

The City Focus



Official Newsletter for the City of Colonial Heights

Summer 2021

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COUNCIL COLUMN

Well, hello again! It is my pleasure to once again be able to bring this month's Council column. There are many exciting things going on around our City and in our Commonwealth.

Starting May 29th, you will be able to come to Shepherd Stadium and support and cheer on our own Tri-City Chili Peppers. Team owner Chris Martin has put together an incredibly talented team and we want to come out and support this awesome endeavor. If you have never been to a minor league baseball game, you have really been missing out! Great food, great games, and a family friendly environment are all incredible reasons to come out and watch a game. And it's very affordable!

Check out their website at www.chilipeppersbaseball.com for more information and game schedules.

I would be remiss if I did not take at least part of this column to say thank you to one very important citizen of our city. For the last 30 years, Kirk Cox has been our delegate and I want to congratulate him on his retirement from the House of Delegates. He has represented the people of the 66th District with class and integrity. He provided support for Colonial Heights through legislation and representation on a myriad of issues. I could spend the rest of this newsletter detailing all his accomplishments in life and the legislature and it still would not begin to tell the whole story. Though Kirk did not receive the nomination of republican nominee for governor, we believe that he will continue to be a great representative of our community in everything that he does. We wish him the best and say "thank you" and "Godspeed" on your new adventures.

Colonial Heights is and has been a great place to raise a family. I am grateful to all the departments that make it so. From the staff at Recreation and Parks that prepare our parks and fields, to the First Responders that keep us safe, and every other employee in this city, my sincere and heartfelt thank you for all you do. I am blessed to be a small part of this city. I am proud of Colonial Heights and I am grateful for the opportunity to represent each of you as a member of this Council. Know that we value your input and opinion on the issues that we are facing. Together we will always accomplish more than we ever could alone.

No Wax,

Mike Cherry





4TH

OF JULY

City of Colonial Heights

4th of July Fireworks Show

Sunday July 4 - 9:15pm

Viewing for the fireworks will be off Interstate 95, Exit 53 or 54 in the Southgate Square/Wal-Mart Area. Bring blankets and/or lawn chairs. For more info, please contact the Colonial Heights Recreation & Parks Department at (804) 520-9390.

Rain Date July 5th

June 1	Planning Commission 7:00 pm - Council Chambers
June 8	City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm - Council Chambers
June 15	City Council Special Meeting 6:00 pm - Council Chambers (<i>tentative</i>)
July 5	City Holiday - Independence Day Government Offices Closed
July 6	Planning Commission 7:00pm - Council Chambers (<i>tentative</i>)
July 13	City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm - Council Chambers
July 20	City Council Special Meeting 6:00 pm - Council Chambers (<i>tentative</i>)
Aug 3	Planning Commission (<i>tentative</i>) 7:00 pm - Council Chambers
Aug 10	City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm - Council Chambers
Sept 6	City Holiday - Labor Day Government Offices Closed
Sept 7	Planning Commission 7:00pm - Council Chambers (<i>tentative</i>)
Sept 14	City Council Regular Meeting 7:00pm - Council Chambers
Sept 21	City Council Special Meeting 6:00pm - Council Chambers (<i>tentative</i>)

On the Cover.....

Some local residents, while taking their dog for a walk along the Appomattox River Trail, decide to stop and feed the ducks and geese. This part of the trail is located as part on the Phase IV section of the Trail near Appamatuck Park on Archer Avenue. Now that Phase IV of the trail is complete, there is nearly 2 miles of paved walking path along the Appomattox River. The trail is perfect for a walk, jog, or even a bike ride. Access to the trail is at either Roslyn Landing Park or Appamatuck Park. Visit www.colonialheightsva.gov for information about parks in the City.

Thank you to Tatiana Hoopsick for submitting this photo.

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WATER EXCLUSION METERS

Do you have a pool, irrigation system, or just use a lot of water outside? You can purchase an exclusion meter from the City to reduce your sewer bill for the water you use that doesn't end up down the drain. City Code Section 238-8.C provides that bi-monthly sewer charges shall be adjusted for water that does not reach the City's sanitary or storm sewer system, provided the user install, maintain, and repair, at his own expense, an exclusion meter satisfactory to the Department of Public Utilities' specifications.

