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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



SUMMER/FALL 2023

PURPLE HEART CITY

On June 5, 2023 the Richmond City Council adopted Proclamation 2023-1, which proclaims the City of Richmond at a Purple Heart City.

The City was approached by Susan Howard, Senior Vice-President of the VFW Auxiliary at the Striber/McVicar Post 2052 in Romeo, in conjunction with the VFW Auxiliary at the James Coleman Post 6802 in Richmond, inviting the City of Richmond to proclaim itself as a *Purple Heart City*.

By proclaiming such, our community will be added to the Purple Heart Trail list, which is a symbolic and honorary system of roads, highways, bridges and other monuments that pay tribute to the men and women who have been awarded the Purple Heart Medal. Those recipients, by definition, were wounded or killed by the enemy during combat. This campaign is designed to pay tribute to these special veterans and their families to let them know their sacrifice is not forgotten.

Other local communities that are also part of the Purple Heart Trail include: Village of Armada, Bruce Township, Village of Romeo, Lenox Township, City of Memphis, Washington Township, Ray Township, Richmond Township, Armada Township and the City of Utica.

A plaque memorializing this proclamation will be placed at the Veterans Memorial Park on Main Street.



Mayor Tim Rix presents Susan Howard with the City's Proclamation at the June 5th City Council Meeting

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17TH FIGHT FOR AIR CLIMB

Members of the Richmond Volunteer Fire Department participated in the 17th Fight For Air Climb sponsored by the American Lung Association at Comerica Park on Sunday, May 21st. The Firefighter Challenge for the climb involves participants being timed during their Climb while wearing full structural firefighter personal protective equipment. The annual challenge recognizes the Fastest Firefighter Team, Top Fundraising Firefighter Team, and Top Fundraising Firefighter. Participants weaved their way up and down the entire 300 and 200 Levels, covering an estimated 2,103 stairs; which equates to about three-quarters of a mile, in full gear!



The members of the RVFD that participated were Jeffrey Yelencich, Breanne Laporte, Craig Laporte, Megan Grady, Alex Williams, Steve Aiken, Matt Ball and Zack Schorman.





2023 SUMMER PROJECTS



SANITARY SEWER LINE

Crews work to replace a sanitary sewer line, originally installed in 1892, as part of TIFA's parking lot project this summer behind businesses located on the east side of Main Street. Along with sewer improvements, the project also includes sidewalks, parking improvements and dumpster enclosures.



STONE STREET WATER MAIN

As part of the Stone Street reconstruction project, crews replaced the 4" water main installed in 1937 with an 8" (HDPE) water main from Division Road to Jefferson Street. The project includes sidewalk ramp improvements and repaving the entire length of Stone Street.

As part of the City's Street Improvement Program, Diane Lane was resurfaced this spring from Forest Street to the new West Richmond Subdivision.



DIANE LANE RESURFACING

The new subdivision is scheduled to have the wearing course of asphalt applied later this summer by the developer.

WEED CUTTING

Residents are reminded that Section 98-56 of the City of Richmond Code of Ordinances, requires that all noxious weeds be cut "at least twice a year," once on or before the first day of June and again on or before the first date of September or at any other time that the height exceeds 12 inches in height. Property owners failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance will be liable for the expense of the cutting of the weeds. Any costs incurred by the City to have the weeds cut will be placed on the property owner's tax bill.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Richmond Recreation Department operations are such that there are several occasions that volunteer opportunities become available with various events, programs and skills. To categorize

volunteer opportunities, some of the volunteer assignments may be classified as follows:

- Opening and Closing for programs and/or open gym time
- Taking money or punch-cards and document as needed
- Staff the building for group meetings or rentals
- Assist the Recreation Department with events

If you have a special skill or talent that you would like to volunteer to share with the community, please include those details on your application under this category. Regardless of the area you wish to volunteer your time and service, you must agree to follow the required steps to be approved and to become an eligible volunteer. Volunteers will:

1. Complete and submit a Volunteer Application
2. Agree to participate in a background check through ICHAT
3. Attend Volunteer Orientation. The Recreation Director will provide all of the necessary training for those volunteers.

