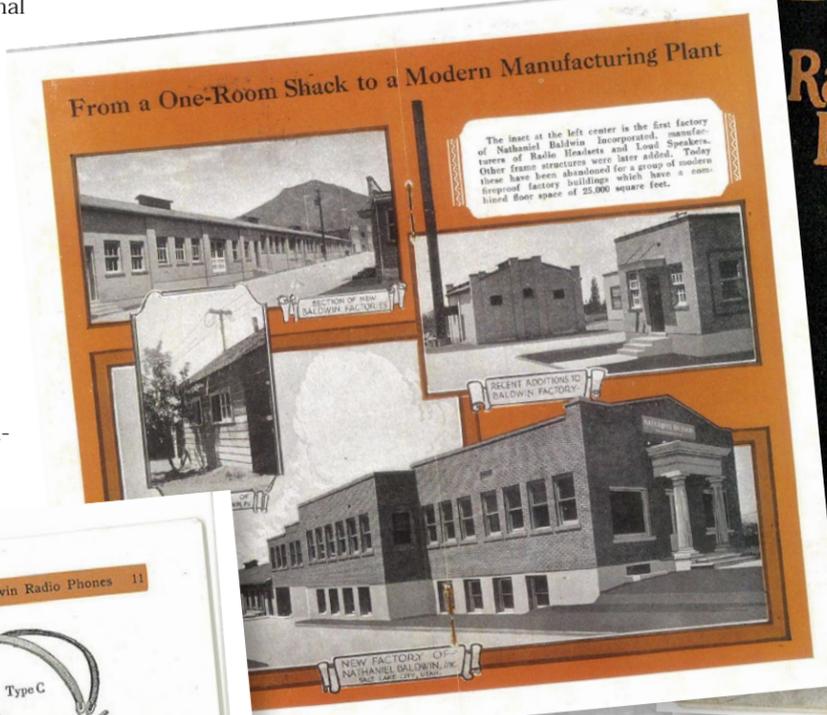
Philo T. Farnsworth, the inventor of the television, and local legend has it that Farnsworth built some early prototypes in Baldwin's factory. Another notable employee was James B. Lansing, inventor, and founder of JBL speakers, who worked at the factory around 1925.

Baldwin's company fell casualty to the Great Depression, and the building became the home for his family during the 1930's. Since then, the building has found various uses and tenants, including the International Institute of Hair Design and Radius Engineering, from the 1960's to the 1990's. In 1996 it was acquired by Kevin Flynn, a Millcreek resident, who has since renovated the building into the art space it is today, with sixteen art studios, a funky furnishing store, a hip café, a furniture restoration shop, and gift shop.

The Baldwin Radio Factory property and Mr. Flynn's restoration and repurposing of the building is an excellent example of the type of building and work that the newly formed Millcreek Historic Preservation Commission will be considering. The creation of the Commission is the first step in making Millcreek a Certified Local Government, which allows for federal grants for historic preservation along with other incentives and tax benefits to

Millcreek Arts Council, helping promote the arts in Millcreek.

This year, a 100 year birthday celebration will be held by the Millcreek Arts Council for the Baldwin Radio Factory. Mark your calendar to be at the Baldwin Radio Factory at 3474 S 2300 E on Saturday, August 27th, from 11am to 9pm, to join in the fun!



promote preservation of historic buildings and sites.

Buildings and properties that are historic in nature are scattered throughout Millcreek and the hope is that the work of the Historic Preservation Commission will be able to assist property owners such as Mr. Flynn in preservation efforts. The historical significance of the Baldwin Radio Factory is immense and the way the building has now become a recognized art space deserves recognition. We thank Mr. Flynn for his efforts and look forward to joining him at the 100 year birthday celebration for the building that will be presented by the Millcreek Arts Council.

