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Week Ahead - July 20, 2014

Summer 2014 Town Hall Meetings

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has scheduled five town hall meetings in communities along the U.S. Route 460 corridor between Suffolk and Petersburg to discuss the current work on the U.S. Route 460 Corridor Improvements Project.

The five town hall meetings offer residents information in an informal setting, ahead of formal hearings expected to be held this fall as part of the environmental impact statement process. **Each meeting will take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m.**, and include a brief presentation followed by a question and answer session with project team members. [Click here](#) for more information. Please reply to this email to RSVP.

Town hall meetings are scheduled for:

Monday, July 21

Waverly - Sussex Central High School

Wednesday, July 23

Disputanta - J.E.J. Moore Middle School

Thursday, July 24

Dendron - Surry County High School

Tuesday, July 29

Ivor - Municipal Building

Thursday, July 31

Suffolk - King's Fork High School
(pending approval)



Petersburg City Council Meeting - July 22

Petersburg City Council will meet on Tuesday, July 22 at Union Train Station, 103 River Street, with closed session beginning at 6:30pm and the regular meeting beginning at 7:30pm. For more information, call the Clerk of Council at 804-733-2323. To view the complete agenda packet, visit www.petersburg.gov

Petersburg Public Library Activities

Cooking with Veggie Demonstration - July 23

Learn new ways to spice up your vegetables this summer at the library. VSU Cooperative and the Petersburg Public Library System will provide a food sampling at no cost to patrons, 11:00 AM. For more information call (804) 733-2387.

Page Turners Book Club - July 24

Join us at 6:00 PM for a book discussion with local author M. Louise Davis. Mrs. Davis is the author of “Married to the Wrong Man”. The book is available for check out at the library or for purchase on Amazon.com. For more information call (804) 733-2387.

Financial Literacy 101 -July 24, 31

Financial literacy classes with Sun Trust Bank will be held each Thursday in July 24th & 31st) at the Petersburg Public Library, 6pm. For additional information, please call 804-733-2387, ext. 104



Van Buren Estates

The Van Buren Estates has a new model home that is affordable to moderate income families. While this home is being built without a prospective buyer, others will be developed after a family signs a contract agreement. This current home built under the direction of Petersburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority is the third of a dozen homes that will be available for 80% of the area median income. The urban neighborhood is unique in that lots are quarter-acres and all homes are energy efficient. For more information about ownership opportunities, contact 804-733-2200.



Petersburg Farmers Market Manager

Petersburg Farmers Market operates each Saturday from 7:00am to 12noon. The Market is located under the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Bridge. For additional information, call 804-733-2352.

Meet our Animal Control Officer and An Adoptable Cat or Dog - Saturdays

You can meet our Animal Control Officer and an adoptable cat or dog at the Farmers Market in Olde Towne Petersburg (under the bridge) from 8:30-9:15am, each Saturday. Feel free to ask questions or inquire about procedures for adopting one of our awesome pets. Tim Moore , a city employee adopted this friendly and adorable mixed breed. Also, each Saturday from 10-1pm Petersburg Animal Care and Control Officers, Volunteers, and adoptable animals will be at

PetSmart in Colonial Heights Virginia. Please contact Petersburg Animal Care and Control for additional information , 804-732-3654.



Summer Movie Series - July 25 & August 5, 8 Summer Outdoor Movie

Night at the Petersburg Sports Complex! Bring your family and friends out to the Petersburg Sports Complex to enjoy "Outdoor Movie Night". Gates open at 7:30PM. The cost \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 for children under 12 years of age/children 5 and under free. Just bring your lawn chair, blanket/beach towel & refreshments. Enjoy the

Summer Outdoor Movie Series on a 40 foot screen! Please, visit www.petersburgva.gov to view the Summer Movie Series. For additional information, call 804-733-2394.



Gallery Talk "Civil War Artwork" - July 26

The artist Henry Kidd will be at the PAAL to speak on the impact of art and the siege of Petersburg. Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - The length and focus of each discussion may vary during this timeframe depending on interests and questions. Petersburg Area Art League, 7 East Old Street, Petersburg, VA 23803 Mr. Henry Kidd @ 804-526-2327

Battle of the Crater - July 26 & August 2

The Battle of the Crater was a battle of the American Civil War and a part of the Siege of Petersburg. It took place on July 30, 1864 between the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia, commanded by General Robert E. Lee and the Union Army of the Potomac, commanded by Major General Ambrose Burnside (under the direct supervision of the general-in-chief, Lt. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant). Henry Kidd, nationally sought after lecturer will give historical accounts of the battle which helps paint the framework for this particular event of the siege of Petersburg. August 2, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, The Black Swan, 9 West Old Street, Petersburg, VA 23803. Contact: Mr. Henry Kidd @ 804-526-2327

