



The Nibley City News



Nibley, Utah—February 2023

Mayor Jacobsen's Message



Mayor Larry Jacobsen

Our pets are important parts of our families as well as our community. We care for our pets as we would our own kids. Because many of our pets, especially our dogs, don't live exclusively indoors, those pets also become members of our community. Becky's pets (I'm Becky's husband) are so well cared for that I joked in this column last year that I hoped in

my next life to come back as one of her pets—dog, cat, goat, chicken—any of those would be fine with me. I have an update on that plan. I asked my friend Ajay, who has knowledge about the Hindu religion, about coming back as a goat. Ajay told me that I already blew it. He said I can only be one of Becky's goats in my next life if I was mean to them in this life. I have no desire to be mean to something that is so important in our family.

I have three requests of you and your pets. Please license your dogs, control your dogs, and make sure your pets are good neighbors. Dog licensing is important for a few reasons. First, it ensures that your dogs' rabies vaccinations are current. Not only does vaccination safeguard your pets' health, but it also protects human health. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported in 2019 that *"Human rabies is 99% fatal. However, it is 100% preventable through vaccinating pets against rabies, avoiding contact with wildlife and unknown animals, and seeking medical care as soon as possible after being bitten or scratched by an animal."* The next reason to license your dogs is to greatly increase the chance of reuniting a lost pet. With registration, your dog gets a Nibley tag that will trace them back to you. Nibley has moved the due date for dog licenses from the first of the year to the end of February to avoid the holiday rush. There's even an early bird special if you renew dog licenses before the due date.



Finally, dog licensing helps pay Nibley's annual contract with Cache County Animal Control, who pick up dogs at large. Even with the registrations that are collected, Nibley City has to subsidize a portion of this annual contract price from the general fund. All residents who have a dog should ensure their "best friend" is registered with Nibley City to do their part in providing animal control services.

There are consequences if you don't control your dogs. I am sad to report that we had a recent dog attack on one of our citizens, with unfortunate consequences to the person who was attacked, the dog, and the dog owner.

I was excited to learn from the County Council meeting on January 11, 2023, that the new animal shelter is nearly ready to open. This facility is the result of the intersection of a few key elements. First, the Sheriff's commitment to the plan (more than \$3M in construction costs); second, New Vision Veterinary (a nonprofit organization); and third, the new vet program at Utah State University. New Vision is already doing a great job of reuniting lost pets with their families and finding new homes

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Welcome Councilmember Mann!

Erin Mann moved to Cache Valley to attend Utah State and fell in love with the valley. She earned a bachelor's degree in Economics and Marketing and a master's degree in Environmental Planning. Last year Erin served on the Nibley Planning and Zoning Commission for ten months and enjoyed learning more about our city's ordinances and land planning processes.

Erin, her husband, Kevin, and their three kids have lived in Nibley for two years and have loved their time here, especially living next to Gibbons Heritage Park. As she begins her one-year interim term on the City Council she is looking forward to serving her neighbors and getting to know more Nibley Residents.



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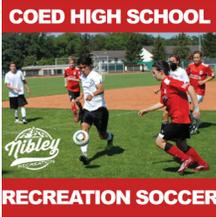
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If you have comments, or information that could be included in the newsletter, please contact cheryl@nibleycity.com.

Recreation Roundup



Nibley Rec High School Programs—

The Nibley Rec department is now offering 3 NEW options for high school age youth; Soccer, Softball, and Ultimate Frisbee. These coed leagues are for ALL interested participants even if they have no experience with team sports. Players can request several friends and we have dialed in some convenient game scheduling for busy youth. The programs are focused on creating a fun, safe, and friendly atmosphere, where players get valuable exercise and build leadership and social skills and confidence. Participants will wrap up the season with a league wide end of season party.



Update Your Family Calendar for 2023—

Want to stay on track with Youth Sports registration and season dates for all of 2023? Bookmark this webpage, click on “For 2023: Spring, Summer, Fall Dates: (Registration and Season)” at the top of the page, and find a printable version to put on your refrigerator.

