

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH 2020 Community Program Guide

JANUARY – MARCH



Featuring programs from Portsmouth Libraries, Museums, & Parks, Recreation & Tourism.



City Council



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Council Meetings

City Council Meetings are scheduled the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., in City Council Chamber on the 6th floor of the City Hall building.

Public Work Session Meetings

Public Work Sessions are scheduled for the Monday prior to the second and fourth Tuesday at 6 p.m. and again on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, with the exception of the month of December, at 5 p.m. prior to the City Council Meeting, in the 6th floor City Council Conference Room.

City Main Line

Portsmouth City Hall
801 Crawford Street
Portsmouth, VA 23704
Phone: (757) 393-8000
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
City Non-Emergency Call Center, dial 311

City Directory

Department Main Office Name and Number

- **Behavioral Healthcare**
1811 King Street
23704
(757) 393-5357
- **City Assessor**
City Hall
(757) 393-8631
- **City Attorney**
City Hall
(757) 393-8731
- **City Clerk**
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(757) 393-8639
- **City Treasurer**
City Hall
(757) 393-8651
- **Commissioner of the Revenue**
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(757) 393-8771
- **Commonwealth's Attorney**
1345 Court Street
Suite 105
(757) 393-8581
- **Economic Development**
TowneBank Building
200 High Street
2nd Floor
(757) 393-8804
- **Engineering & Technical Services**
City Hall
(757) 393-8592
- **Finance**
City Hall
(757) 393-8831
- **Fire Department**
311 County Street
Suite 200, 23704
(757) 393-8765
- **Human Resources**
City Hall
(757) 393-8626
- **Libraries Main**
601 Court Street
(757) 393-8501
- **Churchland**
4934 High Street West
(757) 686-2538
- **Cradock Branch**
28 Prospect Parkway
(757) 393-8759
- **Manor Branch**
1401 Elmhurst Lane
(757) 465-2916
- **Marketing Communications**
City Hall
(757) 393-5143
- **Museums Administration Dept. Main Office/ Name & Number**
521 Middle Street
(757) 393-8983
- **Children's Museum**
221 High Street
(757) 393-5258
- **Lightship Museum**
At the foot of Water & London Streets
(757) 393-8591
- **Portsmouth Colored Community Library Museum**
904 Elm Avenue
(757) 393-8591
- **Portsmouth Art & Culture Center**
400 High Street
(757) 393-8543
- **Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum**
2 High Street
(757) 393-8591
- **Parks Recreation and Tourism**
City Hall
(757) 393-8481
- **Permits & Inspections**
City Hall
(757) 393-8531
- **Planning**
City Hall
(757) 393-8836
- **Police Department**
711 Crawford Street
23704
(757) 393-8257
- **Public Utilities**
City Hall
(757) 393-8524
- **Public Works**
2001 Frederick Boulevard
23704
(757) 393-8666
- **Purchasing**
City Hall
(757) 393-8858
- **Social Services**
1701 High Street
23704
(757) 405-1800
- **Visitor Information Center**
6 Crawford Parkway
757-393-5111
800-PORTSVA
visit@portsmouthva.gov.
- **Voter Registration & Election**
City Hall
(757) 393-8644

On the Cover:

Photo of: Recreation Center activities offer kids an opportunity to learn and have fun. Encourage your kids to take advantage of programs at a Center near you.

Facilities and Contact Information:

Administration, Athletics, Grant Funded Programs, Youth Programs, Special Events

801 Crawford Street • Portsmouth, VA 23704
757-393-8481

Recreation Centers

Cavalier Manor Recreation Center

404 Viking Street
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 558-2805
Gym (757) 558-2804

Cradock Recreation Center/Therapeutic Recreation

308 Allen Road
Portsmouth, VA 23702
(757) 393-1046

J. E. Parker Recreation Center

2430 Turnpike Road
Portsmouth, VA 23704
(757) 393-8340

Neighborhood Facility Recreation Center

900 Elm Avenue
Portsmouth, VA 23704
(757) 393-8595

The Senior Station

3500 Clifford Street
Portsmouth, VA 23707
(757) 391-3241

Bide-A-Wee Golf Course

1 Bide A Wee Drive
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 393-8600

The Links

5 Cpl J M Williams Avenue
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 465-1500

Portsmouth City Park

7 Cpl J M Williams Avenue
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 465-2937

Portsmouth Sportsplex

1801 Portsmouth Blvd.
Portsmouth, VA 23704
(757) 393-8863

Union Bank & Trust Pavilion

16 Crawford Circle
Portsmouth, VA 23704
(757) 393-8181

Virginia Cooperative Extension Horticulture/4H/Food, Nutrition & Health

105 Utah Street
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 393-5197

Park Maintenance Landscaping/Trees Cemetery

Maintenance
(757) 393-8085



Register for Parks, Recreation & Tourism programs online at portsmouthparks.com



Youth Association Directory

Cavalier Manor Football

David Richardson
(757) 513-1047

Cavalier Manor Baseball

David Harris
(757) 776-1712

Charles Peete Baseball Little League

Ruth Edwards
P.O. Box 3473
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 719-7651 (c)
charlespeetell@gmail.com

Churchland/Barney Stevenson

Basketball League
B. Hawkins (Girls)
(757) 484-1040 (h), (757) 435-3567 (c)
(757) 393-6262 (w)

Nate Miller (Boys)

(757) 749-5416

Churchland Football

Tish Wilson
P.O. Box 6101
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 373-0390

Churchland Baseball Little League

George Detweiler
3708 Shannon Road
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 777-7875, Hotline: (757) 541-8008

Churchland Soccer

Tarance Curry, City Liaison
P.O. Box 5096
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 541-3156 (c)

Churchland Softball Little League

Pat Smith
5424 W. Norfolk Rd
Portsmouth 23703
(757) 235-1307

Churchland Track/Field

VA. Trailblazer
Carlos Moyer
(901) 240-6576

Cradock Little League Baseball / Softball

Josh Roberson
P.O. Box 2056
Portsmouth 23707
(757) 739-4128, (757) 487-7242
Outlawmilitia1981@gmail.com

