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*"This paper will no doubt be found interesting by those who take an interest in it."*  
Charlotte Smith, born September 6, 1766, English novelist and poet

*Who do our September birthdays share their month with?*

Love the Gee Bees? Barry Gibb celebrates his birthday in this month. There is also Latin pop singer Gloria Estefan, Queen lead singer Freddie Mercury, and Aerosmith lead guitarist Joe Perry. Popular artists also celebrating their birthday in September are the late Amy Winehouse, Joan Jett, Lil Wayne, Wiz Khalifa and Beyonce Knowles.

If you loved the "Matrix" movies, know that its lead star, Keanu Reeves, celebrates his birthday in September. There is also Salma Hayek ("Frida"), Rose McGowan ("Scream"), Adam Sandler ("The Wedding Singer"), Jennifer Hudson ("Dreamgirls") and the late Paul Walker ("Fast and Furious").

You might also want to know that heavyweight boxing champion Rocky Marciano, gold medal snowboarder Shaun White, Porsche creator Ferdinand Porsche, Tennessee whiskey founder Jack Daniel and Hershey Chocolate Company founder Milton Hershey are on the Famous September Birthdays list.

*So, to all of our Virgo and Libra neighbors out there, have a great birthday month!!*

## **Riverside News**

- Your Garbage Carts- Please make sure when you put your garbage out on Thursday mornings that your cart is placed with the bar on the front facing the road. This is important for the truck to be able to lift and empty your cart.
- Labor Day- City Hall will be closed on Monday, 9-5-22, in observance of Labor Day. Observed the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers.
- City Council Election- There are 3 positions on our City Council available for this 2022 election year. August 22<sup>nd</sup> is the last day to turn in any applications to run. You can pick up applications to run for Council at City Hall Mon-Fri from 8am-5pm through 8/22/22.
- Online Payments- You can check your account and or pay on our website at [www.cityofriversidetx.com](http://www.cityofriversidetx.com)

## **September is Disaster Preparedness Month**

Disaster Preparedness Month was initiated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in 2004 to promote the importance of being prepared for large-scale emergencies. September was chosen due to the U.S. Government emphasizing the importance of personal survival measures following the 9/11 attacks in 2001. To help prepare for a crisis, you need to know the effects that disasters may inflict upon you and your home. For example, forest fires require you to pinpoint evacuation sites and necessary objects to remove from your home, while hurricanes can shatter windows and send flying glass throughout your household. Prevention methods such as barricading the windows and removing fire hazards from your home can be effective in minimizing the effects of disaster, but it all depends on how you deal with it, and what measures you take in the aftermath. Therefore, proper planning and prevention measures may help minimize the impact of a disaster on your home and your loved ones and ensure your safety and survival. Disaster Preparedness Month is bookended by National Preparedness Day on September 30.

1. Create Emergency Plans and assure everyone in your household is aware of what they are.
2. Prepare Emergency Kits
3. Keep Up To Date

## **Burn Bans and Rain**

Please note that rain does not mean the end to the burn ban. ***Before you burn, call and ask.*** You can call the fire department at 936-594-2817, Walker County Office of Emergency Management at 936-435-8035 or Riverside City Hall at 936-594-2520.

## **JOKE OF THE DAY**

As I get older I realize:

1. I talk to myself because sometimes I need expert advice.
2. Sometimes I roll my eyes outloud.
3. I don't need anger management, I need people to stop pissing me off.
4. My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance of idiots that needs work.
5. The biggest lie I tell myself is, "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it".
6. When I was a child I thought naptime was punishment. Now it's like a mini-vacation.
7. The day the world runs out of wine is just too terrible to think about.
8. Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound.
9. Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes; come out wrinkle free and three sizes smaller.
10. "Getting Lucky" means walking into a room and remembering why I'm there.

**\*Next City Council meeting is 9/6/22 at 6:00 pm.**

- **Public viewing of the 2022/2023 budget from 4:00-4:30 pm at City Hall**
- **Public viewing of the 2022 tax rate from 4:30-5:00 pm at City Hall**

**Have a great September! Take care of yourselves and each other. Cooler days are coming!**

*Stormy and Jeri*