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COUNCIL COLUMN



John E. Piotrowski, Councilman

Dear Citizens of Colonial Heights,

As the days grow longer and the first signs of spring begin to emerge, I want to take a moment to welcome this new season and reflect on all that we've accomplished together in recent months. Spring brings with it a sense of renewal and optimism, and I'm excited for the opportunities and growth that lie ahead for Colonial Heights. First,

I want to express my sincere gratitude to our dedicated Utility and Public Works Departments. This past winter, our city experienced harsh conditions, but these teams worked relentlessly in bitter cold temperatures to address water line breaks, clearing snow, and ensure our streets were safe for travel. Their tireless efforts kept the infrastructure of our city functioning smoothly despite the many challenges. It is through their dedication and hard work that Colonial Heights continues to thrive, and we are truly grateful for their contributions. As we leave the winter behind, there is much to look forward to in the warmer months. One of the highlights of our spring calendar is the Fort Clifton Festival over Mother's Day weekend May 10-11, 2025. This cherished event is an opportunity for all of us to come together and celebrate the rich history, culture, and spirit of Colonial Heights. The festival offers something for everyone—exciting entertainment, delicious food, and a variety of activities for families and friends. It is always a fun and vibrant celebration, and I encourage you to mark your calendars and join us in this wonderful event. In addition to the festival, we are also gearing up for the return of the Tri-Cities Chili Peppers baseball season. There's nothing quite like the excitement of a ballgame to bring our community together, and I'm looking forward to the thrill of cheering on our local team.

Baseball games are a great way to enjoy the outdoors, spend time with loved ones, and connect with neighbors, all while supporting our local athletes. I hope to see many of you at the ballpark this season, enjoying the energy and camaraderie that make our community so special. Spring is a time of growth, renewal, and connection. As we move into this new season, let us carry forward the strength, resilience, and unity that have always defined Colonial Heights.

Together, we will continue to build a city that is not only a wonderful place to live but a thriving community where everyone is welcomed and valued. Thank you once again for all you do to make Colonial Heights a great place to call home. I am grateful for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and enjoying all that spring has to offer.

Warm regards,
John E. Piotrowski, Vice-Mayor

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 2025

Mar. 4	Planning Commission Council Chambers	6:00pm
Mar.11	City Council Regular Meeting Council Chambers	7:00pm
Mar. 18	City Council Special Meeting Council Chambers	6:00 pm

APRIL 2025

Apr 1	Planning Commission Council Chambers	6:00pm
Apr. 8	City Council Regular Meeting Council Chambers	7:00pm
Apr. 18	City Holiday (Government Offices Closed)	
Apr. 22	City Council Special Meeting (Budget Worksession) Council Chambers	6:00pm
Apr. 29	City Council Special Meeting (Public Hearing FY 25-26 Annual Operating Budget) Council Chambers	6:00pm

MAY 2025

May 6	Planning Commission Council Chambers	6:00pm
May 13	City Council Regular Meeting Council Chambers	7:00pm
May 20	City Council Special Meeting Council Chambers	6:00 pm
May 26	City Holiday (Government Offices Closed)	

IMPORTANT COLONIAL HEIGHTS PHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire Emergency	Dial 911
Police/Fire Non-Emergency	(804)520-9300
Billing & Collection	(804)520-9320
Circuit Court	(804)520-9364
Citizens Assistance Hotline	(804) 520-9266
Colonial Heights Health Department	(804)520-9380
CH Recycling Center	(804)479-7056 (Household Hazardous Waste & Other Materials)
Commissioner of Revenue.....	(804)520-9280
Curbside Trash/Recycling Services.....	(804)340-0900
General District Court.....	(804)520-9346
Juv & Domestic Relations District Court	(804)451-0213
Library	(804)520-9384
Office on Youth & Human Services.....	(804)520-9286
Planning & Community Development....	(804)520-9297
Recreation & Parks	(804)520-9390
Registrar/Director of Elections	(804)520-9277
Sheriff	(804)520-9352
Street Maintenance.....	(804)520-9372
Treasurer	(804)520-9321
Utilities Billing.....	(804)520-9288

North Elementary School Turns 65

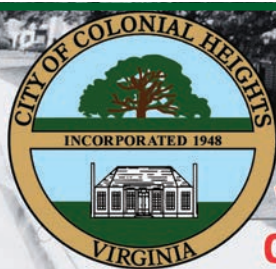
Join us in celebrating 65 years of excellence at North Elementary School!

Throughout the 2024-2025 school year, we'll be hosting special events and activities leading up to a grand celebration in April 2025.

Stay tuned for more details, and if you'd like to contribute items, time, or funds, please contact Candy Llewellyn at North Elementary:

📞 804-524-3430 ✉️ candy_llewellyn@colonialhts.net

Let's make history together! #NorthElementary65th



VACANCY NOTICE FOR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

The City of Colonial Heights is seeking dedicated and passionate individuals to fill vacancies on its various boards, commissions, and Committees. This is a unique opportunity to contribute to the betterment of our community and play a pivotal role in shaping its future. We currently have openings on the following boards, commissions, and committees:

- Advisory Board on Police-Requested Towing
- Board of Architectural Review
- Board of Zoning Appeals
- CVWMA Citizens Advisory Committee
- City Wetlands Board
- Economic Development Authority
- Historical Commission
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Transportation Safety Commission
- Youth Services Commission



For more information and assistance with the application process, please contact Pam Wallace, City Clerk, at 804-520-9360 or wallacep@colonialheightsva.gov.



