

# The Ward

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## Safe Summer Greetings To All

I am Gary Ladin, the Sector Lieutenant with the Richmond Police Department. One of the areas that I am responsible for is Historic Jackson Ward.

I have been in this position since July, 2006. Prior to that, I was in charge of our Criminal Intelligence Division which included Homeland Security, SWAT, Bombs, Negotiators, Medics, Planes, Command Centers and several other units.

I was born in the city and now live in the house I grew up in. Thus I share an interest with all of you in making our city an attractive place that is safe to live, work and visit.

We have had many recent successes in Jackson Ward. Based on your requests at last year's Sector Training, we were asked to address the robberies in and around Abner Clay Park. The result of this effort was zero robberies in that area for the period of this plan!

I have dedicated several of my resources on a regular basis to Jackson Ward. We have had the Mounted Unit, Bike Officers, Walking Officers, Light and Speed Trailers deployed into the area.

Based on complaints from residents, we have executed several search warrants which

turned up narcotics, weapons and wanted people. So far this year, violent crime is down 23% and property crimes down 6% for HJW.

We have met with two groups who are interested in maintaining a Neighborhood Watch. I would like to see this grow. We will be glad to assist any of you with forming such a group for your block(s).

We just had our second Sector Training event. Several members of your community attended. We are going to craft our action plan based on your requests to address alcohol-related issues. Issues like drinking in public, littering and panhandling will be included. We will also look at the homeless situation, blighted properties and other social issues of concern.

With your help, we will continue our efforts to keep Jackson Ward a safe place to live, work and visit. It is truly an honor and pleasure to serve your community. As always, please let me know if there is anything that I can assist you with.

Here are some summer safety tips.

### Vacation Safety

Ask a trusted neighbor to collect your mail & newspapers.



**Lieutenant Gary K. Ladin**  
**Fourth Precinct**  
**Sector 413**  
**646-4105**

Put automatic timers on at least two lights and possibly a radio to help your home look and sound lived in.

Call 4th Precinct at 646-4105 to let us know you are away. We will perform periodic checks on your house.

### Vehicle Safety

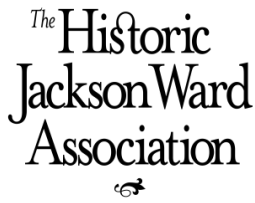
- Lock your car
- Never leave your car running while unattended
- Park in well lit areas
- Use an anti-theft device
- I will give any resident in Jackson Ward a free "Club" for your car
- Never leave items in plain view
- Place valuables in trunk

**Enjoy your summer!**



# Historic Jackson Ward Association (HJWA)

## 2012 Visions of and for Historic Jackson Ward



"...a vibrant, diverse community that has attractive community landscape that distinguishes the borders of the community..... vibrant, safe community where residents can enjoy and walk to live music, a variety of restaurants, cafes, and coffee shops...a vibrant community where professionals from the various organizations and corporations linger after work to play in "the Ward".

*"Historic Jackson Ward is coming back to the luster of the 1920s and 30s. We are now one of the premier residential neighborhoods in the city. Properties that once were assessed for \$20,000 to \$30,000 are now worth more than \$250,000."*

*"..... a more vibrant community of properties that are owner-occupied where there are ample services available where we don't always have to travel outside the neighborhood for access and to have the neighborhood as a tourist destination for visitors to Richmond."*

"..... have the opportunity to

walk about without fear to visit entertainment venues, restaurants, and other cultural events. I also envision some of the amenities such as community social space and exercise facilities for residents' use without having to travel out of the neighborhood. Property values will continue to improve and there will no longer be vacant boarded properties blighting the neighborhood."

"Jackson Ward is not gentrified. In the past, Jackson Ward was home to a variety of immigrants. It became the birthplace of Black Capitalism and was once called the "Harlem of the South". Stroll along Jackson Street today and head up 1<sup>st</sup> to Clay and down 2<sup>nd</sup> street to Leigh and you will see a diversified population. All cultures and ages with a variety of income levels thrive in this neighborhood."

"All abandoned properties either restored or eliminated to create additional green space in the neighborhood. Restoration of the OIC building to current proposed use as affordable senior housing so that those in the neighborhood who can't afford

to keep their homes can still live in the neighborhood..."

