

Update Rock Island News Release

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Update Rock Island is a segment at City Council meetings given by Mayor Mark Schwiebert focusing on news in Rock Island. The video segment from the meeting is available on the home page of www.rigov.org and provides more information on the topics listed.

Five Year Capital Improvement Plan

City Council will vote to approve the [five year capital improvement plan](#) tonight, investing almost \$85 million in capital improvements and major contract maintenance. One of the City's most important and fundamental responsibilities is maintaining the integrity of its infrastructure. This is accomplished through preventative maintenance, routine repairs, and capital improvements. The plan is available online at www.rigov.org as part of tonight's agenda.

City Council approved the plan.

eCommunications for Organizations

Neighborhood Partners is hosting "[eCommunications for Organizations](#)," a session to discuss electronic communications including web sites, newsletters, social media, and more for neighborhoods and small organizations. The Knowledge through Neighbors Task Force will host the fourth in a series of Dessert and Learn sessions on Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Augustana College, in the Olin Center, Room 201. This session will be presented by Doug Tschopp and the Augustana Web Guild. The session is free and desserts will be served throughout the evening. Reservations are recommended at 309.732.2900.

Rock Island Library Celebrating Black History Month and Lincoln's Birthday

[Rock Island Public Library](#) is sponsoring Black History Month programs this month. Wednesday, February 11 at 4 p.m., the Main Library will host a Black History Scavenger Hunt for children in kindergarten through fourth grades. Wednesday, February 18 at 4 p.m., the Main Library will offer African-American Encyclopedia Exploration for children in fourth through sixth grades.

Join the Rock Island Public Library for the President's Day holiday on Monday, February 16 and celebrate the 200th anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's birth. Activities include a family storytime for pre-kindergarten through second grade at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. A birthday party will be held at 3:30 p.m. featuring stories, activities, and refreshments for pre-kindergarten through sixth grade and their families. At 6 p.m., an all-ages program of songs of the Civil War will be given in the Community Room; "Lincoln & Liberty Too," presented by guitarist and banjo player Bob Welch, combines music, history, storytelling, and humor. All events are at the Main Library and are free and open to the public.

Rock Island Parks & Recreation Holds Valentine Dinner, Parent's Night Out, and More

Celebrate Valentine's Day a few days early on Thursday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Valentine's Dinner and Wine Tasting at Atlante' Trattoria. Enjoy dinner with special wines to taste and discuss. The fee is \$40 and [registration](#) is required online at www.rigov.org or 309.732.7275.

Friday, February 13 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. is Parent's Night Out at the Rock Island Fitness & Activity Center (RIFAC). Kids ages 5 to 12 will have fun eating pizza, doing crafts, and going swimming. The fee is \$10 and [registration](#) is required online at www.rigov.org or 309.732.7275.

For more information on Parks & Rec programming visit [ePark](#).