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## NEWS

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### **Announcements**

City Offices will be closed on 12/25 and 12/29

### **Public Meetings**

No public meetings this week



## **Rumors Abound – What is Happening at The Haven Assisted Living Facility?**

MILLCREEK. Millcreek is aware that the owner of The Haven at Millcreek, located at 1871 E 3300 S, is interested in selling its facility for its own business reasons. We don't have details about those reasons. Local news has been reporting on the property owner's decisions to close The Haven as an assisted living/care center and to give the residents, during the holiday season, short notices to vacate. Those decisions, while distressing, are the decisions of a private business, over which the city has no control.

We have information that an offer to purchase the property has been made by SwitchPoint, the same operator of the temporary winter shelter that Millcreek

hosted last winter. But we do not know whether that offer will close. No application for use of the facility has been received by the city. Thus, we do not yet have many details concerning what might be proposed.

The property is zoned to permit a residential treatment facility, but not for a homeless shelter. If a residential treatment facility were to be proposed, the current zoning as well as provisions of federal law that protect facilities serving persons with disabilities, would likely require the city to license such a use as a matter of right. We would not be required to license a “walk-up” type of shelter, nor would we be inclined to do that.

Last year, SwitchPoint did an excellent job of managing a temporary homeless facility in Millcreek at 825 E 3300 S, and mitigating impacts to the surrounding neighborhood. We experienced virtually no issues with crime (it actually decreased from the prior year), loitering, or litter in the vicinity of the shelter. In partnership with UPD, SwitchPoint implemented a rules-based environment which significantly minimized adverse impacts to that neighborhood.

If an application for a residential treatment facility at The Haven location were to be submitted to the city, we assure the surrounding neighborhood that the same intensive law enforcement support and monitoring that we employed (successfully) at the shelter last winter would be put in place and the neighbors need not feel threatened. Nevertheless, we are sure that everyone can appreciate that such facilities are necessary and part of the solution to a crisis which threatens to overtake us, as it has in some other cities, if appropriate shelter combined with treatment is not available. These facilities do have to be located somewhere and few neighborhoods ever want them. However, we have demonstrated that if everyone, including the residents, is held accountable, these facilities can operate nearly unnoticed.

If the property does change hands and an application for a residential treatment facility is received, we will hold a neighborhood meeting to share the details once we know them. We will ensure that our code is followed, and that the neighborhood is properly supported.

We have heard a rumor that this is to be a homeless shelter for troubled teens—we have not heard any facts that would support that rumor. SwitchPoint operators tell us that if their purchase closes, it is their mission to provide housing to adults who would otherwise be homeless or near homeless, and that the facility will continue to be operated as an assisted living facility. They will not

be adding beds or changing the facility in any way. Their clients will be adult men and women of varying ages who need help with their activities of daily living, but who would otherwise be homeless.

If SwitchPoint acquires the property and files an application with the city, we will work with them to schedule a neighborhood meeting in January where neighbors and interested residents can have their questions answered.

We will be updating residents on what is happening as we receive information and will post it in this newsletter. If you know of anyone who has concerns or questions, please have them sign up to receive the newsletter on the [city website](#) or by clicking [HERE](#).

You may also direct questions to Francis Lilly, Millcreek Planning Director, at [flilly@millcreek.us](mailto:flilly@millcreek.us).

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Voting for the Holiday Lights Contest **ends at midnight tonight**, so get those votes in! 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place receive prizes donated by local Millcreek businesses.

Take a drive TONIGHT to see the houses in-person! Click [HERE](#) to be taken to our contest map and see the location of the contest entries. Vote by clicking the button below.

**Vote HERE**

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**OPEN DAILY**



## Check Out the Holiday Shoppes at Millcreek Common

Give the gift of Utah's Own this season at the Holiday Shoppes at Millcreek Common. **Open daily November 16th - December 30th from 11:00 am - 9:00 pm** inside the Public Market at Millcreek City Hall.

Shop products produced by local food artisans and farmers. When you buy Utah products, you support small businesses, protect and preserve the environment, and build healthy communities.

Also come by to enjoy these events:

**Nosh & Shop.** Every Wednesday evening from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Come meet the makers behind the Holiday Shoppes at Millcreek Common,

**Saturday Market & Activities.** Join us tomorrow from 11 AM - 3 PM for a festive weekly market nestled within the Holiday Shoppes at Millcreek Common. Perfect for gift giving or self care, this Saturday features a mix of local vendors selling handmade crafts and artisan food. Free gift wrapping is available to customers.

