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2014 Year in Review

January

Paityn Rebecca Kendall was the New Year's Baby for Juab County. She was born on January 1. Her parents are Alan and Amber Kendall of Moroni.

Nevada judge validates claims of Juab and Millard Counties in Snake Valley water grab.

Same-sex marriage licenses issued across several counties; county clerk won't say if Juab was one of them.

Levan Town passes resolution to appropriate funds for Main Street improvement project.

Ryan Jackson, Russell Mangelson and Brent Taylor take oath of office for Levan Town Council.

Blair Painter takes oath of office for Nephi City recorder; Greg Rowley, and Kent Park take oath of office for city council.

Juab Junior High School receives visit from Lt. Governor Spencer Cox and shows him the new technology used at the school for math curriculum.

JHS ProVita snag Region 12 title.

Greg Newton, Molli Graham, and Jeffrey Smith take oath of office for Mona City Council.

City council expresses concerns over possible land purchase in Salt Creek Canyon.

Missionary Homecomings: Jace Palmer, Chase Street, John Smalley, Jeff Harris. Farewells: Myrna Stansworth, Helen White, Brayden Partridge.

Weddings: Sarah Bailey and Tyson Durtschi; Jakob Bradford and Savannah Peterson; Jessica Ivie and Jeffrey Facer; Jennifer Dalton and Samuel Lund; Kalee Smith and Kaydon Park; Talysha Young and Landon Wickel; Dalton Fausett and Jaycee Loveless; Jordan Anderson and Dylan Jones.

Obits: Dwain Bracken, Mildred Garret Nielsen, Lola Mae Truscott, George B. Kendall, Eileen Ballow, Donald Lynn Howard, CoDeal Brough, Olive J. Baxter Tislow, Lorraine Taylor Washburn, Kevin J. Butler.

February

Harrowing car chase through Juab County leaves suspect dead. County attorney says use of deadly force against suspect was justified.

JHS featured on Fox 13 "Cool School of the Week".

JHS ProVita places 3rd in character at state competition.

Bomb threat at area elementary deemed a prank.

Sixteen Utah counties file Amicus Brief regarding same-sex marriage controversy.

Juab Wrestling places 2nd at state tournament, crowns three state champs: Ashton Seely, Ryan Hatfield and Dalton Harmon.

Some residents wary of a new development (Riley Park gas station) planned near Mona.

Final vote on eminent domain action against Herman Young and Sons, Inc. postponed.

17-year old suspect Megan Grunwald charged as an adult in shooting spree case.

Missionaries: Homecomings: Logan Nielsen, Lance Lynn, Taran Wright, Kamron Gurney.

Weddings: Cassidy Stephenson and Colby Hansen; Kylee Baird and Kayden Christiansen



CHRISTMAS BROUGHT THE SNOW • East Juab County got dumped on the last few days. Snow on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday left many like Steven Ingram, above, using heavy machinery to clean it up. The weatherman is calling for partly cloudy skies for the rest of the week and temperatures sub-freezing until Friday. Winter has arrived.

Nephi City will reapply for designation as an enterprise zone

By Rebecca Dopp

Times-News Correspondent

The Nephi City Council adopted a resolution supporting the redesignation of portions of Nephi City as an enterprise zone by the State of Utah for economic development activities.

"Portions of Nephi City were designated as an enterprise zone in 2009," said Randy McKnight, city administrator. "Based on the council's authorization, we made application to the state and the state approved that designation. Those approvals are only given for a five-year period and then you have to reapply."

The council was asked to consider adopting the resolution supporting the application for the renewed designation.

The Utah Enterprise Zone Program was established in 1988. An enterprise zone comprises an area identified by local elected and economic development officials and designated by the state. Under the program, certain types of businesses locating to, or expanding in a designated zone may claim state income tax credits provided in the law.

Any city or county in the state of Utah may be eligible for enterprise zone designation. Application must be made by a city with 10,000 or less population located in a county with 50,000 or less population, or an Indian Tribe for tribal lands. Applications are reviewed and approved on the basis of economic development need, its quality, and other considerations based on a variety of economic distress factors.

"It's a good program," said Brent Boswell, city and county economic development director. "It's one of those things that when companies ask, 'What can you do for us if we do move there?', this is one of those items we can offer to them."

