

At Your Service

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Halloween Safety

Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Make sure shoes fit well and costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement, or contact with flame. A parent or responsible adult should *always* accompany young children trick-or-treating through neighborhoods.

- Use a flashlight to see and be seen by others.
- Stay in groups.
- Always tell someone where they are going.
- Only go to homes with porch lights on.
- Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.
- If no sidewalk is available, walk at the farthest edge of the roadway facing traffic.
- Never cut across yards and do not use alleys.
- Never enter a stranger's home or car for a treat.
- Obey all traffic and pedestrian regulations.
- Always walk; never run across a street.
- Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks.
- Remove any mask or item that will limit eyesight before crossing a street or driveway.
- Don't assume the right of way. Motorists may have trouble seeing trick-or-treaters. Just because one car stops, doesn't mean others will!
- No treats are to be eaten until thoroughly checked by an adult at home.
- Call police to report anything suspicious.



Portion of Ogden River is now Utah's newest Blue Ribbon Fishery

The 1.1-mile stretch of the Ogden River that was renovated recently and flows right through the middle of our downtown area continues to receive accolades and recognition. This time from the Utah Blue Ribbon Fisheries Advisory Council who voted to designate this restored section of the Ogden River as a "Blue Ribbon Fishery."



In order to be designated a Blue Ribbon Fishery, a water body must exhibit the following:

- Provide high quality fishing
- Offer a quality outdoor experience
- Contain high quality fish habitat
- Provide an economic benefit to the community

This is incredible news for Ogden residents who have the benefit of living near this remarkable gem; it's a unique and valuable outdoor resource in the heart of downtown that improves our quality of life.

The Utah Blue Ribbon Fisheries program was established in 2005 by former Gov. Jon Huntsman Jr. The advisory council, a broad-based citizen advisory group, oversees the program. Funds for the program come from those who purchase fishing licenses.

New Water Treatment Plant planned for Ogden Residents

The Ogden Water Filter Plant reached an amazing milestone recently—over one-billion gallons of drinking water have now been produced at the plant proving that it has been a reliable source of drinking water for nearly 60 years.

Even though the plant continues to provide safe drinking water, the facility has some serious structural issues and does not meet current seismic codes. The plant has reached the point where repairing its defects has become more expensive than replacing it. In accordance with the 2012 Master Plan, funds have been authorized to reconstruct the Filter Plant. Recently a \$1 million dollar loan from the Sewer Utility to the Water Utility was approved and this money is being used to commence the design of the new plant. Construction on the new Filter Plant will begin in 2013.

This new filter plant is an exciting step forward in ensuring the long term viability of Ogden's water system. If you have any questions regarding the Filter Plant Reconstruction Project please contact the Water Utility Office at 801-629-8321.

Get a CO Detector to Prevent Accidental Poisoning or Death



With cooler temperatures quickly approaching, home owners will be turning their furnace on to keep their home warm. While we enjoy "creature comforts" like this, poorly maintained heaters and appliances can put us and our families at risk.

Carbon Monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless gas that is a by-product of the combustion process. Any fuel burning appliance such as water heaters, furnaces, or gas stoves may produce CO. This can create a life threatening situation if not detected. Symptoms of CO poisoning mirror those of the flu, and it can be hard to tell the difference. Symptoms may include headaches, nausea, confusion, and dizziness.

CO detectors are the best way to prevent significant exposure to CO. Just like a smoke detector in your home, a properly installed CO detector may save your life and your family.

Ogden City has CO detectors for residents to purchase at a discounted price. These are still available for \$10 and may be purchased at the cashier counter located on the second floor of the municipal building at 2549 Washington Blvd.

If you have a CO detector and it goes off, don't ignore it! This is an emergency situation and you should call 911 to report it. The fire department will respond and check your home for CO and provide further direction.



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Citizen Corps: Disaster Preparedness Plans for Pets



As Ogden's Citizen Corps continues encouragement for family emergency preparedness, an often overlooked part of that plan involves the family pet.

In a disaster, the care and well-being of pets is essential. If it becomes necessary to evacuate to an emergency shelter, pets are usually prohibited,

with the exception of service animals.

Be a responsible pet owner and prepare in advance. Plans should include large quantities of food and water, a pet carrier or kennel, leash, litter box, etc. Make boarding and care arrangements beforehand with family, friends, boarding kennels, or a veterinary facility, if possible.

Detailed disaster preparedness guidelines for many kinds of pets can be found at www.aspc.org/pet-care/disaster-preparedness.

For information about Ogden's Citizen Corps, neighborhood safety, emergency preparedness, or to volunteer with Ogden's Citizen Corps, call 801-629-8948 or email citizencorps@ogdencity.com.