Acceptable meters are sold at the City Utility Billing Office located on the first floor City Hall. This 5/8" meter is suitable for outside faucet and hose connection.

Customers are responsible for submitting the meter reading at least once a year online, by email, or phone. If your account number begins with 01-13, your meter reading is due by the 20th of odd number months. If your account number begins with 14-26, your meter reading is due by the 20th of even number months. For more information, call the Utility Billing Office at 520-9288.

Colonial Heights Public Library's 2021 Summer Learning Program!

June 21-July 28

The Colonial Heights Public Library invites all youth to be a part of our annual Summer Learning Program. Have fun while you're learning and exploring during our FREE programs.



Performers and presenters will include Rainbow Puppets, Mad Science, Richmond Taiko Drumming, Wildlife programs, and the American Red Cross. We'll also have story hours, literacy, and music and movement events.

Be on the lookout for a full calendar of events (on the library's website and paper copies in the library) beginning June 1.

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877-349-MHAV (6428)

OPEN TO ALL VIRGINIANS | YOU ARE NOT ALONE



Applications for CDBG Home Repair due by July 30, 2021



The application period for Program Year 2021 of the City's CDBG Home Repair Program opens on **Tuesday, June 1st 2021** and closes

Friday July 30th 2021. Applications will be available during the application period at the Planning Department located on the 1st floor of City Hall, 201 James Avenue.

In order to qualify, total household income must be below the HUD Income Limits. Applicants are ranked based on a number of factors including disability status, elderly status, children present in home, and location within a prioritized neighborhood. On average, the City is able to serve 5 to 7 households a year. Previous qualified applicants who were not served are encouraged to re-apply.

Eligible activities include but are not limited to addressing leaking roofs, leaking plumbing, unsafe electrical, lack of heating, and accessibility needs.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the Planning Office at (804) 520-9297. Please share this information with anyone who may be eligible and resides within the City.

NOTICE

Curbside Bulk Item/Trash Collection Service



Contact
CVWMA Customer Service
(804)425-0500

Visit: www.colonialheightsva.gov/321/Trash-Collection
for more details or to complete an online Bulk Pickup Request



**For the Regular
Trash & Recycling
Services**

Holiday Schedule

and

Collection Notifications

Visit: <https://cvwma.com/programs/2020-holiday-collection-calendar/>



COLONIAL HEIGHTS RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 5:00pm

P.O. Box 3401 / 901 Meridian Avenue

Colonial Heights, VA 23834

www.colonialheightsva.gov/recandparks

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 Senior Transportation (804)520-9219
 Office on Youth & Human Svcs (804)520-9286
 Weather Cancellation Line (804)524-8788
 Violet Bank Museum (804)520-9395



CONNECT WITH US
ON SOCIAL MEDIA...



SPORTS & ATHLETICS

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, Monday - Friday 8:00am-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 online 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

Football & Cheerleading Registration

Ages: Boys & Girls 5-13 (as of 7/31/21)

Registration will be accepted Mon thru Fri, 8am-5pm, May 4 thru July 9 at the Recreation Department office, by phone, or online. Instructional Flag football begins in early September and CQL Flag/Tackle football begins the 1st week in August.

Age Divisions:

Instructional Flag ages 4-5
 CQL Flag ages 6-7
 CQL Minor ages 8-9
 CQL Junior ages 10-11
 CQL Senior ages 12-13

Fees: \$20.00 per child

The fee for anyone registering after July 9 is \$30 and are also subject to being placed on a waiting list. Children MUST be Colonial Heights Residents and eligible for enrollment in the Colonial Heights school system.

Chili Peppers Baseball Camps

Ages 6-13
 Shepherd Stadium

Join the Tri-City Chili Peppers players and coaches for youth baseball camps this Summer. Participants will enjoy two days of skill building activities alongside Chili Peppers players and coaches. On Day 2 of each camp participants will have the opportunity to "shag" balls during Chili Peppers pre-game batting practice and then stick around for their game that night. Price includes a pre-game meal at the Stadium, as well as one player and one parent ticket. Parents must arrive at 5:45pm on the 2nd day of camp for the game. Visit chilipeppersbaseball.com to register.