Nibley Fit—Nibley Fit has an *Explore and Adore Challenge* coming up in February. Challenge cards will be available starting Feb. 1 and the challenge ends on Feb. 10. Participants should turn in their card by the 10th to enter to win a fun basket for you to share with a loved one. Nibley Fit will show love to all pass holders (including drop-in passes) with buy-one get-one free the week of Feb 6-10. Bring a friend or spouse to class. On Valentine's Day, our instructors have some fun workouts planned you are going to LOVE! ❤️



SUPER START Soccer & T-Ball—

SUPER START programs follow a proven plan to keep the player's attention while having fun rotating through several skill stations with their team. These programs are for 3 and 4-year-olds. Soccer is held on Wednesday evenings and registration is open now and closes on Feb. 7 or when filled. SUPER START T-ball registration is Feb. 1-28 or once filled.

Upcoming Events—Hopstacle Run—

Hopstacle Run—Save the date for Nibley's Hopstacle Run on April 8. This family friendly fitness event includes obstacles runs, candy filled eggs, and fun EGGtivities.



Chad Wright
Nibley Recreation
Director

Find the most up-to-date information on Nibley City recreation events & activities at www.nibleycity.com and www.facebook.com/nibley



Nibley Children's Theatre

Nibley Children's Theatre sign-ups will run February 1–March 25 and are for Nibley residents age 5–18. Auditions will be held March 24–25.

This year the NCT presents their 40th show, *The Misfit Pirate*. Got to www.nibleychildrenstheatre.weebly.com for more information.

Come join us for the 2023 Nibley City Pageant

Sign Ups are February 1, 2023, through February 10, 2023
At the Nibley City Offices

- Ages 5-10 years Princess Pageant
- Grades 6 to 11 Miss Nibley Pageant

We would love to see you and have you join us in the fun of learning a new dance and gaining GREAT friend



Rec Soccer; Pre K–12th Grade—

Registration is open until Feb. 22, however, if you sign up on or before Feb. 15 you will get an early bird discount. You'll find the Nibley City Recreation Soccer program is convenient with nearly every game and practice held in Nibley with most games held at Heritage Park.

Nibley Rec Soccer is designed to match the attention span and motor skill development level of your child and helps your child develop FUNdamental skills in a fun and friendly atmosphere. Parents can also enjoy a fun way to connect with their child and their team in the parents' game and older leagues experience an end-of-season game experience they will never forget.

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Baseball, Softball, T-Ball Sign-Ups; Pre K–12th Grade—

Registration opens on Feb. 8 and ends March 21 (or when leagues are full). For convenience, Nibley City league baseball, softball, & t-ball games do NOT overlap with the soccer games for the same age group. Our coaches are trained to make both practices and games fun, and you can count on your child making new friends as they learn the FUNdamentals of the game.



**KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION**
NOW OPEN

www.ccsdut.org/kinder
REGISTRATION STARTS ONLINE
THEN DELIVER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO SCHOOL DURING
SCHOOL HOURS THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023.

UNAVAILABLE DURING SCHOOL HOURS?
SCHOOLS WILL BE OPEN UNTIL
8:00 PM ON THURSDAY, MARCH 2
TO ACCEPT REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

**Children who will turn 5
on or before
September 1, 2023**

Questions? Contact your local school.



The Nibley Youth council spent the day at our state capitol for Local Officials Day. Some of the highlights included: Meeting with our local Representative, Casey Snyder, visiting Governor Cox's office, a session with the First Lady, Abby Cox, and a delightful lunch with Governor Cox speaking.



Cache Valley Wildlife Association Dogs and Wildlife

Many of us enjoy taking our dogs out on a hike or ski. We also love taking them to our neighborhood parks for a bit of human and doggy exercise. Nibley pet-owners are fortunate to have dog-friendly parks throughout the city where you can walk your leashed pet. However, one exception to the dog rule is Firefly Park. So, why is Firefly Park a no-dog zone when even the adjacent Virgil Gibbons Heritage Park (just east of Firefly Park) allows dogs on leashes?

Well, there's a good reason. Firefly Park is a "nature" park, meaning that it is managed for the diversity of vegetation and wildlife it supports, including several dozen types of birds that breed, nest, and overwinter in the secluded grasslands and wetlands that dominate the park. For example, there is a pair of sandhill cranes that raise their young in the interior of Firefly Park each summer that you can enjoy watching (from a distance).

While it is obvious how an unleashed dog can disturb wildlife inhabitants, it may be unclear how a leashed dog can impact species. The sound of barking, the smell, and yes, even the visual presence of a dog, can cause wildlife to be temporarily or permanently displaced and/or cause undue stress (which could lead to nest abandonment, increased risk to disease, etc.) and a reduction in the amount of perceived habitat available in which to feed, breed, and nest.

