



Dear Citizens,
The year 2006 and another holiday season have become history. The old adage that claims time passes more quickly the older you get is certainly true in my case.



COUNCIL MEMBER
Jon Adams

Much has happened since the last newsletter. City crews are buttoning up various projects and preparing for the challenges facing them due to colder temperatures. Main Street is essentially completed, with the exception of a few minor items. City staff and crews have worked diligently to minimize inconveniences to the public. The cooperative effort throughout the Main Street Project from the business community and our citizens has been greatly appreciated.

Many of you have noticed the activity on the new Nucor site just north of the wastewater treatment plant and south of Francis Trucking. This is an exciting new addition to our community and will help to strengthen Brigham's economic health. Other projects are under way, which will also contribute to our financial stability. The City must make wise choices in selecting only those opportunities that ensure our position remains not only sound, but are also compatible with the life quality expectations of our community. It is truly an exciting time.

The volunteers from various boards and committees continue to provide exemplary service to the City; we could not function without these dedicated individuals. The monetary savings to our citizens is very substantial and allows us to offer services that we could otherwise not afford. Our volunteers are people who make a real difference and make Brigham City an outstanding community in which to live.

The Council welcomes citizens' input and ideas. Please don't hesitate to call or write and express your concerns and thoughts. If you are extremely bored, you may even consider attending a Council meeting. The budgeting process for 2007-08 will begin soon and would provide an excellent chance for comments.

The Council wishes everyone a very happy and successful 2007.

PATRONMAIL COMING TO THE WEBSITE IN FEBRUARY

Tired of finding out about events in the City after the fact? Well, PatronMail will help you to be one of the first to know! This new technology allows you to sign up on the Brigham City website at www.brighamcity.utah.gov and receive emails on information that YOU want including information about festivals, concerts, and recreational programming. Watch for the link and sign up to be in the know for happenings in the City and County.

EMAIL NOTIFICATION THAT YOUR UTILITY BILL IS DUE

Not only can you pay your Brigham City bill online with your credit or debit card through xpressbillpay.com, but after you have gone online and set up your account with Xpress Bill Pay, you have the option to be notified via email that your bill is ready to be paid. You no longer have to receive a paper statement in the mail. Just send Colleen Phillips an email at cphillips@brighamcity.utah.gov and stipulate your preferences.

3. Public Safety: (continued from page 1)

Volunteers in Police Service

- Improve the Citizens on Patrol Program
- Research providing a Police Department Administrative Support Program
- Research and develop Mobile Watch
- Develop VIPS Emergency Response Plan in partnership with City's EOP

Medical Reserve Corps

- Continue to organize and assist with the operations of the MRC
- Continue the coordination with the Bear River Health Department on organizing, training and equipment procurement
- Provide support to the district meetings to include the City Vision program

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Create 2 City wide Response Teams
- Provide refresher CERT training for current members
- Provide support to the district meetings to include the City Vision program
- Develop a CERT Emergency Response Plan

Neighborhood Pride Council

- Continue to provide coordination for the annual city wide clean up
- Provide assistance with the City staff on grant funds for low income families
- Assist City Staff in a review of ordinances for safety and beautification of City
- Provide support to the district meetings to include the City Vision program

Citizen Corps Council

- Coordinate district meeting to ensure they are organized and scheduled
- Present an all hazard preparedness fair for the community
- Continue to provide support to city emergency operations plan during disaster or major events
- Partnership with Brigham City Chamber Business Preparedness Program
- Develop program for evaluation of Citizen Corps Council program

4. Responsive Government:

- Draft new procedures to improve the image of the business environment for City regulated permits and business licensing
- Study City infrastructure and develop a prioritized plan that will maintain and enhance essential infrastructure and provide for future growth
- Complete a 20-year master plan for electrical needs, specifically addressing the City's need and ability to purchase wholesale power
- Prepare an inter-modal transportation maintenance and enhancement plan for the City.

