



THE HIGH DESERT HERALD

SALT LAKE CITY SCHOOL TRIP! THIS IS THE PLACE & THE HOGLE ZOO

On September the 8th, as part of their school field trip, the students and faculty of EskDale High School went to This Is The Place Heritage Park and Hogle Zoo. This Is The Place Heritage Park is essentially a cross between a museum and a living history village, where you can walk around and see how Mormon settlers might have lived. Examples include an old-timey hospital, a blacksmith, and an inn. It's not strictly committed to accuracy, however. For example, there is a small train-shaped bus that drives around the village,

and there is a donut shop in one of the buildings.

Hogle Zoo is almost immediately next to This Is The Place. Hogle Zoo has a variety of animals from all around the globe. Some are ridiculously endangered, such as the Amur leopard, of which there are less than 50 in the wild. Others are more common, such as the grizzly bear. The students split into small groups and toured the zoo. The boys of the school, with the exception of this reporter, all spent an exorbitant amount on stuffed animals. ◇



- By Sam Roberts



LES MISÉRABLES

So for EskDale High School's trip to Salt Lake, we were privileged and overjoyed when we were able to get

tickets for Les Misérables at the Hale Centre Theatre.

Quoted by Sharon: "It was the best theater experience in a lifetime." Les Misérables is sold out, and the Hale is the only place in the world playing Les Misérables right now. We were lucky to have a chance to get tickets. Since we had to plan the trip in state because of Covid 19, our teachers wanted it to be memorable and fun! This live theater production was just that.

The Les Misérables production from the Hale Theatre was amazing. Most people cried, others were on the edge of their seats, and *at the end of the day* everyone would love to go back. The Hale Theatre just made you feel like you were the *master of the house*, and it was just a magical place that made you feel like you were in a *castle on a cloud*. We all want to go back again. ◇

- By Yudnelly Arvelar

LAGOON

On May 8 - 10, EskDale High School went on their school trip. This year's school trip was to Salt Lake City. Even though all of the kids have been to Salt Lake City, we all had a blast. (Personally, it was my favorite school trip)!

On May 9th, the school went to Lagoon for the day—from opening (10:00 AM, to closing, (6:00 PM) —and it was a blast! Not every student has the stomach for roller coasters... (RIP the boys), so people went off in their own little groups.

All of the boys, except for Sam, went off and spent their money at the arcade! They spent something around \$200 dollars in total! Who knows what was going through their heads, but



oh well, it was their money.

Kara went off with a couple of different people at different times, and Sam, Jenna, and sometimes Burklie, went off together and went on a different rides. Finally, Yudnelly and I went off with my family. My siblings and a few of their friends came to Lagoon the same day the school did, and they

said that Yudnelly and I could tag along with them! We ended up going on almost every single ride, plus riding a few of them twice! The teachers guarded the lunch spot and went on a few rides throughout the day as well.

After our time at Lagoon was over, the bus took the whole school back to the hotel. At the hotel Lois had pizza and ice cream for us to eat! It was awesome! Then, we were able to go swimming for a while afterwards. It was an exhausting day, but it was a ton of fun and everyone had a wonderful time! Thank you to everyone who worked it out so that we could have a great time together at Lagoon! ◇

- By Danielle Hayward

THE GOLDEN SPIKE RE-ENACTMENT

As the final part of the school field trip, the students were taken to Promontory Point to see the 152 anniversary and recreation of the golden spike ceremony that happened on May 10, 1869. The ceremony started off with a park ranger that told us some of the history of the transcontinental railroad. Then, the reenactors were introduced and then the ceremony took place, similar to the way it would have in 1869. They had replicas of the trains that were used for the original ceremony that were driven around on the tracks and then parked again for the ceremony to take

place.

At the end of the ceremony, everyone in the crowd was asked to stand in front of the trains so that the original photograph could also be reenacted.