The Board members of the Historic Jackson Ward Association participated in a Strategic Planning Retreat facilitated by Doug Pick of Capital One. What started out as an assignment from Doug, "Write a few paragraphs on your vision of Jackson Ward in five years", turned into a session of tears of joy and smiles a plenty listening to each board member recite their visions. Positive and from the heart...

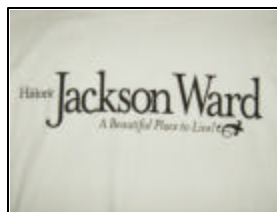
The above quotes were taken from those paragraphs and if you feel so inspired please submit your own 5 year visions of Jackson Ward and we will be sure to print them.

The Fall Newsletter will include notes on the retreat.

Submitted by: Marilyn Milio



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# Historic Jackson Ward... A Beautiful Place to Live

What a day Saturday April 21, 2007 turned out to be for our Jackson Ward Community. Thank you so much for coming out to clean up and beautify our wonderful neighborhood. Through a concerted group effort, our neighborhood once again looks fantastic. We had 26 Jackson Ward residents along with 10 volunteers from Adult Career Development C, Capital One, Philip Morris, Biotech, and RRHA that participated in our Clean-Up / Beautification Day. And, after the official Clean-Up was over, Officer Jim Woo of the Richmond Police Department brought out his two-man crew to take care of Duval Street. As always, a special thanks to Richmond City for the use of a manned truck, garbage bags and litter sticks.

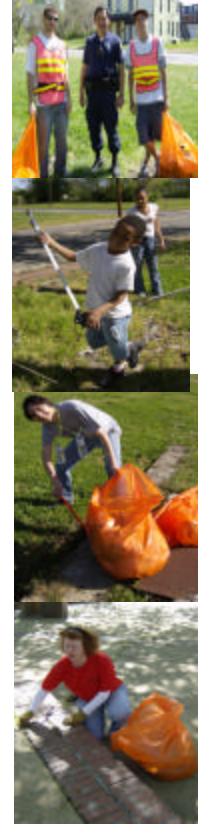
It's important to note what Kyle Wittenborn, who was on the "Alley Crew", noticed --that the alleys were "so much cleaner than they've been in the past". Our last Clean-Up Day was over six months ago, which means that our past efforts have made a difference in the mindset of the community as a whole. People are not dumping as much trash, neighbors are picking up trash on their own, and individuals are showing appreciation for the upkeep of the area on a daily basis. This is very exciting!

While you are strolling our clean city streets, take notice of Abner Clay Park, especially the fenced in area that borders on Clay Street. It's inspirational to see what good planning, a lot of weeding, 20 bags of mulch and

some muscle can do to improve the look of an area.

What was the end result of our clean-up day? For our efforts, 2 appliances, 5 tires, and 78 bags of trash were collected. That's 78 huge orange bags of trash that is no longer littering our streets or blowing around our neighborhood. Add to that camaraderie, fun and creating community spirit - after all that's what makes Jackson Ward "A Beautiful Place to Live".

Submitted by: Vicki Mollenauer



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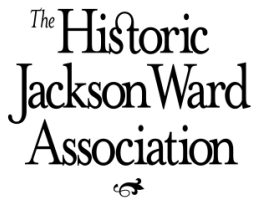
**Rumpelstiltskin's Daughter**  
 Oct 6 - 21, 2007

**A Christmas Story**  
 Nov 30 - Dec 23, 2007

**Sideways Stories from Wayside School**  
 Jan 25 - Feb 10, 2008

**Peter Pan**  
 Apr 25 - May 18, 2008

# Jackson Ward Gateway Sign Project Under Way



This past fall we were fortunate enough to receive a \$40,000 grant from Philip Morris to develop neighborhood gateway signs. There was an attempt to get this project going about six years ago, but the project was more complicated and expensive than expected. The signs will mark the perimeter of the neighborhood and let people passing through know who we are and where they are. The city needs to approve installation followed by details like insurance and landscaping. Now that we have the grant from Philip Morris, it is possible to bring in professional assistance to get the project underway.

Cornerstone Architects has been hired to manage the planning and design of the sign locations within the neighborhood.

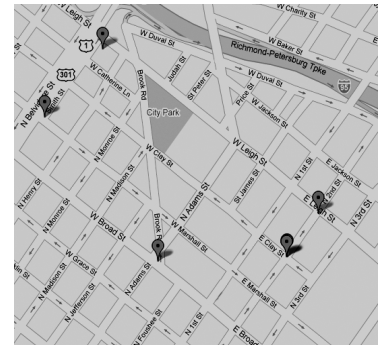
They have been tasked to review the following high profile locations...

