



# North Logan City NEWS

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE - EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS—OUR STATE OF READINESS

Maintaining the safety of citizens is a prime responsibility of a city and as part of that responsibility we have an Emergency Response Plan. It's one thing to have a plan and quite another to be able to implement it when a disaster strikes. It is critically important that the plan is continually updated and tested so that our community is prepared and can respond quickly and effectively if a disaster happens here.

Several years ago, North Logan City developed an Emergency Response Plan. But it wasn't until September 2007 that the plan was used in a disaster response exercise. Since then there have been two "table top" exercises that tested the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), and two city-wide simulated exercises that involved the citizens. The most recent was just completed on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

The Goals and Objectives of this emergency drill were to:

Contact every household in the city and practice the process of information flow to and from homes using faith-based organizations within the community and to Exercise the Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) to gather, dispatch, operate, and communicate with each other and the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and respond to simulated incidents throughout the city.

The simulated disaster in the city was *"a 6.2 magnitude earthquake which occurred at 6:15 pm. The quake was along the east Cache fault line and centered just east of Hyde Park. It lasted for 45 seconds. There was widespread damage and fire, police, and the hospitals were immediately overwhelmed with emergency calls. Several main roads were disrupted and traffic was limited. Help from outside the area would take a day or more to arrive. Telephone communication was working but 911 would not answer."*

The federal government encourages local governments to coordinate with faith-based organizations to participate in preparedness activities including exercising. In order to pass information between the EOC and households throughout North Logan, the city is divided into two main regions and sixteen "neighborhoods" using the same boundaries as the LDS stakes and wards in the city.

Here is what happened during the exercise. The EOC was opened and a representative from each LDS stake reported in. Each stake representative initiated their individual contacting procedures as established by each stake and ward and as the contacting procedures began, the CERT teams assembled at the fire station and the city library. Reports of incidents were received and the teams were dispatched to the incident sites.

The emergency drill lasted for two hours. During that time *a total of 1,654 households out of 2,084 households in the city were contacted (79%)*. These are very encouraging numbers given that an Aggie game was being played at the Spectrum that same night.

1043 contacted of 1191 households - 87% in the NL Green Canyon Stake

611 contacted of 893 households - 68% in the North Logan Stake

All but one ward participated. All participating wards found the "pre-planted" incidents in their areas.

CERT teams responded to and practiced their skills at 11 out of 16 incidents.

Lessons learned from the exercise, and steps to be taken: Conduct another drill within 12 months; Continue to assist stakes and wards in improving their contacting process; Fix problems with the radio system for the CERT teams; Continue training and improve the organization of the CERT teams; Create and fund a budget for CERT equipment.

We have come a long way in just a few years and the Emergency Response Plan is in place and effective. It will continue to be improved through periodic drills. Thanks to all who are volunteers and those in the city who helped make this a success. Well Done!

If you want more information about getting involved in emergency preparedness contact our Director of Emergency Services, City Administrator Jeff Jorgensen at 752-1310 ext. 14.

Please call me on any issue. My direct line is 760-4615 or email [d.carywatkins@gmail.com](mailto:d.carywatkins@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

Cary Watkins

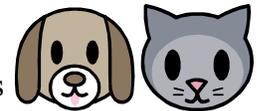
## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council meetings for the month of April will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup>. During the April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting the council will receive departmental presentations on next year's budget. Scheduled to make their presentations and proposals are the streets, utilities, parks and facilities, and engineering departments. Also to be discussed are some of the priorities for unfunded discretionary projects or equipment purchases. Following the regular business of that April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting the City Council will be meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss the draft Transportation Element of the North Logan City General Plan.

During the council's meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup> they will be receiving the Quarterly Financial Report for the city for the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of fiscal year 2009. In addition to that the council will be considering the development plan for one, possibly two subdivisions. Watch for more information on the details of these subdivisions as the agendas are posted at the city offices, the library, the police/fire station and printed in the Herald Journal. The Herald Journal is given a copy of the official agenda in advance of the meeting and they normally print it in the newspaper a day or two before the meeting.

### EXTENDED PERIODS FOR DOG & CAT LICENSES

On March 18, 2009 the City Council passed a revision to the city's ordinance regarding how long dog and cat licenses are valid. *Dog and cat licenses are now valid until the rabies vaccination associated with the license expires.* For example if your dog or cat had its rabies vaccination in December of 2008 and the vaccination was good for three years, when you renewed its license in January 2009, that license is going to still be valid until December of 2011. *Pet owners from now on will re-license their animals at the same time they update its rabies vaccination.* Those who licensed in 2009 with a rabies vaccination that expires before January 1, 2010 will need to re-license again in 2009 but at a prorated rate and then the new license will be valid for three years. Rabies vaccinations for puppies and kittens that are only valid for one year will need to re-license their pets after that one year as well, i.e. when the rabies vaccination expires. The cost to license your dog and cat will not change even though the license will now be valid for longer than one year.