Camp 1 \$110

Tu 6/8 8:00am-12:00pm
 We 6/9 1:00pm-5:45pm

Camp 2 \$110

We 6/30 8:00am-12:00pm
 Th 7/1 1:00pm-5:45pm

Camp 3 \$110

Tu 7/13 8:00am-12:00pm
 We 7/14 1:00pm-5:45pm



E-Sports Leagues

All Ages

We have partnered with GG Leagues to bring E-Sports to Colonial Heights. For a full listing of offered leagues and to register visit our GG Leagues homepage at <https://app.ggleagues.com/organization/colonial-heights-recreation>. Registration for Summer Leagues closes June 28th.

This webpage also includes information about the leagues, information for parents, as well as the schedule and registration information.

Fall Boys Baseball Registration

Ages 8-15

The Boys Fall baseball program will play in the Chesterfield Baseball League. Games will be played on Saturdays starting in September in Chesterfield and Colonial Heights. Practices will begin in August. Deadline to register is August 8.

Fee: \$65 Divisions: U10, U12 and U15

Volleyball Camp

Ages 6-17

The Colonial Heights High School Volleyball Program will host a Youth Volleyball Camp this year. The Camp will be under the direction of Colonial Heights High School Coach Toni Martin.

Mo-Th 7/26-7/29 6:00pm-8:00pm
 \$25 High School Gym

Soccer Camp

Ages 5-13

Colonial Heights High School Soccer Program are offering a Youth Soccer Camp. The camp is under the direction of CHHS Soccer coaches Colleen Hirm and Matt Crist. This camp is for beginner or intermediate soccer players looking to improve skills and have fun.

Mo-Th 7/19-7/22 6:00pm-8:00pm
 \$35 Soccer Complex

Boys Basketball Camp

Ages 6-17

The Colonial Heights High School Basketball Program will be again Co-Sponsoring their Annual Boys Summer Youth Basketball Camp. The Camp will be under the direction of Colonial Heights High School Basketball Coach John Thomas.

Tu-Fr 7/6-7/9
9:00am-11:45am 6-11 year olds
12:15pm-3:00pm 12-17 year olds
\$40 High School Gym

Girls Basketball Camp

Ages 7-16

This Girls Basketball Camp is under the direction of CHHS Girls Basketball Coach Ashley Whitaker. Join us for this camp and learn new skills or enhance current skills, as well as pizza, t-shirts, music, 5v5 games, and prizes. Register by July 1 for the early bird deadline and save \$10. Register by 7/1 for \$30, after 7/1 \$40.

Mo-Th 7/12-7/15 9:00am-12:00pm
\$30 High School Gym

Elite Sports

Performance Camp

Ages 7-17

Our sports performance classes will focus on mental preparation, speed, explosion, agility, strength, fitness and conditioning training.

Mo-Th 7/12-7/15 9:00am-12:00pm
\$85 Soccer Complex

Multi-Sports Camp

Ages 7-17

Our Multi-Sports program is designed to introduce young athletes to a variety of different sports such as basketball, soccer, flag football, sports performance training and much more. Athletes will learn the fundamentals and rules for each sport through drills, skill-based games and scrimmages.

Mo-Th 6/21-6/24 9:00am-12:00pm
\$85 Soccer Complex

Toss a Disc Tuesdays

All Ages

Join us each Tuesday in June for Toss a Disc Tuesday at White Bank Park's Disc Golf Course. Staff will be on-hand to help with the course layout, answer questions, and will have some discs on hand if you don't have your own.

Tu 6/1-6/29 9:00am
FREE White Bank Park

Intro to Pickleball

All Ages

Join us for Pickleball Beginner classes! If you've never played Pickleball before, this is designed especially for you! This instructed course will cover the basics of Pickleball rules, terminology, primary skills, coordination, beginner court time, and more. You must register for this course.

Mo 6/14-8/30 6:00pm-7:00pm
FREE Middle School Courts

COMMUNITY CENTER

Okinawan Karate

Ages 5-17

The focus of this class is on respecting others, self-control, self-discipline and avoiding confrontation. The emphasis is on the basics such as, falling, balance, flexibility, agility and basic karate techniques. Uniforms are available for purchase. If there is a cancellation for class due to a holiday then the class schedule will be emailed.

