

## At Your Service

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# OGDEN WINTER FEST

where cold is cool

**Winterfest is  
January 28 & 29**

You can play in the snow,  
and we'll bring the mountains to you.  
You can ski down in downtown  
or race a horse down the avenue.  
Where the park is in the city  
come show us your best;  
Where cold is cool...  
At Ogden's Winterfest!

### Find Rajeev in the Ogden City Website

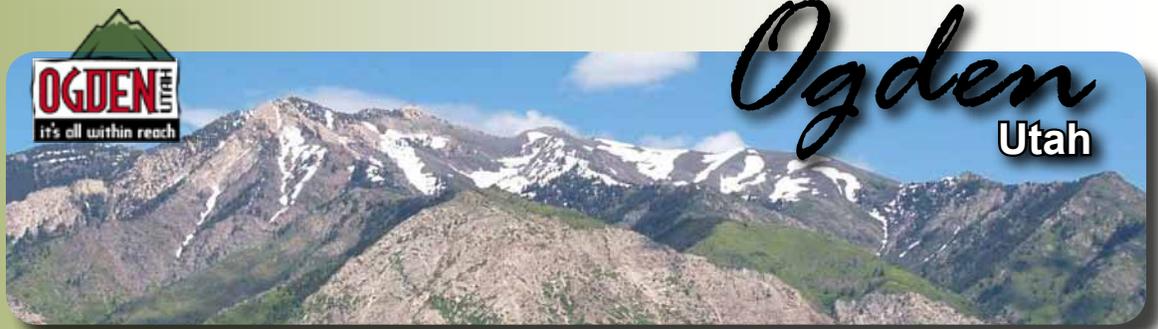
Find Rajeev is a fun contest to help you navigate further in the Ogden City website. Each Monday in December, two new Rajeeves will be hidden somewhere within the website (think Where's Waldo). Be sure to keep track of all the Rajeeves you find. At the end of December—eight Rajeeves later—those who have found all the Rajeeves will be entered into a drawing to receive some pretty amazing prizes. Rajeev himself will present the prizes to the winners! Entry form and rules at [www.ogden-city.com](http://www.ogden-city.com).

# FIND RAJEEV

### Holiday Recycling Reminder

Recycle gift wrap, cardboard tubes, and boxes of all kinds (tear into 2'X2' pieces) to help keep unnecessary items out of the landfill. Recycling is a no-fee service. If you need a blue recycling can, contact Public Ways & Parks at 801-629-8271.

Recycle your cut Christmas tree once it is clear of decorations at Ogden City's Green Waste Site (1845 Monroe Blvd) Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 8am to 5pm excluding, extreme storm days and holidays.



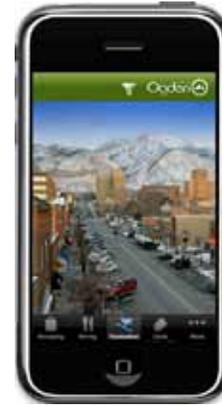
### Introducing the iOgden Mobile App

Ogden City has unveiled a free iPhone app that provides fast access to entertainment, recreation, shopping, food, and more. It's the first app of its kind, designed specifically to meet the lifestyle demands of residents and visitors alike.

The app, called iOgden, is the #1 mobile app to have when travelling in and around Ogden. "We are thrilled to be the first city in the country to offer this kind of mobile app. The combination of easy access to government services as well as information on local events, recreation, retailers, restaurants, and more will improve the quality of life for citizens and help us be more communicative and responsive," says Mayor Matthew Godfrey.

Much like having your own personal tour guide in your pocket who knows about all of Ogden's current deals and upcoming premier events, the app allows users to:

- find and map mountain trails, historical sites, art galleries, museums, and points of interest
- be in the know about upcoming events and contact the venues for tickets
- search for retail types such as Mexican food, Italian cuisine, clothing stores, antiques, gifts, and more while viewing business hours, phone numbers, and turn-by-turn directions
- find deals on the best stuff to do, see, eat, and buy to get the best bang for your buck in Ogden
- contact Ogden City for prompt action on graffiti, street maintenance, street lights, and potholes while the app takes a photo and finds the exact GPS location of the problem



**Get iOgden for your smart phone**  
Point your smartphone's QR Reader at this code to download the iOgden app. Available for iPhones now and for Android phones in January.