Pick up your application at the Roosevelt Civic Auditorium (The Aud • 68931 Main St.) or by email parksandrec@comcast.net

SUMMER TAX BILLS

Summer 2023 tax bills were mailed out & are available to view online July 1, 2023. These bills are payable online or at City Hall thru September 30, 2023 without penalty. You can review payment options & tax history at www.cityofrichmond.net

ANIMAL OWNERS

In accordance with Section 14 of the City's Code of Ordinance, residents are reminded that all animals that enter or remain in any public park or recreation area, public building, or any building or area which is open to the general public, **must be attached to a leash with a maximum length of eight feet.** The only exception would be for a guide dog or leader dog which is trained to assist a blind person.

Section 14 further prohibits any animal to defecate on any public thoroughfare, passageway, sidewalk, bypass, play area, park or any place where people congregate or walk, **unless the owner immediately removes all droppings and disposes of them in a sanitary method.** The cooperation of all animal owners is appreciated by the City and helps to ensure that all public areas remain nuisance free so they can be enjoyed by all residents.



Also included in Section 14 of the Ordinance is the **limit on the number of animals an owner may have; the quantity is limited to 2 adult dogs and 2 adult cats.** Any other animals must be approved by City Council prior to purchase.

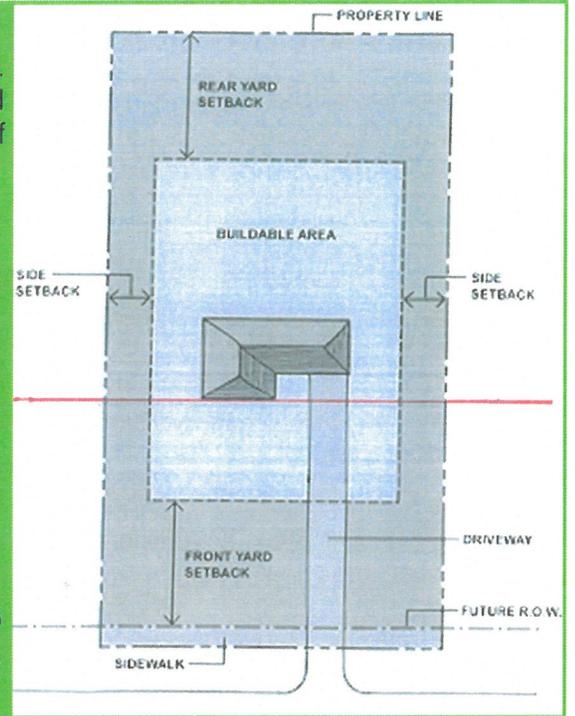
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Summer months bring lots of sunshine and begins the season of camping and boating. Just a reminder to all residents that RV's, travel trailers, campers, boats, etc. parked at a residence must adhere to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Richmond. A brief explanation of the code is below and an illustration is at the right for your reference.

It is against the City Ordinance to store a camper in your driveway in front of your house. You are only allowed to park it in your driveway for 48 hours prior to or immediately following a trip in order to pack or unpack the camper. Campers should never be parked over the sidewalk.

Pursuant to Article 9, Section 9.04 (Residential Parking Standards) of the Richmond Zoning Ordinance/ Section 9.04 says in part: *Off street parking spaces for single and two-family (duplex) dwellings shall consist of an accessory driveway, garage, parking strip or bay, or combination thereof, subject to the following: One (1) recreational vehicle, as defined in Section 25.02 (Definitions), may be parked or stored by the owner of a residential lot within any non-required side or rear yard area, provided that use of the vehicle for living or residential purposes shall be prohibited.*

The violation is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fine shall not be less than \$75 for the 1st offense, not less than \$100 for any offense which is a first repeat offense, and not less than \$250 for any offense which is a 2nd repeat offense.



RPOA PIG ROAST

The Richmond Police Officers Association will be hosting their Annual Pig Roast/Golf Cart Rodeo on Sunday, August 6th, Noon-4pm at Beebe Street Park.

A \$10 donation will get you Pulled Pork, Baked Beans & Cole Slaw. If that is not what you want, for \$5 you can have a Hot Dog, Chips and Water. There will also be a bake sale.



All registered Golf Cart owners should have received information in the mail for the Golf Cart Rodeo. There is a \$10 fee to enter the Golf Cart Rodeo. BMC Golf Carts will be there for a Golf Cart Show, they will also have Golf Cart Accessories.

