

## At Your Service

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### Take in the Outdoors at National Trails Day event on June 6

Weber County Pathways and Ogden Trails Network are sponsoring the 11th annual National Trails Day on Saturday, June 6.

Festivities begin at 7am at the Ogden Kayak Park located at 24th Street and Exchange Road. Parking is limited so please park at the Miles Goodyear Park at 25th Street and A Avenue. This will give guests a chance to traverse a newly opened trail: From A Avenue turn south and take the first left following signs to Fort Buenaventura. Take the second left around the ball fields. Park in either the paved parking lot or the dirt parking lot and walk the trail on the east side which connects to the 24th Street pedestrian underpass. Follow signs to the Ogden Kayak Park.

Communities and organizations have worked together to connect the Ogden River Parkway to the Fort Buenaventura trail and a path extending into Riverdale.

Come and enjoy free refreshments, pick up a free pedometer, and enter Weber Pathways' Step It Up contest, where those who accumulate the most steps over the summer will win prizes.

For a detailed schedule of the day's events, visit [www.weberpathways.org](http://www.weberpathways.org) or for more information call Weber Pathways at 801-393-2304.



## Ogden Arts Festival June 12 & 13



Union Station and Historic 25th Street create an idyllic setting for a fun-filled day of entertainment and activities. Come downtown to enjoy the festivities. All events and activities are FREE, excluding a nominal fee for two evening movie screenings.

**Friday, June 12, 6 to 9pm:** Union Station's Grand Lobby will house the Plein Air paintings, art exhibit, silent auction, and Weber County High School Student Awards Ceremony while an Ogden-made short film from the Foursite Film Institute plays in the Browning Theater with a delicious boxed dinner to eat during the show. Tickets for Dinner & a Movie are \$10.

**Saturday, June 13, 10am to 8pm:** More than 70 artists'

booths fill the streets, live music on two stages with new bands every hour, kids Activities hosted by area non-profits, great food and refreshments by local restaurants, Best of Fest from the 2009 Foursite Film Festival, Weber County High School Student Art Exhibit inside the Grand Lobby along with Plein Air competition, exhibit, and auction. Artists reception and silent auction takes place at 5pm in the Grand Lobby with music by McCall Erickson where prizes are awarded and visitors can meet the artists. At 7pm see an award winning documentary from the Foursite Film Festival in the Browning Theater.

Updates and details available at [www.ogdenartsfestival.com](http://www.ogdenartsfestival.com) and [www.foursitefilmfest.com](http://www.foursitefilmfest.com).



## City-Wide Earthquake Drill & Resource Fair



of all Ogden emergency services. State and Federal evaluators will grade Ogden City personnel and Ogden area residents on our preparedness level.

**Disaster Drill begins at 7:30am at 20th Street and Grant Ave:** Residents will be allowed front-row seating to observe disaster reenactments probable after a major earthquake. Spectators will see a simulated train derailment that results in the evacuation of five city blocks, they will see two houses catch fire due to insufficient strapping of water heaters, and they will be able to observe first-hand a full-scale deployment of City, State, and Federal resources. During the simulations, citizens will be allowed to mingle with emergency responders to include Emergency communications,

911 Dispatch call center, American Red Cross disaster services, Southern Baptist Emergency response operations, Salvation Army emergency response, local hospitals, local utilities companies, and many other emergency responders.

**Resource Fair, 10am to 2pm:** Included in the drill will be a comprehensive emergency preparedness resource fair on Park Blvd between Washington Blvd and Grant Ave. Emergency response providers and vendors will be available to answer questions and provide citizens with resources to prepare their family, home, and property for unexpected disasters.

The day's activities will culminate with a complete door-to-door canvass of all city residences where citizens will be asked to sign up for TXTWire, Ogden City's emergency notification system. The survey will simulate a full scale search for casualties following a devastating earthquake; at least 2,000 volunteers will be required to achieve this goal.

Never before has anything of this scale been attempted in Utah. If you would like to volunteer or get additional information, call Ogden City's Risk Management department at 801-629-8750.

# City Website offers New Features and Improved Design

Ogden City has launched a completely redesigned website to improve the way residents, visitors, and businesses communicate and interact with the City.

The new website replaces the older version at [www.ogdencity.com](http://www.ogdencity.com) and has been entirely overhauled to pack in helpful features and information to provide a more satisfying, user-friendly experience. Focusing on the needs of Ogden's residents, out-of-town visitors, and local businesses, the website truly showcases our beautiful town and provides helpful tools including:

- **Interactive Maps:** Find your way around town with great maps throughout the site that provide satellite, street, and hybrid views as well as turn-by-turn directions.
- **Public Document Search:** Get all the information you need, fast, with a powerful document search tool.
- **Mayor's Action Center:** Find online help for service requests and frequently asked questions.
- **Virtual Tours:** View amazing high adventure recreation multimedia from the Ogden area.
- **Community Calendar:** Stay on top of what's happening around Ogden; add events to your own personal calendar, get reminders, and even submit new events.



Additional convenient features include a powerful site search, multi-level navigation, "print this page" and "email this page" buttons, a City directory and contact page, RSS feeds, and more. The new website also gives Ogden City a strong foundation to build upon in the future by offering citizens and businesses the ability to sign-in and access secured online tools for greater convenience.

