

In brief

Logan

Logan police investigate two vehicle crashes

Logan police investigated two vehicle collisions that took place within just 45 minutes of each other Wednesday morning.

At 8:15 a.m., a Toyota Camry was traveling east-bound on 1250 North when it went through a red light at the intersection of Main Street and collided with the trailer of a northbound semi truck, police said.

The Toyota went underneath a section of the trailer, damaging the top of the car.

Police Capt. Jeff Curtis said the male driver and sole occupant of the car had limited visibility because the sun was in his face. He suffered only minor injuries. Witnesses say the top of the car was badly damaged.

At 9 a.m., a motorcyclist collided with the rear of a vehicle near 1900 South on U.S. 89-91. The driver of the motorcycle was being treated for a concussion and broken hand Wednesday, police said.

USU

USU professor gets spot with major coalition

A Utah State University Extension clothing and textiles specialist and USU assistant professor was recently elected to represent family and consumer sciences education issues on a national coalition.

Lindsay Shirley received this responsibility at the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences 100th Annual Conference in June when she was elected to the board of directors for the National Family and Consumer Sciences Education Association. Shirley will serve a three-year term, also representing the FCSEA on the National Coalition for Family and Consumer Sciences Education.

The coalition, www.facecoalition.org, provides a unified voice on issues related to family and consumer sciences education.

Shirley has also served on the Family and Consumer Science Alliance as a representative of FCSEA and the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Agendas

✓ **The Smithfield Board of Adjustment** meets at 7 p.m. in the council chambers, 69 N. Main St. Agenda items include:

- Discussing an appeal of an administrative decision regarding an accessory building at 587 E. 460 South.
- Discussing a request to expand a non-conforming structure at 353 S. 100 West.
- Discussing a request for approval to permit grazing at 126 W. Center St.

✓ **The Newton Town Planning Commission** will meet at 7 p.m. in Town Hall, 51 S. Center St. Agenda items include:

- Hearing a report from planning commission members on zoning ordinance research assignments.

✓ **The Cache Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees** will meet at 7 p.m. in the Trenton Town Park. Agenda items include:

- Reviewing and approving minutes.
- Hearing a report from the Bear River Health Department.
- Approving conferences and trainings.

✓ **The Cache Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees** will meet at 7 p.m. in the Trenton Town Park. Agenda items include:

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- Hearing a report from the Bear River Health Department.
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Five vie for River Heights seats

Editor's note: The Herald Journal is profiling local candidates for office who will run in the Sept. 15 primary race. Those who have filed to run in communities that will only hold general elections in November will be featured later this year. The newspaper has asked each candidate to provide a photo of him or herself and makes every attempt to contact each individual running for office.

By Kim Burgess
staff writer

Five people are vying for two

seats on the River Heights City Council, with the candidates ranging from a retired veteran to an 18-year-old college student.

The Sept. 15 primary will eliminate one candidate, with the remaining four advancing to the general election. Winners will serve for a four-year term.

One of his plans is to



Clausen

develop a River Heights cemetery. Clausen has also been responsible for streets and sidewalks. If he wins a second term, he hopes to ensure that new road projects are investigated.

"River Heights is a small community," he added. "I want to stay on the council to be part of making sure we stay a small community but at the same

time investigate the possibility of commercial development."

A native of Wisconsin, Clausen has lived in River Heights for 17 years. He came to Cache Valley to work for Icon Health and Fitness, where he is still employed.

Clausen has two children and two stepchildren with his wife, Georgiana.

Kathryn Hadfield is also an incumbent, having been elected for a partial term of two years

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Meegan M. Reid/Herald Journal

A quiet stroll

A couple strolls hand in hand through the Logan Cemetery on Monday.

UDOT encourages kids to walk

By Devin Felix
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Elementary school students who walk to school next month may get more for a reward than just fresh air and exercise.

The Utah Department of Transportation has launched the Walk More in Four program to encourage kids to walk to school. Participating students will be expected to keep track of the days they walk to school during the four weeks of September. Those who walk or bike to school three or more days per week during the month will be entered into a drawing for prizes, including helmets, scooters, bikes

and others.

Students not within walking distance can also participate by walking or biking in their neighborhoods, said UDOT region director Darin Duersch.

"The start of a new school year provides an opportunity for students to get in the habit of safely walking and biking to and from school," Duersch said. Representatives from UDOT, Logan city, Bear River Health Department and the state Gold Medal Schools program visited Adams Elementary Wednesday to kick off the program. Adams was one of eight schools throughout the state where launch events were held.



Alan Murray/Herald Journal

Mayor Randy Watts speaks to students outside Adams Elementary in Logan on Wednesday about being safe while walking home from school.

Every school in the state will have the chance to participate, said Becky Wickstrom, a UDOT representative. The idea behind the program is to encourage safety and to promote

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Health Dept. gears up for swine flu vaccinations

By Charles Geraci
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Seasonal flu shots will be administered a month earlier this year, as the Bear River Health Department gears up for the H1N1 vaccinations this fall.

Normally, shots for seasonal flu are administered beginning in early October, but this year they will be available starting Sept. 1.

The agency expects the H1N1 vaccine, currently in clinical trials, to be available in mid-October, but that time frame is by no means certain.

"It is a moving target," said Jill Parker, spokeswoman for the Bear River Health Department. "Information is changing every day."

Still, Lloyd Berentzen, the health department's director, noted the importance of also being prepared for seasonal flu. "It is important that we create community immunity against seasonal flu to protect those who cannot receive the vaccine such as babies less than six months old," said Berentzen. "To do this requires a community effort, and we want to be as available as we can to provide the vaccine."

The agency is expanding clinic times in an effort to aid in the seasonal flu vaccine's distribution.

In the Logan office, flu shots will be available from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, beginning Sept. 1.

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Upcoming coverage

Cache Magazine



'Paper & Clay'

In the exhibit "Paper & Clay," eight female USU alumni present prints and ceramic works in the new Department of Art gallery space at the Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art. From whimsical to dark, the pieces cover a variety of moods. Pick up Friday's Cache Magazine to read more about the show.