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State Coordinator's Message – Rail Safety Week another Huge Success!

The second U.S. Rail Safety Week (RSW), September 23-29, 2018 was very successful. This nationally recognized week aimed to empower people to keep themselves safe around railroad tracks. Operation Lifesaver Utah hosted a week full of educational, enforcement and outreach activities starting September 23 (see list below). In Utah, within the last 10 years, there were 120 crashes resulting in 27 fatalities and 36 injuries.

The goal of Rail Safety Week was to raise awareness for pedestrians and drivers on keeping themselves safe around railroad tracks and at highway-rail grade crossings. "We are grateful for the positive response from the media and our safety partners across Utah as many activities for Rail Safety Week were carried out," said OL Utah State Coordinator Vern Keeslar. The following list includes the events for Rail Safety Week in Utah.



Scott McKane, reporter with Fox 13 Utah, broadcasting a story about rail safety and Operation Clear Track at 300 North in Salt Lake City on Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

Monday, September 24, 2018

- Sent press releases for Rail Safety Week and Operation Clear Track.

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

- Operation Lifesaver Utah will join with Amtrak and local, state, federal and railroad law enforcement officers for "Operation Clear

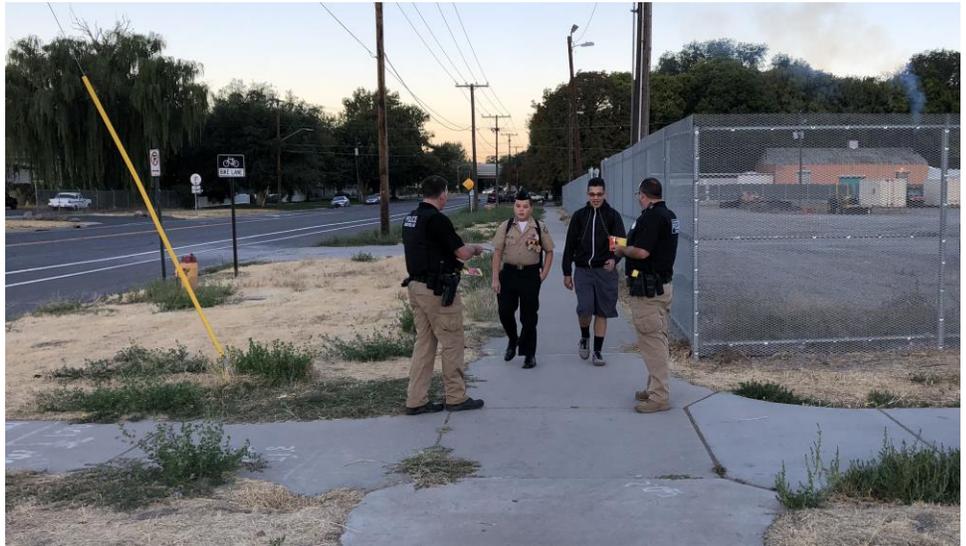
Track," a one-day, two-hour surge to raise awareness and enforce railroad grade crossing and trespassing laws in states across the U.S.

- Operation Clear Track Law Enforcement coordinated effort with the Utah Highway Patrol, Utah Transit Authority Police Department, and Union Pacific Special Agents from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the 300 North and 2100 South in Salt Lake City.
- Operation Clear Track Law Enforcement effort by other law enforcement agencies including Layton PD, Ogden PD, Pleasant Grove PD, Price PD, Union Pacific Special Agents, University of Utah PD, Utah Highway Patrol, and the Utah Transit Authority PD.
- Rail safety presentations at Monticello High School and Olympus High School driver education classes.

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

- Rail safety booth at the Move Utah Summit from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. held at Little America Hotel, located at 500 Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101.

- Rail safety presentations at West High School driver education classes.
- Rail Safety Booth at the Layton Safety Fair from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. located at 530 North 2200 West (Ellison Park), Layton, Utah 84041.



