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THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN



Democrat Senator Barack Obama was elected the first African-American president of the United States and his running mate Senator Joe Biden Vice President Tuesday November 4, 2008. This historic election witnessed an increase in the national voting numbers by 2 million voters from the 2004 Presidential Election. "If anyone out there still doubts whether America is a place where all things are possible ... who still questions our democracy, tonight is your answer," Obama said speaking before a vast crowd at Grant Park in Chicago on election night.

President -elect Barack Obama will be sworn in as the 44th President of the United States on January 20, 2009 in Washington D.C.. If you would like to attend this historic event check out the website for travel and ticket information.
<http://inauguration.dc.gov/index.asp>

The United States Congress is made up of two houses, The Senate and the House of Representatives. There are no term limits for members of Congress, which means that an elected member of Congress may keep his/her seat as long as

In State elections, former Virginia Governor Mark R. Warner was elected to the United States Senate for a 6-year term and Congressman Bobby Scott was elected to the House of Representatives for a two-year term.

Locally, Delegate Dwight Jones won the Richmond Mayoral Race and Jackson Ward's own Kim Gray now represents the 2nd District on the Richmond City School Board.

The 2nd district also has a new Council Member, Charles Samuels was elected to Richmond City Council.

Did you volunteer during this campaign season and found excitement during your civic engagement? Keep the momentum going and volunteer within your community. Check out www.handsongreaterrichmond.org, www.vounteermatch.org, and/or www.connectrichmond.org. These sites could help you find a local non-profit that needs your commitment, enthusiasm and expertise. Read to a child, mentor a youth, build a greener environment, care for the elderly, feed the hungry, work for your neighborhood association ...



BUILDING BUSINESSES, BUILDING A COMMUNITY

By Sharron Jackson Smith

According to historian Odell R. Byrd, Jr, "Richmond is the birthplace of this great nation." He also asserts "since 1732 there has not been a city on this continent with the extensive black history as Richmond." Within this powerful history lies the story of Jackson Ward.

Jackson Ward was known by various nicknames at the outset of the twentieth century, like the "Black Belt" of Richmond, "Black Wall Street of America," and 2nd Street was heralded as "Harlem of the South" and in its "heyday" was nothing less than phenomenal. Jackson Ward was a thriving business district and a thriving community.

In 1890, 79 % of Richmond's blacks lived in Jackson Ward and by 1900 those numbers grew to 95%. Though Jackson Ward was originally created as a political entity in 1871, it became the center of virtually every aspect of African American life in Richmond. Amid increasing segregation in the city, blacks established their own businesses, churches, societies, and places of recreation where they could go without fear of being treated unfairly or intimidated. Richmond blacks turned an effort to segregate them into a solid and formidable community and business district.

According to the September 22, 1900 edition of the *Colored American*, a Washington, D.C. weekly, the number of Negroes in business was 20,020. More than 700 of these businesses had



Emancipation Day Parade 1905 in Downtown Jackson Ward, now the site of Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site. (NPS)

been established for more than thirty years, which meant that areas with communities of free blacks had began paving the way for future black businesses. Black businessmen and women were making their mark in Jackson Ward and Broad Street by the beginning of the twentieth century.

The Richmond City directory had a substantial listing of black owned businesses that lined its pages in the early 1900's. There were dress-makers like Lottie Williams at 10 W. Leigh St. and Ella Jackson on N.1st St. Black grocers were plentiful. William Booker sold groceries at 25 W. Jackson St, along with James Brown at 436 W. Duval, and Nathaniel Timberlake had his grocery business at 616 Brook Ave to name a few. Branch Jackson was a junk dealer located at 1316 E. Leigh and Lottie E. Johnston had a millinery shop at 124 W. Broad. Shoemakers like Daniel Lewis, Jr. operated his business from 507 St. James St and confections and fruits were sold by proprietors like Ada Norrell at 610 N. 2nd St and Martha Johnson at 616 Brook Ave.

The 1920's gave birth to even more Jackson Ward businesses like Carter's Meat Market at 600 Brook Rd and Howard's French Dry Cleaning in the 100 block of W. Broad took care of your fine garments. New clothes could be purchased from James Carmichael at 528 N. 1st and one could get second hand items from Helena Harris at 725 Brook Rd.

Jackson Ward businesses also included restaurants, auto repair, pharmacies, hotels, theaters, billiards, photographers, florists, contractors, barbers, beauty shops, physicians, dentists, jewelers and many funeral homes.

