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Sign Postings Unlawful

Ogden City is seeing continued violations of sign postings for yard sales and other announcements on street poles, light poles, and stop signs. This is unlawful; the signs are not only unsightly, they damage City property.

Instead, the City encourages residents to post notices for garage sales, lost or stolen property, etc. in the classifieds section of the Standard-Examiner newspaper. The Standard posts classifieds in their daily newspaper, in their mobile app, and on their website. A fee is charged for print ads while web-only postings are free. Placement fee for lost/stolen items is reimbursed when the item is found.

Access Standard-Examiner classifieds at Ogden City's website in the community section, or at the Standard-Examiner's website (standard.net) or mobile app (Standard Examiner Classifieds).

Those who post flyers on City or public property may be cited with \$125 fine. Avoid a possible citation by not posting signs on City or public property. Even signs that are appropriately placed on private property shall be removed promptly after the advertised event; flyers and signs linger in neighborhoods and add clutter to the area. Take note of Ogden City's sign ordinance and help keep our public property cared for.

• 18-4-1: Signposting Prohibited on Public Property. It is unlawful for any person to place any sign, handbill, poster, advertisement or notice of any kind, whether political or otherwise, in or upon any portion of any sidewalk or street. It shall be unlawful to place, paint, paste, or attach any sign defined in this title on any building, street, or property of the City.

Easter Eggstravaganza at Dino Park April 23:

For years, Eccles Dinosaur Park's Easter Egg Hunt has attracted hundreds of children of all ages, who search for eggs among the many dinosaurs within the park.

Over 10,000 eggs have been divided between the two hunts this year, Saturday, April 23, at 11am and 3pm. Doors open at 10am, so arrive early; both hunts will begin on time and each hunt will last until all 5,000 eggs are collected. Between hunts be sure to check out the third annual Autism Awareness Car and Bike Show. Regular admission fees apply and park members receive half off admission prices. Get more info at www.dinosaurpark.org or 801-393-3466.



Get involved in the Ogden Marathon: Volunteer, Participate, or Spectate:

The 11th annual Ogden Marathon is May 21, when the world will once again take notice of our incredible city. As runners from across the US and internationally make their way to Ogden, volunteers and local businesses are preparing too for the festivities downtown. Join the action by attending the Fun & Fitness Expo Friday, May 20, and cheer on the runners Saturday, May 21, at the finish line located at 25th Street and Grant Avenue. More info at www.ogdenmarathon.com.



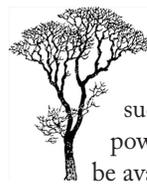
Make A Difference Day is May 12:

Grab your rakes, shovels and gloves, and join us for Make a Difference Day 2011! The third annual city-wide service day will be held Thursday, May 12. Each year Ogden City employees, administration, and council join together with local business and members of the community to work on projects designed to beautify our fabulous city. The results of the combined effort are truly amazing and we invite you to be a part of it. Individuals, families, church groups, businesses, Eagle Scouts, everyone, give us a

call and we will help find the perfect project for you! To get involved contact Ogden City's Public Ways & Parks Division at 801-629-8284.

Tree Nursery opens April 5:

Free trees will be provided by Ogden City's Tree Nursery for residents to plant in the parking strip of their property. The parking strip is the open space between the sidewalk and curb. These trees, including many colorful flowering varieties, will be available beginning April 5 until they're gone. The Tree Nursery is located at 460 20th Street and open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 8am to noon. About 200 trees will be distributed on a first-come-first-served basis and limited to one tree per household. Bring proof of residency such as a current city utility bill and driver license along with information about overhead power lines, the width of your parking strip, and your lot location. Photos of mature trees will be available to assist in the selection process as well as tips on proper planting techniques.



Scavenger Hunt commemorates National Historic Preservation Month:

Growing each year in popularity is the annual Scavenger Hunt hosted by Ogden City Landmarks Commission and the Weber Heritage Foundation which sends citizens combing historic districts of the city in search of buildings represented by clues and photos. This year's Scavenger Hunt begins April 15 when brochures are available containing the clues. Pick up brochures at Ogden City Planning Office, 2549 Washington Blvd, Ste 140, or print your own at www.ogdencity.com. Completed brochures are due back May 9; all entries are eligible for prizes.



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Free Dump Passes for Ogden City Residents: Ogden City is offering citizens two free dump passes to the Weber County Transfer Station good for a total of 640 pounds of waste disposal. This will help residents dispose of items that are not allowed in the Dial-A Dumpster program or at the Green Waste Facility.

Available until June 15, dump passes can be picked up at Ogden City's Community Service Building (1875 Monroe Blvd) or Public Ways & Parks office (133 West 29th St). Bring a picture ID; renters bring proof of residency such as a piece of mail addressed to you at your Ogden address. Own multiple Ogden properties? Call 801-629-8271 in advance to expedite the process.

