

Richland Schools

Office of the Superintendent

Memorandum

Date: 10/20/23
To: School Board
From: Shelley Redinger
Subject: Friday Packet

Enclosed please find the following documents:

- Board Dates to Remember
- Community Events/Activities
- Media



TO: Board of Directors
RE: Event Dates
DATE: 10/20/23

October:

- **10/31...Board Meeting-Board Room-6:30**
 - **5:30-6:30-Ex Session-(only if needed)**

November:

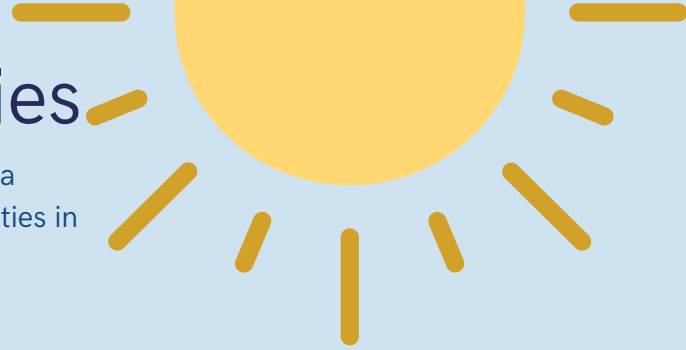
- **11/14...Board Meeting-Board Room-6:30**
 - **5:30-6:30-Ex Session-(only if needed)**
- **11/28...Board Meeting-Board Room-6:30**
 - **5:30-6:30-Ex Session-(only if needed)**

December:

- **12/12...Board Meeting-Board Room-6:30**
 - **5:30-6:30-Ex Session-(only if needed)**

Upcoming Events/Activities

This list is suggestions of RSD and community events to attend as a Board Member. By no means is it a comprehensive list of all activities in the District. Future events will be added weekly.



October

**Tuesday
24**

RHS Fall Choir Concert
7:00 - 8:30 PM
RHS Auditorium

**Thursday
26**

Fall Red Cross Blood Drive
8:00 AM - 2:30 PM
Hanford High School
(Small Eyrie Gym)

**Thursday
26**

RHS Orchestra Concert
7:00 - 8:30 PM
RHS Auditorium

November

**Thursday
2**

**RSD Facilities
Community Update**
12:00 PM
Zoom

**Thursday
2**

**Careers & Financial Literacy
Mock Interviews**
All Day
Hanford High School

**Friday
3**

Much Ado About Nothing
7:30 PM
HHS Black Box Theatre
www.hanforddrama.org

**Saturday
4**

Twelfth Night
7:30 PM
HHS Black Box Theatre
www.hanforddrama.org

**Thursday
9**

Twelfth Night
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HHS Black Box Theatre
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**Friday
10**

Much Ado About Nothing
7:30 PM
HHS Black Box Theatre
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**Saturday
11**

Much Ado About Nothing
2:00 PM
HHS Black Box Theatre
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7:30 PM
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**Thursday
16**

**Homelink Secondary
Music Concert**
5:30 - 7 PM
Chief Jo Auditorium

**Friday
17**

**Homelink Secondary
Marimba Concert**
6 - 7:30 PM
Chief Jo Auditorium

**Hanford + Richland High
Athletic Events Calendars**
www.hanfordathletics.com/events
www.bomberathletics.com/events

College Place Public Schools sees return of its School Resource Officer

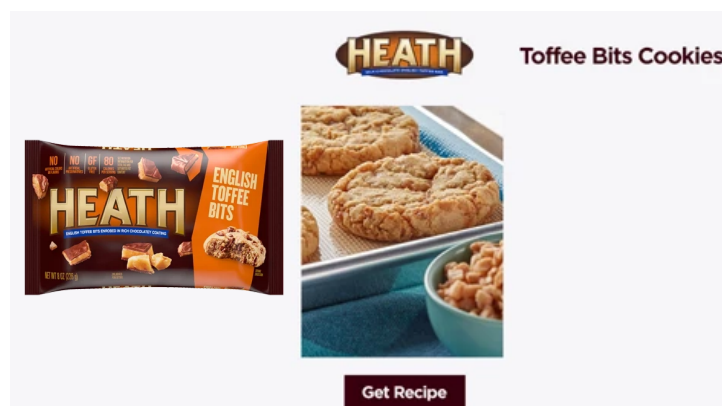
By Rylee Fitzgerald
Oct 17, 2023

COLLEGE PLACE, Wash. — Last year, College Place Public Schools (CPPS) were down a key piece to its safety program. That would be its School Resource Officer (SRO). The SRO maintains safety and security through prevention, patrol and intervention.

