



North Logan City NEWS

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE: THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL

The Christmas season is a time to gather together with family and friends. It is a very special occasion and extraordinary time of joyful expectation for young and old; it's presents under a sparkling tree, but most of all it's a time to share the greatest gift of all - love and friendship. It is with this gift that we receive our greatest reward.

Although Christmas should bring joy to everyone, Christmas can bring pain and sadness to some among us. There are those in our community who are alone - those who have lost a family loved one and those who can't be with their family. A simple act kindness of just making a visit or an invitation to your home can mean so much. When you pray and give thanks with your family for all you have, ask the Lord to bring peace and comfort to those you know who are in need.

This holiday season presents a unique opportunity for us to come together to rekindle bonds of community and to strengthen relationships. The time we take to reach out to each other will help us to grow stronger together.

Let's keep in our thoughts and prayers the brave men and women who serve in our armed forces—especially those far from home, in harms way in Afghanistan and Iraq. They are steadfast and courageous—heroes all. Many keep going back and are prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice of their lives in order to protect our country and its freedoms.

Christmas is about family; it's taking delight in watching children's eyes light up with wonder and excitement when they see brightly wrapped presents under the tree; someone had some milk and cookies. It was Santa.

It's giving to others and sharing the greatest gift of all—

Lucy and I wish each and every one a very merry Christmas. May the coming year be filled with happiness, joy and prosperity.

Cary Watkins

Do you know what CERT is? (Community Emergency Response Team)

CERT is a training program that prepares you to help yourself, family, and your neighbors in the event of a disaster. It is a program under the Citizen Corps of Homeland Security. During an incident, emergency service personnel may not be able to reach everyone right away. The role of a CERT volunteer is to help others until trained emergency personnel arrive. Under the direction of local emergency responders, CERT teams provide critical support by giving immediate assistance to victims, conducting light search and rescue and organizing other volunteers at a disaster site. CERT training takes about 20 hours to complete during an 8 week period of time with a practical final exercise at the end.

North Logan City will be offering a CERT training session to start at a yet to be determined date in mid to late January. It will be either on Wednesday or Thursday evenings starting at 7 pm . We need 20 to 30 students, especially those who live in the northeast and southwest areas of North Logan. Training materials will be provided by the city but the CERT pack and starter gear will be around \$27.00. If you have an interest and questions please contact Michelle Alder (NL CERT Coordinator) at Michele@4siteoutdoors.com or at 752-8149.

What's Happening in City Council? The City Council meetings for the month of December will be on the 3rd and the 17th. During the December 3rd meeting the City Council will have two public hearings. The first, at 6:15, will be to receive public input on a proposed concept plan to the Stone Gate Estates Subdivision. Being proposed is the division of 4.26 acres into seven lots located at 1475 E 1900 N. The second public hearing, at 6:30, will be to receive public input regarding a request by two land owners to divide and transfer ownership to those same adjacent property owners, approximately 13,000 square feet of city-owned open space located on the north-west corner of the intersection of 2950 N and 2050 E. The restrictions on and use of the open space would not be changed.

On December 3rd the council will consider adopting one of several proposed ordinances regulating the set-back for development adjoining canals. The options include modifying the current requirement for set-back along canals such that they only apply to new subdivisions, a second version of that ordinance that would require the set-back only on the west side of the canals, and a third version totally eliminating the set-back requirement. The council will also consider some sidewalk additions mostly at connections to the new Mahogany Ridge Subdivision.

Other issues being considered by the City Council in December and/or in the first few months of 2009 are: 1) an update of the city's regulations on group homes for the elderly, handicapped persons, and minors; 2) minor adjustments to the city's budget; 3) minor updates to the regulations on business licenses for child care services; 4) possible inter-local agreements between the city and canal companies for the use and maintenance of the canals; and 5) the annexation of all properties currently unincorporated between North Logan and Hyde Park. More details will follow on these various issues being looked at by the City Council.

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.

Home Safety for the Holiday Season Accidental injury is the number one cause of death among children ages 1-14 years in Utah. Each year approximately 80,000 Utah children need professional medical attention for an accidental injury. As the holiday season approaches, Safe Kids Bear River reminds parents and caregivers to keep home safety a top priority. **Safe Kids Bear River** offers these tips to keep children safe around the home:

- Cook on back burners whenever possible, and turn all handles toward the back of the stove.
- Tie up electrical cords of small appliances. A toddler playing with a dangling cord can pull a toaster or microwave down from a countertop.
- Make sure a working smoke detector is on every level of your home, outside each sleeping area and in each bedroom. Test smoke alarms monthly. There were no working smoke detectors in the last two fatal fires in Cache County.