During the depression era there was a decline in business growth, but by the end of the 1930's and into the 1940's , Jackson Ward businesses seemed to hold steady.

Jackson Ward businesses offered a lot to the community. They were some of the finest businesses that the city had to offer, they provided goods and services to blacks who were discriminated against at white businesses, and they were avenues to show that blacks could support and maintain themselves. Jackson Ward residents were proud of their community and one can be sure that they enjoyed having so many options within walking distance from where they lived.

Sources: Byrd, Odell r. Jr., Richmond's Historic Jackson Ward: A Study in Black Geneology and Black Sociology. 2003: Tambuzi Publications. The Library of Congress with essays by David Levering Lewis and Deborah Willis, A Nation of People: W.E. B. Du Bois and African American Portraits of Progress, 2003, Amistad:New York. Ward, Harry M., Richmond: An Illustrated History. 1985: Windsor Publications. The Richmond City Directory, 1900-1940.

Sharron Jackson Smith is a historian whose area of expertise is 20th century African American women's history. She is an instructor at the University of Richmond's School of Continuing Studies, where she teaches a class on the history of Jackson Ward and she volunteers at the Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site. She is a native of Richmond, VA.
First of four articles by Ms. Smith on Jackson Ward.



Businesses on 2nd Street in Historic

Is there a member of the Jackson Ward Community that would like to volunteer to co-edit this newsletter? For more information about this wonderful, most magnificent opportunity, please call Marilyn at 804-643-1680.

*For the 23rd year,
 the Grand Illumination
 will kick off
 downtown's holiday season on
 Friday, December 5th.
 Thousands of people are expected to
 come and enjoy the festivities.*

*It will also be the beginning of the 5th
 Richmond Love Lights
 Program. This award winning program
 will once again keep our skyline aglow
 from
 December 5, 2008 - February 14, 2009.
 This is a great way to show off
 our city's beauty and pride.*



My name is Officer Claude Picard and I am your new Fourth Precinct Environmental Officer.

I am responsible for addressing issues which include tall grass, abandoned vehicles, debris, and other blight related issues on public and private property. I work closely with CAPS and other city agencies to help resolve issues. I am a firm believer that where there is blight, there is crime. Remove the blight and you will remove the crime.

Some of the issues I am currently working on in the Jackson Ward area include overgrowth of trees which are reducing street lighting illumination, removing abandoned vehicles, cleaning-up graffiti, and debris in back yards. I have already closed out several complaints which include debris in alleys, tall grass, ABC violations, and loud party houses.

If you need to contact me about an issue I can be reached at Fourth Precinct, 646-4105 or by sending me an e-mail at claude.picard@richmondgov.com.

HATS OFF TO...



City Council President and faithful 2nd District Councilman Bill Pantele.

Bill began his career as our City Council representative when he was appointed to Council in September 2001 filling the vacancy left by the Hon. Timothy M. Kaine. He continued his service by winning the 2nd District Council elections in November 2002, 2004, and 2006. He will continue to serve until December 31, 2008. Even though Bill will not serve as the next Richmond City Mayor, we know that he will continue his diligent community work on helping to improve public safety and transportation, economic development and of course keep his watchful eye on land use and planning. Bill was ever present at our association meetings, updating the membership on city activities and especially as they related to Jackson Ward. We thank Bill for his many years of dedicated service and support of our Jackson Ward Community and the City of Richmond and wish you well in all your future endeavors.

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Dr. Maureen Elgersman Lee, the new Executive Director for the Black History Museum and Cultural Center.

Originally from Ontario, Canada, Maureen received her bachelor's degree in French from Redeemer University College (Ontario), and her master's and doctoral degrees in African American Studies from Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta. She has taught history for more than 15 years and spent 10 years as the Faculty Scholar of the African American Collection of Maine at the University of Southern Maine in Portland. She is a published author and gifted lecturer.

Maureen is married, with two beautiful daughters. Dr. Elgersman Lee has established some goals for herself and the museum and looks forward to raising the museum's profile through marketing campaigns, programming and collaboration with other local organizations. Welcome to Richmond Dr. Maureen Elgersman Lee.



Janet Armstead on her ordination as a Deacon at Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church in Jackson Ward.