Mo/Th 6/3-6/21 6:00pm-7:00pm
Mo/Th 7/8-7/29 6:00pm-7:00pm
Mo/Th 8/2-8/26 6:00pm-7:00pm
\$40 Community Center

Fashion & Photography

Ages 12-18

Our program will focus on:

Photography: Taking better photos with any camera you have, shooting better photos with basic composition skills, and practicing basic photography skills

Fashion: Learn High, Street & Editorial Fashion, learn different designs & styles, learn the basic history and technique of photography, fashion and Much More! Plus, an end of program FASHION SHOW!!

Tu 8/10-8/31 5:30pm-6:30pm
\$65 Community Center

Belly Dancing

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.

Th 6/3-6/24 6:00pm-7:00pm
Th 7/1-7/29 6:00pm-7:00pm
Th 8/5-8/26 6:00pm-7:00pm
\$30 Community Center

Digital App Design

Ages 5-14

In this class from Youth Digital, kids learn basic mobile app development skills as they design and program their own mobile game. At the end of class, kids will be able to download and play their app on Android or iOS! They'll also be able to access the online version of the course after class. Students are required to bring smart phone, Laptop or Chromebook.

Tu 7/13-8/3 5:30pm-6:30pm
\$65 Community Center

Scrapbooking

All Ages Welcome

Enjoy and share scrapbooking secrets and ideas. Bring your own supplies but a creative memories dealer will be on-hand to purchase items if needed.

Mo 6/7-6/28 4:30pm-8:30pm
Mo 7/12-7/26 4:30pm-8:30pm
Mo 8/2-8/30 4:30pm-8:30pm

FREE Community Center

Open Sewing

All Ages Welcome

Bring your own sewing supplies and projects. Share techniques and socialize while working on different projects.

Tu 6/8-6/29 4:30pm-8:30pm
Tu 7/6-7/27 4:30pm-8:30pm
Tu 8/3-8/31 4:30pm-8:30pm

FREE Community Center

Educational Seminars

All Ages Welcome

Join us for these educational seminars covering different topics each week. These seminars are FREE and take place at the Community Center.

Crater Community Hospice-Caregiver Resources

Th 5/20 6:30pm

Encompass Health - Sun Care for the Summer

Th 5/27 6:30pm

BSV Financial Services—Investments

We 6/2 6:00pm

Bank of Southside Virginia—Scams/ID Theft

We 6/9 6:00pm

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Art Adventures —Youth

Ages K-5th Grade

Draw and paint with Art Adventures! All skill levels are welcome. First, we work with drawing and sketching techniques. Then, adding color, students will work with a variety of media to product a final piece of Art that will amaze you! All supplies are included.

Sa 6/5 10:00am-12:00pm
\$25 Community Center

Kidz R Cooki n—Youth

Ages 6-12

Join us for these fun themed cooking classes. Recipes included for each activity to repeat at home.

Stir Fry Surprise: Participants will learn how to put together a healthy and delicious stir-fry using various ingredients.

Fr 6/18 5:30pm-7:00pm
\$30/each Community Center



Kidz R Cooki n—Teen

Ages 13-17

Join us for these fun themed cooking classes. Recipes included for each activity to repeat at home.

Smoothie Explosion: Participants will get to choose from over twelve different fruits, ingredients and toppings to create healthy and delicious smoothies. The health benefits of ingredients will also be discussed.

Fr 5/28 5:30pm-7:00pm

Pizza Palooza: Participants will prepare from scratch their own pizza dough and marinara sauce. Various toppings will be available for students to create their very own signature pizza!

Fr 6/25 5:30pm-7:00pm
\$30/each Community Center

CLASSES & EVENTS

Summer Camp in the Park

Ages 6-12

The Summer Camp at Parks is a supervised day camp. Campers will enjoy games, crafts, and active play at White Bank or Fort Clifton Parks. We will be utilizing the park pavilions for this program. All campers must be registered for this program and must be residents of Colonial Heights. All youth that have completed Kindergarten are eligible for camp enrollment. Please choose which park when registering.

