



THIS WEEK IN RENTON

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RIVER DAYS PARADE GRAND MARSHAL

Renton business owner Kenny Rogers is the grand marshall for Saturday's Renton River Days parade. The parade starts at 10 a.m. along S. 3rd St.

Kenny Rogers, owner of Rain City Catering and Rain City Market, is the grand marshal of Saturday's 2022 Renton River Days parade.

Headquartered downtown, Kenny and his business partner and life-long friend Jeremy Bryant have shared a passion for food and catering. In 1999 they established New Century Catering and re-named it Rain City Catering in 2010. Since then, they have established a reputation for delicious food and professional service. In addition, they added a food truck, Rain City Too, which has become a fixture at events in Renton.

Earlier this month, Kenny increased his investment in downtown Renton by opening Rain City Market at the corner of Burnett Avenue N. and S. Third Street.



Kenny officially opens Rain City Market

The Renton River Days parade at 10 a.m. kicks off day two of our community celebration. The parade runs west on S. Third Street, with the reviewing stand in front of Piazza Park.

Road Closures

Saturday's River Days activities will necessitate two road closures downtown:

- All lanes of S. 3rd Street (through Houser Way N.) will be closed from 7 a.m.-12 p.m.
- At noon, the right lane of S. 3rd Street (through Houser Way N.) will re-open. However, the left lane will remain closed until 5 p.m.
- Logan Ave. S., will close between S. 2nd Street and S. 3rd Street from 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

River Days schedule

Friday, July 22

4:30–8:30 p.m., Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave S.)

- Live music & entertainment
- Urban Market vendors
- Craft beer & wine garden
- Downtown restaurants

Dusk, Liberty Park (1101 Bronson Way N.)

- "Encanto," a free family movie.

Saturday, July 23

8 a.m., Renton Senior Activity Center (211 Burnett Ave. N.)

- 5K Fun Walks, 3 routes (Renton Hill, Downtown, or Gene Coulon); start table on the river side of Center

10 a.m., S. Third St.

- Parade

10 a.m.–5 p.m., Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park (1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N.)

- Antique & Classic Boat Show
- Free boat rides

11:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m., Piazza Park (233 Burnett Ave. S.)

- Live music & entertainment
- Urban Market vendors
- Craft beer & wine garden
- Food trucks & downtown restaurants

4:30 p.m., Houser Street Bridge

- Launch of Renton Rotary's Rubber Ducky Derby into Cedar River from Houser Way pedestrian bridge



Engage with Renton PD as part of Chief's Community Council

Applications are being accepted for the [Chief's Community Council](#).

Renton Police Department is forming the council as part of its continuing efforts to engage with, learn from, and build stronger relationships with our community.

The Chief's Community Council will:

- Develop Community Policing Strategies.
- Provide guidance on equity, transparency, and accountability issues.
- Advise on methods to better serve the public.
- Identify public safety issues.
- Collaborate with community leaders, local organizations, and stakeholders to create practical and effective solutions and equitable community policing practices.

If you'd like more information or would like to apply, [please visit our website](#). The application period closes at 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 12.



2022
BACKPACK DRIVE **JULY 15- AUG 15**

• **In schools to remove barriers** •

To learn more or to donate:
cisr@cisrenton.org / 425.430.6658

 Communities In Schools Renton-Tukwila in partnership 

Backpacks Drive

Communities In Schools of Renton-Tukwila (CISR-T) [annual backpack drive](#) has begun.

Renton Regional Fire Authority is providing drop-off locations at three stations:

- Station 12 (1209 Kirkland Ave. NE)
- Station 13 (18002 108th Ave. SE)
- Station 15 (1416-1340 N. 30th St)

Donations can also be dropped off at the CISR-T office, 3407 NE 2nd St., 98056. The building is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Items needed:

*2" Binders

*Alarm Clocks

*Backpacks

*Binder Dividers

*Composition Notebooks (Wide & College-Ruled)

*USB Drives

(*highest need)

#2 Pencil Boxes

Colored Pencil Boxes

Crayon Boxes

Drawing Paper

Erasers

Glue Sticks and Glue Bottles

Graph Paper

Hand Sanitizer

Highlighter Boxes

Lunch Boxes

Markers Boxes (thin and wide)

Mechanical Pencil Boxes (& lead refills)

Notebook Paper (Wide & College-Ruled)

Pen Boxes (Blue, Black & Red)

Pencil Pouches (with holes to put in 3-ring binders, not plastic)

Pencil Sharpeners

Post-It Notes

Protractor

Ruler

Scientific Calculators

Sharpies

Water Bottles



Housing Repair Assistance Program

Renton homeowners who meet specific income guidelines can receive help with minor repairs through the city's [Housing Repair Assistance Program](#).

The program focuses on conducting minor repairs that improve residents' environmental health and safety. These include repairs to plumbing, electrical, weatherproofing, heating, ADA fixtures, and roofing.

Go to the [Housing Repair Assistance Program](#) webpage for eligibility requirements. You may also contact the program at humanservices@rentonwa.gov or by phone at 425-430-6650.



Senior Public Safety Academy

[Renton Police Department](#), in partnership with [Renton Regional Fire Authority](#), recently completed its first Senior Public Safety Academy. During the six-week class, Renton seniors learned about police and fire operations and how the departments serve the community. Additionally, they met the men and

women behind the badge who respond to assistance calls. Participants also engaged in interactive activities, including fingerprinting, bingo with the police and fire chiefs, observing a K9 demo, and more.



Summer events

Parks and Recreation Department's summer fun has kicked off and includes [free outdoor movies, concerts, and family fun](#) around the city. Remaining events include:

Family Fun Entertainment

Aug. 1: Amazing Magic Show, Heritage Park, 1 p.m.

Concert Series @ 7 p.m.

Aug. 17: Danny Godinez Group, Sunset Neighborhood Park, 7 p.m.

Aug 31: Cory Wilds Band, Piazza Park

Movies in the Park @Dusk

July 22, "Encanto," Liberty Park

Aug. 5: "Jungle Cruise," Kennydale Lions Park

Aug. 13: "Spider-Man: No Way Home," Piazza Park

Aug. 26: "Sing2," Thomas Teasdale Park

In other news this week

A recap of news posted on the city's social media accounts. You can find us (@cityofrenton) on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), & [Twitter](#). Renton residents can also find us on [Nextdoor](#).

[City Council update](#) (agendas, documents, and video from the most current meeting)

[COVID-19](#) (vaccine locations, current mandates, resources)

[National Night Out](#) (Aug. 2, 3-7 p.m., Renton Farmers Market)

[Parks Projects](#) (Kennydale Beach, Kiwanis, Coulon)

[Pop-Up Lunches on Tuesdays](#)

[Recreation Guide](#) (current classes, activities, leagues & events)

[Renton Farmers Market](#) (Piazza Park, Tuesdays 3-7 p.m.)

[Summer Events Guide](#)

[Summer Meals Program](#)

[Traffic Projects](#) (information on impactful projects)