January 2018 Calendar of Events

January 1: Richmond Chamber, City of Richmond and Ray County Library Closed January 1: Farris Theatre showing Coco at 2pm; January 3rd @ 11am January 2,9,16,23,30 :Richmond Kiwanis meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole January 2,9,16,23,30 :American Legion hosts Bingo-open @ 4pm games @ 6pm January 3,10,17,24,31:Oak Pointe provides FREE blood pressure checks 1-3pm January 5,12,19,26: Richmond Rotary @ noon @ 19th Hole January 7,14,21,28: Grace Church Youth Ministry 5:30-8pm (14th is at 3:30pm) January 8: Bridge of Hope hosts Mom's Group from 4-5pm January 8,,22,29:Ray County Library hosts Family Story Time @ 10am & 1pm January 8,22,29:Ray County Library hosts GED/HSE Tutoring from noon to 2pm January 9,16,23,30: Ray County Library Hosts "Robotics" from 4-5pm January 10: Chamber Quarterly Luncheon– Desiree Frierson Tax Advocate @ noon @ 19th Hole January 10,17,24,31: Grace Church hosts Drop Zone-After School Program til 5:30pm January 10,17,24,31: Ray County Library hosts Teen Time from 2:30pm-4:30pm January 13: Masonic Lodge hosts B & G Breakfast \$5 per person 7-10am January 13: Christian Fellowship Ministries host "Our Amazing Constitution" at 6pm at Farris Theatre January 14: CFM hosts "Our Amazing Constitution" @ 9:30am @ CFM January 15: City of Richmond, Richmond Chamber and Ray County Library Closed January 17: Mushroom Festival meeting at noon at Hometown Pizza January 18: Methodist Church hosting Blood Drive January 18: Chamber Board meeting at 11:30am @ Golf Course January 20: Ray County Hospital Gift Shop 20% off sale January 24:RDD monthly meeting at noon at Hometown Pizza



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QUARTERLY MEMBER LUNCHEON JANUARY 10TH



Desiree Frierson, Local Tax Payer Advocate, will be the guest speaker at the Chamber Quarterly Luncheon on Wednesday January 10th. This Luncheon will be held at the 19th Hole at noon that day. She can help individuals or businesses that are having issues with the IRS! The only cost to you is lunch if you wish to eat. With tax season upon us, this is the perfect opportunity to get those past tax issues resolved!

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AND GRAND OPENING C & C DISCOUNT PHARMACY & HARP'S GROCERY STORE

The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you to attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Grand Opening of C & C Discount Pharmacy and Harp's Grocery Store on Wednesday janu8ary 17th at 8:45am. The Mayor, Chamber President and the GM for Harp's will give speeches and introductions starting at 8:45am inside Harp's. Immediately after their program and ribbon

cutting ceremony, we will relocate to C & C Discount Pharmacy area in the store. If you are available to attend, we would love for you to come show your support for an established growing business as well as the newest Richmond Chamber Member! See you then!

WELCOME OUR NEWEST CHAMBER MEMBER!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO MISSOURI HOME & FARM MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY!

Ray County's oldest business has expanded its brand and changed its name. Farmer's Home Insurance of Ray County has changed its name effective January 1st, 2018 to Missouri Home & Farm Mutual Insurance Company. Congratulations to the entire team for doing what it takes to stay relevant and fresh in the ever growing economy of Missouri!



https://www.missourifarmandhome.com/

2017-2018 Chamber Committee Chairmen

Christmas Extravaganza—Jennifer Brenton

Mushroom Festival—Glen Martin & Justin Meier
Christmas Displays—Ellen Vandiver
American Celebration—Jennifer Gant
Annual Banquet—Justin Meier
Chamber Golf Classic—Brock Dover
Farmer's Picnic—Brock Dover & Jennifer Gant
Financial Director—Jennifer Brenton
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Membership & Survey—Justin Meier
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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the representing Board Member

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From the President's Pen



Happy New Year, Fellow Chamber Members!

Although our Chamber year is well under way, having already worked through our Annual Retreat, Annual Banquet, and all of the various activities associated with the Christmas Extravaganza, the turning over of the calendar to a new year is a chance to stop and look ahead. Each of us has an opportunity, as businesses and individuals, to decide how we'll INVEST in one another in 2018.

One of the most important ways we can INVEST is to simply be present. Attend the before hours and after hours, come to ribbon cuttings to support new members or long-standing members who are doing new things, join a committee, or volunteer your time and skills at an event. Take advantage of the educational opportunities at our quarterly meetings. Engage with your colleagues in The Chamber to find out what you can learn and what you can teach.

As we move into the new year, we immediately begin preparations for our signature event, the 38th Annual Mushroom Festival. The Mushroom Festival Committee has begin meeting, but we have plenty of room for more volunteers, sub-committee chairs, etc. New people with new ideas are what keeps the Festival fresh. If you've never volunteered to help out with the Mushroom Festival, please consider it this year. We can find you a job as big or small as will fit your availability.

I wish you much success and happiness in the coming year. While I am sure there are those who worry about the challenges that 2018 may bring, our encouragement to one another as colleagues in The Chamber must be to focus on the opportunities that 2018 is sure to bring as well.

Blessings to each of you,

Sincerely,
Glen Martin
President 2017-2018
Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce