



# Village of Richmond



WINTER 2015

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## CHRISTMAS OF YESTERYEAR

Christmas of Yesteryear  
Schedule of Events

### Friday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>

~6:30 PM Christmas Tree Lighting at Stevens Park (corner of east Broadway & Rte 12)

Immediately following at Memorial Hall (10308 Main St.)

~Photos with Santa, Christmas Stockings filled with goodies, Coffee/Cocoa \$1.00/cup, Free Popcorn, 50/50 Raffle, Add'l Raffle Items, and Friends of Richmond Township Quilt Raffle

### Saturday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> (Located at Memorial Hall—10308 Main St.)

~10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, St. Joseph's Church Cookie Walk, Crafters, Coffee/Cocoa \$1.00/cup, Free Popcorn, 50/50 Raffle, Add'l Raffle Items, and Friends of Richmond Township Quilt Raffle ~10:30 & 11:30 AM, Ballet Performances by Broadway Academy of Art & Dance~1:00 PM, Theater Christmas performance "Straight Outta North Pole: The Christmas Spirit Awakens" and Vignettes performed by Theatrevolt

~10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Photo opportunity with St. Nick—as he strolls through downtown Richmond on Broadway (Bring your own cameras)

Pickup located at Municipal Parking Lot (west Broadway)

~12:30 & 3:00 PM, (2) Free Hayrides with Historical House Tour, donation of canned goods requested for the Community Food Pantry (Dress Appropriately, Weather Permitting)

### Sunday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> (Located at Memorial Hall—10308 Main St.)

~9:00 AM – Noon, Richmond Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast & Visit from Santa.

**BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS, YOUR GENEROSITY IS OUR SUCCESS!**

### Village President

**Peter Koenig**

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- **Board Meetings** are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7:00pm in the Village Hall.
- **Finance Committee Meetings** are held on the Tuesday preceding each Board Meeting @ 4:00pm at Village Hall.
- **Community Development Committee Meetings** are held on the Tuesday preceding each Board Meeting @ 5:30pm at Village Hall.

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#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

#### Village Hall Closed

**Thursday Nov 26th  
Friday Nov 27th**

#### Holiday Hours

**Thursday Dec 24th  
9am-12pm**

**Closed Christmas Day  
Closed New Year's Day**



## Chief Cetrangolo's Report

With fall & winter fast approaching, remember to use extra caution as weather will cause road conditions to deteriorate.

The following are a few safety tips motorists should keep in mind during the fall/winter months:

- \* Remember that wet leaves can be just as dangerous as ice on pavement.
- \* Watch for children, especially now that the sun sets earlier.
- \* Watch for motorcycles.
- \* Plan ahead and check the forecast to determine if a trip is necessary when weather is poor.
- \* Don't crowd snow plows. Snowplow drivers need room to operate and they may not be able to see your vehicle on the road.
- \* Be aware of black ice. Roads appearing clear may be treacherous especially intersections, bridges, and shady areas.
- \* Keep your gas tank full, fuel lines can freeze when tanks are less than two-thirds full.
- \* Dress appropriately and always be prepared for unexpected winter weather.
- \* Make someone aware of your travel plans and carry fully charged cell phone.
- \* Keep an emergency road kit in your car. It should include jumper cables, flares, windshield washer fluid, an ice scraper, traction material, blankets, non-perishable food, and a first aid kit.
- \* Always buckle up. If an accident occurs, a safety belt can save your life.

We want everyone to be safe and prepared for the upcoming fall/winter driving seasons. Nasty weather can, and will occur and we all need to be ready for it. If every driver slows down, wears their seat belt, and gives themselves extra time, they have a much better chance of making it through the winter without an accident.

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REMEMBER – IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS, SAY SOMETHING IMMEDIATELY!

In progress incidents should be reported to the police department by calling 911!

Crime tips can also be submitted 100% anonymously to the police department by calling Crime Stoppers at 800-762-STOP. Crime Stoppers does not use caller ID, and pays cash rewards for information which leads to arrests.

Applications for our upcoming Citizens Police Academy Class are now available online or at the Village Hall. Our next class is scheduled to be in April 2016. This free and informative class is open to any one that lives or works in Richmond or the surrounding communities and provides participants with a hands on and behind the scenes overview of the day to day responsibilities and activities of police departments.

Like us on Facebook for updates and announcements including the date, times and locations of our Coffee with the Chief events.

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Just a couple Christmas Quotes...

"Christmas is the season when you buy this year's gifts with next year's money. Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough."-Oprah Winfrey

"My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?"-Bob Hope

Christmas Decoration Donations: The Christmas of Yesteryear Committee is looking for gently used Christmas Decoration that we can use to decorate Memorial Hall. If you have anything you would like to donate, we are accepting donations until November 27<sup>th</sup>. All donations can be dropped off at the Village Hall located at 5600 Hunter Drive.



### ~Message from Public Works~

No parking on village streets or designated snow routes when snow accumulation is 2 inches or more or until snow removal efforts are complete.

Last Village Brush Pick up Thursday November 19th!!

The Village of Richmond has become an "official" drop-spot for our **Community Food Pantry**. The Food Pantry is ALWAYS in need and now the Village will be a year-round drop-spot. Please bring your food, non-food donations, or monetary donations (checks payable to Community Food Pantry) to the Village Hall Monday thru Friday during normal business hours, or during any official Village Board or Committee meeting time.

### Reminder from Prairieland Disposal

- Holidays that fall on regularly scheduled pick-up day, service will be delayed 1 day.
- Holiday light recycling will be available year round at the Village Hall. Any Christmas light with a cord is acceptable!
- Christmas Tree Pick-up will be first 2 weeks immediately following Christmas on your pick up day.

Happy Holidays!!