**GreenWaste** collection is available at the dumpster west of Elk Ridge Park. It is to be used for grass, leaves, branches, clean hay & straw, shrubs and garden waste. (It is located west of the canal at 1100 E. 2500 N.) Those items not accepted are: rocks, dirt, sod, plastic bags, tree root balls, and painted or treated wood. Also, anything larger than 10 feet long or 36" in diameter is not accepted. Items can also be taken to the landfill for no charge. You can find more information about the GreenWaste program at [environmental.loganutah.org](http://environmental.loganutah.org) or call 435-716-9755.



**Curbside Green Waste** program will begin weekly collection of green waste cans beginning the week of March 30th for residents signed up on the Curbside Green Waste program. Anyone wishing to sign up for this program at their home may call the Logan Environmental Dept. at 435-716-9755. The Curbside program is \$4.00 per month with a 1 year commitment. For more information about the Green Waste Facility or compost and wood chip products, please call the Logan Landfill at 435-750-9981.

- \*\*Please remember to have your garbage (black), green waste (green), 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.



North Logan will have trees for sale!!! We will have approximately 100 (2 inch caliper) trees (17 species) for sale during the 4th week of April. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 435-752-1310 ext 16 for exact details.

April 24th is Arbor Day. Please visit our web site for notices and activities at [www.ci.north-logan.ut.us](http://www.ci.north-logan.ut.us).

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**APRIL**



- 1 - City Council - 6:00 p.m.
- 2 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 13 - Senior Citizen's Luncheon - 12:00 p.m.
- 14 - Friends of the Library - 6:30 p.m.
- 15 - City Council - 6:00 p.m.
- 16 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
- 18 - Baseball signups - 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- 21 - Library Board Meeting - 3:30 p.m.
- 22 - Baseball signups - 5:00-7:00 p.m.

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 APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> & CURBSIDE GREENWASTE PICKUP BEGINS APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Home Businesses**  
 Callow-Heusser Assoc., Inc.  
 Mary's Little Lambs  
 Moments by Kellee

**Commercial Businesses**  
 Duane's Computer Service  
 High Desert Sales & Service  
 Thomas E. Atkins, PsyD

**GROWTH CORNER**



Permit Type	2009 to date	2008 to date
Single Family Residence	0	3
Multi-Family (Apt)	0	0
New Commercial (Retail)	0	1
Office	0	2
Remodel (Existing Comm)	0	0
Industrial	1	1

**FYI - The final revision on the Cemetery Ordinance is available to review online, or is available at the city office by request. You may look over the regulations regarding burials, cremations, headstones, flowers, decorations and/or lot ownership. Please contact us if you need further information.**

*A note from your water department . . . We are excited that spring is officially here! 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 14<sup>th</sup>. **Please make sure your meter lid is uncovered and free from any of the following:** railroad ties, flower boxes, sprinkler boxes, snow, dirt, bushes and grass 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 makes it possible for them to do their job. The majority of North Logan property owners are always so 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 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.

Fire hydrants are in your neighborhoods to protect your home or 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.

Also, remember that your payments can be dropped off inside the office, in our drive-up payment box, at Lee's customer service desk, mailed or you can sign-up for direct pay through your checking account. If you have any questions about any of these options, please call our office at 752-1310 ext. 10.

**SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON**



The North Logan Senior Citizens will hold their monthly luncheon at 12:00 noon on Monday, **April 13th** 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, April 10<sup>th</sup>**.

## LIBRARY INFORMATION

### Story Times

Marcia will be doing Storytimes in April. Toddler Time (2 years and under) are Tuesdays at 10:10 and Story Time (3-5 year olds) are at 11:00.

### Library Book Club

Join us at the Library on April 9, 2009 at 9 am to discuss the book "Left to Tell" by Immaculee Ilibagiza. "In 1994, Rwandan native Ilibagiza was 22 years old and home from college to spend Easter with her devout Catholic family, when the death of Rwanda's Hutu president sparked a three-month slaughter of nearly one million ethnic Tutsis in the country. She survived by hiding in a Hutu pastor's tiny bathroom with seven other starving women for 91 cramped, terrifying days."

Next month's book is "Imperial Woman" by Pearl S. Buck.

### Celebrate National Library Week

Visit the library during April 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> to celebrate National Library Week with us.

### Youth Advisory Group

Get involved in helping plan for youth activities (12-18 years old) monthly at the library. April's meeting will be April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m. and the activity will be April 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. Come do Karaoke!!!

**Have a Happy Easter!!!**

North Logan City will unveil its first public statuary at dedication ceremonies planned for mid-May. "Flights of Learning", which celebrates the quest for learning through literature, will welcome patrons near the entrance to the North Logan Library, the statue is the culmination of many years of fundraising, with community members making large and small donations.

The final pieces of the bronze statue should be cast by late April. Construction of the base is on hold, waiting for an end to freezing temperatures.

The Friends of the North Logan Library is a non-profit organization filled with volunteers helping North Logan create and maintain the best possible library.

Through memberships (\$5 for individuals, \$10 for families) and fundraising projects, Friends is able to contribute \$8,000 to \$10,000 annually to the library for the purchase of books and other necessities.

Upcoming projects planned by Friends of the North Logan Library include a book sale in front of Wal-Mart on May 29th and 30th and the annual July 24th breakfast held at Elk Ridge Park. Please plan to support Friends and your library by attending these activities and contributing generously. And remember to check the May Newsletter for details of the unveiling and dedication of "Flights of Learning".



## 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.

# Begin 2009 Weed Watch in North Logan

## (Following information obtained from the USU Extension Services)

Noxious weeds are silent but costly invaders that are changing the environment wherever they go. Becoming aware of this invasion and what you can do about it is necessary for the survival of many native plants and animals, and even many aspects of our way of life. The city needs your help! Without your involvement, and that of others like you, the fight against these invaders will be lost.

### What can you do?

It may seem that one person may not be able to do anything about invasive weed species, but you're wrong. People from ages 5 and up can be actively involved in the war against weeds. You've already taken the first step by becoming aware that there is a problem.

### What skills do you need?

The next step that you must take is learning to identify noxious weeds (especially those found in your home area). Being able to recognize these plants and then reporting them to local authorities is one of the biggest ways you can help. The final step is to learn how noxious weeds are controlled, and what part you can play. Knowledge of how weeds are controlled will allow you to teach your friends, support and encourage local weed management plans, and give you the opportunity to make a difference.

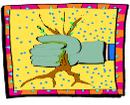
### What tools do you need?

The tools you need depend upon the action you want to take. For the most basic form of control (prevention), all you need is the eyes in your head and a telephone. On your way to school, home, or the office, just keep an eye out for any sign of noxious weeds. A weed field guide may also help you in this venture ([cachecounty.org/weeds](http://cachecounty.org/weeds)). Other forms of control require the use of tools ranging from shovels to plows, and hand sprayers to aerial applicators (airplanes and helicopters). Many of these may not be available to you, but make the most of what you have.

Why is there a need to control noxious weeds? Noxious weeds are plants that typically invade from other countries, leaving their natural controls and competitors behind (insects, diseases, grazers, and climate). The resulting uncontrolled growth of these weeds crowds out native plants and animals, and causes serious damage to our environment and present way of life. Five methods are currently being used to control the spread of invasive noxious weeds. They are: preventive and cultural (indirect control methods), and chemical, mechanical, and biological (direct control methods). In most cases, one form of control is not enough. Control often requires the combined efforts of two or more "integrated" methods to effectively stop the spread of weeds.

The use of mechanical and physical weed control methods is often associated with agriculture and home gardening. In fact, the number one work task of the world's human population is hand weeding crops. Even so, this control method can also be useful in range and wildland weed control efforts.

The use of mechanical and physical control really depends upon the type of weed and its location. Small patches of weeds can be hand-pulled and dug up, while larger populations make mowing or burning a better option. In other cases, re-growth from deep perennial roots may make mechanical and physical methods altogether ineffective.

<u>Method</u>	<u>Advantages</u>	<u>Disadvantages</u>
Hand pulling 	Highly specific Damage to other plants is low Minimal equipment cost Anyone can do it	Labor intensive: most expensive form of control No residual control Damaged weeds can recover Does not kill most perennial weeds
Tillage: most common	Effective against a wide variety Fast	Can only be used in crops, pastures, rangeland Loss of moisture; Mixes seeds in soil No residual control; Increase soil erosion Does not kill most perennial weeds
Mowing/chopping 	Reduced seed production Deplete root reserve Can kill a few plants	Not effective at killing many weeds Has little effect on low growing plants
Burning, Heat Or Electrocute	Fire is a natural disturbance that can revitalize some native plants Heating soil or manure will sterilize the seeds. For gardens or nurseries.	Fire can open up new areas for weed invasion Removed all vegetation (non-selective) Does not kill most perennial weeds

# North Logan Little League 2009 Baseball & Softball Sign-ups!



## Dates:

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Times:

9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

## 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)	\$25.00
Minor League (ages 9-10)	\$40.00
Major League (ages 11-12)	\$40.00
**Pony League (ages 13-14)	\$55.00
Non-NL Residents	\$5.00 (in addition)

**Note: Baseball age is determined by your age on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009!**

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

### SIXTH ANNUAL SECOND CHANCE 5K

### TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT ORGAN DONATION

Saturday, April 18th, at 9:00 a.m. at Utah State University's Romney Stadium parking lot (800 E 1200 N)

Registration is \$15 and will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. on the day of the event. Registration includes a T-shirt, drinks, snacks, and a goodie-bag. Pre-registration forms are available online at [www.getpatience.com](http://www.getpatience.com). Pre-registration is available before April 10th and is \$10. All proceeds go to support individuals and families going through organ transplant or donation process and to improve organ donation awareness.

About 100,000 people currently need a life-saving organ and every 12 minutes another name is added to the national registry. It is free, quick and easy to sign up to be a donor. Visit [yesutah.org](http://yesutah.org) or [donatelife.net](http://donatelife.net) and click on your state of residency to begin the process. For more information about the run, organ donation or to share personal stories, join the Face book group, "Organ Donation Awareness".