REMINDER - you must register your Golf Cart every year with the Richmond Police Department, the stickers expired in December, it is illegal to drive your Cart without a sticker.

RAHGS UPCOMING EVENTS

CEMETERY WALK

September 30, 2023



Join us for a day to meet some of our local ancestors and hear their story by their graveside. A guide will meet with groups specified for a

specific tour time at the cemetery to guide you to our featured local ancestors. Reenactors will portray their story. It's the best way to learn about our local history! When you purchase tickets a specified ticket time with instructions on parking and where to meet your guide will be mailed to you.

HOLIDAY EVENING IN THE VILLAGE

Saturday, December 2, 2023



BURN PERMIT REGULATIONS

The City of Richmond Fire Department requires that you get a Burn Permit anytime you are going to do open burning.

OPEN BURNING PERMITS ARE FREE.

BURN PERMIT

Permits can be applied for at the Richmond Police Department, 36725 Division Road, or on the City website. Under the "How Do I" tab at the top of the page, under the "Apply For" column, select "Burn Permit" and then click on the underlined "[Burn Permit](#)" link and fill out the online form.

You must be 18 years or older to obtain a burn permit. During a dry period, the Fire Department may have a ban on open burning & will not issue any permits.

City of Richmond

- Campfires must be kept less than 3 feet in diameter & less than 3 feet in height. Fires can be ground pits, mesh grills, and/or fireplaces.
- It must be located more than 50 feet from any structure.
- Permits will be issued for up to 4 days.
- Residents may have a small camp or cooking fire for recreation.
- The camp fire must be attended at all times.
- The camp fire shall consist only of seasoned dry firewood and shall not emit any obnoxious odors or smoke.
- There is to be no burning of leaves, grass clippings, garbage, sawn, or processed wood.

OIL PAINTING ENJOYMENT

WITH BEVERLY NEWTON
*Bob Ross Certified instructor

A very special part of your painting experience will be to start your class with a blank canvas and leave with a completed canvas. Class time: 11:30am-3:30pm.

June 18th July 16th
August 20th October 15th
November 19th December 17th

Cost: \$45.00 per person / per class

Supplies may be rented for an additional \$25 per person/per class.



Held at the Richmond Community Center, 36164 Festival Dr.
Call the Rec Dept at (586) 727-3064 for more info.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

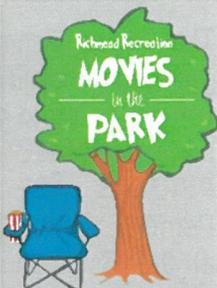
Come join us for these FREE family movie nights!! Grab the family, pack some snacks, bring your chairs & blankets and come watch a movie under the stars at the Beebe Street Park.

July's movie is **"Dog"** & will be shown on Saturday, July 22nd (rain date: 7/29)

August's movie is **"Eight Below"** & will be shown on Saturday, August 19th (rain date 8/26)

September's movie is **"Guardians of the Galaxy"** & will be shown on Saturday, September 16th (rain date 9/23)

ALL MOVIES WILL BEGIN AT DUSK



CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

The Children's Entertainment Series is back this summer! Your family will not want to miss these **FREE** summer shows!

Thursday, July 27th – Bubble Show A faBUBBLous experience for kids of all ages! Magical, mesmerizing manipulations of soap bubbles of all shapes and sizes. Hand bubble blowing, bouncing bubbles, bubble tricks with wands and other tools, smoke-filled bubbles, foam fun, GINAORMOUS bubbles and more!!



Thursday, August 24th – Rufus the Dufus Rufus the Dufus is a circus-style variety performer whose acts include juggling, unicycling and impressive balancing. He is fun for all ages!

Don't miss out on some free family fun at the Beebe St. Park Pavilion, beginning at 11 am.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Visit this rain or shine yard sale at Beebe Street Park on Saturday, July 22nd, 8:30 am–1:00 pm.



Looking to make some extra cash? Clear out the clutter and bring it to the yard sale too! A 10x20 space will be provided to vendors. Check-in and set up will begin at 7:30 a.m. A limited number of spots are available, so register early!

Pre-registration is required & the fee per spot is \$10.