Janet, who is a lifetime Jackson Ward resident and an active member of the Historic Jackson Ward Association was ordained on Sunday, October 5, 2008. Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Armstead, Sr. She attended Richmond Public Schools, graduating from Armstrong High School. Janet has been a volunteer for the American Red Cross for 20 years, a Friend for Life blood donor, and is the founder of the "7 Eyes Neighborhood Watch". She is also the owner of a Jackson Ward business, the

State Licensed Home Daycare "Tenaj Home Daycare" At Sixth Mount Zion, Janet is the coordinator of the Early Childhood Ministry (Nursery), a member of the Praise Team, and a leader of the Tribe of Gad. Congratulations to our neighbor Janet Armstead.

The Ward Newsletter is looking for volunteers to write articles about the neighborhood, city events, restaurant reviews, etc. Please contact Marilyn Milio if you would like to be a contributing writer. The next Deadline is February 1, 2009 for the spring issue. Please contact Marilyn at mamilio@comcast.net with your ideas prior to January 15th.

The Ward

Jackson Ward... A Beautiful Place to Live

Submitted by: Vicki Mollenauer



Fall HJWA Clean-Up Day was held on Saturday, October 11,

2008, and despite some changes this time due to monetary cutbacks in the Department of Public Works, all went off without a hitch. Darlene Mallory, our incredibly conscientious contact with the Clean City Commission, asked that we make some changes in order to reduce the time that the city trucks would have to be at our event. Instead of leaving the large trash bags on many city block corners, we designated five drop-off locations around Jackson Ward where volunteers would deposit their full bags of trash for pickup at 10:30 am. We saved money and time for the city and reduced the amount of gas emissions. Just another way we helped the environment on Clean-Up Day!. Steve Hennessee assisted this drop-off plan by creating a map of the alleys, and he and Bob Wheatley did a dry run of the alleys to work out any kinks and to see what trash needed to be marked on the map. On the morning of the Clean-UP, Bob and Steve walked the alleys again and had item descriptions as well as exact locations mapped out so that the trucks could quickly whisk away those items.

There were 33 volunteers who came out early on Saturday morning to clean up our neighborhood. We began the morning with Bob's homemade biscuits, Steve's hot, eye-opening coffee, and the new addition of a fruit tray that seemed to go over

well with everyone. Water, as usual, was supplied to all throughout the event. Steve Bugnacki surprised us all with enough gloves for anyone who needed them, and Liza Steele wheelbarrowed over with picker-uppers. Our very own Clean-Up Day t-shirts were handed out as well to anyone new to the event.

There were quite a few newcomers to Clean-Up Day due to the banners that first hung at our HJWA table at the 2nd Street Festival and then were hung on the gazebo at Abner Clay Park and on the ACDC fence facing Leigh Street. Not only did the banners recruit new people to Clean-Up Day, but they definitely led many more people to our website. The Monday after 2nd Street Festival, we had more new visitors to our website than we've ever had before, and the numbers have continued to remain higher ever since.



Before anyone left Abner Clay Park to get started, we were treated to a visit from our new 4th Precinct

Environmental Officer, Claude Piccard who filled us in on his duties and desires for our neighborhood before joining with a group of folks on Catherine Street to tackle some problems they have been having with trash in their alley. He actually encouraged other neighbors on Catherine Street and on the other side of the alley to join in. Speaking of the 4th Precinct, we also had more help from our fantastic police officers in that Lt. Drew contacted Officer Woo a couple of weeks before our official Clean-Up Day, and he took

his crew out to clean up all of Duval Street; a huge help to us all!



Thank you to each and every one of you who came out to clean up our beautiful neighborhood. Darlene Mallory, her truck drivers, and the city

inspector who came out to see how our new system was working were so impressed by all of the people they saw working so diligently. It really is amazing to those who happen to see us all out there in our easy-to-see red t-shirts, stuffing trash into bags and lugging them to drop-off points, smiling and laughing with our friends and neighbors along the way. I just don't know of too many other neighborhoods where people look forward to collecting trash, looking at it as a way to bond with neighbors and to jointly improve our surroundings rather than as a nasty task better left to others to take care of.



Jackson Ward is definitely "a beautiful place to live", and it's because of people like you who come out and support our neighborhood. If you haven't been to an HJWA Clean-Up Day yet, don't miss out next time. Our spring Clean-Up Day will be held sometime in late March or early April, and we hope to see you then!





