

MAYOR'S CORNER

Building Character

Over the years that I have been Mayor, our public works director and I have had many requests for "Eagle Scout Project Suggestions." I believe the thoughts and intentions are extremely honorable, to make the community a better place to live. To do it with volunteer efforts and many times donated materials is even more noble. To teach young men leadership skills through the process is the icing on the cake.

I have taken the stand from the beginning of my 1st term in office that we should begin with the latter as the main goal and not merely the icing on the cake. I am of the firm belief that the main goal of the scouting program (Boy and Girl Scouts) is to teach leadership, integrity, responsibility and dependability.

I stopped short of earning the Eagle rank, but I have always remembered that most of my leaders were so willing to help that I almost didn't have to work hard to get my merit badges etc. When my son got his Eagle, I tried to make him do most of it himself so he would learn the skills. We as parents wanted him to succeed but since the age limit to get the Eagle Rank was 18, I didn't feel I should earn it for him. I want your young man to succeed with all my heart and will work with them to arrive at a common good idea for them and the city.

So what do you do when you want to help the community with a scout project? What I suggest is to brainstorm with parents and scout leaders to think of 2 or 3 things that you would like to see in the city and bring them in and let's talk about them to see what might work best for all. I'm sorry if it sounds harsh but I am not trying to earn an Eagle Rank and I don't believe our public works director or I should provide a list of "Eagle Projects" for them to choose from. I believe we can arrive at the same goal and teach the youth much more in the process. If you can't think of anything and want to brainstorm, I am willing to meet with youth, parents and leaders to brainstorm.

Thanks for all you do to make our City Great.

**Bruce Burrows
Mayor**

LIVING IN RIVERDALE

By Chris Stone, Public Communications Specialist

As we settle into this new year we would like to reflect upon some of the great amenities Riverdale City has to offer to residents. In the busy routine of life, it's easy to overlook some of the great benefits right in our own backyards. Below are just some of the amenities, benefits, and services our city has to offer.

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Riverdale is fortunate to enjoy many outdoor recreational opportunities. Available is everything from golfing to kayaking to fishing in the clean water of the Weber River. Here are just a few highlights:

Parks - Our two main parks are Riverdale Park, 4300 Parker Dr. and Golden Spike Park, 1260 West 5050 South. Both of the beautiful parks offer large grass areas, children's playgrounds, ball fields, walking trails, restrooms, and nice pavilions. The pavilions can be reserved for family functions by calling 621-6084.

Trails - A wonderful asset to our city is our River Trail. Running from south of the Civic Center to Parker Dr., the 2.12 mile trail offers residents a place to walk and enjoy the natural beauty of the Weber River. The trail is accessible year round. There are two parking lot trailheads: one south of the city offices at 4800 S. Weber River Dr. and one at the north end at 3480 S. Parker Dr. The south trail head has a new restroom facility. There is also a fisherman access trail located by Johnny's Dairy which leads to the river.

VIBRANT BUSINESS DISTRICT

Riverdale has a robust business district along Riverdale Road. In our business district you will find everything from large discount retailers to car dealerships to fine dining and everything in-between, making it convenient for residents to fill all their shopping needs.

The city has worked to make it easier for residents to access our business district in recent years by adding River Park Drive behind Wal-Mart and reconstructing 300 West. A new connector road will also be built with the new J. C. Penny development next to Lowe's. Pacific Avenue will be extended behind Lowe's and the new development to tie into 550 West where a new traffic light will be added. We look forward to these new developments.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Recreation Programs - Our recreation programs provide our citizens with great activities. Our youth programs include: intramurals, baseball/softball, flag football, and basketball. In addition we have our Start Smart programs, midnight basketball, adult table tennis tournaments, Summer Fun Days, men's basketball, and women's volleyball. For information on our recreational programs you may call 621-6084.

Senior Center - The Riverdale Senior Center, 4433 South 900 West, offers those 55 and older with a wonderful place to gather. Seniors can enjoy a hot lunch each weekday made on site. A variety of programs and classes are offered throughout the week with something for everyone.

Community Center - Our Community Center is a great asset to our city. It offers a large gym for our sports programs and open play for our residents. There is also a workout room with treadmills, bikes and stair machines. All

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offered at very low cost. Meeting rooms with kitchen facilities can be rented out for family functions and events. For more information call 621-6084.