Someone once said, "Vision without effort is daydreaming...effort without vision is drudgery...but vision coupled with effort will obtain the prize." You may ask: "Why set your sights on so many goals?" and "What happens if you don't achieve them?" I think you'll agree that we're part of a remarkable community that already has an unsurpassed quality of life. However, if we want to keep our property taxes (including other City fees) as low as possible and still provide City services, plus keep our high quality of life; we must continually improve. The prize will not be achieved without setting a target. If we only reach part way to our vision by 2012, we have moved our City forward in a collaborative effort.

We're interested in your reactions to our Vision 2012 goals. Please feel free to send us your comments by filling out the back page of this newsletter, or calling, or e-mailing the City. My e-mail address is christensen@brighamcity.utah.gov. If you'd like to become involved in our Vision 2012 effort please contact the Mayor's office at 734-6612.

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Christensen

INDIVIDUAL EVERYDAY HERO AWARD

Kevin Lane is currently serving as a member of the Brigham City Planning Commission. Kevin was appointed to the Planning Commission November 2001. Kevin is the chairman of the Planning Commission. He has also held the position of vice chairman for the Planning Commission prior to being appointed chairman by his fellow Planning Commission members. The Planning Commission is tasked to develop and recommend the City's General Plan and administer the Land Use Ordinances of the City. As chairman, Kevin is always intent on allowing the public the opportunity to be involved in the Planning Process. He always encourages those individuals who come to the Planning Commission to take the opportunity to voice their views to the Commission.

As a member of the Planning Commission, Kevin Lane has been very involved in the development of the City's General Plan and Land Use Ordinances. As chairman of the Planning Commission, Kevin is also involved in many other City projects and studies. This requires him to spend many hours of his time attending meetings outside of his normal duties with the Planning Commission. Kevin is always striving to be more informed about his position and his responsibilities as a Planning Commissioner. He has taken the opportunity to become a Certified Citizen Planner. This required him to attend training provided by the Utah Local Government Trust and the University of Utah's Center for Public Policy and Administration. Kevin Lane is truly a faithful "Public Servant" to the Citizens of Brigham City.

Nominated by Mark Teuscher,
Planner/Community Development Supervisor



JIM DAVIS EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AWARD – PAUL LARSEN

The Jim Davis Award was established by the City Council in October 2002 to honor Council Member Jim Davis for his extraordinary public service to the betterment of Brigham City. Each October nominations are submitted and a Brigham City citizen or a City employee is selected and recognized. This year the Jim Davis Award was presented to Paul Larsen, Brigham City Economic Development Director. Paul was nominated by Beth Gurrister, Susan Thackeray and Patrick Overton.

Beth Gurrister said, "One is amazed at the wide range of topics and expertise that Paul brings to Economic Development as Director. Along with intellectual abilities, his passion and enthusiasm infuses every aspect of his work, and his careful deliberate analysis. This thoughtful process has found its way through the myriad variety of boards, committees, councils and festivals involving late and early hours with boundless energy. The following list highlights some of Paul's work: The Box Elder County Affordable Housing Board, the Bear River Heritage Area and County Tourism Council, the Baron Woolen Mill preservation, Academy Square development, three years of Heritage Arts Festivals, Heritage and Cultural Arts Board and other arts, Economic Development Board, etc. It is rare that one person has the ability to hold all of these diverse elements together envisioning a full rounded scope of economic sustainability meeting both the physical and spiritual needs of the individual and the community. Paul is that rare person and it's a joy to be a small part of his work."

"Throughout the process of bringing Nucor Building systems into Brigham City, Paul has shown a remarkable amount of ingenuity, patience and foresight. As many of the day-to-day problems arose, Paul was always there with patience, concern and the fortitude to work through the issues and find solutions. I know he has worked many long hours with many diverse individuals to bring not only the Nucor project, but many other projects to fruition for Brigham City to make the City a better place for the citizens and businesses to live and work. Paul is an asset not only to Brigham City, but as an ambassador for all of Box Elder County," said Susan Thackeray.

