

The Nibley City News

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Business License Renewal

Renewal notices for Nibley City Business Licenses will be mailed out to all current business owners on file on December 1. You can mail in the fee and completed renewal form with your utility payment if you choose. All licenses need to be renewed and paid for prior to January 31st to avoid a \$10 late payment fee. If you own/operate a business in Nibley City and have not applied for a license it is important that you do so. If you have a business license which should be renewed and you don't receive a renewal form, please contact our office to get one.

It is illegal to own/operate a business without a current license.



Donate to The Child and Family Support Center

Erik Smith (Troop 379, Nibley), as part of an Eagle Scout project, is collecting donations for the Child and Family Support Center. The Center's primary function is to provide a facility that offers tools and support services to assist parents with successfully raising their children. The Center currently needs: baby items, non-perishable snack foods, clothes and toys (ages 0-12), and office supplies. To donate, either call 753-9671 to schedule a pick up or drop the items off in the drop box near the front door at 1140 W. 2980 S. in Nibley. Items will be collected by Erik and Troop 379 on Saturday, December 6, at 9:00 a.m.

Dear Nibley Citizens:

From the Mayor

Once again, it is the time of year when we express our thankfulness for all that we have, celebrate our successes, honor our creator, and prepare and set goals for the coming year. The City Council is working on our dreams and goals for 2009. I am encouraged by our 2008 successes. More park space was developed to meet the demands of our growth. We changed some ordinances that will create a better planned community. We also saw the completion of the long overdue reconstruction of 3200 South. Next year, we will be even more successful.

We are working on a cooperative agreement with the Cache County School District on an addition to the new elementary school that will be built in Nibley next year. Nibley City will pay for an addition to this school that will serve as a civic center to address the growing needs of our city government. We will move our City Council chambers to the new school, which will free up the current chambers for more office space. The new Council chambers will also serve as a meeting room for families and organizations in Nibley City. This will be a great place to hold family gatherings, social events, etc. The School District will also give us access to the gymnasium and some other rooms for indoor sporting events, pageants, etc. I am very impressed with the vision of our School District Superintendent, Steve Norton. He highly encourages this type of cooperation between cities and schools. This is a great way to save tax dollars by sharing these facilities with the School District. We look forward to this opportunity.

Despite all of the noise we hear concerning the poor financial situation of other municipalities and states in our country, Nibley City's budget is in solid financial shape. This is because we have a very conservative budget. We have a strong financial future with the current and planned level of services we provide. We contract with adjacent cities and the county for an excellent level of fire, police, and other emergency services. These services exceed the national guidelines for response time and they are provided for in a very professional and fiscally conservative manner. Our sewer and garbage collections are done under contract with Logan City and the service and cost are as good as anywhere in the country. We have more parks and open space per capita than Logan City, which says a lot for the quality of life that we enjoy in Nibley City. Our library agreement with Hyrum City is a model arrangement. I mention all of these wonderful services that Nibley residents enjoy to point out the wonderful quality of life in Nibley and to emphasize how frugal we are with your tax dollars. Yes, I am tooting Nibley City's horn. We provide a Cadillac level of services on a Volkswagen budget. I wish to express my thanks to our city staff for their dedication to Nibley City. They do an excellent job. I hope everyone will take advantage of some aspect of Nibley City's quality of life over the holiday season and remember to thank those that have made it possible. As always, I appreciate your ideas for the future of Nibley City.

Have an enjoyable holiday season!

Mayor Gerald Knight



Is Nibley Worth Keeping ... Yes! By Council Member Larry Jacobsen

In last month's newsletter, I asked if we have something special in Nibley that is worth keeping or whether we would do just as well annexing to Logan. Thank you for responding with such strong, positive thoughts about our community. Crystalizing those positive thoughts accomplished half of what I hoped my question would accomplish. The other half is urging our residents to become more involved to protect and enhance our community. I assure you, the Council, Mayor, and Staff have no desires or plans to dissolve Nibley. We agree with you, Nibley is special and worth keeping.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO NIBLEY TOWN!



Nibley City is hosting a Holiday Open House at Little Wonders Pre-School (3223 South Main, Nibley).

WHEN: Saturday, December 6
TIME: 1:00-3:00 p.m.
All Nibley City children and their families are invited!

