

The Richmond Record

A Newsletter for the Citizens of Richmond, Utah

March 1, 2009

Beware of Telephone Scams: Each month at the beginning of our scheduled City Council meeting we have a report from Deputy Jake Carley, who has been assigned as Richmond's S.T.A.R. deputy. At the February meeting he stated that there are an increasing number of "telephone scams" taking place, and that all of our citizens should be put on alert. **No one is exempt, but these crooks have a tendency to aim at the older citizenry.** Under no circumstances should you agree to any type of contract over the telephone. Under no circumstances give out any type of personal information, be it your Social Security Number, your bank account or savings account number, even your age!!! People will disguise themselves as representing your bank, your insurance company, even a friend of a relative. Should this occur, do two things. One, if it is something that interests you (or alarms you), ask them to send you the information in the mail. Two, see if there is a phone number available. If so, call the Cache County Sheriff's Office (755-1000) and report this as a suspicious incident. Explain in detail what happened and let the deputies follow through. There are incidents of the caller claiming to be a relative who had been arrested in Canada and had to have a sizeable bail sent to him to get out of jail. The "relative" said he had a cold, hence the raspy voice, and provided a Western Union number. It was a scam and grandma watched many thousands of her dollars disappear! Please be very, very cautious when dealing with telephone messages/sellers as well as people knocking on your door.

Incidentally, should you have anyone come to your door selling any type of product or service, ask to see their letter of authorization. If they are "legal" for Richmond, they will have a letter on City letterhead and signed by the City Manager allowing them to solicit for a

given date or dates and between given times. If they cannot produce the original letter (each authorized salesperson has his or her own letter on a distinctive, water-marked bond paper - DO NOT accept a copy of a letter as valid), send them on their way and call either the City Office or the Cache County Sheriff's Office. **Mayor Hall.**

An Invitation to Attend Time Together Workshops: Park School is sponsoring a series of workshops for parents to help children succeed in school. Parents of children who are four and will be turning five before September 1, 2009 are invited to attend workshops held on March 5, and April 2. Door prizes and take-home materials will be provided. Day care is available for parents attending. All workshops will be held in the Park School Media Center and will begin at 7 p.m. Please call Park Elementary (258-2344) for any questions. Special thanks to our sponsors: Presto Products, Pepperidge Arm, and Cache Valley Counter Tops.

Roll-On, Roll-Off Bins: We are trying to arrange with the Cache Service Area to have the bins in place (south end of the Black & White pavilion area) for Saturday, April 11th. Note that we are "trying" - a lot of communities are now involved in this program, and the CSA is doing the best they can. We'll have a definite date in the April issue of *The Richmond Record*.

Library News and Views: "The love of learning, the sequestered nooks, and all the sweet serenity of books."

A big Thanks to Michael Morrill of America Helps, Inc., his children, Jeremy Thellfall, and the crew who shared their experiences of going to Ghana. Their presentation at our February

library lecture was so impressive. Donations and contributions from the community are a great blessing to those in Ghana who have so very little. The 2 CD's that they used during their presentation are available at the library for checkout. These have been created from footage that Jeremy took during their 2008 trip to Ghana.

Think green! Come join us for an evening of Irish fun. March's Library Lecture will be on Friday the 13th at 7:00 PM in the library basement. Bea Tonnie will be our guest speaker presenting the sights and stories from the Emerald Isle. Bea is a native of Ireland and will share Irish legends and myths, pictures and traditional foods. Come and get in the mood for St. Patrick's Day and learn a little about your Irish heritage.

The library's web site is a great place to search our card catalog. You can see what is in our collection and if it is available for checkout. Just go to: richmondlibrary.us and click the Search Our Catalog link. If you would like some training in using our catalog, please let us know - we would be glad to step you through it.

If you want an item reserved, call and we will pull it from the shelf and have it in the "Hold Box" for you to pick up. If it is already checked out, we can put it on "hold" for you in the computer and call you when it becomes available. And remember - we provide delivery service to those unable to access the building.

Preschool Story Hour:

- Mar. 5 Wind and Clouds
- Mar. 12 NO Story Hour (SEP Conferences)
- Mar. 19 Name Games
- Mar. 26 Oceans

New Children Books:

Together by George Ella Lyon
Friends for a Princess by Melissa Lagonegro
Valkrist's Flight, Jewel's Magic, Bella's Gift,
and *Nike's Great Race* by Felicity Brown
A Winter's Gift and *A Summer to Remember* by
Lauren Brooke
My Trip to the Hospital by Mercer Mayer
Dora's Snowy Forest Adventure and *Dora and
the Baby Crab* (Ready-to Read Books, level 1)

New Teens Books:

Three Cups of Tea (Young Reader's Edition) by
Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin
The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
The Seance by Joan Lowery Nixon
Daemon by Daniel Suarez
Missing Pieces by Norma Fox Mazer

New Adult Titles:

The Audacity of Hope by Barack Obama
Angels Fall by Nora Roberts
Rules of Engagement by Stephanie Fowers
Broken Trail by Alan Geoffrion
Telegraph Days by Larry McCurtry
Stone Cold by David Baldacci

Lions Club: The Richmond Lions Club would like to invite the members of the community to support the Club's efforts in assisting those with vision needs. One simple way to do this is to recycle used eyeglasses. Your previously used eyeglasses can be adjusted and classified by prescription by trained Lion's Club volunteers and subsequently distributed to those in need within the United States and around the world.

The Club has provided a drop-off box at the Community Building for the purpose of collecting both prescription and nonprescription eyeglasses. You may also contact any member of the Lions Club to donate eyeglasses. These will be sent to an Eyeglass Recycling Center and processed. Please know that your efforts, combined with the efforts of many others, will bless the lives of those in need.

Help Out a Neighbor: Park Elementary School will be hosting a fund raiser for the Make-A-Wish Foundation in behalf of Chantrill Davis during the month of March. Anyone willing to make a monetary contribution to this cause, please contact Lora Smith at 258-2865 or Principal Mark Daines at 258-2344. Any amount will be appreciated.

Envision Cache Valley: The Envision Cache Valley process is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to explore growth-related issues and to think together about what we want Cache

Valley to be like in the future. This process reflects the values of the public, the voice of the public, and the vision of the public. Broad public participation and ownership is the key to a successful process.

Increasingly, Cache Valley is becoming an interdependent region. We're all in this together. The decisions that we make locally affect everyone regionally. We all breathe the same, air, drive the same roads, share a common economy, and enjoy the same natural resources. The Envision Cache Valley process enables us to take a regional look at our future.

The decisions that we make today affect our neighbors and future generations. What kind of legacy do we want to create for our children and grandchildren?

If we can create a common dream for the future, we can move beyond asking, "What do we want?" and move toward asking "How do we get there?" Broad public participation leads to a politically actionable vision and implementation strategy. We know that growth will occur. Let's create a legacy and realize our dream.

Participate in a hands-on public workshop exploring the long-term legacy we can create for our region while also respecting current local interests and individual property rights. Roll your sleeves up, and share a fun, interactive evening with your neighbors by coming to Pepperidge Farm, 901 North Highway 91 on Tuesday, March 3rd starting at 6:00 p.m. and scheduled to end at 8:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Mary Davies at 1-801-303-1459 or e-mail your RSVP to mdavies@envisionutah.org. You might want to also check out on the Web visioncachevalley.org.

Yet Another Scam Warning: Mock U. S. Postal Service postcards have been received by several citizens in Cache Valley. The senders want you to call a toll-free telephone number in order to claim a "parcel" that is being held "in your name." This may occur even more frequently around holidays. The front of this card may be stamped with the words

"Unclaimed Article - reply required within 7 days." The message below the toll-free number advises you to "have your credit card information ready when you telephone." Postcards actually left by the U. S. Postal Service will **never** tell you to have your credit card information ready. This marketing gimmick is simply meant to get you to call the number so they can try to convince you to buy a low quality item of jewelry. Don't fall for this trick!

Thanks For Your Cooperation: The "no cars on the street after 10 p.m." rule expires on March 15th. We really appreciate the cooperation we've had with all of you this snow season. Fewer parking tickets were written this year than any since the enforcement went into effect, and that "speaks tons" about your concern for everyone's safety. Once we made you aware of the "game" some of the children were playing with the snow plows, it immediately ceased. And thank-you for your patience. Rob Bair and Ben Lundgreen have worked very hard to keep the streets in good condition, in spite of having more than our share of equipment breakdowns. Our trucks are old and getting older, and they are showing it. We only had two "bad times" - neither one of which we could help. The "Christmas storm" came Thursday night while both garbage and recycle cans were out, and the men couldn't plow until Monday after the Cache Service Area was able to get out and get them emptied. The sleet storm (freezing rain as it is called in the West) - what can we say, the fresh ice/rain covered up the sand and salt as rapidly as it was put down. That is one battle no road crew can win! Again, our thanks and should we get a late-season storm, please move your cars off of the streets. After all, this is northern Utah and Spring can come late some years.

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