

**October 2017 Calendar of Events**

- October 1: UCP Church hosts Church in the Park @ 10am @ Maurice Roberts Park
- October 1,8,15,22,29: Grace Church Youth Ministry 6:30-8pm
- October 2,9,16,23,30:Ray County Library hosts Family Story Time @ 10am & 1pm
- October 2,9,16,23,30:Ray County Library hosts GED/HSE Tutoring from noon to 2pm
- October 3,12,17,24,31:Richmond Kiwanis meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole
- October 3,12,17,24,31:American Legion hosts Bingo-open @ 4pm games @ 6pm
- October 3: Ray County Community Arts Association meeting @ 7pm @ Friends Gallery
- October 4,11,18,25:Oak Pointe provides FREE blood pressure checks 1-3pm
- October 4,11,18,25: Grace Church hosts Drop Zone-After School Program til 5:30pm
- October 4,11,18,25: Ray County Library hosts Teen Time from 2:30pm-4:30pm
- October 4: Outlaw Days meeting @ noon @ Hometown Pizza
- October 5: RDD hosts First Thursdays 6-9pm Downtown Richmond
- October 6: Richmond Masonic Lodge Fish Fry 10:30-6pm
- October 6,13,20,27: Richmond Rotary @ noon @ 19th Hole
- October 7: VFW hosts 2nd Annual Dave Owen's fish Fry 5-7pm
- October 8: Farris Theatre hosts Leland Jones County Pickin @ 3pm
- October 10: Ray County Library hosts "Creepy Crawlers" @ 4pm
- October 12: CMC Credit Union hosts Chamber After Hours 5:30-7:30pm @ Shirkey Golf Course
- October 12: Element's Destination Dining hosts "German Dinner" \$50 6-8pm
- October 13-15: Crossroads Hospice hosts "Grief Support Camp for Kids"
- October 14: Orscheln Farm & Home hosts Blade Sharpening \$3 per blade 10a-2p
- October 19: Mayor's Prayer Breakfast @ 7am @ First Baptist Church
- October 19: Chamber Board mtg @ 11:30am @ Golf Course
- October 19: Element's Destination dining hosts "Girls Night Out" @ 6pm
- October 20: Ray County Memorial Hospital 20% off gift shop sale
- October 21: CMCCU hosts "Take The Wheel, Get The Best Deal"Workshop 10-11a Warrensburg
- October 23: CMCCU hosts "Take The Wheel, Get The Best Deal" Workshop 6-7p Warrensburg
- October 26- Annual Chamber Banquet @ 6pm @ Veteran's Building
- October 28: American Legion hosts Annual Soup & Chili Dinner 10a-3p
- October 28: Shapes Dance & Acro hosts "SPOOKtacular Pumpkin Party" 10:30a-noon
- October 28: Element's Destination dining hosts "Crepe Creations" 6-8pm
- October 30: Richmond Downtown District meeting @ noon @ Hometown Pizza



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*Oak Pointe of Richmond*

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 Natalie Lamar  
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**2017-18 Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce  
 Committee Chairpersons**

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**Christmas Extravaganza– Jennifer Brenton**

**Mushroom Festival- Glen Martin & Justin Meier**

**Mushroom Festival Parade– Atalie Williams**

**American Celebration– Jennifer Gant**

**Annual Banquet– Justin Meier**

**Annual Banquet Silent Auction– Natalie Lamar**

**Chamber Golf Classic– Brock Dover**

**Farmer's Appreciation Dinner– Brock Dover & Jennifer Gant**

**Finance Committee– Glen Martin**

**Sign Committee– Bart Willim**

**Membership & Survey– Justin Meier & Glen Martin**

**Luncheon/Afterhours/Member Education– Jennifer Brenton**

**Executive Committee– Glen Martin**

**Promotion/Advertising/Tourism– Atalie Williams**

**Christmas Display Committee– Ellen Vandiver**

**Economic Development Committee– Tonya Willim**

**The Chamber is always looking for volunteers with any committee we have.  
 If you would like to help with a committee, please reach out to Natalie at  
 the Chamber office 816-776-6916 or call your favorite board member!**

**Gold Investors**

City of Richmond  
Bank Midwest, N.A.  
Henkel, Corp.  
US Bank  
Richmond I.D.C.  
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Shirkey's Nursing & Rehab  
Oak Pointe Assisted Living  
Community Bank of Missouri

**Silver Investors**

KCP&L  
Swofford Ford Sales  
Westbrook & Co., P.C.  
Ray County Memorial Hospital  
KMMO  
Farmers Home Insurance Of Ray County

**Bronze Investors**

Edward Jones Investments  
Red Cross Pharmacy  
Missouri Secured Title  
Ray Carroll Grain Co-Operative  
Richmond Family Clinic  
Thurman Funeral Home  
U.S. Granules  
Wal-Mart Super Center  
Central Missouri Community Credit Union  
Derstler Lumber Co.  
KFC/Taco Bell  
Hometown Pizza  
C & C Discount Pharmacy  
NorthStar Wellness  
Richmond Chiropractic  
Sam's Club  
Kountry Kuts  
Shirkey Golf Course  
Phillips Computer Repair  
Linda's Floral  
Richmond Bowl  
Scenic Ridge  
Matt's Autobody & Restoration  
Ray County Land Title  
Thunderbird Electric  
Crooked River Meat CO  
Life Recovery Consulting

