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## West Richland Police Department Citizens Academy

The West Richland Police Department is committed to providing high quality service to the community. One service we provide is a citizens academy, which is a program designed to provide participants a working knowledge of the West Richland Police Department. The academy provides first-hand knowledge and front line experiences. The 2013 Citizens Academy will provide professional instruction in multiple disciplines. Graduates of the Citizens Academy may be trained to assist the Police Department with incidents, including but not limited to, parades, traffic control, and community events.

Topics that will be covered in the 2013 Citizens Academy include: Use of Force; Firearms; Traffic Control - Collisions; Traffic Enforcement; Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVOC); Patrol Procedures and Law Enforcement Technology and K9; Police Interviews and the selection process; Investigations - Interrogation and Interviewing; Crime Scenes; and Gang Intelligence.

The 10 week academy begins on March 13th and ends on May 15th. Attendees must be at least 18 years of age, and live or work in the City of West Richland. For more information on how to register and become part of our team, contact:

West Richland Police Department  
3805 W. Van Giesen Street  
West Richland, WA 99353  
509-967-3425

By reporting suspicious activity in your neighborhood and community, you can help law enforcement agencies deter and reduce crime, thereby keeping your home, family and fellow citizens as safe as possible. If you see a suspicious person or activity in your neighborhood, call 9-1-1.



## Meetings

- Mar. 5 City Council meeting  
Library - 7:00 PM
- Mar. 6 West Richland Chamber meeting  
Sandberg Event Center - Noon
- Mar. 11 Economic Development Board mtg  
Library - 5:30 PM
- Mar. 14 Planning Commission meeting  
Library - 7:00 PM
- Mar. 19 City Council meeting  
Library - 7:00 PM
- Mar. 25 Park Board meeting  
Library - 6:30 PM

A meeting and events calendar is available on the city website on the home page under Quick Links. Agendas are also posted on the web pages for City Council and Boards and Commissions. On the top menu of the home page click on Government, then Council or Boards and Commissions.

- Mar. 10 Daylight saving time begins.  
Spring forward one hour
- Mar. 30 Easter Egg Hunt  
10:00 a.m. at Flat Top Park



## Police Department Awards

The West Richland Police Department held their annual recognition ceremony in January. Congratulations to Officer Natalie Griffin, who received the Police Department Employee of the year award. Congratulations also to Officer Terry Boehmler, for Officer of the Year, and Reserve Officer Levi Glatt, for Reserve Officer of the Year.

The Police VIP's (Very Important Persons) volunteers were also recognized at the ceremony. VIP's perform vacation house checks, setup the radar trailer, and deliver and pickup paperwork from the various offices in the court house and city attorney's office. They are very much appreciated! VIP's are Don Farquhar, Fredia Malley, Ron Stephens, Elizabeth Striefel, and Michael Striefel.

VIP Don Farquhar received special recognition for volunteering 3,284 hours since he began as a VIP in 1998.



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## Promissory Notes

If a residential utility customer is unable to pay the full amount of utility charges because of temporary financial difficulties or other hardship, a promissory note may be granted upon approval. Beginning February 28, 2013, customers will be allowed two promissory notes during a calendar year. A fee equal to 10% of the deferred balance will be added to the account balance up to a maximum of \$20.00. The deferred balance must be paid in full by the 15th day in the following month in which the original bill was due.

A promissory note will not be issued to a tenant without signed approval by the property owner.

Forms can be picked up at City Hall or online at [www.westrichland.org](http://www.westrichland.org) and must be received by the billing due date (25th of the month). For questions, please contact 967-3431.



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## Annual Easter Egg Hunt is March 30<sup>th</sup>!

Bring the kids down to Bombing Range Sports Complex for some fun with the Easter Bunny. The hunt begins at 10:00 a.m. and is open to kids up to age 12. This is a rain or shine event. Don't forget to bring your own Easter basket.

## Did You Know...

West Richland Municipal Code 19.04.020 states:

Garage/yard sale signs allowed without permit when all conditions are met:

1. Two movable garage/yard sale signs allowed per sale event;
2. Signs shall not exceed six square feet per sign face or two signs on sticks not exceeding four square feet per sign face;
3. Sale shall not be advertised for a period exceeding three days;
4. Signs may be placed on public street right-of-way or private property with owner's permission;
5. Signs shall not be placed on public utility poles.

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## Volunteers Needed! Earth Day Cleanup

Mark your calendars for April 20th, from 8:00 to 3:00, at Enterprise Middle School. Without volunteers this event is not possible. Shifts are either 7:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., or 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Volunteers are provided with an Earth Day shirt, continental breakfast, and sandwich lunch. Please call 967-5434 to sign-up to help with this fun and worthwhile event.