



MAYOR SILVESTRINI TO RETIRE

In the September 22 City Council meeting, Millcreek Mayor Jeff Silvestrini announced his retirement and that he is resigning his position effective November 10, 2025. Read the mayor's reasons for retirement and heartfelt message to the community in his column below.

Applicants interested in filling his seat applied between September 30 and October 14. These mayoral candidates will be interviewed by the mayor and City Council in a special meeting at City

Hall on Monday, November 3, at 7:00 pm, where a new mayor will be selected to complete the remaining two years of Mayor Silvestrini's term.

"It has been an honor and joy to work with Jeff over the past 20 years," said Councilwoman Bev Uipi; "and while his compassion, leadership, and love for Millcreek will be deeply missed, we wholeheartedly support his decision to focus on his priorities—Leslie and his family," she said.

Mayor Silvestrini is the first and current mayor of Millcreek, Utah, having taken office when the city officially incorporated in December 2016. Having been elected three times, he also was a leader of the city's successful incorporation effort.

"I can't begin to thank Mayor Silvestrini for his service to Millcreek, not only as our first Mayor but also through incorporation and for many years before that on the Mount Olympus Community Council," said Councilwoman Cheri Jackson. "He has committed his all to ensure our city is on solid footing and to make sure all Millcreek residents felt included and valued," she said.

A respected leader in the state, he served as president of the Utah League of Cities and Towns, chairman of Wasatch Front Regional Council, chairman of the Unified Police Department, and is the current chair of the Central Wasatch Commission.



"Mayor Silvestrini led with intelligence, discernment, and a whole lot of heart," said Councilwoman Silvia Catten. "His altruistic spirit will have a lasting impact on Millcreek," she said.

He is known as a leader in housing and homelessness issues, founding the Millcreek Promise Program, launching the development of the Millcreek Common city center, and in 2021 was selected as Utah's "Best of State Mayor."

"Mayor Silvestrini's leadership laid the foundation for Millcreek as a city

and motivated residents like myself to become actively involved in serving our community," said Councilman Thom DeSirant. "Beyond being a great mayor, he has been an incredible mentor and friend, and I cannot thank him enough," he said.

A retired civil attorney, Mayor Silvestrini earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan and his law degree from the University of Utah. He and his wife Leslie are the parents of two grown daughters.

TRANSITION TIMELINE

SEP. 30 – OCT 14

Application deadline for mayoral candidates

MON. NOV. 3

Special City Council meeting to interview candidates and select new mayor at Millcreek City Hall

WED. NOV. 5, 4 PM-6:30 PM

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini Retirement Reception at The Grandview, 6th floor, Millcreek City Hall. Public invited. (See invite on page 3)

MON. NOV. 10

Effective date of Mayor Silvestrini resignation, swearing-in of new mayor at the City Council meeting

MILLCREEK COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, A NONPROFIT CORPORATION
1330 E Chambers Avenue
Millcreek, UT 84106



In September, I had an opportunity to take a vacation with my wife, Leslie, and some close friends. The purpose of our trip was to celebrate my friend and law school classmate Bill's retirement. Vacations are a time for rest, renewal and reflection, and I particularly did the latter.

In the past year, I celebrated my 71st birthday. I lost my 97-year-old dad, the last of his generation in my family, and I experienced some health issues. I needed two surgeries and within the past six months, I learned that I also have leukemia and a "hopefully" benign pancreatic tumor. While both conditions hopefully

MAYOR'S MESSAGE JEFF SILVESTRINI

Thanks For the Opportunity to Be Your Mayor

will turn out to be things I die with, rather than from, they have the potential to become life-threatening. They are a sobering reminder of mortality and that life can be cut shorter than we plan.

As we celebrated Bill's imminent retirement on our trip, I recalled and reflected upon my own former goal of taking an early retirement with my wife. We postponed that when we decided I would run for mayor and enter public service. My nine-year career as mayor of the city I love has been a happy and gratifying diversion from our earlier goal, which we both worked hard through our careers to be able to realize. However, seeing my friend retire and contemplating my adverse health news, I began to see that my remaining opportunity to enjoy a robust retirement may be much more limited than I imagined. After nearly a decade in this position, I realize it is time for me to do what will make Leslie and me happiest. Therefore, on September 23rd, I ten-

dered my resignation as Millcreek's mayor, to be effective on November 10, 2025. This allows our council adequate time under state law to advertise the position for the required time, to receive applications and to interview and appoint my successor before that date to ensure a smooth transition of the office of mayor.

It has been the honor of my life to serve as Millcreek's first mayor and I have very much enjoyed my time in this office. I am so appreciative of Leslie's love and support and her sacrifice agreeing to become a politician's spouse, which is no easy thing. This is to say nothing of her volunteered hours both acting as our City Recorder during the first few months of incorporation and editing our weekly eNewsletter for the past nine years.

I thank the residents of this city for the confidence they placed in me, allowing me to serve for nine years over two and one-half terms. I have been blessed to work

cont. on page 12: Mayor's Message

Is Your Council District Having an Election?



On November 4th, eligible Millcreek voters residing in Districts 2 and 4 will choose their city councilmembers for the next four years. Millcreek had opted into the Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project (ranked choice voting) for the election, however, as only two candidates filed in each district, a ranked choice ballot will not be utilized in either race.

There are several ways to make sure that your vote is counted:

Deposit the completed ballot in the mail in time for it to be delivered to the Clerk on or before November 4th (the postmark on a ballot is no longer the determining date for a ballot to count).

