



# The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—October 2013

## From the Mayor

Dear Nibley Residents,

As the weather turns cooler and we head into the fall season, I start to think of the many changes that will occur to my daily schedule. I will soon tune my snow skis and put away my hiking shoes. I will no longer have to mow the lawn every week and hopefully, I will have many opportunities to shovel snow. Sadly, I will also hang up my mayor's hat and pencil and turn things over to the next fortunate person to walk in these honored steps of serving the residents of this wonderful community. We are growing from an awesome rural community to a beautiful suburban city. Each new resident adds vitality, wisdom and vision for the future of this great place we all call home. Each of the candidates running for the office will do a fine job as Mayor. Depending on your ideas of what is important for the community one may do a better job than the other. As you prepare to elect your new Mayor and Council members, I urge you to evaluate what they want to accomplish in our growing community. Talk to them. Review their goals and past actions in making Nibley a better place. Then vote for the candidate that represents your dreams for your hometown. The Mayor and City Council control the type of development that occurs in your backyard. Their actions dictate the level of taxes you pay and services you receive. In short they have more power to influence your quality of life in your neighborhood than any other entity. Once they are elected, support them with your service like you have supported me. A good Mayor and Council are only as effective as the good people that volunteer to help. I thank you for your continuing support. I wish all of you a wonderful fall season.

Mayor Gerald Knight



## Veteran's Day Concert

Please join our local churches and citizens in an interdenominational concert honoring our Veterans, those currently serving in our Armed Forces, and their families at a community Veteran's Day Concert on **Saturday, November 9, 2013 at 7 p.m.** at the Nibley Stake Center, 3701 South 450 West in Nibley. If you have members of the Armed Forces you would like to specifically honor, please let us know so that we may recognize them that night. Any and all children in Nibley are invited to participate in a children's choir as part of the night's program. Children's choir rehearsals will begin on **Friday, October 5 at 3:30 p.m.\*** at the LDS church house on 360 W 3200 S. We invite all scouting troops (cubs, boys, girls) to please attend in uniform. If you would like to provide photos and/or other memorabilia for display tables honoring our service men and women and their families, or have any questions, please contact either **Bonnie and Jeff McBride** at [bomcbride@yahoo.com](mailto:bomcbride@yahoo.com) or **Brie Corrington** at [bncorrington@gmail.com](mailto:bncorrington@gmail.com).

\*(all rehearsals will be on Fridays at 3:30 p.m.)



## Get Ready to Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet

In conjunction with the "National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day" you have the opportunity to dispose of expired over the counter products, out-dated medications, or prescriptions that you no longer use, in a safe and responsible way. There will be a prescription drop-off on **Saturday, October 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** at the Nibley City office parking lot. This service is sponsored by Sidney Price for his Eagle Scout Project, in cooperation with the Cache County Sheriff's Office, which will be present. Sorry, they cannot accept sharps containers.



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### Hyrum Library

The Hyrum Library’s October Downloadable Day will be held on **October 7 at 5:00 p.m.** Come receive help with any of your new devices and learn to download the thousands of books available to you through the library.

Story time will be held **October 22–25 at 1:00 p.m.** This month’s theme is “Harvest Hoedown.” Dressing as a cowboy or cowgirl is up to you. Throw on a cowboy hat and join them for the fun. Story time is for children 3-5 years of age and sign-ups begin on **October 1.** You may call or come into the library to sign your child up. Utah State University also continues with their weekly story time for all children, of all ages, at **10:30 a.m.** each **Monday** at the library.

Stop by the library to see their newest display; Elephants are on parade, thanks to Hyrum resident Elaine Hepworth, whose elephant collection is amazing. Delilah Sant does their display cases, so if you have a collection you would like to share, give her a call at the library. She is always looking for new and interesting things to display. There is also new and different art on display throughout the library. Be sure to come and see these new visual displays at the library.

The Library has hopes of beginning their Chess Club in October. Call the library at **245-6411** for more information if you are interested. This club will be for all ages of chess players, but especially for those new to the game. The club will meet once a month, first learning the basics and then moving on to tournaments for each age and skill category.

The Hyrum Library and Hyrum Senior Center will both be closed **Monday, October 14** for Columbus Day

### Hyrum Senior Center

The Hyrum Senior Center offers meals that are delicious and healthy. Please call **245-3570** before **10:00 a.m.** if you’d like to come in for lunch. They are open Monday–Friday from **9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.** with lunch at noon except on Thursdays when they are sometimes out on road trips and the center is closed. The Senior 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

Additional programs in October start at 12:30 p.m. and includes the following: **October 2** Health Fair • **October 8** Awesome Tip class • **October 9** Kevin Kula • **October 12** Health presentation on strokes • **October 16** Trevor Knudsen • **October 23** Halloween party.

