



Newsletter – November 2025



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is the season of giving and I feel so blessed by family and friends, thank you for that. If you are looking for schools or organizations in the ward to donate your time or resources, please reach out to me and I can point you in the right direction.

The City of Henderson has so many wonderful events planned for the holiday season, I wanted to include them in this newsletter, so you can plan appropriately. Kudos to our city staff for all their work in making these events come to fruition.

Enjoy, stay safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Jim

Shoes That Fit Program



Thank you to Commissioner Jim Gibson for inviting me to be a part of your Shoes That Fit program at Fay Galloway Elementary School. It was great to be joined by both our Henderson Fire and Police Departments at this event-- all in the spirit of Thanksgiving.

Veterans Day 2025

It was a privilege to attend our annual Veterans Day Ceremony alongside Mayor Michelle Romero and Councilwoman Monica Larson. The tribute was heart warming and inspiring. Thank you to all our veterans for your service and commitment in keeping our country safe and allowing freedom to reign. I am pictured with Deputy Chief Murnane, also a veteran.



C.T. Sewell Tree Give-Away



It is always a pleasure to join Commissioner Jim Gibson on community projects in the ward. This event was held at C.T. Sewell Elementary School and was in partnership with the Department of Environment & Sustainability. The Arbor Day Foundation alongside Nevada Plants gave away hundred of trees.

Hope for The City

I am very proud of the work my church Central Christian, does through “Hope for the City.” It was my honor to accompany Mayor Romero as she awarded them the Keys to the City. Governor Joe Lombardo also dropped by to provide words of encouragement.



State of the City 2025



We truly live in the most incredible city. Our city has accomplished so much this year and I am always proud to be a part of Team Henderson. Mayor Romero gave an outstanding speech on the progress taking place in our city, a testament to her leadership. This year's State of the City is one to remember.

Pancakes for Patriots



It is always a pleasure to attend the Honor Flight of Southern Nevada's Pancakes for Patriots. Myself and my fellow council members has a great time visiting with veterans in our community.

Ward 1 Upcoming Events: Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Luncheon at Heritage Park

November 26 (Wed) / 10:30 AM to 1:00 pm

The City of Henderson is thrilled to invite seniors to their Holiday Luncheon at the Heritage Park Senior Center located at 300 South Racetrack. Enjoy a delicious, traditional Thanksgiving meal and celebrate with others.

Meals are \$5 per person under the age of 60 and a \$2.50 suggested donation for ages 60+.

Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Downtown Senior Center

November 26 (Wed) / 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

The City of Henderson is thrilled to invite seniors to their Holiday Luncheon at the downtown Senior Center located at 27 East Texas Avenue. Enjoy a delicious, traditional Thanksgiving meal and celebrate with others.

Meals are \$5 per person under the age of 60 and a \$2.50 suggested donation for ages 60+.

Shop Small Business Saturday

November 29 (Sat) / 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Get your holiday shopping done early at Shop Small Business Saturday throughout the Water Street District. There will be over 100 local vendors offering unique gifts, handmade goods as well as live entertainment and a special visit from Santa Claus.

Join us in supporting our local community and kick off the holiday season on Water Street.



Ward 1 Upcoming Events: Christmas

The Great Migratory Elf Hunt

November 29 - December 23 / Henderson Bird Viewing Preserve (BVP)

Enjoy a magical outdoor adventure at the BVP with The Great Migratory Elf Hunt! Registered participants will receive a special map and sticker set to guide them on a self-paced scavenger hunt throughout the preserve. Each time you discover one of our mischievous migratory elves—place the matching sticker on your map. Once your map is complete, stop by the Bird Preserve Gift Shop to redeem it for a fun prize! Registration is \$5 and is required to receive a prize.

Winterfest Tree Lighting, Drone Show and Holiday Parade

December 4-5 / Water Street & Water Street Plaza

Start celebrating the holidays on Water Street at Henderson's annual Tree Lighting ceremony with Mayor Romero and Council. The evening will also include live performances, a Holiday Market and spectators will be treated to a festive Drone Show in the sky to wrap up the evening. You can join in on the fun and create a lighted float for the parade where you will have a chance to win a cash prize! Festivities are free for spectators; fee applies for parade entry only.

