



Petersburg Welcomes Novo Nordisk



Novo Nordisk has purchased AMPAC Fine Chemicals, adding a state-of-the-art pharmaceutical manufacturing facility in Petersburg to its worldwide operations. This active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) manufacturing site, which covers over 600,000 square feet, is part of Novo Nordisk's expansion plans.

The acquisition comes as Novo Nordisk looks to scale up production to meet the rising demand. Novo, currently the second-largest pharmaceutical company in the world, is best known for its leading products, Wegovy and Ozempic, which are widely used treatments for blood sugar modulation.

The Petersburg facility specializes in producing small-molecule active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), critical components in medicines that deliver therapeutic benefits. This addition boosts Novo Nordisk's global manufacturing footprint and advances its

capacity to develop and produce APIs for future products.

The Novo Nordisk Petersburg facility has approximately 100 skilled employees, strengthening its expertise in small-molecule API development and manufacturing. To meet growing demands, the facility will be upgraded and expanded.

Through this acquisition, Novo Nordisk joins other well-known companies, such as CivicaRx and Phlow, at Petersburg's Pharmaceutical Campus off Wagner Road, growing Petersburg's position as a hub for pharmaceutical innovation and manufacturing.

To learn more about Novo Nordisk, watch this 60 Minutes feature: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHI1Dkqujc>.



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Jerome Mathis Named Head Football Coach At Petersburg High School

Former Petersburg HS and NFL Star Brings Championship Mentality to Crimson Wave



Petersburg High School officially introduced Jerome Mathis, a former Petersburg HS star and NFL All-Pro, as its new head football coach in February. Superintendent Yolonda Brown made the announcement before a crowd of students, faculty, and community members, expressing confidence in Mathis' leadership and vision for the Crimson Wave football program.

"Coach Mathis is exactly the kind of leader our student-athletes need," said Superintendent Brown. *"His passion for the game, his deep connection to this community, and his commitment to building strong, disciplined teams will elevate our football program and inspire our students to strive for excellence. His experience on and off the field, combined with his dedication to shaping young athletes, will have an immediate impact on our students, our school, and our community."*

A 2001 graduate of Petersburg High School, Mathis was a standout athlete in both track and football at Petersburg, leaving Petersburg one of the most decorated male track and field athletes ever and garnering all-state honors in football. He competed collegiately at Hampton University in both track and



football, earning All-American honors on the gridiron. Mathis then went on to receive All-Pro honors in the NFL while playing for Houston and later for Washington. Following his professional playing career, he transitioned into coaching, dedicated to mentoring young athletes and instilling the values of hard work, accountability, and perseverance - both on and off the field. *"It's an honor to come home and lead this team,"* said Coach Mathis. *"Petersburg has always*

been special to me, and I'm excited to build a program that not only competes at a high level but also develops student-athletes into strong leaders in the classroom, on the field, and in life." The Crimson Wave football program is set to enter a new era under Mathis' leadership. His hiring marks an exciting step forward for Petersburg High School athletics, and the school looks forward to the impact he will make on its students and the broader community.



Petersburg Welcomes Nine New Firefighters

Petersburg Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services is celebrating a significant milestone as nine new firefighters have successfully graduated from the Crater Regional Fire Academy. This achievement has brought the department back to full staffing levels, marking a turning point for the department, which has faced staffing challenges in recent years.

The graduation of these new recruits is a welcome development for the



department, which has been working diligently to address staffing shortages. With these additions, Petersburg Fire is now better equipped to serve the community and respond to emergencies effectively.

The new firefighters join a department that has been making significant strides in improving its capabilities. As we welcome these nine new members to the Petersburg firefighting family, we recognize the importance of

their role in our community. Their dedication and service will contribute to the department's mission of protecting and serving the citizens of Petersburg.

To our new firefighters: Welcome to the family! Your commitment to public safety and willingness to serve is commendable. As you embark on this challenging and rewarding career, know that you have the support of your fellow firefighters and the entire Petersburg community behind you.

Q&A with Live! CASINO • HOTEL VIRGINIA

Q The referendum was overwhelmingly passed in November 2024. What can the residents of Petersburg look forward to?

A We are thrilled by the support we have received from the people of Petersburg. Live! Casino & Hotel Virginia will be transformative for Petersburg. We are moving swiftly to bring jobs, revenue, and economic development to the city.

Q What areas of employment will the project bring, and when will you begin your recruiting process?

A Our immediate focus has been securing construction partners, and we anticipate about 6,000 construction jobs. Live! Casino & Hotel Virginia will have job opportunities in every field, including hotel operations, finance, marketing, human resources, information technologies, food and beverage, facilities, security and surveillance, and casino operations. Live! will partner with local educational institutions to provide training programs for jobs within the complex, including gaming and hospitality positions.

We've already begun participating in local job fairs and attended one recently at the Petersburg Public Library, providing information on what job seekers can expect. We will continue participating in pre-opening community-based job fairs, local job placement workshops, online job postings, job matching, and customized recruitment services. Anyone interested in learning more about our career opportunities should visit <https://valive.casino/opportunities/careers/>.



Q When can we expect construction to begin?

A We are on track to start construction this spring and we look forward to moving quickly to begin providing jobs and the economic revenue that the citizens of Petersburg voted for.

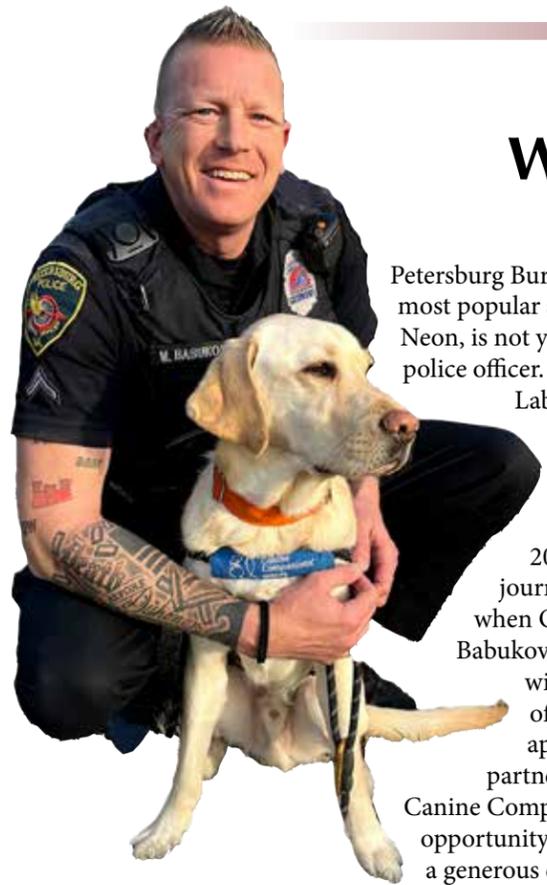
Q Does the casino have a commitment to working with local minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses?

A Yes! Live! Casino & Hotel Virginia ensures contract opportunities for local, MBE/WBE and veteran-owned companies. We will purchase millions of dollars in goods and services in the region.

Q How will Live! Casino & Hotel support our local community and non-profits?

A Community service is part of our DNA. We are committed to enhancing the communities where our Team Members and guests live and work. We have actively engaged in the Petersburg community for months, including supporting back-to-school events, Trunk or Treat, and donating 500 turkeys to Petersburg residents. We also helped provide shoes for children during the holidays.





Constant Companions Working for Our Community



Petersburg Bureau of Police's most popular ambassador, Neon, is not your typical police officer. He's a Golden Labrador who has brought joy and comfort to the community since April 2024. Neon's journey began when Officer Michael Babukovic, a dog lover with three dogs of his own, applied to be partnered with a Canine Companion. This opportunity arose through a generous donation from Governor Glenn Youngkin

and First Lady Suzanne S. Youngkin, who contributed the 2023 fourth-quarter gubernatorial salary to Canine Companions to provide two facility dogs for Petersburg.

Neon's role in the community goes beyond the typical duties of a police dog. He's trained to support individuals in high-stress situations, offering emotional comfort and building connections between the police and the community.

Neon's trained puppy raiser was Emma, a college student, who taught him to socialize and learn basic commands in daily environments from age 8 weeks to 8 months. He then underwent months of rigorous training at Canine Companions' New York facility. There, he learned 42 advanced commands to aid therapy, reduce anxiety, and enhance communication in professional settings.

For a dog to become a Canine Companion, they must pass a stringent training program and medical checks, including constant monitoring of their temperament. Only those who demonstrate proficiency and reliability graduate. Once trained, Neon and Officer Babukovic spent 10 days together learning how to work as a team before reporting for duty in Petersburg.