HELLO
Spring



Lawn Equipment Theft Prevention

- Store lawn equipment in a locked shed or garage when not in use.
- Use heavy-duty locks and chains to secure high-value tools.
- Avoid leaving equipment unattended in yards or driveways.
- Mark tools with identifiable information (e.g., engraving your initials or phone number).
- Install motion-sensor lighting near storage areas to deter thieves.

Car Break-In Prevention

- Park in well-lit, high-visibility areas or secure garages.
- Never leave valuables in plain sight-store them in the trunk or take them inside.
- Lock your vehicle at all times, even in your driveway.
- Invest in anti-theft devices like steering wheel locks or alarms.
- Report any suspicious activity in parking lots or neighborhoods promptly.

PROTECT YOUR CAR FROM THEFT

CITY CLEAN-UP ADOPT-A-ROADWAY

**Saturday,
April 26, 2025
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**Volunteers will meet
in the Community
Building at 8 a.m.**



Registration

Visit www.colonialheightsva.gov
(Latest News & Events)

Questions?

Please contact Stacey Peterson
petersons@colonialheightsva.gov
804-520-9334

***Supplies, free t-shirts,
coffee, & refreshments
will be provided!***



GRASS CUTTING SEASON STARTS APRIL 1st!

**\$100 +
\$100 +
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*Please ensure any grass, weeds, or other foreign
growth is maintained below 12 inches in height.*

**Penalties for enforcement of
tall grass violations:**

\$100 Civil penalty
PLUS \$100 ADMINISTRATIVE
CHARGE **PLUS THE COST TO
CUT YOUR GRASS**

7 Days

**Upon notice, you have
7 days to cut the grass to
avoid enforcement action**



OFFICE HOURS:

MON - Fri, 8:30am - 5:00pm

P.O. Box 3401 / 901 Meridian Avenue

Colonial Heights, VA 23834

www.colonialheightsva.gov/recandparks

Recreation and Parks Office (804)520-9390

Senior Activities & Classes (804)520-9226

Senior Transportation (804)520-9219

Office on Youth & Human Services (804)520-9286

Weather Cancellation Line (804)524-8788

Violet Bank Museum (804)520-9395

REGISTER BY MAIL

To register by mail, send your registration form with check to:

Colonial Heights Recreation and Parks

P.O. Box 3401

Colonial Heights, VA 23834

REGISTER IN PERSON

To register in-person, please visit our office, MON - Fri 8:30am-5:00pm:

Recreation and Parks Office Shepherd Stadium, 901 Meridian Avenue

Colonial Heights, VA 23834

REGISTER BY PHONE

Call the office at (804)520-9390 during office hours to register. All phone-in registrants are responsible for signing a waiver form and returning it to the Recreation office before the first class.

REGISTER ONLINE

To register online, please visit us at

www.colonialheightsva.gov/recandparks and click the Recreation Programs link.

DROP BOX

We have a drop box for after hours collection of registrations, payments and uniforms; located in front of our office at Shepherd Stadium, 901 Meridian Avenue. Checks only, please do not place cash in the drop box.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

The Recreation Dept accepts Cash, Check, money order and major Credit Cards.

Please make checks payable to:

"City of Colonial Heights"

\$50 fee may apply for returned checks



COLONIAL HEIGHTS RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT

Sports & Athletics

Youth Baseball/Softball Registration

Registration for 2025 youth baseball and softball leagues will begin on Jan 1, 2025. The deadline to register is Mar 17, 2025. To register you must be a City of Colonial Heights resident. Practices begin in Apr. Practice/game times will vary depending on the number of teams in each league.

Fee: \$20 until Mar 17

\$30 after Mar 17

(Children registered after deadline may be placed on a waiting list)

Coed Instructional/Developmental:

U4 Blast Ball Grades PreK-K

U5 T-Ball Grades K-1

U7 Coach Pitch Grades 2-3

U9 Machine Pitch Grades 4-5

Boys Competitive (CBC):

U10 Baseball Grades 4-5

U12 Baseball Grades 6-7

U15 Baseball Grades 8-9

Girls Competitive (CYSA/CBC):

U10 Fastpitch Softball Grades 4-5

U12 Fastpitch Softball Grades 6-7

U15 Fastpitch Softball Grades 8-9

Please Note: The City Council has approved a change allowing non-resident children to participate in our youth sports programs (baseball, basketball, cheer, and flag football). City residents will continue to pay the subsidized rate of \$20 per sport, while non-residents will pay \$75 per sport season.

Youth Red Ball Tennis

The Red Ball Team League is a new and exciting team-based program aimed at introducing young players from third through sixth grade to the sport of tennis. Our red ball team league offers initial instruction and practice and then transitions to weekly match play, creating an atmosphere of learning and fun! Players can expect to be placed on a team and play singles and doubles with a simplified scoring format. Players will be supplied with a racquet, balls, and instruction with a USTA certified instructor.