District 6 Baseball

Jean Albertson
(757) 615-2950

Girls Basketball

Trent Bazemore
(757) 739-9899

Manor Basketball

Lopez Scott
(757)484-6445 (H)
(757)335-8573 (C)

Olive Branch Little League Baseball / Softball

Andrew Copeland
(757) 435-6012
andrewcopelandobll@yahoo.com

Portsmouth City Cowboys

Football/Basketball/Track
Deandre Barnes
(757) 714-1148

Mallory Carver

(757) 292- 3311

Portsmouth InterCity Football

Michael Thomas, Sr.
Suffolk, VA 23435
(757) 320-6757

Pop Warner Football

Terry Clark
(757) 409-3124

Portsmouth Soccer Club

Jimmy Holland
122 Chowan Drive
Portsmouth, VA 23701
(757) 646-9635 (c), (757) 488-3892 (o)
Hotline: (757) 673-4796

Wilson Little League

Baseball / Softball
Jeff Barrett
(757) 372-7228
www.wilsonlittleleague.org

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* Events and activities printed in this guide were confirmed at press time; however, due to conflicts, they are still subject to cancellation or rescheduling. For additional information, visit us online at PortsVaEvents.com, or call the Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism at (757) 393-8481.

Grant Based Programs



Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

Senior Transportation

Date: Monday-Friday January 2, 2020 – March 31, 2020 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** All Portsmouth Seniors **Fee:** Free **Description:** *Senior Transportation* provides daily transport to Portsmouth seniors to the Senior Station (3500 Clifford Street) for socialization, as well as medical/business appointments, (bank, social security office etc.), grocery shopping, cultural events and programs throughout Hampton Roads. This program is on a first come first served basis.



Youth Leadership Development

Date: Tuesdays January 7, 2020 – March 31, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 p.m. **Location:** J. E. Parker Recreation Center **Age:** 12-18 years **Fee:** Free **Date:** Thursdays January 2, 2020 – March 31, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 p.m. **Location:** Cavalier Manor Recreation Center **Age:** 12-18 years **Fee:** Free **Description:**



Youth Leadership Development is a mentoring and empowerment program for families intended to increase high school graduation rates and increase parental involvement. Also, it seeks to decrease criminal behavior by redirecting families to more constructive programs. Parents must register their child (ren) for this program.

Other Federal Grants

Mobile Kids Meals

Date: Monday-Fridays January 2, 2020-March 31, 2020 **Time:** 4:30 p.m.-Snacks; 5:30 p.m.-Dinner **Location:** Cavalier Manor, J. E. Parker, and Neighborhood Facility Recreation Centers **Age:** 5-18 years **Fee:** Free **Description:** The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) offers a free nutritious evening snack and dinner meal for school aged children 5 to 18, Monday – Friday at the Recreation Centers, afterschool sites and private non-profit locations. Parents must register their child (ren) for this program.



For information

on any of these programs, please call Michelle L. Eady (757) 393-8481.



Golf Courses



Bide-A-Wee

Hours of Operation:

Bide-A-Wee Pro Shop: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Nov. 1 through Mar. 31)

Facilities may close for inclement weather. **Pavilion:** Visitation is by appointment only.

Weekdays

Rates	Additional Information	Winter Weekdays (November 1 – March 31)
\$30 + cart		\$25 + cart
\$24 + cart Seniors	Age 60 and older/Active Duty Military/ Fire/Police/Portsmouth City Employees with City identification	\$23 + cart Seniors
\$15 + cart Junior	Age 17 and under	\$15 + cart Junior
\$24 + cart Twilight	After 2 p.m.	\$23 + cart Twilight
\$15 + cart Last Call	After 6:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday	
\$20 + cart 9 Holes	At discretion of Pro Shop	\$15 + cart 9 Holes
\$20 Friday Night Mixers	Includes golf, cart and prizes for winners.	

Weekends

\$40 + cart

\$20 + cart Junior

(Age 17 and under)

NEW: Noon to 2:00 p.m.

\$38 including cart (\$33 green fee & \$5 cart)

Twilight (after 2:00 p.m.) –

\$30 (cart fee included)

Last Call after 6:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday \$15 + cart

9 Holes (At discretion of Pro Shop) – \$23 + cart

Cart Fees

Not including replay

- 18 Holes – \$5
- 9 Holes – \$5
- Twilight – \$5
- Pull Cart – \$2

Range Balls

- 1 bucket/50 balls – \$5
- 2 buckets/100 balls – \$7

Check with Pro Shop Staff for special promotions and discounts or to receive information and updates including special promotions and discounts please send email to Adam Relan, PGA at: relana@portsmouthva.gov

Annual Pass Fees

- Regular – \$1,950
- Senior – \$1,300
- Student – \$900
(age 23 and under with School I.D.)

Replay:

\$12 (includes cart) 1 time per day
Same day play – No reservations – No advance Tee – Time – Based on availability – Must show receipt



Links at City Park

Hours of Operation:

Links at City Park Pro Shop: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Nov. 1 through Mar. 31)

Rates Including FootGolf

- \$12 + cart
- \$10 + cart – Juniors (Age 15 and under)
- \$25 – including cart (Buddy Package or Parent Child Package)
- An additional \$9 including the cart
- \$10 + cart All you can play (**after 3:00 p.m.**) (Apr. 1 – Oct. 31)

Range Balls

- 1 Bucket of 50 balls, \$5
- 2 Buckets, \$7
- 10 Bucket Special, \$40

Annual Pass Fees

- \$300/Students (up to age 18) and PJGA members
- \$500/College students (age 18 to 23) with school i.d.



Bide-A-Wee Pavilion Rental

Contact Valora Baskerville

757 393-8600 Ext. 3

Baskervillev@portsmouthva.gov



For questions, information and updates please contact ...

