

**FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK:**  
***Mayor Brent K. Marshall***  
**December 2012**

**Light Parade.** Mark your calendars for a new holiday tradition - The Light Parade December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The parade route will be from West Street going east on Main Street to Quirk Street ending at the Grantsville High School. We would like anyone that would like to participate to join us, please meet at 5:30pm at the intersection of West and Main Street heading north towards Clark Street. We are asking people to decorate your vehicles, trailers, floats, whatever you wish to put in the parade with your luminary choice. We will be offering prizes for different categories: best lit, most festive, most humorous, and the fun lovers' award. There is no entrance fee, but we do ask that you register by calling (435) 884-4608 (please leave a message if there isn't an answer) so we can get a count of how many people are planning to participate. We have made contact with the schools and the students are going to sing Christmas Carols at the Grantsville High School Gymnasium following the parade for approximately an hour. The American Cancer Society will be serving hot chocolate and treats.

**Library Holiday Festival & Book Fair.** We are planning a library day of fun December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10am at City Hall to support the new library. We will be having a special storytime reading by Mrs. Claus, a holiday craft station, a holiday game station and a wonderful book fair by Usborne Books. 50% of the proceeds from the sale of books go to the library and 50% of cash donations will be matched by Usborne books. Come to the book fair and get some of your holiday shopping done while supporting the library through the Usborne matching book program. If you are unable to attend the Library Holiday Festival and Book Fair you may shop online at [www.learnersread.com](http://www.learnersread.com) event: Grantsville Library Fundraiser. We hope that you all will join us for this fun holiday festival and book fair. Give the gift of reading and knowledge this year while supporting the new library. If you have any questions please contact the City Recorder at (435) 884-4603.

**Library Donations.** If you would like to donate to the library please include a separate check in your utility bill and indicate in the bottom section that it is a library donation so we can make sure it gets credited to the library account and not added to your utility bill. If you would like to pay with a credit card please call City Hall at (435) 884-3411. You can also make a donation by coming into City Hall. We will be asking for book donations at a future date and we are working on planning some more fundraisers to help us equip our new library which we will announce in future From the Mayor's Desk newsletters and on our City's website [www.grantsvilleut.gov](http://www.grantsvilleut.gov), click on the library tab. The new library is going to be a wonderful addition to our City. We know that we can make the library a success together. If you have any questions you may contact the City Recorder at (435) 884-4603.

**Special Events Ordinance.** The City Council passed a special events ordinance at the November 7<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. You can view the ordinance online at [www.grantsvilleut.gov](http://www.grantsvilleut.gov) under Grantsville City Code Title 15 Parks and Recreation Chapter 3 Special Events. The goal of the ordinance is not to limit gatherings or discourage party planners, but to make the process more fair and organized and to help with scheduling issues. If you would like to hold a special event please read Title 15 Chapter 3 and fill out a special events application which can be found on the website under Application Forms – Special Events Permit Application. If you have any questions contact City Hall at (435) 884-3411.

**Grantsville Youth.** We would like to congratulate the Grantsville High School Marching Band and their advisors on their achievement of placing first place at the Red Rock Invitational in St. George. We would also like to congratulate the Grantsville Ute Football Conference for their achievements. Grantsville had the most teams playing in the championship games on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> contributing 5 of the 12 County teams. The Grantsville Red Team in the Midget age group defeated Skyline. The Grantsville Red Team in the Pee Wee age group defeated Judge Memorial. The Grantsville Red Team in the Gremlin age group defeated Skyline at Skyline. The Grantsville White Team in the Gremlin age group defeated Bountiful at Cottonwood High School. And, the Grantsville Midget White Team finished as a runner-up in their game against West. The teams played in 14 inches of snow and represented our community well. Congratulations to all our youth and coaches on their successful season!

**Grantsville High School Veteran of the Year.** Congratulations to Butch Niesporek for being recognized as the Grantsville High School Veteran of the Year. Mr. Niesporek was recognized for his service for Veterans Day. We appreciate Mr. Niesporek's service to our Country. How grateful we are of all the veterans that have served our Country. We appreciate the sacrifices that they and their families have made. It is because of the veterans that we enjoy the freedoms that we have today.

**Academy Square Holiday Lights.** I would like to express my appreciation to Richard Broadbent, Dave Hammond, Doug Anderson, Erik Stromberg and their families for all of their efforts and hard work for our enjoyment on the Holiday Christmas Lights at Academy Square Park. Please take time this holiday season to enjoy the dancing lights at Academy Square located at 26 N. Center Street and listen to the music that goes with the dancing lights on 91.3.

**Spread Goodwill.** With winter upon us, please be mindful of neighbors who need help clearing sidewalks or other tasks. We encourage you to form neighborhood groups to accomplish these undertakings and lighten the load of those in need of assistance, making them feel special as well as sharing your talents with others.

**Grantsville Sociable Committee Announcement.** The annual Grantsville Sociable is coming on March 23, 2013! Every year the Sociable features local entertainers to provide music in the hospitality room. If you would like to be considered for the program, please send a mp3 file or cd recording and contact information either through email to [songmom@craftsmanfloors.biz](mailto:songmom@craftsmanfloors.biz) or by mail to 85 N. Center Grantsville, UT 84029. Time slots are 20 minutes for individuals or small groups, or 50 minutes for larger bands. Performance times will be from 6 – 10pm (NOTE: this is NOT for the Sociable Program, but for the Hospitality Room!) Recordings are due by Jan 15, 2013 and the program outline will be finalized by February 1, 2013. We look forward to hearing some great Grantsville talent! If you have questions please contact Emily Christensen at (435) 840-5661.

I have enjoyed serving as Mayor the past year. I consider it an honor and a privilege. I have received a great deal of support from the City Council as well as the community. We have accomplished much, but still have many things left to accomplish and are working diligently towards meeting our goals of making our community a better place to live and work. Grantsville City is an amazing community! As we enter this Holiday Season we have much to be thankful for. I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

Please note that Grantsville City Hall will be closed December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any suggestions to make our community a better place, please feel free to contact me at the City Hall (435) 884-3411. I appreciate all the support from the community and will continue to strive to make Grantsville the best City to live in.