

# FIVE COUNTY NEWS FROM 'R' VIEW



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*Director's Dialogue:* In light of the recent terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, I feel that it is appropriate to include a poem entitled "Old Glory". We express our deepest sympathy to families of the victims of these attacks. We are also praying for the heroes among us who are assisting in the clean-up and rescue operations. God Bless America! (John S. Williams)

## "Old Glory"



I am the flag of the United States of America.  
My name is Old Glory.  
I fly atop the world's tallest buildings.  
I stand watch in America's halls of justice.  
I fly majestically over institutions of learning.  
I stand guard with power in the world.

Look up at me and see me.

I stand for peace, honor, and justice.  
I stand for freedom.  
I am confident.  
I am arrogant.  
I am proud.

When I am flown with my fellow banners, my head is a little higher, my colors a little truer.

I bow to no one!  
I am recognized all over the world.  
I am worshipped—I am saluted.  
I am loved—I am revered.  
I am respected—and I am feared.

I have fought in every battle of every war for more than 200 years.  
I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Shiloh and Appomattox.  
I was there at San Juan Hill, the trenches of France, in the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome and the beaches of Normandy, and Guam.  
I was held high at Okinawa; Korea and Khe-San, Saigon, and all Vietnam know me—I was there.  
I led my troops, I was dirty, battleworn and tired, but my soldiers cheered me. And I was proud.

I have been burned, torn and trampled on the streets of countries I have helped set free.  
It does not hurt, for I am invincible.  
I have been soiled upon, bumed, torn and trampled on the streets of my own country.  
And when it's by those whom I've served in battle—it hurts.  
But I shall overcome—for I am strong.

In 1969, I slipped the bonds of Earth and stood watch over the uncharted frontiers of space from my vantage point on the face of the moon.  
I have borne silent witness to all of America's finest hours.  
But my finest hours are yet to come.

When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the battlefield.  
When I am flown at half-staff to honor my soldier,  
Or when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of their fallen son or daughter, I am proud.

My name is Old Glory  
Long may I wave.  
Dear God in Heaven  
Long may I wave!



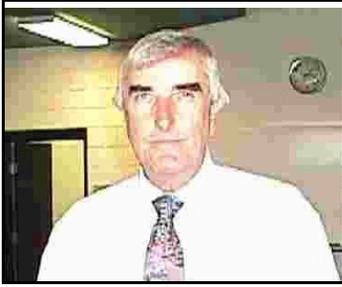
"...A great people has been moved to defend a great nation. Terrorist attacks can shake the foundations of our biggest buildings, but they cannot touch the foundation of America.

These acts shattered steel, but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve.

America was targeted for attack because we're the brightest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world. And no one will keep that light from shining."\_\_

Excerpt from the Statement Issued by  
President George W. Bush, September 11, 2001

## Staff Spotlights:



**John S. Williams**, the third Executive Director of the Five County Association of Governments, was appointed in September 1978. John was raised in Salt Lake City and graduated from East High School. He attended Weber State

College in Ogden and graduated from Southern Utah State College, now Southern Utah University, in Cedar City. He majored in Business Administration with minors in Accounting and Economics. After graduation, he worked as a loan officer with Prudential Federal Savings and Loan in Salt Lake City. He then began his government service in 1973 as a Budget and Accounting Officer with the Department of Social Services headquartered in Cedar City.

John and the Steering Committee of the Five County Association of Governments have directed the evolution of the Association from an emphasis in unification of social services programs, to the creation of the Southwest Utah Public Health Department and the Southwest Mental Health Center, to planning for growth analysis in Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington counties. During the 90's the Association emphasized community and economic development projects, corporate recruiting and corporate expansion. The Association is now taking the lead role in regional quality growth initiatives, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Communities programs, metropolitan transportation planning, rural transportation delivery, and aggressive welfare to work programs. The keys to the ever changing direction of the Association is driven by the needs, goals, and objectives of the local elected officials and the population they represent.

John is married to the former Jamie Spendlove who was born in Hurricane and graduated from Kanab High School. John has two daughters and Jamie has two sons. Between the two of them, they have six grandchildren. John and Jamie enjoy the outdoors, traveling, fishing and golf, and of course the grandchildren.



The staff spotlight in the September issue for Bob Rasmussen should have read Southern Utah University. My apologies to Bob and the University.



**Beth Cottam** has been active in Human Services program development and delivery for over 27 years. She graduated from Southern Utah University in 1974 majoring in sociology, with emphasis in gerontology and social

work. Early in her career she supervised the development and implementation of 13 Senior Citizen congregate meal sites and launched the meals on wheels programs throughout the five county area (recruiting and training over 200 volunteers). For a decade she worked for the Division of Services for People with Disabilities.

Beth has worked for the Five County A.O.G. for eleven years and is the Director of our Human Resource unit. She appreciates the valuable and talented staff who have helped her lead efforts to develop programming in Literacy, Information & Referral, Gang Task Force, In-home Services for the Elderly, Senior Companions, Emergency Food Network, Transportation and Welfare Reform programming. Her community involvement and work has brought her much personal satisfaction.

Beth married Sid Cottam and together they have four wonderful children. Kelli graduated from Dixie State College and is currently on a mission in Guatemala. Karla is attending Dixie State College. Clint attends Snow Canyon High School, and Chad goes to Snow Canyon Middle School.