Tues/Thurs Apr 8-May 15 6:00pm-7:00pm
\$60/person

Middle School Tennis Courts

Serve It Up Pickleball!

4-Week Beginner & Intermediate Pickleball – Hone your skills or learn the ropes at our weekly Pickleball Night! This inclusive program welcomes players of all levels. Beginners will be instructed in the rules of the game, then build confidence with fundamental drills. Intermediate players can push their skills further with focused stations targeting specific techniques, and modified doubles games ensure everyone has a fun and competitive experience. It's a great chance to meet fellow pickleball enthusiasts and celebrate the sport together!

Mondays 4/7-6/30 6:00pm – 8:00pm

\$3 / Drop in per class

Lakeview Pickleball Courts

35+ Serve It Up Pickleball!

4-Week Beginner & Intermediate Pickleball – Hone your skills or learn the ropes at our weekly Pickleball Night! This inclusive program welcomes players of all levels, but over the age of 35. Beginners will be instructed in the rules of the game, then build confidence with fundamental drills. Intermediate players can push their skills further with focused stations targeting specific techniques, and modified doubles games ensure everyone has a fun and competitive experience. It's a great chance to meet fellow pickleball enthusiasts and celebrate the sport together.

Thurs 4/10-6/26 9:00am – 11:00am

\$3 / Drop in per class

Lakeview Pickleball Courts

Hello/Goodbye Round Robin Pickleball League

This 3-Week Hello/Goodbye Round Robin League has enough room for 24 players per evening, reported scores will be used to publish cumulative weekly win/loss and total points scored standings! Making consistency in participation important!

*Pre-Registration Highly Recommended (Limited to 24/session)

April League - Apr 11, 18 & 25 6:00pm – 8:00pm Lakeview Park Pickleball Courts
\$3 Drop in

May League - May 9, 16 & 23 6:00pm – 8:00pm Lakeview Park Pickleball Courts
\$3 Drop in

June League - June 6, 13 & 20 6:00pm – 8:00pm Lakeview Park Pickleball Courts
\$3 Drop in



Beginner Swing Dance / Intermediate 6-Count Class Series

Join our instructors, Roger and Denise Underhill, for this 6-week beginner and/or intermediate swing dance class series! Whether you're a smooth mover or a two-left-footed rookie, these partner dance lessons are the perfect way to ignite your groove. The beginner class at 6:00 pm will guide you through the fundamentals - moving together, leading and following, and turning those fumbles into fancy footwork. For seasoned dancers, the 7:30 pm intermediate class exploring the vast world of 6-Count dances, like East Coast Swing, Carolina Shag, and the Philly Bop. Don't have a partner? No problem! Both classes welcome solo adventurers and duos. Before you know it, you'll be gliding across the floor wherever music plays, leaving a trail of rhythm and smiles in your wake. So, come on down and let's dance!

Spring Session (April / May)- Wednesday Night Series starts on April 9 Beginner 6:00pm - 7:30 pm / Intermediate - 7:30pm - 9:00pm FREE Colonial Heights Optimist Building

Beginner Swing Dance / Intermediate 8-Count Class Series

Join our instructors, Roger and Denise Underhill, for this 6-week beginner and/or intermediate swing dance class series! Whether you're a smooth mover or a two-left-footed rookie, these partner dance lessons are the perfect way to ignite your groove. The beginner class at 6:00 pm will guide you through the fundamentals - moving together, leading and following, and turning those fumbles into fancy footwork. For the seasoned dancers, the 7:30 pm intermediate class exploring the 8-count dance, like Lindy Hop, Charleston, Balboa. We will explore this movement and invent ways to add it to your dancing repertoire! Don't have a partner? No problem! Both classes welcome solo adventurers and duos. Before you know it, you'll be gliding across the floor wherever music plays, leaving a trail of rhythm and smiles in your wake. So, come on down and let's dance!

Spring Session (April / May)- Thursday Night Series starts on April 10 Beginner 6:00pm - 7:30pm / Intermediate 7:30p - 9:00pm FREE Colonial Heights Optimist Building

Archery

Recommended for ages 10+. NASP certified instructors will teach the basics of target archery, including range safety and proper technique. Participants will

learn to shoot compound bows in a controlled environment. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/28.

Thur, May 29. 5:30p-7:30p.
Fort Clifton Park. \$20/Participant.

Belly Dance

Ages 13+

This class is designed to teach the traditional Cabaret Style belly dancing while providing an excellent cardio workout that strengthens your core and your abdominal and lower body muscles. All shapes, sizes, and fitness levels are welcome.

Thur 3/6-3/27 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Thur 4/3-4/24 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Thur 5/1-5/29 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
\$30 Community Center

Soul Line Dance w/Rhonda

Ages 13+

Rhonda is a nationally-recognized soul line dance instructor. Come learn basic terminology, counts, footwork, and learn dances with easy-to-follow steps. Dances vary in tempo (slow - very fast). As your skills develop expect to see slightly more challenging dances. Classes are held every Tuesday.

