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NEWSLETTER

November 2015

MAYOR'S CORNER

NEW LOOK FOR RIVERDALE CITY VETERANS MEMORIAL!

During the month of October the Riverdale Veterans Memorial received a new look. When the memorial was dedicated on Veterans Day 2010, the memorial displayed many pictures depicting the wars our Veterans have participated in. Some of these pictures had cracked and faded during the past five years and were in need of replacement. Retired Air Force Veteran David Leahy and Retired Navy Veteran Charles Kerkvliet, both members of the Riverdale City Veterans Advisory Group, recognizing the need to replace these pictures, quickly did some research and came up with some ideas for the pictures on the two islands needing replacement.

The memorial island that had provided a display of the sinking of the battleship U.S.S. Utah during the attack on Pearl Harbor, now has a pictorial display of the History of the U.S. Flag. The memorial island to the north that displayed the Uniform Code of Military Justice and other wartime photographs, now has a pictorial display of the many conflicts the United States has been in beginning with the revolutionary war.

Mr. Leahy and Mr. Kerkvliet not only researched and came up with the photos and histories for the memorial update, they ordered the layout which is on a special backing material, and installed the new layouts on the memorial islands. The cost for this upgrade was approximately $2,000.00 paid for with Veterans Memorial Funds. We are very appreciative of the efforts of Mr. Leahy and Mr. Kerkvliet for seeing this project through from start to finish. These two fine Riverdale veterans also were instrumental in the designing and construction of the Riverdale Veterans Memorial. They have kept a watchful eye on the memorial, since its dedication, always ensuring that it is kept in good repair and is cleaned on a regular basis. Special thanks to these two fine veterans!

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITY A GREAT SUCCESS!

Many thanks to our Riverdale Youth City Council for hosting their annual Halloween Activity at the Community Center on Friday, October 24th. The youth council went all out this year to provide a spook alley, hayride, games and refreshments for Riverdale youth and their families. The youth council receives a small amount of help from their parents and the city staff, but the credit goes to the youth council who come up with the neat ideas and then carry them out!

VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE

Plan now to attend the Veterans Day Program on Wednesday, November 11th, 10:00 a.m. at the Riverdale Veterans Memorial located in front of the Riverdale Civic Center, 4600 S. Weber River Drive. Colonel Ronald E. Jolly, Sr., 75th Air Base Wing Commander, Hill AFB, Utah will be our guest speaker. Flag ceremony will be conducted by the Utah Military Academy. Musical tributes will be sung by the Utah Military Academy Chamber Choir. It is suggested that you bring a lawn chair to sit on!

Wishing you a very Happy Thanksgiving!
Norm Searle, Mayor

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Riverdale City will hold a special ceremony on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11th at 10:00 a.m. The ceremony will take place at the Riverdale Veterans Memorial located in front of the Riverdale Civic Center, 4600 South Weber River Drive.

The ceremony will honor those who have served our country through military service. Everyone is invited to attend.

"The History of the American Flag" plaques have been added to the southwest memorial island and the "History of America's Military Conflict" plaques have been added to the northwest memorial island at the Riverdale Veterans Memorial (see the Mayor's Corner article for more details).

FIRE STATION OPEN HOUSE A SUCCESS

The Riverdale Fire Department would like to thank everyone who attended our 2015 open house held on October 6th. We had a great turn out this year! Special thanks to Roy Fire for the use of their fire safety trailer and the fire clown for coming and having fun with all kids big and small. Thanks to Riverdale Chick-Fil-A for all of the support for coloring contest winners and as always, going over and above in supporting the community. A big thank you to Air Care, Air Med and Life Flight medical helicopters for bringing so much excitement. Make sure to plan to come and see us next October for another great event!

RECREATION NEWS

BOYS BASKETBALL REGISTRATIONS

Boys basketball registrations are now taking place for the following:

- Boys 3rd-6th grades until November 30th.
- Boys 7th-9th grades until December 13th.

The cost is $25 for Riverdale residents. Cost does not include a jersey, which is required ($10). If you already have a jersey from a previous year, a new jersey is not required. Each grade division can register online at www.riverdalecity.com or at the Community Center, 4360 S. Parker Drive. For more information please call the Community Center at 801-621-6084.

High school boys basketball (10th-12th grades) registrations are currently taking place and will go until December 13th. This age group will register as a team with the cost being $250 per team for those attending Bonneville High School. Registration for the high school league must be completed at the Community Center.

- **Volunteer coaches are needed!** Parents, PLEASE volunteer to coach when you register your youth. A background check is required for all coaches.