Patrick Overton from the Front Porch Institute said, "Paul, you are the first economic development director I have heard not only speak the right words about arts and economic development but who also had already put those words into action. You are the holder of the dream and you have held tight for eight long years or more. You are the reason I said yes to coming to this community and joining the Academy project effort. So while the rest of us can feel good about what we are able to contribute, there would be nothing there for us to contribute to had you not grabbed hold of the vision in the beginning and kept breathing life into it every time it was put at risk. You are special and you help make Brigham City a very special place."

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Adele C. Young Intermediate is looking for volunteers to come into the school and read with the students. If you would be willing to help or have any questions, contact Amy Snyder, ACYI Literacy 435-734-4949, Rm #34.

TEAM EVERYDAY HERO AWARD

The UTA Transit Task Force was created in March 2003 to research a more responsive bus transportation system for Brigham City. They studied transportation systems that worked well and developed recommendations for the development of a more responsive local transit system. They did this by working with the Utah Transit Authority who were very willing to look at alternative options. The Task Force was originally made up of thirteen individuals representing the different interests dealing with transit services in Brigham City and South Box Elder County. Rex Yarger was appointed as the chairman of the Task Force.

The Task Force has been working with a consultant to study the potential of transit services within Brigham City and Box Elder County. This transit study was completed in June 2005 which identified a number of potential options for expanding transit services. Based on this study the UTA Transit Task Force began working with the Utah Transit Authority on developing a new local route within Brigham City. On August 21st 2006 the UTA Route F638 "The Lift" began operating within Brigham. The Lift is a new flexible service route. It operates on a standard bus route; however, based on calls the bus will deviate from its route to pickup passengers then return to its normal route and drop the individual off at the site requested. In the first two months of operation the new transit routes have averaged about 206 riders per day using the new route. The new route is handling about 4 deviations per day. This new transit route has been so successful that the Utah Transit Authority is considering using this in other areas of their transit system.

Over the last three years the Task Force has worked very hard and has gone through many difficult times and discussions to determine the best method of moving forward in implementing changes to transit service in Brigham City and the surrounding areas. Rex Yarger as chairman has made sure that the Task Force has kept focused on its responsibility of improving transit service in the region. We appreciate UTAs willingness to find a win/win solution.

This group of citizens has truly worked hard and the new flex-transit route is a great example of how a group can successfully improve the lives of the citizens that live in the community.

Nominated by Mark Teuscher

Visit Brigham City's Website
www.brighamcity.utah.gov

ROUTE F638 "THE LIFT" FARE POLICY

Pick up a route map from the Library, Senior Center or City Hall. The map shows the different bus stops throughout Brigham City. If you need "The Lift" to pick you up at your home, call 435-723-3303 for deviations from the fixed route and you will be transferred to the dispatcher.

Regular Fares - The Standard Fare is \$1.50. The Adult Fare cash payment is good on local buses and TRAX. This fare applies to passengers ages 6 - 64. Two children ages 5 and younger who are accompanied by a fare-paying adult can ride free. Additional fare will be required on Express and Premium service, however, not on Flex route service.

UTA customers pay \$1.50, plus \$1.00 if they choose to deviate from the route. If a standard fare customer requests a deviation they will pay an additional \$1.00 for the trip to the destination and then another \$1.00 for the trip back from the destination. A pick-up at a home residence off the route and a drop-off at an off-route deviation will be considered one deviation.

Senior and Reduced Fare - \$0.75 - Senior and Reduced Fare cash payment is good on local buses, Express and Premium Buses, and TRAX. This fare applies to passengers ages 65 and older, valid Medicare card holders and persons with disabilities who have been pre-qualified by UTA.

Senior and Reduced Fare Monthly Pass - The Senior and Reduced Fare Monthly Pass is good for unlimited travel on local buses, Express and Premium buses, and TRAX for one calendar month. The fare applies to passengers ages 65 and older, valid Medicare card holders and persons with disabilities who have been pre-qualified by UTA.

Freedom Access Pass - This pass is not valid on F638 because the route is considered new service. The pass will continue to be valid fare on all existing UTA fixed routes as long as the card has not expired.

