Monthly Newsletter

## **CITY OF SUMMERSET**

November 2022

## Monthly Happenings

## **Commission Meetings:**

Nov. 3rd and 17th, 6pm

## P&Z Meetings:

Nov. 8th and 22nd, 6pm

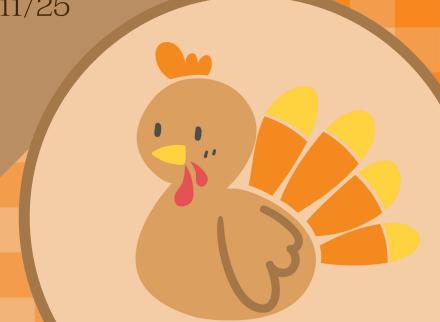
## Veteran's Day:

November 11th-City Hall Closed

## Thanksgiving:

November 24th-City Hall Closed 11/24-

11/25



# Police Department

With the school year well underway, students and parents are back into the morning routine. Local law enforcement urges motorists to be aware of their surroundings as students are getting on off the school bus or walking to and from school.

Safety is a top priority and the top of the agenda for your local law enforcement. Everyone be aware of buses frequently stopping and watch out for kids crossing the road. As adults and the drivers in the area it is up to us to keep the roads, bus riders and walkers safe.



# Public WORKS

Yard Waste Containers will be pulled November 7th, 2022. Please have all yard waste deposited in the containers by then. After this date yard waste will need to be taken to the rapid city landfill

All garbage will be picked up on Wednesday November 23rd. cans must be out to the curb by 7am.



# CODE ENFORCEMENT

Reminder

Please remember snow must be shoveled from sidewalks within 24 hrs.

§ 50.07 REMOVAL BY OWNER.

The owner or occupant of any building or any lot, parcel or plot of ground fronting or abutting on any sidewalk in the snow removal as hereinafter described, shall clear said sidewalk of snow or ice to the full width of the sidewalk within 24 hours after the same shall have fallen or formed. The Public Works Department of the city may waive this requirement in the event of an extended snowstorm.

(Ord. 18.02, passed 4-19-2018)

## ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER – HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO MAKE A WINTER SURVIVAL KIT FOR YOUR VEHICLE.

Being stuck on the side of the road during a winter storm isn't so stressful when you're well prepared. People often stock their first aid kits and gather supplies in case of emergencies. But during the winter, you need to plan for winter weather travel. In addition to regular maintenance, it's important to ensure your vehicle has weather-appropriate tires with good tread, and to fill your car with gas before driving in severe weather.

Also, consider putting together a winter survival kit for your vehicle. In the event of an emergency, it could save your life and the lives of your passengers. Here is a list of items that could go into your winter survival kit:

- First Aid Kit.
- Jumper cables
- Tow rope
- Cell phone charger
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Waterproof matches and candles
- Bag of car litter for tire traction
- Windshield ice scraper w/brush
- Small shovel
- Necessary medications
- Blankets/sleeping bag
- Extra set of clothes, gloves, hat.
- Snow boots
- Bottled water
- Nonperishable and dried foods, energy bars

If stranded stay with your vehicles and run the engine sparingly. Start with 15 minutes every hour and adjust accordingly. Make sure to keep the exhaust pipe clear of snow. Never go to sleep with the engine running. If you must leave your car for any distance, tie a rope or article of clothing to your car so you can find your way back.

\*Remember being prepared could mean the difference between life and death.





## Winter Driving

The winter season is upon us once again. It's time for a short refresher on winter driving and preparedness.

The best advice for driving in bad winter weather is not to drive at all, if you can avoid it.

Don't go out until the snowplows and sanding trucks have had a chance to do their work, and allow yourself extra time to reach your destination.

If you must drive in snowy conditions, make sure your car is prepared, and that you know how to handle road conditions.

It's helpful to practice winter driving techniques in a snowy, open parking lot, so you're familiar with how your car handles. Consult your owner's manual for tips specific to your vehicle.

#### Driving safely on icy roads

Decrease your speed and leave yourself plenty of room to stop. You should allow at least three times more space than usual between you and the car in front of you.

Brake gently to avoid skidding. If your wheels start to lock up, ease off the brake.

Turn on your lights to increase your visibility to other motorists.

Keep your lights and windshield clean.

Use low gears to keep traction, especially on hills.

Don't use cruise control or overdrive on icy roads.

Be especially careful on bridges, overpasses and infrequently traveled roads, which will freeze first. Even at temperatures above freezing, if the conditions are wet, you might encounter ice in shady areas or on exposed roadways like bridges.

Don't pass snowplows and sanding trucks. The drivers have limited visibility, and you're likely to find the road in front of them worse than the road behind.

Don't assume your vehicle can handle all conditions. Even four-wheel and front-wheel drive vehicles can encounter trouble on winter roads.

#### If your rear wheels skid...

Take your foot off the accelerator.

Steer in the direction you want the front wheels to go. If your rear wheels are sliding left, steer left. If they're sliding right, steer right.

