



MAYOR'S CORNER

The State of Riverdale City

Many good things have taken place in the last year. Many great businesses have chosen to locate here, and some others have a clean new look to brighten our business corridor. We are trying to bring the type of businesses that not only compliment those existing, but that are unique to the area. We were very encouraged by the recent citywide survey. We do not take that in any kind of complacency. We will look at the areas that we scored high and try to score higher over the next year. The areas that you have indicated need improvement we will do our best to improve quickly and efficiently. We want to build on those successes and work hard to improve both quantity and quality of service.

Financial rewards come from putting up with inconvenience

We have been successful for another year at going below the certified tax rate specified by Weber County. We have also held the line on many of the service fees charged by cities. We know everyone's budget is tight and hope this will help ease the financial burden you bare. This is made possible of course because of the businesses and the traffic flowing to those businesses. We know there are some inconveniences but hope the savings and return to you in lower taxes than most other cities helps compensate. We are also trying to provide you the finest facilities to use when you have leisure time. We hope you will take advantage them.

Fighting for our financial well being

As we look at the very financial stability I have just mentioned, I want to tell you again that I am very worried about the upcoming legislative session. I will be spending a great deal of time during this session fighting to keep the tax structure, especially the sales tax structure, from being changed in such a way as to take away from our city the ability to maintain our current level of services. If some in the legislature have their way it could be changed to not only affect our current level of services but also prevent any future growth. I may request, as before, your assistance in contacting these people. We have to gain at least a hold harmless provision that will allow us to continue our current system of distribution of sales tax.

Thank you again for all you do for the City and Happy New Year.

Bruce Burrows
Mayor

TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, January 26, 2005,
from 7:00 pm

To be held at the
Riverdale Community Center
4360 S. Parker Drive

A Town Meeting has been scheduled to review design concepts and to discuss and receive comments concerning access to the Weber River Trail through the protected areas.

2004 SURVEY COMMENTS ONLINE

Are you curious what your fellow citizens have on their mind? You can find out online at www.riverdalecity.com. Here you will find the written suggestions / comments which were received from the questions asked in our



2004 Citizen Survey. Just follow the link on our homepage and select a survey question to view the submitted responses. We appreciate the wide variety of suggestions and comments received.

NO WEST NILE VIRUS

It was a good year for Riverdale City and Weber County this past mosquito season. Not one case of West Nile Virus was found in any samples from traps, birds, etc. This, I believe, was a direct result of an aggressive plan of eradication starting early and continuing through the breeding season of the *culex* mosquito, the one known to carry the virus.

All of the remaining counties had positive test results and most delayed strong measures until positives occurred. The Weber Mosquito Abatement will continue their form of aggressive spraying in the future with hopefully the same results.

Stan Hadden
City Council Member / Mosquito Abatement Board Member

PUBLIC SAFETY**SCHOOL ZONES****(Should not be the Twilight Zone)**

In 1992, the Utah Legislature passed the "School Zone Safety Act." This Act included several measures to improve the safety of children and pedestrians in the vicinity of Utah Schools. Under this law UDOT has developed specific standards for location, design, and operation of school zones. Each school is responsible to prepare a child access routing plan. This plan, which includes a map, describes recommended walking routes to school including all school crossings and traffic signals.



The maximum speed in the school zone during flashing yellows is 20 MPH. This is a maximum speed. And if the one of the black and whites catch you, the fines can be as high as \$275 for the first offense, and \$525 for the second offence, and probably *should* be the death penalty for the third.

Now with winter upon us the streets are often icy and slippery. It would be a good idea to slow it down even more so, as to not run the risk of hurting someone. Sometimes we get so caught up in watching our speed in the school zones that we neglect to realize why we should be slowing down. By slowing down and paying attention we can all be safe.

UTILITY PAYMENT OPTIONS

Looking for an easier way to balance your monthly budget? Residents may sign up for the Utility Equal Pay option and be billed an equal amount each month based on last years billing. This is a great way to work your summer excess water usage into your budget.



Direct Pay is also available. This option allows residents to have their utility payment deducted directly from their bank account on a monthly basis. It is required for those who choose the Equal Pay option to also sign up for Direct Pay. To sign up, please call 394-5541 ext. 1201 or visit the website at www.riverdalecity.com.



The Riverdale City Band fills the Community Center with music during their first annual Christmas concert held on December 15th.

RDA HOUSING PROGRAM

Is your home in need of repairs? The RDA Housing Program may be able to help. The program provides low-interest and no-interest loans of up to \$20,000 to property owners who meet certain income guidelines. Loan proceeds must be used for property improvements.



If you own property on 4400 South, 700 West (South of 4350 S., west side), or 1250 West (5100 S. to 5175 S.) you may qualify for additional loan incentives. A loan information packet may be obtained at the Civic Center or at www.riverdalecity.com. For questions call 394-5541.

FREE TAX PREPARATION HELP

Do you have a simple tax return?
Do you know if you qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit?
Do you need help preparing and filing your tax return?