Take advantage of the new features and improved design at [www.ogdencity.com](http://www.ogdencity.com).

## Ogden City Programs to Help You in the Yard

Let Ogden City help with some of the yard work you might have on your to do list this spring. Take advantage of these programs and services to keep your yard in tip-top shape.

**Tree Nursery:** Ogden City's Tree Nursery is in full swing. Visit 460 20th Street on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 8am to 12noon, for a great selection of trees for your parking strip. Quantities are limited and available only until the trees run out. For Ogden residents only—bring picture ID, current water utility bill to prove ownership, your parking strip measurements, and know if there are overhead power lines.

**Weber County Landfill:** Open Monday through Saturday, 8am to 5pm, and located at 867 W Wilson Lane, the Weber County Landfill accepts all dump materials—hazardous materials accepted only on the third Saturday of the month. Residents are charged by the weight of the material being dumped—a \$5 minimum charge is good for up to 300 pounds of waste.

**Dial-a-Dumpster:** A year-round program designed

for five neighbors who live in immediate proximity of each other. Sign up to have a 30-yard dumpster brought to your site and picked up 48 hours later, free once a year. Dumpsters are for yard cleanup only and not intended for remodeling, renovating, or moving. No cement, roofing, paint, or hazardous materials are allowed in the dumpster. Scheduled on a first-come-first-serve basis; applications must be delivered in person to the Public Works office at 29th Street and Wall Ave.

**Green Waste Site:** Open year round, the Green Waste Site is located at 1845 Monroe Blvd and now operating in their summer hours (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 8am to 7pm). Dump tree limbs, grass clippings, weeds, and other "green" materials free of charge—bring a current water utility bill to prove residency; no contractor or landscaper dumping allowed.

The Green Waste Site also offers materials for sale including compost (\$15/cyd), wood chips (\$10/cyd), mulch and ground cover (\$7/cyd), rock chips (\$5/cyd), and firewood (\$60 - \$80/cord) cut and split.

## Disney's Nationwide Train Tour stops in Ogden

Come downtown to Ogden Union Station on Tuesday, June 16, from 9am to 9pm when the Disney train rolls into town!

Ogden Union Station is one of the stops on a nationwide tour which began at the Los Angeles Union Station in April and wraps up at New York City's Grand Central Terminal in November to promote Disney's *A Christmas Carol* which opens in theaters November 6, 2009.

An inflatable theater will be installed on the south parking area

of Union Station where guests will have the opportunity to see a sneak preview of the movie in Disney Digital 3-D. The Disney train consists of two engines, four decorated 1950s passenger cars, a staff car, an office car, and a sleeper. The four passenger cars offer guests the opportunity to see how performance capture technology brings the film to life as well as interactive centers, electronic photo locations and a behind-the-scenes look at the making of the film.

Enter through the main front

doors into the Grand Lobby of Union Station to access the Disney train tour; admission is free.

After visiting the train, stay and visit the museums of Union Station and enjoy a meal at Union Grill or one of the many restaurants on Historic 25th Street. Museums are open Monday thru Saturday, 10am to 5pm; \$5 Adults, \$4 Senior, \$3 Children.

Contact Union Station for more information at 801-393-9890 or [www.theunionstation.org](http://www.theunionstation.org).

## Ogden City Recreation

Contact Ogden City's Recreation department for sports teams and league opportunities this summer.

We are currently offering youth baseball, softball, T-ball, and start smart baseball, plus adult softball, the summer parks programs, and a fishing club. Call or stop by for more information and to sign up. Ogden City Recreation offices: 1875 Monroe Blvd or 801-629-8253.

## Dino Park Events

It's summertime at Ogden's George S Eccles Dinosaur Park and some very special events have been planned to add to the fun:

- **June 1 – 7: Air Force Week**  
Active duty military and family receive 20% off everything with valid ID
- **June 20: Reptile Rescue**  
Creepy, crawly creatures on display from 10am to 6pm
- **June 21: Father's Day**  
All dads get in FREE with purchase of a 2nd admission
- **July 4: Independence Day**  
Celebrate with FREE balloons, hotdogs, and movies from 11am to 5pm.

For more info call 801-629-8873 or visit [www.dinosaurpark.org](http://www.dinosaurpark.org).

## Foster Care Month

During National Foster Care Month in May, Utah Foster Care Foundation pays tribute to the wonderful adoptive parents in northern Utah. Right now there are 627 children in foster care in the greater Ogden area.

If you've ever considered helping a child, now is a great time to get the facts on foster care; call Utah Foster Care Foundation at 877-392-1114.

- Children in foster care often have special needs due to neglect, abuse or separation. Substance abuse is a contributing factor in over half of foster care cases in Utah.
- Average amount of time children are in foster care in Utah is 16 months.
- Children in foster care are between the ages of 0-19, though there is a particular need for families who can care for children over age 6.
- Many children enter foster care with brothers and sisters and need foster families who can help them stay together.
- About 25 percent of children in foster care in Utah are Latino/Hispanic so there is a particular need for Latino/Hispanic and Spanish-speaking families.

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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