



The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—December 2013

From the Mayor

Dear Nibley Residents,

There comes a time when the swan sings for all of us as we complete phases in our life. I am at that point as Nibley City Mayor. I have had eight wonderful years serving Nibley City. I thank you for the opportunity. This city is made up of a beautiful mix of quality people. I have thoroughly enjoyed the many hours spent working with great people. We live in a uniquely amazing community. Each of you has made it fun everyday that I have had the pleasure to dream for the betterment of this city.

I congratulate Shaun Dustin as our Mayor-elect, Kathryn Beus as Councilmember-elect, and Bryan Hansen on his re-election to the City Council. They will do a wonderful job of leading the city over the next four years. They are great people willing to give much of themselves in serving you. I express my appreciation to Carrie Cook and Mark Lawver for loving this city and the residents enough to run for elected office. It requires a tremendous commitment of time, resources, and integrity to run for political office. I admire each of them. Even though Mark and Carrie were unsuccessful this time, both of them will contribute much to the city as Carrie continues her term on the City Council and Mark continues his term on the Planning Commission. I especially thank Thayne Mickelson for his tremendous commitment over the last eight years serving on the City Council. We have great elected and appointed officials, both past and present. They give everything in their service to the residents of this great city.

The council has been very forward thinking in their planning for the future. An example of this is on November 7, the city council authorized the purchase of an additional 30 acres of land to go with the 20 acres we already own for the development of a park over the next 20 years to meet the growing recreation needs of the city. This park land was purchased using impact fees collected from new residents of the city when they built their new homes. The park will be built using the impact fees from future development. This park is referred to as "The Preferred Plan" in our Park Master Plan that was passed by the city council in April 2011. The new park is necessary to meet the growing needs of the city. It will provide the same level of recreational service that we enjoy today for our future residents. The nice feature of this park plan is that your property tax rate will not go up to pay for these amenities.

There is much good taking place in Nibley City. We have great leaders to oversee the affairs of the city. I am excited for them as they embark on the wonderful task of making life better for Nibley City residents. Drop by City Hall to welcome and wish them well. Enjoy the wonderful winter.

Mayor Gerald Knight



Santa Claus is Coming to Nibley

Nibley City is hosting a Holiday Open House at Little Wonders Pre-School located at 3223 South Main, Nibley, on **Saturday, Dec. 7, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** All Nibley City children and their families are invited.

Santa Claus and his elves (the Nibley City Royalty and Youth Council) will be serving up hot chocolate and cookies and hosting a cookie walk. There will also be time to whisper wishes into Santa's ear and play on the little wonders indoor playground. We appreciate the kindness and good service that Mike and Vickie Arambel provide to the City of Nibley by offering the use of their pre-school. Come join us in celebrating this holiday tradition.



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Nibley's Live Nativity

It's time once again for the Live Nativity Benefit at Nibley's Morgan Farm. The dates for this year's event are **Friday, December 6-7, and Monday, December 9 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.** each night.

Due to the great support of the citizens of Nibley and surrounding communities, the nativity has contributed cash and thousands of pounds of food to the Cache Food Pantry.

You are encouraged to invite your friends and family to come and join in an old-fashioned Christmas hay wagon ride after viewing the live nativity enacted live in the old barn "Bethlehem" stable.

Everyone is invited to attend and donate as much as you can to help relieve the burden of families in Cache Valley who are struggling to make ends meet. There is a suggested donation of one canned food item per person or \$2 per person/\$10 per family but if you can give more, please do so. If you are not able to contribute, come join in the celebration anyway—everyone is welcome regardless of the size or kind of donation given. Donations of money or supplies to help supplement the cost of the camel and hay wagon would also be appreciated.

Many volunteers are needed to make this a successful event. If you would like to help set up or help in operating the outdoor activities please call **Richard** at **213-0033**. If you are willing to stand in as an actor please call **Trudy Knight** at **232-6120**.



Reminders from Nibley City Staff

Nibley City Code section 6-1-4 subsection D. Parking Regulations states "It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle, trailer or other obstruction on any street in the city **between November 1 of each year and April 1 of the following year**, for a period of time longer than thirty (30) minutes . . ." Please remember to park out of the public right-of-way at these times.

The green waste bins located next to the city office have been removed for the season. Nibley City provides this service April 1, through October 31. If you have any yard debris that needs to be disposed of between now and April 1 you will need to take it to the Logan Landfill located at **200 North 1400 West**. And as a reminder, the individual green waste cans at your home will no longer be picked up after November 20. The green waste bins will be back beginning in April.