1. Adams & Broad
2. Marshall & Belvidere
3. Leigh & Belvidere
4. 3rd & Jackson

Each area will be measured and photographed followed by site plans that will go to the city for approval. Pending approval by the city, Cornerstone will then work to assist with design, fabrication and installation costs within our budget. If all goes well, we could see installation of new signs this fall. There is still a lot of work to be done, so it is still too early to determine how many signs we can get from the \$40,000 and which location will be approved by the city. The design will also need to be sub-

mitted to The Commission of Architectural Review for historical appropriateness. Stay tuned to future newsletters or attend the monthly Jackson Ward meetings for updates.

Submitted by:  
Tripp Longest



## COME ONE COME ALL

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT ABNER CLAY PARK AUGUST 7, 2008 6PM - 8PM ABNER CLAY PARK

The "24<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out" (NNO), a crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), will take place on Tuesday, August 7, 2007. The Jackson Ward community and our City Lights partners are proud to be a part of this national event and will hold its festivities at Abner Clay Park from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The entire community is invited and

encouraged to attend. There will be plenty of food and drinks for all with hot dogs and hamburgers hot off the grill. Be prepared to dance, listen to the DJ, play games and enjoy the company of your neighbors as well as local police. We have great activities planned for children of all ages.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals

letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The Historic Jackson Ward Association is proud to support this annual event, so please come out and join in the fun!

Submitted by:  
Vicki Mollenauer



# SUMMER BRINGS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

101 E. Franklin Street

Include the Richmond Public Main Library in your summer plans, especially the First Friday artwalks where we offer art and a little more!

On Friday, June 1, local poets will compete for prizes in our second annual Poetry Slam in Library Park and art exhibits for Leah Bradley, Jeff Saxman and Chandler Middle School open in the Library's gallery spaces. The following month, artists Vicky Eicher, Jerry Dance and Mandy Lundberg have openings and local best-selling author, Stacy Hawkins Adams discusses and signs her second book, Nothing But the Right Thing on Friday July 6. And, August 3<sup>rd</sup> brings a range of art styles with exhibits by the

Tuckahoe Artists Association, Nancy Tucker and Nancy BOWENS.

Reading is always a great way for all ages to spend summer days. The Library has new arrivals as well as classic books in both print and audio formats. Children and teens up to age 18 can register beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> for the Summer Reading program and get 2 free tickets to the June 24 Richmond Braves game. Activities continue with the Junie B. Jones activity bus, Black Tie Magic and Betsy Q.

For more information, call 646-4514 or visit us online at [www.richmondpubliclibrary.org](http://www.richmondpubliclibrary.org)

Submitted by: Sharon D. Fuller



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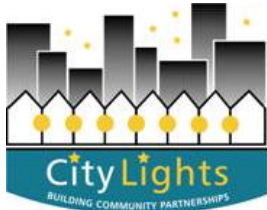
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## Happy One Year Anniversary City Lights!

### Happy Anniversary City Lights!

On April 18, 2006, Capital One launched the City Lights initiative in partnership with The Adult Career Development Center (ACDC), Black History Museum & Cultural Center of Virginia (BHM), Historic Jackson Ward Association (HJWA), Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority (RRHA), and Technology Resource Connections (TRC). Through this partnership, Capital One has committed \$1.5 million over a three-year period to the revitalization of the Jackson Ward community with emphasis on affordable housing, educational opportunities, economic development, neighborhood safety and neighborhood appeal. Through collaboration, the partners have benefited from working together to achieve great results. For example, a representative from ACDC now sits on the HJWA board, TRC has been able to take advantage of work space at ACDC, RRHA gained support from the HJWA in identifying and citing homes in need of repair, and the BHM utilized a student from the ACDC work study program to assist with museum activities. All of the partners played a role in the City Lights booth that was kicked off at the 2006 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Festival. The purpose of the booth was to create awareness of the partnership and share information about the partners with the public. The booth was a great success with introduction of a cyber café and



## TURNSTYLE : VIRGINIA'S DANCE MUSIC SPECIALISTS

Turnstyle is Virginia's only music boutique that is strictly dedicated to the Turntable Lifestyle. The boutique opened its doors in mid 2003 and features newly released vinyl selections for DJ's, CD's and underground apparel for the enthusiasts. Owners and DJ's Jesse Oremland & Joanna Willey (also known as Turnstyle Soundsystem - dj's Jesse Split & Joanna O.) found Jackson Ward to be the perfect home for their boutique in Richmond. Since 2003, the owners have seen a vast rise in the neighborhood population and many of the abandoned and boarded up buildings have given way to new shops, art galleries and residential spaces. The community spirit and diversity in population has helped this innovative business grow.