After the ceremony, some of the students were able to talk to the reenactors and were given golden spike pins. Some students were even able to try on the top hats worn by the reenactors. It was a really fun experience for the students to attend and I'm sure that they will remember it for many years to come. ◇



- By Burklie Wright

YEAR END RECITAL AND SPRING CONCERT

The Year-end Recital took place on May 16. The recital consisted of students from all the Snake Valley schools. Most of the students were being taught their instruments by Danielle Hayward, Lois Faber, and Kara who is being taught piano by Crystal Kunz. The participants in the recital ranged from beginner to advanced. The recital consisted of piano solos, piano duets, a trumpet solo, a flute solo, and a vocal duet. Overall, it went really well and all the students did very well.

On May 19, the EskDale High School students, and the Baker Elementary music

students played in the Spring Concert. There was an assortment of choir and orchestra numbers. The Baker music kids played Can-Can and Frere Jaques. The high school and junior high orchestra played Legend of the Ghost Stallion, Danza Espanola, and Variations on an Irish Tune. The advanced high school orchestra played Arabian Dreams and Blue-Fire Fiddler. The EskDale High School Choir sang Camptown Races, Little Wheel A-Turnin', Changes, Sixteen Tons, and What Shall We Do With Drunken Sailor. The women's ensemble sang Dobru Noc. The whole concert went really well (except for



Changes). The students did excellent and it was a really great concert! ◇

- By Jenna Conrad

BONFIRE

We here at EskDale High School haven't been able to have a whole lot of school events in the past year, but the ones we do have are a ton of fun! On May 14th, EskDale High School hosted a small bonfire in the EskDale Community. When I say bonfire, I mean a small fire in a fire pit...but

anyway, it was a ton of fun! However, not every student was able to show up. Some of the students were in town or had work. We wish they could have come, but oh well. The bonfire started at 7 PM and lasted until 9:30 PM. During those two and a half hours, all of the students played a game called 9-square, volleyball, and a few crazy golf cart rides (don't worry, the driver was a safe and

careful driver). Of course, there were also snacks for everyone to eat. There were chips, cookies, soda, and water. Overall, it was a really fun event and we are glad that we were able to have it. ◇

- By Danielle Hayward

TEACHER FEATURE: TERESA CONRAD



Teresa Conrad is one of the current teachers in EskDale high school. She teaches junior high math, high school math, physics, geography, history, and earth science. She is an amazing

teacher full of energy for teaching. Here are some questions I asked and her responses:

Why did you start teaching?

I always liked learning as well as working with young people. Teaching involves both of those, so best career ever.

Do you like teaching?

I do. There are always new students and always interesting challenges.

How long have you been teaching?

Close to 40 years!

Do you like the kids that you teach?

The young people I have in my classes this year are likable and talented. I have enjoyed working with

them and getting to know them better.

Have you ever thought about retiring?

I could retire-- but I would miss my students and teaching. As long as I can do the job I want to keep teaching.

Do you wish there were more teachers in EskDale High School?

Sometimes I wish we could offer a few more things to our students--which would take more teachers. However, with technology there are still plenty of options and opportunities for learning.

Thank you, Teresa! ◇

- By Matthew Baker

MAY

At the beginning of May, we did state testing. The 9th and 10th did the Aspire+ test in ELA, math, reading, and science. The 8th grade had the same subject in their RISE test.

Friday was a make-up test for people who missed the test. The 11th graders didn't have to do the testing since they did the ACT.

Most of the kids are glad that they don't have to do so much testing this year.

Did you know that the EskDale high school does not have to wear masks for the last two weeks? It is nice to see people's faces again. ◇

- By Adolfo Iverson



Snake Valley Schools

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2021

Daisy: I'll be moving to Cedar City in the summer.

For this article, we interviewed this year's graduating students, Kara Conrad and Daisy Torres. Kara is a senior, and Daisy is a junior who has been doing accelerated online instruction. This is their last year of high school, and we wanted to know some things they hope to do after graduation.

What are your plans after you graduate?

Kara: I will be working at the park this summer.

Daisy: After I graduate I want to work a lot and make lots of money!

Where would you want to live?

Kara: I will be living in Cedar City while I am at college. After school, I don't know where I will be living, but probably somewhere in Utah.



