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# THE TRIANGLE

## The Next:

Iron Triangle  
Neighborhood  
Council Meeting  
Will be:

February 15, 2007  
At 7 p.m.

Nevin Community Center  
598 Nevin Avenue  
Richmond, CA 94801

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## Our Neighborhood has its own Newsletter!

After more than 50 years, the Iron Triangle Neighborhood has its own newsletter. This is great news for the City of Richmond and our community.

*The TRIANGLE* newsletter will be our tool for communication between the neighborhood council, the city and everyone who lives and works in the Iron Triangle.

Other neighborhoods in Richmond have newsletters and web sites. Now the Iron Triangle is on the move to better inform you about what's going on in your neighborhood.

With your help, we hope to begin changing the negative perception that we live in an "iron triangle" filled with crime, blight and hopelessness. To many people, perception is reality. But Downtown Richmond and the Iron Triangle are changing...for the better!

We, the staff, plan to produce *The TRIANGLE* each month, and you can expect the next issue to arrive before the Iron Triangle Neighborhood Council (ITNC) meeting.

## Meet the President: Otheree Christian

In mid-2006, I became president of the Iron Triangle Neighborhood Council (ITNC) after my successor, Reverend Andre Schumake. We thank him for all his hard work and service to the community.

In order to make a positive contribution to your neighborhood, I challenge you to be active. Come out and participate in the ITNC meetings held every third Thursday of each month (unless otherwise noted) at the Nevin Community Center, and let your voice be heard. The neighborhood council is *your* voice in the City of Richmond.

Our neighborhood has gone through rough times in recent years, but our community is on the verge of recapturing the pride of its residents, and the greatness and grandeur of its historic past.

Transformation is already beginning. We have completion of Phase I of the Transit Village/Metro Walk. The 12th Street & McDonald Mixed Use Project is soon to break ground which will entail the construction of more than 200 condos and over 20,000 square feet of retail space.

The new greenway bicycle trail that will connect with El Cerrito's Ohlone Trail is almost complete. Also on the drawing board is the redesign of the Nevin Park. For a complete list of other projects happening in our neighborhood and within the City of Richmond, please visit the City of Richmond's website.



***A community is about people, traditions, history and our aspirations for the future.***

The neighborhood council has a vision to bring everyone together, to voice your concerns and to bring about solutions.

We need your voices. I look forward to seeing you there.

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MAIN LIBRARY  
COMPUTER  
RESERVATIONS**

- Individual reservations for 1 hour in length
- Reservations can be placed a maximum of 4 days in advance.
- Patrons are allowed to make 1 reservation for dates in the future.

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## **Police Beat: A Message from Capt. Alec Griffin**

**T**he goal of the Richmond Police Department is to provide high quality law enforcement services to the residents of the Central District. Earlier this year we embarked on a new "geographic based" patrol deployment system. The system is based on beat responsibility and provides officers with assignments based on smaller areas of responsibility.

The new deployment emphasizes officer accountability, community collaboration and problem solving. It will work to allow our officers to focus on neighborhood issues while still ensuring a prompt, aggressive response to crimes in progress. Officers assigned to the Central District are given the flexibility to employ innovative problem solving strategies to combat many of the problems and concerns of citizens of the neighborhoods that make up the Central District.

In addition to being responsive to the quality of life and neighborhood issues, the primary goal of the Central District will be to work with members of the community to reduce the unacceptable number of violent crimes that have plagued this area.

I want citizens to feel comfortable contacting their beat officers directly for assistance. Also, please feel free to contact one of the lieutenants assigned to this area or myself for assistance with any problems you may encounter.

***You should also visit the City of Richmond web site: for up to date information, to contact law enforcement, mayor, and council members, and to request city services.***

**[www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us)**

## **TRIANGLE**

**598 Nevin Avenue**

### **CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

***We are seeking community volunteers who would like to help with web sites, writing, editing, photography and even mailing newsletters.***

***If you are interested please contact***

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## **Next Month: Neighborhood Council Meeting**

**T**he Neighborhood Council is asking everyone to come out and be a part of the monthly meeting, which will take place on February 15, 2007 at 7:00pm in the Nevin Community Center.

Let's discuss topics such as changing the name of the Iron Triangle Neighborhood to something that fits the positive things this part of Richmond is known for. Also, if you'd like to discuss other agenda items, meet city officials, neighbors and planners who are bringing change to the neighborhood, then we will see you there, at the ITNC Meeting.

Bring a friend or neighbor. Until then, Peace and Blessings