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Jewish Museum & Cultural Center Cinema Series

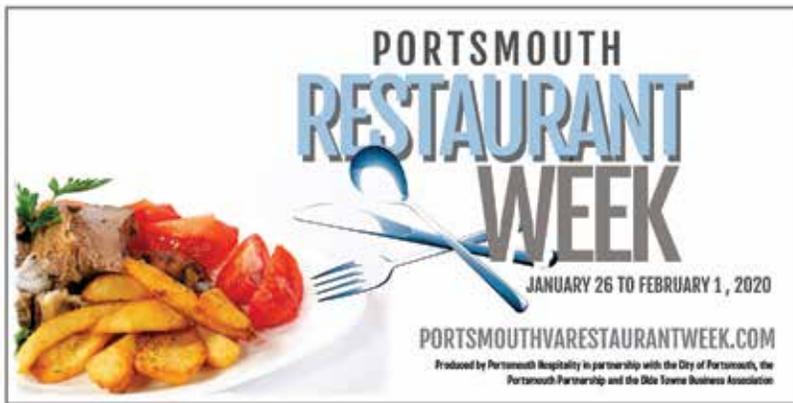
January 4, January 11, February 1, February 29
7:00 PM

607 Effingham Street, Portsmouth, VA 23704
Ages 7 and above
No admission charge, donations to JMCC welcome.

This Cinema Series features four films related to the Jewish-American experience:

- The Chosen** (January 4)
- The Front** (January 11)
- The Debt** (February 1)
- Funny Girl** (February 29)

Each film will include a brief introductory commentary by local authorities on Jewish-American culture.



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CONCERTS

Portsmouth Community Concerts, Inc.
Presents

Orson Van Gay II



Date: Friday, February 21, 7:30 – 9 p.m.

Location: Churchland High School Auditorium

Cost: Students (free); adults
(\$25 single ticket)

Age: Students and adults
accompanied by adult American operatic
tenor Orson Van Gay II possesses a unique
and versatile voice that brings audiences
to their feet through his charisma and
command of the stage.

Portsmouth Community Concerts, Inc.
Presents

The Maxwell Quartet



Date: Friday, March 27, 7:30 – 9 p.m.

Location: Churchland High School Auditorium

Cost: Students (free);
adults (\$25 single ticket)

Age: Students and adults

Consisting of four great friends who
grew up playing classical and folk music
together in youth orchestras and music
schools across Scotland, The Maxwell
Quartet performs regularly across the
UK and abroad including engagements in
Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands.

68th Portsmouth Invitational Tournament- PIT

April 15-18 2020

Games Site: 4301 Cedar Lane
at Churchland High School

Breakdown of Tournament Schedule

Wednesday, April 15th 7pm/9pm

Thursday, April 16th *3:15pm/7pm/9pm

Friday, April 17th *3:15pm/7pm/9pm

Saturday, April 18th *12noon/*2pm/6pm/8pm

*Free Admission

Ticket cost per night- TBA
Book of ticket cost for all four nights- TBA

MARDI GRAS TEA PARTY

Saturday, February 22, 2020

2:00 p.m.

Hill House Museum

AGE: All ages **FEES:** \$25 for PHA
Members, \$30 for non-members
Reservations Required.

Call 757-714-3223

*Celebrate Mardi Gras with a tea party at the
Historic Hill House Museum. Mardi Gras
is associated with parades, parties, beads,
and masks. Guests are encouraged to
dress in the spirit of Mardi Gras.*

OLDE TOWNE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION



Date:

January 4, February 1, March 7

Time:

10 am - 2 pm

Location:

County Street Garage

Age:

All ages

Fees:

Free

Visit the Olde Towne Antique & Flea Market the first Saturday of each month rain or shine and enjoy the eclectic collection of unique and antique wares. With more than 70 vendors, you will discover a great selection of antique and flea market items of all types - priced to sell! It's a treasure hunter's dream come true! Call 405-3500 for more information.

29th Annual Echoes of Joy

"A Day of Caring & Sharing"



Date: Saturday, January 25, 2020 | **Time:** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Location: Neighborhood Facility Recreation Center | 900 Elm Ave., Portsmouth, VA 23704

Description: Hosted by the City of Portsmouth, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. A day of providing services to uplift the city's homeless and disadvantaged. To participate, donate, or volunteer, please call 757-393-8481.



Senior Station Programs

Senior Station is the Hub for Senior Activities! Whether it is our daily activities, weekly trips or special events, this is the place to be for anyone 55 and over. Here are a few of our Trips and Special Events planned for the upcoming season:



Educational Programs

AARP Driving Class

Date: January 7-8 & 21-22; February 4-5 & 18-19; March 3-4 & 17-18 Tues., Wed.
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 50+ **Fees:** \$15 for AARP member and \$20 for non-members.
Description: Pre-registration is required. Please call and registrar for any of the classes. If you are a member please bring your membership card. Instructor, Eddie Carr

Lunch and Learn

Date: January 13, February 10, March 9, Monday **Time:** 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Free **Description:** A variety of topics that are health, financial, community and wellness related. So staying informed is the best way to stay healthy. One of our goals is to keep you informed. Come out and hear the latest information on these topics. Jan. Understanding Alzheimer & Dementia; Feb Dementia Conversation Mar Elder Abuse



Health and Wellness

Fitness Room

Date: January– March; Monday – Friday
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Free with facility ID **Description:** Come work out in our fitness room. Our equipment will help keep you fit. You must be a registered participant. Proper athletic footwear and gym wear required. Participant must have a valid facility I.D. card.



Computer Lab

Beginner Computer Lab (8 wk. course)

Date: January 8 – March 4, Wednesday
Time: 10 a.m. -11:30 p.m. & 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Free **Description:** Learning to use the computer is an essential skill that everyone wants to be successful with in today's world. Technology is not going away. This is a great way to get started. Within this class you will learn; computer basics, parts of the computer, computer programs, exploring the desktop and creating an email account. Space is limited. Participant must have a valid facility I.D. card. Instructor Tara Turner

Computer Lab

Date: January 6 – March 31, Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. **Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Free with Facility I.D. **Description:** Our computer lab is open to senior adults to surf the internet to explore news, health information or anything of your interest. Must have a valid facility I.D card.



Classes

Beginner Sewing Class

Date: January 16, 23, 30, February 6, 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26 **Time:** 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Free **Description:** Join us at our beginner sewing class. You can learn some new skills or just brush up on some old skills. A sewing project will be given on the first day of class. You must call or stop by to register by Jan 10th. Must have a valid facility I.D. card.



