



Celebrate the Holiday Season in Petersburg! Don't miss these wonderful events!



Lighting of Old Towne

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Friday, December 1
Union Train Station
103 River Street
5:30 pm – 9:00 pm
VENDORS – MUSIC – SANTA – LIGHTING OF THE TREE

City of Petersburg Annual Christmas

Parade Saturday, December 2 at 3:00 pm
Parade Route starts at Poplar Lawn Park and heads down Sycamore St. to Old St., ending at Union Train Station. Please be advised that Sycamore St. from the former hospital site and a block of each street accessing it, down to Old St. will be closed during the parade.

Centre Hill Open House

Saturday, December 2 / Sunday, December 3
1 Centre Hill Avenue
Centre Hill will be decorated for the holidays, each room by a different designer. Enjoy free entry during the first weekend of December, from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm on Saturday and 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm on Sunday.
Remaining Weekends in December: Open 10:00 am until 5:00 pm on Saturday, 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm on Sunday, closed Christmas Eve. \$10 regular admission.



PAAL Holiday Trees

Light Up Poplar Lawn - Whoville 2023!

Saturday, December 2
351 S. Sycamore Street
4:00 - 8:00 pm (following the City of Petersburg Christmas Parade)

The Historic Poplar Lawn Association invites you to celebrate the most beautiful time of the year! Enjoy good music, excellent food, and holiday ambiance including a visit with Santa, and hot chocolate. Free admission but an RSVP is appreciated:



Battersea Foundation/Historic Petersburg Foundation Holiday Homes Tour

Sunday, December 3
Tour beautiful historic sites and homes from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$25 in advance at www.batterseafound.org or \$30 on tour day. The tour begins at the McIlwaine House at 425 Cockade Alley. From historic private homes beautifully decorated for the holidays to Battersea, the Trapezium House, and Second Presbyterian Church, this will be a delightful and festive afternoon.



Holiday Parade

Centre Hill Under the Lights

Friday, December 8
Experience the beauty of the designer decorations under the lights, and marvel at the exquisite architectural details and period furnishings of this Petersburg treasure while enjoying music and light hors d'oeuvres from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Tickets are available via Eventbrite and are \$20.



Petersburg Area Art League (PAAL) Trees of Christmas

The 44th year of this wonderfully creative tradition showcasing businesses, non-profits, civic organizations, schools, places of worship, and individuals, who all provide beautifully decorated trees as a fundraiser for PAAL. Votes cost \$1, and the trees are on display for the month of December during regular gallery hours. All proceeds benefit PAAL, and winners will be announced in January. Also available: donated fabulous Designer Wreaths available for purchase on the spot!
December Gallery Hours: Wednesday – Saturday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm, Sunday 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Visit www.paalarts.org for more information.

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New Shoes for Lakemont Elementary, Inspiring Hope and Encouragement

Coca-Cola Consolidated collaborates with Samaritan's Feet to provide 500 pairs of shoes to Lakemont Elementary students and to learn more about what makes these students special.

Lakemont Elementary students and staff were all smiles during its Shoe Distribution Event, sponsored by Coca-Cola Consolidated. Students skipped to the gymnasium to receive their Hope Tote filled with an encouraging message, a handwritten note, fresh socks, and a new pair of shoes supplied by Samaritan's Feet.

Coca-Cola Consolidated, the local bottler, was proud to return to Lakemont Elementary for its second event with the school. Wayne Tyree, Senior Manager of Culture and Engagement, beamed as he emphasized the importance of not only providing donations to students but also taking the time to interact with them. *"We want to encourage and inspire all the kids we serve. One of the things we focus on is providing leadership and giving back, and I can't think of a greater way to do that than supporting students."*

These sentiments were echoed by Cid Hemingway of Samaritan's Feet, an international non-profit organization serving 108 countries worldwide.

"The students will not only walk away with a gift of shoes, socks, and literature but also a

message of hope . . . of walking away with a feeling of 'I can do anything.'"

Samaritan's Feet has partnered with Coca-Cola Consolidated and Petersburg in the past, and they were pleased to collaborate with Communities in Schools (CIS) at Lakemont Elementary to bring this vision to life. This organization, based in Charlotte, North Carolina, is celebrating its 20th year, serving 45 states and almost 10 million shoes provided in 2023.

Lakemont Elementary Principal Erika Moseley and Courtney Holly (CIS) described the incredible impact of these partnerships, *"Our partnership with Coca-Cola Consolidated has proven to be such a positive impact on our students and families. Last year, they provided bookbags for our students, and this year giving a free pair of shoes and socks to every Lakemont student is a wonderful opportunity."*

Through this partnership with Lakemont Elementary, Petersburg City Public Schools is excited about future partnership opportunities between Coca-Cola Consolidated and our school community.



"This is the BEST DAY EVER"



Students at Cool Springs Elementary are thrilled to have a new KABOOM! playground. Thanks to KABOOM! and The Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth for making this happen. The two organizations also volunteered with the build.

This project also couldn't have been completed without the generosity and hard work of volunteers from GXO Logistics, Amazon Fulfillment, Fit 4 Kids, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Hilaal Temple #229, and the Hilaal Court #218 who helped construct this wonderful new playground for students to play, be creative, learn, and enjoy the outdoors.



Holiday Greetings From City Council

This holiday season, may the spirit of joy, peace, and unity fill your hearts and homes. As we embark on the new year, let us work hand in hand, standing tall as proud citizens of Petersburg, striving towards an even brighter future.

We hope you will enjoy the holiday festivities in our city, support our local businesses when shopping and dining, and reach out and lend a hand to those in need. Let us not forget our neighbors who may find this time of year to be difficult, and especially our seniors and those missing loved ones.

Happy Holidays! Mayor Samuel Parham (Ward 3) | Vice Mayor Darrin Hill (Ward 2)
Councilman Marlow Jones (Ward 1) | Councilman Charlie Cuthbert (Ward 4) | Councilman W. Howard Myers (Ward 5)
Councilwoman Annette Smith-Lee (Ward 6) | Councilman Arnold Westbrook, Jr. (Ward 7)



Spread kindness and holiday cheer wherever you can.

Our wish for peace this season extends past our city limits, across our nation, and beyond our borders worldwide, particularly in war-torn areas.

Peace, joy, and blessings to all.

Petersburg Included in Tech Hub Designation

The U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration (EDA) has announced the selection of 31 regions across the country as Tech Hubs, marking the first phase of the new Tech Hubs program. This initiative is designed to bolster regional innovation and job creation while enhancing the capacity for manufacturing, commercialization, and deployment of technology that will boost American competitiveness.

The Tech Hubs aim to stimulate investment in technologies pivotal to economic growth, national security, and job creation. The program directly invests in high-potential U.S. regions with the goal of transforming them into globally competitive innovation centers.

Petersburg, a member of the Alliance for Building Better Medicine and home to a growing Pharmaceutical Campus that includes AMPAC Fine Chemicals, CivicaRx, and Phlow, is a regional member that will benefit from this initiative.

“Being recognized as a Tech Hub is a significant milestone for Petersburg and the region,” said Mayor Sam Parham. “This recognition, coupled

with the potential for future grant funding, sets the stage for an expansion of the advanced manufacturing pharmaceutical industry in our city. The growth of this industry will not only create more employment opportunities for our residents but also generate additional tax revenue, thereby significantly boosting our local economy.” Mayor Parham is a board member of the Alliance for Building Better Medicine.

“Designation as an EDA Tech Hub is a transformative win – one that will change the landscape of opportunity for the communities we serve by developing and manufacturing affordable, accessible medicines in our Region,” said Joy Polefrone, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Alliance for Building Better Medicine. “This win reinforces the audacious vision of the Alliance members to become the global hub to transform the manufacturing of medicines in the coming decade while ensuring historically distressed communities have opportunities to thrive through careers in an impactful, rapidly growing industry.”