More info about the Dump Pass program, Dial-A-Dumpster program, and the Green Waste Facility can be found at www.ogdencity.com, or by contacting Public Ways & Parks at 801-629-8338.

Medication drive-up and drop-off: Dispose of your outdated and unused over-the-counter medications and prescription drugs safely. Medication drive-up and drop-off will be offered Saturday, April 30, from 10am to 2pm, at Weber-Morgan Health Department located at 477 23rd Street. Call Weber Human Services (801-625-3674) or Weber-Morgan Health Dept (801-399-7160) for more info.



Safe Kids Day Fair May 14: Learn about important issues while having fun at the same time. Participate in this year's Safe Kids Day Fair, May 14, 10am – 4pm at Weber County Fairgrounds. This event promotes injury prevention and safety awareness on many topics. Free admission, fun activities, giveaways, and prizes!



Events at Golden Hours Senior Center: • **Cinco de Mayo Party:** May 5 lunch at 11:30 features special Mexican cuisine sampler followed by cultural presentation and dancers. • **Mothers Day:** On May 9, each lovely lady in attendance at 11:30 lunch receives a flower to commemorate Mothers Day; guest speaker presentation celebrates all moms. Bring your mom. The Golden Hours Center is available to all seniors and features a pool room, sewing groups, state-of-the-art exercise equipment, and programs tailored to today's senior population. Monday through Friday, 8am–4pm and 5:30–7:30pm, 801-629-8864, located in the heart of Ogden at 650 25th Street.

Baby Bird Shower at new Wildlife Rehabilitation Center:

Come visit the only wildlife rehabilitation center in northern Utah—and the largest of its kind in the state. The new Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Northern Utah, WRCNU, is located at 1490 Park Blvd (former home of the Ogden Animal Shelter). WRCNU provides a temporary home for injured, orphaned, and displaced wild animals while offering community education about nature conservation, wildlife appreciation, and the impact people have on habitats. Through exhibits and presentations at the center, as well as an outreach program that travels to school classrooms, a wide variety of topics will educate and inform guests in an effort to make our world a better place for people and their natural surroundings.



Please join us in celebrating our second annual fundraiser **Baby Bird Shower** on April 29, 30, and May 1 from 11am to 5pm. Silent auction, games, crafts, and fun activities will entertain while our knowledgeable handlers use our education birds to teach and answer questions about Utah's native wildlife. More info and "Needs List" posted at www.wrcnu.org, 801-814-7888.

Citizen Corps Corner: Prepare to Shelter-in-Place: Sheltering-in-place, or *staying put*, is an emergency preparedness principle of taking immediate shelter wherever you are – at home, work, school, or in between – usually for just a few hours, if evacuation might expose you to a greater danger. Local authorities may give instructions to shelter-in-place if chemical or radiological contaminants, for example, are released into the environment.



If outside, go to a nearby building immediately and take cover inside. If inside a building or vehicle, close and lock all outside windows and doors. Turn off all fans to heating and air conditioning. Be sure to have a disaster supplies kit with a working radio. In a building, go to a room above ground level with no or very few windows. Bring children and pets inside with you. Use duct tape and plastic sheeting to seal all cracks around the doors and over any vents in the room. Listen to the radio for emergency information until you are told all is safe or to evacuate to a different location. Follow the instructions of local officials during and afterward regarding sheltering, food, water, and clean-up methods.

For information about Ogden's Citizen Corps and to learn how to become a volunteer or receive emergency preparedness training, call 801-629-8948 or email citizencorps@ogdencity.com.

The Big Fix on Tour: Discount mobile spay/neuter clinic April 20 at 333 E 2nd Street, Suite 8, Ogden. Surgeries by appointment only; call now to reserve a spot 801-432-2124 x10. Free for those who qualify. No More Homeless Pets in Utah, 1-866-PETS-FIX or www.utahpets.org.

Reminder: April Open Burn

Ogden City's Fire Department allows residents to burn plant items from their yards April 1 – 30 only; burn permits are required. Call the fire department at 801-629-8074.

2011 Municipal Election

Ogden City has four positions up for election in 2011: Mayor, Ward 2, Ward 4, and At-Large "C". Interested in running? Candidates must file with the City Recorder between July 1 and 15. The General Election date is November 8, 2011. Election precinct boundaries, Municipal Wards, voting map, and other information is available at www.ogdencity.com.

Softball Tournament

Register now for Ogden City's Cinco de Mayo Softball Tournament to be held May 6 and 7. Limited to the first 21 teams; fee is \$250 per team. Divisions: Men's Upper, Lower; three game guarantee. Register online at www.ogdencity.com or at Ogden City Recreation office, 1875 Monroe Blvd, 801-629-8253.

Public Comments wanted

Help determine the best use of HUD funds for Ogden. The City is preparing its HUD Annual Action Plan for 2011-2012. A draft is available for public review and comments at <http://hudconplan.ogdencity.com> until April 26. Call 801-629-8940 or email fairhousing@ogdencity.com for more info.



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 info.

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