



North Logan City NEWS

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE:

The Holiday Season is upon us and I wanted to take this opportunity to wish everyone in our community the joy and happiness that comes with this special time of year.

I thought I would focus a portion of this newsletter on an item that I continually hear concerns about, the urban deer population. It appears that we have deer now that stay year around as opposed to migrating back to the mountains during warmer months. The deer which are born within the city tend not to leave. We virtually have two different populations of deer; the urban herd and the mountain herd. The urban herd has been very successful in finding food year round and because they are born here, they do not feel a natural desire to move to the mountains during warmer months. We have had increasing complaints about the deer living among us as they have become more and more domesticated.

There are many of us who really enjoy having nature so close and do not feel a need to do any kind of intervention. On the other hand, there are also those of us who are frustrated by the invasion of gardens, deer in the streets as we drive and also the potential for mountain lions coming into the city areas and stalk prey. (We have had a few sightings of this on the east side of the city.)

The question is, what should we do about this, if anything? Chief Hawks visited with Bountiful City (facing similar issues) and some expert consultants on various options for managing deer populations. He presented what he had learned to the City Council on November 17th. Some of the information presented focused on what types of vegetation are deer less likely to eat, fence sizes that would need to be constructed to keep deer out, and other educational components to better understand deer populations. However, Chief Hawks suggested that perhaps the best way to begin to address this issue is to survey the community first. This survey would be directed at helping us evaluate the problem and then determine an intervention if one should be needed.

As a result, we intend to send a survey out in one of the next two newsletters which would help us evaluate the problem and then report the findings back to the community. Any action that would be taken from that point on would be based on survey results. This article is intended to begin the process of what we may want to do about it.

Again, I hope you have a safe and wonderful holiday season. And remember, don't feed the reindeer!

Mayor Lloyd Berentzen

TRAVEL SAFE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

During this holiday season make sure to plan for plenty of time for your travels. Slow down and drive defensively. On long trips go prepared with extra water, blankets, food and first aid materials in your vehicle. While you are out shopping, store your purchases in the trunk or cover them from sight. To find the current road conditions, 24-hours a day, go to commuterlink.utah.gov or call 511. If calling from outside Utah, call 1-866-511-UTAH. Accurate winter road conditions are compiled by UDOT from roadway sensors, cameras and snowplow operator reports. Live views from UDOT cameras and current roadway sign information can also be viewed from their website. In Cache County major travel issues (Sardine or Logan Canyon being closed) will be broadcasted via Twitter. Follow on Twitter at: **Logan_Cache_911**
Make this a safe and happy holiday season for everyone. Happy Holidays! Chief Hawkes

What's Happening in City Council?

The City Council meetings for the month of December will be on the 1st and the 15th starting at 6:30 pm. At the time this newsletter was written there were no specific items on the agenda for December 15th but there are a few items that will be discussed by the City Council, currently scheduled for the meeting on December 1st.

During the last session of the Utah State Legislature, a new state law was passed that will affect our city's definition of a "family". Our city zoning ordinance regulates a "single family residence" and then defines what constitutes a "family". The new state law will force our city to slightly modify our definition of a family so that a family can also mean four unrelated persons living together. An ordinance making the required changes to our city code has gone through the Planning Commission and a public hearing on the issue was held by the City Council on November 17th. The Ordinance will be considered for adoption on Dec. 1st.

In addition, the council will also be looking at the financial status of the city and whether an adjustment to the city's budget needs to be made. There will also be a presentation to the council on the results of the annual audit being conducted by our independent auditor.

During the December 1st meeting there is also planned an annual report to the council from the Bear River Health Department and a presentation by the Logan Cache Airport regarding their updated master plan.

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.

What Is Storm Water Runoff? Storm water runoff is the rain or snowmelt that runs off streets, rooftops, parking lots, lawns and other land surfaces. As communities develop, more impervious surfaces are created and less rainfall can soak into the ground. This increases flooding and stream bank erosion. Storm water also picks up pollutants as it flows across land surfaces. Pollutants include:

Sediment from bare areas like construction sites

Pesticides and fertilizers from lawns, parks and roadsides

Bacteria and disease causing organisms from pet waste and failing septic systems

Oil and grease from car leaks, gas stations and industrial areas

Salt used on roads and driveways, and

Toxic chemicals from leaks, spills and auto wear and exhaust. Sometimes pollutants (e.g., used oil, paint thinners, etc.) are illegally dumped directly into storm drains and waterways.

Visit our web site at
northlogancity.org
and see our
Storm Water
Management plan

Friends of North Logan Library: Thanks to all you have helped the Friends Organization this past year!!

We will be holding our Annual Meeting on January 14, 2011. We are searching for volunteers who want to be involved with the Library. If you are interested please contact Linda Keith @ lindak222@msn.com or 435-787-4108.

