

January 2019 Calendar of Events

- January 1: City of Richmond, Chamber of Commerce and Ray County Library closed
 January 2,9,16,24,30: United Methodist Church Youth Group @ 6 & 7
 January 3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31: United Methodist Church Food Pantry 1-3pm: call for appt
 January 3,10,17,24,31: Ray County Library presents adult programs
 January 4: Richmond Recreation Pickle Ball Tourney Registration Deadline
 January 4,11,18,25: Richmond Rotary @ noon— @ 19th Hole
 January 4,11,18,25: Shirkey Golf Course hosts Happy Hour Specials
 January 4: NorthStar Wellness Potluck Dinner @ 7pm
 January 6,13,20,27: Grace Church Youth Ministry approximately noon
 January 6: Richmond U:nited Methodist Church First Sunday Worship Service @ 6:3—7pm
 January 7,14,28: Ray County Library hosts GED/HSE Tutoring from noon to 2pm
 January 7,14,28: Ray County Library Family Story Time @ 10am & 1pm
 January 8,15,22,29: Richmond Kiwanis meeting @ noon @ 19th Hole
 January 8,15,22,29: American Legion hosts Bingo-open @ 4pm games @ 6pm
 January 8,15,22,29: UMC Men's Bible Study @ Our Place
 January 8,15,22,29: Ray County Library hosts children's Classes @ 4pm
 January 9,16,23,30: Grace Church hosts Drop Zone-after school program
 'January 9: Blood Drive at the United Methodist Church @ 1-6pm
 January 9,16,23,30: Ray Co. Library hosts Teen Time @ 2:30pm
 January 10: Friends of the FFA meeting @ 6:30pm @ RHS
 January 12: Orscheln Blade Sharpening 9a-1p \$3 per blade
 January 12: Ham & Bean Dinner by Eastern Star @ Masonic Lodge Free will donation 11a-2p
 January 15: Ray County FCE organizational meeting @ 9:30am
 January 15: Liberty Hospital hosts Cancer Support Group @ 6pm
 January 16: Mushroom Festival meeting @ noon @ Hometown Pizza
 January 17: Liberty Hospital hosts Living After Loss @ 11am & 5:30pm
 January 17: Liberty Hospital hosts Alzheimer's Support Group @ 7pm
 January 17: Chamber Board meeting @ 5:30pm @ Golf Course
 January 18: NorthStar Wellness Movie night @ 7pm
 January 19: Masonic Lodge B & G Breakfast 7-10:30 :\$5
 December 18: Ray County Hospital Gift Shop 20% off sale
 January 20: Bridge of Hope Women's Tea @ Vibbard Christian Union @ 3-5pm
 January 21: Chamber, City of Richmond and Ray County Library closed
 January 22: Ray County Library board meeting @ 9:30am
 January 22: Liberty Hospital hosts Stroke Support @ 1:30pm
 January 23: Ray County Library Book Club @ noon
 January 10 & 24: Ray County Library hosts Crochet & Knitting Group meeting @ 4:45pm
 January 17: Liberty Hospital will host Living With Cancer @ 9am

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**WE WILL BE REMOVING THE GARLAND
 FROM DOWNTOWN RICHMOND
 ON THURSDAY JANUARY 10TH
 @ 4PM. ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE APPRECIATED.
 BRING A 14 FT LADDER IF YOU HAVE ONE
 THANK YOU!**

Did you know that up to 95% of your contributions to the Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce are tax deductible under advertising expenses? Watch your snail mail for a statement form us with your total contributions for 2018!

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Congratulations to Colton Layman for winning the Shop Richmond drawing for the month of November! Make sure to submit your receipts for your chance to win a \$50 gift card! This program is sponsored in part by **Grace Church of Richmond**

Did you know that members of the community and tourist for our area use the Chamber for business referrals? We get multiple inquiries each day for phone numbers and addresses.

“Which restaurant in Richmond is the best one to eat at?”

“Which insurance agents in Richmond are Chamber members?”

“Can you tell me the name of a good plumber in our area?”

These are all very familiar lines to the Chamber office staff. We will be rolling out a new program in 2019 so that you know just how many customers are referred to your business by the Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce.

Watch your mail for a postcard !

This is just one of the many benefits of being a **Richmond Chamber Member!**

MISSOURI'S NEW MINIMUM WAGE LAW

In November 2018, Missouri voters passed a law raising minimum wage. Employers engaged in retail or service businesses whose annual gross income is less than \$500,000 are not required to pay the state minimum wage rate. Employers not subject to the minimum wage law can pay employees wages of their choosing. For more information, please contact Westbrook & Co, Ray County Accounting and Tax or CD Holtzen and Associates as well as the Missouri Department of Labor.

PROTECT YOUR EMAIL FROM TORJANS

Currently in Richmond, there is a rash of trojan infected emails being circulated. We would like to remind you to NEVER open an attachment in an email from someone you don't know. Downloading attachments and following links in these emails are how they are gaining access to your computer and information. Always confirm that the email address and contact information is correct in the address line of the sender. Often you will find the phone number is incorrect in these infected emails. Contact Morgansites.com or Phillips' Computer Repair for more information on how to best protect your-



Exciting news from the Missouri Chamber!

As today's small businesses continue to search for cost-saving health coverage options, the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Missouri Chamber Federation have taken action to help our members. We have worked to create a new health program that can lead to more rate stability and offers a smart solution with potential savings for groups with 2-50 eligible employees. This new self-funded medical offering is a multiple employer welfare arrangement, often called a MEWA. This program enables smaller employers to join together to share in the overall claims risk.

In addition to financial protection, this innovative alternative offers:

- Competitive medically underwritten rates
- Fixed, predictable monthly payment
- Coverage for claims run-out / terminal liability coverage

The Richmond Area Chamber of Commerce is working with Mike Keith Insurance to be able to offer this program locally to our members! Make sure to watch your emails for more information to come!

INCREASING YOUR COMPANY'S PROFITABILITY

Are you poised to succeed as a business? In this 6-part series hosted by Missouri SBTDC business counselor Kenneth Surbrugg, you will learn how to manage your business' performance, identify what you excel in and what you could improve, and determine what areas to focus on in the short and long term FOR FREE. Watch the series at

<https://mochamber.com/webinars/>