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"JW"

Saying Goodbye and Thank You—An Ode to You All

As we enter a new winter season full of excitement and anticipation for snow, skiing and good times, we will be short some of our best; and we just want to say thank you for all the great times and hard work. Alta has been home, school, work and a playground for these employees for the past 8 to 47 years. They grew into adulthood, skied hard, built a career and contributed to the "Alta Experience" - keeping Alta true and sustainable. The bitter sweet of their departure is that they will be missed, but we have no doubt they will be great elsewhere. We keep our fingers crossed though that their paths or spirit may bring them to Alta again—for work or play.

Jack "JW" Waldron—1967: Jack departed Patrol this fall and will be missed greatly by all. Though he is not to return, it is only because he is here always in spirit. He showed us all how 80+ is done right, thank you Jack and rest in pow.

Shawn Jenson—2001: Lifts to Building Maintenance to the slopes forever.

Mark "Moqui" Johnson—1982: Ski Patrol to Oregon. It's a short flight to Utah!

Paul Burns—1998: Watson Shelter, then Grooming. Live it up Burnsy!

Kristine "T" Ereneta—1998: Grooming and phenomenal machine operator. Adventure on!

Scott Chamberlin—2007: Alf's Restaurant, then Albion Grill, greening his path along the way.

Colleen Shea—2008: Ticket Sales to Ski School Sales to graphics designer extraordinaire.

Jarrold Blouin—2007: Ski School to Season Pass Sales to Maine with Colleen—congrats!

Kathryn Rustad—2007: Ski School Sales from start to finish. AKA a gentle and kind soul.

Chad Pearson—2002: Balancing every time in Ticket Sales. We'll see you on the slopes still!

Kris Heiser—2006: Keeping Alta clean in Building Maintenance. Happiness with family!

Please know, that all of you contributed to Alta, and now Alta is a better place, company and family because of you. Goodbye is not easy, instead, good health and good luck to you all!



Shawn



"Moqui"



Paul & "T"



Scott



Colleen & Jarrod



Kathryn



Chad



Kris



*When we try to pick out anything by itself,
we find it hitched to everything else in the universe.*

John Muir

Keeping Halloween Real

Halloween is different for everyone: a time to lock the doors and turn off the lights, get silly and dress up, or have fun with the family and kids. Whatever it may be for you, it is possible to keep Halloween green. There are a lot of toxic paints, one-use costumes and candy options out there that can make Halloween scary and not in the fun way. Here are some tips to guide your Halloween choices this year.

- **Stay Toxic Free!** Be careful, it may only be a \$1, but it could be bad for you to wear and the planet. There are many costumes, face paints and fake blood products that have polyvinyl chloride (PVC), lead, nickel, cobalt or chromium. Just look for “organic” or “non-toxic” or make your own!
- **Beware of the Packaging!** The less wrappings the less waste. You can buy in bulk or just keep an eye on what you’re buying. Organic candy generally has less waste associated with it, though a little more spendy, it’s just as delicious!
- **Make your Costume!** Go through those old clothes—dye them, cut them or sew them. If you’re not that crafty check out the second-hand stores for some oldies but goodies. This tip also extends to cosmetics, decorations and trick-or-treat bags. Who says that old stained pillowcase is no good! Ewww!



- **Waste Not Want Not—Jack O’!** Scout’s honor it’s easier than pie to make yummy roasted pumpkin seeds. Clean the goo from the seed in luke-warm water, then boil or soak them in salty water for a few hours or overnight, lay them out in a baking pan, and bake for 10-15mins at 375 degrees. Voilà! Also, if you don’t wait till the pumpkin collapses and rots, you can actually make a pie with your jack-o-lantern. Best if done within a week of carving and lighting!



October - November Sustainability Events

Check out the full calendar of sustainability events at alta.com/alta-environmental-center/resources#sustainability-events

- **October 24—Boo at the Zoo:** For over 20 years, kids 12 and younger have donned their costumes to trick-or-treat at the Zoo! More info at hoglezoo.org.
- **October 27—The Future of Water Conservation:** Join Brian Richter’s presentation at the Swaner EcoCenter - Chasing Water in a Rapidly Changing World. More info at swanerecocenter.org.
- **October 31—Halloween Hoot:** Visit Tracy Aviary in costume for crafts, treats and mystery bird encounters. More info at tracyaviary.org/schedule.
- **November 1—Daylight Savings Time Ends:** It’s time to fall back one hour. Isn’t it nice.

- **November 4—Zero Waste Awards & Film:** Please join URA for a fun evening of zero waste revelry at Brewvies. More info at utahrecyclingalliance.org/event.
- **November 5—Recharge with USEE:** Join the Utah Society for Environmental Education and the McGillis School for a free evening of food, drinks, and networking! More info at usee.org/events/fall-recharge.
- **November 9—Non-Breeding Bird Survey:** Join Tracy Aviary in Alta to search for the birds that decided to see what winter brings. To register email environment@alta.com.
- **November 18-19—Salt Lake County Watershed Symposium:** Water brings together water quality experts, policy makers, environmental advocates, industry, academia, and the public. More info at slco.org/watershed/symposium.