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Summer Parks Program for Kids

Ogden City Recreation offers a Summer Parks program designed to provide Ogden area youngsters numerous activities and events to occupy the summer hours.

Parks throughout the city (Bonneville, 4th Street, Romrell, Grandview, Jaycee, and Rolling Hills) are staffed with experienced recreation leaders who supervise activities, games, sports, field trips, arts and crafts, water sliding, swimming, and more.

Designed for children in first grade through fifth grade, the program begins June 13 and continues through July 22; hours are 11am to 3pm, Monday through Friday. Registration fee is \$15 for Ogden City residents, \$20 for non-residents, and additional fees apply for field trips, special events, and swimming.

Register with Ogden City Recreation 801-629-8253, 1875 Monroe Blvd or www.ogdencity.com.

Lorin Farr Pool and Waterslide

Whether for swim lessons, youth birthday parties, public swimming, or evening group rentals, the Lorin Farr Pool and Waterslide is the place for summer fun!

The 2011 season begins with the opening of the pool and waterslide on Memorial Day, May 30. Contact the Recreation Office to register for swim lessons or reserve space for youth birthday parties and group events, 801-629-8253, 1875 Monroe Blvd, or www.ogdencity.com.

Observe New Fireworks Regulations

In the last legislative session, House Bill 22 "Fire Prevention and Fireworks Act Amendments" was passed allowing the sale and discharge of aerial devices in the state of Utah.

The bill also expands the days fireworks are allowed to be discharged, now *June 26 through July 26*. Only state-approved fireworks are allowed, and within Ogden City limits fireworks may be discharged *only between 11am and 11pm*. Anyone igniting fireworks outside of the approved time frame will be cited.

While the new rules allow more fireworks options, Ogden City Fire Department is cautioning people about the use of aerial devices and persuading the public to be safe and read all labels before igniting fireworks. Aerial devices can travel up to 150 feet in the air and in windy conditions may drift into fields, onto roofs, and into vegetation causing fires.

Enjoy fireworks in Ogden at these public displays:

June 22	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field
June 28	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field
July 4	Hot Rockin 4th at Pioneer Stadium (Lorin Farr Park)
July 4	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field
July 17	Lindquist Pops Concert & Fireworks Show at Weber State Univ
July 23	Pioneer Days Rodeo at Pioneer Stadium (Lorin Farr Park)
July 23	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field
July 24	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field
Sept 2	Raptors Game at Lindquist Field

Please use extreme caution, use only fireworks purchased in Utah, and make sure *everyone* in your group knows and practices fireworks safety:

Read and follow label directions

Keep a bucket of water nearby

Buy from reliable sellers

Always have adult supervision

Never light fireworks indoors or near dry grass

Never re-light a "dud" firework

Never give fireworks to children

Save your spot for the Pioneer Days Parade

Reserving your favorite vantage point to watch the Ogden Pioneer Days Parade is a tradition that has spanned generations. This year, the Ogden City Council has approved an ordinance to allow camping along the parade route and to designate appropriate activities before and during the event.

Reserving Spectator Areas:

Public property may be occupied and reserved along the parade route beginning at 6pm the day before the event. Spectators may use a chair, queen-sized blanket, or an opened sleeping bag to reserve a position. These personal items must remain physically attended to by an individual. Areas may no longer be reserved with ropes, tapes, banners, vehicles, or other kinds of barriers.

Camping along the Parade Route:

Spectators may stay overnight on public property to reserve a position along the parade route. City curfew laws will still be enforced, which means any participant under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Spectators may use a cabana no larger than 6' by 6' to provide shade or weather protection, but tents and other enclosed shelters are not permitted along the parade route.

Ogden Pioneer Day Parade: July 25th at 9am

Begins on 31st St, continues northbound on Washington Blvd to 20th St

Additional Event Regulations:

- No one may reserve a space prior to 6pm the day before the event.
- No one may park along the parade route from 6pm the day before until the conclusion of the event.
- Fire hydrants and private driveways must remain open and accessible at all times.
- All spectators are responsible to control and remove their personal items and trash.
- Spectators may not walk along the parade route during the parade.
- No one may use fireworks, airsoft guns, projectiles, barbeque equipment, fire pits, bonfires, and other heat sources along the route.
- Spectators may not bring animals to the parade except service animals.
- Anyone wishing to sell goods or vendor food must first obtain a permit from the City.

Additional information regarding regulations for this year's Ogden Pioneer Days Parade may be found at council.ogdencity.com or by calling the Ogden City Council office at 801-629-8153.



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7th Street Improvements

Work will begin this summer mid- to late June on reconstruction of 7th Street. Motorists who use 7th Street should be aware of this impending project and consider alternate routes.

Given the scope of this project, commuters may anticipate 7th Street to be closed to through traffic between Adams Avenue and Liberty Avenue until the project is completed in late Fall 2011.

For more info regarding this project, contact Ogden City's traffic engineer at 801-629-8991.

Do your part to prevent water contamination

Did you know that leaving a garden hose submerged in a non-drinkable substance such as a kiddie-pool or fish pond can contaminate the drinking water in your home?

