



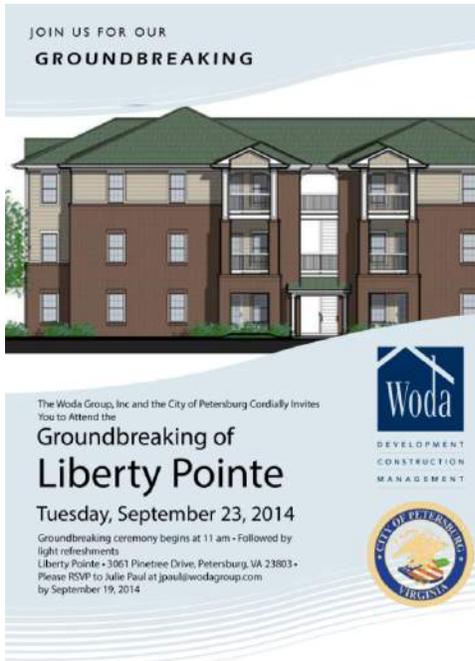
EXPERIENCE PETERSBURG

September 14, 2014

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Groundbreaking of Liberty Pointe

The City of Petersburg and the Woda Group, LLC cordially invites the community to attend the groundbreaking ceremony of Liberty Pointe on Tuesday, September 23 at 11 a.m. The event will take place at 3061 Pinetree Drive. Please RSVP to Julie Paul at jpaul@wodagroup.com by Friday, September 19.



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Hispanic Heritage Festival

The City of Petersburg and the Hispanic Heritage Committee invites you to attend the first citywide Hispanic Heritage Month. From art exhibits, crafts, food, folklore, dance and music, the month will kick off this year's festivities during September's *Friday for the Arts* on September 12. The official opening reception will be held at the Petersburg Area Art League along with the opening of the Elkin Rodriguez Artist Show. Food samples from Mexico, Spain and Argentina will be available. Everyone is invited to the "Viva la Fiesta" next door in the Art Park.

On Saturday, September 13 come enjoy "Bailamos en Petersburg" (Let's Dance in Petersburg) at the Fraternal Order of Eagles banquet hall (235 Franklin St.) at 6 p.m. Enjoy dance instruction, contests and social dancing until 11:30 pm. for a \$5 donation for the entire evening. See *Page 3 of Experience Petersburg for a full schedule.*

For more event information throughout the month, visit www.southsidevirginiaarts.org.

September Books on Market Series

Michele Rolle visits Petersburg Public Library for a book discussion and signing on Thursday, September 18 at 5:30 p.m. Rolle is the author of "Invisible Warrior". This title is available for check out at the library. No reservation required. For more information, please call (804) 733-2387, ext. 104.

Visit the library at 201 W. Washington Street or www.ppls.org for more info or call (804) 733-2387. ["Like" Petersburg Public Library on Facebook.](#)

Fatherhood Initiative

Petersburg Department of Social Services presents the Petersburg Fatherhood Initiative, "Setting the State" on Wednesday, September 24 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Union Train Station (103 River Street). The guest speaker will be Dr. Jeffrey Johnson, Ph.D., President and CEO of the National Partnership for Community Leadership.

Please RSVP by Monday, September 15 to Tameeka.Lesley@dss.virginia.gov.

Grapes & Hops Festival

Sip in Lincoln's Footsteps at Petersburg Chamber of Commerce Annual Grapes and Hops festival on Saturday, September 27. The event will feature tastings of new and classic vintages of Virginia's finest winemaking and craft breweries.



It is a wonderful opportunity to leisurely examine the artisans and crafters on display while walking in history in beautiful Old Towne Petersburg. Enjoy delicious food, live entertainment and the opportunity to purchase your favorite wine, microbrew, crafter or artisan collection. For more information about tickets, visit www.festivalofgrapesandhops.com.

Farmers Market

Petersburg Farmers Market operates each Saturday from 7 a.m. to Noon. The Market is located under the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Bridge. For additional information, please call (804) 733-2352. "[Like](#)" [Petersburg Farmer's Market on Facebook](#).