GREAT SERVICES, GREAT EMPLOYEES

It takes a lot to keep the city running and able to provide the services you need. To keep it all running smooth it takes dedicated people to provide these services to you. We can proudly say that we have some of the best employees working hard to serve our residents. The city is pleased to provide citizens with a number of services including: 24/7 Police service, 24/7 Fire and emergency service, clean water, sewer, garbage, street maintenance, park maintenance, community development services, recreation programs, Justice Court service, and support personnel to tie it all together.

CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

Old Glory Days - Nothing brings people together like a good celebration! Our signature hometown celebration is the annual July 4th Old Glory Days. With our Sunrise Service, parade, carnival and great fireworks show, it's the place to be to celebrate our nations independence.

Easter Egg Hunt - Our Youth City Council puts on the annual Easter Egg Hunt the Saturday before Easter offering great fun for all the kids.

Pumpkin Festival - Our first Pumpkin Festival was held last fall and looks to be another fun family tradition taking place just before Halloween.

Santa Run - Each Christmas our Fire Department gives Santa a ride atop our fire truck to greet and give out candy to all the youngsters.

Riverdale Band Concerts - Our very own Riverdale Band puts on annual summer and Christmas concerts providing great music for the whole family to enjoy.

Riverdale City is truly a wonderful place to live. But as with any place it is only as good as the people living there. In addition to our natural beauty, benefits, and amenities, we have the best citizens. We appreciate all that our residents do to make Riverdale a great place to live.

CLEANUP SCHEDULED

Our spring cleanup has been scheduled for April 28th. This will be the same type of cleanup as last time, with dumpsters at three locations ready for you to bring your garbage to dump. More details will be published before the cleanup.

HOME PROBLEMS?

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. A loan packet may be obtained at the Civic Center or at www.riverdalecity.com.



UTILITY PAYMENTS

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 for more information.

RECREATION NEWS

TABLE TENNIS

On February 15th we will have adult table tennis at the Community Center, 4360 S. Parker Dr., from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. We are looking for people who are interested in playing. The cost is \$1.00. This is for ages 18 and over. Please come join us.

INTRAMURALS

Beginning February 20th we will start crab soccer. Crab soccer is a lot of fun. If your kids haven't tried it they will love it. This is for youth ages 8 to 18. The cost is \$5.00 for the six week activity. Sign up at the Community Center or call 621-6084 for more information. Come join the fun!

START SMART BASEBALL

Coming in March will be our Start Smart Baseball for children 5 and 6. Sign ups will start in March. Cost is \$15.00. Sign up at the Community Center or call 621-6084 for more information.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST WINNERS

The winners of the Youth City Council Christmas lighting contest are:

- 1st place: The Turner family at 5134 S 1225 W.
- 2nd place: The Smith family at 3986 S 750 W.
- 3rd place: The Dean family at 3768 S 600 W.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The following have been scheduled to take place at the Civic Center, 4600 S. Weber River Dr. Public comment is invited. For details please visit www.riverdalecity.com.

Planning Commission

Date: February 13, 2007
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Topic: Proposed rezone of a parcel of property at approximately 743 West 4400 South from R-2 to Mixed Use.

City Council

Date: February 20, 2007
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Topic: Consideration of property exchange between Riverdale City and Unity Development Corporation.

RIVERDALE SENIOR NEWS

February 2007

RIVERDALE SENIOR CENTER

4433 South 900 West, Riverdale, Utah 84405 (801) 621-6086

Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday
(Closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays)

STOP BY THE SENIOR CENTER FOR A COMPLETE PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND LUNCH MENU!



LUNCH MENU

Lunch is served at noon week-days for seniors age 55 and older for only \$2.50.