Santa's Workshop

December 6 / Valley View Recreation Center

While holiday shopping, children can spend time at Santa's workshop to make take-home presents and design their own wrapping paper. There will be pizza, games and lots of holiday cheer. Registration is \$20 and closes Nov. 29.

Pictures with Santa and Puppy Pictures with Santa

December 6 / Black Mountain Recreation Center

Bring the little ones (and pups) to meet Santa Claus to get their pictures and drop off their letters. Registration is \$3.

Bird Mobile Tour with Santa

December 6 / Henderson Bird Viewing Preserve

Running every 15 minutes, the Bird Mobile is a cheerful ride with Santa alongside expert birders. Children will be able to make a holiday craft in their classroom. Registration is \$10 ages 5-10, \$5 for adults (18+).

Ward 1 Upcoming Events: Christmas

Reindeer 5K Run & 1 Mile Walk

December 13 / Cornerstone Park

From Cornerstone Park to the Pittman Wash Trail, participants can do their favorite holiday sweater for a fun run. Souvenir shirts will be provided for the first 400 participants. All fitness levels are welcome. 5K Run registration fees start at \$35, 1-mile walk registration fees start at \$25.

Candy Cane Drive

December 13 / Heritage Park Aquatic Complex

Join the festivities for a magical winter time. Festivities include games, a bounce house, treats, and our famous candy cane dive in the water. Kids can also get ready for the holiday season by writing and mailing a letter to Santa delivered by Rad Tad. Parents must be in the water with children under the age of 8. Registration is \$5.

Parents Night Out S'MORE Santa Fun

December 19 / Whitney Mesa

Enjoy a night out for holiday shopping while your kids take part in festive Reindeer Games! Children will embark on an outdoor adventure in nature alongside Santa, featuring exciting activities like hiking, s'mores, and stories by the campfire. It's a magical evening of fun and holiday cheer—just for the kids! Registration is \$25.

Merry Grinchmas

December 20 / Heritage Bark Park

Bring your furry friends for a Grinchy good time at Heritage Bark Park! Enjoy a festive afternoon as you and your pup meet and take photos with the Grinch. There will be holiday treats and pop-up agility courses for your pets to enjoy. Festivities are free.

Winter Solstice Festival

December 20 / Water Street Plaza

Celebrate the winter solstice at our Farmers Market Festival! Enjoy local vendors, planting activities, and support a great cause while embracing the season's charm. Festivities are free.

Escape Room Series: How the Grinch Stole Christmas

December 20-30 / Downtown Recreation Center

Looking for something fun to do with friends and family? Each reservation time slot below holds a maximum of 10 participants from the same group. Registration is \$15 per person and ends on Dec. 15.

Winter Solstice

December 21 / Henderson Bird Viewing Preserve

Come celebrate the winter solstice with us at the BVP—after hours! Families are welcome to celebrate the changing of seasons with us. Enjoy refreshments and make winter solstice-themed crafts such as bird feeders, honeycomb beeswax candles, and lanterns. Registration is \$10.

Pre-Season Holiday Basketball Camp

December 29-31 / SSRC

Enjoy the holiday season with a twist of basketball for the upcoming season. Players will take part in a fun camp that encompasses the core concepts of Basketball. Fundamentals, team drills, individual skills and guest speakers will motivate and encourage players to be their best and to use the skills they learned at camp in the game. (Shirt Included) Registration is \$80.

Glow-in-the Dark Nerf War

December 30 / Valley View Recreation Center

Wear comfortable sneakers for our 10,000-square-foot glow-in-the-dark event. Bring your Nerf gun (labeled with your name) and we'll supply the strike darts (no mega darts). Protective eyewear is recommended. Dinner is provided. Late pickup charges will apply. Registration is \$20.

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