Mr. Flynn is an artist in his own right, a musician who plays sax, flute and harmonica with the Svegli Jazz Quartet. He also is an active member of the



# Splash Down for Fun at Millcreek Common

## FREE WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

### MILLCREEK SPRINGS SPLASH PAD

We're pretty sure splash pads are fun for all ages, but feel free to test our theory if you think you're too old. Come play at Millcreek Common and we'll help you beat the Utah heat. Daily 10 AM -10 PM

### PLAYTIVITIES

MOVE IT MONDAY • TERRIFIC TUESDAY • WATER WEDNESDAY  
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Join us weekdays for a changing roster of free activities. They might be creative. They might be active. They might be delicious. They might be sneaky. Whatever happens, it will be fun for all ages. (Did we mention it's free???) Weekdays 11 AM-2 PM

**Health & Wellness Comes to Millcreek Common**  
Connect with local businesses at Millcreek Common and benefit from health, wellness and fitness classes. Go online to get more details at [MillcreekCommon.org](http://MillcreekCommon.org)



## MORE UNCOMMON FUN

### SKATE LOOP

Soak in summer nights in Millcreek. Grab your friends and family and turn up the retro vibes to enjoy a night of roller skating, music, games, and fun!  
Admission \$5  
Quad Roller Skate Rental \$5  
Daily 5 PM - 10 PM

Will you be this week's G.O.A.T (Greatest Of All Time)? Find out on Fridays by taking on fun and unique challenges as you compete for bragging rights and the coveted title of the Friday Night G.O.A.T. Fridays 7 PM - 10 PM

### G.O.A.T. FRIDAYS

## FANTASTIC FOOD

### THURSDAY FOOD TRUCK RALLY

Keep the oven off, ditch the dishes, and welcome the weekend a day early with dinner from Utah's best food trucks. Food trucks change each week, so plan to join us every week at Millcreek Common. Thursdays 5 PM - 8:30 PM

### Normal Ice Cream

Normal is famous for being anything but. Their unique ice cream treats will be available daily. Just look for the Normal Ice Cream truck shining like a beacon of cool refreshment. Daily 12 PM - 10 PM

### Pizza Nono

This beloved neighborhood restaurant delights diners with handmade woodfired pizzas and delicious salads. Pizza Nono's newest location is right here on the Plaza at Millcreek Common. Opening in August



### SKATE NIGHT

The moon is overhead, but all the stars are on the Skate Loop are lighting up the night to the sweet sounds of Utah's top DJs. Saturdays 7 PM - 10 PM



### FIND US AT

1354 E Chambers Avenue

(Parking access off of 33rd South and by Crown Burger)

### LEARN MORE AT

[millcreekcommon.org](http://millcreekcommon.org)

# MILLCREEK Venture Out! WITH US



## 2022 ACTIVITIES

Learn More on the next few pages and at [VentureOut.org](http://VentureOut.org)

### WHAT'S LEFT TO VENTURE OUT FOR?

As summer turns into fall, the pace of Venture Out also slows down. But that doesn't mean there aren't lots of good reasons to still get out and venture out with us and your neighbors. In addition to Thursday Night Food Truck Rallies, the next few pages will describe what you still can look forward to.

Thanks to our Venture Out sponsors for helping create another great season. And a big thanks to you and all those who came and enjoyed the time in nature and with each other in the great city of Millcreek.

### THURSDAY NIGHT FOOD TRUCK RALLIES

5:00 - 8:30 pm (May - September)  
Millcreek Common, 1354 E Chambers Avenue  
Satisfy your food cravings every Thursday night with the Valley's best food trucks.



## A BIG THANKS TO OUR VENTURE OUT! SPONSORS

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- Canyon Rim Cares • Millcreek Lions • Millcreek Rotary
- Utah Department of Workforce Services
- Millcreek Community Theater and Food Truck League
- Canyon Rim Community Council • Mt. Olympus Community Council
- Millcreek Community Council • East Mill Creek Community Council

### S I L V E R



### C O M M U N I T Y





## COME PLAY AT CAMP TRACY

Camp Tracy is a historic Boy Scout camp located just 10-minutes up beautiful Millcreek Canyon. You can camp overnight or simply join us for the day.

There is an activity fee to participate.

