



The Atchison Riveter

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August Board News

As we roll into our third month of service on the Board, we are very much concentrating on lowering our expenses and finding ways to save our money. We have been diligent about clean and correct record keeping and are working very hard to get balance statements out. Please know that we are committed to helping the village THRIVE, not just survive.

What Can You Do? We are currently helping members switch from 35-gallon trash cans to 20-gallon trash cans, saving **\$152 per year** for each can that is downsized. If 100 households make the switch, that will save **more than \$15,000 annually** across Atchison Village. So far, **25 households have already signed up!**

If you'd like to help reduce costs for the Village, please contact the office to make the change. A special thank you to Kaylynn Shreve for getting this started!

Chris Dunaway



Community Town Hall: Electric Vehicles and Other Environmentally Sustainable Transportation Options

Saturday, August 22, 2-4:30PM in the **Atchison Village Hall**

Join us for a community town hall to learn about electric vehicles (EVs) and a project to bring EV charging to Atchison Village. Participants will have an opportunity to share input on charger technology, site design, and learn about potential incentives of up to **\$12,000** to support electric vehicle ownership.

The event will introduce AV members to the project and connect attendees with resources related to clean mobility, transportation electrification, and community benefits. **Spanish interpretation and food will be provided.**

This initiative is funded by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), GRID Alternatives Bay Area (GRID), and MCE to expand equitable access to EV charging in low-income, disadvantaged, and environmental justice communities throughout the Bay Area.

We hope to see you there!

Organized by GRID Alternatives Clean Mobility Program, Transform, and Atchison Village Green Committee.

The Green Committee

Calendar of August Events in Atchison Village

Saturday, August 1, 9AM to 3PM
Social Club's **Annual AV Community-wide yard sale.**

Monday, August 3, 7PM
Monthly **Social Club meeting** in the AV Hall
All are welcome, bring your ideas and energy!

Tuesday, August 4, 5-9PM
National Night Out in the AV Hall. Come join us!

Thursday, August 6, 6-8PM
Dungeons and Dragons in the AV Hall library

Thursday, August 6, 7PM
Screening Committee meeting in the AV Hall
Bring your ideas about changes or just to learn more.

Wednesday, August 12, 7:30PM
Monthly **Board Meeting** in the AV Hall

Tuesday, August 18, 5-7PM
Community Day Planning Meeting #3
in the AV Hall. Please come with your ideas!

Thursday, August 20, 3:30-6:30PM
Free **monthly groceries event** in the AV Hall

Thursday, August 20, 6-8PM
Dungeons and Dragons in the AV Hall library

Saturday, August 22, 2-4PM
Community Town Hall on Electric Vehicles/
Sustainable Transportation in the AV Hall

Saturday, August 23, 1PM
Garden Club Meeting in Teddy's yard at
166 W Chanslor.

Monday, August 24, 6:30 PM
Meeting to talk about **Medicare Covered, CA**
In the AV Hall. Register at the office. Bring your questions.

The Richmond Plunge is turning 100 years old and we are celebrating this historic building on **Saturday, August 15th 2026.**

The entire event will go from 10:00am to 5:30pm with different activities throughout the day!

Kaylynn Shreve

Garden Club News

Happy tomato season AV gardeners! Squash vines are quietly taking over, sunflowers are blooming across the village, and bushes are bedecked with green chilies. We have a lovely group that meets monthly to share advice and abundance from our gardens. The next garden club meeting will be held Saturday, August 23 1PM in Teddy's yard at 166 W Chanslor. Bring a chair and a hat, it's been sunny! If you would like to be added to the email server or have any questions, email Teddy at teddyberghausen@gmail.com.

Teddy Berghausen

A Successful Social Club and Garden Club Lunch and Reading!

36 people attended the free luncheon, consisting of a variety of fresh salads, quiches and dessert. Valerie Stoller, author of *Shipyard Gals*, read from the book about fictional Rosies who came here during the war to work in the shipyards. The Social Club hopes to host other luncheons for the Village in the future. If you know an author who would like to do a reading, please contact us.