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**49th Annual Chamber Banquet & Silent Auction October 26th, 2017**

On October 26th, 2017 we will be hosting our 49th Annual Banquet & Silent Auction. Each year, the Chamber honors the leaders of business in Richmond and the surrounding area along with the outgoing Chamber Board members. This year, we are going to travel to the Caribbean in our imagination with a Luau themed party! We want you to wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt, comfy shoes and board shorts or grass skirts! We will have themed food, drinks and party favors to keep this years event fun and light hearted. Next year, being our 50th annual, we will be hosting a Chamber Ball that will be the black tie affair to remember! We would like to ask that your organization make a donation to our silent auction. The funds created by this auction help to support Chamber programs, utility bills, FBLA sponsorships and so much more! Don't forget to call and RSVP for your seats today!

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**2017 Christmas Light Displays**



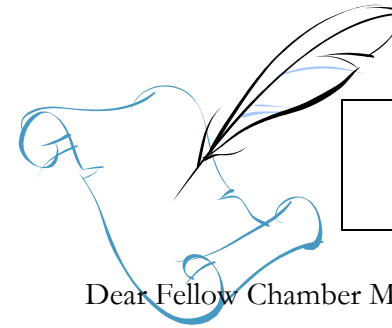
Thanks to all of your support for the Chamber Golf Classic—Christmas in July Golf Tournament, we are happy to announce the expansion of 12 additional lighted displays this year. We were also able to replace all 59 outlets on the light poles as well as purchase 20 new brackets. We will be doing maintenance to the displays on October 30th. Please contact Natalie Lamar or Ellen Vandiver if you would like to help! If you wonder what your donations do, well this is

**CHAMBER WEBSITE**

Over the last few months, we have been experiencing technical difficulties with our website. After visiting with our Webmaster, we determined that there was need for drastic computer upgrades and program purchases in order to fix the problems. The Chamber Board has been working diligently with hardware and software updates in order to be able to support updating and refreshing our website. During the months of October & November, we will be working with Morgansites.com to put a fresh new website into action. Thank you for your patience while we are in this process. There will be times during those two months that the website will be down and unavailable. Hopefully, this conversion will not take too long and we will be back in action soon. Thank you for your understanding during this transition!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**OCTOBER 26TH, 2017-49TH ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET @ RAY COUNTY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL BUILDING 6-9PM**  
**NOVEMBER 9TH- BEFORE HOURS HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**  
HOSTED BY THE CHAMBER BOARD 7:30-9:30AM @ CHAMBER OFFICE  
**NOVEMBER 10TH- CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERAN'S DAY**  
**NOVEMBER 11TH-DECEMBER 7TH-CHRISTMAS TREE EXTRAVAGANZA-**  
CHAMBER OFFICE OPEN EXTRA HOURS 7 DAYS A WEEK  
**NOVEMBER 23RD-24TH CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING**  
**DECEMBER 7TH- LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE & SANTA**  
VISITS DOWNTOWN RICHMOND  
**DECEMBER 25TH-CHAMBER OFFICE CLOSED-MERRY CHRISTMAS!**  
**JANUARY 1ST-CAHMBER OFFICE CLOSED-HAPPY NEW YEAR**



*From the President's Pen*



Dear Fellow Chamber Members,

Greetings to each of you from your Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce. I hope and trust this newsletter finds you and your business well as we move into Fall and can see the holidays just around the corner.

Our Chamber year is in full swing. Your newly elected Board met for the annual Board Retreat to set the tone for the year. During this meeting, I challenged each of us to INVEST during this Chamber year. We all invest so much into our businesses, our families, our personal visions for what our community can be, and our own growth as professionals. Why would we need to be reminded to invest?

I'm hopeful that in addition to all of the other ways we work, that we can each be reminded to invest in each other. Our Chamber ought not to be just about delivering world class events...it should be about creating a shared and common matrix of useful relationships. We should know each other, share ideas and frustrations about our individual endeavors, spend time understanding what each of us needs to grow and thrive in our area, and care about every Chamber member's success.

Your Chamber provides many ways in which you can invest in one another. Serving on committees is one way to get to know more of your Chamber and how it operates. Every Board member is looking right now for non-Board members to fill their committees. Raise your hand and let us know if you'd like to invest that way. Another way is to attend the before-hours and after-hours events that your fellow Chamber members host. These are wonderful, informal opportunities to relax with good food and great company...to discuss matters both business and personal...to forge friendships and understand the broader context in which each of our businesses operate.

Finally, you can invest in your fellow Chamber members by attending this year's Chamber Banquet. You have all received your invitations for the event scheduled for Thursday, October 26. This will be an informal Hawaiian-themed luau, which should be a terrific opportunity to spend time with one another. I hope you'll all attend.

Thanks for who you are and all you do to make the Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce work for our community.

Blessings to you,

Glen Martin

President 2017-2018

Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce