

The Nibley City News

Nibley, Utah — May 2007



Girls Softball

The last day to register for girls softball is April 30th. The season will run from about mid-May to mid-July. Register at the Nibley City Office during normal business hours. For more information, call Trudy Knight at 755-9675.



Proper Garbage Can Etiquette

Nibley citizens, please remember not to overfill your garbage container.

With Cache Valley's occasional winds, trash can easily blow onto your neighbor's property. In the event your trash multiplies when you aren't looking and ends up on the ground, please be respectful of your neighbors (and the environment) and pick it up.

Open House Scheduled - Proposed Nibley City General Plan

A Public Open House will be held on **May 16 from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.** at the Nibley City Hall (625 W. 3200 S.). The City's consultant, Cooper Roberts Simonsen Associates, will be presenting the *Proposed General Plan* materials (developed from citizen input received during the February planning meeting) and soliciting comments from residents. The comments and a *Draft General Plan* will be presented to City Council at a June meeting. Residents may come anytime during the 2.5-hour timeframe and are encouraged to review the materials and provide comments.

Dear Nibley Citizens:

From the Mayor

I am very excited about the response to my newsletter contest last month. I had 38 official entries. The most exciting part was the comments that I received. The comments help me better understand the needs and concerns of our citizens. I received comments about each article in the newsletter. This says a lot for our wonderful editor and those that provide input for the newsletter. People are reading the newsletter and enjoying the information it provides. I wish to thank everyone that reads the newsletter and all of those that entered the contest. The winner of the April contest is Mike Arambel, the co-owner of Little Wonders, the learning center on Main Street in Nibley. I am thinking of a new contest and will have it in a future newsletter. I want to conduct a survey about the improvements in governmental services or ordinances that our citizens desire. If someone is willing to volunteer to put this survey together and then compile the result, please email me at gkktrudy@msn.com or call me at 755-9675.

This past week, I attended the Utah League of Cities and Towns conference in St. George. The theme was "Get Fit, Get Healthy." Several speakers challenged the city officials to plan and encourage healthy communities. Our rural setting provides unique challenges but also some wonderful opportunities. I wish we could spend more time on our feet walking amongst our neighbors pondering and planning for our futures. This would require a major shift in our lifestyles. We would have to slow our pace and reorganize our priorities. I think Nibley City can help you do this in part by creating a town center where you could bike or walk when attending Nibley sporting events. We can also plan and build pathways to enable this form of transportation. We are working toward this with our General Plan update. Please remind me of your ideas. The City Council would love to hear from you. The former Governor of Arkansas and presidential candidate, Mike Huckabee, suggested that we "steer for the curve ahead as soon as you see it." I accept the challenge.

Five citizens, Denise Irwin, Ben Watkins, Eric Bishop, Bill Green, and Larry Jacobsen, submitted their request to replace Councilman Scott Wells who resigned and moved to Las Vegas last month. At the time of this writing, the new city councilperson has not been selected. I thank each one of these good people for stepping up to the challenge. I hope those that aren't selected will run for the three City Council positions that will be up for election this fall. I am excited about this kind of involvement in Nibley City's governmental affairs. Good luck and again, thank you.

Just In! At the April 19th City Council meeting, Larry Jacobsen was selected to replace Scott Wells as City Council member. Larry will complete Scott's term (ending in January 2008). Larry recently finished a 5-year term on Nibley's P&Z Commission and is looking forward to, once again, being involved in our community in this capacity.

I have battled long and hard for a better solution to environmental responsibility than mandatory curbside recycling. I firmly believe we should all recycle, reuse, and wear out the things we purchase for our existence. I worry that mandating recycle will stifle creativity and innovation in creating a better environmental solution. I am also afraid people will use the mandatory blue container as a way for them to justify environmental abuses in other areas without even thinking about it. We all think to some degree, "I am recycling so I don't need to worry about that extra trip to Logan to buy an ice cream cone." Mandatory recycling is expensive and results in very little gain for the money spent. As a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Board, I will pursue better ways of reducing the trash that is tossed into the landfill. In the mean-time, our mandatory recycling will begin in July along with a monthly fee of \$3.

Mayor Gerald Knight

GUIDELINES FOR BURNING

If you are planning to burn yard waste, construction debris, or other matter, you will need to request a burn permit from the Cache County Fire Chief's Office (716-7299). Permits are issued during appropriate air quality conditions, Monday through Saturday. Permits are not issued for burning on Sundays. Once a permit has been issued, fires must be attended at all times and extinguished one-half hour before dark. More information can be found on the Cache Fire District's website, www.cachefire.net/services/permits.

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625 West 3200 South
Nibley, Utah 84321
Ph: 752-0431, Fax: 753-1510
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.