The iOgden app is a free download available now for iPhones and will be available for Android devices in January 2011. Download and use the iOgden app and discover why now more than ever, from Ogden "it's all within reach."

### It Pays to Buy in Ogden

Sales tax is a major source of revenue for the City of Ogden. Sales tax is earned when items are purchased within the city boundaries, and the funds are used to provide important services for citizens such as police and fire protection, street maintenance, snow plowing, and more. These services are vital to each of our citizens and to those who visit our city regularly.

A few months ago, Governor Herbert stated, "Times were bad a year ago, and times are a little bit better today, and I think that gives us reason for optimism." We at Ogden City share the governor's



optimism—it is the timing we are unsure of.

A year ago sales tax had declined 11% from the previous year. This year the decline has slowed, but we are still descending. As the holidays approach, we are asking, please purchase your holiday gifts, food, entertainment, home improvement, auto needs, etc. in Ogden. We are not asking you to spend more, just BUY IN

OGDEN! This will enable us to continue to keep services like police and fire protection at the current levels.

There are many opportunities to BUY IN OGDEN: The Junction, The Newgate Mall, 25th Street, 12th Street, Washington Blvd., and Harrison Blvd just to name a few.

Keep all of your dollars working for you; BUY IN OGDEN!

## Ogden City Recreation offers Wintertime Fun

**Utah Jazz Basketball Player Appearance:** A Utah Jazz Basketball player will make an appearance at the Dee Event Center on January 27, 2011. This appearance is in conjunction with the Jr Jazz basketball program though all of the public is welcome to attend. Jr Jazz players are asked to wear their Jr Jazz jerseys. The Utah Jazz player will interact with the crowd and exhibit skills and routine drills. Doors open at 6:30pm. For more information contact Ogden City Recreation at 801-629-8253.

**Ogden City's First Annual Snowball Softball Tournament:** Ogden City Recreation is hosting the first annual Snowball Softball Tournament on Friday and Saturday, January 14 and 15, 2011. The tournament is a double-elimination with a two-game guarantee. Register before 5pm Wednesday, January 12; fee is \$150 per team. Play will take place at the 4th Street Ball Park complex at 502 Wall Avenue. Great prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams. Register at Ogden City Recreation: 1875 Monroe Blvd, www.ogdencity.com, or 801-629-8253.

**Ogden City Recreation will Host Two Events at Winterfest:** Ogden City Recreation is hosting the 5k run and the Adult Flag Football Tournament at Winterfest in January. Prepare now for all the upcoming excitement.

- **5k Run:** the course is accommodating to runners of all endurance levels and starts at the Timbermine Restaurant and ends on Grant Avenue. Register before 5pm on Friday, January 28, 2011; fee is \$25 and the first 100 registered participants will receive a t-shirt!
- **Adult Flag Football Tournament:** the tournament takes place Friday evening and Saturday, January 27 and 28 at the 4th Street Ball Park complex, 502 Wall Ave. This tournament is a one-game guarantee, single-elimination, 8-on-8 format. First and second place teams will receive great prizes. Register before 5pm, Wednesday, January 25; entry fee is \$50 per team.

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

## Citizen Corps Corner: Winter Storm Awareness and Preparedness



For December, Citizen Corps reminds you of the importance to be prepared for winter storms and the problems storms can bring. As you have been encouraged in earlier Citizen Corps tips, be sure you have an emergency plan and a 72-hour kit which can provide you with comfort and security in the event of power loss, strong winds, or being snowed in.

Before severe winter storms arrive, be sure your automobile is in good condition for winter driving. As you prepare for your own winter storm needs and

concerns, may we suggest that you also care about and assist elderly residents and neighbors or others who may have special needs. Help shovel snow for them and check on them to make sure they have adequate supplies. Pay attention to weather reports and winter emergency information which may be given, or check the National Weather Service website, www.nws.noaa.gov to help you know what the weather forecast is, and then act accordingly.

