

City Manager's Weekly Report

This is the weekly report for the week ending December 26th, 2008.

1. **Meeting Notes**

The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 6th. During the month of January, the Council will also meet on January 13th (City Council swearing-in), January 20th, and January 27th.

2. **Link + (Link Plus) Now Available**

Recently, the Richmond Library received the following e-mail:

I wanted to tell you how much I enjoy being able to get books through Link +. I am now able to re-read any book I remember from years ago, read books I've always wanted to read, read books that are out of print. What a great service. Thank you for bringing this service to the Richmond Public Library.

Link+ (Link Plus) is a networked catalog of contributed holdings from participating libraries in California and Nevada, but mostly in the California Bay Area. Through LINK+, one can check out a book from any participating library via their own local library and have it delivered to the library of their choice free of charge. The Richmond Public Library began providing this service in March of this year and it has been very successful. If you'd like to learn more check out the website at <http://csul.iii.com/>.

3. **ONS Advisory Board Holiday Giveaway**

The Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS) Advisory Board, comprised of community members, sponsored a food giveaway program for Richmond families. Twenty-five bags filled with food and other goodies were distributed. Next year's goal is 100 bags! Thank you to everyone who donated!

4. **Richmond Fire/EI Cerrito Fire/Richmond Police Department Food & Toy Drive**

Over 1,000 families signed up for the food and toy drive sponsored by the Richmond Fire and Police Departments and the EI Cerrito Fire Department. Families were given bags of groceries and toys on December 20th at the Coronado YMCA. Everyone had an opportunity to win a bicycle and over 160 were distributed! Extra bags of groceries were handed out by Richmond Firefighters at 6th & Ohio. Special thanks to Ron Woods, Richmond Firefighter, for his hard work in making this event so successful!

Have a Happy & Safe New Year!