Most pet owners also appreciate an opportunity to watch and enjoy wildlife. Let's protect the "nature" in the Firefly "nature park" for all to enjoy by understanding and respecting the dog laws in Nibley City.

Reminders from Nibley City Staff

Parking Tickets

Winter parking regulations are in place and were enacted to keep streets clear should Nibley's Public Works department need to clear the roadways after a storm. Be sure to keep your vehicles off the street Nov 1 through Apr 1 from 12:00–6:00 a.m. to avoid a parking ticket. We sincerely hope this is not an issue for any of our residents, but if you should receive a parking ticket for parking overnight on a Nibley City street, you may pay that \$25 fine at Nibley City Hall. —Nibley City Staff

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for unclaimed pets. The USU Vet School will be a great resource to ensure that reunited and rehomed pets are healthy before they leave the shelter.

Please put yourself in your neighbor's shoes and realize the influence that your pets have on your neighborhood. Whether its barking dogs or crowing roosters, your neighbors might see your pets differently than you do. When in doubt, ask your neighbors if they are adversely affected, and if so, work together towards a solution. If that doesn't happen, then Nibley City and its land-use and nuisance ordinances get involved. Even though I promise to enforce Nibley's ordinances, I think the first solution is the best one. Our pets are incredibly important to us and our wellbeing. If we work together, we can ensure that they are happy and welcome members of our community.

—Larry

A Spotlight on Our Animal Control Officers



Deputy Hadley is the newest Deputy for the Cache County Sheriff's Animal Control Office and is extremely excited to be with such a great agency. Deputy Hadley is also the STAR Animal Control Deputy for Nibley City. STAR means "Sheriff's Town and Area Representative".

This means Deputy Hadley is responsible for gathering information from Nibley City, and routinely checking in with the city to see how everything is going and answer any questions needed. All 3 Animal Control Deputies patrol Nibley, however Deputy Hadley is solely responsible for making contacts with the city and answering questions from any members of the public.

Deputy Hadley spent his time hunting and fishing with his dad while he was growing up and obtained a strong love for animals at a young age and knew that when he got older he wanted to work around animals. Deputy Hadley previously worked for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources where he completed wildlife surveys, habitat work and trapped wildlife. When he was offered the job with the Cache County Sheriff's Office he *"didn't know I would be serving such amazing people and representing one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the country. If you see me around and have any questions please feel free to flag me down as I would love to talk with you!"*

Tips From Our Deputies

Our job as Animal Control Deputies is to help the animals within the cities we contract with stay safe and protected. It is our goal to return any animal home safely. The biggest part of our job is to enforce the animal ordinances that the city has created. As we patrol around the cities that we serve, we are looking to see if we can find any animal that has misplaced itself and help guide owners as to the city's ordinances. We have put a few tips together to help guide you with taking care of your dogs.

- **Microchips:** Getting your animals microchipped is simple to do and relatively cheap. A microchip is a small device inserted just under the skin between the shoulder blades of the animal. It is a permanent form of identification that has a number unique to each animal. The chip is registered to the company it was manufactured from and contains owner information. We scan any dog or cat that is picked up for a microchip and if that animal has one, we are able to contact the company and retrieve owner information to return the animal home.

- **Collar with Tags:** It is an ordinance and requirement of Nibley City that every dog have a collar on with their current rabies tag along with their city registration license. This can also help us identify dogs. If a dog does not have a microchip, we are able to use the city license number of a rabies tag to find out owner information and return the dog home.
- **Rabies Vaccinations:** Rabies vaccines are required for every dog within the county. This is to help regulate and decrease the amount of rabies that is found in our area. It is also important to keep your dog up to date on other recommended vaccinations like Bordetella and DH2PP. A rabies vaccination is also required to license your dog with the city or county. All you need is proof of the vaccination being current.
- **Keeping Track of your Dog/Leash Laws:** It is easy to let your dog outside to use the bathroom, but it is important, especially if you do not have a fenced yard, to keep eyes on your dog. Several of the calls we receive about dogs at large are due to letting your dog outside to use the bathroom and leaving it unattended. There is a leash ordinance in the city that requires any dog that is not on the owner's property to be contained on a leash. This law includes in the parks that are spread throughout the city. All dogs must remain on a leash.
- **Cold Weather Tips:** With the cold temperatures it's important to keep an eye on your dog's body condition. Especially if your dog is housed outside, make sure that it has access to shelter, food, and water. Having a shelter that has a heat mat or straw to help insulate your pet during this extremely cold weather will add to their comfort.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic

and License/Registration Renewal



Saturday, February 25, 2023 9:00-11:00 a.m.

at Heritage Animal Hospital
365 Heritage Drive, Nibley, UT 84321

Get the required rabies vaccine and license your dog all at one convenient time and location. If your rabies vaccine is already up-to-date, just show up to register your dog before the **Feb. 28, 2023** deadline.

