



North Logan City NEWS

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE: **North Logan Fire Department**

Prior to 1992, North Logan's fire protection was provided by the City of Logan with a contract between the two cities. The arrangement worked well for several years but the cost of contracted service continued to rise. In the spring of 1992 a letter was received from Logan City stating that the new rate for the contract for fire service would be double what it was the year before. Mayor Al Moser started to look at the possibility of creating an independent fire department. His detailed analysis showed that the city could benefit and save money with a city owned fire department. The mayor presented a plan for the creation of the fire department and the construction of a fire station to the council and it was approved. He gave Police Chief Paul LaMont the task to begin the process of creating an independent fire department.

In 1992 the City entered into a one year contract with Smithfield Fire Department for fire protection and to train a North Logan fire fighting force. Initially, the North Logan trainees were made up of Tim Jorgensen who would become Fire Chief, Craig Humphreys, Terrel Huppi and Jon Keller. Other volunteers were selected from the community and also trained during this period. The City purchased three used engines from Sandy City for \$35,000 dollars. Paul LaMont was instrumental in brokering an incredible deal with Sandy City. A truck was also donated from Utah Power; it was then converted into a brush truck. At the end of the year, the North Logan Fire Department, with a cadre of volunteers, became officially operational. During the construction of the fire station, the department kept equipment and trucks in spare spaces in the city maintenance shop. Fire department volunteers and citizens made major contributions to the building of the fire station on 1200 East. Countless community hours were donated not only in building the fire station but refurbishing/maintaining equipment. Without the dedication of community volunteers, the fire station could not have been built so quickly and such a low cost.

In just two years from the time Mayor Moser presented a plan for a city owned fire department, the fire station was dedicated for the citizens of North Logan on July 24, 1994 in conjunction with Pioneer Days. It was truly a remarkable day for the citizens. In 1995 emergency medical response was added to the fire department capabilities. This required additional training and certification and raised the level of emergency support within the city.

Many things have changed over the years. The Fire Department started with four volunteer firefighters and now has 35 members. The full time members are Fire Chief Jon Keller and recently hired Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Marshall, Craig Humphreys. Call volume has grown from 14 calls in 1992 to 480 calls in 2007. The original equipment has been replaced with a 75 foot Pierce ladder truck, capable of fighting a fire on a three story building, a 2006 Pierce structure engine, and 2007 Ford brush truck that can fight fires in the more remote areas of the city. The 1998 ladder truck was purchased new by the city. The council approved this purchase based on a proposal from Mayor Moser that explained the necessity for the need for equipment for the fighting of fires in very large structures such as Wal-Mart.

Three years ago, Automatic Aid Response Agreements were created with Logan and Smithfield fire departments. Additionally, Mutual Aid Agreements were concluded with the nine other fire departments in Cache Valley. These agreements place an additional burden on each fire dept, but bring all resources to our aid when needed. *Every community has agreed to help where and when needed.*

The fire department is under the able leadership of Fire Chief Jon Keller. He demands high standards of professionalism and training. Our fire fighting professionals have a total of 153 certifications/qualifications from the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy and Utah Department of Health. These include: Emergency Medical Technician-Basic and Intermediate, Firefighter 1 and 2, Wildland Firefighter 1 and 2, Hazardous Materials Awareness, Operations and Technician, Fire Inspector, Fire Investigator, Apparatus Driver Operator, Aerial Driver Operator, Airport Firefighter, and Fire Officer 1.

Fire Chief Tim Jorgensen led the department for 13 years. Sadly, he was stricken with cancer and in 2005 he passed away. Tim served this city with distinction. The citizens of North Logan owe him a debt of gratitude for his dedication and selfless service. Engine 120 bears his name and there is a tribute to him in the fire station lobby.