Sign up for emails to keep up-to-date on toy recalls. To sign up for recall emails, go to www.cpsc.gov and click on Sign up for Email Announcements.

- Keep alcohol (including baking extracts) out of reach and do not leave alcoholic drinks unattended.
- Place holly berries, mistletoe berries, poinsettias, amaryllis, boxwood, Christmas rose, Crown of Thorns, English ivy and Jerusalem cherry out of reach of children. All are potentially harmful if eaten.
- Keep the Poison Control Center number (1-800-222-1222) near each telephone.

Avoid placing ornaments that have small parts or metal hooks, or look like food or candy, on the lower branches of the tree. Trim branches that are at or below a child's eye level. Educate your child while you decorate. For more information log onto safekids.org or call the Bear River Health Department at 792-6510.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE PUMPKIN WALK THIS YEAR. YOU DID A GREAT JOB AND WE HAD A WONDERFUL TURN OUT. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!!

Winter Parking Restrictions Have Begun!

It's the time of year to remember it snows in Cache Valley! Consider this **your** reminder that the winter parking ordinance went into effect on November 15th. This means vehicles **cannot** be parked on city streets, curbs and shoulders between 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 am. Citations will be issued if vehicles are left on streets, even on residential city streets.

Snow Plows ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ Snow ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ & Garbage Cans

During other hours, if it is **snowing**, or beginning to snow, we'd appreciate you not parking on the streets so that our snow plows can keep your roads clean and safe for you and your family. Please do not put out your **garbage** cans the night before and not until after the snow plows have passed your home.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER



GROWTH CORNER

- 3 - City Council - 6:00 p.m.
- 4 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 8 - Senior Citizens Luncheon - 12:00 p.m.
- 17 - City Council - 6:00 p.m.
- 18 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 24 - **12 noon City Office closes**
- 25 - **CHRISTMAS DAY-City Office is closed**
- 31 - **12 noon City Office closes**



To see the complete calendar of events visit our web site at: <http://www.ci.north-logan.ut.us/calendar>

JUST A REMINDER - THE BLUE RECYCLING CANS WILL BE PICKED UP ON DEC 11TH & 26TH (FRIDAY)

Home Businesses

- CP Integrity
- Forus LLC
- Gillman Construction Inc.
- Majestic HVAC Inc.
- Terry's Handyman Express Inc.

Commercial Businesses

- Campus Card Services LLC
- Pampered Pet Resort & Day Spa Inc.

Permit Type	2008 to date	2007 to date
Single Family Residence	23	48
Multi-Family (Apt)	0	0
New Commercial (Retail)	2	11
Office	1	8
Remodel (Existing Comm)	0	0
Industrial	0	3

LOST & FOUND Did you know that North Logan City has lost and found items? That's right! If you have lost or forgotten something at our parks, either Elk Ridge or Meadow View Park, chances are we might have what you lost. We have walkers who walk the two parks and if something is left, they bring it to the City Office at 2076 N 1200 E.. Come by and describe what you lost and hopefully, we have it. We will keep found items for 60 days and then donate them.

GREEN WASTE—CURB SIDE AND DROP OFF AT ELKRIDGE PARK ENDED NOVEMBER 24TH. CHRISTMAS TREE DROP-OFF WILL BE FROM DECEMBER 26 TO JANUARY 8, 2009 AT THE DROP OFF AREA WEST OF ELKRIDGE PARK AT 930 E 2500 N, NEAR THE CITY BUILDINGS.

Friends of the North Library will hold a grand Pre-Christmas Book and Video Sale at the library **Saturday, November 29th** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. You can join The Friends for \$5.00/person or \$15.00/family and shop early **Friday, November 28th** from 4:00 pm to 8 pm.

Whether You Are New in Town, or a Long-Term Resident, Pet Licenses Need to be Purchased in January

We hope everyone is aware that all dogs and cats (except field cats) are required to be vaccinated for rabies, and licensed at the city office. The fees are as follows:

- Neutered/Spayed Dog \$10 Un-neutered Dog \$20
- Neutered/Spayed Cat \$5 Un-neutered Cat \$10



Beginning March 1st, the license fees will increase by fifty percent (50%)

Proof must be provided that the rabies vaccination is effective for at least 6 months past the licensing date. Only two dogs or four cats are allowed on residential property unless the property is zoned for more. A *conditional use permit is required* if so zoned. Application for a *conditional use permit* is \$100 (one time fee only). If approved by the Planning & Zoning Committee, a \$50 kennel license is required for each year.



SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON *\$4.00 NEW FEES*****

The North Logan Senior Citizens will hold their monthly luncheon at 12:00 noon on Monday, **December 8th** at the Golden Corral at 2044 North Main in North Logan. The cost is **\$4.00 per person** and all senior citizens are invited to attend. Please **RSVP** to Savannah Baker - 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, December 5th**.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Closures:

The library will close by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, December 24, 2008 for employees to celebrate Christmas Eve and be closed Thursday, December 25, 2008 to celebrate Christmas.

Library Book Club

Join us on December 11, 2008 at 9:00 am for our Potluck Brunch. Bring a Christmas poem, story, thought, experience, etc... to share (about 5 minutes). Bring a wrapped book to exchange. You can also bring a book to donate to the inmates at the county jail, if you would like.

January's book discussion will be "The Last Lecture" by Randy Pausch.

Storytime

Storytimes are Tuesdays at 10:10 for Toddler Time (2 years and under) and at 11:00 for Story Time (3-5 year olds). **No storytimes on December 23, 2008 or December 30, 2008.**

Youth Advisory Board

If you are ages 12-18 come join the newly reestablished Youth Advisory Board. This board will help plan activities for teens at the library and make suggestions for changes in the teen area. Meetings are every first Thursday at 5:00 pm. If you don't want to be on the board make sure you attend the activities which are every second Thursday (except in December). Come get involved in the fun!!

December's activity is going to be an all night party on December 12th. Movies, games, food, a read-a-thon, etc... Feel free to bring a pillow and a blanket to get comfy and wear comfy clothes. (Parents: There will be adult supervision.)

A Time of Giving:

"The Mitten Tree" - until December 1st bring in new mittens, hats, socks and scarves to help warm children in the community.

"Have a Novel Christmas" - until December 12th Bridgerland Literacy will be collecting books to give to community members. There is a box in the library for your donations.

Author Visit

Mark your calendars now for January 29, 2009 at 7 pm in the Library Meeting Room we will be having the author of "A Train to Potevka" Michael Ramsdell come and speak. He will have books for sale and will be autographing copies of his book.

Friends of the North Logan Library Annual Meeting will be held ~ TUESDAY, JANUARY 13TH AT 7:00 P.M.

The annual meeting will be held in the North Logan Library's meeting room. The public is invited to attend. Trustees for the coming year will be elected. If you have an interest in serving with the Friends Organization or have questions, please call the library or Holly Gunther at 787-4544.

Our featured speaker this year will be:

Matthew Buckley—author of *Chickens in the Headlights* and *Bullies in the Headlight*

Matthew Buckley grew up in Riverside, Utah and now lives in Cache Valley. He is the second oldest of 10 boys and one girl. He now has four boys of his own. Matthew graduated from USU with degrees in political science and instructional technology.

The "Flights of Learning" statue process is under way. When completed it will be placed by the bench on the south walkway at the North Logan Library

On **DECEMBER 16, at 6:30 pm** in the library conference room, the Friends are having the sculptor, Bryce Pettit, come and give a presentation on how sculptors process their work from a small model into a large bronze statue.

The public is invited to attend this presentation.

Please come and participate in the celebration.



December, January, and February are the leading months for U.S. home fires and home fire deaths. On average, more than one-third of home fire deaths in the United States occur during the winter months. Please practice the following safety guidelines.

On the 1st day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Use Candles safely

Burn candles in the center of a 1-foot Circle of Safety, free of anything that can burn.

Stay in the same room with burning candles; do not leave unattended.

Burn candles on a non-combustible surface such as a ceramic saucer, or plate.

Be sure to snuff out candles before falling asleep, going out, or leaving the room.

Teach everyone in the family the rules of safe candle use. Keep candles out of reach of small children and pets.

On the 2nd day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Practice Christmas Tree Safety

Choose a fresh Christmas tree, and put it in a stand designed not to tip over.

Place the tree well away from heat sources and exits, and water it **constantly**.

If you purchase an artificial tree, be sure it is labeled as fire-retardant.

On the 3rd day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Use electricity and lights safely

Replace any frayed or damaged cords. For outside decorations, use only those lights labeled for outdoor use.