Special Events

Dr. Martin Luther King Breakfast

Date: January 17; Friday **Time:** 10 a.m. -12 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** Donation of \$8.00 per person due by Friday, Jan.10. **Description:** "Still Achieving the Dream" Join us as we celebrate the life and achievements of Dr. Martin L. King. Breakfast will be served.

Valentine Celebration

Date: February 14, Thursday **Time:** 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Location:** TBA **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** \$10 per person due by February 7 **Description:**



Celebrate this special day, Valentine's Day with entertainment, music, fun, food and door prizes. A donation of \$10 is due by February 5, 2020.

"Wearing of the Green" A S. Patrick's Day Celebration

Date: March 17, Tuesday **Time:** 11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Location:** Senior Station **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** \$8 per person is due by Mar 10 **Description:** Join us as we celebrate the "Wearing of Green" and share the traditions of Ireland in food and games.

Celebrating the 30 Years Senior Sports Day (Save the Date)

Date: May 4-7, Monday – Thursday **Time:** 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. **Location:** Sports Plex **Age:** 50+ **Description:** Celebrating 30 years of the Senior Sports! Save the Date! Registration begins Feb 1 – Mar 31. Application can be picked up at the Senior Station, Recreation Centers, 3rd Floor City Hall and

our Public Libraries. Check us out lots of events and a special social this year!



Trips

Tunica – Casino Capital & Memphis- Home of the Blue

Date: March 8-14, Sunday – Saturday **Time:** TBA **Location:** Traveling to Memphis

Tennessee **Age:** 50+ **Fees:** \$600 per person and add \$260 for single occupancy due by Feb 7th. **Description:** Join us on a 7 day 6 night trip to Tunica – Casino Capital of the South and Memphis Tennessee the Home of the Blues. Included in this trip is a visit to the Casino Resort, the National Civil rights Museum, A visit to Stax Museum of American Soul Music and the Memphis Rock & Soul Museum along with free time on Beal Street along with 10 meals. Call us or stop by for more information.

Mystery Dinner Theater Trip

Date: TBA **Time:** 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. **Location:** Maverick Murder Mystery, VA Beach VA **Age:** 55+ **Fees:** \$40 per person **Description:** Join us for a night of fun, entertainment, a wonderful buffet of all you can eat and a mystery that will need to be solved by you! Call for additional information A donation of \$40.00 per person.

Recreation Center Programs



Recreation Center Rental Fee:

Small meeting room (that holds 30 people) – \$50/hr
Large meeting Room (that holds 50-75 people) – \$75/hr
Gym Rental cost \$125/hour
Security Deposit is required for all rentals. \$75 is refundable if there is no damage to site.
Sites are: Cavalier Manor, Joseph E. Parker, Neighborhood Facility, and Cradock Recreation Centers



All Recreation Centers

Our Hours

Days: Mondays – Thursdays **Time:** 3 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Day: Fridays **Time:** 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Target Ages:** 6 – 17 years old **Description:** An afterschool program that provides various recreational activities in a safe and positive environment.



Cavalier Manor

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Thursday, 3 p.m. – 8 p.m.,
Friday, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Weight room Hours:**
Monday – Thursday 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. and **Friday**
 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Age:** 16 and older with proper ID

“I Have a Dream” Exhibit

Date: Mon., Jan 13 - Fri., Jan., 31, 2014 **Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Age:** 6 – 17 **Fees:** Free
Description: Essays and drawings of our youth’s dreams for making the world a better place. Inspired by our great civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Submissions accepted the week of January 13th and the display will remain on site until January 31st.

“Valentine Sock and Hop”

Date: Friday, February 14, 2020 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Age:** 6–12 **Fees:** Free **Description:** Crazy sock contest. Participants will decorate a pair of socks to compete in different categories, i.e. ugliest, brightest, most creative, etc., for prizes. There will also be games and prizes all to celebrate the National Day of Love.

Black History Battle of the Brains

Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Age:** 6–17 **Fees:** Free **Description:** A fun-filled competition. Teams will compete answering Black History Trivia questions for prizes.

“Leprechaun Hunt”

Date: Monday, March 17, 2014 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Ages 6-13), 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (Ages 14 – 17) **Age:** 6 – 17 **Fees:** Free **Description:** That sneaky little Leprechaun has hidden treasures all over. Youth will participate in a scavenger hunt to find the treasures and hopefully the “Pot-O-Gold”.



Cradock Recreation Center

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Friday,
 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. **Weight room Hours:**
Monday – Friday, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Age: 16 and older with proper ID

Sensory Stimulation Activity Night

Date: January 10th **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Age: Children and adolescents with special needs and their families **Description:** Join us in creating various sensory projects! Enjoy different projects such as sensory bags, calm down bottles, and giant water beads.

Valentine’s Day Celebration

Date: February 14th **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Age: Children and adolescents with special needs and their families **Fees:** Free **Description:** Come join us for a Valentine’s Day celebration with crafts, snacks and fun!

STEM Creations

Date: March 6th **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Age: Children and adolescents with special needs and their families **Fees:** Free **Description:** Join us for STEM incorporated activities! These activities will include working with Legos, Duplos, Knex, other variations of blocks and even everyday household items.

Cooking With Our Hands

Date: March 27th **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Age: Children and adolescents with special needs and their families **Fees:** Free **Description:** Join us in creating various cooking creations which do not require the use of a stove, oven or microwave! Please notify us of any food allergies in advance.

J. E. Parker Recreation Center

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Thursday, 3 p.m. – 8 p.m., **Friday,**
 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Weight room Hours:**
Monday – Thursday, Noon – 2 p.m.,
 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., **Friday,** Noon – 2 p.m., 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Age: 16 and older with proper ID

NFL Day

Date: January 31, 2020 **Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Age:** Ages 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free
Description: Come out in your NFL Jerseys or T shirts and show support for your teams and enjoy a pre Superbowl party!

Fat Tuesday

Date: February 25, 2020 **Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Age:** Ages 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free
Description: Ready for Mardi Gras party? We will celebrate with traditional beads, masks, beignets, King cake and a Mardi Gras parade! Fun for all!

St. Patrick Day Sip and Paint

Date: March 17, 2020 **Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Age:** Ages 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free
Description: Sip and Paint for kids! Celebrate St. Patrick’s in a unique way with a Sip and Paint. Four leaf clovers, leprechauns, pots of gold and a load of fun!



Neighborhood Recreation Center

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Thursday, 3 p.m. – 8 p.m., **Friday,**
 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Weight room Hours:**
Monday – Thursday, Noon – 2 p.m.,
 5 p.m. – 8 p.m., **Friday,** Noon – 2 p.m., 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Age: 16 and older with proper ID

Winter Grill

Date: January 9, 2020 **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Age:** 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free **Description:** A “tailgate” party to ring in the New Year

Speedy Greetings

Date: February 13, 2020 **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Age:** 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free
Description: A fast paced meet and greet to celebrate the Valentine season

Lucky Charm Scavenger Hunt

Date: March 12, 2020 **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Age:** 6 – 17 years old **Fees:** Free **Description:** Use clues to decipher the exact location of a “pot of gold”

Other Programs at Neighborhood Rec

Tutor Me (Mon. – Fri. 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. ages 6-17) A homework assistance program designed to offer help with afterschool assignments

Chess Club (Tues. & Thurs. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 17 and under) A group that meets to learn chess game pieces and discuss basic moves & strategies of chess. Chess can become a lifelong passion and research shows chess improves both math and logic skills.

Creative Crafts (Thursdays 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ages 6-12) Arts & crafts projects made easy

Tournament Tuesday (4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ages 6-17) Compete against fellow participants in various game room activities ranging from pool to ping pong

Wild Out Wednesday (3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ages 6-17) Enjoy recreational activities accompanied with the latest music

Midday Burn (12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mon. – Fri.) Time allotted for adults to work-out at their leisure in a safe environment

Routine Fitness (5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Mon. – Thurs. and 5:00 – 7:00 pm Friday) Time allotted for adults to work-out at their leisure in a safe environment

Adult Night (Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. ages 18 and over) Come out enjoy an array of activities ranging from full court basketball to pool exclusively for adult participants



Portsmouth Cares: Healthy Lifestyles Initiatives

In a commitment to maintain a healthy environment for our citizens and promoting fitness, the following programs and facilities are available for adults 18 and over.

Recreation Center Membership Cost (annual fee):

Adults (18 to 54) \$20, **Youth** (up to 17) \$10, **Seniors** (55 and up) \$5.

All recreation center participants will receive a yearly membership card good for all City of Portsmouth recreation centers (Neighborhood Facility, Cavalier Manor, Cradock, J.E. Parker, Sportsplex, Senior Station). Participants will be required to present their membership card each time they use one of the recreation centers. portsmouthparks.com

Senior Fitness Classes

\$17 every 3 months or \$65 annually

Senior Aerobics

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Days:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** Seniors

Zumba Circuit

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Day:** Mondays, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** Seniors

Line Dancing

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Day:** Wednesdays, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** Seniors

Slide out

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Day:** Fridays, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** Seniors

All class information subject to change

Adult & Women's Fitness Classes

\$10 per class for 6 week

Zumba

Time: 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. **Day:** Tuesdays, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** 18 and up

Yoga

Time: 8 p.m. – 9 p.m. **Days:** Tuesdays, Jan. – Mar. **Location:** JEP **Ages:** 18 and up



Sportsplex

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Thursday, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Friday, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

NBA 2K Basketball E-Sports Tournament

Date: January 17-19, 2020 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. **Age:** 8 and above **Fees:** \$5 for Pro League, \$10 All-Star League, \$20 Hall of Fame League **Description:** A basketball 2K e-sports tournament for all video game enthusiasts. There will be 3 categories (Pro, All-Star, Hall of Fame) and a winner will be crowned from each category at the end of the tournament.

Family Game Night

Date: February 21, 2020 **Time:** 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. **Age:** All ages **Fees:** Free **Description:** Come enjoy a night of fun boardgames and card games, that will surely be a great memory for your family.

We Are Women

Date: March 8, 2020 **Time:** 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Age:** 8 and above **Fees:** Free **Description:** Celebrating international women's day by building empowerment posters for your dreams and aspirations and discussing women that have empowered you.

Classes

Cheer Class (Mon. 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Ages 5-7) (Mon. 6:45 p.m. – 8 p.m., Ages 8-12) (Tues. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., Ages 13-18) This is a team

activity in which elements of dance and acrobatics are combined with cheers and stunts in order to entertain spectators at sporting events. Cheerleaders will develop skills in area motions, jumps, tumbling, stunting, and performance skills. **Cost:** \$12 monthly plus a one-time annual \$10 yearly Recreation Membership Fee

Dance Class (Wed. 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Ages 5-7) (Wed. 6:45 p.m. – 8 p.m., Ages 8-12) (Thurs. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., Ages 13-18) This class incorporates a variety of dance genres. Students will be introduced to Ballet, Jazz, Hip-Hop and Majorette. NO PREVIOUS DANCE EXPERIENCE NEEDED.

Cost: \$12 monthly plus a one-time annual \$10 yearly Recreation Membership Fee

Boxing Class (Mon. and Wed. 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Ages 18+) (Tues. and Thurs. 5:30 – 6:30, Ages 12 and under) (Tues. and Thurs. 6:45 – 7:45, Ages 13+) Come and experience fitness boxing like you've never have before. This cardio boxing class will give you everything you need in a good workout. You will learn basic boxing techniques within the class. **Cost:** \$20 Monthly

Youth and Adult Athletics

For information on all athletic activities, contact the athletic division at (757) 393-8481. For a listing of the Sports Association Directory, please go to our portsmouthparks.com

Adult Basketball League

Date: January – March (Mondays & Thursday Nights) **Time:** 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. **Location:** Sportsplex Recreation Center **Age:** Adult **Fees:** \$400 Per Team **Description:** Basketball League to provide an opportunity for friendly competition that promotes good sportsmanship, teamwork, and integrity for Adult Men in the city of Portsmouth.

Women's Big 3 Basketball League

Date: January – March (Tuesday Nights) **Time:** 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. **Location:** Sportsplex Recreation Center **Age:** Adult **Fees:** \$125 Per Team **Description:** Basketball League to provide an opportunity for friendly competition that promotes good sportsmanship, teamwork, and integrity for Adult Women in the city of Portsmouth.