KIDS, TRUCKS & TRACTORS EVENT

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16TH AT 11:00 AM @ BEEBE STREET PARK
Police cars, fire trucks, ambulance, DPW trucks, front loader, combine & more



At the AUD

PICKLEBALL

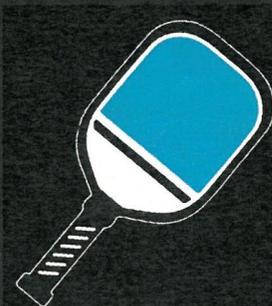
Monday & Wednesday Mornings • 9 am-Noon

Wednesday Evenings • 5-8 pm

\$4 per person • Punch Card Available

Drop-In Time Slot • First Come, First Serve

1 Court • Nets, Pickleballs & Paddles Available



Parking for the Aud is located behind the building, please do not park at Ball Equipment

REGULAR POOL SCHEDULE:

OPEN SWIM HOURS:

June 17th - August 25th	
Tuesday – Friday	1 - 5 pm
Tuesday - Friday	6 - 8 pm
Saturday - Sunday	1 - 5 pm

MODIFIED POOL SCHEDULE:

OPEN SWIM HOURS:

August 26th-September 3rd	
Monday - Friday	1 - 8 pm
Saturday - Sunday	1 - 5 pm

DAILY OPEN SWIM FEES:

\$4.00 per person • 2 and under are FREE

SENIOR ONLY SWIM

July 1st thru August 26th

This is a time for Seniors 50 and older to have fun doing laps, water exercise, or visit with friends. The pool is closed to the general public but open to lap swim. Fee is per person.

Saturday 11 am - 1 pm \$3.00

SWIMMING POOL PASSES

Save money and buy a pass this summer! A pass provides unlimited access to the pool during open swim hours. Individual passes can only be used by the individual pass purchaser. Pool Passes sold at the Community Center ONLY

Individual Passes:

Resident	\$72
Non-Resident	\$84

Family Passes:

Resident	\$144
Non-Resident	\$160

Senior Pass:

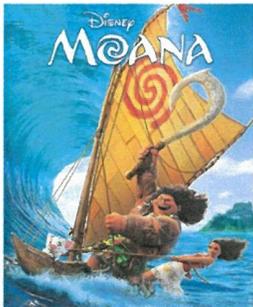
Resident/Non-Resident	\$60
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AQUA FIT

This is a non-swimming, low impact workout that improves cardiovascular fitness. Punch cards may be purchased at the Community Center or at the Pool. Your first class is **FREE!** Waiver required for participation. \$6/class or \$72/13 punches.

T/Th 6-6:50 p.m. June 20th-August 24th
W/F 9-9:50 a.m. June 21st-August 25th

MOVIE NIGHT AT THE POOL



Saturday, August 12, 2023

Pool opens at 7:30pm - closes at movie end

Bring a chair or a pool noodle and join us for a movie at the pool.

No floats permitted.

\$3 per person pool entry fee
(sorry, no pool passes allowed)

CRAFTS TO GO

The Recreation Dept. will be making weekly craft kits available for pick-up on Fridays, June 16th thru August 18th. Recreation Dept. hours on Fridays are 8:30am-4:30pm.

Our crafts are designed for ages 6-12 with minimal adult help.

30 kits will be available on a first come, first serve basis (one kit per child). Most supplies are included but, occasionally, we need a little help with something (i.e. a pair of kid-friendly scissors).



"NO TRICKS, ONLY TREATS"

Tuesday, October 31st • 6-8 pm

Richmond Fire Hall • 69465 Main Street

Kids, come join us for Trick-or-Treating and a chance to visit "Count Richmond"



SAFESITTER BABYSITTING COURSE

Tuesday, July 25th 9am - 3:30pm

The objective of the program is a workshop for boys & girls age 11 and older to learn to be safe babysitters. A health educator covers first aid and safety, infant & child CPR (with manikin practice), choking, behavior management, illness, appropriate activities for different ages, the "business" of babysitting, crime safety, fire & more.

\$75.00 per person, includes a student workbook, certificate & card of completion & CPR booklet. Students should bring a lunch, snack, drink, pen & pencil with them to class.

