

# The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah—February 2015

### **Thoughts From Our Mayor**

Hi Nibley,

I'm writing this from a hotel room in Washington DC where I'm eating ramen that I made in the coffee maker, but I'll get back to that later. The big question probably isn't what I'm eating or how I made it, but what I'm doing here in the first place. And if I have enough space, I'll tell you how I ended up with coffeepot ramen.

I came out to DC to attend some meetings for my day job. I'm here for the annual conference of the Transportation Research Board. The TRB is a bunch of scientists, engineers and planners that work to find better ways to move people and goods around the world, from the huge cranes and facilities at container ship ports to bike lines and sidewalks. I've been geeking out all week learning about how people are solving the problems in transportation with technology and common sense.

In my free time, I put on my Mayor hat and met with Senator Hatch and Congressman Bishop. I really appreciate those guys if for no other reason than I really like living in Cache Valley and anyone who is willing to take one for the team and leave Utah to live in DC deserves some appreciation. Our City doesn't need much from DC and I like it that way. But my Mom taught me early in my parenting life that if you can't talk to your kids, you can't help your kids. Regardless of whether we are happy with them or not, it's good to keep the lines of communications open. In the meantime, I let them know that anything they can do to run interference and keep Washington from messing with Nibley was appreciated.

I also told them that we need DC to get its act together and quit playing politics with things that do impact us. The reason that we are stuck with this new wastewater treatment plant really comes down to the Utah legislature being more interested in making points than solving problems. The reason that we don't have a decent transportation policy where better roads, ports and bridges would pay for themselves is because it's a convenient political football that Republicans and Democrats can use to score points and votes, but the failure to solve the problems is going to cost everyone when they are done kicking the can down the road. It would drive me nuts to be a party line legislator and more worried about playing these stupid games than making things safe and efficient.

So back to the ramen—I'm eating noodles from a coffee maker because I recognized my priorities. The engine in my daughter's car blew last month, and since I don't like to buy on credit and needed to get that car going again, my food money for this trip went towards buying a used engine that she and I will be putting in next week. To me, the sacrifice is worth the reward, but between you and me, I'm getting pretty sick of noodles.

That's how I feel about taxes and government. I like good roads, clean water, education for everyone's kids, police protection, firemen, libraries...even public pools and wastewater plants. Government of the people and by the people is an amazing thing, and as long as it's being managed efficiently and I get my money's worth from my taxes, I really appreciate it. Water and sewer, schools *(continued on page 4)* 



#### Plan Now to Attend Heritage Days 2015

The Heritage Days celebration for 2015 is scheduled the week of Monday, June 15 and continuing through Saturday, June 20, 2015.

Please set aside this week in your schedule and plan to attend Nibley City's celebrations. If you are involved in planning events for your church, organization, or family, please try to limit the conflicts on these days as you plan for June.

The 2015 Heritage Days Committee is already planning to make this the best celebration possible but more help is needed and your participation will only enhance this great community event. Contact Gerald Knight at *gkktrudy@gmail. com* or **752-9374**, if you are interested in lending a hand.

The Nibley City Offices will be closed on President's Day, **Monday, February 16.** 



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## **City Council Approves Military Fee Waiver**



The City Council recently passed an ordinance establishing a utility discount for deployed military personnel. The Council passed the ordinance to help support those service members who risk their lives in service to our community and country. The

discount will waive half of the total utility bill from the city for the duration of the deployment. If you are a utility account holder and are going to be deployed by the military, this discount will be available to you once you present proof of the deployment to the City. If you have any questions, or if you know of someone who may qualify, please call City Hall.



## The Child and Family Support Center

The Child & Family Support Center supports all families in their efforts to create a nurturing home environment. The following events are happening in February:



Also, the CFSC Spanish parenting class is starting on **Tuesday, March 10** from 6–8:00 p.m. at their Hyrum Center (10 North 600 East) and will run for 4 weeks.

Please go to *www.nibleycity.com* and click under "Citizens" and "City Newsletter" to review January's newsletter to see a list of CFSC classes that are still being held in February. Call the Child and Family Support Center at **752-8880** to register for classes or with questions.

## **Dog Licensing**

The deadline for licensing dogs for 2015 is **February 28.** This includes first time applicants as well as renewals. Annual fees are as follows:

- Spayed/neutered—\$15.00
- Unaltered dogs—\$25.00
- Kennel License—\$25.00



A \$10.00 late fee for each dog will be charged after March 1. You can also renew your dog license online by going to *www.nibleycity.com*. Click on "Citizens" next and then scroll down to "Dog Licensing" and finally, click on "Renew Dog License Online". If you have more than two dogs, a kennel license is required. Call the Nibley City Office if you have questions regarding renewal and/or kennel licenses. Dogs not previously registered with Nibley City must be registered in person at the Nibley City offices. Please bring proof of vaccinations and alteration.