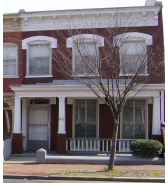
SHOP LOCALLY FOR THE HOLIDAYS

**SAVE GAS...SAVE TIME...
AVOID CROWDED MALLS
SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESS...
INCREASE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR
JACKSON WARD AND DOWNTOWN
BUSINESS...MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS**

**This Holiday Season, The Historic Jackson Ward Association along
with the retailers listed on the insert
are sponsoring a
Shop Locally Contest from
December 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008.**

- 1. Save your receipts from Local Jackson Ward and Broad Street Businesses from
12/1/2008 - 12/31/2008**
- 2. Send or bring your receipts to Marilyn Milio, 616 N 1st Street**
- 3. All those submitting receipts will be eligible to enter the prize drawing. Prizes
include:**
 - ◆ Gift Basket from Quirk Gallery \$50 value**
 - ◆ Dinner for two at Marshall Street Café \$50 value**
 - ◆ Spa Gift Basket from Renovation Resources \$50 value**
 - ◆ Suzani Tapestry Pillows from V for the Home**
 - ◆ Hair Cut from Mario at Salon 5:01 \$70 value**

And more.



Tree Steward Program

Submitted by: Marilyn Milio

The membership of the Historic Jackson Ward Association recently voted to plant 30 –36 trees in our community through the Adopt-a-Tree Program. City Lights money is being used for this beautification project along with matching funds from a city beautification fund; 2nd District Councilman Bill Pantele will be releasing these funds for the program.

Special thanks to Lynne Lancaster, Kim Lacey Johnson, Amber Foster, Bob Wheatley and John Fechino for volunteering to participate in the Adopt-a-Tree Program.

Amber, Kim, Lynne and myself are participating in the Tree Steward Program, where we are learning the identification, care, watering and proper pruning techniques for our trees. The classes are 2 hours in length and meet once a week for 10 weeks. They are proving to be very helpful and interesting.

Please look for an update in the next newsletter . If you would like more information please email me at mamilio@comcast.net.

PLEASE CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING NEWLY ELECTED HJWA BOARD MEMBERS:

Lynne Lancaster
Rev. Tyrone Nelson
Vicki Mollenauer
Sharon Richardson

The above board members will serve a three year term. New HJWA Board Officers will be elected at the January HJWA Board Meeting.



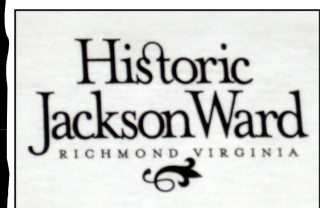
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Lt. Lisa Drew
Sector 413

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This last quarter property crimes have been up, so we have increased patrols of the area on all shifts. The Bike Team (main focus is 2nd and Broad) will also be fanning out to deter crimes during the day. Thefts from cars continue to be a problem. Please don't leave anything in plain view, please call us if you see anything suspicious and please be careful!

The holidays are fast approaching and we get so caught up in the activities that we may not be as alert as we need to be. Cash in your hand, packages in the passenger compartment of your car or presents under the Christmas tree (visible from outside) will increase your chances of becoming a victim.

Please pay special attention to the crime tips below and stay alert so that we can all enjoy this wonderful season!!

Holiday Safety Prevention Tips While Shopping:

- Stay alert to your surroundings and the people around you.
- Shop with a friend, there is safety in numbers.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash and pay for purchases with a check, credit or debit card.
- If possible, carry only your driver's license, personal checks, or necessary credit or debit cards.
- If you must carry a purse, do not wrap the straps around your arms or shoulders. Carry a clutch purse tightly under your arm or wear a fanny pack.
- Do not carry a wallet in a back pocket. It should be placed in a front pocket of your pants for safety.
- Be alert that crooks look for the "high dollar" shopping bags with your purchases. When possible, slip bags/purchases in a plain nondescript bag.
- Watch purchases while eating in mall food courts; bags can easily be switched or taken.
- Educate your children about what to do if they are lost as well as "Stranger Danger".
- Don't overburden yourself with too many packages. Use store's package pick-up.
- Have your car keys ready in hand before leaving the store.
- If you do return to your vehicle to unload purchases, place them in the trunk of the vehicle.
- Try not to shop until the store closes. Remember, fewer people are present at this time.