A Veteran Team

The "Veteran Team" label on Neon's harness signals Officer Babukovic's background. With 27 years of service in the National Guard and 19 years with the Petersburg Bureau of Police, Babukovic brings valuable insight into Neon's work with veterans, and it is this work that he finds particularly meaningful. Together, they regularly visit Poplar Springs Hospital, where they visit

veterans dealing with PTSD and other health challenges. Neon's calming presence allows veterans to play with him, pet him, and find comfort in his company.

Babukovic explains, "Neon brings everyone together. Petting a dog releases endorphins, creating joy for veterans, children, people who are sick—basically, anyone of any age."

A Bridge to the Community

Neon has become a beloved presence around Petersburg, bridging the gap between the police and the community. Before Neon, Officer Babukovic found that some citizens were nervous about approaching him. Now, with Neon by his side, people frequently approach and interact with him. He believes Neon's presence has helped change perceptions and is breaking down barriers. Babukovic shares, "I think Neon has helped change people's minds. They feel less intimidated and see we are just human too."

Neon's role extends beyond the police station. He visits local schools, where students often express how much they miss their own dogs while delighting in seeing their new friend. He's a regular at Walmart too, delighting shoppers and staff. Neon also visits the ER at Bon Secours Southside Medical Center, offering comfort to patients and staff. The nurses shower him with attention, and his visits provide a welcome distraction to those dealing with illness or injury. He also often plays an important role in being a calming presence by laying on the feet of victims and witnesses while they give testimony in court.

Neon also brings comfort to the police headquarters. Babukovic notes that Neon's presence helps relieve stress during tough days at work. Neon enjoys a relaxed home life when not on duty, with Officer Babukovic, his wife, and their other three dogs. Babukovic shares, "When we get home, I take his vest off and say the command 'release.' Sometimes, he wags his tail so hard it hits his cheeks! He immediately seeks out my wife, who he adores, then relaxes and snuggles with us and the other dogs."

Neon's Impact

First Lady Suzanne S. Youngkin praises Neon's contribution to the community, stating, "Neon's impact is palpable in Petersburg. I am so proud of the work the committed men and women in blue — and now our dedicated, four-legged friends — are doing to keep our communities safe and connected."

Petersburg Police Chief Travis Christian also recognizes the positive effect Neon has had, saying, "Having Neon onboard has been a tremendous asset. Neon has been a huge addition to building community bridges and relationships."

The City of Petersburg is fortunate to have received a second Canine Companion, Sox, who is doing outstanding work with our students at Blandford Academy.

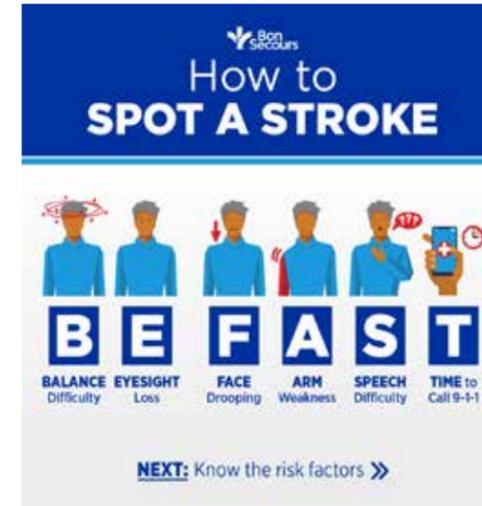
Bon Secours Southside Medical Center Provides State-of-the-Art Stroke Care



The Stroke Program at Bon Secours Southside Medical Center employs advanced technologies and a coordinated Stroke Team to deliver effective treatment for patients. In addition to high-quality care, the program offers educational resources to assist patients and the community in maintaining optimal health. In 2024, the center treated over 580 stroke patients from Petersburg.

The program has received the Silver Plus Performance Achievement Award from the American Heart Association's GTWG-Stroke initiative, recognizing hospitals consistently delivering stroke care. Bon Secours Southside Medical Center is certified by the Joint Commission as a primary Stroke Center and has earned the Gold Seal of Approval for quality stroke care.