PAT & Veterans

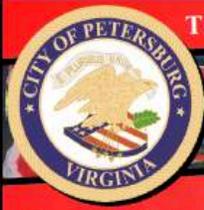


Petersburg Area Transit and the Freedom Support Center have partnered together to offer a Veterans PassCard to provide free and discounted fares to qualifying veterans. Veterans may board PAT buses for a free ride for up to three months. Qualifying disabled veterans must present the Veterans PassCard in order to ride free on PAT buses. After three months, veterans may qualify for a half-price discount on PAT fares. Qualification for this incentive is determined by the Freedom Support Center. The Center is located at 32 W. Washington Street. Passes are issued on Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

RideFinders to Petersburg

Please join the City of Petersburg and Petersburg Area Transit for the Grand Opening of RideFinders' Satellite Office on Thursday, September 18 at 10 a.m. at 100 West Washington Street. Please RSVP to cruffin@ridefinders.com by Tuesday, September 16.





The City of Petersburg Presents

Hispanic Heritage Month Series

From art exhibits, crafts, food, folklore, dance and music, the City of Petersburg invites you to join in our Hispanic heritage month activities. We will kick off this year's festivities at September's "Friday For The Arts". Typically, Hispanic heritage month begins in mid-September and continues through mid-October. We encourage you to learn about Hispanic heritage and participate in these mostly FREE events. We hope to see you there!

Friday, September 12

5 p.m. "Hispanic Heritage Month Opening Reception" - Petersburg Area Art League - 7 E Old St.

6 - 8:30 p.m. "Viva La Fiesta" - Petersburg Area Art League - 7 E Old St.

6 - 9 p.m. The Artwork of Jose' Lorenzo - Maria's - 21 West Old St.

6 - 9 p.m. "Ban Caribe" - Biblioteca Pública de Petersburg, 201 W. Washington St.

Saturday, September 13

6 - 11:30 p.m. - Bailamos En Petersburg (Let's dance in Petersburg) (\$5) - Fraternal Order of Eagles, 235 Franklin St.

6 - 7:45 p.m. - Dance Workshops-(Including Salsa, Cha-Cha and Bachata)Featuring Flako, Clara & DJ Chino star sound.

8 - 9:00 p.m. - Open Social Dancing with Dola Dance.

9 - 9:30 p.m. - Dance Performances by Latin Vintage.

9:30 - 12 a.m. - Open Social Dancing featuring the live sounds of Timbason.

11-1:30 a.m. - After Party - Plaza Mexico - 3270 S Crater Road.

Tuesday, September 16

Mariachi Band (TBD) - Piñata and Jewelry making - Petersburg Public Library, 201 W. Washington St.

Learn to make Piñatas and Jewelry with the Hispanic Heritage Month Exhibit and books.

Monday, September 22 & Monday, September 29

12 - 1 p.m. - Buen Provecho - Parsley & Eatery, 322 N. Sycamore St .

\$5.00 per person **Reservations: (804)479-3999**

Thursday, September 25

11:30 - 1 p.m. - Hispanics: a legacy of history, a present of action, a future of success.

Guest Speaker: Colonel Victoria Revilla, U.S. Army Retired. Fort Lee Playhouse/Theater, 4300 Mahone Ave.

6:30 p.m. Bi Lingual PJ Story Time - Petersburg Public Library, 201 W. Washington St.

Friday, September 26

10:30 a.m. Bi Lingual PJ Story Time - Petersburg Public Library, 201 W. Washington St.

Thursday, October 2

5 p.m. - Conozca la Biblioteca ("Learn about the Library") - Petersburg Public Library, 201 W. Washington St.

Thursday, October 9

5:30 p.m. Cine en la Biblioteca ("Movie in the Library") - Petersburg Public Library, 201 W. Washington St.

Wednesday, October 15

4 to 6 p.m. - Hispanic Heritage Month closing - Hispanic Liaison, 2447 County Drive, Suite A.

Learn about City services.



For more information call 804-733-2430. For Spanish: 804-835-9136.

Information compiled by : City of Petersburg Department of Cultural Affairs, Arts & Tourism & Department of the Hispanic Liaison.

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Brown on the Green

The 3rd Annual Brown on the Green Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Petersburg Education Foundation will be held on Saturday, September 27 at the Dogwood Trace Golf Course (3108 Homestead Drive) starting at 9 a.m. Registration and breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m.

Corporate and business sponsorship opportunities are available. Please call (804) 980-5976 for more information.



September is National Preparedness Month

The City's Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services (FRES) is participating in the national Ready campaign for the month of September for National Preparedness Month. The theme is "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare".

Throughout the month, the City's FRES will have an outreach campaign in the community to help with emergency preparedness. Each week will be a different theme and information will be posted on the website. For more information from Emergency Management, visit www.petersburgva.gov/oem.