After a year on hiatus, the CPPS once again have law enforcement presence on campus.

The College Place Police Department (CPPD) was low on officers, and couldn't afford the resources for a full time position at the schools.

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“We were really short-handed at our police department, so it's really hard because the SRO, it really is a job that really needs to be devoted here to the school,” explained Officer Andrew Schild, with the College Place Police Department.

The SRO is stationed at the school Monday through Friday during school hours. While they head back on patrol for summer and typical school days off and vacations, it's a full time role at the schools. When it wasn't possible last school year, Officer Schild still tried to get to the schools in some sort of capacity.

"I was interviewed to be the SRO, got the job, and then we just kind of had some staffing issues, so it got pulled for last year, but I did my best to, since Officer Langlois, he kind of introduced me to a lot of the kids and I wanted to keep those relationships going, that way not a whole year went by, so I would come into the school, visit during lunches, visit during the day a little bit, as much as I could while I was on patrol," said Officer Schild.

The SRO benefits safety for all students, staff and faculty, but it also expands upon just that.

"Also for kids and staff, if they have questions. It might not even be school-related. It could be something about you know, something about a law or something that they have questions about or something they're concerned about, and they're able to have me, you know, on hand and not having to call somebody or have to go through a whole process," said Officer Schild.

Whatever a student may need, whether that be advice or just a fist bump, that's what Officer Schild said he's there for.

"Honestly, just to have us here. It helps for future generations and future kids when they grow up to be adults to have better relationships with officers, you know, to be out there because they're not worried about having to talk to us or come to us with questions," Officer Schild said.

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According to CPPS Superintendent Jim Fry, he values the relationship between the school district and the police department.

"That's where the small town feel, here, matters. Our police department and us interact in ways—I was in Spokane. It was hard! Because it was big, right? If we need them, they're here, like that," said Jim Fry.

Officer Schild provides regular police presence at College Place Public Schools' Davis Elementary School, Sager Middle School and College Place High School. He officially began his role as the district's SRO at the end of September.

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Five-hour standoff ends in arrest of Walla Walla man accused of violating no-contact order
Morgan Huff - Apple Valley News Now



Yakima program trains new truck drivers to help fill shortage
By Emily Goodell



Richland Fire and Emergency Services recognizes Kadlec as heart-safe campus
Anna Trejo - Apple Valley News Now

Rains Drying Up...Warmer Temperatures This Week
Stacy Lee, Weather Anchor

'Richland' documentary about Tri-Cities nuclear legacy set to play at local cinemas



KOMOSMOL FILMS

The feature length documentary "Richland" explores the Eastern Washington community as a nuclear town and the pride and regrets residents have in producing plutonium during wartime.

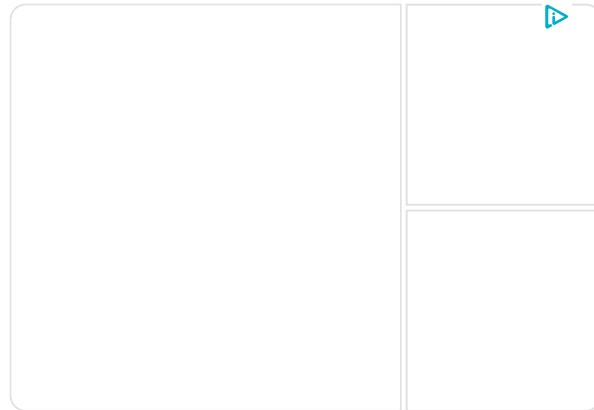
BY ANNETTE CARY
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Richland, WA

Tri-Cities residents have a second chance to see the feature-length documentary “Richland,” this time in comfortable theater seating, on a bigger screen and with the theatrical sound mix.