For information about Ogden's Citizen Corps and how you can become involved, call 801-629-8948 or visit www.citizencorpsofodden.dyndns.org.

## Snow Removal Ordinances

**Do not blow or shovel snow onto streets.** It can freeze and cause accidents making a bad situation worse—and it is against the law Ordinance 7-2-8A. Be sure your snow blower spout is aimed to blow snow back onto your property instead of out into the street. We understand that the snowplows sometimes push snow from the road into driveways. We are sorry for the inconvenience, but it cannot be helped.

**Move vehicles off of the street during snowstorms.** Ordinance 10-5-21A If a vehicle is left on the street, snowplows cannot clear the street properly. Keeping your vehicle off the street also helps to eliminate accidental damage from other cars that may lose control on slick roads.

**Keep a safe distance between your car and the snowplow.** Snowplows can slide on ice and snow too, so it is very smart to keep a safe distance between them and your vehicle. Ogden City snowplow drivers are concerned with your safety, and they follow many procedures to keep you, and them, safe.

**Clear the snow around fire hydrants.** International Fire Code section 508.5.5 Be aware of the fire hydrant in front of your home and be sure to clear the snow around it so it is accessible to the fire department at all times. If you are unable to get the hydrant cleared, you may request assistance at 801-629-8074.

## WSU offers Ogden City Night at Men's Basketball Game

Weber State University's Athletic Department has reached out to the community to offer Ogden City residents half-price tickets to the Men's Basketball game on Saturday, January 15, 2011, at 7pm when the Wildcats take on Idaho State.

Use this voucher, or print one at www.ogdencity.com, to receive half-price admission to the game for up to six people. Make plans to come to the game and be a part of the action. Follow the team at KLO 1430 AM or www.weberstatesports.com.



2010-11 Weber State Men's Basketball

**OGDEN CITY NIGHT AT WEBER STATE**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2011

VS. IDAHO STATE • 7PM



Voucher good for half off any ticket price for up to six people to the January 15, 2011 game. Redeem at the WSU Ticket Office at the Dee Events Center. Valid for January 15, 2011 game only.

[www.weberstatesports.com](http://www.weberstatesports.com)

## Candle Safety

Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that can burn. Use sturdy, safe candleholders. Never leave a burning candle unattended. Extinguish candles when leaving a room. Consider using battery-operated, flameless candles. Avoid using candles in bedrooms. Always use a flashlight instead of a candle for emergency lighting.

## Trash & Recycle

There are **no** delays in trash and recycle collection for December and January.

### 2011 Schedule:

Many of the 2011 holidays fall on a Monday or the weekend, and since our regular collection routes are Tuesday through Friday, there is only one delay next year in curbside trash and recycle collection. Thanksgiving, November 24, 2011, no curbside collection will take place. Thursday's collection will be moved to Friday, and Friday's collection will be moved to Saturday. If you are on the Thursday or Friday route, please take note for next year. All other 2011 holidays will *not* see a delay in curbside collection of trash and recyclables.

Call 801-629-8271 with any curbside collection questions.

## Sustainable Ogden Committee's Green Tip

**Watch what and how you eat:** Bring your lunch and your own mug to work (save money, too!) Drink filtered water to reduce bottled-water waste. Eat smaller portions. Buy in bulk to reduce packaging. Take reusable containers when eating out for leftovers.

## Free Spay/Neuter Vouchers

Free spay/neuter available for pets of Ogden residents; some restrictions apply.

Contact No More Homeless Pets in Utah for details 1-866-PETS-FIX ext 10 or www.utahpets.org.

## Down Payment Assistance

Call 801-629-8906 to ask about the Own in Ogden program. Down payment assistance is available in targeted areas for low and moderate income households.

## Emergency Home Repair

Ogden City offers Emergency Home Repair loans to low and moderate income owner-occupied households in need of financial assistance to correct emergency life- and health-threatening housing conditions. For information call 801-629-8906.

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



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