### May 2017 Calendar of Events

May 1– Ray County Library Story time @ 10am, 1p, 4p
May 1,8,15,22,29– GED/HSE tutoring @ Ray County Library 12p-2p
May 2,9,16,23,30-Richmond Kiwanis meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole
May 2,9,16,23,30-American Legion hosts Bingo-open @ 4pm games @ 6pm
May 2- Ray County Library Adult Book Club @ 6:30pm
May 2– National Health Care Day @ Liberty Hospital 7a-6p
May 3, 10– Mushroom Festival Meeting at noon at Hometown Pizza
May 3,10,17,31-Ray County Library hosts Genius Hour from 3-4:30pm-canceelled for the 24th
May 3,10,17,24,31-Oak Pointe provides FREE blood pressure checks 1-3pm
May 3,10– Grace Church hosts Drop Zone after school program till 5:30pm
May 4,5,6– Ray County Senior Center Pitch Tourney @ 2pm \$10 per team of 2
May 4,5,6– Town Square Mercantile Anniversary Open House
MAY 4, 5,6– 37TH ANNUAL MUSHROOM FESTIVAL!! DOWNTOWN RICHMOND
May 5,12,19,26-Richmond Rotary @ noon @ 19th Hole

May 6– Richmond MASONIC Lodge Mo-Chip Event 10a-2p @ Old Economy Drug
May 6– the House of Hope Kentucky Derby & Horseshoe Tourney has been CANCELLED
May 7,14,21,28- Grace Church Youth Ministry 6:30-8pm
May 12– Richmond Kiwanis Golf Tourney @ Shirkey Recreation Park
May 13-Orscheln hosts Blade Sharpening \$3 per blade 10a-2p

May 14- RHS Graduation

May 18– Chamber Board meeting at 11:30am @ 19th Hole
May 19– Ray County Memorial Hospital Gift Shop 20% OFF Sale
May 22– Richmond Downtown District meeting @ noon @ Hometown Pizza
May 23– 4th Tuesday Grief Support Group @ 7pm @ UCPC
May 26– Shirkey Health Services Chamber Hog Roast @ 19th Hole from 5:30-7:30pm– ALL INVITED!!
May 29th– Chamber Office closed for Memorial Day

Executive Director Natalie Lamar will be on vacation starting May 12th and will return to work on May 30th. Sammi and Darlene will be in the office to answer any questions that you may have or feel free to contact your favorite Board member.

Please send your event advertisements to be listed in the Friday eblast for the MONTH of May no later than May 9th.

### **Ray County Library Summer Programs**

**Build a Better World Summer Reading Program**: The Ray County Library Summer Reading Program will start June 1st and end July 31st. This is for all children ages 3-18. Registration is June 1st to July 24th. First day to turn in your reading log for an incentive prize is June 15th. Last day to turn in your reading log is July 31st.

**Summer Reading Program Kick Off Event** will be June 2nd from 10 am to 12 pm. This event will include Tammy Cornine with the Missouri Department of Conservation and Sgt. Amy Sisson with K-9 Vengeance.

**Build a Better Body Series:** Kathy Smith from the MU extension office will be teaching nutrition classes for school age children (k-6th grade) at the Ray County Library this summer on Tuesdays, 4:00 to 5:00 PM. This series will also include the Ray County Health Department and the Richmond Fire Department. The series will begin June 13th and end on July 25th. We will not have a program on July 4th. Please call the Ray County Library (816-776-5104) before June 6th to register and let us know if you have any food allergies.

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### Welcome To Our Newest Members!

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## **Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies April 2017!**



The Chamber was proud to help Kountry Kuts celebrate their new location on April 6th, 2017 with a ribbon cutting ceremony. If you are interested in having a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, please call the office at 816-776-6916 and visit with Natalie. We would love to visit your business! Picture courtesy of Richmond News

On April 21st, 2017 The Chamber was happy to help Swafford Ford celebrate their new location! Ribbon cuttings are a benefit of being a Chamber member. We call our entire membership and invite them to your event. If you are relocating your business or opening a new one, make sure to contact YOUR Chamber!





April 28th, 2017 The Richmond Chamber joined in the celebrations at Cordellen's Popcorn with a ribbon cutting ceremony. We supply the ribbon, ceremonial scissors and board support for you event. All you have to do is provide the smiling faces of your employees! These are GREAT networking events. Email Natalie today! Photo courtesy of the Richmond News

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### Quarterly Member Luncheon April 13th, 2017

32 Chamber members representing 24 businesses met at the Ray County Library on Thursday April 13th for a Quarterly Member Luncheon. Kelly Dyer– Missouri Chamber Foundation & Small Business Alliance, was the guest speaker. She discussed the FREE educational opportunities that she can provide for entrepreneurs. If you, or anyone you know needs help starting or managing a business, please call Natalie at 816-776-6916. The Chamber is proud to offer this opportunity to our members and our community! 3 businesses have already been helped by Kelly, yours could be NEXT!

The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the sponsors of the first class in our series

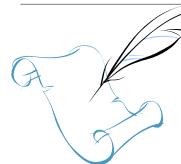
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# From the President's Pen



Dear Fellow Chamber Members,

I hope everyone had a Happy and Blessed Easter. Are you ready for some sunshine and warm weather?

This newsletter will be short and sweet due getting ready for all the festivities! I know folks have been out gathering those precious and hard to find at times, MOREL MUSHROOMS! We have had a great season this year. Good luck and happy hunting!

I write this newsletter pre 37th Annual Mushroom Festival. This year we will be presenting Martika - a one woman danger show, a stilt walker, KC Wolf, Marching Cobra's, Cheerleaders from the KC Renegade at the parade and much more. Thank you to the committee co-chairs, Justin Wrisinger and Glen Martin, along with a great committee and all the sponsors that participated in making this year's festival more successful than ever, and to the citizens and business owners of Richmond and Ray County.

On a quick note remember the Annual Hog Roast Sponsored by Shirkey Hospice on May 19th from 5:30 – 7:30 at the Shirkey Golf Course. This is always sure to be a great After Hours!

The Chamber Golf Classic will be held on Friday June 23rd at Shirkey Golf Course. Sponsorship forms and team registration forms will be going out soon. Remember, all the funds raised from this event go to support local Christmas Decorations! Last year, we were able to help purchase a NEW Santa House. This year, our lighted displays will expand significantly! We are working hard to put your donated dollars to work for the community.

The Great American Celebration will be held on Friday June 30th. This year, we have added several new additions to the event. Jason Divad, street performer from Mushroom Festival 2016 will be eating fire & Life Flight will land and allow children to tour the helicopter. We have a SPECIAL surprise in store as well, so you aren't going to want to miss it!

See you at the Mushroom Festival!!!

Tonya Willim Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce President 2016-17

