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Colonial Heights Courthouse Grand Opening to Include Placement of Time Capsule

Citizens Encouraged to Offer Items of Local Significance

As part of the opening ceremonies for the new City Courthouse on October 18, the City of Colonial Heights will be installing a *Time Capsule* to commemorate the event.

Time capsules are a traditional part of the opening of new public buildings; and are typically a historic collection of goods or information, usually intended as a method of communication with future people and/or historians. The Colonial Heights *Time Capsule* is scheduled to be opened in October of 2098, during the City's Sesquicentennial.

For its Courthouse *Time Capsule*, the City is asking for the public's help in identifying items of local and/or historical significance to be considered for inclusion.

"The Time Capsule will be a fun and educational component to the Courthouse Project," said City Manager Tom Mattis. "Our goal is to assemble a collection of items that generally depict life in the city during its first 65 years of incorporation."

Any and all citizens or groups are welcome to propose items for the *Time Capsule*, which should be submitted to the City Manager's Office no later than **Friday, October 11, 2013**. For more information, contact Elke Gibbs at 201 James Avenue, Colonial Heights, VA 23834 — (804) 520-9265 or at: gibbse@colonialheightsva.gov.

All citizens are invited to attend the Grand Opening and Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony to mark the opening of the new City Courthouse on **Friday, October 18, 2013 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.** at 550 Boulevard. The ceremony will include tours for the general public of this new state-of-art facility.

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About Colonial Heights

The City of Colonial Heights is a full-service independent Virginia city that is home to just over 17,000 residents and serves as the market center for the Tri-Cities Area (which includes the cities of Petersburg and Hopewell, Prince George and Dinwiddie Counties and Fort Lee). For more information about Colonial Heights, please visit www.colonialheightsva.gov.