Bring outdoor lights inside following the holidays so they are not damaged by extended exposure to harsh weather conditions.

Always unplug all lights before leaving home or going to sleep and don't overload electrical outlets.

On the 4th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Practice Fireplace Safety

Have your chimney inspected by a professional prior to the start of every heating season, clean if necessary.

Always protect your home and your family by using a fireplace screen when burning fires.

Remember to burn only wood, never burn paper, or pine boughs. Consider recycling or disposing of these products in the trash.

Do not use flammable liquids in a fireplace and take extra precautions with fireplace ashes.

On the 5th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Use Safe Cooking Practices

Declare the kitchen off limits to children and those adults not assisting with food preparation.

A crowded kitchen can increase the danger of spills and burns.

Wait until after you are done in the kitchen to change to your festive clothes.

Frisly clothing and drooping sleeves invite clothing fires. Consider rolling up sleeves and wearing an apron for additional safety.

Be prepared to deal with cooking fires. Remember to never put water on a grease fire.

On the 6th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Practice Portable Heater Safety

Portable and space heaters can be either electric-powered or fueled by gas, liquid fuel, or solid fuel.

All types must be kept at least 36 inches (1 meter) from anything that can burn, including furniture, bedding, clothing, pets, and people. Space heaters must not be left operating when you are not in the room or when you go to sleep. Children and pets should be supervised at all times when space heaters are in use. Check each season for fraying or splitting wires or overheating.

Have all problems repaired by a professional before operating the space heater.

On the 7th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Have smoke and carbon Monoxide detectors

Install smoke detectors at least in each sleeping room and on per floor of you home.

Install a Carbon Monoxide detector on each floor of your home. Test often and change the batteries every year.

On the 8th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Have a fire extinguisher

It is recommended that each home should have a fire extinguisher.

Have them checked annually by a fire extinguisher service person to make sure they are functional and working properly.

On the 9th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Keep hydrants clear

Maintain a 3 ft clear circle around hydrants of snow, posts, and other obstructions.

On the 10th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Practice EDITH

Have a fire escape plan for you home and practice Emergency Drills in the Home.

Have 2 ways out of every room and establish a meeting location outside.

On the 11th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Have a survival kit in your car

A winter vehicle survival kit could include: winter coat, hat, gloves, blanket (or more than one), first-aid kit, some non-perishable food such as granola bars, or crackers; even just some hard candy.

Other items may include strike anywhere matches in a water-tight container, flashlight with **extra batteries, small tool kit or at least an all purpose tool, shovel, jumper cables and tire chains.**

On the 12th day of Christmas the Fire Chief says: Properly maintain your furnace

Have your furnace inspected to insure that it is in good working condition.

Be sure all furnace controls and emergency shutoffs are in proper working condition. Check the flue pipes and pipe seams.

Change furnace filters on a regular basis. Keep trash and other combustibles away from the heating system

On the 13th day of Christmas the Fire Chief said: above all have a safe and enjoyable time with friends and family at this time of celebration



North Logan City 2008
Lights Of Christmas
19th Annual Christmas Lighting Contest



North Logan City invites you to add to the festive look of our city by decorating your home, neighborhood or business.

Fill out an entry form that can be found at the City Office, 2076 N 1200 E. The contest does not *require* entry forms, but if you don't enter, we cannot guarantee we will see your house. If you know of a friend or neighbor whose home is decorated, you can enter them. **Entry forms must be returned to the City Office by 5:00 p.m., December 1st.**

Judging begins December 1st through December 15th.

BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR LIGHTS ON BY DARK!

FIRST PLACE: \$100.00 LEWISTON STATE BANK
SECOND PLACE: \$ 75.00 BENNETT'S PAINT
THIRD PLACE: \$ 50.00 PETERSON, ALLRED, JACKSON, P.C.
HONORABLE MENTION: PIE FROM VILLAGE INN

Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the City Council meeting on Wednesday, December 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the North Logan Library, 475 E 2500 N.

Your participation helps others enjoy the season and adds to the sense of pride in our great community. We hope you will join this fun and festive way to celebrate the holiday season. For information - call Brenda Anthony at 753-1551 or the city offices at 752-1310. ext 10.

Bundle up your family and friends, grab a thermos of hot chocolate and spend a festive evening driving (or walking) through North Logan to enjoy the beautiful holiday decorations.

Happy Holidays

FROM ALL OF US
Your
NORTH LOGAN CITY WORKERS
AND ELECTED OFFICIALS