Tue 3/4-3/25 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Tue 4/1-4/29 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Tue 5/6-5/27 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
\$5/class Community Center

Youth Martial Arts/Self Defense

Ages 7-18

This class focuses on strong basics, self-discipline, respect and teamwork concentrating on martial arts and self-defense techniques. All fitness and experience levels are welcome. No contracts, pay by the month.

Tue 3/4-3/25 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Tue 4/1-4/29 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Tue 5/6-5/27 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
\$30 Lakeview Elem. Gym

Adult Martial Arts/Self Defense

Ages 18+

This class focuses on strong basics, self-discipline, respect and teamwork concentrating on martial arts and self-defense techniques. All fitness and experience levels are welcome. No contracts, pay by the month.

Thur 3/6-3/27 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Thur 4/3-4/24 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Thur 5/1-5/29 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
\$30 Lakeview Elem. Gym

Fitness Warriors Overflow with Ebo

Ages 13+

We have partnered with Sports backers to

bring you this FREE and fun fitness class on Monday evenings. Overflow with Ebo - A beginner friendly fun mix of Cardio, Pilates and Yoga. We move to the beat all while improving muscle strength, balance and flexibility.

Mon 3/3-3/31 6:00 p.m.
Mon 4/7-4/28 6:00 p.m.
Mon 5/5-5/22 6:00 p.m.
FREE Community Center

Fitness Warriors - Juju's Fit Fix

Ages 13+

We have partnered with Sports backers to bring you this FREE and fun fitness class on Thursday evenings. A 60 minute light and fun cardio class to get the heart rate going and the body moving to some great music.

Thur 3/6-3/27 6:30 p.m.
Thur 4/3-4/24 6:30 p.m.
Thur 5/1-5/29 6:30 p.m.
FREE Community Center

Family Fun

Leprechaun Trap Building

Recommended for all ages. Join us in a time of creativity and building to make a trap for you to take home to catch your leprechaun! This trap will be ready in time for St. Patrick's Day. All equipment/materials will be provided. Parent Participation required. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/13.

Fri, Mar 14. 5:30p-7p
Community Center. Free.

Pop Princess Night

Recommended for ages 5+. Join us as we celebrate all the pop princesses on the radio today! Bring out your friends for bracelet making, dancing, photo wall, finger foods and more! All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-registration required. Registration Deadline: 4/10. Fri, Apr 11. 6p-8:30p Community Center. \$5/Person.

Puzzle Puzzloozie

Recommended for ages 5+. Get your puzzle on in this friendly competition! Race to be the first team to complete a 500-piece puzzle. You will have two hours to complete the puzzle. Register in teams of up to four. All equipment/materials/puzzles will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/1.

Fri, May 2. 6p-8p.
Community Center. \$12/Team (Team includes up to 4 individuals).

Youth & Teen Fun:

World of Wildlife

Recommended for Grades K-5. Join us in celebrating World Wildlife Day by learning about giraffes, sloths and kolas. Enjoy learning fun facts, creating a craft to represent each animal and more! All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/2. Mon, Mar 3. 5:30p-7p. Senior Center. \$3/Child.

Croc & Roll:

Recommended for Grades 6-12. We welcome those of all abilities. Wear your favorite pair of crocs and join us for an evening of pizza, music, friendship bracelets and trading jibbitz! Every registration will include a bag of random jibbitz that can either be kept or traded for different ones with other participants! Visit our Zen Den room to relax and take a breath from all the fun! All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/6. Fri, Mar 7. 6:30p-9p. Community Center. \$5/Teen.

Imagination Thursday's

Recommended for Grades K-5. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us as we use creative thinking to complete STEM challenges. This interactive program will engage our brains and hands as we build, create and plan designs! All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Thur, Mar 13. 5:30p-6:30p. Theme: St. Patrick's Day STEM. Thur, Apr 24 5:30p-6:30p. Theme: Fizzing and Bubbling Things. Thur, May 15. 5:30p-6:30p. Theme: Straw Challenges. Senior Center. \$3/Child.

Recycle Robots

Recommended for Grades K-5. Join us in celebrating Global Recycling Day by making your own robots! We will use recycled materials and re-purpose them to make new creations. All equipment/materials will be provided. Parent participation required. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/16. Mon, Mar 17. 5:30p-6:30p. Senior Center. Free.

Artistic Adventures

Recommended for Grades 6-8. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us for a creative evening! Work on various projects from painting canvases and totes.

All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Mon, Mar 24 DIY Heart String Art Kit. 5:30p-7p. Mon, Apr 28. Pour Painting. 5:30p-7p. Senior Center. \$5/Teen.

Artapalooza

Recommended for Grades K-5. Join us for a night of random crafting! We will pull out extra craft kits we have left over from 2024 for you to choose from. Participants can all work on different crafts throughout the time. This is self-guided, and participants choose what they want to work on. Staff will be onsite to help with the various craft projects. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 4/9. Thur, Apr 10. 5:30p-7p. Senior Center. \$3/Child.