Vote in person early or drop off the completed ballot at the Salt Lake County Government Center, 2001 S State Street, Salt Lake City, Room

S1-120, Monday through Friday from October 21 to October 31.

Deposit the completed ballot in any ballot drop box (open 24/7) located within Salt Lake County. Drop boxes are available from the time the mailed ballot is received until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. There is a drop box at the north end of Millcreek Common, 1354 E Chambers Ave, between City Hall and the Granite Credit Union Adventure Hub.

Vote in person or drop off the ballot on Election Day between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. at any vote center located within the County. Check the Salt Lake County Clerk's website to find an election day vote center that is convenient to you. The vote center in Millcreek is located at the Millcreek Community Library at 2266 E Evergreen Avenue.

Note: Valid identification will be required when voting in person. State

law changed this year. Mail in ballots must be RECEIVED by the Salt Lake County Clerk on or before November 4th to be counted.



USE THE QR CODE FOR MORE ELECTION INFORMATION AND WHICH DISTRICT YOU RESIDE IN, OR GO TO: MILLCREEKUT.GOV/161/ELECTIONS.

DISTRICT 2

ANGIE GRAY FOR DISTRICT 2

I am a Millcreek native, an RN, and a mom/wife. I campaigned to make us a city and haven't stopped serving you. I currently volunteer on several city committees.

As a member of the Healthy Millcreek Coalition I help advocate 'health in all policies,' and currently focus on youth mental health. I've worked on large-scale planning as a CERT member (Community Emergency Response Team). I am heavily involved with our schools. Professionally, I've worked intimately with elderly, immigrant, and homeless populations.

I believe in holistic community growth, responsible spending, with care for the vulnerable among us. I offer my hometown passion, time-tested experience, and leadership by a neighbor you can count on.

THOM DESIRANT FOR DISTRICT 2

I'm running for re-election to the City Council because I'm committed to making sure Millcreek is a place where families can thrive for generations to come. In my first term, I've focused on creating a stronger, more connected community through securing \$6.5 million for Millcreek Common Phase II, expanding park space, repairing roads for safer walking and driving, and keep city services running efficiently for residents, all while keeping a large rainy day fund and not raising property taxes in the last two years.

I would be honored to earn your vote so that we can continue this work.

DISTRICT 4

CONNOR GALE FOR DISTRICT 4

My name is Connor Gale, and I am excited to be running in City Council District 4! Currently, people are dissatisfied, fed up, and tired of the status-quo. I'm running for city council not only because I want to serve my community, but to create the change we need. Here in Millcreek, we have been lucky to have local leaders who care, who have worked hard to create this city. But now it's time for a young, energized, and passionate voice to help lead our city. It's time for a change, and change is what I'll bring.

BEV UIPI FOR DISTRICT 4

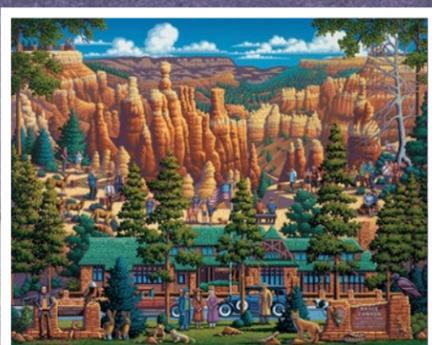
Councilwoman Bev Uipi is a Millcreek native with deep roots and a record of results. Now in her third term and serving as Mayor Pro-Tem, she leads with inclusive, hands-on problem solving to support seniors, safer streets and parks, and smart, neighborhood-scale growth that keeps Millcreek welcoming and affordable.

Bev is also our Council member overseeing Policing in Millcreek since 2020 to assure transparency and community-based focus with townhalls and an invitation for citizens to have access to our chief and UPD leaders.

As the first Pacific Islander woman elected to public office in Utah, Bev brings a powerful voice for every family and a proven ability to turn collaboration into progress.

PAVE THE WAY TO MILLCREEK'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY WITH A DOWDLE PUZZLE

Millcreek is turning 10—and we've created three unforgettable ways for you to be part of the celebration and show your love for Millcreek.



1 MILLCREEK DOWDLE FOLK ART PUZZLE

Commemorate our city's milestone with a limited-edition Millcreek folk art puzzle painted by artist Eric Dowdle. The puzzle will officially be unveiled and available for pick-up on Saturday, February 7, 2026.

\$25 for a 500-piece or 1000 piece puzzle. You choose.

2 MILLCREEK COMMON PLAZA PAVER

Leave your mark on Millcreek! Buy a custom-engraved plaza paver. A legacy for your family, business, or community group. Inscription is three lines, each with 15 characters (including spaces).

\$250 for custom-engraved paver installed at Millcreek Common, summer 2026

3 GIVE THE GIFT OF A PUZZLE AND PAVER

This holiday season, give the meaningful gift of a commemorative Dowdle Millcreek Puzzle and a custom-engraved paver.

\$275 for custom-engraved paver and your choice of a 500 or 1000-piece Millcreek Dowdle Puzzle. Paver installed summer of 2026

Pre-order puzzles and pavers today at MillcreekCommon.org. Order by December 15th, and you'll receive a digital commemoration certificate—perfect for printing to share as a holiday surprise for loved ones.

Millcreek Rocks
The Jansons

CELEBRATING OUR



10th ANNIVERSARY

Don't Leave Your Leaves In Your Garbage Can

We All Benefit From the Leaf Bag Pick-up Program

Fall is here and Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District is ready to help.

Convenient neighborhood leaf drop-off spots are available to avoid sending useful leaves to the landfill. By bagging them or putting them loose in your green waste cans—not blue—your leaves become rich mulch that can be economically purchased for growing gardens, trees, etc. And our storm drain system is saved from blockage and pollution. (See POP article on the top of page 12 for more about this.)

