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Cleaning up Provo Canyon yields results

Nich Friedrichsen (left) and Richard Carle, both deputies with the Utah County's Sheriff Office talk about clearing an area where there was once a homeless camp at Mount Timpanogos Park on Saturday in Provo Canyon. The Sheriff's Office has worked to clear trees and brush to reduce transient camping and wildfires.

NATALIE BEHRING, SPECIAL TO THE HERALD



Public safety work is decreasing crime, increasing recreation

BY LAURA GILES
Herald Correspondent

Two summers ago, the number of transient people living in Provo Canyon in makeshift homes of boxes, tents, blankets and other materials had increased significantly over previous years.

Since that time, changes have been made and work has been done to reduce that number and

make Provo Canyon's recreation areas more clean and safe.

During summer 2018, members of the Utah County Fire Department worked to clean out debris and thin out foliage in areas that were so thick, it was easy to camp long-term without even being seen. The goal of the work was primarily fire reduction as well as making areas more visible.

This summer, that work has continued.

According to Lt. Wayne Keith, with the Utah County Sheriff's Office, a tremendous amount of work has been done during the

past few months in the canyon.

"It's still a work in progress, but it is cleaner and better," he said. Keith said that complaints about transient people living in the canyon have greatly decreased.

According to Deputy Nich Friedrichsen, there are deputies who are part of a recreation and canyon team tasked with going to the canyons in Utah County where people recreate and reducing transient populations.

"Provo Canyon has been the biggest problem of the canyons,"

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1st West Nile case confirmed in county

Officials urge taking precautionary steps

BY CARLEY PORTER
Daily Herald

The Utah County Health Department confirmed a human case of West Nile virus in Utah County on Wednesday.

According to the Health Department, it's the first Utah County case of the virus since the 2017 mosquito season. Officials have not released the identity or information on the condition of the local individual.

Public health officials are encouraging individuals to take precautionary measures with the Mosquito Prevention "D's."

Drain standing water, including removing items that can collect standing water; avoid being outside at Dawn and Dusk; Dress appropriately by wearing long sleeves and long pants while outside; Defend yourself with insect repellent with DEET; and Doors and window screens should be in good working condition.

Unfortunately it is not the first human case in Utah this year.

9/11 ANNIVERSARY

Remembering the fallen

Slain Provo police officer among those remembered at 9/11 memorial in Sandy

BY KATIE ENGLAND
Daily Herald

Five hundred chairs were set up across from Sandy City Hall for a memorial service commemorating the nearly 3,000 people who died 18 years ago.

Those chairs quickly filled up, with hundreds more standing behind to attend a service honoring those who died on Sept. 11, 2001, as well as fallen Utah heroes.

For the past 18 years, thousands of American flags have been displayed on the Sandy City Promenade on Sept. 11, each attached with the name of a person who died in the terrorist attacks.

The Utah Healing Field, as it is now known, is also used as a platform to raise funds for charities, including this year's beneficiary, Honor 365, an organization that offers programs for veterans supporting education, employment, healthcare and housing.

Honor 365 honored six Utahns as part of the ceremony, including fallen Provo master officer Joseph Shinnners and Utah National Guard Major Brent Taylor.

Provo Police Officer Joseph Shinnners, 29, was shot and



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Ross Uipi, a detective with the Provo Police Department, readies himself at the 18th annual Healing Field in Sandy on Wednesday before a service to commemorate those who lost their lives during the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

killed in Orem in January while trying to apprehend a wanted fugitive near a shopping center.

Taylor was the North Ogden Mayor killed in the line of duty while serving with the Utah Army National Guard in Afghanistan in November.

The other honorees were Col. Robert Adams, Sgt. First Class Elliott Robbins, South

Salt Lake Officer David Romrell and Draper fire marshal Bryan Thatcher.

Romrell was killed in the line of duty in November.

Provo Police Chief Rich Ferguson escorted Shinnners' widow, Kaylyn Shinnners, who is due with their second child in a few weeks, up to receive the recognition.

"Joe Shinnners and every single first responder who has been killed in the line of duty since then have gone to work just like (9/11 responders) did that morning," Ferguson said. "With the belief they would come home, but with the reality they may not. And he didn't."

Ferguson said first respond-

ers like Shinnners go to work every day with one goal: to protect others.

"They don't go to work with the goal of themselves," Ferguson said. "They go for selfless service. We have to remember that as community and society."

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Provo district announces plans for Dixon Middle site

If bond passes, property could house Boys and Girls Club, United Way

BY BRALEY DODSON
Daily Herald

The Dixon Middle School building could house community organizations if the school is moved, the Provo City School District announced Wednesday

morning.

The district is in serious discussions with the United Way of Utah County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Utah County to expand their facilities to the school building if the district's

proposed \$245 million bond passes in November, according to the announcement.

"This is an option that allows the building to remain there and have a presence with community partners,"

said Caleb Price, a spokesman for the Provo City School District.

The district's proposed bond would include funding for a rebuild of Timpview High School, a rebuild of Dixon Middle school, a rebuild of Wasatch Elementary School, an addition at Westridge Elementary School and security upgrades at schools.

The bond would include relocating Dixon Middle School to the district's west side, potentially to the area near 890 South near Footprinter Park, where the district owns about 20 acres.

The current Dixon Middle School was first occupied in 1931 and has seen

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