

The Richmond Record

A Newsletter for the Citizens of Richmond, Utah

May 1, 2010

Please READ BEFORE Calling About Your Water Bill: A reminder for those who have been in town for years, an explanation for the “new ‘un’s.” Our water meters require a “wand” coming in contact with a “touch pad” to communicate the gallonage that went through a meter to the billing computer. During the winter we are unable to find the meters under the snow, let alone read them. On months when we cannot read the meter, you are charged at the base rate for water which is currently \$27.00 for the first 10,000 gallons. The bill included with this issue of the newsletter is based upon six months of usage, or 60,000 gallons. Your overage, which is charged at a given rate for each additional 1,000 gallons, reflects how much you used over and above the 60,000 gallons. Most people during the winter don’t use over the base amount, but if you have an unusually high water bill that is probably the reason.

News of the City: A Special Thank You - Thanks to all those who were involved with providing service hours to Richmond City on April 17, 2010. We had projects going on in the park as we had youth groups and Scout Troops and leaders of those groups laying sod and sweeping sidewalks. The Lions Club and other volunteers replaced the weed barrier at the Star Memorial located West of the Stake Center as well as painted the flag pole and provided lighting for the flag to be displayed, both night and day. Other groups cleaned up roadsides, swept off sidewalks and various other service projects. We are grateful to each of you who participated in these events, and

offer a heartfelt thanks. All of you helped with projects that certainly will enhance Richmond City. **-Mayor Mike Hall-**

Bicentennial Garden and Flagpole Rededication: A rededication of the Bicentennial Garden and Flagpole will be held at that location (in the City Park just west of the church building, near Main Street) on the *evening of Monday, May 10th at 6:00 p.m.* The “Star Memorial” (referred to in the preceding article) was the work of the City’s Bicentennial Committee in 1976 (co-chaired by Roland and Alice Anderson). Various groups have tried to maintain the garden over the years, but time took its toll including the breaking off of the top pulley for the flag. We encourage all citizens to consider attending this rededication in honor of both the original committee and those who worked so hard at maintaining and restoring this garden.

Roll-on, Roll-off Bins Closed: Just a reminder that the roll-on, roll-off bins for both “green” and trash *will not be available* between Tuesday, May 4th and May 18th. You’ll all recall that this is required due to the many activities during Black & White Days. They are scheduled to be back in operation on Wednesday, May 19th at 3 p.m.

Landscaping and Water Meters: With the arrival of nice weather comes the landscaping of yards and an associated problem. City construction requirements establish that the top of the water meter must be between 18” and 24” below the lid on the water meter barrel. If you bring the

landscape above the lid, you need to raise the lid to the level of your yard and you are responsible for all expenses and work to maintain that 18"-24" limit. This is an expensive proposition as you **MUST** have a licensed plumber do the work, you **MUST** have the plumber coordinate with the City for inspection purposes, and you **CANNOT** cut the wires linking the meter with the touchpad in the center of the lid. (A replacement lid with touchpad is about \$120!) It is also strongly advised that you don't landscape in such a manner that the ground runoff water is directed into the meter barrel. Common sense tells you that contaminated water directed into the source of your drinking water isn't the wisest of decisions, no matter the safety devices installed. If you are considering work of this nature, please contact the City Office (258-2092) before doing anything to be certain you don't create a hazardous situation.

Monthly Safety Tip: Anyone who has lived in Richmond for any period of time knows that we have some drastic weather changes from winter to summer. We all bundle up in the middle of January, knowing that it is going to be another cold day. However, in the summer, many of us don't take the proper precautions to prevent dehydration. Which will help prevent heat exhaustion and heatstroke.

Dehydration is the loss of water and salts essential for normal body function. The easiest way from becoming dehydrated, is to prevent it in the first place. Try to avoid strenuous activities during the hottest times of the day, plan them early in the morning or late in the evening. Drink plenty of fluids. Start your fluid intake at least a half hour, before you expose yourself to the heat or strenuous activities. Drink before for you become thirsty. Drinking water will be

sufficient most of the time. Unless you are going to be in heat for long periods of time or if you are doing a physically demanding activity. Then you will need to supplement some of your water with a drink that have electrolytes, such as sport drinks. Wearing hats and other proper clothing will help keep you cool.

Remember your children; encourage them to drink often, every 15-20 minutes they should be taking a drink. Don't wait until you are thirsty before you have drink.

Avoid soda, juice that has high sugar content, alcohol, coffee, and other drinks with caffeine in them. These types of drinks can be counter productive when trying to keep yourself hydrated.

Stay safe this summer and enjoy the good weather. Remember, as the weather heats up, drink up. **Richmond City Fire Department**

American Legion: The American Legion Auxiliary will be celebrating their 50th Year of their Famous Hamburger Stand at Black & White Days. It will be open beginning Thursday, May 13 from 7 am-2 pm, and again from 5 pm-8 pm; Friday from 7 am-2 pm; and Saturday 10 am to closing (after Horse Pulls). Profits help support the Girl State Representative from our Unit here in Richmond. Josie Christensen was selected and will be going to Utah Girls' State in Cedar City in June.

Profits also help support the annual Americanism Essay Contest, and to send Christmas Stockings to the Troops. The Auxiliary is looking for new members to help support our Veterans and Troops, and volunteers are needed at the Hamburger Stand. If interested call Pres. Eisa Jensen, 512-4942, or Elaine Ward, 512-4956. **THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Library News and Views: Thank you to Vicki & Randy Blaylock for our March Library Lecture with the parrots and thanks to Aly

Mohammad for our April Library Lecture on Islam. We so appreciate the variety of volunteer service our community receives from excellent presenters.

Remember the Black & White Days Library Contest: Using the Summer Story Hour themes, **Make a Splash** – READ! (children’s) and **Make Waves at Your Library** (teen’s) design your vision of a **Black & White Days**

surfboard, boogie board, water craft, etc. Your entry can be on paper, cardboard, styrofoam, wood, plastic, or whatever you choose to portray your vision at its best. Entries must be turned in at the library by **May 8th**. Name, age (or “adult”), and phone # must be on back of entry.

Be sure to come and have fun at the Library Booth on Saturday, May 15th during Black & White Days.

Entries will be on display and there will be fun activities and contests for all, from 10 AM to 2 PM.

Preschool Story Hour Schedule: Thursdays at 10:30 AM

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| May 6 | Flowers |
| May 13 | Black & White Days |
| May 20 | Bubbles |
| May 27 | NO Story Hour – last day of school |

Come join the fun again this year at our Summer Reading Programs, starting Thursday, June 3rd, and continuing each Thursday at 10:30 AM through July 29th. Pre-register at the library and plan for a “cool” summer to remember.

New Children Books:

5 new titles in *Machines That Build* Series

8 new titles in *Mighty Machines* Series

4 new titles in *Oceans Alive* Series

The Big Red Lollipop by Rukhsana Khan

Flat Stanley’s Japanese Ninja Surprise by Jeff Brown

The Vipers Nest (#7 39 Clues) by Peter Lerangis

New Teen Books:

The Last Knight & Rogue’s Home (#1& 2 in

Knight & Rogue Series) by Hilari Bell

Sisters of the Sword by Maya Snow

Leviathan by Scott Westerfeld

The Gadget by Paul Zindel

New Adult Books:

Agent Bishop: true stories from an FBI Agent moonlighting as a Mormon bishop by Mike McPheters

The Reagan I Knew by William F. Buckley, Jr.

Band of Sister by Annette Lyon

Bel Canto by Ann Patchett

Addition of 10 new titles in our Large Print Collection

New Audio Books:

Keys of the Demon Prison (Fablehaven #5) by Brandon Mull

A Long Way From Chicago & A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck

Several titles by Louis L’Amour and several in the *Tennis Shoes Among the Nephites* Series on CD

The Library will be closed on May 15th, for Black & White Days (come see us at the booth), and also on May 31st for Memorial Day.

Head Start: Richmond Bear River Head

Start Pre-School is now accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year. This program provides educational services to qualifying families at no cost. Your child must be four (4) years old by September 1, 2010 to be eligible for center based studies. For more information or application, please call Bear River Head Start at 258-5613 or drop by our center at 90 South 100 West – the metal building just north of Park Elementary on 100 West.

Park Teachers Retirement Open House:

A Retirement Open House for Arlene Larson and Larry Rock will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 from 3:30-5:00 PM at Park Elementary. Parents, students and former students are invited to attend.

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BLACK AND WHITE DAYS NEWS

MAY 11TH – 15TH

95th Annual Richmond Black & White Days 2010

It is time for Richmond's Annual Black & White Days. This year Black & White Days will be May 11th through the 15th. Tuesday through Friday Morning there will be some of the top Dairy Farmers in the country here in Richmond. If you have not had a chance to come down to the Black & White Arena during this early part of the week you are missing out. This 95 year tradition is something people come from all over to see and be a part of. Even if you don't consider yourself part of "Dairy Tradition" you are a part of Richmond and with that, we would love for you to see what all the mooing is about!!

Friday Night May 14th "Free Movie in the Park"!!

The Richmond City Youth Council will be putting on a **free movie in the Park**. There will be some local bands performing again this year before the movie. Last year we had drinks, snacks, and popcorn. **This year we will also have dinner for the family at a great price.** This will start around 7:00pm. Just like last year we will have a great movie for all the family. The movie will start around 8:45pm (When dark enough for viewing). **This year there will be better speakers so everyone can hear.** Bring the family, invite friends, and be ready to have a great time.

Saturday May 15th

The Black & White Days Activities Committee has worked hard to have things to do for all the family. We will start the day off with of course, the annual **Chuck-Wagon Breakfast** (7-10-am) put on by the Richmond City Council. It is a great time to come and mingle with neighbors and friends. The **Cow-A-Bunga**

Race and Horse Show will start at 8:00am. The Race is a great way to get exercise and run for a cause. All money received from participants will go back to the community. If you want to see true horsemanship in action you won't want to miss the horse show. The **Relic Hall** will be open from 10-4pm. Come see over a hundred years of Richmond history firsthand. Last year was great with the family activities. This will continue this year with even more activities. These **Family Activities** run from 10-4pm. There will be a section in the booths that will specifically be for these activities at little to no cost. There's a **Dairy Foods contest** from 9-2pm at the Richmond Stake Center. The **Parade** will start at 5pm. *This year LD and Anne Bowcutt will be the Grand Marshal.* They have been a part of the Richmond community for years. If you get a chance, stop by LD's Cafe, and experience a lot of Richmond history through original pictures and great dining. If not in the parade, then join the crowd and line up along State St or Main St to watch the parade and get candy. There will be Cities, Companies, and groups from all over the valley represented. The **Horse Pull** at 7pm is a great way to end the day. After last year's incredible performance this crowning event for Black & White Days can't be missed. Come enjoy a tradition hard to find any were else. These horses and drivers will let you feel the excitement and tradition of the early Richmond settlement. If you have any questions please contact Jeff Young 435-232-8056 or jeffyoung.y@gmail.com.

**We look forward to your
participation throughout Black &
White Days!!**

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