The City of Petersburg Needs You!

The City Manager and City Council are re-branding Petersburg and we need your help!

Share your thoughts at the Community Town Hall Meeting

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014
Time: 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm
Location: Union Train Station
103 River Street
Petersburg, VA 23803

CALL 804.644.8515 IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND!



** Light refreshments will be served*

Re-Branding Petersburg

Petersburg is re-branding and we need the community's help. A Community Town Hall Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Union Train Station (103 River Street). Please call (804) 644-8515 if you plan to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

More information on non-resident community meetings will be forthcoming. If you are unable to attend the community town hall, please complete the survey online, perceptionsurvey.questionpro.com.

International Film Festival

Tim Reid's Legacy Media Institute's 2nd International Film Festival will be held for three days throughout the Petersburg community. Legacy Media Institute is based at New Millennium Studios and is a non-profit Institute for training filmmakers. This festival will be titled "How Film and Music Impact Culture". Businesses in the community are invited to place an ad in the program booklet, or sponsor either a film screening or musical performance. More information can be found at LMI-IFF.org. Visit the Media Center at www.petersburgva.gov to view the video for this event.

Citizens Academy

Petersburg Police invite you to attend their eight-week Citizens Academy, September 24 – November 12 at the Police Department (37 E. Tabb Street). The classes will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Wednesday. Applications are available at: www.petersburg-police.com or in the department lobby. Application deadline is September 12. Topics covered will include defensive tactics, arrest & control, gang awareness, and more. Call (804) 479-6056 for more information. [Click here](#) to view the flyer.

Bid Opportunities

[Click here](#) to learn about current bid and contract opportunities from the City of Petersburg available to consultants, service providers, contractors, vendors or suppliers.

Attention Petersburg Taxpayers

First quarter real estate bills of tax year 2014/15 have been mailed to property owners and/or mortgage companies. All 1st quarter real estate tax bills are due on September 30. Any payment paid online or at one of our designated SunTrust Bank locations or any of our two drop box locations and postmarked by the Post Office on September 30, will be considered current. All other payments will be considered delinquent and incur 10% penalty and 10% APR interest on October 1. For more information, please visit www.petersburgva.gov.

Join Our PACC

Petersburg Animal Care & Control in conjunction with PetSmart is offering a *Second Chance for Love* at the National Adoption Weekend September 12 – 13.

PACC hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m., Friday from noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. Appointments are also available by calling (804) 732-3654. ["Like" Join Our PACC on Facebook.](#)

PETERSBURG
ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

In Conjunction With

PETSMART

Is Offering a *Second Chance for Love* at the
NATIONAL ADOPTION WEEKEND
At PetSmart-Colonial Heights, VA

Friday, September 12, 2014
5-7 pm
&
Saturday, September 13, 2014
10-2pm

Welcome to Petersburg

The City of Petersburg would like to welcome two new restaurants to the area including Alibi (305 North Sycamore Street) and Mint Gastropub (16 W. Old Street). Come enjoy great food, entertainment and dining in Old Towne Petersburg. City officials joined the Mint Gastropub for an official grand opening ribbon cutting on Thursday, September 11.



Petersburg In the News

[Stormwater Runoff Reduction](#)

[Goal: Recycle 4K Tons](#)

[Flora of Virginia exhibit continues at library](#)

[City employees cheer, hand out supplies during first day of school rally](#)

[Petersburg Area Transit offers new incentive for veterans](#)

[Council adopts financial policy](#)

[Cell phone tower to be built on Kozak Beverage, Inc. site](#)

[This Week in Civil War](#)

September Calendar

Friday for the Arts	September 12
Hispanic Festival	Begins September 12
National Adoption Event	September 12 - 13
Blanford Reunion	September 13
Credit Workshop	September 15
City Council Session	September 16
RideFinders Opening	September 18
Books on Market Series	September 18
Liberty Pointe Ceremony	September 23
Re-Branding Town Hall	September 23
Library HIV Testing	September 24
Fatherhood Forum	September 24
PPD Citizens Academy	September 24
Obesity Workshop	September 25
Grapes & Hops Festival	September 27
Brown on the Green	September 27
VIDA Savings Workshop	September 29
Tax Bills Due	September 30
City Council	October 14 (October 7 session rescheduled)

For more calendar events, please visit:
www.petersburgva.gov.