The Senior Center will hold its board meeting on **October 21 at 1:30 p.m.** and the public is invited. The two road trips scheduled for October are a color trip to see the fall leaves on **October 19** and a trip to Gardener’s Village to see the witch displays on **October 24.** Call the center for more information on these events.

The Senior Center would also love your help with simple sewing projects for their annual craft fair and donations are gratefully accepted.



### Hyrum City Museum

The Hyrum City Museum is currently putting together a new exhibit on the Hyrum Dam and are looking for stories and artifacts to be included. The museum is happy to accept loans, not just donations. If you have a great piece of this community’s history and would be willing to share it, please bring it by and they can display it until you are ready to take it home.

Back in Time, the museum’s monthly children’s activity, will be held **October 22–24 from 2:00–2:30 p.m.** each day. Sign your preschooler up to trick-or-treat around the museum in their costume and hear a few local ghost stories.

If you are looking for activities for your scout, church, civic, or family groups, be sure to keep the museum in mind. The new community exhibit this month is displaying antique toys including Eileen James’s collection. Call **245-0208** or email [museum@hyrumcity.com](mailto:museum@hyrumcity.com) to schedule a time to visit the museum or the historic cabins.

The Hyrum museum will be closed **October 9, 10, and 12** and there will no workshop in October so museum staff can attend a training conference. The museum will also be closed on **Thursday, October 31** but make it a point to visit them some time this month.

*The Nibley City Council meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The Planning and Zoning Commission meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The meetings are open to the public. Agendas, minutes, and ordinances are posted on the City’s website: [www.nibleycity.com](http://www.nibleycity.com)*

## Nibley City Tree & Wildlife Committees

### Tree Board News

The tree planting project along 3200 South has had a good start. Residents have been watering them well, and we look forward to a floral bloom in the Spring to add some color to one of our main streets. Don't forget to report a list of all the trees you planted this year to help Nibley maintain the Utah Tree Growth Award. Last year, only six cities earned that recognition. Also, remember, the Legacy Tree memorial program, and the Heritage Tree program are great ways to honor family members.

Residents are always welcome to attend Tree Board meetings which are the **first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.** at City Hall. Let us know if you are interested in becoming a member of the Tree Board.

### Wildlife News

Our volunteer group has been renamed the Blacksmith Fork Wildlife Association as we encourage communities throughout Cache Valley to join us. All our meetings and events are open to the public. Please take note of and plan on attending the following events:

- **October 2**–Planning meeting, City Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- **October 5**–Free perennial plant/seed/bulb exchange to help with your landscaping. 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. at City Hall. Bring your seeds to

trade, or just come to gather things for your yard. Tips for landscaping for wildlife will be available, along with ideas on how to prevent deer from devastating your plants. Contact **Becky Yeager** with questions at 757-6283 or [blyeager@comcast.net](mailto:blyeager@comcast.net).

- **November 6**–Free Workshop on Songbird Identification: 7:30 p.m. at Nibley City Hall. What songbirds are visiting your yard? Learn simple identification tricks, how to attract certain species to your yard, and how to enter your nature observations on a website that connects you to the rest of the U.S.
- **Birdhouse Building Contest:** Get the rules for this annual contest for all ages. Prizes will be awarded for different age groups. Houses are not due until the end of February. Contact **Ron Hellstern** at 245-9186 or [redrockron@gmail.com](mailto:redrockron@gmail.com) with questions on either of the two above events.
- **Amateur Wildlife Photography Contest:** The BFWA is sponsoring a contest open to all amateurs and including special categories for young photographers. All photos must be taken in Cache Valley. Remember wildlife includes birds & insects. Fall is a good time to capture a winning shot. Details will also be available at the November meeting and from **Larry Jacobsen** at [ljacobsen.nibley@gmail.com](mailto:ljacobsen.nibley@gmail.com).



## The Scarecrows ... Have Come and Gone

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in the 2ND Annual Scarecrow Festival at the Morgan Farm–“Proud to be an American.” The Morgan Farm made the perfect setting for our 32 fun, patriotic, and nostalgic Great American Scarecrows. We look forward to bringing this event back again next year. People's Choice Scarecrows were awarded to the Roger & Jenni Cullmber family for their California Gold Rush entry, the Christian & Jamie Hopkins family for their Lucille Ball at the Chocolate Factory entry, and the Bryan & Stephanie Hansen family for their Statue of Liberty entry. If you would like to make a scarecrow for next year's festival, send an email to [nibleysistercity@gmail.com](mailto:nibleysistercity@gmail.com) and you'll be included in next year's scarecrow making communications.

We are also very excited to announce the results of this year's Get-a-Brain Read-a-thon and so grateful for the efforts of our fine young readers, their parents, teachers, and principals for supporting this all-for-fun reading event!