**August: Fri 19–Sun 21**

**September: Sat 3–Mon 5 (Labor Day Weekend)**

**REGISTER** Online at [VentureOut.org](http://VentureOut.org) (Availability is Limited)

**AUG-SEP  
ADVENTURE  
WEEKENDS  
CAMP TRACY  
MILLCREEK CANYON**



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Fishing
- Archery
- BB Range
- Rock Climbing
- Hiking
- Slackline
- Nature Photography
- Camp Crafts & Terrariums
- Games and Much More



## ON YOUR OWN

- Giant bubbles
- Sidewalk chalk
- Gaga ball
- 9 Square
- Cornhole
- Hikes
- Slackline
- Mindfulness/meditation space
- Outdoor creative space—mud pie kitchen, other sensory opportunities
- Stick mazes



## GUIDED ACTIVITIES

- Terrariums
- BB Guns
- Archery
- Guided hike
- Nature photography



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- Rockwall
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## CALLING ALL CLASSIC CAR LOVERS

Tuesday, August 2nd is Millcreek's Annual Night Out Against Crime that builds bridges between law enforcement and the community. It's a free event with lots of fun interactive activities, music, food and a classic car show.

The classic car show begins at 5:00 PM at Big Cottonwood Park (4300 S 1300 E). At 6:30 PM the car parade begins. Classic cars will roll through selected neighborhood streets and then return to Big Cottonwood Park for an awards and prize ceremony at 7:30 PM.

If your house is on the classic car parade route, grab a cool drink, pull out your lawn chairs and watch over 75 classic cars roll down your street.

**AUG 2 | 5:00-8:00 PM**  
**NIGHT OUT AGAINST**  
**CRIME ROLL & STROLL**  
**CAR SHOW**  
**BIG COTTONWOOD PARK**  
**4300 S 1300 E**



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Unified Police Department
- Unified Fire Department
- Search & Rescue and Bear-Cat Vehicles
- Learn about public safety resources
- Music from DJ Brady's Beat Bus
- Inflatable Slides and Obstacle Course
- Free Snow Cones (first come, first serve)
- Food Trucks

## CLASSIC CAR REGISTRATION

Go online to [VentureOut.org](http://VentureOut.org) to register your vehicle. There is no registration fee.



## HANGOUT

With cops and firefighters and owners of cool cars



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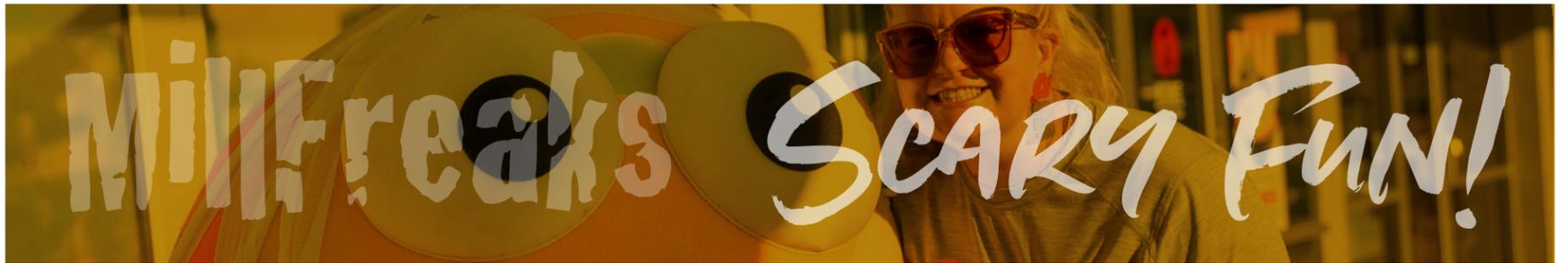
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# FUN WITH FOOD TRUCKS

**THURSDAYS**  
**MAY-SEP,**  
**5:00-8:00 PM**

1354 E Chambers Avenue  
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### SAVE THIS DATE TO FREAK OUT!

Join us for a live entertainment-hunt that winds through Millcreek's four community-realms in familiar, wild and often unknown spaces to disrupt the villains' objectives.

This is the ultimate trick & treat experience for friends and families. It's a Halloween party in/out of your car with lots of twists-and-turns in various Millcreek locations. Enjoy music, performances, comedy, magic, food and more.