Drop-off leaves from October 15 through November 30. If needed, set your bags on the ground near the WF-WRD containers if they are full.

Other yard or waste cans can be used for your leaves. But PLEASE do not dump garbage, yard waste, or other items at the leaf bag collection sites.

Bonus! Millcreek is supplying one roll

of leaf bags per resident. See drop off locations below.

PICK UP BAGS HERE:

- Millcreek City Building:
1330 E Chambers Ave
- Millcreek Recreation Center:
2230 E Evergreen Ave
- Millcreek Library:
2266 E Evergreen Ave
- Millcreek Activity Center:
4405 S 1025 E
- Holladay Lions Fitness Center:
1661 E Murray Holladay Rd.

DROP OFF BAGS HERE:

- Canyon Rim Park: 3100 E 3100 S
- Cottonwood Ball Complex:
4400 S 1300 E (Northside only)





THANKS MAYOR!

Please Join the Community of Millcreek for a Special Retirement Reception for Mayor Jeff Silvestrini

WED. NOV. 5, 4-6:30 PM

The Grandview, 6th floor, Millcreek City Hall
1330 East Chambers Avenue



POLICY MAKER FORUM



CAROL SPACKMAN-MOSS
HOUSE DISTRICT 3

I am proud to represent a portion of Millcreek City in House District 34. After the 2022 redistricting, my district includes 10 Millcreek precincts, 16 in Holladay and 6 in Murray. I am also proud to represent three of the best run cities in Utah! When I first ran for the legislature in 2000, I had part of Millcreek before it was incorporated. While canvassing for the past two elections, several Millcreek residents said they remembered I represented them 20 years ago and joked that they should have kept my signs.

When we are not in session from January to March, passing laws and doing the state budget, we meet monthly for Interim meetings. In those meetings, we hear reports, audits and bill presentations for the next general session.

I serve on the following Interim Committees: Education, Economic Development and Workforce Services. The Public Education Subcommittee meets every other month to review the budget and hear proposals for 2026.

One issue the Legislature needs to address is the shrinking Great Salt Lake. We must pass substantive legislation to get water into the lake. Millions of dollars have been appropriated to study it, but not specific methods to raise the water level. Two good snow years added a few inches to the lake, but the future concerns about toxic dust and the harm it will cause must be addressed sooner, not later.

This is also the time when legislators are preparing bills for the 2026 session. I am working with our local law enforcement on two bills and working on an HOA bill with one of our Murray condominium boards. I am always happy to hear from constituents and answer your questions and concerns. You can contact me via email, phone, or text. Please include your name and address.



Millcreek Honors Five Citizens At 9/11 Tribute

The Millcreek Business Council recently honored our first responders with a special 9/11 tribute. We recognized Mac Lund, a longtime firefighter and administrator who served in New York after 9/11 and continues to give back to the community through volunteer work, including rescuing basset hounds and supporting the Adopt a Native Elder program.

We also honored Sergeant Mike Mays, a dedicated law enforcement officer known for his leadership, commitment, and community involvement, mentoring younger officers and actively participating in local events. Officer Tracy Boughn, serving since 1988, is a respect-



ed school resource officer at Churchill Junior High, known for his mentorship and community engagement. Engineer Dustin Smith, hired in 2008, leads Heavy Rescue operations, trains new firefighters, and shares his experience as a former Flight Paramedic. Paramedic Dace Duthie, who began as a Paid Call firefighter in 2020 and became full-time in 2023, serves as senior medic, mentoring his crew while providing dependable, compassionate care.

We are so grateful for their dedication and service, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to all first responders, their families, and members of the military who work tirelessly to keep our community safe.

Three Millcreek Institutions Have Cause to Celebrate



CHURCHILL JR HIGH SCHOOL

Churchill Jr. High School recently celebrated 60 years of learning, growth, and community. The anniversary brought together alumni, students, teachers, and families to honor decades of memories and achievements. It was a meaningful milestone that highlighted the school's proud history and lasting impact.

3450 E Oakview Dr | (385) 646-5144



WOODHAVEN AT MILLCREEK

Woodhaven at Millcreek recently celebrated its grand reopening, welcoming the community to experience its beautiful, serene setting. Guests explored the updated space and learned more about the therapy services offered, including individual, couples, and adolescent psychotherapy, as well as neurofeedback.

1398 E Luck Lane | (801) 251-6767



SOULFUL SIPS

Soulful Sips has officially opened its doors in Millcreek! With cozy vibes and thoughtfully crafted drinks, this new spot is all about bringing people together. The grand opening marked the start of an exciting new place for the community to gather, sip, and connect. Soulful Sips is ready to be your go-to destination for soulful moments.

2955 E 3300 S | soulfulsips.co

NOVEMBER BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



AWARD SPONSORED BY



Hometown Values

I have been passionate about art since I was very young, learning from many amazing teachers both in school and within the Millcreek community. Over time, my art has grown into a thriving business, allowing me to share creativity and joy with others. I offer art lessons for all ages in drawing and painting, and have expanded into hosting events, parties, and special occasions. These experiences are designed for all ages and interests, featuring custom glitter tattoos, vibrant face painting, educational paint nights, and guided art décor projects.

I am proud to serve the local community by supporting charities, PTSA/PTA groups, schools, and businesses. Bringing art to these spaces has created joy for children, families, and friends while fostering connection, healing, and teamwork. Through art, I've seen people from all walks of life come together, and I feel grateful to uplift my community through the power of creativity.