INTRAMURALS

Our next Intramurals activity is Ultimate Frisbee. Sign ups will begin on November 9th and games start on November 16th. We are excited to offer this fun new sport. It is open to youth ages 8 to 18. You can register online or at the Community Center. The cost for the six week activity is $5.00 for residents. For more information please call 801-621-6084.

"KIDS KORNER" AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Our next session of our "Kids Korner" after school program will begin on November 16th at the Community Center. This program offers after school homework help for 20-30 minutes followed by a fun activity. There are three sessions offered: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Each session goes from 3:30-4:30 p.m. for ages 8-12 years old. The cost is $5 for residents for each six week session. Sign up online or at the Community Center. For more information please call 801-621-6084.

GYM SCHEDULE ON CITY WEBSITE

The Community Center is now publishing the weekly schedule for the gym. It will be posted on the Riverdale City website, www.riverdalecity.com. The schedule will allow residents to know when "open play" is available for the gym and what other activities are taking place.

CITY HIRES NEW FIRE CHIEF

Riverdale City recently hired Jared Sholly as our new Fire Chief. He was serving as a Battalion Chief with Layton City at the time he was hired by Riverdale. Chief Sholly brings with him over 23 years of experience in fire services.

Outside of work Chief Sholly enjoys traveling, golf, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family. He and his wife Kathy have three boys and a daughter-in-law. We welcome Chief Sholly to our Fire Department and look forward to his service.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

All city buildings will be open for the Veterans Day holiday on November 11th.

All city buildings will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on November 26th & 27th, with the exception of the Community Center which will be open on the 27th.

There will be no change in our garbage and recycling pickup schedule for these holidays. Please put out your containers as normal for Wednesday pick up.

DOG LICENSES AVAILABLE

The 2016 dog licenses have arrived and are now available. Licenses can be renewed at the Civic Center, 4600 S. Weber River Drive. To print a dog license form please visit www.riverdalecity.com.

WINTER PREPAREDNESS

Below are tips to help you prepare for the coming winter months:

- Get your furnace checked by a certified heating contractor.
- Clean your chimney if you burn wood.
- Have a flashlight and portable radio with extra batteries on hand.
- Have an emergency heating source.
- Keep a fire extinguisher in your home.
- Store extra food, water, and medicine.
- Ensure smoke and carbon monoxide detectors work and have new batteries.
- Keep first-aid supplies on hand.

SCHOOL EVENT

Roosevelt Elementary will hold a Family Reading Night on Monday, November 23rd at 5:00 p.m. The evening will include fun reading activities and a used book sale. The community is invited to donate children and adult books at the school's office, 190 West 5100 South, Washington Terrace.

TIME TO WINTERIZE

Our Public Works Department would like to remind residents to winterize your lawn sprinkler systems before the freezing temperatures settle in. This can be done by draining or blowing out with an air compressor any water that remains in the sprinkler lines. Sprinkler lines are typically not buried deep enough to prevent freezing. Each spring we have residents surprised by large water bills due to unknown leaks in their lawn sprinkler system caused by broken lines that froze during the winter.

If you have a swamp cooler, please remember to winterize it as well. Turn off and drain the water line running to the swamp cooler at the valve. This will prevent freezing and leaking due to a broken water line. Avoid the cost of excess water usage and the repair of your sprinkler system or swamp cooler by properly winterizing your systems.

PROTECT DRINKING WATER

Every effort is made by the city to ensure that the water coming into your home is safe to drink. But your own actions may jeopardize those efforts, unless you have installed backflow prevention devices. Backflow prevention is accomplished by installing a device that prohibits water from backflowing from one area to another. The backflow occurs when there is negative pressure in the line and water is sucked from one source to another. This means that water from an unprotected lawn sprinkler system may be sucked into the water lines in your home and contaminate your drinking water. Unknowingly drinking the contaminated water may result in sickness or death.

To protect yourself, install backflow prevention devices on your lawn sprinkler system and on all outside hose bibs. It really isn't worth taking the chance of not doing it. For more information call Shawn Douglas at 801-394-5541 ext. 1217.

CLEAN STREET GUTTERS

As you clean up the Fall leaves please clean the leaves out of the street gutters in front of your home. Leaves left in the street gutters will cause two problems:

First, leaves can be washed down the street gutter and accumulate in the storm drain system. This can cause the storm drains to become clogged leading to potential flooding during a heavy rain.

Second, when street sweeping, accumulated leaves in the street gutters will greatly reduce the ability of the sweeper to properly clean the street and can also cause the machine to become clogged.

SENIOR NEWS

RIVERDALE SENIOR CENTER

4433 South 900 West 801-621-6086

Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Stop by the Senior Center for a daily schedule or go to www.riverdalecity.com.

