



Council Newsletter

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NEW RICHMOND on the OHIO RIVER DAY
Aug 19 • 20 • 21

Customs & Classics
10th Annual **CARDBOARD BOAT RACES**
BIG BANG FIREWORKS Rides & Games
Daily Live Music Gambling Tent
Lotsa **CRAFTS & FOOD**
Corn Hole
NEW 2011 Annual River Run **PADDLE BLAST**
Dinner Cruises & Rides

FOR DETAILS: 513 553 4146 ext 16 www.newrichmond.org

15th Annual Scott McDowell Memorial River Run/Walk

Benefiting the Boys & Girls Club of Clermont County

Sat., Aug. 20th. @ 9 A.M.

Special awards to overall male and female winners. Individual awards to 1st & 2nd place for each division based upon pre-registration. Register on line at www.runningtime.net, for more information visit

www.thepositiveplace4kids.org

Or call Jill at 513-553-1948.

The 19th International **CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA**
THE ANNUAL NEW RICHMOND RACE
Aug 20, 2011
WWW.NEWRICHMOND.ORG

50 BOATS in 2010
25 SPEED & CREATIVE TROPHIES

Visit the World's ONLY Cardboard Boat Museum
Workshops & Student Tours
Unique Boat Designs

Cardboard Boat Races START AT 1:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The announcement of the future closing of the Beckjord Power Station is certainly not the type of news any mayor wants to hear. The plant closing represents more than a loss in revenue to the village it also means a loss of jobs and a very negative impact on the village and surrounding area economies.

Although as I am writing this article the exact amount of funding loss has not been determined, it is estimated to be in excess of \$350,000 a year by 2016. Obviously this is will be another significant blow to the village's finances and will affect all aspects of our operations. We are currently attempting to gauge the total financial impact and plan for operating the village with an even greater reduced income than the problems already brought about by the deregulation of the power plant. The village had no role in the decision making process to close the plant. The entire village will be greatly affected by Duke's decision; that was beyond our control. I will update you as more information becomes available and decisions, difficult as they will be, are finalized.

The Beckjord Power Station has been operating in the village for nearly 60 years. Duke has been a good neighbor to the village and their taxes have helped build our community. While Duke's decision to close the plant is indeed sad, we will continue to work hard to see that the village continues to grow and thrive.

As always if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at mayorcarr@fuse.net.

Thanks!

Ramona Carr, Mayor

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 28th

Motions Passed: Minutes from June 14th; Street light to be installed on Vine Street; Approve Humana for village health insurance.

1st Reading of Ordinance: 2011-11 Amending the Zoning Ordinance - Minimum Landscaping Requirements.

Ordinances Passed: 2011-10 Amending the 2011 Appropriations & declaring an emergency.

1st Reading of Resolution: 2011-15 Necessity for levying tax exceeding ten-mill limitation.

Resolutions Passed: 2011-16 Rescinding ordinance 2011-9 & declaring an emergency; 2011-14 Awarding the contract for the Water Plant High Service Pump project to Doll Layman & declaring an emergency.

Personnel Matters: Appointment of Floyd Henderson to Uniformed Investigator / Patrol Supervisor Rank of Corporal.

July 12th

Motions Passed: Minutes from June 28th; Pay bills.

2nd Reading Ordinance: 2011-11 Amending the Zoning Ordinance – Minimum Landscaping Standards.

Ordinance Passed: 2011-12 Transfer funds & amend appropriations & declaring an emergency.

2nd Reading of Resolutions: 2011-15 Necessity for Levying Tax Exceeding Ten-Mill Limitation; 2011-17

Accepting a State Issue II Grant – Sanitary Sewer Line Rehabilitation Phase 2 & declaring an emergency.

Resolution Passed: 2011-15 Necessity for Levying tax exceeding ten-mill limitation.

REMINDER

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or text zip code
45157 to 888777



**From the Community
Development Office**

Throughout the summer the village has benefited greatly from the volunteers with the "Week of Hope" program. For five weeks, 5 to 6 high school students from all over the country have come to the village to complete numerous community projects. During their time with the village the group completed the following projects:

- Painted 20 fire hydrants, storage building at the fire station, play equipment at Union Park Playground, picnic shelter in Union Square Park, the fence around the Bethel N.R. Rd. Pump Station and gates at Greenmound & Watkins Hill Cemetery
- Weeded and mulched the Bandstand, Rose Vesper Park, Susanna Park and the Veterans Memorial
- Reclaimed an over grown sidewalk along Market Street
- Picked up garbage in the village after the fourth of July weekend
- Completed additional projects at the school campus, the future teen center for the Boys and Girls Club and at the Ross Gowdy House Museum for Historic New Richmond Inc.

On behalf of the entire village we want to thank all of the students for their incredible service to the village. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Community Development Office at 553-4146 or email richmond.gov@fuse.net

**Village Hall
CLOSED
For Labor Day
Monday, Sept. 5th.**

READY FEST

will be held on
August 9th

from 3-6 P.M.

at the Ballfield, located next to the Rivertown Market Plaza on Old U.S. 52.

Ready Fest is open to any child currently enrolled in the New Richmond Exempted Village School District's pre-school - 6th grades.

All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to participate.

The events carnival atmosphere is a fun way for kids to get school supplies and other items needed to help them to have a successful school year. All children attending the event will receive school materials and other goodies while supplies last.

Representatives from area groups and agencies will also be on hand to provide information about local programs, clubs and services. Volunteers are needed for the event. High school students can earn community service hours for volunteering. For more information please contact Jill at the Boys & Girls Club at 553-1948.



VILLAGE WIDE YARD SALE

Fri., Sat. & Sun.

Sept. 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

No Permit Required

**Yard Sale Signs Are To Be Placed
ONLY On Your Own Property!**



Utility Bills

The Village sends out utility bills utilizing bulk mail rates. This method allows us to reduce our cost of doing business. With the recent changes within the United States Postal Service, the village is now required to transport all of our bulk mailings to the Batavia Post Office for distribution. With this new requirement, you may find some delay in receiving your utility bill. We will do our best to get the mail to our new Centralized Acceptance Center in Batavia before the end of the month. Please remember that failure to receive a bill does not relieve the customer of the responsibility to pay. All payments are due on the 15th of the month by 4 p.m. If you have questions about your bill please call 553-2001.

ANTIQUÉ FAIR

Historic N.R. Inc. is hosting an **Antique & Craft Fair on Sun., August 14 @ 8 A.M.** along Susanna Way near the Bandstand. For booth space, details or reservations call 543-9149 or email lsruck@fuse.net.

Materials Available

Check your flood hazard risk. Flood maps and flood protection references are available at the N.R. Public Library and the Community Development Office at Village Hall.

You can get more information, such as depth of flooding over a building's first floor and past flood problems in the area if you visit the Community Development Office.

There are also handouts on selecting an architect, engineer or contractor. Remember, your evacuation route can become flooded before your residence.

ANGEL'S REST

Animal Sanctuary

Angel's Rest wishes to extend a very special thanks to everyone who voted for us to win the brand new Toyota Sienna van to transport the animals. Volunteers are always needed. Please call 543-6570 if you are interested in helping out at the sanctuary.



WE WON!