Princess Tea

Recommended for Grades K-5. Calling all princess and queens to join this fun take on a tea party. Wear your favorite or fanciest dress and get ready to enjoy finger foods, drink (ice)tea, play games, make crafts and more. This will be an unforgettable day! Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 4/24. Sat, Apr 26. 11a-1p. Violet Bank Museum. \$5/Person (Please register both adults and children attending).

Space Explorers

Recommended for Grades K-5. Join us in celebrating National Space Day (May 6) with this outer space themed program! We will learn what it takes to become an astronaut, learn about what is within the Milky Way Galaxy and galaxies beyond! All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/3. Mon, May 5. 5:30p-7p. Senior Center. \$3/Child.

Youth Intro to Cooking Classes

Ages 5-12. Join us for some fun intro to cooking classes for your child. Each night listed participants will get to work hands on to create fun food for the theme of the night. All supplies are included in the fee.

Let's Cook Out

Fri, Apr, 4 6pm-8pm
\$10 Community Center

Spring Salads

Fri, May, 9 6pm-8pm
\$10 Community Center

Preschool Fun:

Rad Rainbows

Recommended for ages 2-5. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us for a St. Patrick's Day themed program. We will make crafts, play in sensory bins and more! Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/5. Thur, Mar 6. 11a-12p. Library. Free.

Tadpole Time

Recommended for ages 2-5. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us for some time learning about nature through books, crafts, games and other activities! Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Fri, Mar 28. Theme: Funny Frogs. 10:30a-11:30a. Fri, Apr 25. Theme: Gardens & Flowers. 10:30a-11:30a. Library. Free.

Barnyard Pals

Recommended for ages 2-5. Join us for this program on farm animals. We'll read a book, make a craft, play in sensory bins and more! Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Please note, there will be no live animals. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 4/16. Thur, April 17. 10:30a-11:30a. Library. Free.

World of Color

Recommended for ages 2-5. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us for a colorful morning as we play with and explore mixing colors. Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Registration Deadline: 4/30. Thur, May 1. 10:30a-11:30a. White Bank Park. Free.

Preschool Prom

Recommended for ages 2-5. Join us at the Prom, Preschool Prom that is! Get all dressed up in your best and head out for an evening of dancing, games, food and more. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/1. Sat, May 3. 5p-7p. Community Center. \$5/Child.

Slimy Friends

Recommended for ages 2-5. Join us in celebrating Amphibian Week! This program is sensory based to learn about amphibians and our "slimy" friends. Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Please note, there will be no live animals. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/8.
Fri, May 9. 10:30a-11:30a.
White Bank Park. Free.

Mini Scientists

Recommended for ages 2-5. Join us as we explore science through a variety of activities! Make things fizz, bubble and more as you become a scientist. Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/15.
Fri, May 16. 10:30a-11:30a.
White Bank Park. Free.

Wiggle Worms

Recommended for ages 2-5. Join us each week to discover and learn about a new park in Colonial Heights! We will explore the park, use our senses, make crafts and more! Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 5/21.
Thur. May 22. 10:30a-11:30a.
White Bank Park. Free.

Bubble Bonanza

Recommended for ages 1-5. Join staff out at White Bank Park for some bubbles, chalk and ribbon play time! We welcome those of all abilities. Parent participation is required. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-registration NOT REQUIRED.
Fri, May 30. 10:30a-11:30a.
White Bank Park. Free

Homeschool Fun:

Home 2 Learn: STEAM

Recommended grades K-5. We welcome those of all abilities. Join us for this homeschool program that focuses on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). Each month we will create a new project and test participants creativity, problem solving skills and critical thinking skills. Participants will be given challenges that correspond with their age/grades and will have guidance from staff if they have questions. All equipment/materials will

be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 3/10.
Tue, Mar 11. 2p-3p.
Library. Free.

Wild Child

Recommended for Grades K-5. Calling all homeschoolers to join us in this immersive nature-based program. We will learn about the ecosystems within Colonial Heights and Virginia. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required.
Tue, Apr 29. 1p-2p.
Tue, May 20th. 1pm-2pm.
White Bank Park. Free.

Wild Teens

Recommended for Grades 6-8th. Join us in an immersive nature-based program. We will learn about and try orienteering. All equipment/materials will be provided. Participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-Registration required. Registration Deadline: 4/28.
Tue, Apr 29. 2:15p-3:15p.
White Bank Park. Free.

Therapeutic Recreation

Therapeutic Recreation (TR) uses recreational activities (such as art, games or dance) to help people with disabilities to improve their physical, cognitive and social skills. These activities will be offered to help enhance their recreation interests and participation. Prior to the activity the participant must register and complete a participant profile. Activity schedules are subject to change. For new families, please reach out to Hannah Lagana at bellh@colonialheightsva.gov to get set up.

TR Wednesday Classes

5:30-7pm Unless otherwise noted. Colonial Heights Community Center.

* Indicates the program will run from 5:30-7:15pm

March 5	Paint & Sip	FREE
*March 12	St. Patrick's Day Party	FREE
March 19	Game Night	FREE
March 26	Superheroes	FREE
April 2	NO TR	
April 9	Bingo	FREE
*April 16	Easter Party	FREE
April 23	Community Night	FREE
April 30	Puzzle Night	FREE
May 7	Space Night	FREE
May 14	Park Play@White Bank	FREE
May 21	Library Night @Library	FREE
May 28	Open Mic Night	FREE



Join us for a one-stop destination to find everything you need to upgrade your home and garden!