Reduced Fare Card - The Reduced Fare card can be used as valid fare on the F638. If a current monthly sticker has been purchased for \$25.00, customers can ride any fixed route for no additional charge. If a customer does not have a sticker they will be required to pay a charge of \$.75 for each ride. This charge also applies to any other UTA route within the UTA system. Reduced Fare cards as well as monthly fare stickers can be picked up at the UTA Customer Service Center, located at the Ogden Transit Center on 2393 Wall Ave. between the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can also call Customer Service at 626-1277 or 1-888-RIDE-UTA (743-3882) toll-free for further information. In order to qualify for a Reduced Fare card you must have an application for reduced fare signed by a physician or other licensed professional, verifying you have a disability or you can present your current Medicare card with a photo ID. Reduce Fare cards cost \$2.00. Replacement cards cost \$5.00. Monthly fare stickers cost \$25.00 per month.

Medicare Card - A current Medicare card is considered valid fare on the F638, however passengers will have to pay the reduce fare of \$.75 per ride.

Health Department Card - A Health Department Punch Pass is considered valid fare on the F638, with no additional charge.

Transfers - Transfers are valid fare and can be used on F638 or any other fixed route within two hours of receipt. Transfers are not valid for deviations.

Deviations off the fixed route - Seniors and disabled customers will not be charged for deviations. This system will operate much the same as the Blue Goose did.

BRIGHAM CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AWARD

The Brigham City Police Department (PD) received a Public Service Award at a luncheon presentation hosted by the Utah Department of Corrections (UDC). The award was presented by Scott Carver the executive Director of Corrections and signed by Governor Hunstman.

The Award reads. "Members of the Brigham City Police Department have been unbelievably responsive to the Department's mission. The PD has ensured the Brigham office is properly equipped and continuously receives support so offenders are supervised effectively. Many members of the department serve on the three Community Accountability Boards (CAB). They do so willingly and are a vital component of the program. The Brigham City officers are always willing to unselfishly and humbly assist UDC. They are always the first to volunteer to assist with any special operation. They participate in the TEAM Program without complaint, and K-9 units are always available for probation / parole searches. The PD's training facilities are always accessible; and the Brigham Office has even used the PD Offices for CAB sessions. It is a pleasure to work with such a professional and outstanding organization."

The Box Elder Narcotics Strike Force received a similar award for their assistance to the Department of Corrections for oversight and drug testing of Probation and parolees. The Brigham City Police Department has active membership with the Box Elder Narcotics Strike Force and administratively manages the Grant and other funding of the organization.



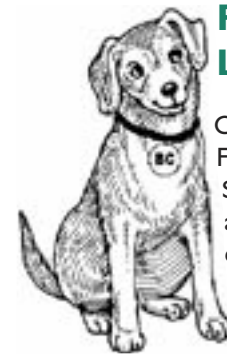
IMPACT FEES - WHY DOES THE CITY HAVE THEM AND WHAT ARE THEY FOR?

Brigham City currently maintains 94 miles of electrical distribution line, 200 miles of water line, 90 miles of sewer line, 39 miles of storm drainage line, and 132 acres of park land. Every time residents within the community turn on the water for a drink, flush a toilet, or watch their favorite television show they are using the City's public infrastructure. Every year with new development the City increases these numbers. The cost of adding new infrastructure increases the impacts to the City's existing public facilities infrastructure dramatically. The City uses impact fees paid by new development to help offset those costs and impacts.

Impact fees have become an important part of local government infrastructure financing. Impact fees were used in the 1950s and 1960s as capital recovery fees for the funding of water and wastewater facilities. With the decline of federal and state grants to local governments and the ascension of the anti-tax revolution in the late 1970s, their use was expanded to several non-utility facilities, such as roads, parks and schools. **In Utah, impact fees may only be collected and used to pay for new public infrastructure. Jurisdictions that collect impact fees cannot hold these monies indefinitely. They must be spent within a five year period.**

The Capital Improvement Plan for Brigham City has some 130 different projects with an approximate cost of \$39.9 million which will need to be developed to meet the demands of future growth within Brigham City. These different projects outlined in the Capital Improvements Plan include water, electrical, sewer, storm drainage, and parks improvements.