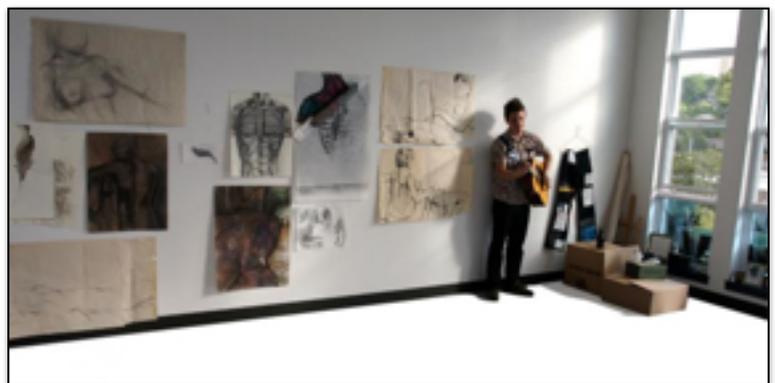


Remember the Glorious Dead - July 30

The Battle of the Crater - Evening Walking Tour at Blandford Cemetery. Tour Blandford Church and Cemetery and view the graves of those who died in the Battle of the Crater. This program is in partnership with the National Park Service commemoration of the Battle of the Crater. Time: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Location: Blandford Church Reception Center, 111 Rochelle Lane, Petersburg, VA 23805, Additional information, Blandford Reception Center @ 804-733-239, Free

Affordable Housing for Petersburg and Richmond Artists

How would you like to live in a creative space which allows you to create works of art everyday of your life and still pay the bills? The City of Petersburg has partnered with the Cameron Foundation, The City of Richmond and Artspace to complete phase one of a new



initiative which could offer affordable live/work space to area artists who wish to continue their craft. However, you do not need to be an artist to take the survey as part of phase one. This project (which includes the survey) went live on July 1 and your opportunity to be counted is now. Your input for this survey takes about twelve minutes and could mean the world to attracting Petersburg's most creative work force to the region. If you haven't already done so, please be sure to take the survey! www.creativespacesurvey.org.

Parks & Leisure Services welcomes new Program Coordinator

Parks & Leisure Services welcomes Mrs. Brecora Mallory as Program Coordinator for youth and senior programming. Mrs. Mallory is a native of Petersburg and a graduate of Petersburg High School ((2002) and Virginia State University (2006) with a Bachelor of Science Degree. Since college she has spent seven years working diligently as a middle school Science teacher with Petersburg Public Schools. After spending the last year as a Science and Math teacher at Southampton County Middle school, she decided to pursue her passion for recreation. Throughout her high school, college and professional teaching tenure she worked part time for the Petersburg Parks & Leisure Services Department since the age of fifteen. Brecora's wish is to merge her knowledge and expertise from both areas to enhance the recreation experience to the citizens of her hometown. Mrs. Yerby, Director of Parks & Leisure Services states, "We are elated to have Mrs. Mallory join our team as a full time professional. The level of creativity, enthusiasm and knowledge that she exhibits will enhance existing programs and will serve as a catalyst for new programs". Mrs. Mallory currently resides in Petersburg with her husband Michael, along with her their two wonderful children Christopher, 9 and Milan, 3.



Parks & Leisure Services welcomes new Program Coordinator

Parks & Leisure Services welcomes Ms. Jasmine Wright as Program Coordinator for youth and adult programming. Ms. Wright is a native of Petersburg and a 2009 graduate of Petersburg High School. She recently earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance with a minor in Health Science from Virginia State University in 2013. Throughout her college career, she joined numerous organizations. Prior to working with Petersburg Parks and Leisure Services, Ms. Wright worked part-time as a Community Outreach Worker for the City of Petersburg Lead Hazard Control Program. Ms. Wright has completed internships with the City of Richmond Parks,



Recreation, and Community Facilities and also with Virginia Department of Health, Chronic Disease Program. Parks & Leisure Services Director, Mrs. Yerby stated, “We are very excited to have Ms. Wright join our team. Most importantly, Ms. Wright’s background/ experience will be an asset to the department’s ability to develop and implement programs that target “Living Healthier Lifestyles” for both our youth population and employee workforce. Ms. Wright is very proud and excited to serve her community.

Week in Review

Mayor Brian A. Moore - Town Hall 2014

The Honorable Ralph S. Northam, M.D. presented to a packed house at the Black Swan in Old Towne Petersburg - Mayor Brian A. Moore’s Town Hall Meeting. Delegate Rosalyn Dance gave an overview of the region and Senator Bobby Scott sent a letter of support to Petersburg residents. Key points included the importance of coordinated health and mental health services, preventative care, and closing the gap of affordable, quality healthcare and insurance coverage. Dr. Northam engaged those in attendance with a question and answer period covering a wide range of topics. The JenCare Walking Club provided health education materials. Dr. Debbie L. Sydow, President of Richard Bland College joined Delegate Rosalyn R. Dance and Mayor Brian A. Moore in welcoming the Lieutenant Governor.



Youth Law Enforcement Camp - Petersburg Sheriff's Office

Each year, the Petersburg Sheriff's Office sponsors a Law Enforcement Camp for both girls and boys during the summer, in partnership with Parks and Leisure Services. The groups consist of youth from the ages of 11 - 14 years of age. The goal of the camp is two fold. The first is to expose this age group, as they begin to think about career choices and the vast opportunities that are available in the law enforcement arena. The second is to continue to reinforce the thought that the law enforcement community is not to be feared and can be trusted.



(K-9 Demonstration - Sheriff's Camp for Girls)