The first phase winners, chosen from almost 400 regional consortia applications, consisted of various partners, including industry repre-



sentatives, academia, state and local governments, economic development organizations, and labor and workforce partners.

The Department of Commerce has also launched a second Tech Hubs Notice of Funding Opportunity, allowing these designated Tech Hubs to apply for implementation funding between \$40 million and \$70 million each, totaling nearly \$500 million.

For more information:



Mobile Grocery Store Coming to Petersburg in 2024



Amazon and Goodr will launch a new, state-of-the-art Goodr Mobile Grocery Store in January in Petersburg. Furthering the success of the Partnership for Petersburg and addressing the longstanding food accessibility issue here, this mobile grocery store will provide residents with nutritious food choices.

“At Amazon, we not only strive to be Earth’s best employer, but we also want to be a good neighbor. Amazon is grateful for the opportunity to partner with others who share our commitment to increasing food access, supporting economic mobility, and advancing health and wellness in the Petersburg area,” said Lindsay

Berry Winter, Head of Amazon Virginia Public Policy.

“Petersburg thanks Governor Youngkin, Amazon, and the other sponsors for their proactive steps in addressing the food desert issue in the city,” said Mayor Sam Parham. *“Launching the mobile food truck is significant to providing access to fresh and healthy foods in our neighborhoods. This initiative acts as an interim solution while the city continues its efforts to attract more grocery stores to Petersburg.”*

The Goodr Mobile Grocery Store is a shoppable 26-foot truck with grocery items, includ-

ing fresh produce, milk, eggs, and shelf-stable items. Fully kitted with refrigerators, freezers, and shelving, families will enjoy an experience much like shopping for goods at a local grocery store. Beyond that, every aspect of the Mobile Grocery Store is about access – from the wheelchair ramp to the resource room for private health screenings or social services consultations.

Amazon, Anthem, Bon Secours, and Comcast provided generous donations to stand up the Goodr truck and allow the program to begin serving citizens. The largest contributor is Amazon.

Affordable Rental Housing Update

The Petersburg Redevelopment Housing Authority (PRHA) has identified the need to transition from Public Housing to Affordable Housing to improve Petersburg’s affordable rental housing inventory.



As part of a fifty-million-dollar (\$50,000,000) investment made in Petersburg by PRHA, three properties in the Public Housing Program were redeveloped. All units will serve families with incomes at or below 60% AMI. Through HUD-approved programs, Sycamore Towers was fully renovated, including new elevators, flooring, kitchen cabinets, roofing, electrical, plumbing fixtures, lighting, etc.

Fifty units were built at Pecan Acres Estates and ninety-eight at Pin Oaks Estates. The newly constructed buildings include Energy-labeled windows, Energy Star kitchen appliances, water

sense labeled faucets and showerheads, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, lighting, new infrastructure, and a new Community Center.

Most of the financing was provided by Virginia Housing (VH) via 9% and 4% Low-In-

come Housing Tax Credits, Tax-Exempt Bonds proceeds, and Grant Funds. Other funding includes Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) HOME funds, Virginia Community Development Corporation (VCDC) equity, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) project-based voucher subsidies, Petersburg Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, along with an Atlantic Union Bank construction loan.

In addition, PRHA plans to start construction of 84 units of Phase II Pecan Acres beginning in the summer of 2024. For more information, call: (804) 733-2200.



Winter Market Schedule

Market @PPL

Petersburg Public Library
201 W. Washington St.,
inside on the main floor

Monday	12:00 – 6:00 pm
Tuesday	12:00 – 6:00 pm
Wednesday	12:00 – 6:00 pm
Thursday	12:00 – 6:00 pm

POP! Market at River Street Farmer’s Market

30 River Street, parking lot
next to Croaker’s Spot

Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Cash, debit/credit cards and SNAP/EBL are accepted at both markets.

With SNAP all fruits and vegetables are half off!

Petersburg Welcomes New Bon Secours Southside Medical Center President

It's an honor to continue my service to this ministry in a new capacity and work with our physicians, associates, and community partners to serve the distinct needs of our patients both in and around Petersburg, the Tri-city area, and in Emporia...I am delighted to lead the effort of meeting the changing needs of these communities we serve.