Chief Keller extends an open invitation to any citizen who would like a tour of our fire station. Give him a call at 755-5739 or email him at jkeller@northloganfire.net

If you have any issue you would like to discuss with me, please call 760-4615 or email d.carywatkins@gmail.com

Sincerely, Cary Watkins

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CITY COUNCIL

On April 2nd the council will discuss the FY2009 budget, more specifically the Capital Improvement Fund portion of that budget. They will also discuss the General Fund's revenue projections and assumptions. At 6:45 there will be a public hearing to receive public input on a proposed rezone for all properties west of the middle canal (between 1250 East and 800 East) from 2500 North south to 2200 North and west from that canal to 800 East. The area is being proposed to be re-zoned from either Residential Estate One-Acre or Residential Business to Single Family Residential - 20,000 sq. ft. minimum lots. The hearing will also be to receive public input on the concept plan for a subdivision of 7.27 acres within the proposed rezone area, dividing it into 11 lots within the R-1-20 zone. At 7:00 there will be another public hearing to receive public input on proposed changes to the city's zoning ordinance relating to regulations on telecommunications towers.

On April 16th the council will continue its budget discussions with a 3rd Quarter Financial Report for FY2008 and further discussion of General Fund revenue projections for FY2009. There will also be a budget workshop in which the Police, Fire, Library, Engineering, Planning, Court, and Main Office departments will make their presentations to the council on the proposed budgets and priorities for FY2009. At 6:45 there will be a public hearing to receive input on a proposed ordinance requiring that new roads constructed as part of development to have funds set aside to accomplish the initial chip sealing of the roads at the expense of the developer.

During one or both of the April meetings there will also be consideration of the development plan for the Canyon Gates subdivision, a subdivision of 146 acres into 262 lots between 1600 and 2100 East and from 2100 to 2400 North.

Look for the official council agendas as they are posted at the city offices and the library. The Herald Journal is given a copy of the official agenda as well and they normally print it in the newspaper a day or two before the meeting.

FROM THE CHIEF'S DESK

Spring is just showing up in our valley and we are beginning to see the bikes appearing. We are going to sponsor some Bike training for adults and older teens in May. On Thursday the 15th of May there is a presentation for **PARENTS of children that ride bikes**. It will be held at the North Logan Library Public Meeting Room from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

On Saturday the 10th and 17th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the North Park Police Department Building (2005 North 1200 East in North Logan) a classroom-skill class will be held for **adults and older teens**. It will be taught by Bob Bayn. It will be an informative presentation as well as getting out and practicing the skills you learn. Materials will be provide by a grant from UDOT. Please **RSVP by calling 753-7600** so we can plan for

HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

Monday - Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00
200 North 1400 West, Logan, UT 84321 [435-713-6686](tel:435-713-6686)

The household hazardous waste facility located at the Logan City Landfill is open to collect residential waste considered unsafe to be buried. Hazardous waste is a problem in landfills and in garbage trucks because it can lead to fires, explosions and toxic contamination of the soil and groundwater. Please bring hazardous waste to our facility where they are taken for FREE with the exception of items containing Freon (refrigerators) and tires. A few examples of residential hazardous waste are: Antifreeze, Bleach, Car batteries, Computers and monitors, Gasoline & unwanted fuels, Household cleaners, Insecticides/Pesticides/Fungicides, Mercury items (fluorescent light bulbs), Motor Oil, Paint, Paint thinners, Pool & Spa chemicals, Propane Cylinders, Televisions.... FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT HAZARDOUS WASTE PLEASE CALL 435-713-6686

A NOTE FROM LOGAN ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

- **Please remember to have your garbage (black) can and recycle (blue) can, if applicable, out at the curb by **7:00 AM**. If no curb, place within 2 feet of the blacktop.
- **Cans are to be removed from the curb by 10:00 PM on the day of collection. It is unlawful to leave cans on the street after collection.
- **Cans are to be 2 to 4 feet away from each other and from other containers such as mail boxes, cars, etc.
- **If collection was missed, please call 435-716-9755 **after 3:30 P.M.** on the day of collection.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL

- 2 - City Council 6:00 p.m.**
- 3 - Planning Commission 7:00 pm**
- 14 - Senior Citizens Luncheon 12:00 p.m.
North Logan Tree Council meeting 4:00 p.m.
- 15 - Library Board Meeting 4:00 p.m.**
- 16 - City Council 6:00 p.m.**
- 17 - Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.**
- 19 - Baseball/Softball Signups 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- 23 - Baseball/Softball Signups 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- 25 - Arbor Day Celebration 4:00 p.m.