Passengers in each vehicle are considered one group. The fee is \$25 per vehicle/group. Groups will select a tour-time when you register online at VentureOut.org. Each tour group will receive a special Millfreaks Tour Pack that unlocks event details, locations and tour activities.

Come participate in group challenges, contests and prizes. It's a FUN way to experience Millcreek. Entertainment for all ages!

OCT 15 | 5:00-10:00 PM  
**MILLFREAKS:**  
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**HUNT FOR LIVE**  
**ENTERTAINMENT**  
 MULTIPLE LOCATIONS



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Live Music
- Themed Performances
- Comedy
- Dance
- Food Trucks
- Magic
- Arts & Crafts
- Inflatables
- Challenges, Trivia, and Contests
- Lots of Treats & Tricks



### REGISTER

Save your Spot Sooooooon!  
 Register at [VentureOut.org](http://VentureOut.org)  
 \$25 per vehicle

### DETAILS

Four Millfreak Tours available  
 between 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
 Plan on 2-hours for each tour

### TIPS:

Decorate your Car! Make it a night to remember  
 Costumes! This is your moment to shine

# AUGUST 27th 2022 ARTS FEST!



**MILLCREEK**  
 ARTS COUNCIL

August 27, 2022  
 11:00 am 'til Dark  
 3474 South 2300 East



# MILLCREEK COMMON

## UPDATE

## Who Is Paying To Build Millcreek Common?

In its first month as Millcreek's new town square plaza, Millcreek Common has already hosted dozens of events—from DJ Skate Nights to the first annual Juneteenth Festival. **But who paid for this beautiful four-acre open space?**

The Skate Loop was largely paid for by a \$500,000 Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant by the State of Utah, but the bulk of Millcreek Common is financed by a \$20 million municipal bond. Thanks to the well-managed city's AA+ bond rating, the interest rate was barely over 2%. The bond is financed over twenty years. **But who pays for the bond payment?**

The bond payments are being paid for by tax increment generated by all the new development in the city center area. **What is tax increment?** It is the additional property tax revenue generated by new development above and beyond what used to be paid for that same property. For example, a six-story mixed-use building pays a lot more in property taxes than the empty parking lot it was built upon. The difference between what the site used to pay and what it now pays after redevelopment is called "increment."

Mayor Silvestrini and the City Council, acting as a Community Reinvestment Agency under Utah law, approved the creation of the "Millcreek Center Community Reinvestment Area" in 2019. This mechanism allows 80% of the new property tax increment in the area around Millcreek Common to be used for making the bond payments on the Millcreek Common bond for twenty years (which is when the bond is paid off).

The boards of all the other taxing entities in the area, like Granite School District,

Salt Lake County, and the Mt. Olympus Improvement District, voted to support the Millcreek Center Community Reinvestment Area and share their tax increment, too. **Why would they do this?** Because they realized that developing Millcreek city center helps them grow their tax bases too, even if they must share some of the increment in the short term to bring in an amazing economic catalyst like Millcreek Common.

**So, what paid for beautiful Millcreek Common?** A generous state recreation grant and the new taxes generated by the projects around it. What a win for the taxpayers of Millcreek! See you at the Common.



## CHILL OUT MILLCREEK! TEN TREATS TO BEAT THE HEAT

Among Millcreek's licensed businesses are numerous places to grab a treat and beat the heat. Here are ten favorites if you need something frozen to get you through the hot August nights.

### normal® ice cream

1357 E 3300 S on Millcreek Common

The silver vintage ice cream truck has rolled out of Trolley Square and into its new home at Millcreek Common! Normal Ice Cream is anything but ordinary and serves up premium soft serve cones in flavors as abnormal as salted vanilla bean, raspberry sour cream, and cookie butter.



### Hokulia Shave Ice

3981 Wasatch Blvd in Olympus Hills Shopping Center

The Cove loves the most authentic shave ice on the mainland, with "island style" soft and flavorful shave ice. There are twelve Hawaiian inspired ice creams worth surfing on over for, with Lava Flow and Hula Pie as the favorites. Oh, and their new Hawaiian smoothies are the best this side of Haleakala. Aloha!