A Holiday Tradition that Keeps on Giving

Over the past 23 years, the Christmas Tree Jubilee has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to help countless special needs children. Money raised has been spent to buy educational supplies as well as special wheel chairs and devices to make education more accessible to the children of our community.

The Christmas Tree Jubilee has become a tradition in Ogden and is a great way to kick-off the holiday season. Use this voucher for free admission to this year's boutique and tree room at the David Eccles Conference Center on November 21 and 23. More info at 801-476-7896.

Cleaning Up the Fall Leaves

For many of us, the changing of the color of the leaves in the fall is a much anticipated event. However, the inevitable raking of the leaves is an experience almost all of us dread.

Be aware as you rake leaves this fall that it is a violation of Illegal Dumping and Waterway Blocking ordinances to sweep or push leaves into the gutter or onto the street. Fallen leaves can plug storm drains and as the weather freezes will cause ice dams to form in the gutters.

Please be a good neighbor and citizen by keeping the gutter in front of your home clean. Dispose of green waste from seasonal yard cleanup such as branches, leaves, and grass clippings at Ogden City's Green Waste Facility—1845 Monroe Blvd, 801-629-8271.

Curbside leaf collection is not provided by the City; residents who are unable to take their leaves to the Green Waste Facility should consider asking relatives or friends to assist them. The City's Public Ways and Parks division will however assist elderly or handicapped residents with a one-time bagged leaf pickup service; call 801-629-8271 to schedule assistance.

Save the Date: Electric Light Parade and Christmas Village Gala is Saturday, November 24

The holidays are just around the corner and soon Santa will arrive in Ogden to flip the magic switch that turns on the lights of Christmas Village! It all takes place during the holiday kickoff on Saturday, November 24, with a Santa Run at 4:30 that has hundreds of runners dressed in Santa suits making their way up and down the parade route on Washington Blvd (801-335-4940 or www.runsanta.com), the Holiday Electric Light Parade at 5:30 that includes fifty lit up floats traveling southward on Washington Blvd from 22nd Street to 27th Street and the Christmas Village Opening Gala and Fireworks at 6:30 that officially starts the holiday season in Ogden. Get more information at www.ogdencity.com or 801-629-8284.



Fly from Ogden Airport

Ogden area residents are enjoying the convenience of flying from Ogden-Hinckley Airport. Commercial passenger service connects Ogden to Mesa, Arizona; the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport is a great connecting point to reach at least 40 other great destinations throughout the US.

Reasons to fly from Ogden? That's easy. Easy parking, easy security lines, easy terminal, easy boarding, and easy returns. Oh, and buying tickets is easy too. Visit www.allegiantair.com, call 801-629-8251, or go to the Ogden Airport ticket counter at 3909 Airport Road.



Is my trash day delayed due to the holiday?

- Oct 8, Columbus Day: No Delay
- Nov 11, Veterans Day: No Delay
- Nov 22, Thanksgiving: No pickup service on Thursday. Thursday's pickup will take place on Friday and Friday's pickup is moved to Saturday.
- Dec 25, Christmas: No pickup service on Tuesday. Tuesday's pickup will be on Wednesday, and each day for the remainder of the week will be delayed one day.

Questions about your curb side pickup of trash and recyclables? Call 801-629-8271.

Down Payment Assistance

The Own in Ogden program offers down payment assistance for low to moderate income home buyers in targeted areas. Call 801-629-8940 for more information.

Emergency Home Repair

Ogden City offers emergency home repair loans for low to moderate income, owner-occupied households in need of financial assistance to correct sudden, unexpected emergency life- and health-threatening housing conditions. For information call 801-629-8903.



Home Sweet Ogden

Ogden City refurbishes homes and sells them at a great bargain. Visit homesweetogden.ogdencity.com for a listing of homes for sale within the program or call 801-629-8940 for more info.



Free Admission
Boutique and Tree Room



Christmas Tree Jubilee
Supporting Students for 30 years!
November 21st & 23rd, 2012
9:00am ~ 9:00pm

David Eccles Conference Center
2415 Washington Blvd | Ogden Utah

Enter to Win
A Fully Decorated Christmas Tree
(Bring this ticket to the event)

_____ Name _____

_____ Address _____

_____ City, State Zip _____

_____ Phone _____

_____ email address _____

Useful Ogden City Contacts

- 801-629-8000 Ogden City Corp main line
- 801-629-8159 City Council agenda

- 801-629-8961 Code Enforcement
- 801-629-8752 Graffiti Task Force

- 801-629-8284 Christmas Village
- 801-629-8251 Ogden-Hinckley Airport

- 801-395-8221 Non-Emergency Police & Fire
- 801-629-8244 Animal Services