Brenda Woodcock

Brenda Woodcock has been appointed to the position of President at Bon Secours Southside Medical Center in Petersburg and Bon Secours Southern Virginia Medical Center in Emporia. Woodcock is the first female president of these facilities.

Woodcock joined Bon Secours in 2016 and has advanced through many roles, most recently serving as Richmond market Chief Nursing Officer overseeing nursing operations for 7 acute care hospitals, nursing and medical imaging programs, and numerous related

healthcare services.

Promoted into this role in December 2020, Woodcock has been involved in market and system strategy teams around the workforce, including recruitment, retention, and workforce development. She also served as the Executive Sponsor for Workplace Safety and Behavioral Health in the Bon Secours Richmond market, leading strategies and initiatives around Workplace Violence and Injury Prevention; as well as expanding resources for our patients and communities suffering from Mental Health.



In her new role, Woodcock will be responsible for the overall operational success of both hospitals while focusing on compassionate, innovative, convenient, high-quality patient care.

Woodcock earned her undergraduate and master's degrees in nursing from Virginia Commonwealth University and her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Liberty University.



Thank You To All The Caregivers In Our City

Let's recognize and show our appreciation to people who lovingly give baths, clean houses, shop for, and comfort the millions of elderly and those needing assistance. While November is the official National Caregivers Month, we thank all, YEAR ROUND.

Tips for Caregiver Success:

- Stay healthy by taking time for yourself
- Spend time with friends and laugh often
- Eat right and exercise for a strong heart, mind, body & soul
- Manage stress and recognize your triggers
- Ask for help and share responsibilities with others
- Keep a journal
- Practice letting go
- Prioritize tasks and be flexible

Caregiving Resources: seniornavigator.org | www.alz.org/help-support/caregiving



Scarlette G. Hunley Community Center

The new Scarlette G. Hunley Community Center recently opened. This facility was named in honor of Ms. Hunley in 2022 to commemorate her many contributions to the residents of the Pin Oaks Community. The Center is owned and operated by the Petersburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority.



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Important Information from Petersburg Animal Care & Control:

Open to Visitors:

Monday – Friday: 10 am – 3 pm | Saturday: 12 pm – 3 pm | No appointment is required.
1600 Johnson Road

Call (804) 732-4222 Press 0 to speak to the operator for the following:

- Stray Animals
- Vicious/Aggressive Animals
- Sick/Injured Animals
- Animal Bites
- Animal Welfare Checks

Call (804) 732-3654 for the following:

- Lost Pets at Shelter
- Animal Adoptions
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Donations
- General Questions
- File Missing Animal Report
- Owner-surrender Your Pet



Do you have room in your home and your heart for a pet?

Please consider adopting from the shelter in Petersburg! There are so many sweet cats and dogs just waiting to find their “forever” home.



Winter Safety for our Dogs

IT'S THE LAW!

When dogs are kept outside, tethers must be at least 15 feet long. Dogs must always have food, water, shelter, a clean living area with space to move around, exercise, and veterinary care.

Please remember that it is ILLEGAL to keep a dog tethered outside if:

The temperature is below 33 degrees.

There is a severe weather warning.

If it's too cold outside for you, it's also too cold for your dog.

Energy Saving Tips For Winter From Dominion Energy

Lower your thermostat to 68 degrees. Also, consider installing a smart thermostat; ThermWise® offers rebates for qualifying models. Learn more about your thermostat by visiting the U.S. Department of Energy website: <https://www.energy.gov/save>.

Keep air ducts clear from obstructions. Move furniture, drapes, and anything blocking air ducts and cold-air returns. Blocked vents reduce airflow and stress your furnace.

Seal air leaks. Seal all holes from pipes and wires that enter/exit the living space, including entrances, pull-downs, attic stair openings, light fixtures, pipes, and wires.