Led by Stroke Coordinator Luis Pagan-Anderson, the program provides comprehensive management from emergency care to recovery, including support for disease management, rehabilitation, and prevention. In 2024, the Stroke Program received the Southside Medical Center Quality Pillar Award for excellence in stroke care and patient outcomes, which are reflected in a reduction in hospital stay duration and an overall increase in patients' ability to return home after a stroke. As the Stroke Program expands, additional technologies have been integrated into patient care to quickly detect seizure activity and monitor a patient's intracranial pressure.



Summer Internship Program

The City of Petersburg's fourth annual Summer Internship Program kicks off on June 17, 2025, offering valuable growth opportunities and hands-on experience to help kickstart students' professional journeys, prepare them for success, and build Petersburg's future workforce.

The internship position will be posted on the Job Opportunities page of the City of Petersburg website, here: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/petersburgva>. Additional announcements and information will also be shared across the city's official social media pages. The City is offering up to 100 internship positions this year. These are paid positions that are for a period of 8 weeks.

High School interns must be Petersburg residents and at least 14 years old. College interns must be enrolled in a four-year undergraduate program and are not required to be Petersburg residents.

For more information email SummerInternshipProgram@petersburg-va.org



How Zoning Changes Are Fueling Housing Growth in Petersburg



Petersburg has become a center of housing rehabilitation and development, with progress visible in neighborhoods across the City. This surge in housing activity hasn't gone unnoticed – in February 2025, a WTVR feature titled “The 3 Reasons Petersburg is Experiencing a Housing Boom” spotlighted Petersburg’s proximity to downtown Richmond, affordability, and abundant opportunities as driving factors. However, another less publicized element that plays a significant role in this transformation is zoning.

Zoning regulations determine how properties can be used and in what forms, setting rules that include building height, density, and lot size. Over the past year, Petersburg has changed its zoning ordinance, paving the way for substantial growth in housing development. These adjustments address long-standing barriers and encourage infill and rehabilitation, especially in older neighborhoods.

Petersburg City Council has approved the rehabilitation of long-vacant duplexes and single-family homes on previously non-compliant lots, transforming former liabilities into affordable housing opportunities.

Petersburg’s planning staff has also rediscovered existing but underutilized provisions in the zoning ordinance. For example, a rule allowing new homes to align with existing ones on a block rather than being set back from the street has become a game changer. This adjustment makes building on smaller lots in Petersburg’s older neighborhoods easier and blends new construction with existing streetscapes. Streets like Shore, Wilson, and Rome already showcase examples of housing developments made possible by the new regulations.

Volunteer Spotlight: Part of the Solution, Not the Pollution



The Petersburg Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, INC., is honored and pleased to be involved with our city’s Adopt-a-Street program, which helps keep

our neighborhoods clean and beautiful. The Chapter has adopted N. Sycamore Street as a part of the Adopt-a-Street Program, as well as being involved in the Adopt-a-Spot located at the corner of N. Sycamore Street and Wythe Street.

The Sorority believes that volunteering for these efforts is crucial not just for the physical improvement of our city, but also for fostering a sense of community and responsibility among residents. When we commit to cleaning up our neighborhoods, we enhance the environment and inspire others to take action. Each small effort contributes to a larger impact, creating a

cleaner, more inviting space for everyone.

“Together, we can work towards a cleaner, healthier city for all”, says Committee Chair Stacey Marshall, and “Remember, be part of the solution, not the pollution”.

The City of Petersburg thanks the members of the Petersburg Alumnae Chapter who participated in the latest clean-up event: Chapter President Sonja Tucker-Pride, Committee Chair Stacey Marshall, along with Chapter Members VP Linette Crenshaw Camp, Joyce Junior, Kujorie McKinney, Justice Griffin, Evelyn Storrs, and Ester Hines.

Adopt-A-Street & Adopt-A-Spot Program

Through the Adopt-A-Street and Adopt-A-Spot programs, caring citizens take part in preserving and maintaining streets throughout the City. A wide range of community organizations, like civic groups, businesses, schools, and churches, adopt sections of road in or near their communities and remove litter from those segments at least four times a year for a minimum of two years.

To find out more about this program, please visit <http://www.petersburg-va.org/434/Adopt-A-Street-Adopt-A-Spot-Program>



Important Update from City of Petersburg Department of Social Services

SAFEGUARDING YOUR SNAP BENEFITS

After 12/20/2024, there are no longer federal funds to replace SNAP benefits that were fraudulently removed from accounts, therefore, those taken **on or after 12/21/2024 CANNOT BE REPLACED**. However, Social Services continue to replace SNAP benefits fraudulently taken between 10/1/2022 – 12/20/2024.

