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RETIREE ACTIVITIES OFFICE



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JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Call 801.777.5735 to register

Please note: the RAO office is closed July 4 & 7 for the holiday weekend

Bowling for Fun Group - every Tuesday, 1330 July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Base Bowling Center

Learn to Play Bocce! - every Wednesday, 0900 July 9, 16, 23, 30, Centennial Park Pavilion

Get Your Steps Walking Group - every Thursday, 0900 July 10, 17, 24, 31 - meet across from the Main Gym

Build a Binder Class - July 11, Friday, 1030

Make it easy for your spouse/executor to know who to contact & what steps to take by organizing all of your important documents/info in one place. Held in the Retiree Activities Office, Bldg. 430, room 134.

Trivia Night at the Base Library - July 11, 1700 - 1830 For ages 13 and up! Prizes awarded to the top two. Call 801.777.2533 or stop by the library to sign up - spaces limited!

Monthly Virtual Cooking Class Series - What's Cooking? Master Chef - July 12, 1500 - 1700
You MUST sign up here to see class and schedule.

Unsung Heroes Book Discussion Group - August 14

2nd Thursday of the month *(no meeting in July),* 1300, Bldg. 430, Room 134. Book: "The Women" by Kristin Hannah. A historical fiction about nurses serving in the Vietnam War.

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BENEFITS BRIEFING



Cabins Available Via

Retirees can book cabins at Carter Creek Camp Ground by calling Outdoor Rec at 801.777.9666. The campground will be open Wednesday - Sunday through October 13, 2025.

Canyonlands National Park

In 1964, a beautiful area in southeastern Utah was designated as the *Canyonlands National Park*. It is part of the Utah Grand Tour, a.k.a., the state's "Mighty 5" - Arches, Bryce Canyon, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef and Zion.

Canyonlands was carved out by the Colorado River and its tributaries, and some visitors say it reminds them of Grand Canyon National Park.

The great thing about visiting Canyonlands is that it's less visited than its neighbor, Arches National Park. You have more room to explore and contemplate the quiet and beauty on your own. Go to www.nps.gov and check it out!

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Free Parking for Disabled Veterans at Salt Lake International Airport

As of July 1, 2024 the Salt Lake International Airport is offering complimentary parking for vehicles that display a Utah Disabled Veteran license plate issued by the Utah Department of Motor Vehicles and affixed to the car. If you don't have the license plate, you can show either a U.S. DOD Uniformed Services ID card or U.S. Department of Veterans ID card and your VA Letter of Disability.

Options:

Parking Garage: five days of complimentary parking when space is available; any days beyond five will be charged at the posted daily garage rate. See note below.

Economy Parking: 10 days of complimentary parking when space is available; any days beyond 10 will be charged at the posted daily economy rate. *See note below.*

When planning to park longer than 30 consecutive days contact slcairport@spplus.com or 801.575.2887, or your vehicle will be considered abandoned.

When using the Disabled Veteran Parking Program proceed to the cashier lane. Contact the parking office at 801.575.2887. Assistance is available 24-hours/day.





Disabled Veteran Hunting, Fishing or Combo License Visit the Wildlife.utah website for more information:

A Utah resident who has a service-connected disability of 20% or greater may purchase a discounted hunting, fishing, or combination license upon furnishing verification of a service-connected disability.

Dependent ID Cards Online

Sponsors may request Uniformed Service ID (USID) card renewal online, which if approved, are mailed directly to the card recipient; no in-person appointment is necessary.

Sponsors go <u>here</u> and continue through to "Family ID Cards" with the "Renew Family Member ID Card." The card is then mailed. To activate the card the sponsor **MUST acknowledge receipt** by following the instructions that are included with the card.

HISTORICAL CORNER



U.S. Navy Harbor Tug YT146 USS Hoga by Sam Stubbs

Talk about getting a return on taxpayer money! Not many things can compare to the Navy Tug USS Hoga.

Built in 1940 and trialed in May 1941, the USS Hoga (Sioux word for fish) was transferred to Pearl Harbor in time for the Japanese attack. During the raid the USS Hoga plucked floating service members from the water, assisted the damaged USS Vestal, and helped the sinking battleship Nevada from blocking the channel by intentionally beaching the Nevada at Hospital Point.

The USS Hoga then put her firefighting equipment to use putting out fires on the Nevada, Maryland, and Arizona battleships.

The USS Hoga would spend the rest of WWII at Pearl Harbor and in 1948 was placed in reserve. It still had purpose and next the Navy loaned her to the Port of Oakland, California where she led an active 40 years as a fire boat and was renamed City of Oakland.

In 1989 USS Hoga was named a National Historic Landmark and given back to the Navy in 2012 in reserve. USS Hoga went into dry-dock for repairs and in 2015 was transferred to the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum where she greets visitors daily.

US Navy Woban Class District Harbor Tug

Crew: 10 Length: 100 ft. Beam: 25 ft.

Steel Hull, 650 hp diesel, 13 knots Armament: 2 each .50 Cal machine guns

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