Brigham City will continue to use impact fees to pay for the cost of new development and its impact on the public facility infrastructure within the City. By using impacts fees, the cost of developing new public infrastructure is borne by the developer and not by the existing residents of the community. The City uses the impact fees collected to maintain the same high quality level services the citizens of Brigham City have come to expect. For more information contact Community Development Superintendent Mark Teuscher at 734-6616.



PURCHASE YOUR 2007 DOG LICENSES

The 2007 dog licenses are now on sale at Brigham City Municipal Building, 20 North Main, Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. License fees are \$10.00 for a dog that has been spayed or neutered and \$17.00 for an unaltered dog. Dogs must be licensed by their sixth month and you must provide a Certificate of Rabies from your veterinarian. Rabies shots are good for three years. A proof that the dog has been spayed or neutered must also be presented. Dog licenses may also be renewed

by mail. The City mailed reminder letters to those who obtained licenses last December. Licenses must be renewed by March 1, 2007 to avoid a \$10.00 late fee.

The City's Rabies Clinic will be held Saturday, February 17, 2007 at the Pioneer Park Bowery, from 9:00 a.m. to noon and the cost of the rabies shot will be \$10.00.

BRIGHAM CITY LIGHT AND POWER RECEIVES DELIVERY OF THE EZ HAULER 3800

It has been a long time coming but Brigham City Light and Power has its newest piece of equipment, EZ Hauler 3800 manufactured by S.D.P. INC. in Indiana. It features a 3800 lb. lifting capacity, 2500 lb. carrying capacity, as well as an Auger Hydraulic Pole guide that converts to a bucket. The bucket can carry up to a 350 lb. person and has a 44 ft working height. Amazing as it may seem the EZ Hauler can fit through a 36" opening!

This unit will help the Brigham City Light and Power meet their goals and objectives by maintaining the highest level of customer satisfaction with pole replacements, line repair and general maintenance to transformers. The EZ Hauler aerial is perfect for trimming trees or working with electrical lines in backyards. Lineman will now have the capability to move in and around a backyard with minimum or no disruption to the customer's property. Brigham City Lineman Dave Burnett said, "The ability to provide increased safety to personnel as they perform their routine maintenance as well as in an emergency situation is invaluable."

"The old method was time consuming, used more man power and placed lineman in a very dangerous situation," said Director Alan Wright.

SIXTH ANNUAL RURAL BUSINESS CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN LOGAN ON MAY 30 AND 31

Senator Bob Bennett and the Utah Rural Development Council are pleased to host the Sixth Annual Rural Business Conference to be held on the campus of Utah State University in Logan on May 30 and 31. This interactive two-day conference encourages economic growth in Utah's rural communities by assisting local companies in acquiring new customers, increasing productivity, and utilizing the latest technologies to grow their business from within. Past attendees have heard from such premier business leaders as eBay CEO Meg Whitman, Dell Computers President Kevin Rollins, Inc Magazine Senior Consultant Steven Little, and Overstock.com CEO Patrick Byrne. Registration is \$25 and includes breakfast, lunch and all sessions of the conference. For additional information regarding the conference, corporate sponsorship or exhibit space at the business expo, please visit www.ruralutah.com or contact Senator Bennett's office at (801) 524-5933.

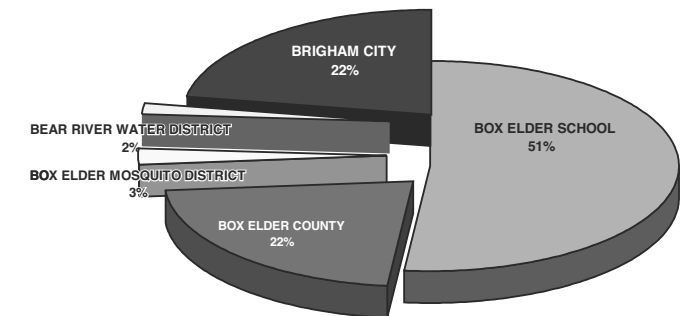
PROPERTY TAXES

As residents of Brigham City, you have just paid your property taxes. A number of the residents feel that Brigham City is responsible for the major part of the property taxes. The actual breakdown of the property tax rate per thousand dollars of assessed valuation is:

Box Elder School District	\$6.252	51.75%
Brigham City	\$2.686	22.24%
Box Elder County	\$2.626	21.74%
Box Elder Mosquito Abatement District	\$0.316	2.62%
Bear River Water Conservancy District	\$0.200	1.65%
Total	\$12.080	100.00%

Only 22.24% of the property tax bill is distributed to the City.