DOWNLOAD THE APP AND LOCK YOUR CARD IN BETWEEN USES

Because of the increase in benefits theft in Virginia and across the United States, Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) strongly recommends that all SNAP customers use the Connect EBT app either on their phone (free from Apple and Google app stores) or through the online portal at <https://www.connectebt.com/>.

This new feature, combined with customers changing their PINs often and looking for skimming devices in stores before making a purchase, should help reduce the amount of fraud Virginia faces.

The lock/unlock feature only takes a minute to use with just a few taps, allowing customers to lock their **EBT card** right after making a purchase and then unlocking it right before the next time they use the card. You can also call the Virginia EBT Client Customer Service Help desk at (866) 281-2448 to speak to a representative to unlock your card.

VDSS offers this feature to help prevent benefits theft. If you suspect your EBT card was accessed or used without your consent, immediately change your card PIN and call the Client Customer Service Helpdesk at (866) 281-2448.

How to download and use the ConnectEBT app on your mobile device:



To learn more about protecting yourself from EBT Scams, scan the QR code below or visit https://www.dss.virginia.gov/benefit/EBTScam/protect_yourself/

Protect Yourself From EBT Scams

1. CHOOSE A PIN THAT YOU CAN REMEMBER BUT IS HARD FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO GUESS.
2. DON'T USE EASY NUMBERS LIKE YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER.
3. MEMORIZE YOUR PIN - DON'T WRITE IT DOWN.
4. NEVER TELL ANYONE YOUR PIN!

VIRGINIA FRESH MATCH PROGRAM

<p>At River Street Market, customers can use their SNAP/EBT cards at the market booth and receive DOUBLE dollars on the amount spent on fresh fruits and vegetables. Saturday mornings year-round: 9 am – 12 pm, 106 River Street.</p>	<p>At the Market at PPL, they accept cash, debit, credit and SNAP. With SNAP/EBT they can offer an extra 50% off all fruits and vegetables with Virginia Fresh Match. Inside the Public Library, 201 W. Washington Street, Monday - Thursday from 12 pm - 6 pm.</p>	<p>At Harrison's Sofresh Supermarket, 1900 W. Washington Street, customers receive 50% off produce when paying with SNAP/EBT.</p>	<p>P.L.U.G. Mobile Farmstand 50% off fruits and vegetables with SNAP/EBT. For schedule and pop up locations, visit https://petersburgisgrowing.org/</p>
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Petersburg Welcomes New Businesses!



Ice Cream Cakes & Crepes
115 Harrison Street
icecreamcakescrepes.com



Pipe Up Fitness
1337 W. Washington Street
(804) 859-9950



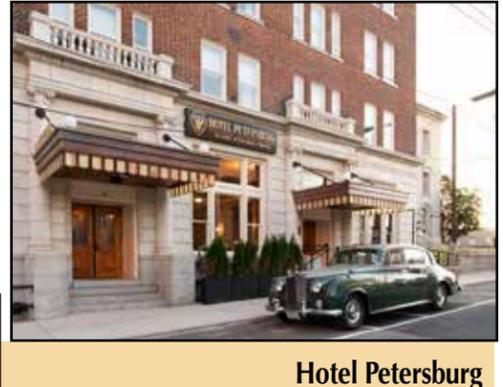
804 Skate City
2793 S. Crater Road
@804SkateCity



Tortilleria Tecuani
2135 County Drive
(804) 629-6963



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Hotel Petersburg
20 W. Tabb Street | www.thehotelpetersburg.com
Stay in one of 64 luxury guest rooms or suites, enjoy food and drink at Shirley's Bar and Restaurant, The Boiler Room, and seasonally at 20 West Rooftop Lounge.



Old Towne Perks
404-A N. Sycamore Street
@oldtowneperks



Trifecta Auto Repair
850 S. Sycamore Street
(804) 805-8706



Griffin Lounge
108 E. Washington Street
(804) 998-8887

Petersburg Sheriff's Office - TRIAD

The Triad partnership in Petersburg works to protect our growing elderly population. A major purpose of Triad is to develop, expand, and implement effective crime prevention and safety programs for older Virginians. We meet monthly and bring an expert in various fields to ensure that our senior population can live safely in their homes. Our meeting schedule for the next year is listed here. All of our meetings are held at the Petersburg Public Library. Should you need additional information about TRIAD or any of the programs that the Petersburg Sheriff's Office sponsors, please contact Sheriff Vanessa Crawford or any of her staff at (804) 733-2369.

