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The ONLY
thing to do-for a safe, but
not too sane,
Fourth of July,
is join the
thousands of
people who
celebrate the
old-fashioned
way at Point
Richmond!

Programs
will be available
at every location,
and, on the map of
the area, 6l different activities are
listed! These are the
all-day activities, and
don't include the special
events....Don't be bored--

join the hoard of people on the Fouth.

A.F.S: A FANTASTIC SERVICE

The American
Field Service, a
group which is responsible for the
Fourth of July
celebration, sponsors the exchange
of students of
high school age
from and to all
parts of the world.
The celebration,
which is planned by
Mr. and Mrs. Dave

Dave Snyder and Mr.
and Mrs. Chuck Wright,
plus a mammoth committee
gives the Richmond branch

Calfee, Mr. and Mrs.

for each high school. It is one of the greatest ways to promote understanding between nations.

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BEAN CAKES, BEACH BALLS. BALLISTICS ?

(A story about children, for parents to read)

On May 29, two children were playing on the beach, in Point Richmond. One was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harcourt, who live on the beach, the other was a friend of his, named Joey. Both boys live in Marin county.

Boys cannot play on the beach without finding something of interest. The Harcourt's grandson, Bryan, found what looked like a ball of putty, about the size of a tennis ball.

The ball really didn't look too interesting, and when Bryan returned to his home, he traded it for Joey's lizard and snake. About that time, the parents happened to hear that some strange balls" had been found on beaches in Northern California, and that they were possibly dangerous. The ball was turned in to the Sheriff's office, and Joey was left with no lizard no snake, and no ball.

The parents attempted to find out just what the ball was, and whether it was dangerous, but officials were highly secretive, and the only official word from the Presidio Ordinance Board was that it was definitely no 'Bean Cake' ... as one of the newspapers jokingly called them. There have been unverified reports that the balls are small bombs, designed to float in the water, and that large quantities had been "buried" in crates at sea. Whatever they are, and wherever they come from, IF your child finds one, don't keep it. Do turn it in to the police. Don't take unnecessary chances.

A THANK YOU

To last week's editors and helpers! The editor had a peaceful vacation, thanks to some very kind people...June Hein, Bonita Amantite, Julie Davis, Helen Crim, Uldine Nicola and Grethe Tedrick. MANY thanks!

Dear Editor:

This is to inform your readers that the Baltic Softball Team shall prevail over the KJAZ All-Stars on the Ninth- of July. We of the Baltic are existentially prudent whereas our foes are secularists of the imagination.

> Profoundly yours, The Baltic Team

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Free Prize tickets are being handed out at most business places in town. The grand prize, in case you haven't heard, is two days and night s at the Sahara Tahoe!

Continuous entertainment from the Bandstand will include: A Dixieland Band, Georgette Twain and her Banjo Group; Paul Delvecchio, the Senior Citizens Band, John Toffoli and his accordion, the Vandells, Folksingers Bart and Mart Carter, George Rios, Al Dias, and the Sweet Adelines.

For kids, a special game area, add puppet shows of "Winnie the Pooh" and "Little Red Riding Hood" in the Community Center at 1:30, and 3:30.

Art In Action -- all day, will include Ernie Kim at the potters wheel, Katherine and Dave Jones, sculpting in wood, and the Spindles and Flyers -- a group of people (33 in all) who have been reviving the art of spinning and weaving wool. Spinning wheels and hand spindles will be in action, as well as knitters using their own hand worked wool. Mr. Terry McCaskey of Pt. Richmond is president of the group, which meets once a month to learn the art of working with wool. If you are interested in joining the group, which meets at Tony and Frances Cardarelle's on Sunday afternoons, call Mr. McCaskey at 235-3320.

YES! There will be FIREWORKS: 9:00 P. M. From Nicholl Knob!



WITH DON CHURCH -- interesting and sometimes amusing articles taken from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, through the courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

THE FOURTH IN THE
"GOOD OLD DAYS".....
From the Richmond Record Herald
July 5, 1914:

"For the First time in history, Richmond experienced a dry Fourth of July. Nothing stronger than East Bay Water passed the lips of its citizens except in those rare instances where a few had 'stored up'.

"Only one instance marred the day.