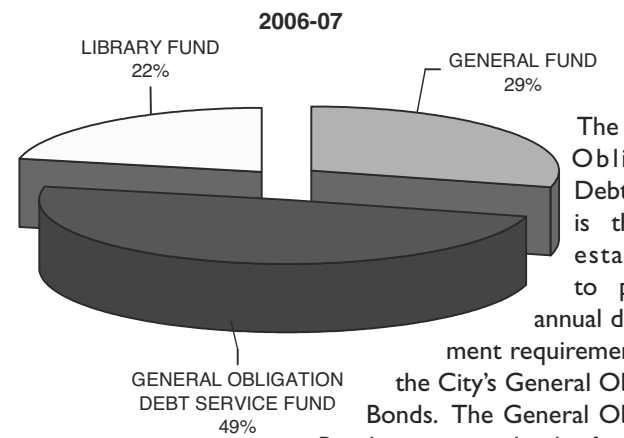
MAKE UP OF PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR BRIGHAM CITY RESIDENTS



The City allocates their 22.24% as follows:

General Fund	\$0.783	29.15%
General Obligation Debt Service	\$1.324	49.29%
Library Fund	\$0.579	21.56%
Total	\$2.686	100.00%

ALLOCATION OF CITY PROPERTY TAX 2006-2007



The General Obligation Debt Service is the rate established to pay the annual debt payment requirement on all the City's General Obligation Bonds. The General Obligation Bonds were issued only after the approval vote of the residents of the City. The Library Fund is the rate established to pay for the costs of operating the City Library. The General Fund is the rate established to pay for City Services to the residents such as the public safety (police, fire, ambulance and emergency services), the Streets, the Parks, the Recreation, the Cemetery, the Senior Program, and the Museum Gallery. Of your total property tax bill only \$0.783 or 6.48% goes to fund the services mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

INTERNET HOT SPOT AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

Since we do not have a Barnes and Noble or a Starbucks in the city limits, you might check out the Brigham City Library. We have had wireless internet since January 2006.

Bring your laptop and find a comfortable seat in the library and surf the Internet.

“So Many Books: So Little Time” Reading Discussion Program started January 4, 2007 at Brigham City Library. This is an 8 month series of reading discussion programs with a humanities scholar as a leader of the group. This program is free and open to all. This series is funded by the Utah Humanities Council and the Brigham City Library. Call 723-5850 for more information.

MUSEUM GALLERY

Through February 24 - Photographs by Cindy McConkie, Brigham City, and Michael Keogh, Casper, Wyoming, will be exhibited.

March's exhibit runs March 7 through March 31 - The large landscape photos of Bob Hills, Mark Wieler, and Ted Van Horne will encompass the beauty of nature.

The Museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm and on Saturday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm.

UTOPIA UPDATE

The Utah Telecommunications Open Infrastructure Agency (UTOPIA) is proceeding with phase 2 of its network construction. UTOPIA is constructing a fiber optic telecommunication network that will provide high speed telecommunication infrastructure with multiple competing service providers to homes and businesses. Construction on the Brigham City portion of the UTOPIA network is scheduled to begin in March of 2007, with construction proceeding through the summer and early fall. Engineering for the Brigham City component of UTOPIA is nearing completion. More information about the UTOPIA network can be found at www.utopianet.org.

WIND GENERATION PROJECT

Brigham City Light and Power will complete Phases I and II of the Wind Generation Project at the mouth of Box Elder Canyon. A 60 meter tower was delivered mid-January 2007 to support instrumentation that will measure the wind velocity (anemometer). The tower has been erected and testing will continue throughout the year to determine if the completion of Phase III can be made.

