

At Your Service

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Signs Ordinance

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 illegal; the signs are not only unsightly, they damage City property. There is a potential for citations to be sent to the owners of these signs. Please take note of this ordinance and help keep our public property cared for. Ogden City's sign ordinance states:

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.

Avoid a possible citation by *not* posting signs on City or public property. Also, be mindful to remove signs after an event, even if appropriately placed on private property, as flyers and signs linger in neighborhoods and add clutter to the area.

Ogden City Rec

- Jr Jazz Basketball (boys in 3rd thru 12th grade): register before Dec 31, play Jan 15 to Mar 12, 2011.
- Girls Jr Jazz Basketball (girls 3rd grade thru Junior High) and Itty Bitty Jr Jazz (co-ed 1st and 2nd grade): register before Oct 4, play Oct 15 to Dec 18.

Cost for all Jr Jazz: 1st – 4th grade is \$30 for Ogden residents, \$39 for non-residents; 5th – 12th grade is \$35 for Ogden residents, \$45.50 for non-residents.

- Start Smart Basketball (co-ed ages three to five): register thru Jan 17, 2011, or until filled. Limited to 18 children and their parent/guardian. Fee is \$40 for six-week program.

More details at Ogden City Recreation: 801-629-8253 or 1875 Monroe Blvd.



Have you walked along the Ogden River lately?

The first of several phases of Ogden City's River Restoration project is a bit more than half completed. Those who visit the half-mile stretch of the Ogden River between Washington Boulevard and Wall Avenue will see significant progress.

With construction ongoing, the pathway trails have remained open and crews have been very mindful of passersby as work continues.

Walk, bike, roll, or stroll along the path and you'll notice the riverbed itself has been widened to bring it back to its historic condition. The water now flows at a steady, meandering current over

boulders and into pooling areas that were created to help make the right environment for microbial life and fish.

Several public access points have been created using timber, rocks, and in some cases concrete, to encourage spectators to get down close or even into the water. Stepping stones, pathways, and a ramp beg onlookers to get close to the river and play. Anglers can wade out into the water using flat boulders positioned in the stream near some of the access points.

At about Childs Avenue on the south side of the river, a rock retaining wall and patio



are being constructed. This overlook provides a spectacular view of the river with the mountains in the background and the north side of the river where plans are in work to build a park with a high-adventure theme.

More construction has begun near Gibson Avenue west of Wall Avenue where the new Wal-Mart is going in, and that work will continue eastward to meet up with the current progress between Washington and Wall.

The planned result is an amazing natural playground in the heart of downtown Ogden. Now is the time to get excited about this project and its overall benefit to our town. Go check it out.



Citizen Corps Corner: September is National Preparedness Month

Get Prepared. Get Trained. Get Involved. Citizen Corps is FEMA's hometown strategy to bring together government and community leaders with involved citizens in all-hazards emergency preparedness and resilience for self, family, and community. September is National Preparedness Month and citizens are encouraged to get prepared, get trained, and get involved. Begin now and do something—learn how at www.citizencorpsogden.dyndns.org or call 801-629-8948.



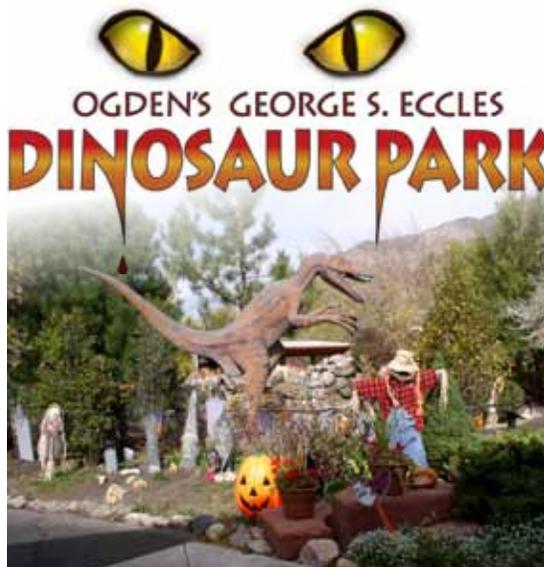
Watch for future newsletter articles which will include useful information and suggestions on how to do much more.