A party of Italians, driving a Ford, had been drinking an 'over-supply of Vino', and were noted as taking up most of the road, but as other users of the road kept their dis-

tances, no harm was done.
The day was exceedingly
dull for the saloon keepers and their bartenders."

SIXTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO From the Independent of July 1, 1922:

Two years ago
today, the first Santa Fe train
left the Richmond terminal',
stated Frank R. Bailey, postal employee
and one of the oldest residents in Richmond in the number of years he has lived
here.

'The ferry from San Francisco broug a large number of people to look over the terminal and prospective city. Lots of them thought that Richmond would be a town like Tiburon. Many spent the day fishing and picnicking about the Point.'" (Richmond...like Tiburon.???) RICHMOND POLICE CHIEF RESIGNS....

From the Richmond
Independent, July 1, 1914:

"July 1, Richmond's first Chief of Police James P. Arnold resigned from the police force today after 5 years of service. During this period he made 4,157 arrests. Hardly an eye but was batting; hardly one that did not show a tear. It was too much even for the strong hearted chief, and as he backed towards the door, after shaking hands, his voice was husky and he turned his head to hide from those he was leaving the regrets he felt.

"To T. E. Gilliland,
picked up by Phil
Barry for disturbing the peace,
goes the
distinction
of being the
ast man to be
jailed under
Arnold's administration.
"'I want to

thank the

for the

my administration. I want to
thank the men who have made it possible for me to make the records I have
made. To the public generally, the City
Council, and the police officers I extend
a vote of thanks. This was the parting

The ferry from San Francisco brought shot the chief gave the newspapers as

(Richmond's first Police Chief is now 91. He resides in Oroville, where his son Howard also resides. In later issues, we will write of some of the gun battles, etc., of Chief Arnold, when the town was wild and woolly.) SPATLIGHT & SPORTS

The 1967 baseball season in Point Richmond is rapidly drawing to a close, but not without fanfare. Tuesday, July 4, Point Richmond's A's will host the first annual AFS Fourth of July Tournament at Washington Park. A team from Mira Vista and one from San Pablo have accepted invitations to participate along with Point Richmond in the tournament. A fourth team will be added during the week-end. Two games will be held, at 10:00 on the 4th. One game at Washington and the second an Kenney Park. The winners of these two games will vie for the tournament championship at 1:00 p.m. at Washington Park.

Point Richmond's A League Team continued to improve with an impressive 5 - 1 victory over Chalet Real Estate last week. Greg Church hit four hits in four times at bat for a perfect day at the plate. This combined with the pitching of Anthony Beardsley provided the victory.

Santa Fe Market found Tuesday nights to again be a bad omen as they dropped their second game in a row losing first to Langhill Trophies last week, and to Gem Embroidery last Thursday, June 22. Santa Fe's record now stands at a league leading 14 wins and 2 defeats. Remaining league games for the Point Broncos are Saturday, July 1, vs. East Richmond



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No. 1, at Nicholl Park at 10:00, and Sunday, July 2 at Belding, at 1:00 p.m. against the same East Richmond team.

Stinnets Texaco found the Point Richmond Merchants to their liking last week after posting a 5 - 2 win on Wednesday, June 21 and a 9-2 win on Saturday, June 24. Oscar Blackwell, James Ferguson and Steve Lizarraga provided the batting strength for the Texaco boys, James Ferguson pitched the first victory and Cleo Smith the second in the games with the merchants. Stinnet's stayed in championship contention with an overall 14-3 record. As first half champs of the Richmond Pony League, Stinnet's will battle second half league leader Poinelli Electric for the league championship in a playoff game. The site and date of the game: will be announced shortly. Remain ing league games for Stinnett's are Saturday, July 1, vs. the Mira Vista Mer chants and Sunday, July 2 vs. Eddie's Christmas Trees, Stinnett's coaches Vern Farr and Robert Nunez have been named to coach one of the All-star candidate teams. A total of 30 Pony Leaguer will be selected to play on the two candidate teams. From these players the Richmond Pony All-Stars will be selected. Each baseball fan in Point Richmond should circle the dates Friday, July 7, 8:00 p.m., Saturday, July8, 5:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 9, 3:00 p.m. as the schedule for the candidates games. This is an outstanding line-up of ball players and a very interesting contest. Friday's game will be played at Nicholl Park and Saturday's and Sunday's games at Eastshore Park, (continued)



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