### Icy Mountain

2272 E 3300 S Millcreek

Craving a cup of icy-cold goodness? Head over to the multi-award-winning Icy Mountain Shaved Ice for gourmet shaved ice! With fun options like spicy mango, unicorn, and jazz mountain, you can't go wrong. Their shaved ice can also be found at their food truck, which tours the valley.



### Menchie's Frozen Yogurt

3165 E 3300 S in Canyon Rim Center

Menchie's offers a choose-your-own adventure frozen yogurt experience. Pick from multiple flavors and toppings to create a custom treat just for you, with flavors rotating regularly. Menchie's also offers vegan options!



### Crown Burger

3190 Highland Dr next to Millcreek Common

Locals know that this favorite is about so much more than pastrami burgers. Grab a quick and creamy shake, sundae, or cone from Crown Burgers' drive through! With classic flavors and terrific service, Crown Burgers can help you beat-the-heat in a hurry.



### Iceberg Drive Inn

3900 South 900 East

There's a reason Iceberg has been a thriving business since their first location opened here in Millcreek in the 60's. Come try out one of their classic, thick shakes, or try a banana split with your choice of ice cream. These shakes are sky high, and will definitely last you the whole evening.



### Handel's Homemade Ice Cream

3983 S Wasatch Blvd in Olympus Hills Shopping Center  
Coming Soon. Can't wait to try it out!

### Nielsen's Frozen Custard

3918 Highland Dr.

Nobody does frozen custard (a denser consistency than ice cream, made with eggs in addition to cream and sugar) like Nielsen's. With gravity-defying "concrete," and plenty of nut and mix-in options, you will definitely beat the heat with this summer treat.



### Bob's Brainfreeze

3131 E 3300 S in Canyon Rim Center

Locally owned and locally revered, summer in Millcreek isn't the same without Bob's. The unique premium shaved ice enjoys fresh and delicious toppings and has been a hit with locals for 20 years (try the Bang-a-Rang, Skyline Eagle, or Olympus Titan for something refreshingly unique).



### Cream'd Market

4010 S Highland Drive

More than just an ice cream shop, Cream'd Market offers local farm items to purchase and local and specialty food items. New to Millcreek but owned by the locals at Wasatch Milk, Cream'd serves up killer treats like caramel pretzel ice cream, strawberries and vanilla Oreo ice cream, and more!



### Arctic Circle

3919 S 700 E near Western Governor's University

Arctic Circle is "Where the Good Stuff is" with their famous above-the-rim shakes, sundaes, chocolate toppers, lime rickeys, root beer floats, and flavor burst waffle cones (Blue Hawaii Coconut is fantastic, but you can't beat Butter Pecan). Although there are a few other Arctic Circles in the valley, Millcreek is thrilled to have one close to home.



# MILLCREEK CITY HALL

## U P D A T E

## Crane, Concrete, and Rebar, Oh My!

Significant progress continues on the Millcreek City Hall building with collaboration between Millcreek City, Okland Construction, architect MHTN and all those associated with the project. Despite the difficult construction circumstances (inflation, material shortages, labor shortages, etc.) the teams continue to work together to find creative solutions to difficult problems.

This past month has brought with it significant progress on the building with the first indications of a building beginning to rise above ground level and a tower crane being erected. Okland has worked tirelessly to overcome the concrete shortages and has already poured nearly 22,000 cubic feet of concrete which makes up some of the major footings of the building as well as the core walls that will eventually be elevator shafts and stairways through the building.

Moving forward, those interested in the project will begin to see more of the building coming above grade. First the elevator and stair walls will come up followed in short order by the building exterior walls and decks.

Concrete and rebar work will be the primary focus of the construction teams over the next 4-5 months as we work to get the structure of the building in place. Mechanical, electrical and plumbing trades will likewise be working to ensure their rough in work is installed with the structure of the building.



## Community Emergency Response Teams Grow

At the city council meeting on June 27th, the members of the spring 2022 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) were introduced to and recognized by the council.

CERT trained community members are an important component of emergency response during a potential critical event, and we are pleased that the number of residents who sign up to get trained has increased. The members of these classes are trained in Disaster Preparedness, CERT organization and structure, Disaster Psychology, Fire Safety and Utility Control, Light Search and Rescue, triage operations, damage assessments, and disaster medical operations. Training is finished by completing a disaster simulation where team members are able to put all their skills to use working through a disaster.