(801) 200-5363



Shonnie's Studio of Art

Millcreek Community Life

here's millie!

Millie Millcreek



November in Millcreek is one of my favorite times of year- crisp mornings, golden leaves crunching underfoot, and the promise of pumpkin pie just around the corner. But this season, something else has caught my eye: wild turkeys strutting confidently through the neighborhoods near Mount Olympus.

Yes, turkeys! And not just any turkeys- protected ones. Did you know that Utah is home to two subspecies of wild turkey, the Rio Grande and the Merriam's? The Merriam's are the true Utah natives, successfully reintroduced back in 1952. The Rio Grande turkeys were introduced later, in 1984, from the south-central plains states and northeastern Mexico. Today, both subspecies thrive in different parts of Utah, from Box Elder County in the north to San Juan and Iron counties in the south.

As I watched a group parade down the road, I couldn't help but imagine what they might say if I stopped them for a chat. One of the toms (that's what the males are called) might proudly tell me he weighs between 17 and 21 pounds, while a nearby hen (the females) would chime in that she averages around 8 to 10 pounds.

Turkeys aren't picky eaters either. Their menu is made up of vegetation, seeds, and insects, though I'm guessing they wouldn't turn up their beaks at the free birdseed buffets in a few Millcreek backyards.

One of the most interesting ways to tell our Utah turkeys apart is by looking at their tail feathers. The Rio Grande subspecies sports buff or tan tips, while the Merriam's wear crisp white tips- it's like a built-in fashion accessory.

Learning about these feathered neighbors makes me appreciate them even more. Once scarce, wild turkeys are now thriving again in Utah, thanks to reintroduction efforts. And here in Millcreek, spotting them feels like a reminder of resilience, community, and gratitude- all the things Thanksgiving is truly about.

And as for my husband Milton- he says if the turkeys keep hanging around our yard, he's naming one after himself, because he's been told he struts the same way when he's raking leaves.

So, this month, if you see a rafter of turkeys wandering around Mount Olympus, pause for a moment. Smile at their confident strut, and maybe even whisper a quiet "thank you." These turkeys aren't just symbols of Thanksgiving- they're part of Millcreek's story, a reminder to be grateful for the everyday wonders around us.

From me- and from the turkeys of Millcreek- Happy Thanksgiving!

Millie



11.1 GRAN DIA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATION

5pm-10pm, The Grandview and Plaza at Millcreek Common

Join us for the beloved Mexican tradition that honors and celebrates the lives of those who have passed away. This celebration is about love, remembrance, and the joy of keeping connections alive with family, friends, and even pets who are no longer with us. Come already dressed or take advantage of our free Catrina face painting from 5pm-7pm. Catrina parade is at 7pm followed by a Millcreek Skate Loop Legends performance. Costume contests with prize giveaways will be at 8pm. Throughout the evening enjoy culturally significant craft stations and performances. Delicious food and drink, including traditional pan de muerto and chocolaté. Free Rollerskating!



UTAH'S OWN HOLIDAY SHOPPES OPEN! 11.1

11am-9pm, Public Market at Millcreek Common

Shop local this season of giving with 40+ Utah's Own products from farmers and food artisans. Open Daily.



11.11 DAY OF APPRECIATION FOR VETERANS

11am-8pm, Climbing Wall at Millcreek Common

To celebrate those who have served, everyone can enjoy \$2 off climbing admission all day. Veterans, show your military ID for free admission.



A GRATEFUL GET TOGETHER 11.14

6pm-8pm, Public Market at Millcreek Common

Sample flavors from 40+ Utah's Own businesses, sip mocktails, and find inspiration to set your holiday table. Bring a coat donation for a free ice skating pass and come meet mini Highland heifers on the plaza.



11.14 ICE SKATING IS BACK AND THE TREE IS LIT!

6pm, Skate Loop at Millcreek Common

Ice Skating begins and the Holiday Tree will be lit. Let's get merry and bright! Cookies and cocoa will be served at 6:00 pm. Get session schedule and pre-booking info online at millcreekcommon.org. \$7 admission, \$5 ice skate rental. For groups of 25 or more, a \$2 discount is available on admission.



PRIZE BINGO NIGHT: HARVEST EDITION 11.19

6:30pm-8:30pm The Grandview at Millcreek Common

Join your favorite Farmers/Bingo hosts @shannanigans_slc, @melonmonologues, and Big Bad Bill! This month's grand prize is a Gift Card to help make your Holiday table complete. Doors open at 6:30pm, games run 7:00-8:30pm. Everyone can play- \$5 per card suggested donation.



11.28-11.30 MILLCREEK MAGIC ICE SHOW: INTERGALACTIC

5:30pm & 7pm, Millcreek Common Ice Loop

The award-winning, Millcreek Magic Ice Show returns with an out-of-this-world adventure for the whole family. This year's theme, Intergalactic, blasts off into a universe of twirls, flips, and dazzling starlight. Glide along with Milo the Moose as they zoom through space, meeting new friends and discovering wonders among the stars. See ad on page 7 for tickets and more details.



MILLCREEK COMMUNITY THEATER PRESENTS ANNIE 11.28-29, 12.1

8pm, The Grandview at Millcreek Common

The beloved tale of an orphan girl performed by our own very own remarkable community theater. Saturday (11.29) matinee at 2pm. More information and tickets available at MillcreekTheater.org.



11.30 COSMIC COLLECTIONS: THE FUTURE OF FASHION

12pm-5pm, Public Market at Millcreek Common

The Bazaar presents Cosmic Collections: The Future of Fashion. Step into a galaxy of curated vintage, upcycled, and handmade designs that shine with individuality and prove sustainability is the future of fashion.