Seal ductwork. Ensure all ductwork is sealed at joints and intersections with foil-backed tape or silicon caulking. If not properly sealed, supply ductwork can leak heated air into the attic or crawl space, and outside air can be drawn into the return ductwork, increasing costs and reducing comfort dramatically.

Lower the water heater to 120-125 degrees. Many water heaters are automatically set at 140 degrees. Lowering the temperature on your water heater to between 120 and 125 degrees will reduce the fuel needed to heat the water.

Change furnace and HVAC filters every month. This is the number one reason for furnace breakdowns. Inspect heating and cooling equipment annually or as recommended by the manufacturer. Have a

professional check and clean the furnaces once a year.

Give your furnace some space. It will perform best when it has room to breathe.

Weather-strip doors, windows, and attic entryways. Inspect windows and doors for air leaks. If you can see daylight around a door or window frame, the door or window needs to be sealed with caulking or weather-stripping. Insulate attic entryways.

Insulate water pipes. Insulate the first three to six feet of cold and hot water pipes near the water heater. Insulating hot water pipes located in a crawlspace or attic is not necessary.

Add an insulation blanket to the water heater. Wrapping the water heater with an insulation blanket can save heating costs by helping the hot water tank retain heat when not in use. Inexpensive insulation kits are available at most home improvement stores.

Add insulation to the attic. When adding insulation, start at the top and work down, but only after sealing against air infiltration.

Decorating your house for the holidays? Use light-emitting diode (LED) holiday lights to cut down on the cost of energy usage. LED lights not only save energy but also last longer and are more durable than other types of bulbs.

Support Services - Petersburg Bureau of Police



Corporal Jacqueline Hernandez



Captain Carol Adams



The Support Services Division for the Petersburg Bureau of Police has been busy sprucing up their new home at 32 W. Washington St., as well as constantly being out in the community. The team oversees Community Outreach, Traffic Control, Human Services/Social Work, Chaplain Program, School Resource Officers, SWAT, and Honor Guard.

The new headquarters, intentionally located away from police headquarters, houses break-out rooms that allow for training, chaplains to connect with families, school resource officers to meet with students and parents, and a space for groups such as the Homicide Support Group, which meets twice a month.

For Captain Adams, this work is deeply personal. At 17 years old, she tragically lost her mother to domestic-related homicide at the

Community policing touches all of us, and it is about building relationships. My long-held belief and mindset during my career in policing is that everyone should be treated like they are family. When people see past the uniform to the human, there is greater engagement, trust, and dignity. It takes time to build trust, but it is the core to building good relationships.

Captain Carol Adams
Support Services Division, Petersburg Bureau of Police

hands of her abusive father. Her experience with law enforcement back then differed greatly from what happens now. She had little support, and no voice in the investigation, despite having made calls for help regularly. Today, the support system for victims and families looks very different. Behind every violent crime, there are families of both the victims and the perpetrators, all of whom are hurting and in need of support. This can come in the form of pastoral care from

chaplains, to having an officer ensure that someone experiencing bereavement takes care of their everyday needs, such as taking prescribed medicine.

For Corporal Jacqueline Hernandez, the best part of working in this division is getting out into the community and talking to many people. Growing up in a military family and being a military veteran, she set a goal to join the police academy by the time she turned 40 and was the third oldest in her class. She loves

to serve others and has always been determined to follow her dreams. She attends numerous school and sporting events as well as business openings and community gatherings, all in uniform and all part of community outreach. She is frequently thanked for the fact that her presence alone promotes a feeling of safety for others.

For more information about the Support Services Division or to find out how to volunteer, contact Captain C.D. Adams at (804) 605-6951 or cadams@petersburg-va.org.

The Police are the Public; the Public are the Police. The Police are paid to give full-time attention to duties incumbent upon every citizen in the interest of community welfare and existence.

Sir Robert Peel

Get an in-depth look into the work of the Petersburg Bureau of Police at the next Citizen's Academy! March 4, 2024 - April 29, 2024

Speed Cameras Installed For The Increased Safety of Our Students

Speed cameras have been installed on Johnson Road, in front of Petersburg High School, and West Wythe Street behind the Appomattox Regional Governor's School.

