

# The Richmond Record

A Newsletter for the Citizens of Richmond, Utah

October 1, 2009

**What A Party!!:** I wish to pass along a THANK YOU to all those who made the recent City party a roaring success. It was by far the best turnout we have seen. The City party is a way for each of us to acknowledge those in our City who make a positive influence on our community. They may be elected officials, City staff, Emergency Responders, service groups and, of course, the citizens. Those who volunteer time and effort currently or in the past are appreciated and acknowledged. I appreciate the current City Council and past elected officials who continue to come and help prepare and serve the meal, and organize the event. Likewise the current City staff who help in preparing not only the meal but the park as well. I would also like to thank the Lions Club and former Mayor Richard Bagley for the Richmond City Monument and the dedication of that monument at the party this year. Thanks to each of you as well who contribute to making Richmond City our home. **Mayor Mike Hall**

**New Voting Rules:** The Utah State Legislature made an important change in the voting rules. **You must now show a valid voter identification before you may receive your ballot.** Accepted legal forms of identification are: a valid Utah driver license; a valid Utah Identification card bearing your photo; a valid photo identification card issued by a branch, department or agency of the United States (such as a military ID card); a Utah permit to carry a concealed weapon; a valid United States Passport; a Tribal Identification card. Also, the following items may be accepted in combination as long as one bears your current address: a certified birth certificate; a valid Social Security card; a check issued by the state or federal government; a paycheck from the voter's employer; a valid Utah hunting or fishing license; a certified copy of court records showing an adoption or name change; a valid Medicaid, Medicare, or Electronic Benefits Transfer Card; and an identification card issued by a local government, employer, or college or university within Utah. You must have this positive identification even if the election official is your spouse of ninety years!! Please come prepared, and cooperate with the election

officials who are just carrying out their legal responsibilities.

**Thank you!:** Thank you to Richmond City and its residents for the support of the carnival and garage sale held for Taylie Abbot, who is battling leukemia (AML). If you did not get a chance to donate, and would like to, donations can be made at [www.richmondangel.com](http://www.richmondangel.com) or at any Zions Bank to the "Taylie Abbott Donation Fund."

**A 4-alarm Thank You:** As Mayor and City Council we wish to publicly express our sincere gratitude to our out-going Fire Chief, Robert "Bob" Hugo. Bob has served for thirteen plus years as an emergency responder/firefighter for Richmond City, and for the last six years as our Fire Chief. Bob has dedicated many hours to the City and the County, serving honorably and well. We owe him a debt of gratitude for what he has provided to Richmond City as he has served in these positions. We wish him the very best as he desires to have added time to invest in his family and his personal goals. Bob will continue to remain with the department and we are grateful for his continued willingness to serve. Thank you, Bob. **Mayor Mike Hall and Council**

**Lions Club:** The Richmond Lions Club would like to report that the eyeglass donation box is now located at the library. Donations of used eyeglasses is a vital part of the effort to assist those with vision needs across the nation and abroad. Also the Lions Club will be selling Lions Club calendars again this year. This is the main funding source for the Club and these funds are used within the local community to assist those in need. Typically the Club will assist several local citizens each year in the purchase of prescription eyeglasses or reading glasses. Also the Club typically completes a community service project each year. Please know that your purchase of a Lions Club calendar supports this effort in a direct manner.

**Lions Club Calendar:** If you would like to purchase a calendar please contact a member of the Lions Club or call Curt Kidd at 258-5296 You may put in up to six listings for the \$8 cost of the calendar. If you

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desire a birthday or other event listed, please contact Curt before October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Daughters of the Utah Pioneers:** The Richmond camp of the DUP cordially invites all ladies in the City to consider joining with us each month. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Normally we meet in the Historic Relief Society Building just east of the Post Office; however, during the winter when snow makes access difficult, we meet at the City Office. While membership is designed for direct descendants of Utah pioneers (those who arrived before the joining of the rails in May of 1869), we have an Associates status for any other interested women. It is not a requirement to belong to any church. Our monthly meeting consists of lessons, presentation of histories, and just good, old-fashioned socializing (we have some very nice treats). If you have any questions, please call Guelda Clayson at 258-2845.

**Burn Permits:** The burn permit season will open on October 1. Anyone wanting to burn must obtain a burn permit to avoid a citation. Please call Assistant Chief Ben Lundgreen 994-1526 or Battalion Chief Coltin Larsen 994-1108, they will want your name, number, address, and what you are burning. Also remember from time to time anybody may be subject to a site inspection. You are allowed to burn tree trimmings and yard debris. All construction debris must be hauled off, no tires, insulation, paint etc. We have to go off of a day to day burn index, depending on the index you may or may not burn the day that you want to. Please try and understand this is not a rule that the fire department made up, it is a federal regulation that we must abide by. Also a Cache County wide ordinance states no burning on Sundays. Please help us out by notifying us so that we do not have to write any citations this year. Thanks for your cooperation. Richmond City Fire and Rescue.