Mo-Fr 6/28-8/6 9:00am-3:00pm \$30/week White Bank or Ft. Clifton Park

THERAPEUTIC

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. For example, doing a craft activity might help a child to build fine motor skills, while also giving them an opportunity to think creatively and have fun with peers.

These activities will be offered to help enhance their recreation interests and participation. Each activity is held on Wednesday from 5:30-7pm; prior to the activity the participant must register and complete a participant profile. The participant profile can be found online on our website or can be emailed per request. The prices of the programs range from \$3.00-\$10.00 and are listed by each activity.

Activity schedules are subject to change.



Summer Classes (All Ages) Community Center

We	6/2	Color Therapy	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	6/9	NO CLASS THIS WEEK		
We	6/16	Summer Crafts	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	6/23	Bingo	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	6/30	4th of July Party	\$5	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	7/7	Ice Cream Social	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	7/14	NO CLASS THIS WEEK		
We	7/21	Bingo	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	7/28	Social Hour	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	8/4	Nature Art	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	8/11	Paint to the Music	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm
We	8/18	Sculpting Time	\$3	5:30pm-7:00pm

SENIOR CENTER

Senior Center

The Senior Citizen Center is located at the Community Building at 157 Roanoke Avenue. It is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 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. You can also view the calendar at www.colonialheightsva.gov/261/seniorcenter. For more updates Like the Senior Center Facebook page.

Activities & Fitness

Monday

- 8:15am Senior Stride (Roslyn Landing Park)
- 8:30am Tai Chi (*Library*)
- 9:30am Muscles in Motion
- 9:30am Bowling (*League Fee*)
- 10:30am Strength & Stretch
- 11:00am Pickle Ball (*Swift Creek Baptist Church*)
- 11:30am Line Dancing
- 12:30pm Intro to Pinochle
- 1:00pm Pinochle
- 4:00pm Beginners Sewing (*sign up \$12*)

Tuesday

- 8:30am TBS
- 9:00am Intro to Tap Dancin'
- 9:30am Yoga Core
- 10:00am Tap Dancin'
- 10:30am Sit & Let's Get Fit
- 11:30am Water Aerobics (*\$2-CH Swim & Yacht*)
- 11:30am Meditation
- 1:00pm Bingo
- 2:30pm Quilts for Vets (*Last Tue*)
- 2:30pm Open Sew (*1st, 2nd & 3rd Tues*)

Wednesday

- 8:30am Crochet & Knitting
- 8:45am Muscles in Motion
- 10:00am Strength & Stretch
- 11:00am Line Dancing
- 11:00am Pickle Ball (*Swift Creek Baptist Church*)
- 12:30pm Party Bridge
- 2:00pm Center Orientation (*1st Wed*)

Thursday

- 8:30am TBS
- 9:30am Yoga Flow
- 10:30am Sit & Let's Get Fit
- 11:30am Meditation
- 1:15pm Senior Citizens Club Mtg.
- 12:30pm Poetry/Photography (*4th Thur*)
- 2:00pm Watercolor

Friday

- 8:45am Muscles in Motion/TNT
- 10:00am Balance/Yoga Warrior
- 11:00am Line Dancing
- 11:00am Pickle Ball (*Swift Creek Baptist Church*)
- 12:00pm Open Paint
- 12:30pm Scrabble

Senior Transportation

Hours of Operation are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (With services being provided from 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and Saturday 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 any Colonial Heights destination and to a few out of City medical offices. 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.

Pickleball Open Play

Come play with your friends or get into a pick-up game with other Pickleball enthusiasts.

- Mo-Fr Beginning 6/21 10:00am
- FREE Middle School Courts

Beginner Tap Dancin' Grannies

The Tap Dancin' Grannies have created a new beginners tap dancin' class on Tuesday mornings at 9am. If you are interested or have questions, please contact the Senior Center at (804)520-9220.

VIOLET BANK MUSEUM

Headquarters' Weekend

All Ages

Visit Violet Bank and learn more about General Robert E. Lee and why he chose Violet Bank for his Headquarters during the Siege of Petersburg during the Civil War. A display of artwork, literature, and photographs will be set up in the Lee Parlor. Free and suitable for all ages.