Portsmouth Youth Basketball League

Date: January – March (Saturdays) **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Location:** Sportsplex Recreation Center, Neighborhood Facility Recreation Center, J. E. Parker Recreation Center **Age:** 5 – 15 **Fees:** \$10 for Youth Recreation Annual Membership **Description:** Basketball League to provide an opportunity for friendly competition that promotes good sportsmanship, teamwork, and integrity for youth in the city of Portsmouth.



Hoffler Creek Wildlife Preserve

January – March Events www.hofflercreek.org (757) 686-8684

EARLY BIRD WALK

Date:

Saturday, January 11, 2020
Saturday, February 8, 2020
Saturday, March 14, 2020

Time: 8 to 10 a.m.

Location:

**Hoffler Creek Wildlife Preserve,
4510 Twin Pines Rd.**

Fee: Free, donations appreciated

Age: All ages welcome (under 18 accompanied by adult)

Join Dave Brown and other local bird experts for a special early morning look at the winter migrants. Gates open at 7:45 a.m. and close promptly at 8:00 a.m. Beginning birders and photographers welcome. Dress for the weather including comfortable clothing and sturdy shoes.





Paradise Creek Nature Park

January – March Events paradisecreeknaturepark.org (757) 399-7487

All 2020 Events are located in Paradise Creek Nature Park – 1141 Victory Blvd., Portsmouth, VA
Programming at Paradise Creek Nature Park presented by the non-profit Elizabeth River Project



Volunteer Service Days

Date: Saturdays Jan 18, Feb 1, 29 March 7, 14 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. **Target age:** 12 and above. 12-16 with adults. **Cost:** FREE - Register online at paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org. Make Paradise Park worthy of its name! Join fellow river lovers for seasonal tasks including weeding, planting, cleaning, pruning, light maintenance. Dress for working outdoors; work gloves and water bottle if you have them.



Power AM Walks

Date: Saturday Jan 4, Feb 22, March 28 **Time:** 8-9 a.m. **Target Age:** All ages, children accompanied by adults. **Cost:** FREE - Register online at paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org.

We will be walking a brisk pace for approximately 1 mile on the natural trails at Paradise Creek. Moderate exercise has great benefits for your physical health. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.



Basics of Pruning

Date: March 21 **Time:** 10-noon **Age:** Adults **Fees:** FREE - Register online at paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org.

Yolima Carr Conservation Landscape Curator at Paradise Creek will teach us the proper way to prune trees and how pruning is an excellent gardening practice to reduce or eliminate the use of pesticides



River Star Homes Workshops

Invasive Plant ID & Removal

Date: February 8 **Time:** 10a.m. – 12 p.m. **Age:** Adult (under 18 must be accompanied by adult) **Cost:** FREE - Registration Required – Contact Barbara Gavin at bgavin@elizabethriver.org or 757-392-7135

Cyndi Wyskiewicz extension agent for Portsmouth master gardeners and Yolima Carr Conservation Landscape Curator for Paradise Creek Nature Park will lead a class in identification and removal of invasive plants commonly found in the Tidewater area.

Composting

Date: March 28 **Time:** 10-noon **Age:** Adults **Fees:** Free with Registration **Cost:** FREE - Registration Required – Contact Barbara Gavin at bgavin@elizabethriver.org or 757-392-7135

Join Paul Allen a local naturalist

Come learn the basics and how easy it is to compost at home! Discover the environmental benefits of diverting food waste from our landfills and making your own powerful fertilizer!

Basics of Botany

Date: February 15 **Time:** 10-noon **Age:** All ages, children must be accompanied by adults. **Cost:** FREE Register at paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org. Come join us as we welcome John Joyce, a local botanist, artist and a volunteer at Paradise Creek to tell us about plants and propagation methods.



Bird Walks

Family Nature Walks

Dates: Saturdays Jan 18, Feb 1, 29 March 7, 14. **Time:** 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. **Cost:** FREE - Register online at paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org.

Discover the wonders of Paradise Creek! Take a walk through the park with a ranger to learn about our native plants and wildlife, and look for signs of wildlife. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.

Winter Bird Walks

Dates: Jan 25, Feb 29, and March 28 **Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. **Cost:** FREE - Register online (one registration per adult please), paradisecreek.elizabethriver.org.

More than 160 species of Birds have been identified in Paradise Creek Nature Park thanks to the tens of thousands of native plants and trees planted by volunteers and school children since 2012.



Virginia Cooperative Extension Programs

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4-H Junior Camp

Date: July 6-10, 2020

Registration Deadline:
May 22, 2020

Age: 9-13

Location:
Airfield Conference Center

Fee:
\$333 (\$55 to register)

Description:

About: 4-H Junior Camp is cooperative group living experience which focuses on individual social, spiritual, mental, and physical development. Campers will leave with a greater sense for the environment, their surroundings, self-esteem, self-worth, communication, leadership skills, personal/community accountability, and accomplishing independent life-skills.

Camp registration forms can be found at your local public library, VCE office, or online at <https://portsmouth.ext.vt.edu/>



Master Gardener Lecture Series

Sassy Succulents and Cool Cacti

Date: Wednesday January 15, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Target Age: Adults 18 and over **Location:** Portsmouth Public Library—Churchland Branch—Coleman room **Description:** Free gardening lecture on succulents and cacti. Catch the latest trends in indoor plants. Learn about these cool plants and their care.

Principles of Healthy Pruning

Date: Wednesday February 19, 2020 **Time:** 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Location: Portsmouth Public Library - Churchland Branch-Coleman room

Target Age: Adults 18 and over **Fee:** Free

Description: Free gardening lecture on the correct way to prune roses, shrubs and small trees.

Starting a Vegetable Garden and Seed Swap

Date: Feb 4, 2020 **Time:** 9 a.m. **Location:** Portsmouth VCE

Grounds 105 Utah Street, Portsmouth **Target Age:** Adults

Fee: Free **Description:** A free gardening lecture on how to start a garden from the ground up. Bring your extra seeds to swap for other varieties to try in your spring garden.