After showing at the Tri-Cities International Film Festival in Richland and at the Wanapum Heritage Center this past weekend, it has been booked at the Fairchild Cinema at Queensgate in Richland.

It will be shown with start times from afternoon through early evening from Friday, Oct. 20, through at least Wednesday Oct. 25, according to the current Fairchild schedule at bit.ly/RichlandatFairchild.



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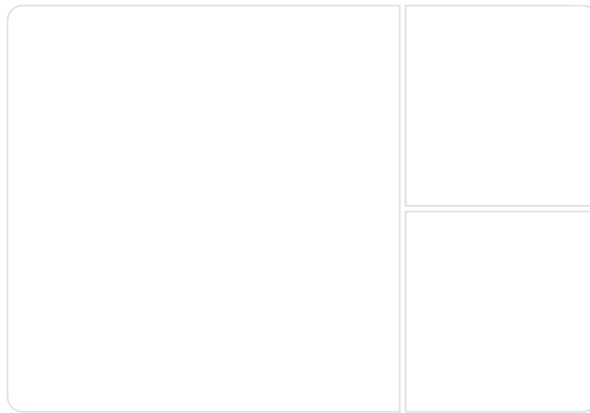
Filmmaker Irene Lusztig spent years visiting Richland, Wash., to produce the [feature-length documentary “Richland,”](#) a film promoted as examining “the habits of thought that normalize the extraordinary violence of the past.”

It [premiered at the Tribeca Festival](#) in New York City in June and began being shown in Washington state this month.

Lusztig first visited Richland in 2015 when she was working on the documentary, “Yours in Sisterhood,” based on letters to Ms. magazine, and was startled by the large mushroom cloud rising above a capital letter R on the wall of Richland High School.

“In the months and years that followed, I couldn’t stop thinking about Richland,” she said.

What she found when she returned was a town where many residents are proud of its [nuclear company town heritage](#) and the atomic bomb it helped create.



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The small farming community of Richland was turned into a government town in the 1940s as land was seized for a secret World War II project. Workers at the Hanford nuclear reservation site raced to produce plutonium to create atomic bombs ahead of the Nazis during World War II.

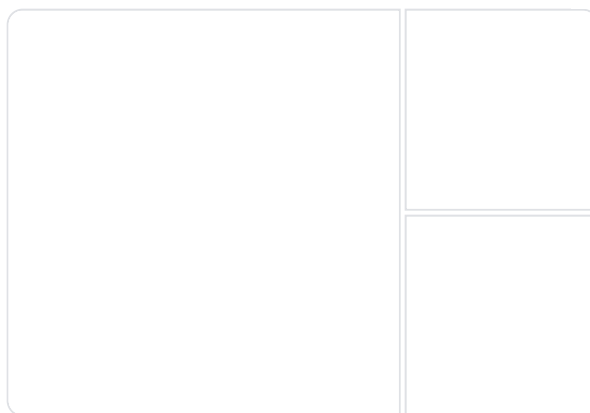
The plutonium that was produced at what was a [670-square-mile site in Eastern Washington](#) was used first for a test explosion of an atomic bomb in the New Mexico desert and then the bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan, during World War II.

Taxpayers continue to provide more than \$2.5 billion a year on environmental cleanup of contamination left from plutonium production that continued through the Cold War.

‘RICHLAND’ REGRETS

Along with pride she heard in Richland’s role in history, she also dug into regrets about the role Richland workers had played — regrets about cancers that people believed were linked to emissions from producing plutonium, about the contaminated environment left behind during the Hanford site’s production years or about the suffering in Nagasaki.

Lusztig said she worked to build relationships and listen to the Richland community during her visits to film footage for the documentary.



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She said she didn't want to shy away from "the tremendous environmental and human costs of nuclear arms manufacturing, but, at the same time, I also wanted to represent the stories of Hanford workers — people whose politics often diverge drastically from my own — with dignity and generous listening."