Holiday Safety Prevention Tips In Parking Lots:

- Shop early and leave early to avoid evening darkness.
- Park in a high visibility area and check for lighting in case you leave during hours of darkness.
- Prior to arriving at the shopping center, lock all your valuables in the trunk of your vehicle.
- Leave the store with others, not alone.
- Ask security to escort you to your vehicle if you feel uncomfortable.
- Walk briskly, confidently, and directly through the parking lot. Be cautious of people handing out fliers or asking questions in the parking area.
- Watch for people who may be following you. This can occur inside as well as outside. If you suspect someone following you, report it to security immediately.

Holiday Safety Prevention Tips At Home:

- Keep the outside of your home well lit with doors locked and window curtains closed.
- Don't display gifts beneath the Christmas tree that can be seen from windows or doors.
- After the holidays, don't advertise gifts received by the boxes left for the garbage collection. Destroy boxes and place in a sealed, dark colored garbage bag.

Being a smart party host or guest should include being sensible about alcoholic drinks.

More than half of all traffic fatalities are alcohol-related. Use designated drivers, people who do not drink, to drive other guests home after a holiday party.





Welcome to Chief Bryan T. Norwood who was sworn in as Richmond's 16th Police Chief November 3, 2008.

Chief Norwood has worked for more than 19 years in the police departments of New Haven and Bridgeport, Conn., in such capacities as community patrol, narcotics, homicide, robbery, and burglary. He also has worked as a liaison to the FBI and Connecticut Homeland Security. He served as a special agent for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in New York during an undercover investigation of international drug trafficking.

Chief Norwood became Assistant Chief of Police in New Haven Connecticut in 2002, overseeing the New Haven Police Department's participation in the U.S. Project Safe Neighborhoods and the Tactical and Administrative Strategies through Crime Analysis. He became Chief of Police in Bridgeport, Connecticut on April 23, 2006. In Bridgeport, Chief Norwood focused on strong community policing, which included community meetings, walking tours of neighborhoods with top staff members, and the utilization of bicycles and Segways as alternative patrols. Violent crime dropped 35 percent and homicides were down 50 percent during his two-year tenure. He also established the Neighborhood Enforcement Teams.

Chief Norwood graduated from Hampton University with a Bachelor's in Psychology and is a graduate of the Senior Management Institute for Police at Harvard University.

The above information was compiled from the Richmond City website.

**3rd Annual
Community Harvest
Festival**
Submitted by Vicki Mollenauer

The 3rd Annual Community Harvest Festival was held on Friday, October 31st from 6 - 8 PM at the Siegel Center at VCU. Delegate Jennifer McClellan invited all of the neighborhood children and their families to join her for a fun and safe place to Trick Or Treat on Halloween night. Jackson Ward volunteers were on hand to help with the festivities. There was face painting, crafts, Story Time by the Richmond Library and the READ Center, henna tatoos by Zarina & friends, Rosie the clown, games, a moon bounce, the Richmond Kickers, the Richmond Fire department, VCU Police, and free refreshments including pizza, soda, ice cream and candy for all. The event was a huge success!



**The Black History Museum and
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Saturday, December 6th
Noon - 4 PM

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HJWA General Membership

Meetings – Open to all
533 Club Corner of 3rd and Jackson
6 pm - Always the 3rd Tuesday of the
Month

January 20, 2009

February 17, 2009

March 17, 2009

First Fridays Artwalk

Monthly Event Broad Street,
Jackson Ward, Monroe Ward
Dec.5, Jan 9, Feb. 6, March 6.
www.firstfridaysrichmond.com

HJWA HOLIDAY PARTY

TUESDAY,

DECEMBER 10TH

CLUB 533 (CORNER OF 3RD & JACKSON)

GARDENFEST OF LIGHTS

GRAND ILLUMINATION: Friday, Nov
28 at 5:30 p.m. •GardenFest for Fidos:
Thursday, Jan 8

Friday, Nov 28, 2008 – Monday, Jan 12,
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in botanical themes throughout Lewis
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James Center's Grand Illumi- nation

Friday, December 5, 2008,
6 – 7pm 10th & E. Cary Streets
Free.

Come down to see Santa Claus and
Snow Queen!

The night begins at 6pm with a live
countdown to turn on the outline light-
ing for the downtown office buildings.
The VMI Marching Band will perform
holiday favorites leading up to the
lighting of the holiday reindeer at
6:25pm. This year's theme is A Soulful
Christmas and both Bak N Da Day
and NYCE will perform around the
James Center's reindeer lights from
6:30pm-7pm.