SUMMER YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CAMP

For students in grades 7th - 8th (Fall 2023)

Monday, July 31st – Thursday, August 3rd

9:30 am – 11:30 am

Cost: \$55 Resident or \$60 Non-Resident

Beebe Street Park – Grass Courts

This co-ed program is designed for the beginner player and will incorporate essential life lessons such as teamwork and sportsmanship. The purpose is to take the energy and excitement of this great team sport and put it together into one fun-filled camp. Basic aspects of the game will be taught through drills and exercises that focus on passing, serving, setting, and hitting.

Contact Richmond Recreation Department (586) 727-3064 for registration information.



Lois Wagner Memorial Library

35200 Division Rd • Richmond, MI 48062
Phone: (586) 727-2665 • Fax: (586) 727-3774

Website: <https://www.cityofrichmond.net/Library> • Email: lwml@libcoop.net

Hours: Monday - Wednesday 9am - 7pm • Thursday - Friday 9am - 5pm • Saturday 10am - 2pm

ALL TOGETHER NOW

It's not too late to participate in this year's Summer Reading Program! The children & teen programs end **July 28th**, and the adult program ends **August 12th**. The children who complete the reading challenge will be invited to the end of summer party on **Wednesday, August 1st!**



Visit the library or our website, www.cityofrichmond.net/library for more information!

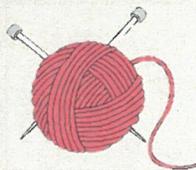
The Summer Reading Program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library

HOOKS & NEEDLES

Knit & Crochet group

July 11th & 25th, August 8th & 22nd,
September 12th & 26th
Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.
Library Meeting Room

Bring your current project • All abilities welcome!



WALK & TALK BOOK CLUB

July 26th @ 6:30 p.m.

"The Rose Code" by Kate Quinn

August 23rd @ 6:30 p.m.*

"The Language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh



September 27th @ 6:30 p.m.

"Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt

Meet in the Library Meeting Room

**August meeting held offsite-please contact library for more information*

If you need help getting the book of the month, call the library to reserve a copy.

UPCOMING ADULT CRAFTS

Diamond Painting Bookmarks

Tuesday, July 18th
6:00 p.m.



Book Page Wreath

Monday, August 7th
6:00 p.m.



Crafts are open to those ages 16+ and are free of charge. **Be sure to call or visit the library to pre-register, as spots are limited!**

Pictures shown are not the actual projects, just depictions. Project examples will be available for viewing at the library.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

LAPSIT: Ages 16-36 months

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

June 20th-July 25th

(No class 7/4)

September 19th-November 14th

(No class 10/17)

STORYTIME: Ages 3-5 years

Thursdays at 10 a.m.

June 22nd-July 27th

September 21st-November 16th

(No class 10/19)



JIGSAW PUZZLE SALE

Saturday, September 23rd

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come early for the best selection! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, with all proceeds benefitting the library.

The library will be accepting donations of gently used puzzles during library operating hours, now through September 15th.



RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Use the map and schedule for each year to determine your recycle week as follows:

Streets split by service weeks will be collected on the week indicated (green side one week and gold side the following week). First determine if your residence is located in the green or gold section of the map. The color of the map where your residence is located corresponds to the color on the annual schedule and indicates your recycle week and day for each month and year. Place your recycle cart at the curb on the designated day on the schedule. Waste Management will provide you with a new recycle schedule for dates beyond August 2022.

PLACE YOUR RECYCLE CART AT THE CURB ON THE SAME DAY AS YOUR TRASH EVERY OTHER WEEK ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE.

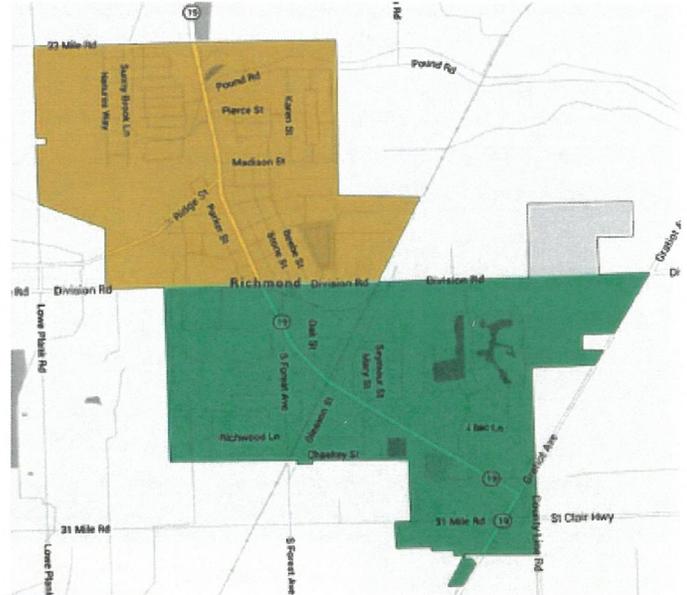


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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