Please be a responsible pet owner. Keeping "man's best friend" licensed with the city can be useful in contacting you and ensuring your pet's safety should your dog ever get loose.



### South Cache Soccer League Rec Soccer

Believe it or not, Spring is just around the corner and in Nibley, Spring means soccer. Spring soccer registration will be held January 12– February 22. The first, and best way to register for soccer is by going to *www. uysa-nibley.sportsaffinity.com* or *www.southcachesoccer.com*. Or, if computers just aren't your thing, you can register in person on Saturday, January 31 or Saturday, February 7 from 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. at the Nibley City hall.

Registration fees are as follows: Returning players from Fall, \$26; new Spring players, \$35; additional Spring Academy training, \$15. Eligible players must be born between Aug 1, 1996–July 31, 2010. Coed small sided games are available for high school aged players. All new players will need to show a copy of a birth certificate to verify their birth date. If you registered in the fall for both the fall and spring season you are registered and won't need to do anything for the spring season.

There is also a need for coaches and referees. If you are interested in either or both, or need more information, please visit the South Cache Soccer website or email Allan Haycock at *allanh\_8@yahoo.com*.

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#### **Reminders from Nibley City Staff**

If a street light in your neighborhood is not functioning please call Nibley City at **752-0431** and provide the location of the light. You can also contact Rocky Mountain Power directly at **1-888-221-7070** or *www.rockymountainpower.net*. Click on the "Safety and Outages" link, then click on "Streetlights" in the box on the left-hand side..

Thank you for all of your efforts in keeping Nibley a wellkept and safe place to live. We would like to pass on a friendly reminder to those who might not have been as attentive as most in keeping sidewalks clear. There can be a lot of pedestrian traffic on Nibley's sidewalks, even in the winter time, and especially if you live along a school route or one of Nibley's major thoroughfares. Nibley's City Code (7-1-2) states that residents are required to remove the snow from their sidewalks within a reasonable time after the snowstorm has ended, which the City has interpreted to mean within twentyfour (24) hours after the storm is over.

—Nibley City Staff

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## **The Recreation Stretch**

#### 2015 Baseball and Softball

Registration for Nibley City summer league recreation Softball and Baseball will begin March 1 and run through the 31st. Games will begin the middle to end of May. There will be a link on the city website to register online or you may print a registration form and return it to the city offices. There will also be copies at the front desk. All skill levels are welcome and needed. The focus is to teach sound fundamentals of the game and enjoy the activity. More information will be available as the dates get closer. If you are interested in coaching or helping, or have questions, contact Nibley's Rec Director, Scott Larsen at 753-0954 or *swlarsen.nibley@gmail.com*.

## Getting to Know Our Nibley City Staff



Kaden Schlieper is the newest member of Nibley City's Public Works team working in the parks department. Kaden is a former Orofino Maniac (yes, that was the mascot) turned Logan Grizzly and studied exercise science at Utah

State University. Kaden loves to hang out in our lovely Cache Valley snow while he snowmobiles. He is also a big baseball fan. As a child he wanted to be a professional baseball player or trainer and if he could have any job in the world he would be the head grounds man for a professional baseball team. Let's hope his experience maintaining Nibley's parks is a close second.



The Hyrum Senior Center is open **Monday–Friday from 9:00–2:00**, except on field trip days. Their address is **675 E. Main, Hyrum.** Lunch is at noon. Please call **245-3570** before 10:00 a.m. if you plan to join them. Come in and meet the center's new cook Jenny Henroid.

The Senior Center will host the following events in February:

Mondays–Quilting and pool at 10:30.

• Feb 9 Free breakfast at 11:00 a.m. Board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesdays-Chair yoga at 10:00 a.m. Games at 12:30 p.m.

• Feb 13 Tip Class; a fun and informative class with ideas and free stuff at 11:00 a.m.

<u>Wednesdays</u>–Chair Yoga at 10:00 a.m. All other programs start at 12:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

- Feb 4 "Touched by Music." A brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m. followed by a program by Debbie Ditton and a performance, Little Women. Please RSVP early for this event.
- Feb 11 Valentine's Day Fun
- Feb 21 Game Day with Delene
- Feb 28 Music by Phil Harrison

<u>Thursdays</u>–A sign-up sheet will be available for road trips and the Lunch Bunch at the center.