Upon opening, Jesse & Joanna produced VA's first all Electronic Music Festival held Labor Day

Weekend in Festival Park, aptly titled "Evolve VA". The festival was a major success and saw many local VA DJ's on stage alongside some of the world's most talented National DJ's & Producers. In 2004, Turnstyle celebrated its first store anniversary by shutting down Broad Street during First Friday's Artwalk to celebrate with Live music in the middle of street. At the start of 2007, Turnstyle went worldwide by complimenting the successful downtown location with an online retailing operation:

[www.TurnstyleOnline.com](http://www.TurnstyleOnline.com)

Since 2004, Turnstyle owners have enjoyed their weekly Saturday night DJ residency on WRIR 97.3FM, every Saturday night from 11pm - 1am. The pair also enjoy producing dance music events and have had success in their Richmond productions with "Therapy" held at Mr. Bojan-

various giveaways. More than 1,000 visitors stopped by to check us out! In addition to these examples of shared resources, here is a brief recap of just a few of the accomplishments of the past twelve months:

### Adult Career Development Center -

Through the development of a work study program, 12 students learned valuable skills regarding interviewing techniques, resume writing and financial education. More than 250 Capital One volunteers participated in these activities.

### Black History Museum & Cultural

**Center of Virginia-** After the successful opening of the Barnstormin' exhibit which showcased the Negro Baseball League, the museum experienced a successful run with an exhibition by renowned photographer Chester Higgins. With the support of Capital One, the museum is now able to provide full operating hours Tuesday -Saturday.

### Historic Jackson Ward Association-

By expanding the neighborhood's holiday party to include City Lights partners, we created the opportunity to invite key community members and build awareness of the work being done through the partnership. Neighborhood clean up days have volunteers from the City Lights partner organizations to support the community in these efforts. The association also provided volunteers to serve as "neighborhood

ambassadors" during the 2006 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Festival.

**Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority-** To support our efforts to provide affordable housing, RRHA finalized the purchase of 308 W Leigh Street for stabilization and resale. Additionally, twenty-five other homes in Jackson Ward have been impacted due to citations being issued as initiated by the housing authority.

### Technology Resource Connections-

In the fall of 2006, TRC launched its Microsoft Office training classes and provided discounts to Jackson Ward residents.

In 2007, the City Lights partners will continue on the trajectory started last year. Each organization has robust plans for individual activities such as expanding the work study program at ACDC, a 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the BHM, purchase of additional homes for stabilization through RRHA, small business technology assistance through TRC, and community projects through the HJWA. We are thrilled that we will have a Rebuilding Together event in the fall to revitalize four homes in the community for elderly/disabled residents. **So to all of our partners- Happy Anniversary!**

Submitted by: Andrea Wright  
Lahne Mattas-Curry

gles on Friday nights in 2005, The 12 Inch dance parties (2006 @ The Hyperlink), The Artwalk music events (2003- present), and their LIVE radio show "Frequency" on WRIR 97.3fm. The Turnstyle Duo have been recognized for their efforts by Richmond Magazine, Richmond Times Dispatch, Style, and Bassline for their dedication to making Richmond a more happening music spot in Virginia.

Turnstyle's 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary party will be held on Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> with UK DJ / Producers Kubiks & Lomax. Check [www.EvolveVA.com](http://www.EvolveVA.com) for more info and upcoming Turnstyle events.

Turnstyle is located at 102 West Broad Street (ph) 804.643.8876 The downtown boutique is open Tuesday - Saturday from 11am - 7pm. Shop online 24/7 at [www.turnstyleonline.com](http://www.turnstyleonline.com)

Submitted by: Joanna Willey



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## RICHMOND RIVER DISTRICT HISTORIC CANAL CRUISES

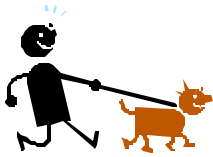
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**Curated Culture's First Fridays** is patterned after Europe's successful "art walks", now a part of city life worldwide. Like Richmond's, similar programs across the United States have helped promote local arts and culture while revitalizing urban neighborhoods. Richmond's Downtown Arts District and its burgeoning Gallery Row on Broad St are located between Historic Jackson (north) and Monroe Ward (south), Richmond's hottest growing area. It lies west of the Downtown Business District and east of Belvidere St and the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) campus.

