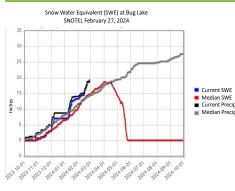


The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah — March 2024

Mayor Jacobsen's Message



Despite Utah being the second driest state in the nation, we are incredibly blessed with water in Cache Valley. The valley precipitation that we receive throughout the year is aug-Current Precip Median Precip mented by winter snow that collects in the mountains. As that snow melts into rivers and streams, it also percolates through the soil to provide water for springs long after the initial runoff.

Adequate snow is the key to adequate water, and this is a good year. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has been measuring the amount of water in the mountain snowpack since 1935, and in the mid-1960s, the Snow Telemetry (SNOTEL) network automated these measurements. The graph shows this year's snow water equivalent (SWE, or the water that would result from melting the snow) at Bug Lake, which is a SNOTEL site located in the mountains east of Nibley. The graph also shows precipitation, along with the usual amount of SWE and precipitation from historical measurements. Generous snowfall and precipitation from the last two years forecast a good water supply for the next several years. This is a reason to celebrate.

The pioneers that settled Cache Valley used the mountain snow to satisfy their water needs by building canals and pipes to distribute water to their fields and settlements. Nibley City, in fact, was incorporated so its new citizens could borrow money from the federal government to replace an aging wooden pipe that carried water from the Yeates Spring (located in the Nibley Hollow) out into the valley. The pioneer canals still distribute water for irrigation, and those canals are owned and operated by different irrigation companies. Nibley City and these irrigation companies work with one another in several ways. As land is developed, Nibley City coordinates the combined efforts of landowners, developers, and the canal companies so the canals can continue to do their job. In addition, Nibley City manages a storm-water utility to keep houses and roads from being flooded during big storms, and in specific locations, there are engineered stormwater discharges into canals. For that reason, Nibley City helps maintain parts of the canal system throughout our city. Nibley residents can help canals work efficiently by ensuring landscape debris doesn't go into nearby canals.

Sometimes we can have too much of a good thing. Even when there is no threat from surface water that comes from high runoff or big storms, groundwater can cause problems when it seeps into basements and crawl spaces. To protect homeowners from flooded basements and to keep the stormwater system from being overwhelmed, Nibley City recently overhauled the ordinance that determines where new basements can be constructed. (This ordinance does not affect existing basements.) A map (Continued on page 3)



Nibley City's annual Easter event is Saturday, March 30, 2024 (if we still have snow on the ground watch for a rescheduled date). This fun fitness event is for the whole family and includes FREE obstacle course runs and "HOPstacle" races for children Pre-K to 12 years old. Children are divided into five different age categories and chase our Nibley City Easter Bunny through progressively longer and more challenging courses. FREE Kids "EGGtivities" (Easter themed activities). A FREE 1-mile Rabbit Run follows the children's races and is available for all ages. Finally, the affordable 5K wraps up the event with optional "HOPstacles" along the route that earn participants additional entries to the 5K-SUPER Drawing. 5K registration and all other event details can be found at www.nibleycity.com.



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contact cheryl@nibleycity.com.

Recreation Roundup



Baseball, Softball, T-Ball Sign-Ups (Pre-K-12 grade)—Registration is open now and ends March 19 (or when leagues are full). Take advan-

tage of the early-bird discount by signing up on or before March 12, 2024. Nibley City league baseball, softball, & T-ball games do NOT overlap with the soccer games for the same age group. Your child will have the opportunity to make new friends and learn from wonderful coach mentors that are trained to make practices and games safe, fun, and memorable.



High School Intramural Leagues—Experts say that youth drop out of youth sports when they most need it for physical, mental, and

emotional wellness. One reason they stop playing is because the available options at their age are not fun anymore. Nibley Recreation agree with the experts and for the second year we continue to offer soccer, softball, and ultimate Frisbee for high school age youth. Intramural leagues includes a safe, fun, friendly and social atmosphere while still providing great opportunities for physical activity. These leagues also offer optional leadership opportunities and have been set up to accommodate even the busiest teens' schedules.

Spring Soccer Update—Registration has been extended for 7th-12th grade leagues and the waiting list remains open for Pre-K-6th grade leagues. Nibley Rec works hard to accommodate as many participants as possible. They use their waiting list to fill any openings and determine if they have enough participants and coaches to create more teams. If you missed registration be sure to sign up on the waiting list today at www.nibleycity. com. If parents are willing and able to coach their child's team, Nibley Rec can create additional teams and get more children signed up to play, so consider being a coach for your child.

Consider Coaching Youth Sports—Consider scheduling some quality time with your child as their coach, assistant coach, or team manager. Take advantage of the opportunity to make a difference in your child's life and our community as a youth sports volunteer. With Nibley Rec, no experience with coaching or a given sport is required. As a coach or team manager you will have resources available from Nibley's recreation coordinator, which includes training, coach binders, online resources, and with some sports, an on-field coach

clinic. Coaches receive a shirt for coaching and have an opportunity to earn a discount on a future youth sports registration fee.