NIBLEY CITY YOUTH COUNCIL IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

By Shannon Rhodes, Nibley City Youth Council Advisor

Eight members of the Nibley City Youth Council (NCYC) attended the 25th Annual Youth City Council (YCC) Leadership Institute held March 15-17 at Utah State University. This conference, sponsored by the Association of Youth Councils and USU Extension, featured three days of team-building activities, leadership development workshops, and community service idea-sharing opportunities with hundreds of youth city council members from all over the state of Utah.

"I really liked being with all the youth councils and seeing the influence we can make," said Clarissa Peterson, NCYC Mayor. "I liked the games and challenges because we, as a Nibley council, could see how well we worked together under pressure."

Erica Nelson, NCYC Recorder, anticipates a strong

Nibley City Youth Council

The Nibley City Youth Council continues to seek high school-age participants (16-18 years old) who are interested in government and community service. Call Trudy Knight at 755-9675 for more details.

council this year. "I'd like to promote a big youth council to serve our city. We are all excited about getting involved."

Other NCYC members Britton Schenk (Assistant Recorder), Tyson Irwin, Shalise Knight, Quinn Stephens, Maddie Irwin, and Jake Hunsaker echo this enthusiasm. They are highly involved in extracurricular activities in addition to their high school work and jobs but are committed to representing Nibley at monthly youth council meetings and community service activities. They spent several hours over their spring break providing the Nibley Easter Egg Hunt and are gearing up for Nibley Heritage Days in June.

"General society believes that there is no hope for the future, that youth are caught up in themselves and their Ipods and cell phones," said Trudy Knight, NCYC Advisor. "[At the YCC Leadership Institute] These kids came together and they represented Nibley City well. Our youth are AMAZING."

The NCYC members met with the Nibley City Council on April 19 to be sworn in and thank Nibley City for the opportunity to attend the conference. NCYC is making a difference in our community!

MOSQUITO ABATEMENT *By Scott Larsen, City Council Member*

The mosquito season will soon be here. The Cache County Mosquito Abatement District (MAD) is again contracting with the Bear River Health Department for abatement effort. This has worked well the past few years and has enabled us to get more out of our limited funds. This year, we will be able to expand the abatement season by four weeks.

Many weapons are used in the war against mosquitoes from a rolled up newspaper to a spray truck. I attended a conference this winter on vector control and listened to a talk on the different gimmicks being sold as mosquito killers or repellents. Dr. Romney said, for the most part, they are ineffective.

The District's control program is trying to be more productive than the conventional spraying. Instead of waging war in the air, they are attacking the mosquitoes in the breeding grounds. For the speed and effectiveness,

few techniques compare to larvicides, substances that control mosquito larvae (pre-adults that feed and mature in standing water).

Even with the use of larvicides, complete eradication is nearly impossible. Bird baths, fish ponds, catch basins, old tires, and empty containers trap water and provide great breeding sites. As the community grows, these habitats increase. You can do your part by minimizing standing-water environments.

I am the Trustee on the Cache County MAD board. Call me (753-0954) if you have questions or know of locations with high levels of mosquitoes. More information and a spraying schedule will be provided in future newsletters and on the City website, as it becomes available.



NIBLEY CITY HERITAGE DAYS

... Dream Big

More Exciting Heritage Day Events ...

Sports Night - Tuesday, **June 19th**, Nibley Elementary. A 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will be held at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. An organizer is needed.

Sidewalk Art Contest - Kids, come show off your artistic abilities on Tuesday, **June 19th**, 5:30 p.m., at Nibley Elementary. Contact organizer Julene Olsen (787-1133) for more information.

Family Swim Night - Family swim will be at the Logan Aquatic Center from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, **June 20**. Contact Sandy Maurer (752-4124) for more information.

Baby Pageant - Thursday, **June 21**, Nibley City Park, 5:30 p.m. Contact Heather Overly (755-6094) for more information.

Parade / Carnival / Concessions - Saturday, **June 23**, Nibley City Park (326 W. 3200 S.). The Parade starts at 10:00 a.m. followed by a carnival, games and concessions from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Contact Amber Stoddard (787-4179) for Parade information, Janet Thurston (752-5754) for the Carnival, and Trudy Knight for Concessions (755-9675).

The Nibley City Heritage Days celebration is quickly approaching. The action packed week will run from **June 16th to June 23rd**. *Mark your calendars now!*

Participation in Heritage Days is a great opportunity to serve in our community. The committee still needs volunteers to make the week's events a success. In particular, the committee is looking for someone to organize the Sports Night (3-on-3 Basketball Tournament) and direct next years Children's Theatre. To volunteer, sign up at the City Office or contact Sandy Maurer (752-4124) or Jacqui Gale (787-1934).

The June newsletter will include a Heritage Days flyer along with forms to sign-up for events. However, if you want to get a head start, forms are available from the event coordinators, on the Nibley website (www.nibleycity.com), and at the City Office. The website also contains a complete calendar of Heritage Day events, coordinators, and snapshots of last years' events.

Miss Nibley Royalty Pageant

The Miss Nibley Royalty program recognizes and showcases the young women (ages 5-19) of Nibley, their achievements, and their ideas for improving our city.