The warning period began in mid-October, and fines started in mid-November. The fine for the first violation is \$100, and each subsequent violation is \$150. Violations will be received in the mail and will include instructions for remitting payment.

Thank you for watching your speed and keeping our students safe!



Stay Safe During The Holiday Season

- Lock doors and windows, use timers for lights when traveling, and avoid sharing holiday plans or travel details on social media.
- Exercise caution with package deliveries by using secure locations or delivery lockers. If needed, ask a trusted neighbor or friend to collect packages when you're not at home.
- When parking your vehicle, choose well-lit areas, lock the car doors, conceal valuable items, store gifts in the trunk, or take them home immediately.
- During holiday celebrations, enjoy alcohol responsibly and do not drink and drive. Make arrangements for a designated driver if you're consuming alcohol.

The Petersburg Bureau of Police wishes everyone a SAFE and HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Petersburg Welcomes New Businesses!



Oyster Society

309 N. Sycamore St.
(804) 894-8720



Old Towne Mingle

16 W. Bank St.
(804) 438-2050



Trinity Health & Wellness

28 Goodrich Ave.
(804) 650-7179



Evermore Bridal

100 N. Sycamore St.
(804) 894-8855



Savida Health

601 Old Wagner Rd.
(804) 895-7040



Jennie T's New Day

2103 E. Washington St.
(804) 805-2983



Shop And Buy Local

Why is this so important?

- You are making a personal investment in your community.
- You are supporting people who live in your community.
- Your money stays in your community.
- Local businesses often support local non-profits that make a difference within our communities.
- Small businesses are the largest job creators.



adobestock.com

This holiday season, and always, please support the many wonderful businesses in Petersburg!

MEETINGS

City Council Meetings

Petersburg City Council meets twice a month on the first and third Tuesdays. There is only one scheduled meeting in December and no scheduled meetings in August. All are welcome to attend in person at the Petersburg Public Library, or the meetings can be watched live at <https://www.petersburgva.gov/1177/Live-Meetings>.

Public Meetings

The following public meetings are held monthly in the Multipurpose Room of Petersburg Public Library:
Architectural Review Board – 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 pm
Planning Commission – 1st Thursday at 6:30 pm
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Board – 3rd Thursday at 6:00 pm
Economic Development Authority (EDA) – 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm



Know When Tax Bills Are Due

Personal Property Taxes: February 29, 2024 | June 10, 2024

Real Estate Taxes: January 2, 2024 | April 1, 2024 | July 1, 2024

UPCOMING OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

All Petersburg City government offices will be closed on the listed holidays. This includes Petersburg Area Transit and all bus service operations. Dogwood Trace Golf Course is open on all holidays except for Christmas Day.

Central Virginia Waste Management Authority (CVWMA) residential recycling and trash collections are usually delayed by one day for the week on holidays. Check times at www.cvwma.com.

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day
Monday, January 1 – New Year's Day
January 15 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 19 – Presidents' Day

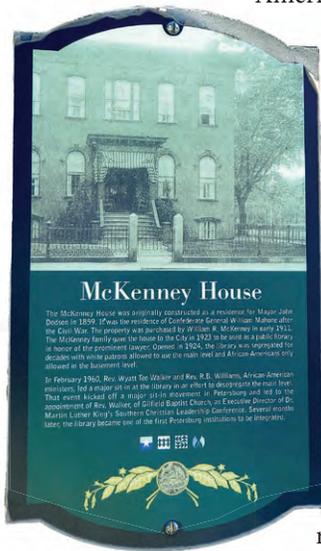
Disposal Of Live Christmas Trees

Please set **UNDECORATED** live trees at the curb by your trash cart to be collected on regular trash days. Trees will not be recycled.



Future Home of The Petersburg African American History And Cultural Center And Archive

In 2021, the McKenney Foundation was formed with the mission of repurposing the former McKenney Library as the Petersburg African American History and Cultural Center and Archive. This repurpose includes the rehabilitation of every facet of the building. Rehabilitation began in August 2023 with the roof replacement of the original house. The entire metal roof and porch coverings have been replaced. Funds are being sought to replace the flat roof areas, including the 1958 addition. This phase of roof replacement was made possible with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Federal, state, and local funds are being sought to completely renovate the building.