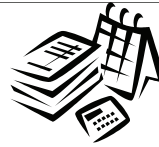
Coming up in MAY

- 10 & 17 Bike training for older kids/teens 1:00 - 5:00
- 15 - Bike training for parents 7:00 p.m.

** - Day and Time Changes

Please find more information about these activities in the news-letter articles or call the city offices.

THE BLUE RECYCLING CANS WILL BE PICKED UP ON APRIL 3RD & 17TH.



Commercial Building Permits

None

Home Businesses

Little Swimmers Foods - Frozen Fish Food

Commercial Businesses

KUTA V8 Airwaves, Inc - TV station
Spotless of Utah, LLC - Cleaning Services

Comparison to previous year:

Permit Type	2008 to date	2007 to date
Single Family Residence	3	11
Multi-Family (Apt)	0	0
New Commercial (Retail)	0	3
Office	0	3
Remodel (Existing Comm)	0	0
Industrial	0	1

GROWTH CORNER

SUPER CITIZENS! In April, Super Citizens can take one or both of two "Tracks".

- 1 - April is Child Awareness Month in North Logan
- 2 - April is also our Month for Trees

Complete your April Super Citizen Requirement by doing one of the following:

- Visit the North Logan Library with a child.
- Read to a child.
- Attend a city sponsored sports event or a school event where children participate.
- Plant a tree or bush in your yard.
- Put up a tree swing.

Get your SUPER CITIZEN PASSPORT Stamped for April at the North Logan City Offices or the North Logan City Library.

Don't know what the NORTH LOGAN SUPER CITIZEN AWARD PROGRAM is?

Each month from now until July of 2008, this newsletter and the city's website will have things for you to do to earn your SUPER CITIZEN AWARD. You can do this as a family, a couple, a youth group, an individual (old or young) - anybody that wants to. Do one of the several monthly activities for each month for ten out of the twelve months of the year and you're a Super Citizen. Each month will have a theme for the activities you can do. Turn in your signed-off SUPER CITIZEN SCORESHEET or your SUPER CITIZEN PASSPORT in July of 2008 and be awarded with a Super Citizen tee shirt, pin or patch, and a NL history book. Stop by the North Logan City Offices or the North Logan Library for a SUPER CITIZEN SCORESHEET or your PASSPORT. When you have completed a particular month's activity, have your passport stamped at one of the places identified for that month (usually at the City Offices or the Library) or sign off your scoresheet on your own. If you miss one or several of the months' activities there will be alternative activities you can do to catch up.

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON

The North Logan Senior Citizens will hold their monthly luncheon at 12:00 noon on Monday, **April 14th** at the Golden Corral at 2044 North Main in North Logan. The cost is \$3.50 per person and all senior citizens are invited to attend.

Please **RSVP** to Savannah Baker at (753-0287), Lila Eddington (753-0203), Eva Fay Anderson (753-0340), Eileen Stocking (752-1217) or Alva Johnson (753-3070) by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 11th.**



A note from your water department... Hooray it's Spring! It has been a long winter and we are all looking forward to warmer weather. It is time to check the area around your water meter. We will begin reading meters on April 14th. **Please make sure your meter lid is uncovered and free from any of the following:** Dirt, bushes or grass, railroad ties, flower boxes, sprinkler boxes or any obstacle. Trim back all bushes and plants around the meter. Our meter readers are trying to get an accurate reading and they are also looking for any problems in the meter barrel. When they have easy access to the meters, it make it possible for them to do their job. This saves you money as well. North Logan property owners are always willing to do their part to help us out. Thank you so much for your support!

Just a reminder, please do not open the water meter lids to check your reading or to turn off your water. There are radios, touch pads and wires that can easily be broken. If you need your water service turned off, please contact us at 782-1310 ext. 11 or 10 and we will have someone from the City meet you at your property.