Teddy Berghausen

Free Groceries in the Hall

Exciting news! Free Groceries in the Hall will continue on the third Thursday of every month indefinitely. On August 20th from 3:30-6:30PM we welcome any villager to come and fill up their bags with food. If you can't make it yourself, we have volunteers that will bring a bag to your house, text Liz to be added to the list. We welcome volunteers and donations, including pet food, garden produce, or individually wrapped baked goods. For more information call or text Liz at (516) 353-9685.

Teddy Berghausen

Motions Passed at Board of Directors June 2026 Meeting

MOTION RE06102026.01 Current AV Board Members use neutral email without reference to their professional position. This may entail creating an additional email address (for example, a Gmail account) to be used during their Board term. Moved by Laurie, seconded by Milly Ayes: unanimous

MOTION RE06102026.02 Re-establishment of the Labor Committee. I move that the Board rescind Motion RE06112025.01, which states that all Member of the Board are ex officio Members of the Labor Committee. I further move that the Labor Committee be re-established as a separate standing Committee of the Corporation, with Membership made up of Board Members in accordance with the Bylaws and established Board procedures. This Motion shall take effect immediately upon approval. Moved by Chris, seconded by Tara Ayes: unanimous

MOTION RE06102026.03 To establish the first Wednesday from 6-8 p.m., following the annual May Atchison Village election, as the Board Transition Meeting. The purpose of this meeting shall be to provide an organized hand off between the outgoing and incoming Boards of Directors, including transfer of Corporate records, Committee reports, financial information, ongoing project updates, and other matters necessary to ensure continuity of governance. The Meeting shall be scheduled and notified in accordance with applicable governing documents and legal requirements. Moved by Laurie, seconded by Kevin Ayes: unanimous

MOTION RE06102026.04 to rescind the Board action adopted in February 2026 that combined the Permits Committee with the Building and Maintenance Committee, and to re-establish the Permits Committee as a separate standing Committee of the Corporation.

The purpose of this separation is to provide clearer oversight, improve efficiency in the Permit review process, ensure focused attention on architectural and compliance matters, and allow the Building and Maintenance Committee to concentrate on maintenance projects, repairs, and infrastructure needs.

Upon approval of this motion:

- The Permits Committee shall operate as a separate Committee reporting to the Board of Directors.
- The Permits Committee shall be responsible for reviewing Permit applications, monitoring compliance with applicable governing documents, and making recommendations to the Board as required.
- The Building and Maintenance Committee shall be responsible for maintenance planning, repair projects, contractor oversight, and related operational matters.
- The Board President shall appoint Committee Members and Committee Chairs in accordance with the Bylaws and established Board procedures.
- Any references in Board resolutions, Committee Charters, or administrative documents that combine the Permits Committee with the Building and Maintenance Committee shall be updated to reflect this action. Effective Date: Immediately upon Board approval. Moved by Laurie, seconded by Milly Ayes: unanimous

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For emergency repairs after hours, please contact Office Manager Alicia Becerra, 510-230-3968

Animal Control: 925-335-8300

Mental Health Crisis Hotline:

888-678-7277

Air quality complaints (BAAQMD):

800-334-6367

Richmond Police Non-Emergency:

510-233-1214

In a life-threatening emergency, call 911

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We do not print classifieds involving money or fictional writing. In the event of a legal dispute, the English version of this newsletter will prevail. You may submit articles to the corporation office or email to AVChrisDunaway@gmail.com
Deadline: 20th of each month.

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Hours

Monday-Friday, 10 AM-4:30 PM

Staff

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Work Order requests may be given by phone, voicemail, or email. Maintenance staff is on duty 8 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday, except lunch hour (noon - 1 PM) and holidays.

Atchison Village is a no-smoking community in compliance with the Richmond city code.