The Sugar Plum Fairy from the Rich-
mond Ballet will make a magical ap-
pearance too! Come down to see
Tuba Christmas, Harpist Rickie
Denton, Shore Leave, the Virginia
Piedmont Model Railroad Club and
much more. Radio Disney will enter-
tain children with some delightful ac-
tivities. For more information call 804-
344-3232.

DISUNION!: THE COMING OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR, 1789–

1859 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10,
2008, 12 – 1PM **Library of Virginia** 800
E. Broad St., Richmond, VA 23219
Free Elizabeth R. Varon, professor of
history at Temple University, will discuss
and sign her new book, *Disunion!: The
Coming of the American Civil War,*
1789–1859. In this bracing reinterpretation
of the origins of the Civil War, Varon
examines the ongoing debates over
disunion, debates that began long be-
fore the secession crisis.

James River Parade of Lights

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2008, 4:30 –
7:30PM –Various points along the
James River, Libby Hill Park - 28th and
E. Franklin Streets, Entertainment at
4:30pm, parade viewing at 6pm;
Intermediate Terminal Dock, at Dock
and Water Streets, parade viewing at
6pm This year's parade features festi-
vely decorated boats that cruise the
parade course from Richmond to Ches-
terfield and Henrico counties. Specta-
tors from throughout the region gather at
several official viewing locations, while
others gather along other riverfront
properties with family and friends to
view the floating parade.

Sponsored by the James River Advi-
sory Council. For more information call
804-717-6681.

**22nd Annual Court End
Christmas SUNDAY, DECEMBER**
14, 2008, 12 – 5PM

[Valentine Richmond History Center](#)
[1015 East Clay Street](#)

John Marshall House, the Virginia

State Capitol, the Museum and
White House of the Confederacy,
Monumental Church, the Egyptian
Building, the Beers House, Hunton
Student Center, and St. John's
Church Free.

A Richmond tradition celebrates the
season in 19th century style with
reenactments, children's activities,
refreshments, carriage rides, music,
special guest appearances, and
free admission and tours of 9 his-
toric downtown sites. This year, the
event welcomes Klezm'Or'Ami'm,
klezmer musicians from Congrega-
tion Or Ami, who will play live at the
Valentine Richmond History Center
at 1pm.

Free shuttle service provided from
12:30pm-4:45pm (shuttle stops at
each site every 15-20 minutes). For
more information call 804-649-0711
ext. 322.

FREE Parking: History Center park-
ing lot, 10th Street between Clay
and Marshall or at the MCV Visitors'
Parking Deck at 1220 E. Clay
Street.

(Clay Street will be closed between
10th and 11th Streets.)

Check out the following web- sites for more events :

www.venturerichmond.com

www.weeklyrant.com

www.inrich.com

www.discoverrichmond.com

Children's Museum of Richmond

www.c-mor.org

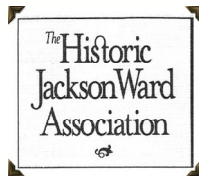
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www.theatreiv.org

The Historic
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Happy
Holidays



MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS REWARDS

**Top Ten Reasons
to become a member of the
Historic Jackson Ward Association
Membership Year. . .
January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009**

1. Be part of the proactive approach to community building
2. Voting privileges . . . only members may vote
3. Have a say in how grant money can be allocated
4. Feel the personal satisfaction of volunteering in your community
5. Receive city and neighborhood news promptly
6. Experience new friendships and make valuable business connections
7. Help maintain the historic integrity of Jackson Ward
8. Great parties and friendly gatherings
9. Easy membership form to fill out
10. Affordable dues

Go online to www.hjwa.org to download a membership application or complete the application in this newsletter and send it to:

Historic Jackson Ward Association
Marilyn Milio
616 N. 1st Street
Richmond, VA 23219.

- ~Individual memberships \$10.00
- ~Business Memberships \$20.00

**Bring your membership form and dues to
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***The Annual HJWA
Holiday Extravaganza***

***December 10th
Club 533 (corner of 3rd and Jackson)
6PM-9PM***

***Music by Gridloc
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Contact Marilyn at 643-1680 for more information

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Have some exciting news that you would like to share with your neighbors?
Interested in submitting an article for publication consideration? Send the details to mamilio@comcast.net subject line, The Ward.

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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 (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](http://www.ywca.org) Women's Advocacy Program, call (804) 643-0888. The [National Domestic Violence](http://www.nationaldomesticviolence.org) 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

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