Build a Bluebird House

Date: Saturday March 14, 2020 **Time:** 10:00 a. m- 12:00 noon

Location: 105 Utah Street, Portsmouth **Target Age:** Children- 5 years old and Up - (Must be accompanied by an Adult 18 and over) and Adults

Fee: \$15.00 Material Fee **Description:** Workshop on building a bluebird house. Recipients will build their own bluebird houses to take home



Visit www.pmgv.org.

Please Contact the Environmental Horticulture Agent, Cyndi Wyskiewicz at 757-393-5314. Email cyndiw@vt.edu for more information.

4-H Extension Agent Theran Teach / 757-506-0295 / tteach@vt.edu



Pokey Smokey II Train Schedule 2020

The Train will shut down for the winter season

Date: Reopens on May 2, 2020.

Nighthawk Basketball

- **Every Friday**
10 p.m. – 1 a.m.
- **Age:** 18 – 27-
No registration IDs or fees is required
- Pick-up Basketball Games
- Open Gym and Weight room
- Program will rotate each Month at our facilities:
 - **January** Sportsplex
 - **February** Neighborhood
 - **March** Cavalier Manor
 - **April** JE Parker



Recreation Center

Rental Fee/Cost:

*** No center rentals during the months of June, July and August

*** Large Meeting Room (Gym) - \$125/hour

Small meeting room (holds 30 people) – \$50/hour

Large meeting room (Gym) (holds 50-75 people) – \$125/hour

Security Deposit – \$75 is required for all rentals; deposit is refundable if there are no damages

Sites are:

Cavalier Manor – 404 Viking Street
J.E. Parker – 2340 Turnpike Road
Neighborhood – 900 Elm Avenue
Cradock – 308 Allen Roades

Approval for center rentals must be approved 14 days prior to renting them to make sure staff is available to work and the center is available. Site Supervisors will confirm the availability.

PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS and ATHLETIC AREAS	Outdoor Basketball	Football	Softball	Baseball	Soccer	Tennis	Walking Trails	Picnic Shelters	Playground Equipment	Boat Ramps	Skatepark	Outdoor Pool	Splash Park
BIDE-A-WEE GOLF COURSE - 1 Bide A Wee Lane													
CAVALIER MANOR RECREATION CENTER/ATHLETIC AREA - 404 Viking St.	X	X	X	X		X			X			X	
CHARLES PEETE LITTLE LEAGUE - Elliott Ave. and Deep Creek Blvd.				X									
CHURCHLAND ELEMENTARY - 5601 Michael Lane	X	X		X									
CHURCHLAND ATHLETIC FIELD COMPLEX - Rivershore Rd. and Cedar Lane	X		X		X	X			X				
CITY PARK AND GOLF COURSE - 7 CPL J.L. Williams Ave.						X		X	X	X	X		
COTTAGE PARK - 1919 County St.	X												
CRAWFORD BAY LINEAR PARK - Crawford Pkwy and Court St.							X						
DOUGLAS PARK - Manteo St. at Calvin St.			X										
EBONY HEIGHTS PARK - Tyre Neck Road and Fawkes St.	X							X	X				
EIGHTH AND JEFFERSON PARK - Eighth St. at Jefferson St.	X								X				
FORT NELSON - 700 Crawford St.													
FOUNTAIN PARK - Broad St. and Woodrow St.				X					X				
GOSPORT PARK - Lincoln St. at First St.													
GEORGE WASHINGTON PARK - George Washington Hwy at Parkside Place									X		X		
HATTONSVILLE PARK - 1919 Laigh Rd.													
HOFFLER CREEK WILDLIFE - 4510 Twin Pines Rd.							X	X					
HODGES MANOR SOCCER - 1201 Cherokee Rd.					X				X				
HIGHLAND BILTMORE BALLFIELD - Deep Creek Blvd. and Elliott Ave.			X										
HIGHLAND & LANSING PARK - Highland Ave. and Lansing Ave.	X								X				
HUNT MAPP-WILSON LITTLE LEAGUE - 3701 Willett Dr.			X	X									
J.F. KENNEDY CENTER - 12 Grand St.	X		X										
J.E. PARKER RECREATION CENTER - 2430 Turnpike Rd.				X					X				
JOHN TYLER SOCCER - 3649 Hartford St.					X				X				
LAFAYETTE ARCH PARK - 407 Crawford St.													
LAKE SHORES GREEN - 400 Block Lake Shores Dr. and 500 Block Potomac Ave.													
MAPLEWOOD PARK - Portsmouth Blvd. at Truxton Ave.	X												
MIDDLE STREET PARK - 402 and 411 Middle St.									X				
MOUNT HERMON PARK - 901 Florida Ave.	X								X				
NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITY - 900 Elm Ave							X	X				X	
NORTH STREET PARK - 509 North St.													
OWENS CREEK PARK - 1500 McDaniel St.													
PARADISE CREEK PARK - 1141 Victory Blvd.							X	X	X	X			
POINT PLEASANT PARK - 4815 High Street West													
PORTSMOUTH SPORTSPLEX - 1801 Portsmouth Blvd	X	X				X						X	
REFLECTION WALK PARK - Bayview Blvd. at Florida Ave.							X						
SCOTTS CREEK PARK - London Blvd. at Constitution Ave.													
SIMONSDALE ATHLETIC COMPLEX - 132 Byers Ave.			X	X									
WASHINGTON STREET PARK - London St. at Washington St.													
WAVERLY PARK - Waverly Blvd. at Court St.													
WESTMORELAND RECREATION AREA - 3423 Wheatfield Dr.			X	X									
WILSON LITTLE LEAGUE - 3703 Willett Dr.			X	X									

2020 Portsmouth City Park Shelter Rental Rates

Location: 5 Cpl J.M. Williams Avenue Shelter Reservations

Opens: "Dawn to Dusk" (portsvaprls.com) **Park Opens:** March 6, 2020 **Shelter Reservations Date:** January 13, 2020 through November 2, 2020 **Contact Number:** 757 393-8481 **Park/Fishing Pier Open:** Year round from Dawn to Dusk

