

The Richmond Record

A Newsletter for the Citizens of Richmond, Utah

January 1, 2013

Voice of the City: As 2012 has now come to a close and 2013 is upon us, as Mayor and City Council we wish to extend to each of you a hearty **Thank You** for all that each of you individually and collectively do to serve your fellow citizens and neighbors. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and the interaction we have with many of you as we serve on the City Council. We appreciate those who take the time to contact us or attend the City meetings so that we may better know of your desires and wishes as we strive to direct the affairs of Richmond. I would also take this moment to thank those of you who serve as Richmond City employee's, our Emergency Response Team members, and volunteers who serve on various committee's and/or organizations. We know of the time and effort that goes into these responsibilities and that it takes them away from home and family on several occasions. We extend a **Thank You** for their continued service in our behalf.

As Mayor I also extend a thank you to the current City Council members. They are a joy to serve with and I know each has a personal commitment to serve and do their best as they serve in this assignment. They certainly have Richmond's best interests at heart as do the others previously mentioned. I would encourage any who have a desire to serve to contact a member of the City Council and we will let you know of various opportunities that are available that will allow you to serve your fellow Richmond citizens and be involved. There are many, many ways to serve.

It has been a blessing to me to see over the years all those who are willing to get

involved and serve in so many varied capacities and it certainly blesses the community that each of us live in and that each of us call home. We wish all a wonderful and prosperous 2013. **Mayor Mike Hall**

All Licenses Must be Renewed: A reminder that ALL business, dog, and kennel licenses must be renewed. We can handle the dog and kennel licenses by the time you read this. Business licenses will be ready by the 15th of this month. Remember that dog and kennel licenses are half-price if you get them on or before February 28th.

Benefactor's Donation: Over a decade ago a former Richmond resident, Mr. Gordon Olson, came into the City Office. He had been visiting here in the valley and was taking a look around Richmond. (When he first moved to Richmond with his family, they rented a house that was on the spot now occupied by the Community Building.) Mr. Olson was very impressed with our Carnegie Library and was concerned that it be maintained. His deceased wife, Elizabeth, had always been involved with libraries, wherever they lived. During a series of conversations, Gordon offered to donate, on an annual basis, stock to be committed to use strictly for physical maintenance or improvement of the Library. He had only two conditions: First, the donations were to be known only to the current Mayor and one other person until he passed away. Second, when the money from the stock was used, he wanted an appropriate plaque in the Library in honor of his wife.

Gordon Olson joined his wife Betty at the end of February of this past year. His estate completed all of his bequests in December, and we can now recognize publically the generosity of Gordon and Elizabeth Olson. The Library Board will be making some careful decisions relative to what maintenance needs can now be accomplished with this “surprise” influx of money for that purpose. And rest assured, there will most certainly be an appropriate plaque honoring both Betty and Gordon!

National Alliance on Mental Illness: The Cache Valley section of NAMI will present a Quarterly Community Education Meeting on Wednesday, January 9th, 2013, at 7 p.m. in the Logan Library’s Bridger Room (255 North Main Street, Logan). The meeting will feature Dr. Lisa Fraleigh who has recently established a practice in Cache County, and Scott Allgood, Ph.D. Other events scheduled for January – BRIDGES Education Course and Family to Family Education Course will begin Wednesday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) office at 170 North Main Street, in the rear of the building. Ongoing BRIDGES Education Course will be every Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. held in the NAMI Cache Valley Office at 90 East 200 North (enter on the north, down the stairs and into the office). All of these offerings are at NO CHARGE. If you have questions, please call 435-787-4165.

Library News and Views: “Libraries: the physical manifestation of the world’s longest, most thrilling conversation.” - Richard Russo

January Library Presentation: Want some help with all those Christmas pictures you just took? Diana Parker continues her fabulous **Scrapbooking Heaven** Saturday, January 12th 10:00 A.M.

Library basement. Bring your pictures and own materials or she will provide materials to create 2 pages.