- Sa 6/19 10:00am-5:00pm
- Su 6/20 1:00pm-6:00pm
- FREE Violet Bank Museum

The Great Fire of Petersburg

All Ages

"The Great Fire of Petersburg" by Tamara Eastman. Join noted local author, Tamara Eastman as she discusses her book. Book signing to follow the lecture with copies available for purchase from Ms. Eastman. Donations accepted and appreciated. Suitable for all ages.

- Sa 7/17 1:00pm-3:00pm
- FREE Violet Bank Museum

Violet Bank Rocks!

Be On The Lookout For Kindness Rocks! After a long winter hiatus, the Violet Bank Kindness Rocks will be making their appearance in City Parks and public spaces. The weather is getting nice to be out and hopefully spot one of these unique rocks. Inspired by the Kindness Rocks Project, founded by Meghan Murphy, the staff at Violet Bank Museum will be painting river rocks a violet purple and adding a positive word or message to each.

PICKLEBALL

Tournament

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

COLONIAL HEIGHTS MIDDLE SCHOOL

PRIZES FOR 1ST AND 2ND PLACE WINNERS

SIGN-IN 3:00 P.M.

TOURNEY BEGINS 3:30 P.M.

2 MAN/WOMAN TEAM ONLY

\$15 PER PERSON ENTRY

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YOUTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Leadership Camp

Office on Youth is hosting a FREE leadership camp for rising 6th and 7th graders Monday, August 9-Friday, August 13. Camp times are 9am-2pm at City Hall located at 201 James Ave.

Participants will learn about topics such as leadership skills, decision making, problem solving, and managing stress and conflict. Please plan to bring a lunch each day; beverages and snacks are provided.

Enrollment is limited to 10 youth; contact Christian Velez at 804-524-8752 or email at velez-ortizc@colonialheightsva.gov to register.

Families First

Families First is a FREE home visiting program for expectant (prenatal to 5 years) and first time parents who reside in Chesterfield County and Colonial Heights.



Family Support Workers can help you:

- Adjust to parenthood when life changes after baby
- Talk about concerns and fears by knowing what to expect
- Find answers to questions about your growing child
- Set goals for yourself and your child that make you happy
- Learn to take a break when parenting leaves you overwhelmed
- Get information about healthy pregnancy
- Learn Baby Basics
- Learn ways to keep your baby healthy
- Discover how babies play, learn and grow
- Access amazing techniques and materials

Please contact Amy Gilliam for more information.

Phone: 804-318-8653

Email: gilliama@chesterfield.gov

KAP Afterschool Program

Kids' Achieving Progress K.A.P. is an afterschool program which offers mentoring, homework help and study skills.

Enrollment for 2021-22 school year is now open. Please contact Christian Velez for more information:

Phone: 804-524-8752

Email: velez-ortizc@colonialheightsva.gov

Colonial Heights Police Department

A year after much of the country entered strict lockdowns designed to contain the coronavirus, you may notice that some states are starting to loosen the restrictions. With the country beginning to "go back to normal," some families may be considering traveling in their future. This in mind, Colonial Heights Police Department would like remind citizens of the dangers of distracting driving and new driving laws you may not be aware of since the pandemic struck.

As of January 1st 2021, in the state of Virginia, it is unlawful for any person, while driving a moving motor vehicle on the highways in the Commonwealth, to hold a handheld personal communications device (ex: cellphones). If you are in your vehicle and are legally parked or stopped and/or attempting to report an emergency, you may use your cell phone. Any other use of a cell phone is a traffic infraction:

- 1st offense: a fine of \$125.00
- 2nd offense: a fine of \$250.00

If a violation of this section occurs in a highway work zone, it shall be punishable by a mandatory fine of \$250.

The Colonial Heights Police Department would also like to remind you and your passengers to wear your seatbelts as required by Virginia law. Also, drivers are reminded to Slow Down and Move Over. The intent of this law is to protect police and public safety officials who frequently work on the side of the road. Drivers must:

1. Yield the right of way to any stationary vehicle that is displaying a flashing, blinking, or alternating blue, red, or amber light or lights;
2. Reduce speed when approaching emergency vehicles stopped alongside the road;
3. Move to a travel lane further away from the stopped vehicles, when traffic conditions safely permit such a move.