BRIGHAM CITY WELCOMES NUCOR BUILDING SYSTEMS

Brigham City recruited Nucor Building Systems for a variety of reasons. Nucor's reputation as a solid Fortune 500 company with a long history of success and profitability gives us the reassurance that the company is here for the long haul. Nucor is an excellent corporate citizen and its contributions to the local community will be felt in many of our programs and projects.

The Nucor Building Systems plant will employ 220 people at excellent wages, and will create a “multiplier” effect that will lead to the creation of additional jobs in the community without the need for City investment. We have already seen the impact of Nucor's plans in spurring new development in other areas of the city, which will bring additional amenities and revenues to Brigham City. Nucor Building Systems will be a welcome addition to our community.

Ed Aller stated: “Box Elder County and Brigham City have been a great home to Nucor for the past 25 years. We are delighted that the people of Brigham City recognized Nucor Steel and Vulcraft as great employers and corporate citizens by rolling out the red carpet for Nucor Building Systems. We are very pleased with our location on Watery Lane and have enjoyed the working relationships we have developed with the people of Brigham City who have helped get us here. The cultural values, work ethic, educational levels and commitment found in the citizens of this area will help to make our new operation a great success as we add employees, contractors and suppliers in the future.”

GOLF COURSE

As we anticipate the coming of spring at the Eagle Mountain Golf Course, we look forward to seeing all golf enthusiasts at the course. The Pro Shop is the place to go to get all of the newest golf equipment for 2007. Season passes can be purchased at the Pro Shop and can be used beginning in March (weather permitting).

RECREATION

Brigham City Recreation's basketball leagues are in full swing. We have record numbers of players this year in all age categories. Watch for the Spring Newsletter for information on Spring and Summer sports. The Recreation Newsletter will be taken to the elementary schools for distribution. If you would like a newsletter and do not have children in the local elementary schools, please contact Brigham City Recreation at 734-6610 – we will gladly send you a copy in the mail.

Through our quarterly city newsletter, we are honoring one individual and one team, who we recognize as Brigham City's “Everyday Heroes.” These citizens demonstrate their love of Brigham City through their actions. We recognize them because they are making a positive contribution to our community and are changing Brigham City's future one step at a time.

These Everyday Heroes spend countless hours in the service of others. Often their deeds go undiscovered. They are not consumed with acquiring riches, but instead give freely of their time, skills and hearts. We will probably not see them on the evening news; however, their good deeds are noticed by others.

Brigham City is fortunate to have an abundance of Everyday Heroes. If you would like to nominate someone you feel deserves to be recognized for this award, please fill out the form on the left.



Ed Aller - General Manager
Brigham City Plant

INCUBATOR TO INCUBATOR (I2I)

The International Network of e-Communities (INEC) is an initiative of the Dutch government to help communities utilize the potential of high speed telecommunication networks for economic, social, and cultural development. Current INEC members include Stockholm (Sweden), Multimedia Super Corridor (Malaysia), Amsterdam CityNet (the Netherlands), UTOPIA, Dubai InternetCity (Dubai), PortoDigital (Brazil), Malta, and Seltjarnarnes (Iceland). Additional communities in other nations are working toward membership.

At the INEC conference in November in Stockholm, Sweden, Mayor Lou Ann Christensen presented Brigham City's experience and involvement in the UTOPIA project as a case study in the role and potential of open telecommunication networks to provide advanced telecommunication services to communities that might otherwise go without.

Part of the INEC conference included an “Incubator to Incubator” workshop at which representatives of INEC members discussed forging relationships between business development or “incubator” projects. This group, informally known as “I2I” will be meeting in Brigham City in April of 2007. This is an exciting opportunity for Brigham City to showcase its business incubation project, the USU Community Innovation Center, planned for the former Kmart building on south Main Street. An incubator is a facility that provides physical space for a startup business to operate, and provides support services to help train the business to be successful once it leaves the incubator; OR it's a warm box where you put an egg to hatch. This facility, when complete, will be a hub for business outreach for local, state, and other economic and business development entities. With broadband capabilities provided by the UTOPIA network, the Innovation Center will provide a nurturing environment for startup companies and entrepreneurs, and assistance for more established businesses.