~Nibley City Staff

Tree Board & Wildlife Association News

Nibley City Tree Board

Winter and Unplanted Trees—Most of our native trees/shrubs need to experience dormancy during winter. If you are unable to get all of them in the ground before steady freezing temperatures, plant them along the North side of your building in a mound of soil and cover the soil with a thick layer of leaves. The same process can be used if you have to leave them in the black plastic pots although the results may not be as good.

Winter Sun-scald—Young deciduous trees can often have the South facing side of their trunks split open during Winter, leaving the tree susceptible to insects and diseases in the Spring. The sun also reflects off the bright snow causing the South side of the tree to warm up and activate normally dormant cells, which then freeze during night's colder temperatures. To prevent this, make sure the trees are given plenty of water prior to the ground freezing. Wrapping the trunk in white-colored tree wrap will also help protect the tree by providing some insulation to keep the tree surface cooler by reflecting the sunlight away from the lower trunk.

People are becoming more interested in purchasing living trees rather than cut-flowers for funerals or memorials. Nibley City has a program called the Legacy Tree Program where family members can select a beautiful tree and engraved plaque to plant within one of our parks to honor their loved one for many decades to come. Please check in the City Office for details.

Tree Board meetings are open to the public and are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Wildlife Association

The Wildlife Association is an all-volunteer group that meets the second Tuesday of each month at City Hall. Each meeting includes a community activity at 7:00 p.m. and a planning meeting at 8:00 p.m. Both are open to the public. Their November Songbird Workshop was very successful with about 50 people attending. A request was made to repeat this workshop, so watch for information at City Hall, in the newsletter, and on Nibley City's website about this and other upcoming events including family holiday time, a birdhouse building contest, and a wildlife photography contest.

The Wildlife Association's next meeting on **December 10** will include ideas for Nature Parks and landscaping yards to improve wildlife habitat by using native plants. For more information on this or any other events, call Ron Hellstern at **245-9186**.

Getting to Know Nibley City's New Elected Officials



Shaun Dustin, Mayor Elect, with his wife, Lesli, and children Jake (16), Hannah (15), Layla (13), Luke (11), Lincoln (7) and Asher (5)

Mayor Elect Shaun Dustin

I've been talking about myself for five months, and I hope that you are as tired of hearing about me as I am of talking about me. I would like to thank all of you that supported the campaign for your trust and your faith. I will do my best to live up to that trust.

I read something that Alexander Smith said about government a few years back that sums up my attitude and approach:

“That is the problem with governments these days. They want to do things all the time; they are always very busy thinking of what things they can do next. That is not what people want. People want to be left alone to look after their cattle.”

As a City government, we don't need to create new things to do. We have plenty that we have committed to that we need to finish, and others that have been imposed on us that we need to respond to. My objective as your mayor is to take care of the problems that we need to take care of, to protect our collective interests, and to otherwise perform the necessary functions of government, but otherwise to leave everyone alone to look after their “cattle”. That said, there is a balance between individual rights and collective responsibility that can be tough to navigate, and we will have to work together to do those things.

I'm excited about our future here. I've lived and led long enough to know that I'm not going to make everyone happy over the next four years. I'm sorry for that. It's not in me to intentionally give offense, and I hope that, as we have the opportunity to work together, we can conduct the business of the City professionally, with courtesy, and with the understanding that we (as government) will make mistakes, but we will always be doing our best to understand and represent the best interests of all of the City. Thank you again for your trust; I look forward to serving you.



Re-elected Councilmember Bryan Hansen

I look forward to continuing to serve the great people of Nibley. I intend tackle the following important projects: working with UDOT to improve the intersection at 3200 South, collaborating with the School District and Millville City on a trailhead park at the entrance of the proposed high school and providing public access to our Blacksmith Fork River, improving Nibley's trail network, coordinating an inter-local agreement with the school district for field and building usage at the new high school, and mitigating the impact of Logan's new sewer treatment plant to our current sewer funds.

I am interested in claiming Nibley's place in history as the first settlement in Cache Valley and I hope to promote our namesake, Charles W. Nibley, by educating our citizens about his contributions to Cache Valley and the state of Utah. In order to respect the past, we must research the people and events of our history, and seek to see the world through their eyes and then imagine what our future can be and work towards those goals with vision and strong financial principles.

My wife Stephanie and I chose to make Nibley our home to raise our family of four children 17 years ago. I hope to continue to keep Nibley a great place to call home. We have excellent schools, parks and a safe place to raise families. I will continue to support our Heritage Days and Children's Theater and build upon our new traditions. I also look forward to participating with our Wildlife Association and determining what we can do to help our city become more aware of our environment and take advantage of preserving and enhancing our natural resources. Thank you for your support!



