



The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—January 2022

A Message from Mayor Jacobsen



Mayor Larry Jacobsen

Happy new year! I have so many things that I am eager to talk to you about. I hope to get to talk about many of these topics during the next four years, and today I will stay on January's theme, Fitness and Recreation. But first, what do engineers (I'm one) and five-year-olds have in common? They ask a lot of questions that start with "Why...?"

Today's "why" question is *Why does Nibley City exist?* David Church of the Utah League of Cities and Towns gave

three reasons to have cities at all, and fitness and recreation match two of them. First, Nibley exists to provide services to its Citizens that they cannot easily provide on their own. Fitness and Recreation are made possible through community coordination, along with facilities and community spaces. Put another way, through Nibley staff and Nibley parks. Many thanks to our energetic recreation staff; I can't keep up with them. Although our city parks give value beyond dollars and cents, a conservative monetary value of Nibley's parks is \$4,500 for each household. That is the Park Impact Fee paid by new home builders. It is justified with analysis to maintain the same level of parks service to Nibley residents that existed before a new house is built. Based on this fee, it would cost more than \$10 million to provide the park space that we currently enjoy. It is an incredible resource for our community. By the way, the city will revisit that park impact fee soon to ensure we are asking enough from new construction.

A second reason for our city's existence is to make us proud to be from Nibley. To put the "home" in "hometown". Our recreation programs, along with the spaces we create for those programs, make us proud of Nibley. For me, that happened (again) last summer when after a 45-year hiatus, I returned to umpiring Little League Baseball. That was also during the time that I believed I had finished my time in city governance. Umpiring—for better or worse—got me back in the game. I met new people in our community: players, parents, and coaches. I was proud to be a part of the program, and especially proud when visiting teams would tell me how they loved to come play ball in Nibley. I promise that it wasn't the umpiring!

Here are couple of new-year fitness challenges. Becky Yeager (I am Becky's husband) started dragging me to fitness classes long ago. We have been doing the Logan Rec Center program for years and have met some great instructors and participants—ironically, many who are from Nibley. Lately, we have started splitting the week between the Logan program and Nibley Fit. Nibley Fit is a blast! Challenge #1. A City Council that exercises together... well, I'm not sure, let's find out. Council members, let's choose a day or two per week for us go together to a 6:00 a.m. Nibley Fit class. You choose the day, and Becky will make sure I attend. In accordance with the Utah Open Meetings Act, I promise that we will not discuss business. Citizens, come hold the Council to task on this challenge.

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Dog License Registration/Renewal

Hey Nibley dog owners . . . do you work Monday through Friday and find it hard to find the time to have your dog's rabies vaccine and dog license renewed? Well, we've got you. Don't miss the Heritage Animal Hospital rabies clinic on *Saturday, February 26* from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The cost for the rabies vaccination will be \$20, plus a variety of other services will be available. All Nibley canine residents are required to be registered with the city by **January 1** of each year. The license fee is \$15 for altered dogs and \$25 for unaltered. A member of our Nibley City staff will be on site at the Heritage Animal Hospital for license registration/renewal. The deadline for license renewal without a late fee is February 28. (late fee does not apply to new registrations).



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

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Challenge #2. From my observations in Logan and Nibley, men are not well represented in these fitness classes. Let's change that. If the husbands of the women attending Nibley Fit are staying home to get the kids ready for school, then good for you. However, if you need a nudge to attend a class, here it is. I will meet you at any 6:00 a.m. Nibley Fit class to ensure that you are not the only guy in the class.

I hope for you a healthy, happy, and peaceful New Year. Call me, text me, email me, or message me,

Larry

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Nibley City Employees in the Spotlight



Kali Hoenes is the newest addition to our Recreation department as the Nibley Fit Coordinator. She was born and raised in Layton, Utah and is proud to be an Aggie graduate. She majored in Parks and Recreation and has spent most of her adult life in

the recreation arena. After she graduated college, she worked as a Physical Education teacher for Wilson Elementary in Logan while she waited for her husband to finish up school. When school was finished, they moved to southern Arizona. While there, Kali discovered a love for running half marathons and doing Sprint Triathlon's. She also served as a commissioner on the Parks and Recreation committee for her town. After living nearly 10 years in Arizona, they decided it was time to move back home. Kali and her family have lived in Nibley for 4 years now and they love it. They spend a lot of their time enjoying the great outdoors and feel so blessed to have the recreation world at their fingertips with so many great locations close by. Kali loves to be involved and get to know members of the community. She loves the many community events that Nibley has to offer and happily supports them. Kali would love it if you attended a Nibley Fit class AND introduced yourself to her. She loves every single Nibley Fit class and says there is no such thing as a wrong choice when deciding which class to attend. She thinks you should try them all and bring all of your friends with you.