Santa Claus and his elves (the Nibley City Royalty and Youth Council) will be serving up hot chocolate and cookies and hosting a cupcake walk. There will also be time to whisper wishes into Santa's ear and play on the Little Wonders indoor playground. We appreciate the kindness and good service that Mike and Vickie Arambel provide to the City of Nibley with their state-of-the-art pre-school. Come join us in celebrating this holiday tradition.

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625 West 3200 South
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Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)

Visit the Nibley City website at
www.nibleycity.com

If you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter, please contact Becky Yeager at blyeager@comcast.net.

As part of this event, the Nibley Youth Council will be hosting a valley-wide book drive. The theme of the drive is "A Novel of a Christmas." A drop box will be available for new or like new books at the Holiday Open House. The books will be collected for Bridgerland Literacy and will be distributed to children through the Sub for Santa Program.

HELPING SOMEONE IN NEED

The Cache County Sub for Santa program is seeking sponsors for families during the holiday season. The primary goal of the organization is to provide gifts for children in families with limited resources. Interested parties may contact Sub for Santa at 752-6315 or visit their website to learn more about the program (www.subforsanta.org).

ARLYN'S TRAIL ... *by City Council Member, Bryan Hansen*

On November 11th, Arlyn Rounds, a long time Nibley Resident and avid walker on Hollow Road, was critically injured in an auto-pedestrian accident on Hollow Road and passed away on Nov. 15th from injuries sustained in the accident. We extend our heart-felt friendship and care to the Rounds family during this time.

We all understand that accidents can happen at any moment and that we need to prevent them as much as possible. A neighborhood petition has been circulated with the help of Hollow Road neighbor, Ron Hellstern. The petition focuses on adding more speed limit signs and some lights at the south end of Hollow Road that is in the County. These types of efforts go a long way in helping to make our streets safer. I encourage all Nibley citizens to do the same; review your neighborhood safety and bring ideas to the City Council to see how we can improve your neighborhood. Who has a better understanding of the needs in your neighborhood than yourself?

At this time, I am beginning to form a neighborhood committee of Hollow Road neighbors and see if we can create a neighborhood plan for a trail along side at least one side of the road -- beginning to the end. It may need to have some crosswalks due to constraints a long some portions of the Hollow Road. I would also like to make this a neighborhood effort without the involvement of Nibley City or the need to change any property rights. I would like to have it named, "Arlyn's Trail." If you are interested in helping with the committee or want more information, please contact me, Bryan Hansen, at 435-245-2168 or bryan.hansen@rrd.com.

Tribute to Arlyn Rounds

I love to go on walks at night
Where the shooting stars play
I always carry a flashlight
To show us the way.
I love to walk with family
To chat about the day.
To tell a joke, to laugh, to tease,
That is just my way.
Just my way of breaking the ice,
Even though it may be a little off key.
You're all my friends. So lighten up,
Don't take things so seriously.
You know I hunt for treasures.
The diamonds in the rough.
I know the trip will be worth the ride,
But we're gonna have to get tough.
My family is my one true love.

The joy for which nothing compares.
Dad, Husband, Brother, Son ... Grandpa too.
These are the name tags I proudly wear ..
when I think of you.
So when you go on walks
Think of me along the way.
I'll be right there beside you,
Shining my light on you each day.
When you ask, "Do I believe?"
Remember deep inside.
Behind all the jokes, laughter and smiles.
I know He lives and loves us.
And walks by us all the while.
When you see a shooting star, think of me.
Knowing that I'm not very far,
Waiting for you up there.
Not very far from where you are.

LIVE NATIVITY



A live nativity, including a real camel, donkeys, cattle, and sheep, will be held at the Old Nibley Barn (2800 S. 800 W.) on Dec. 11-12 from 6-9 p.m. and Dec. 13 from 4-9 p.m. Enjoy a hayride from Elkhorn Park or follow the luminarias (paper lanterns) to the stable.

Suggested Donation: canned food item(s) or \$1/person or \$5/family donated to Cache Food Pantry.

Volunteers Needed: actors (non-speaking), singing groups, grounds helpers, set up crew.

If you'd like to make a luminaria to display, pick up a free white lunch sack from Bob's Sinclair or use your own tin can. Bring completed luminarias to the barn on Dec. 11th between 12:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Questions or volunteers can contact Richard Eversull (213-0033) or Laurie Hurst (753-3674, bradlaurie@yahoo.com). This event is privately sponsored and welcomes people of all faiths.