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Public Safety Awards

The Department of Public Safety recognized contributions made by city employees and the public at the 2012 Public Safety Awards Ceremony held on March 14, 2013.

The Chief of Police Commendation Award was given to Riverside residents Kristy Bruns and Corey Newett for their actions surrounding the attempted kidnapping of a 13-year-old girl on November 12, 2012. When Kristy Bruns witnessed the act while driving, she stopped her car and interrupted the attack; the subject ran into the woods. Accomplished artist Corey Newett worked with the witness to illustrate the unique jacket worn by the subject. His rendering was quickly distributed to the news media.

The Department of Public Safety Employee of the Year Award recognizes members of the Police, Fire and non-sworn staff. The 2012 Police Officer of the Year Award was given to Billy Aaron, a respected member of the Metro Squad, for his vast experience, knowledge and guidance. The 2012 Firefighter of the Year Award went to Fire Captain Dave Johnson for his leadership, expertise and collaborative spirit. The 2012 Non-Sworn Employee of the Year Award was given to Communications Specialist Brandi Salazar for her outstanding training skills and positive attitude.

See the full list of awards at RiversideMo.com

What's Old Is New Again

Pharmacy Opens at Red X

Through floods and fire and changing times, generations of Riverside residents have counted on the Red X for essentials from groceries to refreshments and beyond. Now, owner Zeke Young is adding, or more precisely, bringing back, another way to serve those who live and work here: a new pharmacy.



Riverside Red X

Scheduled to open in mid-April, the Phillips Family Pharmacy will operate inside the Red X, from nearly the same spot as it did decades ago. While the location is the same, the pharmacy itself is fresh and new, sporting bright colors and featuring an expanded gift card area, health and beauty section, and a separate check out.

The pharmacy will be run by UMKC School of Pharmacy graduate Josie Phillips. A native of the Ozarks, Josie recognized that Riverside offered many opportunities for entrepreneurs to succeed. She moved to Riverside last year, and joins a growing group of professionals who both live and work in Riverside. "My goal is to know everyone in the community, and really get involved. I decided the best way to do that was to be right around the corner," Josie said.

Bringing a pharmacy back to Red X was an easy decision for owner Zeke Young. Given all the expansion in Riverside and the great infrastructure investment the City has made, Zeke said that adding the pharmacy gives people a reason to "shop Riverside." Zeke fondly remembers the pharmacy as a child, and believes his father, Riverside's E. H. Young, would be pleased that he brought it back. "Dad was always about change," he explained. "You see something that needs to be different, you change it. I think Dad would be tickled about it," Zeke said.

Josie hopes so too. "I'm very fortunate to open a family-owned pharmacy inside a well-established family business like Red X." Watch for an announcement of the official grand opening ceremony, planned for May.



Pharmacist Josie Phillips

Fitness Classes

The Riverside Community Center offers free fitness classes and league play every week. Note: the gym will be closed April 7th - 20th. We apologize for any inconvenience.

M/W/F, 8-9:30 am

Yoga, Cardio, Strength Class

M/Th, 10-11 am

Line Dancing & Weights

M/Th, 6-9 pm

Adult Volleyball (open to all)

Wednesday, 10-11 am

Stay Strong Stay Healthy Class

Wednesday, 6-9 pm

Pickleball

Thursday, 8:30-9:30 am

Zumba

Stay Connected

www.RiversideMo.com

www.RiversideMo.com/blog/

City of Riverside (Facebook)

@RiversideMo (Twitter)

Trash & Recycling Schedule

Friday is trash/recycling pickup day in Riverside, regardless of holidays.

Recycle or trash it? Much of your metal, plastic and paper waste can be recycled curbside: See a complete list at www.RiversideMo.com/publicworks/recycling

RECYCLING EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, April 20, 9 am–1 pm

6305 NW Riverpark Drive
(Off 9 Hwy between Riverside & Parkville)

**Don't want it? Don't trash it:
Recycle it at this FREE event!**

Automobile Tires (4-tires per car/no rims) • Bicycles • Car & Ni-Cad Batteries
Clothing • Electronics (fee to recycle TVs) • Furniture • Glasses and Sunglasses
Household Items • Iron • Oil and Antifreeze • Paper Shredding (4-box limit per person) • Prescription Drugs • Tennis Balls • Unusable Athletic Shoes • Items for the Homeless: gently used clothing, towels and washcloths; travel size soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion

Free collection for most items, see
[facebook.com/NorthlandRecyclingExtravaganza](https://www.facebook.com/NorthlandRecyclingExtravaganza) for details.

And don't miss these other great events!

Citywide Garage Sale, April 26–27

Call the Community Center at 816-741-4172 for more.