If your rear wheels start sliding the other way as you recover, ease the steering wheel toward that side. You might have to steer left and right a few times to get your vehicle completely under control

If you have standard brakes, pump them gently.

If you have anti-lock brakes (ABS), do not pump the brakes. Apply steady pressure to the brakes. You will feel the brakes pulse — this is normal.



#### If your front wheels skid ...

Take your foot off the gas and shift to neutral, but don't try to steer immediately.

As the wheels skid sideways, they will slow the vehicle and traction will return. As it does, steer in the direction you want to go. Then put the transmission in "drive" or release the clutch and accelerate gently.

#### If you get stuck...

Do not spin your wheels. This will only dig you in deeper.

Turn your wheels from side to side a few times to push snow out of the way.

Use a light touch on the gas, to ease your car out.

Use a shovel to clear snow away from the wheels and the underside of the car.

Pour sand, kitty litter, gravel or salt in the path of the wheels, to help get traction.

Try rocking the vehicle. (Check your owner's manual first — it can damage the transmission on some vehicles.) Shift from forward to reverse, and back again. Each time you're in gear, give a light touch on the gas until the vehicle gets going.

#### Finally...

#### PREPARE!!

#### Maintain Your Car:

Check battery, fire tread, and windshield wipers, keep your

windows clear, put no-freeze fluid in the washer reservoir, and check your antifreeze.

#### Have On Hand:

Flashlight, jumper cables, abrasive material (sand, kitty litter, even

floor mats), shovel, snow brush and ice scraper, warning devices (like flares) and

blankets. For long trips, add food and water, medication and cell phone.

#### Stopped or stalled?

Stay in your car, don't overexert, put bright markers on antenna or windows and shine dome light, and, if you run your car, clear exhaust pipe and run it just enough to stay warm.

#### Plan Your route:

Allow plenty of time (check the weather and leave early if necessary), be familiar with the maps/ directions, and let others know your route and arrival time.

# Show Us Your Spirit!

It's that time of year again!
Show off your Holiday Spirit for the
Light-Up Summerset 2022
Holiday lighting contest.

## Entries must be received by December 15, 2022.

Judging will take place December 16th and 17th.

Please make sure your lighting displays are ready and turned on between 5pm and 9pm.

Prizes will be given to the Top 3 Placings!

Happy Holidays From The City of Summerset!

Please fill out this slip, detach and bring to City Hall to register for the Light Up Summerset 2022 Lighting Contest!

Owner Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

### Cops & Kids 2022





#### Greetings from the Summerset Police Department!

I am incredibly proud of what we accomplished for the sake of the children in our area of Summerset, Piedmont and Black Hawk. Not only did we go shopping for 19 kids and a few siblings, but we also participated in Sean Covel's "12 Days of Pizza" program. We provided 10 kids and their families with 12 days worth of coupons for pizza at local Pizza Ranches! Feel free to check out the program here: 12 Days of Pizza (the12daysofpizza.com).

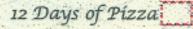
What is Cops and Kids? Cops & Kids was started to build a relationship between local Law Enforcement and their community. Children are selected by the School Resource Officer and School Counselors at Stagebarn Middle School. The children selected are those who may not receive a present on Christmas, or whose family may be struggling at the time. Children are allowed to spend their money on necessities first, then a present for themselves or a loved one.

We need YOUR help! The Summerset Police Department's 2022 "Cops & Kids" program is funded solely by donations. Monies donated will decide how many children get to go shopping. We are considering participating in "12 Days of Pizza" once again. If you have a preference on how your donation is spent, please indicate by checking the appropriate box. Checks can be made out to: Summerset Cops & Kids. Donations will be collected by 11/25/2022.

Sincerely;

School Resource Officer Colton Juso

Cops & Kids









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## "When trouble strikes, head to the Library." - Lemony Snicket

#### Teen Book Club

Next meeting is November 19th at 10:30 am. This month's book is My Calamity Jane by Cynthia Hand, Brodi Ashton, and Todi Meadows

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL BOOK CLUB!

Join us every Friday at 3:30 pm as we read Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein!









#### TEEN NIGHT!

Teens 13+ November 10<sup>th</sup> At 5:00 pm. Join us for a movie. craft, and snack!

Teen nights will continue every second Thursday at 5:00 gm.

## CURBSIDE AVAILABLE



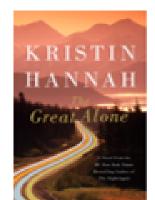
Join us every Thursday at 10 AM for a fim., preschool story time in the Library!



#### Bluestockings Book Club

Title: The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah Where: @ The Library When: Friday, November 18th at 10:30 AM Who: Anyone Who Wants to Join.

How: Simply stop by the library to borrow a copy of the book.



## Genealogy Club!

Join the genealogy club every 2nd Monday at 10 AM.



#### November Artist of the Month

Susan Rouleau

A long-time Piedmont resident, Susan has always enjoyed photography and painting. Combining the two into one project she creates her artwork.

There is beauty in Piedmont, lets enjoy it.



We need more volunteers. If you have ever considered helping, please stop in and fill out an application.