The film includes encounters with nuclear workers, community members, archaeologists, Native Americans and a Japanese granddaughter of atomic bomb survivors.

Lex Briscuso wrote in a review for The Wrap that the documentary "is unafraid to lay bare how people embrace destruction if there is a place for them inside it. It is also unafraid to counter that mindset with the truth about the cost of dancing with the devil — and that's what gives the film its power."

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Letters to the Editor

VOTE RASMUSSEN FOR BENTON PORT

Christy Rasmussen is the clear choice to be re-elected Port of Benton commissioner, District 2.

Christy recognizes she has a great responsibility to be a good steward of the taxpayer monies entrusted to the Port of Benton. The port has been able to reduce the taxpayers' rate to a 20-year low, down 21% since 2018.

At the same time recognizing that the port must be able to invest in its rail, airport and facilities, she and the board are growing the port to provide its clients excellent services through those investments. The board just passed a balanced budget that includes a net surplus, and that is great news.



Christy continues to be a great volunteer as a Tri-Cities Sunrise Rotarian being involved in the community, including serving on the Tri-Tech General Advisory Council.

Mike Miller, Pasco

EX-PORT ATTORNEY BACKING KELLER

I am writing to support Scott Keller for Port of Benton commissioner. As an attorney for the Port, I worked with Scott while he was the assistant executive director and then executive director.

In economic development, Scott was imaginative and innovative in utilizing Port resources for greatest impact. Space does not permit detailed discussion, but so many Port accomplishments during his tenure were due to his initiative and openness to ideas.

Under his leadership, the port invested taxpayer dollars to maximize employment opportunities, encourage private investment and expand the tax base. With the support and encouragement of previous Commissioners Harold Lindberg, Robert Larson and Jane Hagerty, he was highly successful.

The Port did not expend taxpayers' dollars for projects which should be done by private parties. Through cooperation with public and private entities, the Port created the environment and infrastructure to allow small businesses to grow and to attract new businesses.

Scott knows the commissioners must establish policies to encourage employment opportunities and private investment and then support the Port staff in implementing the policies. His unique expertise, initiative and understanding can be retained by electing him Port of Benton commissioner.

Thomas A. Cowan, West Richland

LEHRMAN RIGHT FOR PASCO COUNCIL

As a longtime Tri-Citian but a relatively new Pasco resident, I have come to know a few elected officials as well as those who serve us through their time and work on city boards and commissions.

Kim Lehrman is one whose service on the planning commission came at a time of tremendous growth. Kim is now running to fill the open Pasco City Council at-large position. As a lifelong labor leader, I am especially proud Kim has been strongly endorsed by our area labor organizations and their members.

Kim believes in family-wage jobs for Pasco residents. Kim is also a teacher, wife and mother of four. I am proud to support her and vote for her. She is the servant leader this growing city needs. Please join me and vote for Kim Lehrman.

Diane Hand McDaniel, Pasco

LONGTIMERS LIST ELECTION CHOICES

Steve Goheen, David Harvey and Justin Raffa, longtime residents of Richland, recommend these candidates for the Nov. 7 election. Ballots will arrive mid-October. Thank you for voting.

- Richland Council Pos. 1: Allison Ball, of north Richland, resident of Tri-Cities over 30 years, BS in Social Work.
- Richland Council Pos. 2: Elizabeth Vann-Clark, of north/central Richland since 1989, nonprofit experience.
- Richland Council Pos. 5: Gregory Levy, 13 years in north Richland, former chair city Code Enforcement Board, U.S. Navy.
- Richland Council Pos. 6: Kurt Maier, of north Richland, Army veteran, former chair Richland Library Board.
- Richland Council Pos. 7: Joshua Short, of north Richland, small business owner.
- Port of Benton District 2: Christy Rasmussen, incumbent, of north Richland, lifelong community member.
- Richland School, No. 3: Chelsie Beck, chemist with 2 young children in Richland schools.
- Richland School, No. 4: Katrina Waters, biochemist, 3 children who graduated from Richland.
- Richland School, No. 5: Jill Oldson, incumbent, children graduated Richland schools.