Involvement with INEC and I2I will provide an opportunity for Utah businesses seeking a portal for international business development, with so called “soft landing zones” in each of the INEC communities where businesses can find assistance in acclimating to new international business environments.

SPECIAL NEEDS REGISTRY FOR INDIVIDUALS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE DURING DISASTERS OR EMERGENCIES

Brigham City has entered into an agreement with the State of Utah Homeland Security in the creation of the Special Needs Registry. This registry was recently released by Governor Jon M. Huntsman as a way of providing additional services during an emergency.

This Registry has been developed for individuals that may require special assistance from emergency services personnel during a disaster or other emergencies. This program is voluntary and all of the information will be kept confidential. The information will only be used during an emergency or other event by members of the Emergency Management personnel.

This system allows people with special needs to register either on the computer or by dialing 2-1-1. Once the information is entered into the data base, a representative of the Utah Citizen Corps Council will call and verify that the information is correct. Once this has been accomplished, it will be geo-code and entered in a map format. This information is now stored in a secure data file.

When the disaster happens, Brigham City Emergency Management personnel can access this data and map system. It will show them where people with special needs are living and what those needs are. This will allow the Emergency Management personnel to meet the requirement of these people.

Some examples of special needs that qualify for this program are life-sustaining medication or equipment, vision, hearing and/or speech impairments, supplemental oxygen, mobility and/or homecare assistance and/or service animals.

- **Online Registration is as easy as 1-2-3-4**
Go to the SNR website (www.specialneedsutah.org)
Fill in the requested special needs information.
Submit your information online.
Update your information on an annual basis.
- **Phone Registration is as easy as dialing 2-1-1**
Dial 2-1-1 to speak with a Special Needs Representative.

If you have a client, neighbor, friend or family member that may require special needs assistance in time of emergency, please share this information with them and offer to assist them in entering the appropriate information. This Registry has been created as a supplement to an overall personal emergency preparedness plan. You should have personal equipment and supplies to last a minimum of 72 hours in the event of an emergency. If you have questions or need more information, please contact the Brigham City Emergency Services Department at 723-4071.

Everyday Hero Nomination Form - WINTER 2007

To nominate an individual and/or team, please complete this form along with a single page essay telling why you are nominating them.

Nomination Due Date: 08 March 2007

Nominee Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

To be eligible Nominee(s) must be a resident(s) of Brigham City and working to make our community a better place to live.

Name of Individual Submitting Nomination: _____

Telephone #: _____

Return Form and essay to: sbrailsford@brighamcity.utah.gov
or, Sharon Brailsford, Mayor's Office, 20 No. Main, Brigham City UT 84302

SPOTLIGHT DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

The Administration Department is the financial hub of the City. They are responsible for utility billing and collections, accounts payable, banking and payroll. **Dennis Sheffield** prepares the budget every year and works closely with the department heads throughout the year on their budget requests. He is also responsible for the annual audit. **Tamara Bell** is the payroll clerk and everyone's favorite person every other Thursday because that's the City's pay day. **LuEtte Halladay** is the telephone operator and pays all the invoices for the City. **Colleen Phillips** prepares four cycles of billings every month and works with people who have trouble paying their utility bill on time. **Diane Reichard** is the City Treasurer and is responsible for the investment of the funds of Brigham City and oversees the receipts and deposits for the City. **Mary Kate Christensen** is the City Recorder and attends City Council meetings and prepares minutes, agendas and public notifications. She is also responsible for all permanent records for the City and the City elections. **Marge Porter** is the happy face everyone sees when they first walk into City Hall. The Administration Department strives to deliver excellent customer service to everyone who walks into City Hall.



Top Row: LuEtte Halladay, Diane Reichard, and Mary Kate Christensen. Front: Colleen Phillips, Dennis Sheffield and Tamara Bell. (missing from photo Marge Porter)