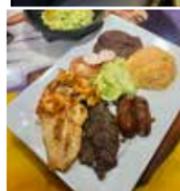
2025 TRIAD Meeting Schedule

All TRIAD meetings take place in the Library Conference and Event Center

March 20:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
April 17:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
May 15:	10:00 am - 3:00 pm Annual Senior Day
June 19:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
July 17:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
August 21:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
September 25:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
October 16:	11:00 am - 3:00 pm meeting and movie
November 13:	8:00 am - 3:00 pm TRIAD Thanksgiving Celebration
December 18:	8:00 am - 3:00 pm TRIAD Holiday Celebration



Wings and Tacos
307 N. Sycamore Street
(804) 805-8130



El Paraiso 2
2138 S. Crater Road
(804) 894-8422



Maria's Tienda y Taqueria
1847 S. Crater Road
(804) 504-5230

FREE BOOKS!

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is now in Petersburg! Enroll your child today, and they will receive one free book in the mail every month until they turn 5. 130 kids have already signed up in Petersburg alone, so join the community of readers today and build the foundation for reading early!

Any child from 0 to 5 is eligible, and multiple children in a family can enroll.

Use the QR code or go to <https://imaginationlibrary.com/check-availability>. Paper forms can also be found at the children's desk at the Petersburg Public Library.



For more information or questions, please contact: Kimberly Fehrs: kimberly@imaginationlibraryva.org

Department of Recreation, Special Events, & Volunteerism

Spring Break Camp

March 31 - April 3
 9 am - 3 pm
 Ages 6 - 12
 Petersburg High School
 Lunch provided
 Cost: \$20
 (Petersburg Residents ONLY)
 Before/After Care available for an additional \$10
 To register, email recreation@petersburg-va.org
 or call (804) 324-4015



SUMMERCAMP

June 16 - August 1
 Ages 6 - 12
 9 am - 4 pm
 Lakemont Elementary School
 Free (Petersburg Residents ONLY)
 Breakfast and Lunch provided
 For pre-registration information,
 email recreation@petersburg-va.org
 or call (804) 324-4015



UPCOMING EVENTS



Donamatrix Day events:
April 3 - 5
 For more information, registration, and tickets, visit www.donamatrix.com/donamatrixday.
April 3: The Senior Experience: Donamatrix Workout, Adults (Ages 60+) at Tabernacle Baptist Church
April 4: The Benefit Gala at Petersburg Public Library, 6:30 pm - 10 pm (ticketed event with all proceeds benefiting our Recreation, Special Events & Volunteerism Department programs)
April 5: Donamatrix Day "Fit Fest" at Petersburg High School. Free to attend, 10 am - 2 pm.



Radiohead's Creep. For more info, visit paalarts.org.

PAAL presents Avie Sheck
 Petersburg Area Art League is thrilled to announce that Avie Sheck will be performing on April 18 and 19 in the PAAL Art Park. Avie is an artist/producer born in the Himalayas. He comes from a long line of classical Indian Musicians - particularly his mother, Uma. Recently, he and his mom made waves on the internet with over 30 million views of their cover of



Historic Garden Week:
April 29, 10 am - 4 pm
 The Petersburg tour will focus on the High Street area this year. Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$50 on the day. For more information, visit www.visitpetersburgva.org.

Reenactment Weekend at Battersea:
April 26 - 27
 Revolutionary War Reenactment Weekend at Battersea, April 26 and 27, part of Petersburg's VA250 commemoration. Free event, all are welcome. Visit batterseafound.org or visitpetersburgva.org for more details and the schedule of events.



Armed Forces Day:
May 17, 10 am - 9 pm
 A day of celebration to honor our nation's military personnel. Opening ceremony with military officials, appearance by Mr. America, a fun day for the whole family including interactive exhibits, military equipment, live music, and food vendors. Join the festivities in Old Towne at Petersburg Area Art League and Trapezium Harbor Park. More details will be posted on visitpetersburgva.org.