FREE ADMISSION

3/21st 12PM-6PM
3/22nd 9AM-6PM
3/23rd 11AM-3PM

Keystone Antique Truck & Tractor Museum
880 W. Roslyn Road
Colonial Heights, VA 23834

Explore the Latest Trends: Discover the newest home and garden products, from cutting edge designs to eco-friendly solutions.

Enjoy family-friendly activities, giveaways, and exciting contests.

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www.sovachamber.com



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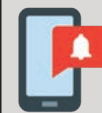
Visit
www.colonialheightsva.gov
and click on the homepage
"Community Spotlight" Link
to get started!

2 CITY SERVICES:



NOTIFY ME

We are encouraging ALL residents to sign up for both of our notification systems!



- **Civic Ready:** Water Outages, Delayed Trash & Recycling Collection Services, & other Significant Emergency Events (thunderstorms, tornadoes, hurricanes, or other urgent widespread events.)

- **Notify Me Alert Center:** Choose what City information is important to you! City News and Updates, Events, Meetings, and other Important City Alerts.

For assistance please call
(804)520-9265



VIOLET BANK MUSEUM EVENTS

Violet Bank Garden Club

Formed at Violet Bank in 1949. The club helps with special projects at the facility such as working with the gardens, hosting special events such as the Christmas Open House and whatever the curator needs the members to do. It is a "treasure" for the city that we need to cherish for generations to come. Our members are delighted in being able to help maintain and help preserve the facilities. If you would like to know more about the club and what the club does to help showcase Violet Bank Museum and Colonial Heights, please contact Jan Pingel at 804- 731-3599. The club meets on the 2nd Monday at noon each month from September through June.

Violet Bank Stitches From The Heart

This group meets at Violet Bank Museum every Tues from 10:00am-12pm to create beautiful items for those in need. Items include hats, scarves, baby blankets, cotton wash cloths, toys, pet cage cozies and more. The group gratefully accepts yarn donations, just drop it off during normal museum operating hours. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile endeavor. Any skill level is welcome to join the group.

Colonial Day at Violet Bank

Come out to Violet Bank for a day of family fun with a side of history. See Colonial inspired craft demonstrations, play an old fashioned game or two and tour the Mu-

seum to learn more about what it was like back at that time.

Saturday, May 24, 10am-3pm

Free - Violet Bank Museum

Community Yard Sale

(SEE AD BELOW) Join our vendors on the lawn of Violet Bank for the Spring Community Yard Sale. A 10' by 10' space is only \$5.00. No tables, chairs or canopies are provided so please bring your own. Registration is suggested to secure the space(s) you want but is not required. Have questions? Call Violet Bank Museum @ 804 520-9395 The raindate for this will be Saturday, May 3, 2025

Saturday April 26 7am-1pm
\$5/space Violet Bank Museum





Colonial Heights

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Violet Bank Garden Club

Sponsoring a yard sale



Plants, Gardening Tools, and Equipment



Saturday, April 26th


9:00 to 2:00

Activity room and outdoors




Rain date May 3rd
at
Colonial Heights Library
1000 Yacht Basin Drive
Colonial Heights, VA

* Master Gardeners available to answer wide range of gardening topics



COLONIAL HEIGHTS JUVENILE & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE PRESENTS...

STAND FOR THE CHANGE NO EXCUSE FOR ABUSE



This is a FREE event to raise awareness about violence and abuse. There will be VENDORS, RESOURCES, DINNER*, AND MUCH MORE! Come out to support the cause for a safer community and engage with one another!

*hot dog, chips, cookies & water

Join us for the
#NoExcuseForAbuse
walk. Show your support by sharing this message and bringing your family and friends!




For more information contact:
(804)520-9286 | Chjdvtf@gmail.com

Community Center 157 Roanoke Ave, Colonial Heights, VA 23834

Roundtrip Route: Community Center to the Courthouse and back

Date: Thursday, March 27, 2025
6 PM - 8 PM
(Rain Date: Thursday, April 3, 2025 6 PM - 8 PM)



James House Crisis Number: 804-458-2840



The Senior Center is located at the Community Building at 157 Roanoke Avenue. It is open MON through Fri, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. The Center is open to adults 50 years of age and older who are City Residents. All Senior Citizen programs are FREE unless noted. The Senior Center monthly calendar lists daily and monthly activities and is available for pick-up at the Senior Center or call (804)520-9220.

Senior Transportation

Hours of Operation are MON-Fri 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (With services being provided from 8:15a.m. to 3:45 p.m.) and Sat (for special circumstances) from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (With services being provided from 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). Service is available to Colonial Heights residents who are at least 60 years of age, and adult special needs or handicapped. Transportation will be available to and from most Colonial Heights destinations and to a few out of City medical appointments only. Registration for services is required and is available by calling Senior Transportation at (804)520-9219. Appointments must be made at least 24 hours in advance. There are no fees for transportation services, but donations are accepted.