- \$21 Rabies vaccination (per pet)
- **NO** appointment is required.



Happenin' in Hyrum

The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 245-3570

Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

The Hyrum Senior Center is open to ALL seniors Monday–Friday from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Please call by 9:00 a.m. if you'd like to join them for lunch on Wednesdays and Fridays for a cost of \$3.00 per lunch.

Mondays–Pool at 9:00 a.m.

- Feb 9 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00
Board meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- Feb 20 CLOSED
- Feb 23 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00

Tuesdays–Pool at 9:00 a.m.

- Feb 7 Exercise at 9:30 a.m.; Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.
- Feb 14 Tip class at 11:00 a.m.
- Feb 21 Exercise at 9:30 a.m.; Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays–Lunches at 12:00 p.m. Programs are after lunch.

- Feb 1 Valentine Facedown
- Feb 8 Talent Display–Please bring your talents to share.
- Feb 15 Valentines Lunch & the Marriage Game
- Feb 22 PIT

Thursdays–No lunch is served

- Feb 9 Lunch Bunch at El Toro Viejo
- Feb 23 Road Trip

Fridays–Bingo at 10:45; lunches at 12:00 p.m.

- Feb 10 Bring a white elephant Bingo
- Feb 24 Bingo–wear pink



The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-0208
museum@hyrumcity.com



Bring your sweetheart to the valley's best big band music event all year at *Jazz Nights* at Elite Hall on February 9, 10, & 11. The Elite Hall is thrilled to host the USU jazz orchestra and ensemble for three evenings of incredible big band music and dancing. Dances start each night at 7:00 p.m. and tickets are only \$15 (\$10 with student ID). Free dance lessons begin at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is available Friday and Saturday for \$30 (includes dance ticket). This is the event to attend if you want to experience dancing on the Elite Hall's amazing spring-loaded floor. Don't miss it!

The Elite Hall is open for free public walking every Monday through Friday from 7:00–10:00 a.m. All are welcome, but please supervise children



and don't bring any food or drinks other than water. The Elite Hall will be closed to walkers on February 9 and 10.

The FREE Family Movie this month will be *Cool Runnings* on the big screen at the Elite Hall on **Friday, February 3**. Doors open at **6:30 p.m.** and the movie will begin at 7:00 pm. Wear your comfy clothes and bring your pillows, blankets, bean bags, and camp chairs. Don't forget your own dinner or treats.



The Hyrum Library

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-6411

• hyrumlibrary@gmail.com

*Library hours and activities are subject to change without notice.

Library Hours: Monday-Friday

10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

February brings amnesty month. The library will be collecting items for the Cache Valley food pantry. If you have fines, you can pay for them with food.

- **Cheesy Poetry Contest:** All month long. Submit your Valentine's Day cheesy poem at the front desk. Entries will be displayed in the Teen Zone.
- **Toddler Story time (ages 0-3)*:** Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- **Preschool Story time (ages 3-5)*:** Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Join them for fun books, songs, and even fun activities.
- **Lego's @ the Library:** Feb. 1 and 15 from 4-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. They supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!
- **Chess Club (+Checkers):** Feb. 3 from 4–5:00 p.m.
- **Book and Movie:** Feb. 9 from 5–7:00 p.m. Join the library for *Percy Jackson*.
- **Magic Tree House Adventure Club:** (Sign up is required): Feb. 10 or the 14 at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is Magic Tree House #21 "Civil War on Sunday"
- **Family Movie & Popcorn:** Monday, Feb. 13 at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime Room. Watch *Lyle, Lyle Crocodile*. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.
- **Valentine's Craft:** Feb. 14 from 4-5 p.m. Grades 4-6. Make a fun valentine craft. While supplies last.
- **TAC:** Feb. 16 at 3:30 p.m. If you would like to join the Teen Advisory Committee stop in at the library and ask for Deonna.
- **Nerf War:** Feb. 24 from 4–6:00 p.m. Bring your Nerf guns and friends and be ready for WAR!
- **Aubrey Squires:** Feb. 27 at 10:30 a.m. The local author will be at the library featuring her newest children's book.