Friday for the Arts!
 Friday for the Arts! is held every 2nd Friday of the month. Visit art galleries, listen to music, and enjoy the work of local creators.
www.VisitPetersburgVA.org



To keep up with all events and places to visit, eat, and shop, go to our tourism website at www.VisitPetersburgVA.org.



Senior Field Trips
 Participation requires registration as an active member in our Senior Program. Registration deadline for field trips is one week prior to the trip.
March 26: Virginia Museum of Fine Arts - \$10
April 9: Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens - \$20
April 23: Virginia Repertory Theater (Dial M for Murder) - \$50
May 7: Cinema Café Movie (TBA) - \$10
May 21: Resolution Winery - \$10 | **June 4:** Croaker's Spot - \$10
 If you'd like to join the Senior Program, you must be a City resident to enroll OR a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church. Please reach out to the Office of Recreation, Special Events & Volunteerism for additional information: (804) 324-4015 or recreation@petersburg-va.org.

FARMER STREET POOL

We are preparing for summer pool fun by resurfacing and renovating Farmer Street Pool. This will be completed in time for the pool to open the weekend of Memorial Day. While school is in session, the pool is open on weekends only, Saturday and Sunday, from 12 pm - 6 pm. During the school summer break, it is open Tuesday - Saturday from 12 pm - 6 pm. On Memorial and Labor Day weekends, the pool is open Saturday, Sunday and Monday, from 12 pm - 6 pm. Please note that the pool closes between 3 and 4 pm each day for a staff lunch break.



City Council Meetings

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

Public Meetings

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

Legends Park Renovations

Legends Park basketball, tennis and pickleball courts renovation and construction coming soon - this project is scheduled to be completed summer of 2025.



We will be offering free Pickleball lessons this spring at Farmer Street Park! Stay tuned for more information that will be posted to our Facebook Page - Petersburg VA - or email or call us at recreation@petersburg-va.org or (804) 324-4015.



Know When Tax Bills Are Due

Personal Property Taxes: June 10, 2025 Real Estate Taxes: June 30, 2025 | September 30, 2025 | December 31, 2025

WATER BILLS: Due by the 5th of each month

CITYWIDE CLEANUP May 10, 2025

It's that time of year! Do you have old appliances, trash or other bulky items you would like to get rid of during the Citywide Cleanup? YOU have an opportunity to DUMP YOUR JUNK for FREE on May 10, 2025.



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. For all information and updates regarding PAT, please visit www.ridepat.com. Dogwood Trace Golf Course is open on all holidays except for Christmas Day.

Memorial Day - Monday, May 26 | Juneteenth - Thursday, June 19 | Independence Day - Friday, July 4



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Petersburg City Council Elects Mayor and Vice Mayor



Left - Vice Mayor Hill, Right - Mayor Sam Parham

Petersburg City Council held an organizational meeting in January. Sam Parham, who was first elected Mayor in January 2017, was re-elected by fellow council members and has continued to serve as Mayor since then.

Darrin Hill was elected as Vice Mayor. Vice Mayor Hill has served on Petersburg City Council since 2015. This is his 2nd term as Vice Mayor.

The terms of Mayor and Vice Mayor are for two years.

Petersburg City Council



Left to right

- Annette Smith-Lee Ward 6 - alee@petersburg-va.org
- Arnold Westbrook, Jr. Ward 7 - awestbrook@petersburg-va.org
- Vice Mayor Darrin Hill Ward 2 - dhill@petersburg-va.org
- Mayor Samuel Parham Ward 3 - sparham@petersburg-va.org
- W. Howard Myers Ward 5 - whowardmyers@petersburg-va.org
- Charles Cuthbert Ward 4 - ccuthbert@petersburg-va.org
- Marlow Jones Ward 1 - mjones@petersburg-va.org

Inaugural Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Parade



The Petersburg Sheriff's Office and the City of Petersburg proudly hosted the inaugural Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Parade on January 20, 2025, honoring Dr. King's legacy of equality and justice. Starting on Pocahontas Island, the celebration featured city officials, law enforcement, classic car groups, dance troupes, and more! Grand Marshals Rev. Dr. Andrew & Gracie White, friends of Dr. King, added a special significance to the event. Together, we celebrated unity, peace, and progress. Scan the QR code to take a look at some of the parade highlights. <https://www.facebook.com/CityofPetersburgVA/videos/1423210331992010>