Come Play!

Granite Credit Union Adventure Hub
1354 E. Chambers Ave., Millcreek

Roller Skating closes November 1 | Climbing Wall closes November 15 | Ice Skating Opens on November 14

ICE SKATING OPEN DAILY \$7 admission, \$5 skate rental
Sun-Thur: 11 am-9 pm
Fri & Sat: 10:30 am-10 pm

HOLIDAY HOURS Season Passes available to purchase.
11.26 11am - 4:30pm

11.27 Thanksgiving Day: Closed Best to book tickets in advance. Some sessions may sell out, or the Skate Loop may close for special events.
11.28-30 Millcreek Magic Ice Show: Skating session unavailable from 4pm-8pm

millcreekcommon.org | @millcreekcommon

NOVEMBER EVENTS AT A GLANCE

1ST FLOOR OF CITY HALL **PUBLIC MARKET** 1330 EAST CHAMBERS AVE
AT MILLCREEK COMMON

— ART MARKET APPLICATION —

Seeking Collections From Established And Emerging Utah-Based Artists In Varying Mediums To Apply!

Go to Millcreekcommon.org/artmarket



GIVE THE GIFT OF



11.1-12.24, 11am-9pm

Millcreek's holiday market returns from November 1 to December 24 in the Public Market. Shop local this season with Utah's Own products from farmers and food artisans. Shoppers can buy items to enjoy or build a customized gift box, perfect for memorable gifting for neighbors and friends this season.



MERCANTILE

AT MILLCREEK COMMON

sweet • savory • sundries

Open Every Day at the Public Market 11 am-9 pm

Local food, beverages, snack items, small gifts, and limited handcrafted wares with a culinary theme plus local artisans selling smaller, boutique items are now available every day in the Public Market at Millcreek Common. More at millcreekcommon.org/mercantilepurveyors.

— SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE UPCOMING PUBLIC MARKET OFFERINGS —

Winter Solstice Bazaar

12.20, 5:00-9:00pm • 12.21, 11:00am-5:00pm

Join us to celebrate the end of fall and the true beginning of winter. You'll find unique holiday gifts, vintage items, and handmade artisan food.

Electric Alley Arcade

12.29-1.10 • Open daily • 11am-9pm

Back by popular demand! The Electric Alley Arcade features classic arcade games like pinball, bubble hockey, skee-ball, and more. Come play!

Art Market

1.19 - 2.15 • Open daily • 11am-9pm

The Art Market features local, Utah-based fine artists that work in a variety of mediums including painting, photography, sculpture, and woodwork.

millcreekcommon.org



@millcreekpublicmarket

Welcome the winter season

Friday, November 14

The winter season of gathering with family and friends is upon us. On Friday, November 14, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A Grateful Get Together invites you to make holiday memories both inside and out at Millcreek Common. The Skate Loop at Millcreek Common opens for ice skating and local Utah makers will gather and showcase their products for the Utah's Own Holiday Shoppes at the indoor Public Market.

- Sample the flavors of Utah with 40+ makers at Utah's Own Holiday Shoppes
- Shop our mini farmers market and get local produce to serve at your Thanksgiving table
- Learn to make holiday mocktails with local producer Bitters Lab
- Free ice skating pass for each coat you bring and donate to the Promise Program's Annual Coat Drive



at A Grateful Get Together

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The third annual Utah's Own Holiday Shoppes at Millcreek Common returns! Start your holiday giving tradition with many returning local favorites including sweets, sauces, and holiday snacks from local farmers and food artisans. Explore the apothecary space for a selection of self-care products, perfect for gifting or treating yourself. Shoppers can buy items to enjoy with their family during the season or build a customized gift box for memorable presents.

When you buy Utah products, you help strengthen the economy, protect and preserve the environment, and build healthy communities. Products grown and crafted locally travel a shorter distance, ensuring peak quality and freshness!

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook @millcreekcommon and @millcreekpublicmarket for schedules and updates.



An Evening with La Catrina

10.30, 6pm & 7pm
The Grandview at Millcreek Common

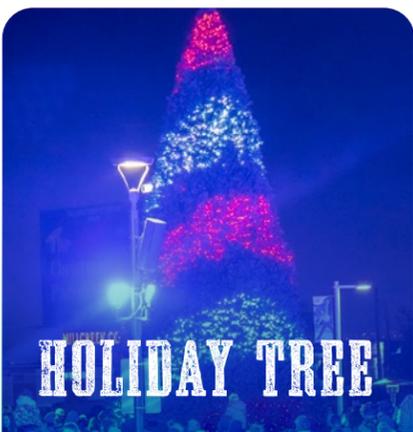
Elegance meets legend as Catrinas come to life, draped in exquisite attire crafted just for this night. Two runway performances celebrating tradition and beauty in a mesmerizing tribute to life and those we remember. Event tickets are free; however, seating is limited. Please register at millcreekcommon.org.



SPOOK & SKATE HALLOWEEN PARTY

10.31, 7pm-10pm
Millcreek Common Skate Loop

Free Skating admission if you're in costume. Prizes for creativity and style. Enjoy food trucks, trick-or-treat stations, and our DJ to keep the spooky vibes alive.



HOLIDAY TREE

11.14, 6pm
Millcreek Common Skate Loop

Join us for an evening of community as the Holiday Tree illuminates the season with messages of gratitude. Enjoy hot cocoa and cookies. Pop into the Holiday Shoppes and support your favorite Utah's Own at the Grateful Get Together in the Public Market.