Union Pacific Railroad Special Agents Brent Nay and Tyson Fisher handing out rail safety information to West High School students near the 300 North crossing in Salt Lake City on Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

Thursday, September 27, 2018

- Transit safety day giving out “See Tracks? Think Train!” water bottles, key chains, ink pens, and pamphlets at specific FrontRunner and TRAX stations during the day.
- Rail safety presentations at Bountiful High School, Pleasant Grove High School, Syracuse High School, and West High School driver education classes.
- Rail safety presentation at Bountiful High School driver education classes from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. located at 695 Orchard Drive, Bountiful, UT 84010.

Friday, September 28, 2018

- Rail safety presentation at American Fork High School, Bountiful High School, and Syracuse High School driver education classes.

Saturday, September 29, 2018

- Rail safety booth at the Discovery Gateway Children’s Museum Train Day from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

September 23-29, 2018

- Social media posts about rail safety on Operation Lifesaver Utah’s Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages.
- Radio public service announcement for grade crossing and trespass prevention “See Track? Think Train!” radio public service announcements statewide.

- Radio public service announcements along the Wasatch Front by Governor Gary Herbert, Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, University of Utah Head Football Coach Kyle Whittingham, Utah State University Head Football Coach Matt Wells, Brigham Young University Head Football Coach Kalani Sitake, and Broadcaster Craig Bolerjack.
- Movie theater public service announcements video titled “Trains Can’t Stop” at movie theaters in Ogden, Salt Lake City, Sandy, West Valley, and Vineyard.
- Media coverage included several runs on Fox 13 TV, two stories on KSL TV, two stories in the Daily Herald newspaper, and one story in the Deseret News newspaper.



Utah Highway Patrol Trooper Mason Haycock hands out rail safety information to a bicyclist at the 300 North crossing in Salt Lake City on Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

The Loss of Longtime OL Volunteer Andy Glad



Andrew Clyde Glad died September 9, 2018 surrounded by loving family. He was born April 25, 1932 in South Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Clyde D. Glad and May Thomson. He was the eldest of a family of 9 children. After graduation from Granite High School he was preparing to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, when he was drafted into the military to serve our country in the Korean Conflict. He met Janet Zabriskie upon his return

after his service and they were sealed in the Salt Lake Temple on May 17, 1956. He then attended LDS Business College where he received a degree in Accounting. During his working years he was always seeking knowledge and attended UVU and Westminster College graduating with his MBA degree.

He served his community in many ways: over 20 years in the Boy Scouts of America - where he was awarded the Silver Beaver, as a volunteer police officer, volunteer fireman – where he and his friend William Clough became the first firefighters to organize the Sandy City Fire Department as a Professional department and it was no longer a volunteer program. As Assistant Fire Chief (35 years) he taught Cert Classes, and was instrumental in organizing the EMT and Paramedic services for Sandy City. He continued his volunteer activities through the Sandy Exchange Club, and taught rail safety education to thousands of student drivers for

the Operation Lifesaver program. He was also invited to go on the Honor Flight for World War II and Korean War Veterans.

He served in many positions in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - 15 years as a Ward Clerk with 3 Bishops, as a Bishop's Counselor, and many years as a Temple Ordinance Worker. He had a deep and abiding testimony of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

He is survived by his wife: Janet - over 62 years together, 3 children - son Robert Glad (Diane), son Steven Glad (Nancy), daughter Connie Speters (Lynn), 10 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren, 2 sisters and 4 brothers.

Utah OL Relocates Office

After more than 10 years in West Jordan, the building where we occupied our office was sold and the tenants were told to leave. In August we moved to our new office, which is located at 3783 South 500 West #4 in South Salt Lake City.



Utah Operation Lifesaver new offices located at 3783 South 500 West #4 in South Salt Lake City.

OL Utah Booth Update

Thanks for all those who participate in the booths sharing the Operation Lifesaver safety messages. Operation Lifesaver Utah attended the following events during the third quarter of 2018.

- The Davis Hospital Get Ready Fair in Layton on September 22, 2018.
- The Layton Safety Fair in Layton on September 26, 2018.
- The Move Utah Summit in Salt Lake City on September 26, 2018



Utah Transit Authority Police Department representing Operation Lifesaver at the Layton Safety Fair on Wednesday, September 26, 2018.