The council specifically recognized Tim Bachman, an outstanding community volunteer, who has worked diligently since 2017 as the CERT Program Manager, to train and organize Millcreek residents through CERT training. Along with his wife, Rhonda, Tim has spent countless hours preparing and teaching CERT classes twice a year (with a brief pause due to COVID). Tim is also part of the Salt Lake County CERT Coordination Council which works with neighboring communities to plan activities and training opportunities for residents throughout the county.

Tim played a vital role in the creation and execution of Mobilize Millcreek, which completed debris cleanup following the hurricane-like windstorm that impacted the city in 2020. Tim also spends almost every Friday night during the summer months manning a booth at the Venture Out! activities to talk with attendees about the need for training and how to sign up to be trained.

Andrew Clark, Millcreek's Emergency Manager, presented Tim with a Recognition of Excellence Award on behalf of the city council for being an Outstanding Community Volunteer and CERT Program Manager.

We cannot over-emphasize the importance of increasing the number of CERT trained community members. These are residents who know not only how to handle themselves but also lend a hand to neighbors and others in need. If you are interested in becoming CERT trained, please contact Andrew Clark, Millcreek Emergency Manager, at [aclark@millcreek.us](mailto:aclark@millcreek.us) to sign up for the fall CERT classes.



# Community Councils Matter

Elections in Community Council areas of Millcreek, East Mill Creek, Canyon Rim and Mt. Olympus, will be held Tuesday, November 8.

These councils are important because they provide communities with an identity. The councils are able to plan and present recommendations on actions to the city as representatives of their area - a link between residents and the city government.

Whether concerns center on zoning, safety, health or other issues, the community council is where to start working on a solution. Community councils submit an annual list of their top priorities to the Mayor's office. They play an important role in promoting the well-being of their local neighborhoods, developing community spirit and informing residents about matters of public concern.

The city review processes start at the community council level; the Councils play an important role in reviewing and making recommendations on applications; e.g., development, rezone, ordinance changes, etc. Millcreek City's first "grass roots" review of new ordinances usually takes place at the community council level.

Community councils hold their meetings in public so all residents can attend. Special meetings can also be called in order to assess the views of their community members on major issues. They participate actively in assuring that their representative community views are heard and recognized. They should always act in a non-political and non-sectarian way.

People wanting to share of their time and skills are perfect candidates for community council. Potential candidates must be over 18 years old, be a resident where they plan to run and they must be a registered voter on the County's electoral roll. They can have no legal incapacity and filling out the Declaration of Candidacy form is necessary. The Declaration of Candidacy is collected by the elections officer of each community council.

Those community members wanting to spend a few hours a week and work on improving their area are encouraged to submit their Declaration of Candidacy. Millcreek is strengthened by dozens of community-minded people who serve on their councils. With the upcoming elections it is a great time to become part of this group and run for a council position.

Those wanting to be a candidate in the upcoming election are required to fill out a Declaration of Candidacy Form; contact the Election Judge in your respective area for the form and submit back to that Election Judge along with a maximum 75-word biography and a .jpg photograph by close of business Wednesday, August 31.



**CANYON RIM CITIZENS ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS**  
There are openings for residents running for re-election or vacancies. All Canyon Rim residents interested in being part of the movers and shakers behind the scenes in their community are welcomed to submit their Declaration of Candidacy form to CRCA's Election Officer Kory Meyerink, korym@comcast.net or 801-466-1888.



**EAST MILL CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS**  
East Mill Creek Community Council has been a part of steering the area's direction for many, many years. There are six openings on the board up for election. Any East Mill Creek resident who appreciates the one-of-a-kind character of their community may be interested in joining the council. Contact EMCCC's Election Officer Nancy Carlson-Gotts, n.carlsongotts@comcast.net or 801-502-2167, for the Declaration of Candidacy Form and submit documents to Nancy.



**MILLCREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS**  
Millcreek Community Council (MCC) has eight openings. All MCC residents interested in being part of the grassroots activities in our community are welcome to submit their Declaration of Candidacy form to MCC's Election Officer, Wayne Johnson, phobyte@gmail.com or 801-584-9444



**MT OLYMPUS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS**  
The MOCC is preparing for the upcoming council election in November. There are open seats in both the North Voting Area (north of Old Millcreek Canyon Road) and in the South Voting Area, (south of Old Millcreek Canyon Road). Voters must vote for representatives in their area. All Mt. Olympus residents interested in guiding their community and making improvements may contact Mr. Baird and are encouraged to complete the Declaration of Candidacy form and submit to the Election Officer, Britt McPartland, brittmcpartland66@gmail.com or 801-859-8295.



**Spayghetti**  
And No Balls Gala:  
**The Last CarniBALL**

**AUGUST 26 | 6:30PM**  
**EIGHT SETTLERS DISTILLERY**  
(7321 CANYON CENTRE PKWY, COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS, UT 84121)  
SOCIAL HOUR/OPEN BAR • CARNIVAL GAMES • LIVE MUSIC  
PET PSYCHIC/FORTUNE TELLER • PHOTO BOOTH • DINNER

TICKET CAN BE PURCHASED AT:  
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**SUNNYVALE FARMERS MARKET**

**Saturdays, 10:30am-1:30pm**  
**June 18 - October 15**

Sunnyvale Park,  
4013 South 700 West  
West Millcreek, UT

Farmers Market - Kids Activities  
Free Lunch for Kids - Food Pantry  
Community Resources

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— FOR ALL COUNCIL MEETING TIMES AND LOCATIONS PLEASE VISIT [MILLCREEK.US](http://MILLCREEK.US) AND GO TO CALENDAR —

# Zoning and Subdivision Code Update:



Millcreek has kicked off the process of updating the Zoning and Subdivision codes. These codes are the primary tools the city uses to help shape development. This includes everything from what land uses are allowed in which areas to how many parking spaces are needed for a given development. The updates are aimed at modernizing the code, making it easier to use and understand, and will better help implement

the goals of the General Plan that Millcreek adopted in 2019.

The city has contracted with Logan Simpson to draft the code update. As part of this process, interviews of city staff, developers, residents, and other stakeholders have been held in order to determine what issues are present in the current code. The interviews paired with a detailed analysis by the consultant team will be presented

in an assessment report that will guide the update process. We are asking the public to be involved. Online polls are being utilized throughout the process. Also, once a draft of the updated code language is completed it will be available for public review and comment. Keep an eye on the city's website, in the Friday afternoon electronic newsletter, and on social media for ways to participate.

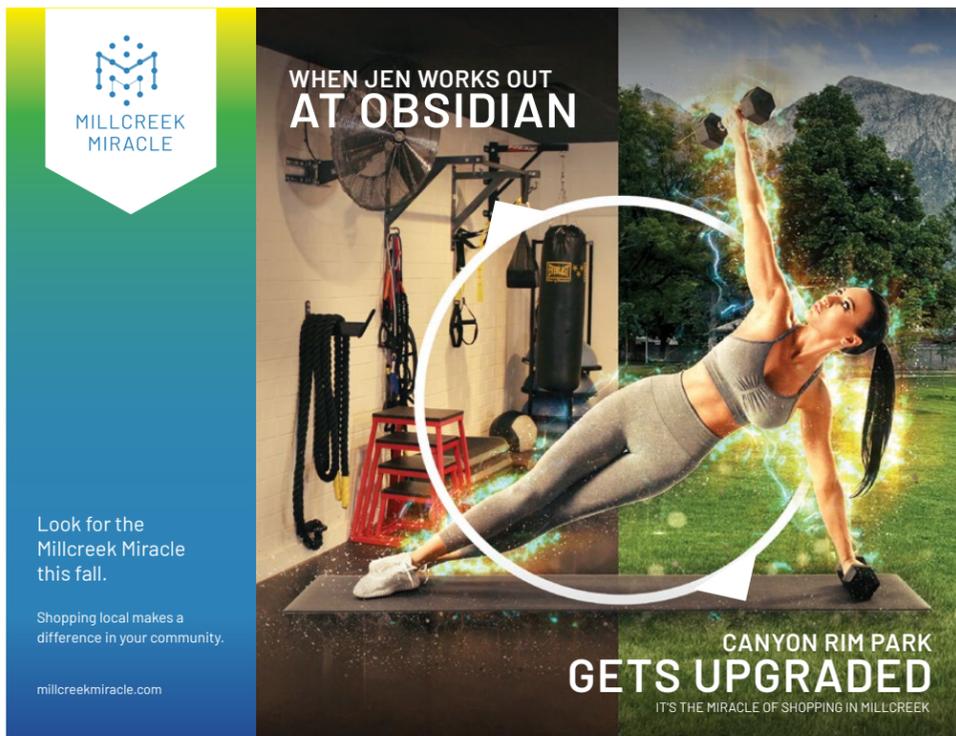
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It's penny-wise but pound foolish to cheap-out on police pay scales.