**Food trucks.** Taste of Louisiana food truck outside and La Casa De La Empanada in the Holiday Shoppes area will be serving hot food to keep you fueled as you shop or skate the day away.

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# MILLCREEK COMMON LEARN TO SKATE



### RATES AND INCLUSIONS

\$60 - Ice Explorers  
(20 minute long classes and will begin off the ice.)

\$80 - Beginner (45 minutes long, 30 minute class + 15-minute practice session immediately following class.)

### REGISTRATION COST INCLUDES

- 30-minute class taught by a Learn to Skate USA Certified Instructor
- 15-minute practice time AFTER each class
- One (1) free skate pass for the 2023-2024 season
- Skate rental for the lesson

### DATES AND TIMES

#### SESSION 1 (SATURDAYS)

- November 18 - Registration Deadline
- November 25, December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

#### SESSION 2 (SATURDAYS, MONDAYS, OR WEDNESDAYS)

- December 30 - Registration Deadline
- January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10 (Saturdays)

- January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12 (Mondays)
- January 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14 (Wednesdays)

### SATURDAY CLASS TIMES

8:30-9:15 am Class + Practice

9:15-10:00 am Class + Practice

### MONDAY OR WEDNESDAY CLASS TIME

5:00-5:45 pm Class + Practice

5:45-6:30 Class + Practice

### LEVELS OFFERED FIRST CLASS

Ice Explorers (Ages 2-3)

Snowplow (Ages 3-6)

Basic 1 (Ages 7-17)

### LEVELS OFFERED SECOND CLASS

Snowplow (Ages 3-6)

Basic 1 (Ages 7-17)

Adult (Ages 18+)



SCAN QR CODE  
TO REGISTER

CONTACT JAMIE WILNER  
JWILNER@MILLCREEK.US  
WITH QUESTIONS

# SAVE THE DATE

# DEC 31

# BIG

## FIREWORKS

At 8:00 PM & Midnight

# BOOM

# BASH

NEW YEAR COUNTDOWN  
AT MILLCREEK COMMON

Ice Skating, Dancing,  
DJs & Live Music, Games,  
Arcade, Food Trucks,  
21+ Drinks, and More!

Get All Tickets at:  
[MillcreekCommon.org](http://MillcreekCommon.org)

### 3 SKATE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Sessions: 11:00 AM - 12:30 AM  
\$7 Admission, \$5 Skate Rental

- Ice skating - Reserve your skate session online at [MillcreekCommon.org](http://MillcreekCommon.org)
- DJ on the Plaza

### 2 EARLY EVE

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
\$5 per person  
(kids under 2 are free)

- Fireworks at 8:00 PM
- The Grandview Party (6th Floor, City Hall)
- 21+ Drinks and Specialty Cocktails\*
- DJ Justin Godina
- Party Favors
- Arcade (1st Floor, City Hall)
- Interactive Games (Millcreek Common Plaza)
- Ice Skating (online reservation suggested)\*

\*Additional fees apply

### 1 NEWPHORIA

8:30 PM - 12:30 AM  
\$20 per person (pre-sale until 12/30)  
\$25 per person (at the door on 12/31)

- Fireworks at 12:00 AM
- The Grandview Party (6th Floor, City Hall)
- 21+ Drinks and Specialty Cocktails\*
- Live Music:
  - Club Mungo (8:30 PM - 9:30 PM)
  - The SugaTones (9:45 PM - 12:30 AM)
- Party Favors
- Arcade (1st Floor, City Hall)
- Interactive Games (Millcreek Common Plaza)
- Ice Skating (online reservation suggested)\*





COFFEE IS OUR PASSION  
-EST. 1992-

MILLCREEK  
COFFEE  
ROASTERS

OPEN

Ribbon Cutting

Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024

12-1 PM

1330 East Chambers Avenue,  
Millcreek, UT





## Current Updates

- **Holiday Safety Message**
  - Christmas Tree Fires
    - Make sure trees are at least three feet away from any heat source
    - Ensure the tree does not block a walkway or exit
    - Water Daily!
  - Christmas tree fires, when they do occur; are more likely to be serious fires than other common house fires



**MILLCREEK**  
**ARTS COUNCIL**

## Join the Millcreek Arts Council

We have volunteer opportunities to join the Millcreek Arts Council. The following roles are available immediately.

