#### May 2016 Calendar of Events

May 1st,8th,15th,22nd & 29th-Grace Church Youth Ministry 6:30-8pm
May 3rd,10th,17th,24th & 31st-Richmond Kiwanis meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole
May 3rd,10th,17th,24th & 31st-American Legion hosts Bingo-open @ 4pm games @ 6pm
May 3rd- Evening Book Club @ Ray County Library @ 6:30pm
May 4th-Mushroom Festival meeting at noon at Hometown Pizza
May 4th- Smith Elder Business Law hosts "Long Term Planning" in Pleasant Valley
May 4th,11th,18th & 25th-Oak Pointe provides FREE blood pressure checks 1-3pm
May 4th & 11th-Grace Church after school program til 5:30pm
May 5th-7th 36TH ANNUAL RICHMOND MUSHROOM FESTIVAL

May 5th –7th Fine Arts & Photo Show at Friends Gallery
May 6th– Good Samaritan Center Golf Tourney noon-4pm
May 6th,13th,20th & 27th-Richmond Rotary meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole/
May 7th– Richmond VFW Pancake & Sausage Breakfast 6-11am \$6
May 9th,16th & 23rd-Ray County Library Family Story Time 10am and 1pm
May 9th,16th & 23rd-Ray County Library GED/HSE Tutoring 12-2pm
May 12th- Learning Hour @ City Hall @ 1:30– KC Chamber & NGZ /Guest Speakers
May 12th-RCOC Executive Committee meeting 1:30 @ City Hall
May 14th, 21st & 28th– Farmers Market 7am-noon west side of Richmond Square

May 14th– Orscheln Farm & Home blade sharpening 10a-2p \$3 per blade
 May 16th– Chamber Classic Golf Tourney meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole
 May 17th– RCOC American Celebration meeting @ noon @ Jeffrey Kyle's
 May 18th– Crossroads Hospice "Benefit of Humor in Health Care" -Lee's Summit
 May 19th- RCOC Board meeting @ 11:30am @ 19th Hole
 May 20th– RCMH Gift Shop 20% OFF Sale!

May 14th-MVCAA Softball Tourney @ 8am

May 20th– RCOC After Hours Hawaiian Luau & Hog Roast sponsored by Shirkey Health Services, The Medical Center & House of Hope 5:30-7:30pm @ 19th Hole

May 21st- World League Wrestling @ Richmond Community Center @ 7pm
 May 21st- Farris Theatre presents Joseph Hall as Elvis @ 7pm
 May 23rd- Red Cross Pharmacy opens at new location

May 24th- Learning Hour @ City Hall @ noon- Small Business Admin guest speaker
 May 24th- 4th Tuesday Grief Support Group @ UCPC @ 7pm
 May 25th- Day Time Book Club @ Ray County Library @ 9:30am

May 30th- Chamber office closed for the holiday

Executive Director Natalie Lamar will be on vacation starting on May 28th. She will return on June 13th. Thanks to the hard work of the secretaries, Gladys & Darlene, the chamber office will remain open. If you have any questions, please call 816-776-6916 during that time. Thank you!

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Pictured Right—The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Richey Chiropractic Clinic on April 5th, 2015 at their new location, 39547 Bus Hwy 10 in Richmond Congratulations Dr. Richey on your new location! Photo provided by Richmond News Scenic Ridge~
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Pictured Left-The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce & The City of Richmond visited Jefferson City on Wednesday April 13th hosted by Rep. JD McGaugh. The group visited the House of Representatives and the Senate; Supreme Court, sat in on a committee hearing, toured the Governor's Mansion, visited with the Missouri Chamber and enjoyed some great bbq. Pictured left to right are Ron Brohammer, Justin Meier, Tonya Willim, Brad Hogan, Mike Wright and Dale Shipp. Not pictured is Natalie Lamar.

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Scenic Ridge

#### ~Quarterly Member Luncheon~



The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce held their Quarterly Member Luncheon on Thursday April 28th at noon at the Ray County Library in the conference room. There were 37 people who attended the event and 24 businesses represented. The RES Expanded Horizons program kicked off the meeting with a report on their "businesses" that they have developed in the class room. Then, Dr. Justin Meier gave an educational seminar on "Utilizing Social Media and Dissecting Culture". There was a lot of great information on how to navigate Face

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Book in order for it to be effective for advertising purposes. For more information surrounding this topic, feel free to contact Dr. Meier at Grace Church in Richmond. The phone number there is 816-776-5901. The chamber offered this FREE luncheon to members and non-members as well as part of our effort to "Be Relevant" in today's business world. Look for more exciting educational pieces in the future! Thank you Dr. Meier!