Free confidential tax preparation assistance from trained volunteers will be available through Volunteer Income tax Assistance (VITA). VITA is a program offering FREE tax preparation assistance and electronically filing to households earning less than \$36,000 a year who are filing a simple return. The VITA location for our area is the Community Action Center located at 3159 Grant Ave, Ogden. The program begins on January 24th and ends on April 15th. Participants are served on a first come first served basis. Volunteers will be available at the following times:

Mondays -	5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Tuesdays -	11:00 am - 1:30 pm
Thursdays -	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Fridays -	Noon - 2:30 pm
Saturdays -	10:30 am - 1:30 pm

RIVERDALE SENIOR CENTER

4360 S. Parker Drive, Riverdale, Utah 84405 (801) 621-6084

Open 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday thru Friday
(Closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays)

SENIORS DAILY SCHEDULE

MONDAY 9:00.....Beginning Computers Class
9:30.....Pieced & Strips Quilt Class (begins 24th)
10:00.....Line Dancing
1:00.....Quilting Class

TUESDAY 8:00.....Easy Stretching Class
9:00.....Pinochle
10:00.....Scrapbook Group
10:30.....Intermediate Computer Class
11:00.....1st Tuesday: Blood Pressure Check
12:00.....Lunch (Birthday Song 1st Tuesday)
12:45.....Bingo
12:45.....Pinochle, Cribbage, Hand and Foot
1:00.....Beginning Computer Class
1:00.....2nd Tuesday: Free Foot Clinic

WEDNESDAY 9:00.....Ceramics and Porcelain Class
12:00.....Lunch
12:30.....Bunka Class (Japanese Embroidery)
12:30.....Mahjong lessons, Chess
• **Wendover Day:** 2nd Wednesday of every month

THURSDAY 8:00.....Magic Workout
9:00.....Internet Class
11:00.....Pinochle
12:00.....Lunch
12:30.....Games

FRIDAY 10:00.....Brunch
10:30.....Movie

DAILY

- Refreshments daily 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Exercise equipment available daily for your use.
- Card games, Library, TV, and Quilting available.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- January 5 - IHC's Pat Medel at 10:00 am
- January 6 - Presentation by Golden Aide at 12:20 pm
- January 13 - Vista Care Presentation at 12:20 pm
- January 20 - LaVerd & Flora John Entertain at 12:15 pm

SENIORS NEWS BRIEFS

Introduce a friend month. In January we're encouraging you to refer your Senior friends and acquaintances who would enjoy and benefit from the senior program. As an incentive when you bring a friend with you, your name will be entered into a raffle. The winner will be announced Feb. 1st.

Overnight Wendover Trip at the Rainbow Hotel & Casino. Cost: \$20.00 per person double occ. \$30.00 per person single occ. Sign up and Prepay by Feb. 1st at the senior center. Must have 10 to go.



LUNCH MENU

Lunch is served at noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for seniors age 55 and older. Suggested donation is \$2.00.

JANUARY

- ✓ 4 - Baked Potato Bar
- ✓ 5 - Homemade Oven Stew
- ✓ 6 - Breaded Flounder
- ✓ 11 - Salisbury Steak
- ✓ 12 - Teriyaki Chicken
- ✓ 13 - Country Fried Steak
- ✓ 18 - Hamburgers
- ✓ 19 - Battered Cod
- ✓ 20 - Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo
- ✓ 25 - Spaghetti and Meatballs
- ✓ 26 - Orange Chicken over Rice
- ✓ 27 - Roast Beef

Breakfast is served every Friday at 10:00 am with a movie to follow at 10:30 am.

Stop by the Senior Center for a complete menu.

RECREATION NEWS

INTRAMURALS Parents, have your kids sign up for the fun and exciting game of DodgeBall. The fun begins in January at the Community Center, 4360 S. Parker Dr.

There will be two age groups:

- Ages 8-9 play on Tues. at 3:30 / Wed. at 1:30
- Ages 10-18 play on Mon. at 3:30 / Thurs. At 4:30

Cost is \$5.00. For more information call 621-6084.

Our next activity will be crab soccer beginning February 14th.

ADULT TABLE TENNIS

Take the opportunity to play table tennis with others in the city on January 28th at 6:00 pm in the Community Center. Cost is \$1 per person. Call 621-6084 for more information. Come join the fun!



CITY CALENDAR

January 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29  Garbage Day	30	31  City Offices Closed	1  New Year's Day
2	3	4 City Council / RDA Meeting	5  Garbage Day	6	7  Christmas Tree Pickup	8
9	10	11 City Council / RDA Meeting	12  Garbage Day	13 Planning Commission Meeting	14	15
16	17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day City Offices Closed 	18 City Council / RDA Meeting	19  Garbage Day	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Town Meeting - Planning Commission Meeting - Garbage Day	27	28	29
30	31 City Council / RDA Meeting					

City Council meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and Planning Commission meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. Agendas for the meetings are posted in the Civic Center foyer prior to the meetings and at our website, www.riverdalecity.com.

RIVERDALE CITY DIRECTORY

Mayor City Council

Mayor Burrows 621-7979
 Councilor Brough 393-1008
 Councilor Gibby 621-8639
 Councilor Hadden 392-0724
 Councilor Haws 393-2598
 Councilor Jenkins 394-7993

Civic Center

4600 South Weber River Drive
 394-5541

City Administrator

Larry Hansen 436-1233

Department of Business Administration

4600 S. Weber River Drive 394-5541

Community Center

4360 S. Parker Drive 621-6084

Justice Court

4600 S. Weber River Drive 394-9314

Department of Community Development

4600 S. Weber River Drive 394-5541 x1240

Department of Public Works / Utilities

4600 S. Weber River Drive 394-5541 x1201
 After hours dispatch 629-8268

Department of Public Safety

Police Station

4580 South Weber River Drive
 911 (Emergencies)
 394-6616 (Business Line)
 629-8221 (Weber Dispatch)
 Animal Control 394-6616

Fire Station

4334 South Parker Drive
 911 (Emergencies)
 394-7481 (Business Line)
 629-8314 (Weber Dispatch)

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