Niblettes in the News



Growing up in a small Idaho town, Amanda enjoyed being active in multiple sports through her high school years. She recognized the benefits of being active went beyond physical health and spilled over in to mental and social well-being as well and

wanted to see those benefits continue in her life after high school. Through her childbearing years, she tried to prioritize exercise, mostly in the form of running, but found it harder to be consistently active. Then, in 2017 she discovered NibleyFIT and has enjoyed the friendships forged through attending the group fitness classes since. She enjoys the variety of classes (cardio, weights, yoga) and that young moms can come with kids in tow (her youngest starts doing burpees and tuck jumps when she hears music—a product of coming along to HIGH classes over the years)

Amanda hopes to spread the love of exercise to the next generation and appreciates all the city does to provide family-based fun; like shorter distance races for all ages to participate and unique prize categories. Two of Amanda's daughters ran the Heritage Days fun run in June and won a prize for their finish line performance doing the cancan. If you haven't participated in one of Nibley's many races or fitness classes, come see what they are all about in 2022!

Amanda brings a spirit of community and fun to every Nibley City event she attends. That's why she's this month's Niblette in the News. Thank you Amanda.



Recruitment Announcement

Set a New Year's resolution to help protect and serve your community this year. The Nibley-Millville First Responders are currently recruiting new members who are willing to serve their communities by providing volunteer, pre-hospital, emergency medical care. Applicants must hold a current EMT certification from the Utah Bureau of Emergency Medical Services or be willing to attend and successfully complete an EMT course. Financial tuition assistance may be available for interested applicants. For more information, please contact Neal Loveland, Nibley-Millville's EMT Squad leader, at squad140@gmail.com.

Recreation Roundup



Nibley Fit—Do your New Year's resolutions include improving your overall health, making new friends, being a part of a supportive community, or taking care of yourself so you can take care of others? Our Nibley Fit group fitness classes help you achieve all of these resolutions and more. With certified instructors, and a variety of classes, we offer something for everyone and accommodate all ages and abilities. Our single class drop-in pass is just \$3. However, you get more value out of an unlimited monthly pass, and the best value out of the unlimited quarterly pass. Come meet our friendly instructors and enjoy being a part of a happy, healthy, fitness community.

Nibley Recreation Spring Soccer—Registration opens in January and closes in February, or once full, for players from Pre-K to 8th Grade. Nibley recreation soccer is perfect for players of all abilities and are fun and affordable. We offer thoroughly trained, background-checked, volunteer coaches, that teach soccer fundamentals, with a focus on player development and community connection. Our in-house program means all practices and games will be in Nibley. Following current research on successful player development, our small-sided soccer program utilizes smaller teams and fields to maximize ball touches, scoring opportunities, facilitate passing, and build confidence in players. Games will be in April–May.

NEW Pre-K OUTDOOR Spring Soccer—Driven by community interest and our focus on creating the best opportunities for young players to develop skills in a fun and supportive environment, we now offer an outdoor pre-K soccer program for players that are 4 or 5 years old that are not in Kindergarten yet. Completion of our winter SUPER START Soccer indoor clinic is recommended for 3-year-olds wanting to play Pre-K OUTDOOR. Nibley's recreation Youth Sports Coordinator, Quinn, is happy to help you find the best soccer program for your child.

SUPER START Soccer Indoor Clinic—This is an indoor soccer program for 3 & 4-year-olds that builds to an outdoor soccer experience (weather permitting). Spots are limited and this program fills up fast. Registration is only available from the beginning of January to the beginning of February or once full, and the program is held once/week from the end of February to the end of March. This award winning clinic is led by volunteer coaches inside a local school and developmentally matches pediatricians recommendations of helping young players connect a fun experience with a soccer ball.