**First Fridays generally takes place between 6:00-10:00 p.m. on the first Friday of each month.** The public attends various FREE art exhibitions at participating galleries and alternative exhibition spaces within walking distance of the Historic Broad Street District. Maps are available at Curated Culture, the

galleries and businesses and are handed out during the event. Our aim is to create awareness of the arts throughout the community and beyond.

**This 6th Anniversary Season brings added galleries and businesses and this is the first year that First Fridays Artwalk will continue through the summer. First Fridays Artwalk is now a year round event.**

### Sixth Season Participating Galleries and Businesses

- 1708 Gallery
- art6 Gallery
- Black History Museum and Cultural Arts Center
- Chez Foushee
- Curated Cultures Cornerstone Gallery
- Elegbra Folklore Society
- Forinstance Gallery
- Gallery5
- Great Graphics
- Jennifer Young Studio & Gallery
- Lift Coffee Shop
- Metro Sound & Music Co.

- Propaganda Gallery & Studio
- Quirk
- Renovation Resources
- Richmond Public Library
- Studio/Gallery 6
- Tarrant's Cafe
- Theatre IV
- Turnstyle
- TwentySeven Bistro
- Visual Art Studio

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# LOOK What's Happening in our Town



## **River District Canal Cruises** **(Summer Season June 13<sup>th</sup>-** **August 31<sup>st</sup>)**

Canal Turning Basin - Dock and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets, Wednesday-Saturday Noon-7pm, Sunday Noon-5pm, \$5 adults, \$4 seniors & children 5-12, age 4 and under free with adult.

35-minute historically narrated tours of the James River & Kanawha Canal along the River District's Canal Walk. Tour begins every hour on the hour. Private charters also available. For more information call 804-788-6466 or visit

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Note: Spring hours through June 10<sup>th</sup> Friday-Saturday Noon-7pm, Sunday Noon-5pm

## **Thursday Growers' Market** **(May 3<sup>rd</sup>-October 25<sup>th</sup>)**

17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am -2pm

## **Saturday Market (May 5<sup>th</sup>-** **October 27<sup>th</sup>)**

17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am -2pm Farm fresh and homegrown straight from the region's farms to your home. Homemade and handcrafted right here by highly artistic Richmonders. For more information call 646-0310 or visit [www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com](http://www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com).

## **Thursday James Center Summer Music Series**

James Center Plaza, 10<sup>th</sup> and Cary Streets, Free admission, 12-1pm Outdoor concert series during your lunchtime break.

## **Friday Cheers (through June 29<sup>th</sup>)**

Brown's Island, Free admission, 6:30-9:30pm - Music - Free A great Richmond tradition entering its 23<sup>rd</sup> season! Every Friday in May and June on Brown's Island. Line up for June includes:

June 1 Soulive (with Existor),

June 8 Keller Williams

June 15 AAE

June 22 Drive-By Truckers

June 29 The Slip

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## **Fridays at Sunset Kanawha Plaza, 6-10pm Fridays**

Entertainment, good food, a patron friendly atmosphere and an overall enjoyable experience. For more information visit [www.fridaysatsunset.com](http://www.fridaysatsunset.com) \$

June 1 - Musiq Soul Child

June 8 - Boney James

June 15 - Rubin Stoddard

June 22 - Michael franks

June 29 - Jean Luc -Ponty

July 6 - Chuck Brown

July 13 TBA

July 20 - Dave Koz featuring

Phil Perry and David Beniot

July 27 - Natalie Cole

August 3 - TBA

August 10 - Lyfe Jennings

August 17<sup>th</sup> - Erykah Badu

## **Sunday Open Heirloom Market (May 6<sup>th</sup>-October 28<sup>th</sup>)**

17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am -2pm Antiques, collectibles, jewelry and fine arts and crafts. For more information call 804-646-0310 or visit

[www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com](http://www.17thstreetfarmersmarket.com).

