



# River Heights City News

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### Mayor's Message

Hello River Heights! Summer is coming to an end, but it's not the weather that's on my mind. I've been thinking about elections and how each of us can make an impact on local decisions and in some small way influence decisions at the county and state level. As your mayor, I have been involved in many committees throughout the county and have influence and time with state leadership.

Please consider 3 areas you can be engaged as elections draw near: 1) Get to know the candidates. Tell them your concerns and ask them the hard questions. Vote for who you feel will represent you and your interests the best. 2) Vote! 3) Make a commitment to come to council and planning meetings. Use public comment time to articulate your concerns and to respectfully describe your grievances. I personally feel accountable when you are in the audience--which is why it's so important to participate. 4) Make a personal pledge to be unified as a city--as a community.

Let's have dialogue, disagreements, debates, and even passion. But let's not allow discord, mistrust, or anger to fill our hearts. We need to stand with each other and be unified in our fight for human rights, peace across neighborhoods and nations, and mutual respect for other's opinions and beliefs. Stand up and stand with me in moving our great city and our great nation into a future that will welcome our children and grandchildren with even more opportunity, safety, prosperity, and certainly liberty.

It is truly a pleasure to serve you!

Sincerely,

Mayor Rasmussen

### Movie in the Park

October 8 at 8:00 pm

Heber Olson Park

Showing "A Quiet Place"

Sponsored by the RHC Ambassadors.

### Tree Lighting

Monday, November 29

6:00 p.m. Meet at the tree north of Ryan's Place Park

6:30-7:30 Hot chocolate bar at the pavilion.

Special visitors will be in attendance!

Sponsored by the RHC Ambassadors.



### Citizens of the Year

This year the City is honoring the **Lions Club**! We wish to thank past and present members for all their service in our community. The Lions Club has been an asset to our community for many years and we appreciate them!

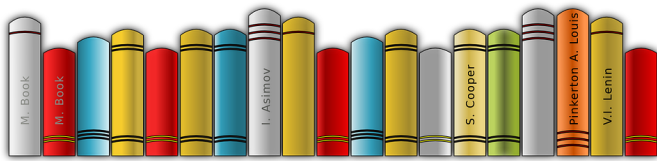
### Snow Shoveling

Remember it is UNLAWFUL to throw your snow into the road. When snow freezes in the road it can cause safety issues and it deters the degree to which the city equipment can clear your road.

### Parking Restrictions

Don't forget, it is unlawful to park any vehicle on any public street from November 15 - March 15 between the hours of 4:00 am and 12:00 noon.

You can also be ticketed anytime for parking on the sidewalks.



## Summer Reading Winners

Air Pods – Jack McFarland

Roller Skates – Beckett Gardner, Jules Jensen

Penny Board – Lyla Bunderson, Beckett Gardner

Ice Arena – Wren Gallop, Ella Hoffer, Kate Arnell, Corbin Glover, Ryken Hoffer, Stephanie Stenquist, Lawson Gallup

Jump Zone – Eliza Larson, Ericka Larson, Sylvia Stenquist, Jenna Kate Craney, Willow Stong

Pizza Pie Café – Abe Rhodes, Elizabeth Hoffer, Micah Brown, Adam Evans, Vivian Arnell, Evelyn Larson, Jade Merrell

\$25 at KSM – Jenna Kate Craney

Soccer Ball – Tyler Marble

Basketball – Heath Stenquist

Lazy One – Jenna Kate Craney, Kate Arnell

Color Me Mine – Ryker Hoffer

Wingers – River Glover

Stacked – KoDee Hoffer

Movie Tickets – Lily Evans, Tyler Marble

**CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!!**

## Just Serve Together

### Sidewalk Gala Open House

- ◆ Saturday, October 23, 9-noon
- ◆ Held at the River Heights Stake Center, 860 S 600 E
- ◆ Donations accepted: socks, diapers, wipes, glasses, new and slightly used books for babies to teens
- ◆ Projects to go: pillow cases, letters for vets, baby blankets, crafts/decorations
- ◆ Covid protocol observed

## Business Licenses

If you are running a business out of your home, you need to apply for a license, which can be done anytime.

The timeframe for renewals on previously registered businesses is Nov 1 through Dec 31. After the deadline, there is a \$30 late fee. The application can be found at [riverheights.org](http://riverheights.org) under 'Forms/Business License.'

## Emergency Preparedness

Friends and Neighbors, your Preparedness Bag is growing up so fast! It should now have non-perishable food, personalized med kit, and water bottle. Did you have fun practicing your home's fire escape plan? Make sure to practice it once a month! This time we are asking you to:

Pick two outfits and a jacket that are season appropriate and put them in your bag. Don't forget socks!

In a gallon ziplock bag, add a cell phone charger and a comfort item such as a game, book, art supplies, etc and throw that in your grab-and-go bag, too. Remember, nothing fancy, just for emergencies!



## Stormwater Protection

Salt or alternative de-icing chemicals are used in winter maintenance to melt snow and ice to ensure pedestrian safety. When snow and ice melt, the water becomes stormwater runoff, which ends up in our streams, rivers and lakes via our storm drain system. As the runoff moves over paved surfaces, it collects sand, salt and other pollutants and deposits them into surface water causing contamination. De-icing can reduce oxygen demand levels and/or increase salinity in our surface waters. In addition, de-icers have the potential to cause building, pavement and interior flooring deterioration.

Follow product directions carefully to reduce the amount of de-icer used and choose environmentally preferable de-icing products to reduce your impact on the environment.