Haunted Dinosaur Park

Join us weekends in October for the annual "Nights of the Living Dinosaurs." This year's haunted dinosaur park will be held from 7 to 9:30pm on October 8th & 9th, 15th & 16th, 21st through 23rd, and 28th & 29th; mark your calendar.

Spooks and goblins will roam the park and our traditional Jack-O-Lantern wall will light your way. Join us in a safe environment with: costume contests, spook alleys, haunted trails, trick-or-treat stations, s'mores, hot chocolate, scones, and more. Costume contest will take place each night at 8:30pm with many prizes to be awarded.

Don't miss out on our biggest event of the year! Regular park admission prices apply: \$7 adults, \$6 seniors and students, \$5 children ages 2 to 12, toddlers younger than 2 are free. Dinosaur Park members receive 50% off admission. For more information call 801-393-3466 or visit www.dinosaurpark.org.



Sharrows Arrive On Streets In Ogden marking Shared Bike Lanes

What is a Sharrow? A sharrow is a marking installed on the right edge of a roadway that establishes a corridor where bicycles and vehicles share the same lane. All standard traffic rules apply in these shared lanes for both bicycle riders and drivers of motor vehicles.

Sharrows were first introduced in the 2009 MUTCD, a document issued by the Federal Highway Administration of the United States Department of Transportation to specify the standards by which traffic signs, road surface markings, and signals are designed, installed, and used throughout the country.

Within Ogden, new sharrows have been put in place near Weber State University beginning at 37th Street at Lark Ellen Circle and proceeding along Tyler/Polk to 26th Street. At Tyler and 26th, the route turns west connecting with the existing bike lanes on Washington Boulevard at 26th Street.



This route passes by five schools, two trail head routes, and links the Weber State University and Harrison Boulevard area to downtown Ogden. The overall sharrow and bike lane route covers 3.3 miles; it may be used for transit, exercise, or recreationally just for fun. Whatever the reason, Ogden area residents and visitors are encouraged to enjoy this new amenity.

Hockey Teams for Kids

Children in the Ogden area have an incredible opportunity to learn the sport of hockey in a world-class rink at The Ice Sheet.

The Golden Spike Amateur Hockey Association begins September 25 offering a recreational hockey program to accommodate all levels of players who wish to learn the sport and focus on sportsmanship, enjoyment, and competition. The league also provides an environment for players who wish to excel and compete at state



and national levels.

Teams are forming for children ages three all the way through high school age, and kids can come try it out *free* four times before they decide to join the league!

No deadline for signups; join a team anytime during the season.

Get more information about the Golden Spike Amateur Hockey Association by calling The Ice Sheet at 801-778-6360 or visiting www.goldenspikehockey.com.

Fire Prevention Week

In honor of Fire Prevention week, the Ogden City Fire and Police departments are holding their seventh annual Fire Prevention and Safety open house.

On Thursday, October 7, the public is invited to attend the event from 5 to 8pm at Fire Station 1/Public Safety building located at 2186 Lincoln Avenue.

The theme of the open house is "Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With," and it is a great opportunity for residents to learn some very valuable information about practicing good habits at home to prevent fires.

Those who attend will get the opportunity to meet real firefighters while seeing fire engines and ambulances up close. It's a great way to learn fire safety in a fun and entertaining environment.

Sustainable Ogden Committee's Green Tip

Flush water waste. A whopping 40 percent of the water used in your home goes down the toilet. A low-flow toilet can cut the amount used by half! A low-tech alternative: put a brick or plastic milk jug filled with pebbles in the tank. The space it takes up reduces the amount of water needed to fill the tank, so you'll save gallons (and money) with each flush.

Keep Homes in Good Repair

Ogden City offers an Emergency Home Repair Loan program to help correct life- and health-threatening housing conditions in owner occupied properties. Call 801-629-8940 for info and to apply.

Buy a Home in Ogden

Down payment assistance is available for those with low and moderate income.

Call 801-629-8940 to ask about the Own in Ogden program.



Trash & Recycle

There are *no* delays in trash and recycle collection due to holidays during the months of September or October. Stick to your regular schedule.