**Mayors Message** – Hyrum’s Cemetery is beautiful on Memorial Day. Veterans graves with flags flying over an array of colorful flowers surrounding the graves of those we have loved and have not forgotten is a site to behold.

Hyrum City has approximately 440 veterans laid to rest within the cemetery. In the southeast corner of the cemetery is a cannon and a monument erected to the memory of persons from Hyrum who gave their lives in the service of their country. The inscription contains a dedication and the names of nineteen men thus honored.

A few interesting facts about the cemetery is that the first burial grounds of Hyrum was located in the area on Main Street and 300 East. Mrs. Jens Peter Jensen, the wife of an immigrant from Denmark, who died on August 12, 1860, was the first to be buried in that cemetery. Is the spring of 1883, it was determined by the City Council that friends and relatives of those buried there should be asked to move those remains to the new cemetery, which is where it is now located. Some were moved and placed in marked graves. The remains of those which were in unmarked graves were moved at the expense of the city and placed side by side in a common grave in the southwest corner of the cemetery. That grave site is marked by a monument with the word “Pioneers” on the top of the marker.

Just a reminder that flowers are to be removed seven days following Memorial Day so maintenance on the grounds can be continued.

Sincerely,
Mayor Stephanie Miller

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**Irrigation Water** – Due to the upgrade of the Hyrum City Sewer Plant, as well as the expansion to the Hyrum Irrigation Ponds we are anticipating having irrigation/reclaimed water available for use by about May 15th.

**Senior Center News** – We sure miss our senior friends at the Hyrum Senior Center and can’t wait until we open our doors again. We are available if you need to just chat, give us a call between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., 245-3570. We are serving free curbside lunch on Wednesdays to our regular patrons. To receive a lunch please call to add your name to the list no later than 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday. If you are currently receiving help from Meals On Wheels, or other free food or meals, you are not eligible for this service. We are doing our best to help as many as possible but also have limited resources.

We have puzzles you can borrow if you call and make arrangements to pick them up. All classes and clubs are canceled until further notice. We are taking your health very seriously, stay home, be smart and stay safe.
Library News – We would like to give our warmest thanks to all of our library patrons who have been so kind with all of the many changes that we have had to endure with the closure of the library during the Covid-19 Pandemic. During the library closure we are cleaning every book in the library, cleaning books as they come through the book returns, cleaning books before we send them home to you, and processing new items that you have requested.

The library phones are turned on Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. If you have questions, call us and we will be happy to help you with anything you need. While the library is closed until further notice, we will continue to provide hold pickup during our “open” hours per the information below.

Each Wednesday we will bring you a live story time at 11:00 a.m. along with other virtual programs. These can be found on Facebook & Instagram – so be sure to follow @hyrumlibrary for more information.

Now a bit of sad news: Our Summer Reading Kick Off Party scheduled for June 1st is cancelled. We are brainstorming ideas to still bring you the best summer reading program, we will have more information soon.

Museum News – Did you know that the museum collects the stories and experiences of local veterans? If you’re looking for something to do at home, check out our online scrapbook at www.hyrumheroes.wordpress.com. We welcome stories from all veterans, so please consider creating a page for yourself, a family member, friend, or neighbor so we can add his/her story to the scrapbook. Be sure to include the veteran’s military branch, dates of service, and a short narrative describing training, service experiences, places stationed or ships served on, squadrons, units, organizations, etc. You can add anything else you’d like such as service awards and ribbons, military patches, or additional photos illustrating service-related activities. While the museum is closed, you can drop pages off in the city’s utility payment drop box. Please email museum@hyrumcity.com or call 435-245-0208 with questions or for more info.

With the museum closed through May, we will be offering printable activities online at www.hyrumcitymuseum.org. Plus, we’re conducting our Back in Time children’s activities through Facebook Live. So please join us on Tuesday, May 12th at 1:00 p.m. for an activity about Memorial Day called Who Remembers? We’ll have a short learning experience followed by an activity that you can do at home. There is a link to the activity at www.hyrumcitymuseum.org for you to print. Also look for a PDF of our monthly coloring page, which can be submitted to the museum through the city’s utility payment drop box. Please note that Diversity Night originally scheduled for April 25th has been postponed (date TBD) and our annual Memorial Day open house has been cancelled.

We are working to prepare our summer-long Passport to Summer Fun children’s activity. Starting May 30th, PDFs of the passport and instructions will be available online or you can email or leave a message on the museum’s phone with your mailing address and we’ll mail them to you in late May.

Finally, we are disheartened to announce that our annual car show fundraiser, Hot Wheels and Hot Dogs has been cancelled this year. We sincerely appreciate the community for their support of the museum and specifically this event. We will miss seeing your great autos, eating yummy hot dogs with you, and spending a beautiful sunny afternoon together. We hope that everyone takes the necessary precautions to stay healthy and safe so we can gather again in the future.

The Family Place – The Family Place is here for YOU! If you find yourself having more family time and looking for resources and fun things to do at home, please visit www.thefamilyplaceutah.org or our Facebook Page for parenting resources, activities for children, and mindfulness videos for the whole family.