The Petersburg African American History and Cultural Center and Archive will serve as a home for not only significant artifacts and documents, but the site will tell the whole African American history from the beginning to the present day in Petersburg.

Did you know that on November 7, 1960, the Petersburg Public Library (McKenney Building) was the first municipally operated facility in Petersburg to be desegregated? On that day, there were 100 patrons in the Library, and 15 were African American. Before then, African Americans had to use a separate entrance and could only visit



an area in the dimly lit basement. Twenty years later, in December 1980, Petersburg native Wayne Crocker became the first African American Director of Library Services, a position he still holds today. He is also the President of the McKenney Foundation.



Before



After

Private donations and investments in this important project are also welcomed. To donate, visit paypal.me/PAAHCCA or mail checks to McKenney Foundation, 201 W. Washington Street, Petersburg, VA 23803. For more information, please contact Wayne M. Crocker at (804) 733-2387 or wcrocker@ppls.org.

COMING UP:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Black History Month

Sunday, January 14:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at the Petersburg Public Library from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Program details soon.

February is Black History Month:

Black Authors Expo, African American History Trolley Tours, Gospel Choir Showcase, and more! Stay tuned for more details.

Petersburg Department of Recreation, Special Events & Volunteerism



Adult Basketball (35 and over)

Standard Registration ends December 1, 2023 - \$400 per team
Late Registration is from December 4 - 15, 2023 - \$450 per team

Youth Basketball

Late Registration is from November 20, 2023, until filled.
Petersburg Resident Fee: \$30 | Non-Resident Fee: \$40
Ages: Co-Ed: 4-6, 7-8 | Boys: 9-10, 11-12, 13-15 | Girls: 9-11, 12-15
Information: (804) 324-4015 or recreation@petersburg-va.org.

Senior Program

Registration for the Senior Citizen Program at Tabernacle Baptist Church is ongoing for City of Petersburg residents ONLY or members of Tabernacle Baptist Church. The program runs from Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Transportation is provided upon request. The program is for citizens 55 and older and includes a free lunch, games, exercise, line dancing classes, and other activities. For more information and to enroll, call (804) 324-4015 or email recreation@petersburg-va.org.

Senior Christmas Social will be held from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm on December 14, 2023, at Tabernacle Baptist Church. Participants MUST be enrolled in the program. Stay tuned for upcoming Senior Trips in 2024!

Sheriff's Department TRIAD Group

Seniors wishing to become members of the Sheriff's 2300-strong TRIAD group can call or stop by the office. TRIAD hosts fun activities and monthly meetings at the Petersburg Public Library and keeps you informed. Members receive regular phone/text messages regarding upcoming events and important information.
(804) 733-2369
8 Courthouse Ave.

Albert W. Jones Field Improvements

Many thanks to the dedicated volunteers from Bon Secours Southside Medical Center who devoted an afternoon cleaning up Albert W. Jones Athletic Field! Their generosity and work for the betterment of our community is much appreciated. New CEO, Brenda Woodcock, joined her team for the clean-up.





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What is the Comprehensive Plan? PetersburgNEXT, the City’s Comprehensive Plan, is a 20-year, high-level policy guide that will set the general direction for future land use, growth, and development in Petersburg. It will also establish goals and strategies for other elements of life in Petersburg, including economic development, parks and recreation, transportation, and infrastructure.

What Is Happening Now? The next Planning Commission and City Council combined work session will be Tuesday, November 28, 2023, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Petersburg Public Library.

What Can I Do to Be Involved? There are still opportunities to participate in the process, including reviewing draft Chapters and sharing your big ideas and vision for Petersburg’s future on the Idea Wall.

What if I Have Questions? Visit www.petersburgvanext.com or contact the City of Petersburg Department of Planning and Community Development at (804) 733-2308.