Merry Christmas from the North Logan City Library Employees!!

Library Closure: The library will be closed on Friday, December 24th and Saturday, December 25th, 2010, for employees to celebrate Christmas. Also closed Friday, December 31st and Saturday, January 1, 2011 to celebrate New Year's.

Library Book Club: Join us on December 9, 2010 at 9 am for our Potluck Brunch and to talk about "Christmas List" by Paul Evans. Bring a Christmas poem, story, thought, experience, etc... to share (about 5 minutes). Bring a wrapped book to exchange.

January's book is "Saving CeeCee Honeycutt" by Beth Hoffman.

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).

Young Adults (ages 13-18): Thursday, December 9th from 4:30-6:30 we will be tying quilts to donate to those in need. Wednesday, December 29th we will be having a read-a-thon from 7-12:30.

Did You Know: The library has many recipe, craft and decorating books that could help you with your holiday celebrating! Come check them out today!



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, trailers, RV's, etc, **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, whether there is snow or not.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
DECEMBER



- 1 - City Council - 6:30 p.m.
 - 2 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
 - 13 - Senior Citizens Luncheon - 12:00 p.m.
 - 14 - Friends of the Library - 6:30 p.m.
 - 15 - City Council - 6:30 p.m.
 - 16 - Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.
 - 21 - Library Board - 3:30 p.m.
 - 24 - Christmas Eve - CITY OFFICE CLOSED AT NOON
 - 27 - Parks & Recreation - 3:30 p.m. City Office Conf Rm
 - 31 - New Year's Eve-CITY OFFICE CLOSED AT NOON
- City Council & Planning Commission meet at the North Logan Library at 475 East 2500 North.
To see the complete calendar of events visit our web site at: <http://www.northlogancity.org>



Daughters of Utah Pioneers-Ralph Smith Camp meeting is Thurs, Dec. 16th, **NOON** pm at 1550 E. 1900 N., N.L.. "Christmas Luncheon"

IRS issues guidance in explaining 2011 changes to flexible spending arrangements--visit: <http://www.irs.gov/irs/article/0,,id=227301,00.html>

BUSINESS CORNER

Remember-garbage cans out by 7:00 a.m. Blue recycle cans will be on Dec 9th, 23rd & 30th.

Commercial Businesses
Utah Mattress Outlet

NO MORE GREENWASTE PICKUPS UNTIL APRIL '2011

<u>Permit Type</u>	<u>2010 to date</u>	<u>2009 to date</u>
Single Family Residence (B/u)	22/28	18/21
Multi-Family (Bldg/units)	0/0	0/0
New Commercial (Retail)	4	2
Office	4	2
Remodel (Existing Comm)	0	0
Industrial	3	3

***** NOTICE TO BUSINESS OWNERS *****

Beginning immediately, the City will initiate action to enforce all legal remedies available, including denial, non-renewal, and revocation of the Business License for any business which has failed to obtain or renew their Business License following two months of delinquency notices.

DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES IN NORTH LOGAN

If you have a solicitor come to your door you may ask them to show you their North Logan City Solicitor's badge. This should be worn at all times on their shirt while soliciting. If they do not have one, they have not registered with North Logan City and should not be soliciting. You can report this to the City Office 435-752-1310 ext 12 or call the police at 435-753-7600.



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE CITY OF NORTH LOGAN AND ALL OF ITS EMPLOYEES!



Looking for your North Logan Tree Stories: Do you know of a memorable tree, tree grove, street arbor or orchard in North Logan? The North Logan Tree and History Committees have partnered with Utah State's Interpretive Lab, on the Legacy Tree Project. This Community Partnership grant through Forestry, Fire and State Lands allow us to collect stories through taped interviews, transcribe and archive interviews with Special Collections at USU's Merrill-Cazier Library, and produce public materials (interactive map, walking brochure and taped stories on the North Logan web site) on those special trees important to people who have lived in North Logan. We would like to start the interviewing in January and are now compiling the list of interviews. If you would like to be considered for this engaging history project for North Logan, call 752-6954, or email middleton.bam@gmail.com.



OPEN ENROLLMENT

The Thomas Edison Charter Schools are now accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year. The open enrollment period will end on **January 28, 2011 at 3:30 pm**. If applications received by that date exceed available class space in any grade, a random drawing will be held to fill those positions on **January 28, 2011**. In grades where applications do not exceed class space, enrollment will continue until those classes are filled. For information please call Edison North at 435-787-2820, Edison South at 435-752-0123, or visit our website at ThomasEd.org.

SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON



The North Logan Senior Citizens will hold their monthly luncheon at 12:00 noon on Monday, **DECEMBER 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, DECEMBER 10TH**.