## **Sunday Reenactments of Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" Speech (through Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>)**

St. John's Church, Church Hill, Free admission (donations accepted), 1-3pm

Experience the spirited debate among 10 of our Founding Fathers that concluded with Patrick Henry's declaration, "Give me liberty or give me death!" in the very place these immortal words were spoken. Share in the excitement and tension as Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and Edmund Pendleton, among others, prepare to battle England and resolve to form an armed militia. For more information call 804-648-5015 or see [www.historicstjohnschurch.org](http://www.historicstjohnschurch.org).

## **Special Events**

### **Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> Civil War Music Concert**

American Civil War Center Courtyard, Free admission, 12 Noon-2pm

### **Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> Animalia**

17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am -2pm A celebration in honor of pets and their human companions. Bring your pet (leashed or in carriers and with current shots, please!) and join in the fun of this 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Pet Fete! Activities include the "Greyest Muzzle" contest for canines and for those unusual, or super special pets we will host the "Niftiest Pet" contest. Petting Zoo.

### **Saturday-Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> James River Adventure Games**

Brown's Island, Tredegar Iron Works, Robious Landing and





## LOOK What's Happening in our Town (cont'd)

Rocketts Landing, Fees for some events/others are Free, Takes place morning to evening both days. Fire-works Saturday night.

### Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> From Ironfronts to the High Rise

Meet your guide at the corner of Main & 14<sup>th</sup> Streets, \$10 fee, \$9 in advance, \$5 for History Center members, 2-4pm

Examine a variety of commercial and residential properties built during the past 200 years and enjoy the architectural treasures and engineering achievements of these beautiful buildings in Richmond's financial district.

Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> Shockoe Tomato Festival  
17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 11am -4pm  
A fun-filled family event for our Favorite Fruit!

Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> Mercado  
17<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers' Market, Free admission, 8:30am -2pm  
Each Mercado celebrates Latin America with DJs, bands, dancing, authentic food, community outreach groups, English and Spanish lessons and children's activities

### Concert Salute to Virginia

Jun 10 2007 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church  
14 W. Duval Street, Richmond, Virginia 23220

"Salute To Virginia" is a concert featuring the ONE VOICE CHORUS to salute the 400th Anniversary of Virginia and celebrate religious diversity in Richmond. Sponsored by the Consortium for Richmond's Religious History.

\$10 Contact Benjamin Ross (804) 240-3559  
[rossbc@verizon.net](mailto:rossbc@verizon.net) for more information

Check out the Science Museum of Virginia 2500 West Broad Street, The Children's Museum of Virginia 2626 W. Broad Street and the Library of Virginia at 800 E. Broad Street for cool summer family fun.

Looking for a summer Camp in town or classes for children and adults. Check out the City of Richmond Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities - Lots of fun activities around the city, especially at Pine Camp. Some scholarships are available. Call 646-3677 or go to [www.ci.richmond.va.us/departments/parks/pinecamp](http://www.ci.richmond.va.us/departments/parks/pinecamp) for a schedule of events.

**It Starts In Parks Festival** Byrd Park - Fountain Lake Saturday, June 9, 10 am - 3 pm Fun, music, games, food, prizes and

much more!

### Neighborhood Events

- June 1** First Fridays Artwalk
- June 20** HJWA Membership Meeting 533 Club 3<sup>rd</sup> and Jackson
- June 24** Juneteenth
- July 6** First Fridays Artwalk
- July 18** HJWA Membership Meeting 533 Club, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Jackson
- August 3** First Fridays Artwalk
- August 7** National Night Out 6pm-8pm Abner Clay Park
- August 17-18** Down Home Family Reunion  
For information call 644-3900
- August 21** HJWA Membership Meeting 533 Club 3<sup>rd</sup> and Jackson



## Shopping or Dining Out? Parking's Easy in Shockoe Slip!



**Self Parking:** Self Parking deck on 12th St. between Canal and Cary Sts.

**Daytime Rates**

(Monday-Friday 8am-5pm)

First two hours.....FREE  
Regular parking fees apply after first two hours.

*Self Parking tickets must be validated at participating restaurants & shops. Without validation market rates apply (\$3 per hour/\$15 max).*

**Night & Weekend Rate**

All night and weekend days ..... \$1

**Valet Parking:** Pick-up on Cary St. between 12th & 13th Sts.

**Daytime Rates (Mon.-Fri. 11am-5pm)**

First 2 hours with validation from a participating business.....\$4  
No validation.....\$5  
Each additional hour.....\$5  
(*\$30 maximum rate*)

**Evening & Sat. Rates (5pm-Close)**

With validation from a participating business.....\$4  
No validation.....\$5

**Valet Hours:** Mon.-Wed. 11am-11pm;  
Thurs.-Sat. 11am-2am; Closed Sun.

Parking Program Info: Call Lanier Parking System at 804.225.1336

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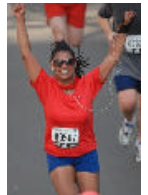
## HATS OFF TO...