It's called backsiphonage, and it happens when non-drinkable water is pulled back into the pipes in your home due to a change in water pressure in the system.

In water supply systems, water is normally maintained at a significant pressure to enable water to flow from your tap, shower, faucet, etc. But when water pressure fails or is reduced or reversed as may happen if a water main bursts, pipes freeze, or there is unexpected demand on the water system, the pressure in the pipe may be reduced and may flow backward allowing contaminated water to be drawn into the system.

Backflow prevention assemblies are commonly used to protect water systems from contamination or pollution. Water users can help prevent the possibility of contaminating the City's water supply by installing Atmospheric Vacuum Breakers as shown here on any hose bib that may not already be protected. The most common hazard with household cross-connections is unprotected hose bibs and culinary sprinkler systems without the necessary backflow assembly protection. One style of sprinkler backflow protection is shown here.



Sprinkler Backflow Protection



Backflow prevention is one component **Atmospheric Vacuum Breaker** of the City Water department's efforts to ensure clean, dependable drinking water. Striving to deliver the highest quality drinking water to its customers, the department can attain this goal with the cooperation of citizens to stay in compliance by installing hose bib vacuum breakers and sprinkler backflow assemblies.

Please contact Ogden City's backflow technician at 801-629-8334 to obtain a Sprinkler System Information Packet and to ask questions regarding the proper installation for backflow assemblies.

Parks Reservations

Ogden City is proud to offer 41 public parks for the public to enjoy. Many parks offer playgrounds, BBQ grills, and restroom facilities, while some include areas for basketball, softball, baseball, volleyball, tennis, or pickleball. Most Ogden City parks have picnic tables and pavilions, and 13 of these feature pavilions that can be rented for large gatherings of family and friends.

The reservation process is simple and can be handled at either the Public Works Building (133 W 29th St) or the Community Services Building (1875 Monroe Blvd). The fee for most

pavilions is \$50; larger pavilions are \$350. A \$100 cleaning deposit is due at the time the reservation is made and is refunded if the pavilion is left clean after the event. Choose to reserve a pavilion for the morning (one hour before sunrise until 2pm) or the afternoon (3pm until one hour after sunset).

For larger public gatherings like car shows and sporting events of more than 250 people, contact Ogden City Special Events at 801-629-8547. For all other inquiries for parks and pavilion reservations, contact Ogden City Public Ways & Parks at 801-629-8271.

The Critical Days of Summer

Citizen Corps reminds you to keep families and neighborhoods safe during summer activities. Did you know more accidents occur during the busy summer months than at any other time? Motorcycle and automobile accidents take a great number of lives. To help minimize the risk, reduce your driving speed, wear a seatbelt, avoid distracted or impaired driving, and be sure young children use a child seat correctly.

Likewise, do not mix alcohol and swimming, and be sure family members do not overextend themselves in the water. The number one prevention tool against drowning is a personal flotation device (life jacket). During the summer months, heat kills by taxing the human body beyond its natural limits; take preventive measures and recognize the signs. Realize that heat stroke is a severe medical emergency; call 9-1-1 or get the victim to a hospital. Delay can be fatal.

Learn more about Citizen Corps and emergency preparedness, 801-629-8948 or citizencorps@ogdencity.com.



Transportation Corridor

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to study a potential transportation corridor in western Davis and Weber Counties. Maps and other current information on the study are available at www.udot.utah.gov/westdavis. Please call 1-877-298-1991 or email westdavis@utah.gov with any questions.

Mobile Spay and Neuter Clinic

Get your pet fixed at a substantial discount when the Big Fix Mobile Clinic comes to your area.

- **June 13 – 15** 550 25th Street, across from library: FREE cat and dog spay/neuter for Ogden residents only (bring proof of residency). Low income may qualify for free vaccine package or microchips.
- **June 21** 333 E 2nd Street, Suite 8: Call 801-432 2124 x10 to reserve for dogs and cats. Every cat fix is just \$20!
- **June 22 & 23** 550 25th Street, across from library: Call 801-432 2124 x10 to reserve for dogs and cats. Every cat fix is just \$20!

Space is limited, first-come first-served, arrive early, surgery intake is at 8am. Get more info at utahpets.org or 1-866-PETS-FIX.

Down Payment Assistance

The Own in Ogden program offers down payment assistance for low and moderate income households in targeted areas. Call 801-629-8906 for more information.



Emergency Home Repair

Ogden City offers loans for low and moderate income, owner-occupied households in need of financial assistance to correct emergency life- and health-threatening housing conditions. Call 801-629-8906.

Community Development

Ogden City is refurbishing homes and offering them for sale at a great bargain. Up to \$10,000 in Federal stimulus funds available for those who qualify.

Visit homesweetogden.ogdencity.com for a listing of homes for sale within the program. Call 801-629-8940 for more info.



Useful Ogden City Contacts

- 801-629-8000 Ogden City Corp main line
- 801-629-8752 Graffiti Task Force

- 801-399-HELP Ogden City answers hotline
- 801-629-8159 City Council agenda information line