No collection service on the following days: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day (July 4th), Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. If a holiday is on a Monday through Thursday, service will be one day behind. Service WILL NOT be delayed when the holiday falls on a weekend.

OTHER INFORMATION

CURB CARTS

96 Gallon curb carts for trash and additional recycling carts are available for rental. Call (888) 797-9016 to arrange for rental and delivery.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

For Household Hazardous Collections and disposal information, contact the Macomb County Health Department at (586) 466-7923.

COMMUNITY WEBSITES

Richmond Community School District
<http://www.richmond.k12.mi.us/>

Richmond Community School Athletics
<https://websites.eventlink.com/s/rhsbluedevils>

Richmond Area Historical and Genealogical Society
<https://richmondhistoricalsociety.org/>

Richmond Area Good Old Days Festival
<http://www.richmondgoodolddaysfestival.com/>

Richmond Community Theatre
www.richmondcommunitytheatre.org



IMPORTANT CITY CONTACTS

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY	CALL 911
Police & Fire Non-Emergency.....	727-4000
City Hall.....	727-7571
City Clerk	727-7571 x-204
City Assessor.....	727-7571x-229
City Treasurer.....	727-7571 X-208
City Planner.....	727-7571 x-228
Dept. of Public Works.....	727-7575
Parks & Recreation Dept.....	727-3064
City Manager.....	727-7571



ONLINE BILL PAY

Any Richmond Residents that signed up for online banking through their bank prior to August 2015 - please contact your bank to make sure that the address to City Hall has been updated to the new address (36725 Division Rd, PO Box 457, Richmond, MI 48062). We have been notified by some residents that signed up before that time that their banks still have the old City Hall address on Main Street.

Since there is a new owner/business in that location, payments sent to that address are no longer being forwarded to the new City Hall address on Division Rd. The payments are being returned to the bank; who may not notify the customer.

If you would like to sign up for online bill pay or update your payment method so that the City may debit your account directly (meaning no paper check being mailed by your bank), please visit the City of Richmond website at www.cityofrichmond.net, look for the "How Do I" heading and "Pay...Utility Bills"

If you have any questions, please call (586) 727-7571 and ask for the City Treasurer.



Does your school, church or non-profit organization have an event flyer they would like to have aired on our Comcast Channel 6 bulletin board? Simply email the flyer to the Cable Coordinator at jrobbins@cityofrichmond.net.

Flyers can also be faxed to (586) 727-2489.

Contact Jason Robbins at (586) 727-0203 if you are interested in being a part of a Focus Richmond interview for your upcoming event.

NOTIFY ME

Sign up to receive important alerts from the City. The service is customizable to your interests and it's **FREE!**

- Go to www.cityofrichmond.net and click the "**Notify Me**" link.
- Enter you email address and click "**Sign In**" to begin.

Follow the instructions to customize the communications to your interests.



July 3 rd & 4 th	City Offices, Community Center and Public Library closed for Independence Day
July 22 nd	Community Garage Sale at Beebe Street Park
August 6 th	Richmond Police Officers Association Annual Pig Roast
September 4 th	City Offices, Community Center and Public Library closed for Labor Day
September 7 th -10 th	Richmond Area Good Old Days Festival
September 30 th	RAHGS Cemetery Walk
October 31 st	Halloween – No Tricks, Only Treats & Trick-or-Treating 6-8pm
November 10 th	City Offices, Community Center and Public Library closed for Veteran's Day
November 23 rd & 24 th	City Offices, Community Center and Public Library closed for Thanksgiving
December 2 nd	Home for the Holidays – Santa Parade & Community Tree Lighting

HOUSE WATCH



The Richmond Police Department provides a house watch program to periodically check homes in the owner's absence. This program is intended for residents who will be away for 5 or more days.

To participate, please submit a House Watch Form thru the City's website.