He said that the state will do quite a bit to attract commercial growth particularly through job creation or remodeling an old building. The state will give an income tax credit at the end of the year that does not affect the city's coffers.

The county also has enterprise zones and also has to reapply every five years.

Some of the areas that are currently designated enterprise

zones in the Nephi area are mostly on the extreme north and south of town, east of the golf course, and a few areas near the fairgrounds and railroad tracks. A complete map can be found at mapserv.utah.gov/enterpriseZones/

"Did any businesses come because we were an enterprise zone?" asked Lisa Brough, council member. "Did we have any in those five years?"

Boswell said that they anticipated that the businesses would come because of the designation or if they were already here, they would expand. He said that there were a few that came in the last five years, but that it was between the business and the state tax commission.

He said that for grants the businesses have to go through the economic development department to apply, but with this program they don't. He said that his department makes these businesses aware of the program.

"What it does is give rural Utah an advantage," he said.

If Nephi chose not to reapply, then the businesses wouldn't have this opportunity, said Mayor Mark Jones.

"We'd find out who was using it if we took it away," said Boswell.

The resolution says that "whereas Nephi City is currently experiencing significant industrial growth associated with the overall economic prosperity of the State of Utah and its advan-

tageous geographic location; and whereas this growth creates both challenges and opportunities for a community seeking to promote economic vitality while sustaining its quality of life; and whereas Nephi City is eligible to submit an application for designation as a Utah Enterprise Zone; let it be therefore resolved that Nephi City Council hereby supports the submission of Proposal for Enterprise Zone Application for Nephi City to the Governor's Office of Economic Development."

A copy of the application will remain on file with the Nephi City Recorder.

The council approved the resolution.

Juab County got the shakes on Sunday night

By Myrna Trauntvein

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Yes, Nephi did have another minor earthquake on Sunday.

Monday morning, the US Geological Survey confirmed two small earthquakes had occurred overnight near Nephi.

The first was a Magnitude 3.7 that was followed by a Magnitude 3.2 tremor.

No damage had been reported and, to date, only 50 or so people have responded to the USGS National Earthquake Information Center question: "Did you feel it?"

The first quake was 3.7 magnitude at a 3km depth which occurred at 11:08 p.m. Sunday.

A short time later on December 28 2014, the second quake or aftershock occurred at 11:56 p.m.

According to the site maintained by USGS, the Magnitude Type was ml (Local Magnitude) commonly referred to as the "Richtter magnitude," and was located 12km (eight miles) WSW of Nephi.

A USGS seismologist has reviewed the status of the two minor quakes and has corroborated the data.

The USGS National Earthquake Information Center states that the Nephi-area historical earthquake activity is slightly above Utah state average. It is 113 percent greater than the overall U.S. average.

Also this month, a micro earthquake occurred at 7:18:53 p.m. (MST) on Wednesday, December 24, 2014.

The magnitude 0.9 event occurred four miles SW of Rocky Ridge, Utah and the hypocentral depth was 5 miles from the city.

According to the site, there have been 28 earthquakes in Utah the past year.

Those who would like to help the survey by responding to the question—"Did you feel it?"—should visit the site: <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/research/dyfi/> and answer the few questions posed by the USGS National Earthquake Information Center.

On Friday, November 7, 2014 at 1:56 p.m. a M 2.7 event also occurred approximately 17 miles SSW of Nephi; Friday, November 7, 2014 at 1:57 p.m. a M 2.3 occurred 19 miles SSW of Nephi, Utah; November 7, 2014 at 3:24 p.m. a M 1.7 was located 16 miles SSW of Nephi, Utah.

By answering the "Did You

Feel It?" questions, citizens contribute to earthquake science.

USGS is trying to tap the abundant information available about earthquakes from the people who actually experience them.

"By taking advantage of the vast numbers of Internet users, we can get a more complete description of what people experienced, the effects of the earthquake, and the extent of damage, than traditional ways of gathering felt information. And best of all, with your help we can do so almost instantly," states the information published at the site.

"By contributing your experience of the earthquake, either immediately afterward, or whenever it is possible for you to do so, you will have made a contribution to the scientific body of information about this earthquake. You will also ensure that your area has been represented in the compilation of the shaking map. This is a two-way street. Not only will you add valuable information on the extent of ground shaking and

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Happy New Year to all our readers!