Referees/Umps Needed— Would you or someone you know like to get a little exercise, get to know the community, and make a little money? Nibley City recre-

ation leagues need referees and umpires to help participants focus on learning the game and have fun. Applications are available at Nibley City Hall or at www.nibleycity.com on the Employment Opportunities (Now Hiring) page.





Nibley Fit—It's your LUCKY day! Now is your chance to try Nibley Fit group fitness. Purchase a monthly pass for HALF OFF (\$10) from March 1-8. A monthly pass gives you unlimited access to all of our classes for that month. Fill up your

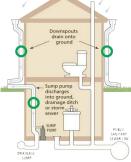
monthly punch pass and get an even bigger discount for a quarterly pass. Nibley Fit instructors can't wait to see vou at their classes.



Nibley Recrea Director

Reminders from Nibley City Staff

Sump Pumps



Nibley City prohibits sump pumps from being connected to the City's sewer system. Nibley City Code 15.04.040.J states: "Surface Runoff Or Ground Water: No person shall make connection of roof downspouts, foundation drains, field drains, or other sources of surface runoff or ground water, to a building

sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer."

Nibley City needs your help to minimize sump pump water from being discharged into the City's sewer system, especially during the Spring run-off. Unfortunately, *illegal* discharge into the sewer can result in the sewer system operating at maximum capacity and could cause sewage to back-up into your home. Nibley City also has to pay Logan City for every gallon of wastewater we send them for treatment. A sump pump could cost the city thousands in extra treatment charges.

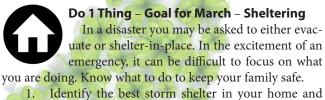
Downspout extenders



Preventing water damage should be among every homeowner's top priorities, which means seriously considering downspout extensions-even if your standard spouts and

gutters are well-cleaned and in good working order.

The placement of a quality downspout extension will help to keep water from dispelling next to your home. This is important because the accumulation of water around the base of your home will cause costly damages to your basement, patio, or structure of your home.



- practice getting to the shelter with your family
- Learn how to safely shelter in place 2.
- 3. Make a Go Bag for emergency sheltering

—Nibley City Staff

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produced by the NRCS (the same group that does SNO-TEL) indicates the depth of groundwater. Based on that groundwater depth, new basements are prohibited in some parts of town. That map also indicates where additional geotechnical testing must be done to allow construction of a basement.

There are few places on earth that are as blessed as Cache Valley and Nibley City to have access to clean and adequate supplies of water. Water is an important part of our history, and our future depends on our responsible use of this precious resource. If you feel like talking about water, or anything else, please call, text, or write.

Nibley Employees in the Spotlight



The majority of Nibley citizens have participated in a Nibley Recreation sport or event. Our Recreation department is arguably the best in Cache Valley, so when we add a new team member it's a big deal.

Ali Wilcox is from Denver,

Colorado. She comes from a family of six including her parents and three siblings, who are her best friends. Ali and her siblings grew up hiking, skiing, and adventuring through the Colorado mountains together. Ali said, "I love to be outside and continue to hike and ski whenever I can."

Ali played soccer and ran cross country in high school and still actively participate in local soccer leagues and loves her morning runs. She also loves to travel, eat chocolate, and read a good book. Ali moved to Cache Valley to study at Utah State University and recently graduated in Recreation Administration. She said, "I have loved every minute of being a part of the recreation community, especially my time here in Nibley City. I am grateful to be a part of the Nibley community and am excited for the events, fun runs and youth sports program to come!"



Nominate a Niblette in the News

If you know of someone you'd like to nominate to be a Niblette in the News, please email cheryl@nibleycity.com with the resident's name, a brief summary of what makes

them awesome, and your contact information. Also, be watching for opportunities to give your nominations and feedback for Nibley City's 2024 Citizen of the Year.



Cache Valley Wildlife Association Utah Pollinator Habitat Program



The Utah Pollinator Habitat Program's 2024 application period runs from March 1–April 15. The program offers native plants to qualified applicants and is made possible with funding through UT 8B224: Pollinator

Amendments (2021). The intent of the program is to

- 1. Educate the public about pollinators and pollinator habitat, and
- 2. Distribute pollinator-friendly native flowering plants and seeds to enhance or expand habitat for a diversity of pollinators.



For more information and to apply, visit **Bit.ly**/ **Utah-Pollinator**. Plants will be distributed in Fall of 2024.



The Cache Valley Wildlife Association will host a meeting on **Thursday**, **April 18, at 6:00 p.m.** at Nibley City Hall. Please consider joining the CVWA to help promote wildlife habitat and education in our community. Some of the

CVWA's projects include distributing information on wildlife at Heritage Days and other events, hosting workshops (e.g., integrated pest management practices), organizing the fall seed/plant swap, weekly weeding at the Firefly Park pollinator garden, and assisting Nibley City in securing grants for educational enhancements. If you have questions about the organization, please contact Becky Yeager at 435-757-6283 or *blyeager@comcast.net*.