**Mrs. Geraldine Mills** for her many years of volunteer service for the Historic Jackson Ward Association. Mrs. Mills cheerfully worked the HJWA office at the Jackson Center.

She answered the phone, returned calls, sorted through the mail and really kept the office covered. Mrs. Mills has decided to "take a break" from office detail to concentrate on her new found love, learning Spanish. The Association at their April monthly meeting honored Geraldine with sweets and gifts and thankfully she will continue to lend her support to our many neighborhood activities. In fact, she did not miss a beat and was seen beautifying Leigh Street with her niece, Laveta Hurte on Clean-Up Day. Thank you Mrs. Mills. Oh okay...Geraldine.

**Cassandra Blakeney** for completing the UKROPS Monument Avenue 10K on Saturday, March 31, 2007. Cassandra, a relative newcomer to Jackson Ward and Virginia has jumped in feet first to help out her neighborhood. Way to go Cassandra!



**Bill McGee**, Assistant Principal at the Adult Career Development Center on Leigh Street and HJWA Board Member. Bill's CD, *Chase the Sunset* is burnin' up the National Music Charts. Smooth Jazz.com critic Scott O'Brien wrote, "exceptional performances...outstanding trumpet and flugelhorn...top-notch supporting players/singers". Songwriter, musician and gentle man, this CD is a must for your collection. Great Jazz!

Have some exciting news that you would like to share with your neighbors? Send the details to [marilynmlilio@yahoo.com](mailto:marilynmlilio@yahoo.com) subject line, Hats Off.



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Contact Marilyn at 643-1680 for more information

## HJWA Board Members

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## Important Phone Numbers

### Building Permits/Inspections

The Bureau of Permits and Inspections issues building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and other construction permits. Contact the office at (804) 646-6955

### Community Assisted Public Safety (CAPS)

Report blighted property. The CAPS form is downloadable at [www.hjwa.org](http://www.hjwa.org) (804) 646-CAPS (2277)

### Domestic Violence

If an emergency situation exists call the police at 911. The police non-emergency number is (804) 646-5100. To contact the [YWCA](#) Women's Advocacy Program, call (804) 643-0888. The [National Domestic Violence](#) Hotline is 1-800-SAFE (7233)

### Drainage

Contact the Department of Public Works for drainage problems on public property (ditches, streets, roadsides) at (804) 646-0999

### Employment/City of Richmond

The Job Information Hot Line is (804)646-5900 and is updated weekly. Applications are available online.

### Fire & Emergency Services

Department of Fire and Emergency Services is located at 550 E. Marshall St., Suite 202, Richmond, Virginia 23219. The department responds to fires, river rescues, hazardous waste spills and other emergencies. (804) 646-6663

### Garbage Collection (City Property)

The Department of Public Works will remove all junk, trash, or debris on City - owned property. (804) 646-0999 to make a removal request.

### Mayor's Office

900 E. Broad St., Room 201, Richmond, VA 23219 (804) 646.7970

### Police Department

Richmond Police Department is located at 200 West Grace Street, Richmond, Virginia 23220. (804) 646-0400 Non-emergency (804) 646-5100

### Pest Control

To help control mosquitoes, rodents, and other pests, contact the Department of Public Health Department, Environmental Control, at (804) 646-3120

### Public Utilities

Customer service representatives are available to answer questions from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at (804) 644-3000

### Real Estate Services

The City's Real Estate Services Office is located in Room 1105, City Hall. The department is responsible for the buying, selling and leasing of all property owned or acquired by the City of Richmond. The Office is also responsible for the sale of tax delinquent property. (804) 646-4350

### Senior Citizens Self-Defense Class

Senior citizens Self-Defense classes offer seniors information about how they can protect themselves. Topics include self-defense techniques, home security, and communicating emergencies to police. Sessions are composed of one three-hour class each week for 13 weeks. Contact the Police Training Academy at (804) 646-6117.

### Voter Registration

Room 105—City Hall - (804) 646-5950  
[VoterRegistration@richmondgov.com](mailto:VoterRegistration@richmondgov.com)