Nibley Recreation Youth Baseball, Softball, T-Ball Registration—Enjoy classic American ball and bat sports with your child. Registration is open February through mid-March. Nibley City registration closes out weeks earlier than surrounding communities so coaches and players have the opportunity to pull together more practice prior to the season. If you have signed your child up for our Nibley City Soccer program, know that end of season soccer games will not overlap with baseball, softball, or T-ball games for the same age group.

Nibley Nordic Track—The Nibley Nordic Track at Heritage/Firefly Park will open once Nibley receives enough snow. We encourage you to watch for track signage indicating OPEN, CLOSED, or MAINTENANCE IN PROGRESS on Nibley's website and Facebook page and along the Nordic Track. Like last year, we also plan to clear snow from more hard-surface trails to make available more trails for winter walkers/runners. Please help us maintain a reasonable surface for cross-country (XC) skiers by only using the Nordic track when open, and while wearing XC skis. Also, please limit your walking/running to the cleared cement trail. The groomed snow track has been arranged to eliminate all but one crossing of the Nordic Track and cleared concrete trail. Use caution at that intersection and tread lightly. Thank you for respecting all outdoor recreation users in our parks.

Thank You's—Nibley City thanks the organizers of the Live Nativity Drive Through Journey at Nibley's Morgan Farm for helping us all remember the reason for the season. We'd especially like to thank Morgan Farm caretaker and event organizer, Richard Eversull, his wife Karen, and his daughter Adria. We also appreciated Sabrina Olsen's paintings and set up, and scene enrichment coordination by Emily Rigby. As always, this couldn't be done without volunteers; thank you Gerald Knight, the Nibley Youth Council, and the host of volunteers that were a part of this wonderful community event.

Finally, thank you to Visionary Homes, Rocky Mountain Power, Blackstone, Cherry Peak, American West Heritage Center, and Camp Chef for their very generous donations to the Nibley City Holiday Decorating Contest.



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



The Cache Valley Wildlife Association



Photo credit: Guide to North American Birds, Audobon.org

As I was enjoying a peaceful morning looking out the window at the snow-covered scenery today, I counted twelve different species of birds at my feeder. This assortment included flickers, juncos, chickadees, two types of towhees, and even a misplaced goldfinch. It got me to thinking, these are the same birds that visit many of your yards, given the right set up of food and cover. They are a community amongst themselves but also bring us together as a community. I cherish the conversations I have with my neighbors over the birds that visit their feeders and, with hope and anticipation, turn up at ours. Thank you for being a part of the Nibley community, feeding the birds, building wildlife habitat in your backyard, and talking wildlife with us.

The Cache Valley Wildlife Association will be holding a meeting to plan our 2022 year on **Thursday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m.** We will meet in the Conference Room at the Nibley City Offices. If you have questions, contact Becky Yeager (757-6283, blyeager@com-cast.net). Hope to see you there!

—From the Cache Valley Wildlife Association



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Protecting Water Sources in the Winter

Road salt helps keep us safe but it also can cause damage to our drinking water sources. Here are a few ways you can contribute to reducing the amount of salt that enters our water:

- Use salt sparingly and never under -18°C as it will not work . . . *Brrrr!* Let's hope it doesn't get that cold.
- Shovel often between snowfalls to reduce salt use.
- Do not shovel snow into sewers and waterways.
- Store salt inside or cover storage areas to keep it from washing away.
- Redirect downspouts to stop ice from forming on walkways.

Reminders from Nibley City Staff

We're Closed

Nibley City Hall will be closed on **Monday, January 17** in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Paperless Utility Billing

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The New Year is a great time to make some new resolutions. We hope you will make the resolution to switch to paperless billing. The environment will thank you and so will we. The service is free, and it only takes a moment to sign up. Go to www.xpressbillpay.com and create a new account. You can opt for auto-pay if you don't want to manage your bill each month, or you can log on each month and initiate payment when you are ready to pay. You will still receive an emailed link to the newsletter each month.



Treecycling

Nibley City has a site available for Christmas tree disposal or "treecycling." Drop your trees off at Anhder Park (294 W 3200 S) now through **January 10, 2022**. After the 10th you will need to take your tree to Logan's green waste facility, located at the Logan Landfill (153 North 1400 West), for which there is no charge. Please no lights, tinsel, ornaments, or tree stands.

Texting & Driving



Resolve this year to not text and drive. Safety officers are noticing too many instances of parents being distracted by their phones while dropping or picking kids up at school zones. Put your phone away when you are in the car. Be sure you are focusing on the roadway or other vehicles around you.

It is illegal to text and drive in Utah and it puts your life and the lives of others at risk. No text or status update is worth you or your family's safety. It can wait.

—Nibley City Staff

The Nibley City Council meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. The Nibley City Planning Commission meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. You can find the Zoom link and full agendas and reports for each meeting of the Nibley City Council and Nibley City Planning Commission at www.nibleycity.com and www.pmn.utah.gov. Agendas and reports are typically pasted the Friday before each meeting.

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. They serve lunch at noon on Wednesday and Friday at a cost of \$1.00. Please call 245-3570 to join them for a meal. Come join the best senior center in the state.

Mondays–Pool at 9:00 a.m. *No lunch is served.*

- **Jan. 10** Breakfast and Bingo at 10:30 a.m.
Board meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesdays– Pool at 9:00 a.m.; Yoga at 9:30 a.m.

- **Jan. 11** Tip class at 11:00 a.m.
- **Jan. 18** Lunch and Bunco at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays–Lunches at 12:00 p.m.

- **Jan. 5** New Year's Fun.
- **Jan. 12** Around the World chair travel
- **Jan. 19** Snowflake party at 12:00 p.m. with food and fun for all.
- **Jan. 26** Music TBA.

Thursdays–*No lunch is served*

- **Jan. 13** Mystery Trip

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

- **Jan. 14** Bring a white elephant gift to Bingo.
- **Jan. 28** Wear blue to bingo.



The Hyrum Museum

50 West Main, Hyrum • 245-0208

museum@hyrumcity.com



During the Hyrum Museum's *Second Saturday* event on **January 8**, former NWB Shoshone Chair, Darren Parry will discuss the current work at Boa Ogoi to restore native species and prepare the land for the planned interpretive site. His comments will commence at **11:00 am**. The museum's *Back in Time* children's activity is **January 25-27** from **1:00-1:30 p.m.** each day. They'll explore "Boa Ogoi's Beauty" and learn about the natural resources surrounding Boa Ogoi and why it made such an appealing winter camp.

Don't miss the experience of watching "Ron's Gone Wrong" on the big screen at the Elite Hall on **Friday, January 14** during *Family Movie Night*. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will begin at **7:00 p.m.** Wear your comfy clothes, bring your pillows, blankets, bean bags, camp chairs, etc. and your own dinner and/or treats. This is a free public event and everyone is welcome.



Finally, this month is your **LAST CHANCE** to visit the Smithsonian's traveling exhibition, "H2O Today." The museum is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from **10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** and Wednesdays and the second Saturday of each month from **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**



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.

The library will be closed **January 1** for New Years Day and **Monday, January 17** for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Please refer to the community calendar and social media @hyrumlibrary for more information on monthly programs.

January's Schedule

- Toddler Story Time (ages 0-3): Mondays at **10:30 a.m.**
- Preschool Story Time (ages 3-5): Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- Chess Club (+Checkers): **January 4** from 4:00-5 p.m.
- **January 7 at 3:30 p.m.**–Magic Tree House Adventure Club: #13 *Vacation Under the Volcano*. Sign up is required (1-3 Grade) and begins the Monday following the adventure club. The library has extra copies that are available for check out.
- Library Board Meeting–**January 12 at 6:00 p.m.**
- Harry Potter Movie Night: **January 14 at 5:00 p.m.** Stop at the library to vote for your favorite Harry Potter movie.
- Teen Nerf War: **January 21** from 4:30-6:30 p.m. (sign up is required) Bring a friend and meet at the Elite Hall. Darts will be provided but you will need to provide your own Nerf gun.
- Virtual Lego Club: **January 24**–Watch social media for the month's theme, then make your own creation and post a picture on the library's Facebook page.
- Family Movie & Popcorn: **January 24 at 4:00 p.m.** Join us for *Addams Family 2*. Movies are played in the Story time room. Young children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.