Nibley Royalty Academy

Sign up for worthwhile workshops focused on building up your resume, making friends and serving in the community!



Nibley City Residents Only. More Information at NibleyCity.com

REGISTRATION CLOSES MARCH 8th





APPLICATION: Due ASAP! -Scan the QR Code and apply online by April 30, 2024



YOUTH

COUNCIL

REQUIREMENTS

TO JOIN NYC: -Must be going into 10th, 11th, or 12th grade -Must be a Nibley Resident

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE TEXT OUR ADVISOR SHAUNA AT (435) 770-7409 Нугит

Library

Happenin' in Hyrum

The Hyrum Library

50 West Main, Hyrum • 435-245-6411 • 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.

- Story time (Ages 0-5): Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. There are no age groups, just pick a time that works best for you.
- Learn about technology (Grades 4–5): (Sign up is required) Mar. 5 at 4:00 p.m. Let's learn about Technology with snap circuits and AR.
- Lego's @ the Library: Mar. 6 and 20 from 4-5 p.m. in the Storytime room. Ages 5+. They supply the Legos, you supply the imagination!
- Stokes Nature Center Story Time: Mar. 8 at 11:00 a.m. Enjoy stories and an activity with SNC.
- Food, Fun, and Reading (Ages 5-11): Mar. 12 from 4:00-5 p.m. Learn about MyPlate, hear a story, and enjoy and activity and snack. Presented by USU Extension.
- Magic Tree House Adventure Club: (Sign up is required): Mar. 15 or the 29th at 3:30 p.m. The book that will be discussed is Magic Tree House #7 *Sunset of the Sabertooth.*
- Art Time! (Ages 5-11): Mar. 19 from 4:00-5 p.m. Joint the library for a fun Easter themed craft.

Teen Programs:

- Art Contest: March 1–31 (Ages 12-17): Submit art projects at the front desk. Projects will be put on display in the Teen Zone. Only 2 entries per person and winners will be picked at the beginning of April.
 TAC Meeting (Teen Advisory Committee): Mar. 14 at 3:30 p.m. Help plan for teen activities. If you are interested in joining the TAC, stop in the library and ask for Deonna.
- Homework Hour: Mar. 7 at 4:00 p.m. Grab a snack, and spend the hour reading, working on homework, learning how to build a resume, or just hang out.
- Newsies Watch Party: Mar. 22 at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy popcorn and watch *Newsies*.

Adult Programs:

Book Club (for Adults): Mar. 12 at 11:00 a.m. Join them for a book discussion on *West With Giraffes*.

Family Programs:

• Family Movie & Popcorn: Feb. 4 at 4:00 p.m. in the Storytime Room. The library will show *Wonka*. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.



The Hyrum Museum 50 West Main, Hyrum • 435-245-0208 museum@hyrumcity.com

This month the Hyrum Museum is hosting "History & Me," a sculpture gallery featuring students in the South Cache Art Club.

Mark **Saturday**, **June 8** on your calendar for the museum's 11th annual car show fundraiser, Hot Wheels in Hyrum at the Hyrum City Square. Contact Courtney at *ccochley@hyrumcity.com* with applications for food vendors or if you want to be a sponsor. Or, register your vehicle at *hyrumcitymuseum.org*.

The Museum will be closed the week of March 12–14.

Hyrum Heritage Foundation

USU's Big Band Swing Club will host a dance featuring the live music of the Cache Community Big Band at the Elite Hall on Saturday, March 23 from 7:00–10:00 p.m.



The Elite Hall is open Monday–Friday **F** of from 7:00–10:00 a.m. for free public walking. Please supervise children and don't bring any food or drinks other than water.

The Senior Center

675 East Main, Hyrum • 435-245-3570 Please note that times and dates may change for activities.

The Hyrum Senior Center is celebrating its 30th birthday! The 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.

- Mar 4 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00
- Mar 11 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00
- Mar 18 Decorating for the birthday party

• Mar 25 Breakfast & Bingo at 10:30 a.m.; \$2.00

Tuesdays – Pool at 9:00 a.m.

- Mar 5 Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.
- Mar 12 Tip class at 11:00 a.m.
- Mar 26 Bunco and lunch for \$2.00; 11:00 a.m.

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

- Mar 6 Facedown Game
- Mar 13 Leprechaun Party; live music, a yummy meal, friends, and fun. RSVP by Mar. 5
- Mar 20 Happy Birthday Open House; 4:00-6:00 p.m. with food and live music.
- Mar 27 Play Group Pit

Thursdays-No lunch is served

• Mar 14 Lunch Bunch at Cafe Sabor; 11:00 a.m.

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

• Mar 15 Bring a nice white elephant for Bingo