Family life is extremely important to her and together they have had hundreds of wonderful adventures. Another way Beth keeps balance in life is walking with a great friend. She also enjoys old movies, and writing. "I appreciate the wonderful people I get to associate with in my job and the opportunities afforded me while employed with the Five County A. O. G."

### **Anna Shingleton**

was recently hired as the Specialty Services Coordinator for the G.R.O.W. program. She started her undergraduate work at BYU-Hawaii and later completed her education at Utah State University in the fields of Psychology and Pre-Law. Prior to coming on board, she worked for Southwest

Center Mental Health as a Resource Coordinator.

Anna's greatest joy in life are her 4 children, Tiare, Iosefa, Rob and Mel. She spends her spare time writing her Missionary, watching Rob play football for the Warriors and Tiare perform at Tuacahn High School. She loves cooking, shopping and traveling.



## Mayor Howard Pryor Lauded for Service



Chairman Chesley Christensen (left) presents service plaque to Mayor Howard Pryor (right)

On August 22, 2001, the Utah Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Policy Committee met for its annual August meeting at the Utah Department of Community Development office building in Salt Lake City.

### The CDBG Policy

Committee is composed of seven members selected by the Governor from each of the seven regional districts in Utah. The Committee was formally established by a Governor's Executive Order dated November 1, 1986, and serves as the body which provides policy guidance the Utah Division of Community Development utilizes in administering the CDBG program. The representative that has served on behalf of the Five County Association of Governments region for the past 3 ½ years is Howard Pryor, Mayor of Minersville.

At the beginning of the meeting, two Committee members who have decided not to seek re-election to their respective offices, and thus not be eligible to continue to serve on the Committee, were recognized for their dedicated service to the residents of the State of Utah. Mayor Pryor is one of those two members.

Following some remarks by Gary Zabriskie, Associate Planner, FCAOG, in commendation of Mayor Pryor's service to the residents of the southwestern Utah, Committee Chairman Chesley Christensen, Mayor of Mt. Pleasant, presented an award plaque to Mayor Pryor, on behalf of the Utah Division of Community and Economic Development. The award honored Mayor Pryor's public service on the Committee. A similar presentation was also made to A. DeMar Mitchell, Mayor of Clinton. A hearty round of applause by all in attendance followed the presentation.

The handsome plaque presented to Mayor Pryor reads as follows:

**"Presented to Howard Pryor in appreciation for dedicated service and cheerful support of the Community Development Block Grant Program of the State of Utah Department of Community and Economic Development. January 1998 through December 2001."**

The Community and Economic Development Division of the Five County Association of Governments takes great pleasure in joining the State of Utah in thanking Mayor

Pryor for his dedication in serving our region's residents on the CDBG Policy Committee and appreciate the support and personal understanding of the CDBG program that Mayor Pryor has utilized in representing our region on the Committee. Well done Howard! (Gary Zabriskie)

## Weatherization Assistance Program

The Weatherization Assistance Program is a federal program locally administered by the Five County Association of Governments and managed by the Utah Department of Community Development/Office of Energy Service. The program is designed to help residents in the five county area—who meet federal low-income guidelines- to lower their utility bills and improve the comfort of their homes and is available to both homeowners and renters year-round.



Applications are available at the Five County AOG office, 906 North 1400 West, St. George, Utah or by calling 435-673-3548, and at Senior Citizen Centers and H.E.A.T. offices. Applicants are required to complete an application submitting verification of income, a utility fuel history, and a renter's agreement (if applicable). Applicants who qualify for the H.E.A.T. program are eligible for Weatherization; however, an application must be completed and sent to the Weatherization office.

Upon eligibility, an audit is performed on the home to determine what measures can be taken to make it more energy efficient. Some of the typical measures taken to improve energy consumption in homes are:

- ◆ **Heating safety and efficiency - Furnace tune-ups and replacement of filters and thermostats**
- ◆ **Installation of attic, wall, or floor insulation**
- ◆ **Weatherstripping and caulking**
- ◆ **Installation of water saving showerheads and energy saving light bulbs**
- ◆ **Replacement of broken glass in windows - window replacement, if allowed by energy audit**
- ◆ **Installation of water heater jackets**
- ◆ **Other work as deemed appropriate by energy audit and on-site home inspection**

The hardest part of our job is getting to all those who qualify in a timely manner. Due to the great response to this program, applicants may not be contacted for their home energy audit for 6-8 months. Our crew, Kirby Lambert, Doug Carlson, and Bryan Jackson, work year-round to complete weatherization measures for qualified homes. (Carolyn Moss)

## 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



**Congratulations to Beaver City and Springdale Town for leading the state in the 21st Century Communities Program.**

Both communities, along with 5 other communities from across the state, were recognized, and designated as 21st Century Communities, by Governor Leavitt at the Utah Rural Summit held in Cedar City on September 6th & 7th.

Please submit articles to Diane Lamoreaux via e-mail ([diamoreaux@fcaog.state.ut.us](mailto:diamoreaux@fcaog.state.ut.us)) or in writing to: P.O. Box 1550; St. George, Utah 84771-1550. For other information or services, please call (435) 673-3548 or visit our web site at: [www.fcaog.state.ut.us](http://www.fcaog.state.ut.us)

**Steering Committee Meeting**  
**Schedule:**

**Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2001**, 1:00 p.m.  
Parowan Public Library, Meeting Room  
16 South Main Street, Parowan, UT

**Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2001**, 1:00 p.m.  
Five County Association of Governments,  
Conference Room  
906 North 1400 West; St. George, UT

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