As your city council has grappled with financing increased officer salaries (along with everything else that has gone up), we have wondered what other cities are doing to meet this challenge. Our neighbors are struggling with this problem also, and while, like us, they have not finally settled upon a solution, here is what they are currently thinking. Salt Lake City is currently considering a property tax increase of nearly 5%, based upon its mayor's budget recommendation. Midvale (another UPD jurisdiction) is considering a property tax increase of 7.31%. South Jordan is proposing a property tax increase of 13.98% to its residents. Taylorsville (which recently left UPD)-10%. West Jordan-5.79%. West Valley City 10.89%. South Salt Lake City 109.49% (yes, that's correct-this includes a police service fee in addition to a property tax increase). Holladay does not require an increase, but it recently increased property taxes by about 50%.

In my last message in this newsletter, I asked Millcreek residents to let their council representatives know their preferences between a large property tax increase which would provide the necessary full funding, a smaller increase augmented with funds from the city's fund balance (rainy day fund) or a smaller increase augmented by the implementation of a utility and telecommunications franchise fee. As I noted, Millcreek is the only city in Salt Lake County which does not collect this 6% fee on utility bills. Notably, it is paid by non-profit entities which consume police and other services but are exempt from paying property taxes. So far the feedback you have provided has been minimal, however it has favored the smallest possible property tax plus franchise fee option. There is still time for you to let us know your preference. We will finally decide this in August.

My sense is that at this point, our council favors the option of a small property tax increase of around 4.5%, a \$500,000 transfer from fund balance plus a franchise fee which would begin in or after January 2023. This option would help keep property tax increases lower for future years as well. Please let us know your preference and engage with us if you have questions. None of us likes to see tax increases and we know that you hate it. However, for the city to keep providing public safety and other critical services, we must accept the reality this inflationary economy (and attendant labor and material shortages) presents.



Watch for more to come on the Business Council's Millcreek Miracle campaign.



## important PHONE NUMBERS

- Millcreek City Offices:**  
801-214-2700
- Public Works Operations 24-Hour Hotline** (Snowplowing, pavement management, streetlights): 385-468-6101
- Unified Police Department**  
NON EMERGENCY Number:  
801-840-4000
- Emergency Services**  
(Preparation and Disaster Preparedness Programs):  
801-214-2700
- Planning & Development Services** (Code Enforcement, Building Permits, Business Licenses): 801-214-2700
- Animal Services** (Adopt a Pet, Licensing, Pet Lost And Found):  
385-468-7387
- Landfill** (Trash & Hazardous Waste Disposal, Compost Sales): 385-468-6370
- Parks & Recreation:**  
385-468-1800
- Library Services:**  
801-943-4636
- Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling** (Garbage and Recycling): 385-468-6325
- Aging Services** (Active Aging, Meals on Wheels, Senior Transportation): 385-468-3200
- Youth Services** (Counseling, Crisis Therapy, Substance Abuse Treatment): 385-468-4500
- Health Department** (Birth & Death Certificates, Food Handler Cards, Immunization Programs):  
385-468-4100
- Salt Lake County Jobs:**  
385-468-0570
- South Salt Lake Valley Mosquito Abatement District,** 801-255-4651
- USU Extension Services**  
(Gardening, Natural Resources):  
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- Weed Control:** 801-214-2700

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