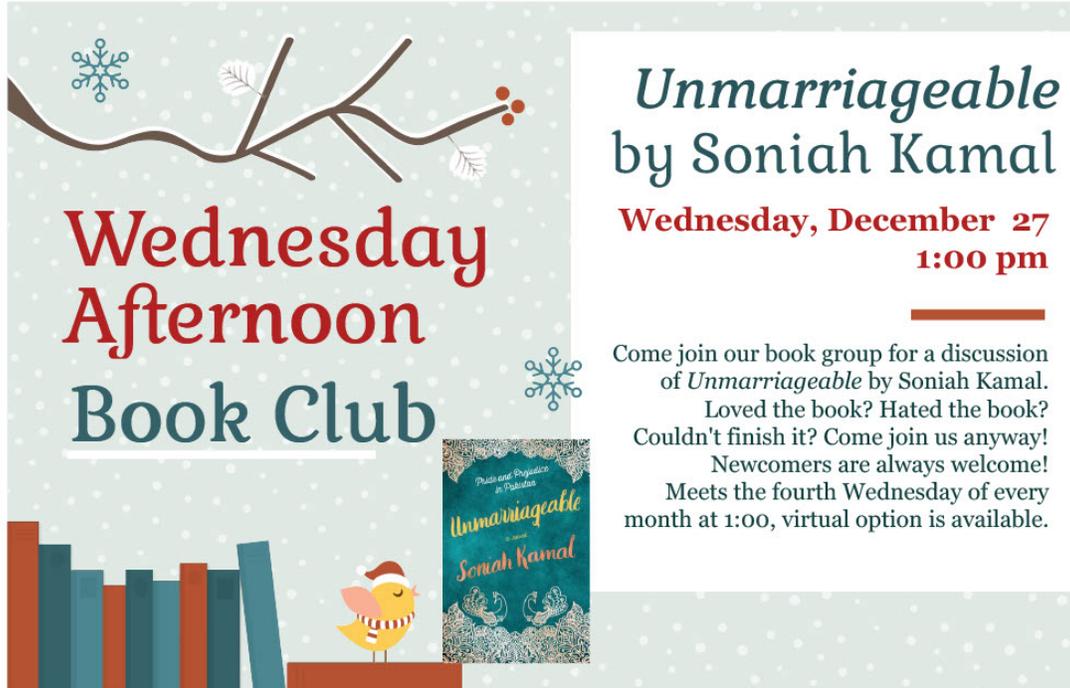
- Artist Relations Assistant
- Vice Chair of the Millcreek Arts Council
- ZAP Liaison Volunteer
- Grant Writer of the Millcreek Arts Council

[Click here to download a Word document that has full job descriptions and requisites and how to apply.](#)

## Road Closure Notice



As early as January 2, the southbound lane of 2000 East will be **closed** between Siggard Drive and 3300 South so crews can safely work on an irrigation ditch. Signage will be posted at the end of December about the closure. **Drivers are encouraged to use alternate routes.**



**Wednesday  
Afternoon  
Book Club**

***Unmarriageable*  
by Soniah Kamal**

**Wednesday, December 27  
1:00 pm**

Come join our book group for a discussion of *Unmarriageable* by Soniah Kamal. Loved the book? Hated the book? Couldn't finish it? Come join us anyway! Newcomers are always welcome! Meets the fourth Wednesday of every month at 1:00, virtual option is available.



**The County Library | Millcreek**  
2266 E Evergreen Ave  
Millcreek, Utah 84109 | 801.943.4636  
[thecountylibrary.org](http://thecountylibrary.org)

# Holiday Recycling Guide

All items must be **EMPTY, DRY, and UNBAGGED**



## Nice (Recyclable)



Paper-Based  
Gift Wrap



Tissue Paper &  
Paper Bags



Paper Gift  
Boxes (Not  
Shiny/Glittery)

All Paper  
Cards and  
Envelopes



Cardboard

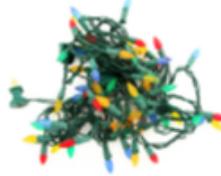
## Naughty (Non-Recyclable)



Shiny Gift Wrap  
& Shiny Gift Bags



Bows & Ribbons



Holiday Lights &  
Décor

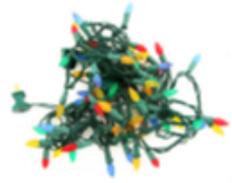


Bubble Wrap,  
Styrofoam &  
Cellophane

Shiny or Glittery  
Holiday Cards



## Re-use!



## WFWRD Pickup or Compost



All décor must  
be removed  
before pickup/  
composting.

