



# RICHMOND

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Hop to Steveston  
Community Centre  
and celebrate  
50 years of fun  
Saturday,  
November 3.



### Richmond Calendar

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#### General Purposes Committee

Monday, November 5, 2007  
Anderson Room, City Hall  
4:00 p.m.

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#### Planning Committee

Tuesday, November 6, 2007  
Anderson Room, City Hall  
4:00 p.m.

## Pedestrian Safety Campaign

### Always Make Eye Contact Before Crossing the Street



November is one of the most dangerous months for pedestrians. The darker, wet days create difficult driving conditions, making it harder for drivers to see pedestrians.

To raise awareness about pedestrian safety, ICBC is launching a month-long campaign during November to remind pedestrians to:

- make eye contact before crossing the street
- dress to be seen by wearing brightly coloured clothing or reflective items, especially at night.

To kick off this campaign, ICBC, City of Richmond staff and Richmond RCMP officers will be at the crosswalk on Westminster Highway between London Plaza and the north parking lot of Richmond Centre on Friday, November 2 from 10:00 a.m. to noon to offer pedestrian safety tips and highlight a pilot project by the City to enhance pedestrian safety at crosswalks.

Under this pilot project, new features will be added to several crosswalks throughout the city with the

following features:

- "LOOK" pavement stencil with directional arrow to remind pedestrians to check for oncoming traffic before stepping out on to the street
- stop bar for vehicles set back from the crosswalk to enhance the visibility of pedestrians
- raised buttons along the lane lines to discourage approaching vehicles from changing lanes to bypass a vehicle stopped at the crosswalk.

Watch for these improvements in the coming weeks.

For more information on pedestrian safety tips, please visit [www.icbc.com](http://www.icbc.com).

## Lang Centre (City Centre)

### Now open during regular operating hours



City Centre Community Centre is now open and all community programs are running as previously scheduled.

On Friday, October 19, City Centre was closed due to a light aircraft striking a nearby building. The centre has been inspected by City of Richmond Building Approvals and Richmond Fire-Rescue, and meets the required safety and fire standards.

Participants whose programs were cancelled due to the service disruption will be issued refunds for the classes affected or if possible, classes will be added onto the end of the session.

For more information regarding the operation of City Centre or refunds, please visit the centre or call 604-233-8910.

## Celebrate 50 years of fun!

### Steveston Community Centre



The Steveston Community Centre, located at 4111 Moncton Street, will

celebrate its 50th anniversary with a 50's style hop on Saturday, November 3 from 8:00 p.m. to midnight.

The centre's gymnasium will be transported back in time to the days of greasers, lettermen, poodle skirts, angora sweaters and pedal pushers for a special evening of reminiscing and dancing to juke box favourites. Guys and gals are encouraged to come dressed for the era for a chance to win a prize.

Tickets are only \$10 and include admission to the hop and free concession. There will be a cash bar. No minors please.

For further information and to purchase tickets, please contact the Steveston Community Centre at 604-718-8080.

## Musical Expressions

### Rock with Pender



The Musical Expressions concert series, hosted by Richmond recording artist Cherele Jardine, continues its fourth season on November 3. The featured band is Pender, who hail from Vancouver.

Pender is the musical equivalent of Neil Young's Crazy Horse and Wilco having a potluck with Nirvana and Evan Dando. Their musical stylings are a gathering of influences – from country through punk rock, 80's synth to Brit pop beats and a side of grunge for good measure – all served on unpretentious white paper plates.

Date: Saturday, November 3  
Time: Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and the music starts at 8:00 p.m.  
Location: The Richmond Cultural Centre, 7700 Minoru Gate  
Cost: \$9

Tickets can be purchased at the Cultural Centre's front desk or from the Registration Call Centre at 604-276-4300.

For more information, visit [www.cherelejardine.com](http://www.cherelejardine.com).

## Don't put grease down the drain

### Help prevent sewer back-ups



Did you know that dumping grease down the drain costs the City of Richmond \$311,000 a year to clean and replace blocked sewer pipes?

The recommended way to dispose of grease/cooking oil is to put it into a non-recyclable container, allow it to solidify and then place in the garbage.

## Richmond in Focus

### Photography Display at City Hall



The theme for the City of Richmond's 2008 Street Banner Contest was

"Richmond in Focus," a celebration of places, activities, and experiences that make Richmond unique.

This year's contest had over 600 entries! All entries were either digital or printed photographs.

The top 125 entries will be on display at Richmond City Hall from November 2 – 16.

For more information on the City of Richmond's Street Banner Program or the Richmond in Focus Photography Display, call 604-244-1250 or visit [www.richmond.ca](http://www.richmond.ca).