Fire hydrants are in your neighborhoods to protect your home and property in the event of a fire. Every year we have commercial trucks pull up to our hydrants and steal water. Some even break the hydrant, making it unavailable in an emergency. It is with the help of our citizens that we can get a handle on this. The City does issue special permits to companies that are authorized to use some hydrants. If you see someone using the water at a hydrant in North Logan, please call Peggy at 752-1310 ext. 11, and she will be able to verify if they have a permit or catch those who do not.

DIRECT PAY is available for those wanting to have their utility bill paid directly through their bank. If you are interested, please come to the office with a voided check and complete our form.

*The **NORTH LOGAN TREE COUNCIL** is looking for people who love trees! Our council is responsible for promoting tree planting in our parks, along city streets, and private landscapes; organizing our annual Arbor Day celebration; and promoting educational activities that help us all be aware of the many benefits of trees. Our organizational meeting will be **MONDAY, APRIL 14TH at 4:00 P.M.** Please contact Barbara Middleton at 435-752-6954 if you are interested in participating. Tree treats will be served!*

NOTES FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Welcome spring and celebrate trees with North Logan's Arbor Day Celebration at Elk Ridge Park on **FRIDAY, APRIL 25th at 4:00 pm.** Fun activities for the whole family:

Where: Elk Ridge Park Centennial Building by the new playground

Activities: **Help plant new trees to provide future shaded seating for the playground.

**Family Tree Trail Fun Walk around the paved trail at Elk Ridge Park. Come walk with family and neighbors around the easy, paved trail and learn fun facts about the benefits of trees. Try for one 3/4 mile loop or keep circling around for up to 3 miles of great fun and fitness.

**Help re-dedicate the Centennial Building as a great gathering facility open for reservations for North Logan Citizens.

We hope to see you there! Scout troops and interested service groups or individuals can contact Marta Deberard at 787-1699 if they would like more information on how they can help with the tree plants and other service opportunities with this event.



The Heroes Among Us

Family caregivers are everyday heroes in our community. There are 50 million family caregivers who provide 80% of our nation's long-term care services. Currently family caregivers provide over \$350 billion annually in "free caregiving services" to their loved ones.

The Cache County Caregiver Consortium is sponsoring an evening to honor and provide information to the caregivers in our community. Please come and join us:

Tuesday, April 15th at the Cache County Senior Center at 240 North 100 East, Logan
Cost: \$5.00 Time: 5:00 p.m. -- 8:00 p.m. Door Prizes & entertainment
Workshops: "The Sandwich Generation" and "Driving and Dementia"
Dinner is catered by the Copper Mill Restaurant

Register by April 10th by contacting Deborah Crowther, Bear River Association of Governments, 435-713-1462

North Logan Little League Baseball & Softball Sign-ups!



Dates:

Saturday, April 19th 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday, April 23rd 5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Times:

Place:

North Logan Library
 North Logan Library

Leagues:

Fees:

T-ball League (ages 5-6)	\$25.00
Coach Pitch League (ages 7-8)	\$25.00
Girl's Softball (ages 9-12)	\$30.00
Minor League (ages 9-10)	\$40.00
Major League (ages 11-12)	\$40.00
**Pony League (ages 13-14)	\$55.00
Non-North Logan Residents	\$5.00 (in addition)

Note: Baseball age is determined by your age on April 30th, of this year!

** In The Pony League (ages 13-14), the first fourteen players that sign-up will be assured a place on the team. After that, we will have a waiting list to see if we can field two teams.

FROM THE NORTH LOGAN TRAILS COMMITTEE

With the warm weather of spring we hope more of our citizens will be enjoying walking, biking and recreating throughout our community. We offer these guidelines to help keep everyone safe while enjoying the beauty of spring in North Logan.

AUTOMOBILES Slow down and pay attention. Pedestrians struck by a car moving at 20 mph have a 95% chance of survival. At 30 mph that rate drops to 55%. At 40 mph there is only a 15% survival rate.

Please do not idle or park in crosswalks or sidewalks forcing pedestrians into danger zones. Check behind your vehicle before backing out of driveways and parking lots.

SHARE THE ROAD. Give pedestrians and bicyclists on roadways a safe buffer. Utah law asks for a minimum of 3 feet or a reasonable and safe distance.