City Cleanup Days, April 22-27, April 29-May 4

7:30 am–4:00 pm

Riverside Public Works Dept.

No Household Hazardous Waste

City Attorney Accepts New Post

Riverside City Attorney Nancy Thompson will be leaving her post to serve as City Counselor for the City of Columbia, Missouri. When asked what she enjoyed most about her time here, Nancy cited the ability to be a part of and experience the transformation of the city. “Economic development in Riverside is on the rise in a time of national economic decline,” Nancy said. When she arrived in the city three years ago, the community was finalizing an update to the Comprehensive Plan. One of Nancy’s first tasks was to work with Mike Duffy to incorporate the city vision from the updated plan into an RFP for selection of a master developer in Horizons. “To see the growth and development within the city that has flowed from those efforts has been truly amazing,” said Nancy. While she will miss the daily contact with her many Northland friends, Nancy promises that her door in Columbia will always be open. ☺

Breaking Ground

Platte County Community Centers Expand

On March 18, dual groundbreaking ceremonies signaled the official start of construction on two major projects in the Northland: the Platte County Community Center North in Platte City, and the Platte County Community Center South in Parkville. The events marked two years of community input and planning that will result in improved facilities designed to accommodate growth throughout Platte County.

Both projects are scheduled for completion in summer 2014. Of keen interest to Riverside residents is the expanded Platte County Community Center South, the product of a partnership between Platte County, the City of Parkville and the YMCA. Over 1,000 Riverside residents currently have memberships to Northland YMCAs, with the bulk belonging to the Parkville location. “The projects reflect the commitment that our community residents have shown to visiting the Y,” said Garry Linn, District Vice President, YMCA of Greater Kansas City.

The Platte County Community Center South project will place a wealth of new programming, experiences and more just minutes from Riverside. Additions include a new 4-lane lap pool with a diving well, a personal training studio, an exercise studio and 100 new parking spots. The health and wellness area and child watch area will be expanded, and the generational room will nearly double in size to accommodate more programs, activities and parties.

“It’s been a long wait,” said Garry “We’re not just expanding to expand, but to meet a need.” The staff is planning ahead and will be ready to roll out brand-new programming on the day construction is complete, Garry explained. While construction is sure to disturb a few activities, the staff is working hard to minimize that. “It’s exciting news for Platte Countians, and the outcome will be well worth the effort,” Garry said. ☺



YMCA South Expansion Groundbreaking

Review Your Water Bill(s)!

In December 2012, residents and businesses began receiving two separate bills each month: a water services bill from Missouri America Water Company (MAWC), and a wastewater service bill from Missouri Water Services Department (WSD). This represents a change to the billing procedure; services and rates have not been affected. However, as it is a new process, the City advises residents to review both bills for accuracy before paying them. If you notice any errors, please contact City Hall at **816-741-3993**. ☺

Community Calendar

April 1

Board of Aldermen Meeting, 7 pm

April 2

Municipal Elections, polls open
6 am–7 pm

April 3

Parks Board Meeting, 6 pm

April 8

Tourism Commission Meeting, 6 pm

April 11

Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 pm

April 12–13

Riverside Community Theater, 7:30 pm

April 14

Riverside Community Theater, 3 pm

April 16

Board of Aldermen Meeting, 7 pm

April 19

Riverside Community Theater, 7:30 pm

April 20

Recycling Extravaganza, 9 am–1 pm
Riverside Community Theater, 7:30 pm

April 25

Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 pm

April 26–27

Citywide Garage Sale

April 22–27,

April 29–May 4

City Cleanup Days

April 29

Senior Dance, 1 pm



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Riverside F/PAL Presents 2nd Annual Field Day

May 11, 2013
9-11 am (check-in begins at 8:30 am)
Renner Brenner Park

Children grades K- 6 can make friends and meet positive role models at Field Day, presented by the Riverside Firefighters and Police Athletic League.

All participants must pre-register April 6 – May 4. Register online at RiversideMo.com/fpal. For more information or to register by mail, call PO Matt Westrich or FF Karen Holland at **816-741-1191**.

FREE THEATRE ADMISSION

The City of Riverside is offering passes for free admission to “On Golden Pond,” presented by the Riverside Community Theatre and produced by Fair Based Productions.

Show Dates and Times:
April 12, 13, 19, 20 at 7:30 pm; April 14 at 3:00 pm

For more information please call 816-260-1618.

How to Redeem:

- Bring coupon to the Community Center prior to the show. Each coupon is redeemable for two free passes. Free passes are good for admission only.
- You must redeem this coupon in advance to receive free passes. Coupons will not be accepted at show performances.
- Only a limited number of free passes are available so redeem early!