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Tickets are just \$5 at millcreekcommon.org. Ice shows are 30 minutes. Children 2 and under are free.

TICKETS & INFORMATION AT
MILLCREEKCOMMON.ORG

DEC 31
BIG BOOM BASH
 NEW YEAR COUNTDOWN
 AT MILLCREEK COMMON
 AND THE GRANDVIEW

EARLY EVE
4 PM-8 PM

Celebrate New Year's Eve early! From 4-8 PM, enjoy family games, arcade games, live performances, an ice show, and a DJ dance party. End the night with party favors and a sparkling fireworks display—perfect fun for all ages before bedtime! Food and 21+ drinks available.

Early Eve tickets are \$5. Want to ice skate? Admission is \$7, and \$5 for skate rentals.

OUT LATE
9 PM-12:30 AM

The Grandview & Plaza at Millcreek Common

INFO & TICKETS
millcreekcommon.org

Welcome the New Year with wonder and joy! Dance to the vibrant sounds of SENXAO, uncover mysteries with lip readers and fortune tellers, Enjoy a custom poem written just for you, and help create a sparkling collaborative art piece. Enjoy games, delicious bites, and festive drinks before the night bursts into color with a dazzling midnight fireworks finale.

Food and 21+ drinks available. Out Late tickets are \$25 and available at millcreekcommon.org. Want to ice skate? Admission is \$7, and \$5 for skate rentals.



Milo Is Thank-Fall

What are you most thankful for? It could be a person, a place, a favorite food, or something small that makes you smile.

Fill in the leaves with things you are grateful for!

Here are some of mine:

- ✿ Ponds for splashing and swimming
- ✿ Trees with scratchy bark for a good back rub
- ✿ Long legs to help me hide-and-peek in tall grass
- ✿ Endless supplies of leafy salads in Millcreek Canyon
- ✿ My Millcreek Family and Friends!




Learn to Play Hockey!

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The Utah Mammoth is proud to announce the beginning of our **Learn to Play program** designed to introduce new hockey players to the sport and encourage them to be Mammoth fans for life.

4-week program, Jan 6th - Jan 29th
Tues and Thurs, 5:45 pm-6:45 pm

The Millcreek \$250 registration includes a full set of hockey gear that is yours to keep at the completion of the program, along with 8 sessions of on ice instruction.

Visit millcreekcommon.org/learntoplay for more information and registration.

MILLCREEK COMMUNITY THEATER presents

Annie

NOVEMBER 28, 29, & DECEMBER 1
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9-11 Day of Service Success

On September 11, Millcreek Promise brought residents together to honor the National Day of Service and Remembrance by assembling hygiene kits for neighbors in need. Community members of all ages joined the effort, packing essential items such as soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and other personal care supplies into a total of 629 kits that will be distributed to those who can use them most.

The completed kits will go to the Unified Police Department (UPD) and several local community-serving organizations. Officers and service providers will share them with individuals and families facing difficult circumstances, ensuring that this collective

act of kindness has a lasting impact.

By coming together, Millcreek residents demonstrated that small acts of service can make a big difference in building a stronger community.

Millcreek Promise extends a heartfelt thank you to all who participated. Your time, energy, and generosity was greatly appreciated for this day of action!



New Millcreek Youth Council Sworn In

Millcreek welcomed a new class of student leaders at the Youth Council swearing-in ceremony on September 9th.

Surrounded by proud families and supporters, each youth council member took an oath to uphold the values of civic responsibility, integrity, and service while representing their schools and neighborhoods.

The Youth Council will spend the year advising on youth perspectives,

volunteering at city events, and leading service projects that strengthen Millcreek's sense of belonging. All involved in the ceremony left feeling excited for the year to come.

2026 YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- Adam Moffat
- Annie Li
- Eloy Salazar
- Greta Doretto
- Heidi Jackson
- Hendrix Parkin
- Holly Stornheim
- Isabel Bruin
- Isabel Madsen
- Jeremy Solorzano
- Jonathan Chen
- Katherine Hampshire
- Lorena Martinez
- Megan Johanson
- Morgan Omer
- Mixon Killen
- Olive Smith
- Olivia Lambert
- Quynhanh Le
- Ripley Killen
- Sam Millet
- Samantha Kerby
- Symon Kim
- Vera Webb
- Zoe Dubiner



HISTORIC SPOTLIGHT

By Ryan Lufgren, Millcreek Historic Preservation Commission

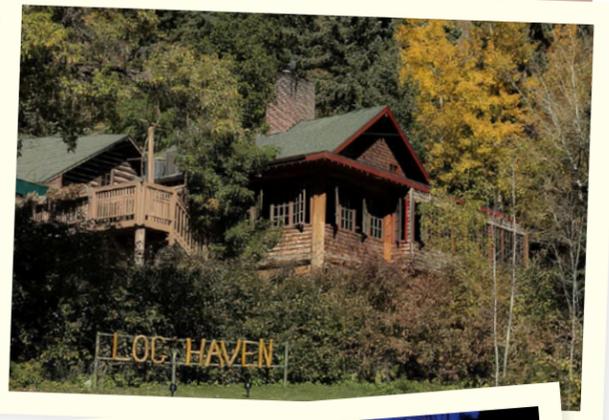
From Rustic Retreat to Romantic Landmark

Tucked just four miles up the forested beauty of Mill Creek Canyon sits Log Haven, one of Utah's most iconic mountain lodges. Built in the 1920s by Salt Lake steel magnate L.F. Rains, Log Haven was originally envisioned not as a public venue, but as a private vacation retreat. A rustic yet elegant hideaway meant to impress his wife and entertain guests. Constructed from massive logs hauled in from Oregon, the lodge's craftsmanship and setting showcased the early 20th-century ideal of mountain living: luxurious, secluded, and in harmony with the surrounding wilderness.