### 2013 School Reading Results

- 1st: Nibley Elementary–92,843 minutes–Winner of 300 books\*  
 2nd: Heritage Elementary–44,450 minutes–Winner of 200 books\*  
 3rd: Thomas Edison–41,959 minutes–Winner of 100 books\*  
 Total Minutes Read: 179,252

#### Heritage Class Winners

Kindergarten: Williams AM–1,537 minutes;  
 1st Grade: Bickers/Floyd–4,653 minutes; 2nd Grade: Dahle–2,974 minutes; 3rd Grade: Jensen–2,598 minutes; 4th Grade: Rollins–3,042 minutes; 5th Grade: Robins–4,773 minutes;

#### Nibley Class Winners

Kindergarten: Larkin AM–3,232 minutes; 1st Grade: Von Der Lieth–3,604 minutes; 2nd Grade: Houser–6,006 minutes; 3rd Grade: Wise–5,857 minutes; 4th Grade: Floyd–7,248 minutes; 5th Grade: Dunmeyer–17,492 minutes (Grand Champions)

#### Thomas Edison Class Winners

Kindergarten: Bosshardt PM–2,894 minutes; 1st Grade: Williams–2,072 minutes; 2nd Grade: Bateman–3,099 minutes; 3rd Grade: Bartlett–4,429 minutes; 4th Grade: Kirkham–6,006 minutes; 5th Grade: McKenna–3,083 minutes

\*All books were donated by Jensen's Books

## Getting to Know Nibley City's Principals

With school now in full-swing we wanted to get to know the people who manage to keep Nibley's schools running. We are spotlighting the four school principals we have serving our community and hopefully, if you are spending time in the principal's offices this year, it will be a positive experience. We encourage you to take the time to get to know them and be involved in the education of Nibley's children. We are so fortunate to have these dedicated educators in Nibley City.



This is Jacqi McDowell's first year as Principal of Heritage Elementary. Ms. McDowell was born in American Fork, Utah, has been serving in education for 30+ years, and has three grown children but no grandchildren. Ms. McDowell's favorite animal is a whale, "any kind, they are all magnificent!" She listens to all genres of music but has country playing on her radio. In Ms. McDowell's spare time she likes to spend time in the outdoors hiking with her dogs, fishing, 4-wheeling, or reading a good book.



Melani Kirk is the first of the co-principals at Thomas Edison Charter School, South Campus. Mrs. Kirk is married to her husband Wayne and has three kids. She was born in Provo, UT and has been in education for 18 years. Mrs. Kirk likes all types of music except for rap. She said, "I can't do rap." She is very creative and loves to be active. We are guessing her kids and two German short-haired retrievers and three-legged cat, Tripod, keep her busy. Mrs. Kirk said she would love to have lunch with Thomas Edison and get to know their school's namesake.



Eldon Budge is the second co-principal at Thomas Edison. He is married to his wife Deanna and they have 9 children and 30 grandchildren. Mr. Budge was born in Paris, ID and is a seasoned educator with 43 years of experience under his belt. When asked who he would have lunch with if he could eat with anyone from history he said Abraham Lincoln because he is interested in President Lincoln's manner, personality, and leadership. He loves a wide variety of music along with being in the outdoors, going to movies, traveling, and enjoying time with his family. To sum all of that up he simply stated, "I love life!"



Last-but-not-least, Jeanette Christenson is the principal of Nibley Elementary School. She and husband Howard have five children and 10 grandchildren. Mrs. Christenson was born in Logan, UT and has been working in education for 13 years. Her favorite type of music is country western and she loves to read, sew, hike, and cross-country ski. When asked if there was anything else we should know about her, she said "I love my job, my students, the parents, and all the staff and faculty at Nibley."

All of our Nibley principals expressed how much they loved their current jobs and the opportunity they have to help children learn and grow, develop self-worth, and a love of learning. Ms. McDowell and Mrs. Christenson both said that the things our children say makes them laugh and Mr. Budge expressed that he loved the opportunity to make a difference in education that has relevance to everyone.



## The Recreation Report

### Free Adult Softball

Nibley City is sponsoring an Adult Softball "Night of Play" this fall. They will be playing every **Thursday night** from 7 until they are done (usually by 9) until mid October. They will play at the Old City Park softball field 300 west 3200 south. Cost is free and is meant to build interest and give adults a recreational activity in our community.

### Halloween Boo-nanza

The annual Nibley Halloween Boonanza will be held



on **Tuesday October 29** at Nibley Elementary School gym from **6:30-8:00 p.m.** There will have pie eating contests, carved pumpkin judging, and games for the kids.

This is a fun activity for the whole family whether you come dressed up or not.

For more information on either of these activities, contact **Scott Larsen, Nibley Recreation Director**, at **435-753-0954** or **swlarsen.nibley@gmail.com**.