What college are you planning to attend?

Kara: I am going to college at SUU.

Daisy: Surprisingly I actually will be going to college, I'll be going to SUU.

Do you know a career you might be interested in?

Kara: For my career I am hopefully going to get into politics. If that doesn't work I would like to be a CEO or manager for a company or store.

What do you think you will major in?

Kara: I am going to start my major as political science, specifically pre-law and legal studies. (This is likely to change.)

What will you miss about school here?

Kara: I will miss a lot about school at EskDale. I will miss all the banquets, plays, performances, and trips. I will also miss my lunches at the Center. RIP. I'm also gonna miss being able to be in my room at the Aud for hours and also having a piano and cello to play on. And of course, I will miss all of you guys.

Daisy: I don't think I'll miss school here, just because I've been away for so long. The last time I was in actual class at EskDale, I was a sophomore! Haha!

What will you not miss about school here?

Kara: There really aren't things I won't miss; there are just things that I am excited for in the future. Like being able to go to football and basketball games, and also seeing new people everyday.

Daisy: I won't miss the last week of school! So much to do!



Do you have anything to say to those moving into seventh grade next year?

Kara: To the seventh graders coming into school: It's really not that scary. Try hard in all of your classes and get your work done. Always sing loud in choir and do your very best in plays and performances. Do not make excuses, and don't blame others for your problems. Enjoy your time in JR High when you don't have much homework because things will change when you go to high school. Accept criticism, and use it to become better. Don't procrastinate. Your high school experience will be what you make of it. Have fun and remember that these 6 years will go by fast! ◇

By Aidan Faber & Ernesto Duran

OUTDOOR GAMES

For the last couple of months, we had a lot of outdoor activities, and we had one movie watch party and a bonfire. We had fun on all of this. Most of the time we played either dare base or basketball. For the movie party, we watched The Princess Bride.

Most of the outside games days were after school events so they didn't last long. The bonfire was an evening event that lasted longer. We played 9 squares, then after that some of us went to go play volleyball. It was fun; the best part was when we played against grown ups. We scored ones then we had someone who always took the ball but it was fun. Next year we need to have more bonfires because they are so much fun.

I asked some kids what they most liked out of the outside games or the bonfire.

Which one would you want to have more of?

Ernesto D: he liked the bonfire more because there was food. Also he would like to have more bonfires because he like it when it got dark.

Aidan: He likes the bonfire more because there were cookies and food.

Matthew: He like the bonfire more because we played volleyball. He would rather have more evening bonfires than after school outside games. ◇

- By Ernesto Avelar

HIGHWAY CLEANUP

On the last day of school, the students of EskDale High School always take time to pick up garbage from the side of Highway 50 & 6. These efforts stretch over seven miles and take up most of the morning of the last day of school. Cleaning up the highway is a good way to help the environment and community. Part of being in a public school is learning how to be responsible and caring citizens, so community service such as this is a good way to teach that. Last year, the students were not able to clean up the highway because they were not in in-person school at the time due to Covid-19. The year before that, it was raining, so the students weren't able to clean up the highway then, either. This year, if all goes as planned, the students will be able to take part in the usually annual highway cleanup. ◇

- By Burklee Wright

STATE MUSIC & DRAMA

This year EskDale High School was lucky to go to in-person region drama and advanced to state drama! They also advanced to state for their orchestra, women's ensemble, and on some of their solo numbers.

For drama state, Kara, Jenna, and Sam, they advanced to the medal round. The contemporary scene they took was called "Patsy Fumbles". For our music state, the orchestra got a one, and the women's ensemble got a one! Some of the solos got ones too, such as Danielle's piano solo. Even though it's been a tough year with all the Covid things, it doesn't stop us from doing our best! ◇

- By Yudnelly Avelar



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Summer is upon us! Here are some upcoming events to keep track of.

- **May 27, 2021**
Kara Conrad and Daisy Torres graduate from EskDale High School
7 pm, EskDale Auditorium
- **August 9, 2021**—Registration for the new school year
- **August 18, 2021**—2021-2022 school year commences!