**Local Business Update:** Itty Bitty Equipment Company was started by Daryl Black in 1991 and is located at 530 South 400 West in Richmond. Daryl specializes in diesel repair, but has four bays for Over-the-Road (OTR) work and one bay for automotive repairs. Also available are DOT inspections and automotive inspections. A new feature offered at Itty Bitty is called On-The-Spot Registration. You can get your car inspected AND

pay the DMV fees all at their business. (Save a trip to Logan, gas and time.) Even if you get your car inspected at another location, you can still pay your fees at Itty Bitty and get your DMV sticker there. Check out the services available at Itty Bitty Equipment Company.

**Early Richmond:** One hundred fifty years ago, the first settlers at the site of what became Richmond were preparing for the winter. Fourteen families spent that first winter here. Crude cabins were built from pine trees cut in the nearby canyons. Several families lived in their drafty wagons; others constructed dugouts. To build a dugout (or sod house), one first dug three to four feet into the earth, then placed sticks and poles around the area that was dug out. Next the outer walls were backfilled with soil and grass. More poles and sticks were laid over the top and covered with sod to complete the roof. Generally, there was either a small stove or stone fireplace for heat and cooking, a box for a table, and mattresses made of thin willow branches. Tallow candles were used for lighting. The cottonwood trees along City Creek were used a fuel for the fires.

Join with us this month as we remember those first settlers. Displays on Richmond's history will be at the library. The local camp of the DUP will open the museum at the relic Hall on Monday, October 19, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to provide another glimpse into those early days.

A group of citizens are exploring the possibility of honoring our founding folks by creating a historical replication of the old Richmond fort. We'd like to have a meeting for all interested people on Wednesday, October 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building, 6 West Main.

**Water and Sewer:** Unless you live right next to the water tanks, you probably didn't know that they were cleaned on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Using a totally sterile technique, a diver "vacuumed" the sediment from the floors and checked on the tank condition. The MBR plant is up and running, and the construction is essentially complete. Watch for the November issue of *The Richmond Record* for details on our "Open House."

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**Library News and Views:** "...Literature is my Utopia. Here I am not disenfranchised. No barrier of the senses shuts me out from the sweet, gracious discourse of my book-friends. They talk to me without embarrassment or awkwardness." – **Helen Keller**

This month is the Library's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party. Come and celebrate the long life of our library. The many services that the library provides to the community is a great celebration in itself, but think of all the books that have been borrowed from these shelves since the day it opened, 95 years ago. That is certainly worth celebrating. The schedule for the activities is listed on the reverse of this page. Be sure to post it where it will remind you to come and enjoy the celebration with us.

Thanks goes to Sandy Spendlove, from CERT, for the excellent emergency preparedness presentation last month. If you are interested in any of the handouts she shared with us, please ask at the library checkout counter and we would be glad to make copies for you.

Sky View High School Administration will be hosting a Cottage Meeting at the Richmond Library on October 8 at 7:00 p.m.. These meetings are an opportunity for you to meet the administration, hear a little about their vision, and share any ideas or discuss issues you may have. Everyone is welcome.

**Preschool Story Hour** is in full swing and thanks to the new equipment purchased with LSTA grant money, the little ones (and their mom's) are enjoying the "bigger than life" stories. Come join the fun and see the pictures for yourself.

**Preschool Story Hour Schedule:**

Oct. 1	No Story Hour because of UEA
Oct. 8	Pirates
Oct. 15	Fairies
Oct. 22	Monsters
Oct. 29	Halloween

**New Children Books:**

*Dog and Bear Three to Get Ready* by Laura V. Seeger  
*Once Upon a Twice* by Denise Doyen  
Three new titles of *Katie Kazoo* by Nancy E. Krullik  
*Beyond the Spiderwick #3 - The Wyrms King* by Tony DiTerlizzi & Holly Black  
*Rebecca* (New American Girl Collection) by Jacqueline D. Greene

**New Teen Books:**

*Freaky Flyday* (Ravenspell #3) by David Farland (also in audio)  
*Bright Blue Miracle* by Becca Wilhite  
*Forest Born* by Sannon Hale  
*The Princess and the Bear* by Mette Ivie Harrison

**New Adult Books:**

*The Lost Symbol* by Dan Brown  
*The Year's Best Science Fiction* (25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Collection)  
*Dead Wrong* by Clair M Poulson (also in audio)  
*Methods of Madness* by Stephanie Black (also in audio)  
*Fire Creek* (DVD)

**THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED  
OCTOBER 12 FOR COLUMBUS DAY.**

**Need to Contact the City?**

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