Over the decades, Log Haven evolved into a well-known venue for events, gatherings, and eventually fine dining, but not without some dramatic turns. After falling into disrepair, the building was condemned in the 1990s and was slated for demolition. It was rescued and lovingly restored by preservation-minded owners who recognized its architectural and cultural value. Today, Log Haven stands as a shining example

of adaptive reuse, blending its historic charm with modern amenities while maintaining the character that makes it so unique.

Log Haven's story is one of preservation, resilience, and reinvention. What began as a love letter in the form of a log mansion has become a cherished part of Mill Creek Canyon's identity, attracting locals and visitors alike for its romantic setting, award-winning cuisine, and timeless sense of place. In 2020, Log Haven celebrated its 100-year anniversary, and Log Haven continues to embody the spirit of Mill Creek Canyon, a place where natural beauty and historic legacy intertwine.



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Tips On Crosswalk Safety



Crosswalks are designed to enhance pedestrian safety, but they can also create situations where safety is mistakenly assumed. Misconceptions about the safety provided by crosswalks can lead to dangerous scenarios where a person may feel overconfident in their assumptions of safety. Whether you learned street safety as a child or through community programs, the importance of following pedestrian rules can sometimes fade from memory. Understanding how to navigate crosswalks safely is essential for both pedestrians and drivers.

FOR PEDESTRIANS

- When approaching to cross the street, make eye contact with drivers to ensure they are aware of your presence before entering the roadway.
- Look LEFT, RIGHT, LEFT again before crossing.
- Never assume you have the right of way just because you are using a crosswalk; it does not guarantee your safety.
- Be noticed, wear reflective gear at night.
- Do not let small children cross the street alone.
- Do not cross an intersection

diagonally, unless it is specifically designed for this.

- Crosswalks exist at any intersection, whether there are pavement markings or not.
- Must walk on the left side of the street facing traffic if no sidewalk is available.

FOR DRIVERS

- Look for pedestrians and expect them to be at corners and intersections.
- Always stop for pedestrians, even if you are in the right of way.
- Slow down, stop at a red light, and look around before turning on a green light.
- Never pass a car that has stopped in a travel lane until it is determined that the vehicle has stopped for a pedestrian.
- Be alert and make eye contact with pedestrians.
- In the presence of a crossing guard, vehicles must wait for all persons, including the guard, to completely clear the road before proceeding.

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Make sure your children understand and consistently follow safety rules when walking to school, especially as the mornings start getting darker. Teach them to recognize potential dangers and

how to safely navigate crosswalks so they can make informed decisions during their journey.

The Reality of Crosswalk Safety

While the installation of crosswalks is intended to increase pedestrian safety, a study from the Federal Highway Administration indicates that marked crosswalks are sometimes less safe. In fact, the rate of pedestrian accidents can be significantly higher at marked crosswalks compared to unmarked ones under similar conditions. Therefore, there is a need for continuous education and awareness in both pedestrians and drivers.

Get Involved: Become a Crosswalk Designee!

To improve safety at crosswalks, Millcreek is inviting community members to volunteer as crosswalk designees. This role involves supervising a crosswalk and ensuring that pedestrian flags are available for use or need to be restriped. If you are interested in supporting this crosswalk safety initiative, please get in touch with the Public Information Manager at 801-214-2616 for more information about volunteer opportunities.

Sources:

[Zero Fatalities - Pedestrians](https://zerofatalities.com/pedestrians/
[Federal Highway Administration Research Study] (https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/safety/04100/04100.pdf)

A Report On Venture Out! Neighborhood Block Parties

For the past two years Millcreek's Venture Out! program has helped residents host fall block parties. We are thrilled with the number of applicants we've had and look forward to making this a tradition.



With busy lives and constant screen time, we're happy to facilitate neighborly connection and community building. And we're grateful to those we've helped host. Thank you for your commitment to building relationships in your communities.



Here are some photos and feedback from one of our hosts; "Our Block Party BBQ was a huge success! Almost everyone on our street came and enjoyed the festivities and barbecue. The UPD ice cream truck was a huge



hit! Everyone loved the creamies and the police officers who handed them out. All on our street are looking forward to next year's block party." Look for our 2026 Block Party application in our July 2026 newsletter.

OFFICER OF THE MONTH OFFICER CRYSTAL GRADY

Officer Crystal Grady's dedication to thorough investigations and her unwavering commitment to the citizens of Millcreek truly exemplify service beyond the badge.

Officer Grady consistently demonstrates compassion, empathy, and a genuine desire to help those in need. She ensures every voice is heard, every fact is gathered, and every case is investigated with diligence and care. Her work reflects both her professionalism and her deep sense of responsibility to the community she serves.

On August 30th, Officer Grady was dispatched to a call involving a woman in crisis. A friend had reported that she was suicidal and intended to take her own life. Without hesitation, Officer Grady reached out by phone, speaking with the woman

directly. With patience, empathy, and genuine concern, she was able to build trust and convince her to wait for help before doing anything harmful.

When Officer Grady arrived, she discovered the woman was a single mother of two young children. She had recently relapsed into alcohol use and felt overwhelmed by the heavy weight of raising her children alone. Burdened by discouragement and despair, she had even gathered the means and formed a plan to end her life.