Non-adherence to this section of the Code is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor traffic infraction, which is punishable by up to 12 months in jail, and/or up to a \$2,500 fine. In certain cases it could also result in suspension of the driver's privileges to operate a motor vehicle.

More information can be found at:

<https://phonedown.org>

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/campaign/distracted-driving>

<https://www.drivesmartva.org/current-projects/phone-down-its-the-law>



Upcoming Democratic Primary Election

Commonwealth of Virginia
SAMPLE BALLOT
 City of Colonial Heights
 Democratic Party Primary Election
 Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Instructions:

To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval next to the name.

If you want to change a vote or have made a mistake, ask an election official for another ballot. Do not make marks other than filling the oval.



Governor Vote for only one

- ☐ Terry R. McAuliffe
- ☐ Jennifer L. McClellan
- ☐ Jennifer D. Carroll Foy
- ☐ Lee J. Carter
- ☐ Justin E. Fairfax

Member House of Delegates 66th District Vote for only one

- ☐ Katie A. Sponsler
- ☐ Linnard K. Harris, Sr.

Lieutenant Governor Vote for only one

- ☐ Hala S. Ayala
- ☐ S. "Sam" Rasoul
- ☐ Andria P. McClellan
- ☐ Elizabeth R. Guzman
- ☐ Sean A. Perryman
- ☐ Mark H. Levine
- ☐ Xavier JaMar Warren

Attorney General Vote for only one

- ☐ Jerrauld C. "Jay" Jones
- ☐ Mark R. Herring

Authorized by the Electoral Board of the
 City of Colonial Heights
 201 James Avenue • Colonial Heights, VA, 23834
 The authority statement printed above must be removed
 and replaced with the appropriate authority statement for
 the candidate, committee, individual or group using this
 ballot for their own purposes. The authority statement used
 for this ballot, must comply with the requirements of either
 federal or state law, as appropriate. For state requirements,
 see §24.2-955 et seq. of the Code of Virginia. For federal
 requirements, call the Federal Election Commission,
 1-800-424-9530.

Ballot Style # 001
 Typ:01 Seq:0001 Spl:01

Dates to Remember

May 29, 2021 (Saturday) – In-person early voting at City Hall; Registrar's office from 9:00am-5:00pm

May 31, 2021 – Closed for Memorial Day Holiday

June 5, 2021 (Saturday) – Last day for early voting in-person

June 8, 2021 - Election Day! Deadline to postmark or hand-deliver absentee ballots to City Hall Registrar's Office by 7:00pm. Last day for candidates to file to get on the ballot for the November 2, 2021 General Election at City Hall Registrar's Office by 7:00pm

Ways to Apply to Vote by Mail

ONLINE:

Go to <http://www.colonialheightsva.gov/334/Absentee-Voting> for instructions and printable application form.

Register to vote, check your registration status, or apply to vote by mail at:

<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>

BY MAIL:

Call (804)520-9277 to request an application.

Your completed application must be received by Friday, May 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Return it by Email to wellsj@colonialheightsva.gov, Fax (804)520-9209, City Hall Parking Lot Drop Box, or Mail to:

Attn: General Registrar
 201 James Ave., PO Box 3401 / Colonial Heights, VA 23834



CITY OF COLONIAL HEIGHTS, VA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT 2020

The latest edition of the Department of Public Works' Consumer Confidence Report is now available online. This report summarizes important information regarding Colonial Heights' drinking water source, detected contaminants, educational information, and our efforts to ensure that we continually deliver the safest and highest quality drinking water to our customers. We encourage you to review the report on our web page:

<https://www.colonialheightsva.gov/DocumentCenter/View/10948/2020-Water-Quality-Report154222>

If you wish to obtain your own copy of the Consumer Confidence Report, please contact us at (804) 520-9372. We will gladly mail it to you.



NEW PROGRAM ALERT!

Colonial Heights Recreation & Parks has partnered with GGLEagues to bring video game leagues to our community.

Choose to play in Rocket League, Madden, Fortnite, and/or Super Smash Bros leagues.

Each league will run for 6 weeks. Registration closes on June 28th, 2021!

