

## **Out and About Town....**

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Wow the summer went by quickly... the cooler weather sure limited the sunny days... here is hoping September and October brings us lots of sunshine.

A sunny day would be ideal for the **Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> the Arts of Point Richmond** first **Art in the Park** event. It will take place from 11 am – 6 pm in the little Gateway Park across from the street from the Plunge on the corner of Garrard and West Richmond Avenue. In addition to the Artists' exhibits, there will be activities for the kids, a poster contest and entertainment on the stage all day long. Please call Linda Drake at 672-0793 for more information. By the Way, the Arts of Point Richmond meets the **third Wednesday** of the month from 7 pm - 9pm at the Community Center. The program always includes a guest artist as the speaker.

With this Fall comes the election season and the Point Richmond Business Association and Point Richmond Neighborhood Council will again join in hosting **City of Richmond Candidates' Nights**. On Thursday, **September 16<sup>th</sup>** the **10 Candidates for the Richmond City Council** will be invited to a "Question and Answer" session. The **3 Candidates for Mayor** will be invited to a similar session on Thursday, **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Both sessions will take place **from 6 pm- 8 pm** at the office complex in the 1300 block of Brickyard Cove Road. Please come and meet the Candidates. For more information call Jake Smith at 231-4787.

The Point Richmond's historic **Our Lady of Mercy Church's Pancake Breakfast** fund raisers take place on the third Sunday of the month.. If you enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausages, bacon, fruit, coffee, tea and juice stop by the Church Hall. The donation is \$8.00 and we serve breakfast from **8:30 am to 12 Noon**. Come and join us on **Sundays - September 19 and October 17**. Call 232-1843 for information.

**The Point Richmond Farmers' Market takes place on Park Place every Wednesday from 4 pm - 8 pm** through October 27th. The Market's farmers, gardeners, cooks, artists, and our local businesses all welcome you to the Point. The first Wednesday of each month is "Kids Day" with special activities for the young ones. There is live music every week, BBQ, Baked Potatoes and Kettle Corn too. Stop by the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association table and pick up some **great recipe sheets**. Say "Hi" to the folks at the Point Richmond Business Association table. They have lots of information on local businesses and what to do in the Point. Remember to stop by the **Point Richmond History Association Museum** too. It is open from 4:30 pm to 7 pm. Please call Margi Cellucci at 237-0101 for more information.

There are still two more concerts left in the **Point Richmond Summer Concert Series**. The Point Richmond Music committee will host the Friday-Night Concerts from **5:30 pm – 8:00 pm** on Park Place. Come and join in the fun **Friday Evenings, September 10 and September 24**. Set aside some time before and after each concert to visit the stores and restaurants in town. Make sure and stop by the **Arts of Point Richmond Exhibit** adjacent to the Community Center. Bring all your friends and enjoy the art and music. Call Andrew Butt at 236-7435 for more details.

School has started and students at **Washington Elementary School** all look so nice in their uniforms. **The Point Richmond Business Association** hosted a picnic on August 28<sup>th</sup> to benefit the PTA's project of bringing music lessons to all of the classes. Thanks to the Business Association for their donation and for this fun event. You may call the school at 231-1417 for more details on all of the PTA activities.

The **Many Hands Project of Point Richmond** was established by residents and businesses in the Point more than 15 years ago to support the students and teachers of Washington School. The Many Hands will be having their annual fund raising event in October. In addition the **Adopt-a-Class Program** which provides a small grant to each of the teachers for class room supplies and materials, Many Hands also organizes the **Spirit of Leadership Program**. The Leadership Program invites every student in grades 1-6 to participate in the 4 month, theme based project. Last year more than 110 children completed the series of assignments on their Botany themed project. Rewards for their efforts include a pizza party, a field trip and an educational "toy" such as bug habitants, microscopes and DNA kits, each presented on the last day of school in an awards presentation. Our newest program consists of a **Grant Program** for special projects or programs at the school. If you would like to participate or make a donation to the Many Hands Project for Washington School please call me at 234-4219.

. Altha Humphrey organizes the **Knit-and-Such** group which meets at the Point Richmond Community Center from **1:45 pm to 3:45 pm the first Wednesday** of the month. All are welcome to join this "creative time." Please call 233-6881 for more information.

Remember to thank David Moore's **PointRichmond.com** for more up-to-date information on "What's Out and About" in Point Richmond.