

CRIME

Comparing crime across campuses

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According to Alexia Shurmur, editor-in-chief of UNLV's "The Rebel Yell," university police are trying to catch a thief who steals bikes and bike parts. In an attempt to catch the culprit the police are using a bait bike, which they monitor in hopes of catching the thief in the act.

of UNLV's campus and the fact that it is an open campus that anyone can walk onto contributes to the crime rate of the campus. "UNLV is in kind of a sketchy area," Shurmur said. "It's not somewhere you want to hang out at night."

Motor vehicle thefts are also a major issue at UNLV. From 2010 to 2012 UNLV had an average of 24 vehicle thefts per year. Shurmur said UNLV is a commuter campus, so there are

many cars at campus at a time. She also said it's common for

security cameras.

The crime that received the most attention in the last school year, however, was a sexual assault that occurred in the dorms. She said the incident received a lot of attention because sexual assaults are rare at UNLV.

Despite relatively low levels of crime, Lemmon cautioned BYU students against becoming too complacent. He said BYU students can be too trusting, which can lead to trouble.

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Editor-in-chief of UNLV's university paper, "The Rebel Yell"

vehicle thefts to occur in the parking lots that don't have

Zoning regulations catch off-campus residents off guard

By ERICA PALMER

When he moved into a basement apartment with his wife and two babies just a few blocks from BYU campus, he didn't know the apartment he was moving into was illegal.

"What can I do?" Isai Mercado, a computer science student from Mexico, said, shrugging his shoulders. A neighbor told him his housing situation was technically illegal after he had already signed a year-long contract.

According to Gary McGinn, Provo's director of community development, this is an issue that Provo City runs into quite often. Homeowners will buy a property near campus and rent it out to multiple families, often students, when the property is only zoned for a single family.

Although its the homeowner's responsibility to use their property in accordance with the law, innocent tenants like Mercado can be affected by the consequences.

"It doesn't matter if you pay all kinds of money to live in a place that the homeowner told you you could live in if it's illegal," McGinn said. "They misled you."

If the zoning department becomes aware of an illegal zoning situation, the homeowner must come in compliance with the law.

"If what they are doing is illegal, it's illegal," McGinn said.

This often requires tenants to leave their apartments, despite the contracts they signed.

"I'm not worried, but it seems weird to me that the contract has to break," Mercado said. "If one day the landlord comes and says we have neighbors complaining, I signed a contract that I would be living here for one year."

Garry Briggs, manager of the BYU Off-Campus Housing Office, said all BYU-approved properties are required to submit a waiver stating they are zoned correctly before BYU will approve them, leaving most single undergraduate students unaffected.

However, this can be an issue for married and graduate students who are charged with the responsibility of finding their own housing outside of BYU restrictions.

"Don't tell them where you live, or they'll come looking," said Tim Morrison, a man who has lived in one of these uniquely-zoned neighborhoods near BYU campus for at least 50 years. He said his entire street is zoned for single-family homes, but nearly every home has at least two families occupying the upstairs and basement.

But as far as he knows, the Provo zoning department has never done anything about it.

"When you drive down the street and you look at a house, you can't tell just by looking at it whether it's a duplex or not or whether there are two families living in a home," McGinn said.

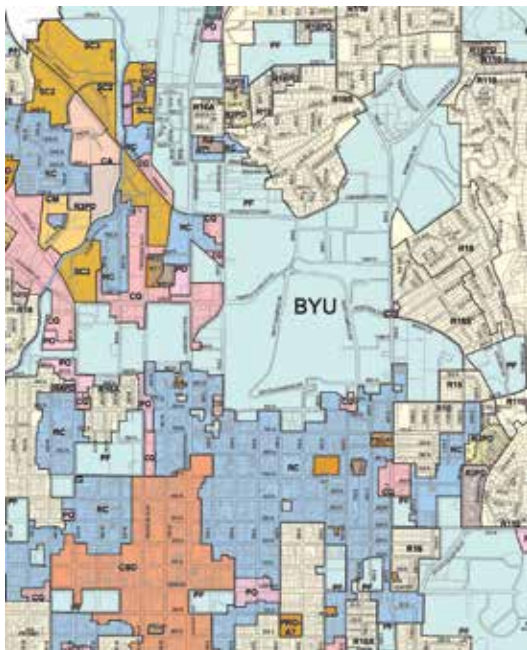
Couches being stored on the porch, too many cars parked on the road and an excess of garbage are among the things that spark complaints from neighbors and can get tenants and their landlords in trouble.

"If people are quiet and fit in and they are not parking everywhere and they don't have trash everywhere, they go unnoticed," McGinn said.

However, he still recommends that tenants become educated about zoning regulations before they sign rental contracts.

"A smart landlord is checking out the person they are renting to. If the landlord is doing that with the student, the student probably ought to check out who their landlord is," he said.

He recommended that students who are signing a rental contract first ask the landlord if they have a rental leasing



Map courtesy Provo Department of Community Development. The high demand for student housing leaves Provo with an interesting, and often complicated zoning situation.

agreement. Or better yet, they should go to the city and find out from city planners.

For any questions related to zoning, contact the Provo Department of Community Development.

Police Beat

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

March 22 Officers spoke with some individuals about throwing water balloons at Helaman Halls.

SEX OFFENSE

March 15 An individual reported being inappropriately touched by another individual at Heritage Halls.

March 18 A man entered an apartment at Wyview and sexually assaulted the tenant.

March 19 An individual reported being inappropriately touched by another individual at Heritage Halls.

March 19 An individual issued a delayed report of being inappropriately touched by another individual at the Harris Fine Arts Center on Mar. 6.

March 19 An individual reported being inappropriately touched by another individual at Lot 49.

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March 19 An individual issued a delayed report of being inappropriately touched by another individual at the Bean Museum on Jan. 1.

March 20 An individual issued a delayed report of being inappropriately touched by another individual at Wymount Terrace on Mar. 11.

March 20 An individual issued a delayed report of being inappropriately touched by another individual on Feb. 20.

March 21 An individual issued a delayed report of being inappropriately touched by another individual in Lot 23 on Jan. 15.

THEFT

March 17 An individual reported a stolen bicycle at Heritage Halls. It was determined the bike was impounded.

March 18 An individual reported textbooks being taken from the Eyring Science Center.

March 18 An unattended longboard was reported taken in the Wilkinson Center.

March 18 An individual reported property taken from a vehicle in Lot 39.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

March 20 An individual reported writing on the cement outside the Maeser Building.

STALKING

March 20 Officers responded to report of an individual possibly stalking another in the JKB.

THREATENING

March 20 An individual reported that another individual made a veiled threat in the MTC.

TODAY

UNIVERSITY DEVOTIONAL

Tuesday, March 25, 11:05 a.m.,
Marriott Center

This devotional will also be broadcast in the JSB Auditorium.



Chad Lewis

BYU Associate Athletic Director of Development

Chad Lewis is the associate athletic director of development at BYU. He grew up in Orem, Utah, with a dream to play football for BYU. He served as a missionary in the Taiwan Taichung Mission and says being a missionary changed his life in every good way.

When he came home from Taiwan he enrolled at BYU and walked onto the BYU track team as a high jumper. He quickly changed sports and made the football team as a walk-on. His favorite move on the football field was jumping over defenders. Chad said that playing for LaVell Edwards and wearing the BYU uniform was one of the great honors of his life.

At BYU he met his wife, Michele Fellows, who was a two-time

All-American for the BYU women's volleyball team. They married in the Las Vegas Temple and have since raised seven wonderful, and very tall, children.

Chad played for nine years in the NFL, helping the Philadelphia Eagles get to the Super Bowl with two touchdowns in the NFC championship game. He was selected to the Pro Bowl three times. His head coach was Andy Reid, who also played football at BYU.

Chad worked as the general manager for Century Steel for two years. After Century Steel was acquired, he left the industry to write his book *Surround Yourself with Greatness*, published by Deseret Book. Chad serves as an ambassador for the NFL around the world, especially in China.

Selected speeches available at <http://speeches.byu.edu>

NEXT: UNIVERSITY DEVOTIONAL



Lawrence C. Walters
Professor, Romney Institute of Public Management

April 1, 11:05 a.m.
Marriott Center

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

Other Location: Helaman, Outlet & Wyview | Prices Valid: March 26-April 1 | For Location Hours Visit: dining.byu.edu/creamery

Bakery Rice Krispy Treats 2/\$1	BYU CREAMERY CREAMERY ON 9TH	Deli Land O Frost Premium Lunch Meat \$3.69
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Creamery Features

5 quart Vanilla, Strawberry & Chocolate BYU Ice Cream \$7.49	1 lb Brigham Creek Cheese 2/\$6
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Meat Beef New York Steaks \$6.99/lb	Produce 1 lb Strawberries 2/\$5
Assorted Pork Chops \$2.39/lb	Corn Dogs \$1.89/lb
Pink Lady Apples \$1.29/lb	Asparagus \$1.99/lb

Grocery

Selected General Mills Cereal \$2.99	Skippy 28oz Peanut Butter \$4.49	Finish 20ct Electrosol Powerball \$3.79	Marie Callenders Dinners 2/\$5
Rice-A-Roni or Pasta Roni Side Dish 99c	American Licorice 2lb RedVines 2/\$7	RESOLVE Stain Stick or Spray 2/\$5	Marie Callender Pies \$6.49

Tasty Tidbits Assorted Ruffles Potato Chips 2/\$6	Cheez-It Crackers \$2.99	Manager's Choice Tombstone Pizza 2/\$8	Bugles, Gardetto's or Chex Mix \$1.99
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