PEDESTRIANS Be a defensive pedestrian: assume drivers do not see you until you make eye contact.

Parents walk with children to teach children about dangers of street crossing.

Use traffic lights, crossing guards, sidewalks, and crosswalks where available.

Walkers or runners on roadways should face the traffic and be visible. Wear bright clothing in daylight and reflective clothing or carry a small light in darkness. Pay attention to sun angles which inhibit driver vision.

BICYCLES Wear a proper fitting helmet.

Be a defensive bicyclist: assume they do not see you until you make eye contact.

Ride with traffic flow, not against it, and stay to the right of the lane.

Obey traffic signs, crossing lights, and yield to pedestrians.

Use front (white) and rear (red) lighting devices in darkness and low light conditions.

TRAIL USERS Follow posted trail signs including closures due to conditions in which use will harm trail. Stay on marked trails.

Follow proper trail etiquette. Please be responsible for dogs, keeping them leashed where posted and pick up dog waste promptly.

Honor private property. Avoid having you or your animals trespass. Do not park your vehicle on private property.

We have exciting plans for the construction of trails in North Logan. Mark your calendars for **June 7th, National Trails Day**, where we plan to build several trails in Green Canyon with your help! All interested citizens, including scout and service groups can contact Marta Deberard 787-1699 about volunteering for this and other trail projects.

LIBRARY NEWS

Gardening Series continues!

The popular yearly gardening series, provided by Taun Beddes from USU Extension, continues through the month of April. Join us at 2:00 pm in the Library Meeting Room for these fabulous classes.

April 1: How Not to Kill Landscape Plants
April 8: Turfgrass: Selection and Care
April 15: Home Fruit Production
April 22: Perennial Selection and Care
April 29: Soil Do's and Don'ts
May 6: Fertilizer and Pesticides



Join the Circle of Knowledge @ Your Library

April 13-19 is the 50th anniversary of National Library Week. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. The honorary chair for 2008 is actress and author Julie Andrews. Come on down and celebrate with us!

National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month. Come in and check out our displays of all different kinds of poetry—old, new, tragic, and hilarious. We have everything from Shakespeare to Silverstein, and there's sure to be something you or your family will love.

Library Book Club pick: *Gift from the Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh

"In this inimitable, beloved classic—graceful, lucid and lyrical—Anne Morrow Lindbergh shares her meditations on youth and age; love and marriage; peace, solitude and contentment as she set them down during a brief vacation by the sea. Drawing inspiration from the shells on the shore, Lindbergh's musings on the shape of a woman's life bring new understanding to both men and women at any stage of life." (from book description)

This month's discussion will be held on **Thursday, April 10th at 9:00 a.m. at the Library**. All are welcome! Copies of the book are available at the library for check-out.

The Cache Valley Salute, a 5K Run/Walk/Wheelchair & Kid's Run

The 5K event is designed to honor the contributions of Utah State University's Military Science programs. The run serves as a leadership training tool, community event, and charitable fundraiser.

Cost: \$10 (includes T-Shirt)

Start time: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Saturday, April 19, 2008

Online registration at <http://cvssalute.usu.edu>

Where: USU Nelson Field House

Race day registration starts at 8:00 a.m.

Questions: Contact Jacob (435) 881-9053 or CacheValleySalute@gmail.com

YOUTH CITY COUNCIL

The North Logan Youth Council enjoyed participating in a St. Patrick's Day program for the Pioneer Valley Lodge residents on St. Patrick's Day. Council members entertained with singing, musical instruments and other talents. The best part was visiting with residents while sharing cookies.

In April, the Youth Council will be electing another Mayor and other officers. Camille Peterson has served as Mayor this past year, and the Youth Council would like to express their appreciation to her and other council members for their leadership.

Also in April, we would like to extend an invitation to the North Logan youths between the ages of 14 and 18 to join the North Logan Youth Council. We have opportunities for service and leadership. And, we have a lot of fun too!! Please call ReNae Coleman (752-2881) or Marja Bagley (787-8512) if you are interest in joining the Youth Council.