Register today! Visit link below or the Recreation & Parks page for more information and to register.

Register for the upcoming season here:

<https://app.ggleagues.com/organization/colonial-heights-recreation>

Less than a month until Opening Night!!

TRI-CITY CHILI PEPPERS

The hottest team in the Coastal Plain league

TRI-CITY CHILI PEPPERS 2021 INAUGURAL SEASON HOME SCHEDULE

The hottest team in the Coastal Plain League!

SATURDAY	5/29	vs	WILSON TOBS	7:00 PM
TUESDAY	6/1	vs	MOREHEAD CITY MARLINS	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	6/4	vs	MARTINSVILLE MUSTANGS	7:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	6/9	vs	WILSON TOBS	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	6/10	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
SUNDAY	6/13	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	5:45 PM
THURSDAY	6/17	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
SATURDAY	6/19	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
TUESDAY	6/22	vs	WILSON TOBS	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	6/24	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
SUNDAY	6/27	vs	HOLLY SPRINGS SALAMANDERS	5:45 PM
THURSDAY	7/1	vs	HOLLY SPRINGS SALAMANDERS	7:00 PM
SATURDAY	7/3	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
TUESDAY	7/6	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	7/8	vs	MOREHEAD CITY MARLINS	7:00 PM
SUNDAY	7/11	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	5:45 PM
WEDNESDAY	7/14	vs	WILSON TOBS	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	7/16	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
SATURDAY	7/17	vs	WILSON TOBS	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	7/22	vs	MARTINSVILLE MUSTANGS	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	7/23	vs	PENINSULA PILOTS	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	7/30	vs	MARTINSVILLE MUSTANGS	7:00 PM



Keep up with us on
Social Media!



Facebook.com/GoChiliPeppers



Instagram.com/GoChiliPeppers



Twitter.com/GoChiliPeppers



CHILIPEPPERSBASEBALL.COM

804.499.3104



BASEBALL CAMP 2021

\$110
per participant

Join the Tri-City Chili Peppers players and coaches for youth baseball camps this Summer. Two days of skill building activities, the opportunity to "shag" balls during pre-game batting practice and two tickets (for the player and a parent) for a game that night.

To Register or for more information visit:
CHILIPEPPERSBASEBALL.COM

KIDS AGES 6-13

JUNE 8-9
JUNE 30 - JULY 1
and JULY 13-14

Important Colonial Heights Phone Numbers

Police/Fire Emergency

Dial 911

Police/Fire Non-Emergency

(804)520-9300

Citizen's Assistance Line

(804)520-9266

Recreation & Parks

(804)520-9390

Office on Youth & Human Services

(804)520-9286

Library

(804)520-9384

Colonial Heights Health Department

(804)520-9380

Utilities Billing

(804)520-9288

Billing & Collections

(804)520-9320

Commissioner of Revenue

(804)520-9280

Treasurer

(804)520-9321

Planning & Community Development

(804)520-9297

Registrar/Director of Elections

(804)520-9277

Street Maintenance

(804)520-9372

Curbside Trash Collection

(804)425-0500

Curbside Recycling Collection

(804)340-0900

Circuit Court

(804)520-9364

General District Court

(804)520-9346

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court

(804)451-0213

Sheriff

(804)520-9352

CH Recycling Center

(804)479-7056

(Household Hazardous Waste & Other Materials)

COLONIAL HEIGHTS RECREATION AND
AMERICAN LEGION POST 284 PRESENT

BACK 2 SCHOOL Festival

Come out and get a **FREE** backpack
and school supplies on **August 17th** (rain
date **August 24th**) from **6 P.M. to 8 P.M.**
at the **Colonial Heights Soccer Complex**

- ☒ **Pizza**
- ☒ **Vendors**
- ☒ **Inflatables**
- ☒ **Games**
- ☐ **You?**

*Pre-register
online or over
the phone to
guarantee your
supplies

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www.colonialheightsva.gov

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Colonial Heights

We want to connect with you in new ways!

LET'S GET SOCIAL!!!

Did you know you can find us,
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THE CITY FOCUS

City of Colonial Heights

Office of the City Manager

Post Office Box 3401

Colonial Heights, Virginia 23834-9001

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