HOLIDAY MEAL SCHEDULE

The **Thanksgiving lunch** will be held on Friday, November 20th at noon. Please come and join us for oven baked turkey with all the trimmings! To make your reservation please sign up at the Senior Center or call 801-621-6086.

Our annual **Christmas dinner and program** will be held on December 11th at 6:00 p.m. To sign up please call 801-621-6086.

CRAFT FUNDRAISER

Fall and Christmas craft items are now for sale at the Senior Center. There are a variety of home-made items to buy for yourself or as a gift. Stop by and take a look! Proceeds go to the Senior Center programs.

SENIOR CENTER TO CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY

The Riverdale Senior Center will be closed on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 26th, and the day after Thanksgiving, on Friday, November 27th.

LUNCH MENU

Lunch is served at noon weekdays for seniors 55 and older for $2.50.

November

2 - Country Fried Steak
3 - Salisbury Steak
4 - Orange Chicken
5 - Baked Ham
6 - Ally's Pizza
9 - Beef Stroganoff
10 - Lasagna
11 - Potato Bar
12 - Tacos
13 - Angel Chicken
16 - Chicken Pillows
17 - Cod
18 - Fried Chicken
19 - Chili
20 - Turkey (Thanksgiving Lunch)
23 - Ham & Bean Casserole
24 - Roast Beef
25 - Rosemary Pork Loin
26 - Closed for Thanksgiving
27 - Closed
30 - Chicken Cordon Bleu

December

1 - Fried Chicken
2 - Spaghetti
3 - Ham
4 - Tilapia
7 - Chili Bowl

SENIOR CENTER NEWS BRIEFS

- **Come join** our decorative painting class on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. Learn how to paint beautiful designs and have lots of fun with new friends.
- **Donations:** We are in need of yarn. If you have some yarn gathering dust at home please bring it to us and we'll make good use of it. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **November 6th** - Entertainment by Robin Arnold during lunch.
- **November 12th** - Foot clinic at 9:30 a.m. The cost is $10.
- **November 17th** - Blood pressure check at 10:45 a.m. by Harmony Home Health.
- **November 18th** - Educational presentation: Fall Prevention by Rocky Mountain Health Care.
- **December 3rd** - Entertainment by Miles Coe during lunch.
- **December 2nd** - Blood pressure check at 11:00 a.m. by CNS.
- **December 4th** - Entertainment by Heart Beats during lunch.
- **December 10th** - Foot Clinic at 9:30 a.m. The cost is $10.
- **December 10th** - Children singing Christmas songs at 11:00 a.m.

RIVERDALE CITY DIRECTORY

Mayor / City Council
Mayor Searle 801-392-2122
Councilor Ellis 801-394-8936
Councilor Griffiths 801-393-0183
Councilor Hunt 801-392-0037
Councilor Mitchell 801-627-2321
Councilor Staten 801-627-8822

Civic Center
4600 South Weber River Drive
801-394-5541

City Administrator
Rodger Worthen 801-436-1233

Department of Business Administration
4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541

Community Center
4360 S. Parker Drive 801-621-6084

Senior Center
4433 S. 900 W. 801-621-6086

Justice Court
4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-9314

Department of Community Development
4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541 x1215

Department of Public Works / Utilities
4600 S. Weber River Drive 801-394-5541 x1201
After Hours Dispatch 801-629-8221

Police Department
4580 South Weber River Drive
911 Emergencies
801-394-6616 Business Line
801-629-8221 Weber Dispatch
801-394-6616 Animal Control

Fire Department
4334 South Parker Drive
911 Emergencies
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CITY CALENDAR

November / December 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November **8**	**9**	**10** Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	**11** Veterans Day Ceremony 10 a.m. City Offices Open Garbage Day Blue Recycle Day	**12**	**13**	**14** Scrapbooking Day at the Community Center
15	**16**	**17** City Council / RDA Meeting* 6:00 p.m.	**18** Garbage Day Red Recycle Day	**19**	**20** Senior Center Thanksgiving Lunch	**21**
22	**23**	**24** Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	**25** Garbage Day Blue Recycle Day	**26** Thanksgiving	**27**	**28**
29	**30**	December **1** City Council Meeting* 6:00 p.m.	**2** Garbage Day Red Recycle Day	**3**	**4**	**5**
6	**7**	**8** Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	**9** Garbage Day Blue Recycle Day	**10**	**11** Senior Center Christmas Dinner 6:00 p.m.	**12** Scrapbooking Day at the Community Center

All City Buildings Closed, except the Community Center is open Friday

**Agendas for the meetings are posted in the Civic Center foyer prior to the meetings and on our website, www.riverdalecity.com.*