Riverside Theater 2025 Trips

Depart center at 10am
return approximately 6:30pm
Cost: \$99 per show (includes transportation, lunch, show & gratuity)
*Tips have already been added to your trip price but feel free to tip more if you choose
* Contact the Senior Center at (804)520-9220 to register. Trips fill quickly, so register early.

Jesus Christ Superstar

Wed, April 2
The first musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rick to be produced for the professional stage, Jesus Christ Superstar has wowed audiences for over 50 years. A timeless work, the rock opera is set against the backdrop of an extraordinary and universally known series.

To Kill a Mockingbird

Wed, June 11
Adapted from the Pulitzer Prize winning novel, To Kill a Mockingbird opens in a sleepy Alabama town in the midst of the Great Depression, where Scout and her brother live with their widowed father.

Next to Normal

Wed, July 9
Next to normal explores a suburban family's struggle with the effects of mental illness. With book and lyrics by Brian Yorkey and music by Tom Kitt, the original production, starring Tony winner Alice Ripley, won three 2009 Tony Awards.

SIGHTS & SOUNDS OF LANCASTER, PA

Featuring Sight & Sound's "NOAH"

3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS

OCTOBER 8 - 10, 2025

\$680 Per Person Double Occupancy
\$899 Per Person Single Occupancy

FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

COLONIAL HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER
157 Roanoke Ave.
Colonial Heights, VA 23834
(804) 520-9220



Seniors Calendar

MONDAY

8:30am.....Muscles in Motion
9:30am Tai Chi (Library)
9:30amBowling (League Fee)
9:45.....Boot Camp
11:00am Pickle Ball (Swift Creek Baptist Church)
11:00am..... Line Dancing
12:00pm..... Pinochle
1:15pm.....Chair Volleyball

Tuesday

8:30am.....Drum Fit 45
9:00am Tap Dancin' Grannies (Post 284)
9:30am Gentle Yoga
10:30am..... Sit & Let's Get Fit
11:00am Water Aerobics \$ (vsu)
11:20amMeditation & World Religion
12:00pm.....Lunch (\$-must register)
12:45pm.....Bingo
1:45pm.....It's Game Time
3:00pm Open Sew (1st, 2nd & 3rd Tues)
3:00pm Quilts for Vets (last Tues)

Wednesday

8:30am..... Crochet & Knitting
8:30am.....Muscles in Motion
10:00am.....Balance
11:00am..... Line Dancing
11:00am Pickle Ball (Swift Creek Baptist Church)
12:00pm Lunch & Learn (must register)
12:00pm Tech Heads (4th-must register)
12:30pm.....Party Bridge
1:00pm..... Mexican Train Dominoes

Thursday

8:30am..... Cardio Ball
9:00am ... Beginner's Line Dancing (St. Ann's)
9:30am Restorative Yoga
10:30am..... Sit & Let's Get Fit
11:20am.....Meditation & Movement
12:00pm Lunch (\$-must register)
1:15pm Senior Citizens Club Mtg.
(4th Thursday at Golden Corral - 11:30am)
1:30pm..... Open Paint

Friday

9:00amWalk this Weigh
10:00amStrength & Stretch
11:00am Line Dancing
11:00amPickle Ball (Swift Creek Baptist Church)
1:00pm Mahjong (2nd, 3rd & 5th)

ARE YOU ON A LIMITED/FIXED INCOME? IS YOUR HOME IN NEED OF REPAIRS?

The City's Home Repair Program is a HUD-sponsored grant program to assist low to moderate-income residents with repairs and upgrades such as (but not limited to):

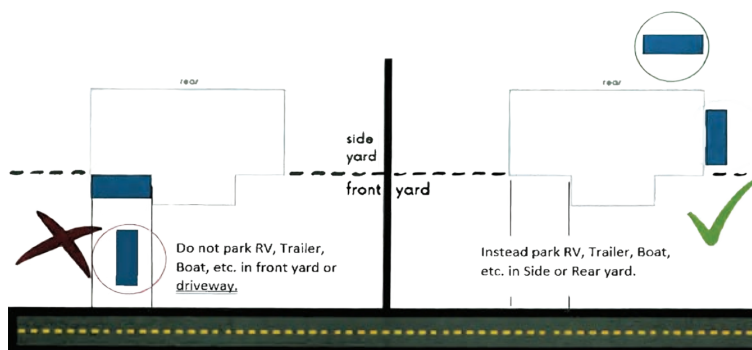
- * Roof replacements and repairs
- * Front porch replacements and repairs
- * Electric amp upgrades and outlet replacement
- * The sealing of windows, doors, and crawl spaces
- * Installation of deadbolt locks and flood lights
- * Conversion of bathtubs to showers to prevent slips and falls
- * Conversion of carpet to hard surface floors to prevent slips and falls
- * Installation of bath room grab bars, shower seats, and raised toilets

TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE HOME REPAIR PROGRAM CALL THE PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT (804) 520-9297

PARKING OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES IN THE CITY OF COLONIAL HEIGHTS, VA

- NO RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, RECREATIONAL OR UTILITY TRAILER, BOAT, OR CAMPER SHALL BE STORED, PLACED, OR PARKED IN A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT IN THE FRONT YARD.
- NO MORE THAN A TOTAL OF THREE OF THE FOLLOWING: RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL OR UTILITY TRAILERS, BOATS, OR CAMPERS SHALL BE STORED.