- Feb 12 Red Hat at 10:30 a.m.
- Feb 19 Lunch Bunch at El Toro Viejo

Fridays-Bingo at 12:30 p.m.

• Feb 13 Little Women at the Eccles Theatre at 7:00 p.m.

If you are interested in joining the Senior Center in a field trip and show to Tuacahn, please call the center as soon as possible as spots for this popular event fill up fast. Shows include Beauty and the Beast and Disney's "Wish Upon a Star."



### **Mountain Crest Drama Group**

Presents:

Seven Deadly Daughters a Family Friendly Fairytale

February 19, 20, 21, and 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mountain Crest High School Auditorium. General admission is \$7.00 with students and seniors \$5.00 and children 12 and under \$4.00.

#### Hyrum City Museum

Show your love for the Hyrum City Museum and Library by stopping by on **Saturday**, **February 14** as they commemorate the 100th Anniversary of South Cache School with

a presentation and exhibit. They will journey back through 100 years of academics, sports, and social activities, share photos and experiences, and compare yearbooks and memories. If you remember your legs aching after walking up and down three flights of stairs on your first day, or dancing in the gym under the auditorium, then you can't miss this presentation at **10:00 a.m.** in the museum.

This month's "Back in Time" children's activity will be February 24, 25, and 26 from 2:00–2:30 p.m. It's winter outside, but it's "Chile" in the museum. Warm up as you listen to Chilean music, dance the Cueca (Chile's national dance), learn about geography, complete an art project, and have a delicious Chilean treat. The museum would prefer you sign up, so call them at 245-0208 or e-mail them at *museum@hyrumcity.com* if you are planning to attend.



## Tree Board & Wildlife Association News

### Nibley City Tree Board

The Tree Board meets the first Wednesday each month at City Hall at 7:00 p.m. They are currently developing Nibley's Tree Management Plan.

#### Cache Valley Wildlife Association

The CVWA Annual Birdhouse Contest is open **now until March 23.** Artistic form is encouraged, but the model must actually function as a birdhouse. Rules are posted at *cachevalleywildlife.weebly.com* and on the Nibley City website. The next CVWA meeting is February 10 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Ron Hellstern at 245-9186.



(Thoughts From Our Mayor, continued from page 1) and teachers, good management and good police–all of these things cost money. The funny thing is when we get mad at the government, it's really ourselves we're mad at, because we are the government. We vote politicians in, fund them, and have the power to change them out for new models if we aren't happy with their performance.

I hope that we are doing the job that you hired us to do. If you are not happy, swap us out. Until then, thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

The Hyrum Library and Museum will be closed on President's Day, **Monday,** February 16.

## **Hyrum Library**

The Hyrum library's annual "Bake and Book Sale" will be **Friday**, **February 13** from **10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** and **Saturday**, **February 14** from **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Come get

your sweetheart something sweet from the bake sale and a good book for yourself. In conjunction with the bake sale, the library will continue their tradition of "Food for Fines" running February 1–14. You may bring in a can or boxed food item in exchange for each overdue fine. All the donated food will be given to a local food bank.

Please plan to attend these other events being offered at the Hyrum library in February:

- *Preschool Story Time*—Every Monday at 10:30 a.m. This story time is for all toddlers. Everyone is welcome to come for the fun. No sign up is required.
- *Movie Monday*—Monday, February 9 at 4:00 p.m. The new movie, "Boxtrolls" will be shown and popcorn will be provided.
  - The library still has classes for those who may have received a new electronic device. The classes will be each **Monday** at **11:00 a.m. February 2** will be "How to Apple," **February 9** is "How



- to Kindle," and February 23 is "How to Android." *Chess Club*—will be held Monday, February 23 at 4:00 p.m. in the library café. All interested players, no matter the level or skill, are invited to attend.
- *Story Time*—February 24–27. This month's theme is "Movin' to the Music." To sign up, come visit the library or call at 245-6411 beginning February 2. Story time is for all children 3–5 years old.



• *Teen Movie Day*—Friday, February 20 at 4:00 p.m. The movie showing will be "The Maze Runner", which is rated PG-13. Popcorn will be served for all in attendance.

The Hyrum Library would like to welcome two new library board members: Kathryn Fielding and Shiloh Winn. Laura Coleman will now serve as the library

board chairperson with Lindsay Heaton serving as secretary.