Councilmember Elect Kathryn Beus

I have lived in Nibley nearly all my life. We moved here when I was 4 years old and I have been here with few interruptions since. While attending Utah State University I lived in Washington DC and interned for Representative Rob Bishop. It was a great learning experience, living and working in our nation's capital. Soon after, I served an LDS mission in Spain and a part of me will always have a great love for the country and people there. I returned to my studies at USU and graduated with dual degrees in Law and Constitutional Studies and Spanish. After graduation I continued working at Wells Fargo in various positions and currently work part time as a Personal Banker in Hyrum. My husband, Danny, works for the State of Utah. We have 2 beautiful daughters, Ada (4) and Mary (2). We are very grateful to be able to raise our family in Nibley.

Some of my interests include: traveling, reading, history, running, hiking, spending time with my family, and eating my husband's delicious cooking. A few interesting facts about me are: while growing up, my family had an ice business that we managed together, my first non-family job was at Bob's Service here in Nibley, and I love all things Harry Potter.

I am excited and humbled to be elected to serve on the Council and I would like to thank you for giving me this chance to represent you.

Hyrum Library

The Hyrum Library's December "Downloadable Day" will be **Monday, December 2 at 5:00 p.m.** in the library board room. Bring your personal devices for help in downloading books.

December story time will be held on **December 10-11 at 1:00 p.m.** The theme for the month is "Santa's Elves." Story time is for all children 3 to 5 years old. Fun stories, crafts, puppet shows, and activities are planned each month.

The library's new chess club will meet on **December 16 at 4:00 p.m.** in the library café. This club is for all ages and anyone interested in learning the skills needed to play chess.

The library is asking for decorated ornaments to help complete their library Christmas trees. Craft days will be held at the library or you can make an ornament at home and bring it in. For more information, call the library at 245-6411. Also, don't forget their donor brick wall. This can be a unique and special Christmas gift for a loved one. Each brick is \$100 and is tax deductible.

In January, the library will once again be submitting their Ridley's Hometown Advantage Program names. Please let them know if you are willing to donate your points to the library. They receive several great donations from Ridley's each year because of the generosity of their library patrons.



Holiday Closures

Nibley City Hall: **November 28-29 and December 24-25.**

The Hyrum Senior Center: **December 24-25.** The Hyrum Library: **December 24-26.**

Hyrum Senior Center

The Hyrum Senior Center wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season and invites all seniors to come and enjoy their activities. They are open Monday-Friday from **9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** with lunch at noon, except on Thursdays; a \$3.00 donation is suggested. Please call **245-3570** before **10:00 a.m.** if you'd like to come in for lunch. The Center offers the following weekly activities:

Monday:	10:00 a.m.	Fit Over 60
Tuesday:	10:00 a.m.	Walking & Yoga
	12:30 p.m.	Games
Wednesday:	10:00 a.m.	Chair Yoga
Thursday:	10:00 a.m.	Chair Yoga
Friday:	12:30 p.m.	Bingo

The Senior Center's events for December include the following: **December 2** Board meeting at 1:30 p.m. The public is welcome. • **December 4** Kevin Kula at 12:30 p.m. • **December 11** Lorie Pulotu & their 20th Birthday Party/Christmas dinner at 12:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P early. • **December 18** Trevor Knudsen at 12:30 p.m. • **December 19** Red Hat Party at 12:30 p.m.

The Hyrum Senior Center's biggest event, which they plan for the whole year, is their craft fair. "All Wrapped Up" will be held **December 6** from **10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.** and **December 7** from **10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** They have gifts and fun items for all ages. Admission is free and the public is invited.



Little Wonders Preschool Providing a Holiday Service



If you would like the chance to get away and do some Christmas shopping without having to wrestle your little ones, then Little Wonders has your solution. Little Wonders will watch

your children on **Saturday, November 30**, or **Saturday, December 14 or 21** from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** free of charge while you do your holiday shopping. Children must be 3 or older and residents of Nibley City. Snacks will be provided but this special holiday service is only offered one time per child. If your child has a special need, please call **752-2266** ahead of time so that proper accommodations can be made. Little Wonders is located at 3223 South Main in Nibley.

Recreation Roundup

Boonanza

Many thanks to all those that attended this year's Nibley City Halloween Boonanza. Attendance this year was the highest yet. Special thanks to the Nibley Youth Council for helping out again this year and for Nibley Elementary for hosting this event in their school.

Jr. Jazz

The Logan Parks and Recreation Department is now registering for Jr. Jazz Youth Basketball. Registration is being held at the Logan Community Recreation Center, **195 South 100 West**. The deadline for registration is **Saturday, December 7**. Jr. Jazz Youth Basketball is open to all boys and girls grades 1-12. All players play in every game and often there are teams that are made up of just Nibley kids.