#### Richmond Area Business & Health Fair



Pictured left–Board member Brock Dover visits with vendor Jamie McGinnis from River Imprints at their booth. There were over 50 businesses represented at this years fair. Pictured below right– Mark Clark with Columbia College at Wentworth gives promotional material to a consumer at the event. The Chamber joined forces with RCMH to provide the Business & Health Fair this year. Pictured left-vendors @ the fair.

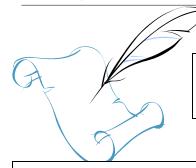




## A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE BUSINESSES THAT MADE DONATIONS TO THIS YEARS EVENT!

Mike Wrights Auto Repair, Mack Attack, Columbia College at Wentworth, Morgansites.com, Carter Monuments, CMCCU, Richmond Bowl, KFC/Taco Bell, Ray County Ambulance, Richmond Fire Department, Richmond Kiwanis, Dave's Country Mart, RCWRC, Wentworth Military Academy, Wal-Mart, Daddy's 10-13 Diner, Petal Faster, Linda's Floral & Gifts, Crossroads Hospice, NorthStar Wellness, Richmond News, Ag-Power, Insight Eye Care, Oak Pointe of Richmond, KMZU/KRLI, Good Samaritan Center, Anytime Fitness, Richmond Recreation, Ray County Veteran's, Phillip's Computer Repair, Tequila Jalisco Mexican Restaurant, Red Cross Pharmacy, Community Realty, Nadler's Catering, Henkel, Richmond Downtown District, ShadeTree Entertainment, C & C Discount Pharmacy, Dr. Justin Meier, Letzig Insurance Group, Ray County Accounting & Tax & Ray County Memorial Hospital~

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### From the President's Pen



To our Chamber Membership And Surrounding Community

I write this newsletter post 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Mushroom Festival and will spend most of this writing about such.

First, top of the list appreciation and thank you go to two groups; to the event and special sponsors that participated in making this year's festival the most successful ever, and to the citizens and business owners of Richmond and Ray County. The event just keeps getting bigger, more efficient and better as each year passes. We hope that our community and its citizens take a since of pride in putting its best foot forward for the community's marquis event. And boy did it ever - driving around the community on Wednesday I saw many of you mowing, trimming and caring for you property. A real sense of awareness to the fact that we are in this together was created in my opinion. Also, at the top of the appreciation list is the festival co-chairs for this year, Justin Wrisinger and Bill Purcell. Great job you guys for coordinating and encouraging sub-committees, dealing with concerns and making solutions as required but most importantly - staying out of the way so that others could run their assigned events!

Please join me in saying thank you to our City of Richmond employees, County Employees and Kansas City Power & Light. Specifically I want to say thank you to Chad Burnine and staff for the police forces presence and assistance to help create a safe event, to Dale Shipp and staff for making sure the city's water and other infrastructure was working properly in time for the event, to Chris Simpson for keeping the power on and assisting Terry Dickey in this same endeavor, to Terry Dickey for all that you do to make this event happen – a true hero in our community, to our County Executives as this event happens literally in your front and back yard and to Ray County Ambulance Service for being on location to serve those in need of medical attention.

Before I wrap up I want to recognize and honor with a few words our Chamber's Executive Director, Natalie Lamar. Natalie works endless hours to coordinate entertainment, vendor registrations, vendor locations and vendor concerns before, during and after the event. She works on this year round. There is no doubt in my mind that she has played a most significant role in the growth of the event over the last 3 years. Congratulations Natalie – job well done!

Finally thank you to all those I could not or forgot to mention here. It takes everyone of you working together to make this a successful event. The Mushroom Festival could not occur without you. It is a true pleasure to serve with you. Behind the scenes and working together is so inspiring and when you see a smile on one's face, hear people conversing together or hear a squeal of joy from a child, you instantly forget how tired, how dirty and how smelly you are and just carry on. Thanks to all for a great festival time. Carry on and always forward!

Yours in service Brad Hogan, President Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce