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Nixle Reaches 500 Subscribers

Riverside’s Emergency Notification Program “Nixle” recently reached a milestone by receiving its 500th subscriber. Nixle is a program that allows the City to provide the community with fast, official information during times of emergencies or events that require mass notification to the public.



Launched in 2011, the City has issued more than 240 notifications involving weather alerts, traffic crashes, road closures, and safety and community event information. This information is delivered to the subscriber’s smart phones or email addresses. Followers of the City’s Facebook and Twitter accounts also receive Nixle notifications.

“This is a very important tool to have in our toolbox”, said Mike Shelton, Emergency Management Coordinator. “By having a means of delivering official city government information in a timely manner, the subscriber will know that the information can be trusted and the directions provided should be followed.”

Nixle is a nationwide service that serves more than 6,000 government agencies in all 50 states. Anyone can subscribe to Nixle information wherever the service is provided. To sign up, text the zip code of the area where you would like to receive alerts from to 888777, or visit www.nixle.com.

Riverside Horizons Update



Riverside Horizons Aerial Renderings show how much development has occurred since 2011.

Over the past two years, Riverside accomplished something that no other city in the Metro was able to – the addition of more than 1 million square feet of new industrial development. The City and its development partner NorthPoint Development kicked off work in the Riverside Horizons area in late 2011 with plans to bring more than 6,000 jobs, 1.1 million square feet of office space and 1.5 million square feet of industrial innovation space over the next generation. Since then, the team has been working aggressively to bring development to the area and is consistently beating projections.

“Not only is the team working on Riverside Horizons willing to do what needs to get done to bring a new business in, but the appeal of developing in Riverside is unmatched in the Kansas City region right now,” Brent Miles, Vice President of NorthPoint Development, said. “Riverside’s central location, the quality of the buildings in Horizons and the ability to customize them, and the ease of doing business with the City make it an easy sell.”

The momentum in Riverside Horizons really started with the completion of Horizons Industrial I, a speculative Riverside building that was built without a tenant in mind but is now 100% leased. The success of this building jump-started an additional 500,000 square feet of construction in the Horizons area.

Now that the industrial innovation development is well underway, the Horizons team is turning their sights to office space. Construction started this fall on the first office building in Horizons and it is expected to be completed in mid-February. The building is already fully leased and NorthPoint will be

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Community Center

The Riverside Community Center offers free fitness classes and league play every week. Open Gym hours are Monday-Thursday, 3-6 p.m., and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Questions? Call **816-741-4172**.

SU, 1-5 p.m.

M/TU/W/TH, 3-6 p.m.

Open Gym

M/W/F, 8-9:30 a.m.

Cardio, Strength, Yoga

M/TH, 10-11 a.m.

Line Dancing & Weights

M/TH, 6-9 p.m.

Adult Volleyball (open to all)

W, 10-11 a.m.

Stay Strong, Stay Healthy

W, 12:30-2 p.m.*

Bunco

*first Wednesday of the month

W, 6-9 p.m.

Pickleball (open to all)

TH, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Zumba

TH, 12-3 p.m.

Pickleball

No classes or activities on January 1 or 20. The Community Center will be closed.

Stay Connected

www.RiversideMo.com

www.RiversideMo.com/blog/

City of Riverside (Facebook)

@RiversideMo (Twitter)

Riverside Horizons Ahead of Schedule

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moving its office to the building as well.

“The office building is important because it helps prospective tenants visualize what’s possible in the area and see the transition from industrial to office,” Miles said.

Part of the transition to office space includes much more of a focus and attention to details in the development. Miles explains that while industrial tenants are typically more focused on the math and logistics of their business, office tenants are focused on the details, like the look and feel of the development, nearby amenities and more. As part of this focus, construction will be starting soon on a 50 foot obelisk that will be built at the entrance to the development and additional landscaping will be completed this spring.

“A big question I always get is when are more restaurants coming to the area. Now that momentum is building and there are more than 1,600 employees in the area, more services should follow. We anticipate that food establishments and possibly a hotel are on the horizon for 2014,” Miles said. ↪

Riverside Businesses Win Big

Both new and existing Riverside businesses were honored in December at the Platte County Economic Development Council’s Annual Awards Luncheon.

New Riverside businesses received six of the PCEDC’s 10 Business Excellence Awards. This award honors companies who have made a significant new investment in Platte County, including job creation, increased visibility and increased tax base. The Business Excellence Award winners were: Gallagher North America, Inc., M&M Quality Solutions, Marlen International, Velociti Inc., Vistar, and W.W. Grainger, Inc.

Lauren’s Hope was also honored with the PCEDC’s Community Development Award on behalf of the City of Riverside. This award recognizes businesses that have provided civic and business leadership in the community. ↪



Lauren’s Hope won the 2013 Community Development Award from the PCEDC.



Riverside Fire/Police Athletic League

Sock Hop

Saturday, February 1 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Riverside Community Center

50’s Music, Soda Fountain, Photo Booth, Crafts, and more!
Plus prizes for the best 50’s costume and a hulu hoop contest!

Register online at www.riversidemo.com/fpal by January 26.

“Do Good” in 2014

Have you witnessed a good deed in Riverside recently? We want to hear about it! The Mayor and Board of Aldermen would be honored to recognize community members who have continued the City’s “Do Good” tradition with a special token of appreciation. Share your stories at www.riversidemo.com/dogood or submit them via email to mhauck@riversidemo.com. ☺



Riverside Resident Appointed to Library Board

Riverside resident and former Riverside Alderman Pamela Darata was recently appointed to the Mid-Continent Public Library Board of Trustees by the Platte County Commission. The Mid-Continent Public Library is governed by a twelve member Board of Trustees. By Missouri Statute, each county in the library district may appoint four representatives to the Board. The Clay and Platte County Commissions and the Jackson County Executive make these appointments annually. ☺

Time to Renew!

Pet Licenses

Pet licenses in Riverside expired on December 31. They are required for any dog or cat that is let outside the confines of a private building, and require the owner to submit a proof of vaccination. The fee for a dog license is \$6, or if the dog is spayed or neutered, \$4. There is no fee to license cats. Licenses are available at Public Safety, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Licenses can also be obtained by mail. For more information, contact the Records Unit at 741-1191.

Business Licenses

Business licenses also expired on December 31. All Riverside businesses should have received a notice in the mail with details about renewing their business license. Please contact the City Clerk at 741-3993 with any questions.

A purple graphic with white and black text. At the top, it says "PARK HILL SOUTH MARCHING BAND" in white. Below that, the word "BELIEVE" is written in large, white, block letters. Underneath "BELIEVE" is a black silhouette of a city skyline with a Ferris wheel. At the bottom of the graphic, it says "2014 London New Year's Day Parade" in white. Below the graphic, on a white background, is the text: "The City of Riverside wishes our hometown high school marching band GOOD LUCK IN LONDON! In honor of the Park Hill South Marching Band's Performance in the 2014 London New Year's Day Parade, the Mayor of Riverside has declared January 1, 2014 'A Day to Believe.'"

Election Filing

Riverside voters will go to the polls on April 8 for the municipal election. Officials with terms expiring are: Mayor Kathy Rose; Alderman Ron Super, Ward I; Alderman Seth DeRose, Ward II; and Alderman Art Homer, Ward III. Filing opened December 17, 2013 and closes January 21, 2014. Those interested can file at City Hall during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, except for these dates when City Hall will be closed: Jan. 1 and Jan. 20.

Calendar

January 1

City Offices Closed

January 7

Board of Aldermen – 7 p.m.

January 9

Planning and Zoning – 7 p.m.

January 20

City Offices Closed

January 21

Election Filing Deadline

January 21

Board of Aldermen – 7 p.m.

January 23

Planning and Zoning – 7 p.m.

Get Healthy in 2014!

Riverside residents are eligible for reduced rates at area fitness centers through the Riverside Healthy Citizens Initiative. Through this program, residents will pay 25 percent of the membership fee and the City will pay the remaining 75 percent.

Eligible Fitness Facilities

Platte County Community Centers/YMCA
8875 Clark Ave, Parkville, Mo.
(816) 505-2622

North Kansas City Community Center
1999 Iron Street, NKC, Mo.
(816) 300-0531

Gladstone Community Center
6901 N. Holmes, Gladstone, Mo.
(816) 423-4200

How to Sign Up

Contact the Riverside Community Center at 741-4172 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. for details on how to register for the program. More information is also available on the City website, www.riversidemo.com.