The 30 current royalty members served as hostesses at the Heritage Days events, the Nibley Christmas Holiday Open House, and Easter Egg Hunt; honored Mrs. Sheba Stevens as Nibley Woman of the Year; sponsored the Christmas holiday yard decorating contest; and represented Nibley City in four parades. They developed friendships at their Halloween costume party and Spring Fling stamping party. Nibley City thanks you, Miss Nibley

Royalty 2006-07 members and volunteers, for helping Nibley "shoot for the stars."

The Miss Nibley Royalty 2007-08 pageant will be held **June 16** at Mountain Crest High School and will kick off Nibley Heritage Days.

If you are interested in being part of the royalty, it is not too late! The entry deadline for the 2007-08 Miss Nibley Royalty has been extended until 4:30 p.m. on **April 30**. Entry forms are available at the City Office. The royalty committee is also in need of volunteers and sponsors. Call Shannon Rhodes at 760-8436 with questions.

Community Dinner

Join your neighbors at Nibley City Park (326 W. 3200 S.) on Friday, **June 22**, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. for a tasty meal provided by Iron Gate Grill. Teriyaki chicken, au gratin potatoes, tossed green salad, broccoli salad, rolls, cookies, and drinks will be served. Dinner tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12,

if purchased by Friday, June 16. After June 16 (including at the door), tickets will be \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 12. Watch for a form to pre-pay for the dinner in the June newsletter and on the city website (www.nibleycity.com). If you have questions regarding the dinner, call Jennifer Hendricks at 752-2916.

Fun Run / Walk

On your mark, get set, go! We are winding up for the Nibley Heritage Days 1 Mile & 5 K Fun Run / Walk to be held on Saturday, **June 23rd**, at the Nibley City Park (326 W. 3200 S.). So, put on your running shoes and run over to the Nibley City Office to sign up for this year's event. An entrance form can be printed from the Nibley City website

(www.nibleycity.com) and will be included in the June newsletter. The events are free. However, if you would like a T-shirt, they are \$3 each. Please pay in advance and specify T-shirt size desired.

For those who are looking for a challenge to get motivated, we are starting a *Beat the Mayor Club*. Those 5 K entrants coming in at the same time or less than our current Mayor Gerald Knight will receive a ribbon and have their picture put on the City's web page. Mayor Knight's time from last year will be posted on the web page to help you prepare but entrants will be competing with Mayor Knight's time from this year.

So, no matter your physical fitness, come out for an early morning of community fitness and fun! Or even just to cheer on the runners! Volunteers are also needed to assist in set up, take down, and traffic control (contact Ginger Mumford if interested at 787-1221). Last minute event sign ups will be at 7:00 a.m. Race begins at 7:30 a.m.. See you Saturday, June 23rd!

Attention all Nibley City Resident Business

Owners: Nibley City Heritage Days Fun Run / Walk event is looking for donations to be given out after the races. If you or your business would like some publicity and can give gift certificates, services, or free items, please contact Ginger Mumford (787-1221).

Nibley Children's Theatre 2007 Presents:



Alice in Wonderland

The children's play is for all interested children ages 5 - 17. Tryouts will be held for speaking parts but anyone can have a group part. The play is free to us and is sponsored by Nibley City and the Utah Arts Council.

Play sign-ups and try-outs will be May 29th and 30th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the old Town Hall (326 W. 3200 S.). While children of all ages may try out for a speaking part, priority is given to the older children.

Group parts are as follows. Ages listed are based on age at the end of the 2006-2007 school year with the exception that children must be 5 by the end of June to participate this year. The groupings may change, depending on the number that sign up.

1st grade and younger girls - Bunnies
2nd grade Boys and Girls - Turtles
3rd grade and older girls - Flowers

1st grade and younger boys - Mice
3rd grade and older boys - Cards

Practices will begin June 11th and run weekdays through June 20th at designated times, depending on the part.

Bunnies - 9:30
Flowers - 11:00

Mice - 10:00
Cards - 11:30

Turtles - 10:30
Speaking Parts - 12:00

JUNE CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
10	11 Practice Begins	12 Regular Practice	13 Regular Practice	14 Regular Practice	15 Regular Practice	16
17	18 Regular Practice	19 Rehearsal Everyone 10:00-12:00	20 Dress Rehearsal 10:00-12:00	21 Performance 7:00 p.m.	22 Performance 7:00 p.m.	23

- Children must be to every practice. Please sign-up only if this is possible.
- Parents will be asked to help with groups, costumes, scenery, etc. Please be prepared to sign-up to help.

I will not be directing the play next year. Anyone who is interested, please contact me or the City Office. The Children's Theatre is a great way to get to know everyone and express your creativity!! It's a great Nibley City tradition. Let's keep it going.

Questions? Call Sandra Larkin 753-5387 (sandra.larkin7@hotmail.com)