February

- ✓ 1 - Ham
- ✓ 2 - Bar-B-Que Meatballs / rice
- ✓ 5 - Inside-Out Chicken Pot Pie
- ✓ 6 - Beef Stew
- ✓ 7 - Mexican Goulash
- ✓ 8 - Turkey Steak
- ✓ 9 - Beef Enchiladas
- ✓ 12 - Pork Roast
- ✓ 13 - Country Fried Steak
- ✓ 14 - Oven Baked Turkey
- ✓ 15 - Orange Chicken
- ✓ 16 - Meatloaf
- ✓ 19 - Closed for President's Day
- ✓ 20 - Pork Tenderloin Steak
- ✓ 21 - Chicken Stir Fry
- ✓ 22 - Roast Beef
- ✓ 23 - Unbreaded Tilapia Fish Fillets
- ✓ 26 - Chicken Noodle Soup
- ✓ 27 - Spaghetti
- ✓ 28 - Southwest Turkey Casserole

March

- ✓ 1 - Roast Beef
- ✓ 2 - Fried Chicken
- ✓ 5 - Tenderloin Chicken Breast
- ✓ 6 - Pork Tenderloin
- ✓ 7 - Cod Fish
- ✓ 8 - Salisbury Steak
- ✓ 9 - Sliced Turkey

FREE TAX HELP

Free AARP tax help will be offered at the Center on the following days:

- Feb. 7th 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Feb. 14th 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Feb. 21st 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm
- Feb. 28th 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Please sign up at center.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **February 8th** - Educational Presentation at 12:15 pm, Identity Theft and Senor Scams presented by Your Community Connection.
- **February 14th** - Valentine's Day lunch with entertainment by Men of Song.



SENIOR OF THE MONTH

Millie Weaver has been selected February 'Senior of the Month.' February is an appropriate month to honor Millie. She has a heart of gold and shows love and kindness to everyone. She also works in the kitchen at the Center where she helps prepare and serve the noon meal. Congratulations Millie! We love you.



SENIOR CENTER TO BE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

The Senior Center will be closed on the following holiday:

- Monday, February 19th for Presidents' Day.

SENIOR CENTER OFFERS A VARIETY OF CLASSES

Here's a sample of the classes offered each week at the Senior Center:

- Wood carving class, Monday's, 3:30 pm
- Fly Tying class, Tuesday's, 9:00 am, Instructor: Alan Clegg 
- Ceramics, Bunka, and Lapidary Classes on Wednesday's
- Creative writing class, Thursday's, 10:00 am
- Stained glass class, Friday's, 10:00 am

Computer classes : Please sign up at the center for these classes.

- Beginning computer class: Tuesday's, 8:30 - 10:00 am
- Microsoft Word class: Tuesday's, 10:30 am - noon
- Internet class: Thursday's, 9:00 - 10:00 am



For a full list of classes and activities please stop by the Senior Center.

AARP DRIVERS TRAINING COURSE

The next AARP Driver Safety Class will be held at the Senior Center on February 12th and 13th from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. This course offers instruction in a classroom setting with no testing required. The course is open to anyone ages 50 and older. Cost is \$10.00. Sign up by calling 621-6086.



The Riverdale Senior Board of Directors for 2007 are:

Chairman: Elgin Charlesworth	Historian: Shirley Dermody
Vice Chairman: John Christensen	Member at Large: Diane Wilson
Secretary: Lois Poole	Advisor: Patricia Hurst
Treasurer: Lois Davis	

Doug Peterson: Representative from the Riverdale City Council
 Lynn Fortie: Riverdale City Business Administrator
 Jeannette Hall: Director of Community Services
 Mickie Layton: Senior Center Coordinator

CITY CALENDAR

February 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31 Garbage Day	1	2	3
4	5	6 City Council* 6:00 p.m.	7 Garbage Day	8	9	10
11	12 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">AARP Seniors Driver Training Class</div>	13 Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	14 Garbage Day Valentine's Day	15 Adult Table Tennis at the Community Center 6:00 p.m.	16	17
18	19 Presidents' Day City Offices Closed	20 City Council / RDA Meeting* 6:00 p.m.	21 Garbage Day	22	23	24
25	26	27 Planning Commission* 6:30 p.m.	28 Garbage Day	March 1	2	3

**Agendas for the meetings are posted in the Civic Center, Community Center, and Senior Center foyers prior to the meetings and at our website, www.riverdalecity.com.*

RIVERDALE CITY DIRECTORY

Mayor City Council

Mayor Burrows 621-7979
 Councilor Gibby 621-8639
 Councilor Griffiths 393-0183
 Councilor Haws 393-2598
 Councilor Jenkins 394-7993
 Councilor Peterson 334-9660

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

Senior Center

4433 S. 900 W. 621-6086

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 629-8221

Police Department

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

Fire Department

4334 South Parker Drive
 911 (Emergencies)
 394-7481 (Business Line)
 629-8221 (Weber Dispatch)

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