It was in this critical moment that Officer Grady's compassion and dedication truly shone. Through her heartfelt care and skillful communication, she guided the woman toward hope. Officer Grady persuaded her to seek help voluntarily and personally drove

her to the Huntsman Crisis Center so she could begin receiving the support she desperately needed.



Before leaving, she ensured the children were safe and cared for, and that the family's home and pets were secure, reflecting her deep sense of responsibility for the whole family's well-being.

This is just one of many examples of Officer Grady treating every person she encounters with dignity, kindness, and respect. She consistently goes above and beyond, not just answering calls, but touching lives in ways that bring comfort, safety, and hope. Officer Grady's integrity, dedication, and humanity make her a model officer and a true asset to our department.

Thank you, Officer Grady, for your service and for making a lasting impact on both your fellow officers and the community of Millcreek.

Leaves Impact Our Storm Drain System



As autumn unfolds and temperatures dip, it's hard not to be captivated by the stunning scenery created by colorful falling leaves. While they may be lovely, these leaves can pose real problems for our stormwater systems and local waterways. It's essential to tackle the fallen leaves quickly—whether composting, mulching, or bagging them to dispose of them—before they clog up the gutters and storm drains.

HOW DOES IT IMPACT OUR STORM DRAIN SYSTEM?

Localized Flooding: When leaves accumulate around drains, they can create blockages that prevent proper water drainage. This issue can be particularly concerning given our unpredictable weather. If many leaves build up over a storm

drain, it can cause flooding in our streets and yards during rainy days. If you notice this happening near your home, don't wait. Grab a rake and clear it out!

Water Pollution: When leaves pile up, they can absorb all kinds of pollutants, like pesticides, fertilizers, and even bacteria from pet waste. If water stagnates because of these obstructions, it can turn into a breeding ground for harmful bacteria and algae. This not only affects our local waterways but can also harm aquatic life and contaminate our drinking water.

Infrastructural Damage: Frequent blockages can damage our drainage systems. Over time, this wear and tear can lead to pipe disruptions,

sinkholes in the roads, and even flooding in our neighborhoods.

DON'T LEAF THESE TIPS OUT!

Rake & Remove: Leaves in the street can lead to flooding, especially during moderate to heavy rain when its drains are already blocked. To help keep our neighborhood safe from flooding, it's essential to regularly rake your yard and remove fallen leaves, particularly before any forecasted rain.

Mowing to Mulch: Instead of bagging your leaves, think about mulching them right into your lawn using your mower. The smaller pieces will break down and fertilize your lawn as they decompose, which is a great benefit for the grass. It's an easy way to improve your yard without much extra effort!

Yard Waste Bags and Drop Off: If you prefer to bag your leaves, Millcreek offers residents one roll of yard waste bags, courtesy of a partnership with Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling. See article on top of page 3 for convenient locations to pick up and drop off bags.

Participate in Community Clean-up: Please help with curbside leaf collection. It's an easy way to keep our streets and waterways clean and makes a real difference in the neighborhood.



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alongside so many wonderful, talented and dedicated people—on our city council, on our city staff, and in other city, county, state and federal government roles. It would take too long to recognize each of you here, but I want to thank you for your help, wisdom and support in this journey.

I am also very proud of what we have been able to accomplish in nine years as a new city. Starting from scratch, we assembled an incredible team, delivered road, storm water and sidewalk improvements across Millcreek, reformed outdated codes and built a marvelous civic center and gathering place to serve Millcreekers which is the envy of the state. We expanded park and open space and amenities and built new trails on both the east and west sides of Millcreek.

I am also proud to have shepherded this new city with bold action yet financial prudence, even obtaining this year the highest-possible AAA bond rating for Millcreek—in an incredibly short time for such an accomplishment.



Through our efforts, we have elevated our city on the municipal stage in our state, becoming a leader in creating much-needed housing, including affordable and owner-occupied housing; doing our part to address the needs of the unsheltered and medically vulnerable; and leading regionally through the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Wasatch Front Regional Council. These efforts greatly benefited our city through well more than a hundred million dollars in grant funding and more than half a billion dollars in

economic investment over my tenure.

We have contributed to maintaining and reorganizing the best police and fire departments in our state to serve and protect our community.

We have also worked hard to show compassion and unite our whole community through Millcreek Promise. This is probably the thing I am most proud about. We are well on our way (as I have often pledged) to bridging divides, building community and lifting all boats in this city. I do hope my successor(s) continue these efforts.

My successor will be different and need to be his or herself in this job. But if I have any advice, it would be this: Be bold and continue to cultivate and seize opportunities when they arise. We have never been limited by "the way things have always been done," and you don't have to view your actions through that lens. Be a "problem solver," not a "bureaucrat" and "Play to Win!" God bless you all and God bless Millcreek. Know that I will always support you.



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NON EMERGENCY Number
801-840-4000
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Lost & Found
385-468-7387
- Aging Services**
Active Aging, Meals
on Wheels, Senior
Transportation
385-468-3200
- Assessor**
Property Taxes, Audit
385-468-8000
- Clerk**
Elections, Passport,
Marriage
385-468-7400
- Division of Wildlife Resources**
Removal of live Raccoons,
Skunks
385-419-3405
- Flood Control**
Creeks, Rivers, Canals
385-468-6600
- Justice Court**
Tickets, Small Claims Court
801-273-9731
- Millcreek Common**
Granite Credit Union
Adventure Hub
801-214-2615
- Parks & Recreation**
Park reservations
385-468-7275
- Public Works**
Storm drains, Snowplowing,
Streetlights, Pavement
385-468-6101
- Rocky Mountain Power**
Outages
877-508-5088
- SLC Public Utilities**
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