We are enjoying the cold winter months right now, but are you planning your summer vacation already? The State Library has donated a helpful guidebook, which could come in handy when making your plans. *Utah 4 Kids: Adventure Guidebook* gives great ideas to explore and discover Utah. It even has a section on Free Winter Activities.

Reading is the single most important way to help your child get ready to read. **Singing** is a natural way to teach children about words. **Talking** to your child teaches them the richness of language. **Playing** teaches children how to think, imagine and express themselves. **Writing** is reading put into action. Children learn important skills by writing and drawing. Come to **Preschool Story Hour** to learn about these great steps in helping Utah Kids be Ready To Read!

Preschool Story Hour Schedule:

(Thursdays at 10:30 AM)

Jan. 10 Hats
Jan. 17 Hands
Jan. 24 Feet
Jan. 31 Large & Small

New Arrivals

Children’s Books:

Old Macdonald Had a Dragon by Ken Baker
LMNO Peas by Keith Baker
E-mergency! By Tom Lichtenheld & Ezra Fields-Meyer

Hot Rod Hamster by Cynthia Lord
Avengers: Assemble by Tomas Palacios

Junior Books:

Inside Out and Back Again (Newbery Medal Honor) by Thanhha Lai
Lost and Found and About Average by Andrew Clements
Who Could That Be at This Hour? by Lemony Snicket

4 titles in *The Tomorrow Girls Series* by Eva Gray

Teen's Books:

Trapped by Michael Northrop

The Lost Crown by Sarah Miller

Just Listen by Sarah Dessen

Snow Whyte by Melissa Lemon

Bearstock Scrolls, Viceroy by R.E. Bostwick (local author)

Adult's Books:

The Tiger's Wife by Tea Obreht

Lone Wolf by Jodi Picoult

Athena (The Newport Ladies Book Club) by Heather B. Moore

6 titles in *Shopaholic Series* by Sophie Kinsella

(For a **complete list of "New Arrivals"**, go to richmondlibrary.us, "Search Our Catalog", Richmond Public Library, Catalog Tab, Destiny Quest (on left). In the center, "Resource Lists" shows New Materials added in ... the last 4 months.

Library will be closed on Monday, January 21st for Martin Luther King holiday.

Left Bank Books: We opened in the Spring of 2011, on the north side of the restored Richmond bank building at 2 North State Street. We have gently used books of all genres, including classics, fiction, non-fiction, reference, poetry/art, and children's books. Most are priced between \$2 and \$4; we also have frequent specials and sales, housed in our "vault." Look for our changing signs in the window, and on Main Street during business hours. You can also find us at

www.facebook.com/leftbankbooksrichmond, or call us at 770-0849. We are open on Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coffee, tea, cider and hot cocoa are available for purchase, as well as greeting cards. Come in and browse, or just to sit and read or write!

Great to Be a "Richmondite". A common theme, which can't be repeated too many times, is the spirit we have in Richmond. During the recent snow storms, I watched a couple of young people on four-wheelers with snow blades attached "tour" the streets, stopping to help people clear their driveways and walks. Wouldn't accept payment, they were just helping out their fellow (granted, older) citizens. I've attended many a meeting where this would just be attributed to the "good ole boys" of a small town – but more than a few of the people I observed helping over the years were "newbies"! Guess the Spirit of Richmond must be contagious! Thanks to all of you, truly heartfelt.

Recycle Schedule: The 2013 recycling schedule is on the back of the page. We encourage you to keep it handy so you can get the "blue" can out on the proper Fridays. If you want a color chart of this schedule, go to www.loganutah.org which is Logan's home page. On the right side, click on the recycle schedule.

Official Meeting Schedule: For the Calendar Year 2013 the following public meeting schedule is hereby established for Richmond City. Meetings described will be held in the Council chambers at 6 W. Main, beginning at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

Planning & Zoning Commission - first Tuesday of each month

Richmond City Council - third Tuesday of each month

If the designated meeting day is a legal holiday, the respective meeting will be automatically shifted to the next following Tuesday, e.g. the second and the fourth Tuesday as appropriate.