RV, TRAILER, BOAT PARKING GUIDE

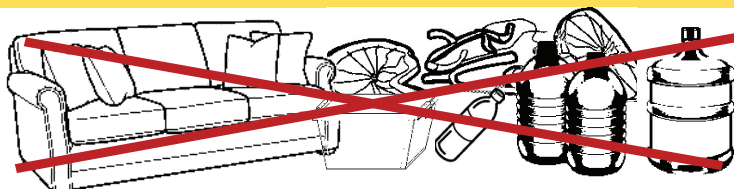


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.
CALL CODE ENFORCEMENT@804-520-9297

Prohibition of Clutter

On April 11, 2023 City Council adopted amendments to Chapter 244 of the City Code that prohibits "clutter", defined as:

Mechanical equipment, household furniture, containers, and similar items that may be detrimental to the community's well-being when they are left in public view for 30 days or more or are allowed to accumulate. Clutter includes, but is not limited to, those not designed, built, or manufactured for outdoor use or storage.



An accumulation of items on one's property can lead to unsafe conditions and dangerous situations.

The purpose of the amendment is to protect and enhance the health, comfort and general welfare of City's residents.

- If you receive a notice of violation for clutter, then removal of the clutter is necessary.
 - DO NOT ignore the notice as violating this ordinance can result in fines, removal of the items from the property at your cost, or possibly criminal penalties.
- For more information contact the Department of Planning & Community Development at (804) 520-9297.

TRASH CAN PLACEMENT

A few placement tips to follow...
to ensure the collection of your trash & recyclables

1 CLOSE THE LID & ROLL TO THE CURB

Place all items inside the cart(s) and close the lid completely. **The night before your pickup**, safely roll the cart(s) to the edge of the curb. Please bag and tie all trash to prevent litter.

2 MAKE SURE THE CART HANDLE IS FACING YOUR HOME

Place the cart(s) at the edge of the curb with the wheels and handle facing the house and the lid opening facing the street.

3 CART(S) MUST BE CLEAR OF ALL OBSTACLES

Make sure there is nothing in front of the cart(s) and at least 3 ft. of space on all sides.

Place your cart(s) carefully & leave 3 feet of space on all sides! Have your cart(s) at the curb the night before your scheduled pickup.

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

Most collection trucks are automated with an electronic arm that grabs and empties the cart. This efficient process streamlines collection and prevents work-related injuries.



If trash and recycling bins are stored outside a residence or business, please place bins behind or beside, and **not** in front of the building during **non-collection** days. Your bins may be at the curb for pick-up as detailed below*.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
TRASH			After 12 PM	All Day	Until 7 PM		
RECYCLING					After 12 PM	All Day	Until 7 PM

*Please note that these collection times are subject to change during holidays indicated on the collection schedule.

What is Bulky Waste?

ITEMS THAT WILL NOT BE FIT IN YOUR TRASH CONTAINER.

To schedule your **FREE Bulky Waste Collection** Visit: CVWMA.com/ch-trash-service or call 804-340-0900.

ALL requests must be made prior to 2pm the day before regular trash collection.

For More information on Refuse and Bulky Waste, Visit:"
<https://www.colonialheightsva.gov/321/Trash-Collection>
or Scan Code



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2025 Fort Clifton Art • Music • Crafts Festival

Saturday, May 10 and Sunday, May 11
10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Free Admission and Parking

Entertainment Schedule

SATURDAY, MAY 10
10:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

- Art, Crafts, Live Music, Beer & Wine, Food and Kids Area

10:30 AM

- Welcome - Mayor Greg Kochuba
- Tussing Elementary Choir

1:00 PM TO 3:30 PM
Live Music (TBA)

SUNDAY, MAY 11
10:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

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1:00 PM TO 3:30 PM
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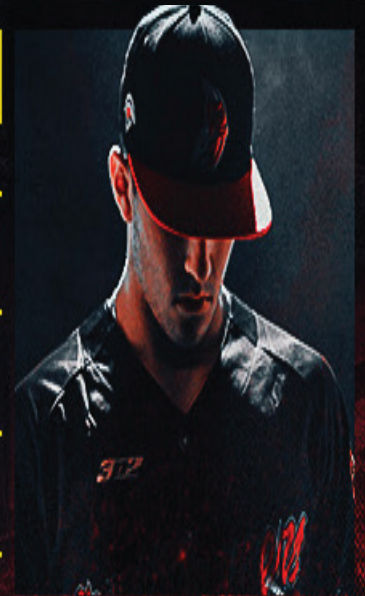
FULL SEASON PLANS —

KIDS CLUB PLANS —

GROUP OUTINGS —

CONTACT [TICKETS@CHILIPEPPERSBASEBALL.COM](mailto:tickets@chilipeppersbaseball.com)

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