Weekday Rate Monday – Friday

	Half Day	All Day
Single	\$15 resident/\$25 non-resident	\$15 resident/\$25 non-resident
Twin	\$45 resident/\$65 non-resident	\$80 resident/\$120 non-resident
Triple	\$100 resident/\$125 non-resident	\$175 resident/\$225 non-resident

Weekend/Holiday Rates

	Half Day	All Day
Single	\$30 resident/\$40 non-resident	\$50 resident/\$75 non-resident
Twin	\$65 resident/\$80 non-resident	\$120 resident/\$150 non-resident
Triple	\$125 resident/\$150 non-resident	\$225 resident/\$275 non-resident

For more information contact: (757) 393-8481 or portsmouthparks.com

Portsmouth Public Library Programs 2020



Children

Reading

- Event:** Storytime
Dates/Times: Every Tuesday: Jan 14, 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25; Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Location: Main Library
- Dates/Times:** Every Thursday: Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
- Dates/Times:** Every Thursday: Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Location: Manor Branch
- Dates/Times:** Every Thursday: Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, 11 a.m. -11:30 a.m
Location: Cradock Branch
- Event:** Mother Goose on the Loose
Dates/Times: Every Saturday: Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25; Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; 11 a.m. – Noon
Location: Main Library
- Event:** Book Buddies:
Dates/Times: Last Tuesday: Jan. 28, Feb. 25, Mar. 31; 5:30 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Description: Book Group for 4th – 6th Graders

STEM

- Event:** Preschool S.T.E.M.
Dates/Times: Every 2nd Tues.: Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 10; 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Manor Branch
Description: STEM: Science Technology Engineering Math; Preschool ages 3 – 5
- Event:** Science Saturday
Dates/Times: Every 1st Saturday: Jan. 4, Feb. 1, Mar. 7; Drop in between 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Age: 1st – 6th Grade
Description: Learn about different science topics each month.

Clubs

- Event:** Lego Club
Dates/Times: 2nd Tues: Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar 10; 5 – 7 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
- Dates/Times:** Jan. 25, Feb. 29, Mar. 28; 2 – 3 p.m.
Location: Main Library



- Event:** STREAM Club
Dates/Times: 1st Tuesday; Jan 7, Feb. 4, Mar 3; 5:30 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Age: *Sign up required* 4th – 6th grade
Description: STREAM: Science Technology Reading Engineering Arts Math

Kids Movies

- Dates/Times:** Every 2nd Saturday; Jan. 11, Feb. 8, Mar. 14; 2 p.m.
Location: Main Library
- Dates/Times:** Every 3rd Tuesday; Jan. 21, Feb. 18, Mar. 17; 6 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
- Dates/Times:** Jan 27, Feb. 24; 3:30 p.m.
Location: Cradock Branch
- Event:** Princess & the Frog Gumbo Party
Dates/Times: Feb. 15; 1 – 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Celebrate Black History Month through Food! We'll make gumbo and watch a movie. Please call 757-393-8501 to register

Crafts

- Event:** Craft Time
Dates/Times: Jan 18, Feb. 1, Mar. 21
Drop in Till 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
- Dates/Times:** Jan 18, Feb. 15, Mar 21
Drop In till 4 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
- Dates/Times:** Jan 22, Feb. 13, 3:30 p.m.
Location: Cradock Branch
- Dates/Times:** 2nd Saturday; Jan 11, Feb. 8, Feb. 29, Mar. 14; 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Location: Manor Branch
Description: An extra craft for an extra day on leap year



- Event:** I Have A Dream Craft
Dates/Times: Jan 13 - 16; 3 – 5 p.m.
Location: Manor Branch
Description: Create a heart shaped dream catcher in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King.

- Event:** Peace Dove Craft
Dates/Times: Jan 13 - 18; Drop in 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Make a Peace Dove in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Learning/Workshops

- Event:** Rainbow Puppets
Dates/Times: Jan 9; 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Description: Performance and Workshop
- Event:** Girls Who Code
Dates/Times: Every Thursday; Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Learn the basics of coding; for girls age 8 – 11 or grades 3 – 5th
- Event:** Homeschool Meet-Up
Dates/Times: Jan 10, 24, Feb 7, 21, Mar 6, 20; 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Get together with members of the homeschool community. Please call 757-393-8501 or email whitela@portsmouth.va.gov to register.



Teens

- Event:** Teen Book Group
Dates/Times: 1st Tuesday's: Jan. 7, Feb. 4, Mar. 3; 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Description: Book group for ages 12 – 18
- Dates/Times:** Jan. 28, Feb. 25, Mar. 31; 2:45 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Location: Manor Branch
Description: Book group ages 13 – 18

Event: **Girls Who Code**
Dates/Times: Wednesdays: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25; 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Learn the basics of coding.
Age: Girls 11-17 or grades 6-12.

Event: **Make a Loaf Kitty**
Dates/Times: Jan. 18; 1:30 – 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Age: Teens
Description: Learn to Crochet! *Reservations are required* We go over the basics and start working on your first project, a loaf kitty! Please call 393-8501 to reserve your spot, For ages 11 - 17



Adults

Art/Crafts

Event: **Adult Coloring**
Dates/Times: Jan. 7, Feb. 4, Mar. 3, 11 a.m.
Location: Cradock Branch

Dates/Times: Jan 6, 27; Feb. 10, 24; 11 a.m.
Location: Manor Branch

Event: **Adult Craft**
Dates/Times: Jan. 8, Feb. 12, Mar. 11, 11 a.m.
Location: Cradock Branch

Event: **Crochet**
Dates/Times: Jan 8, 15, 22; Feb. 12, 19, 26; 11 a.m.
Location: Manor Branch
Age: Adults
Description: Please call 465-2916 for reservation and please bring a size 5 needle

Event: **Canvas Painting**
Dates/Times: Jan. 11 – “Winter Wonderland”
 Feb. 8 – “Cupcakes & Canvas”;
 2:15 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Registration is required, please call 393-8501.

Dates/Times: Feb. 15, 10 a.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Description: Painting with Pam, Reservations required. Please call 686-2538.

Book Clubs/Writing

Event: **Writers Group**
Dates/Times: 2nd & 4th Tuesday: Jan. 14, 28; Feb. 11, 25; Mar. 10, 24; 6 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch

Event: **Portsmouth Book Group**
Dates/Times: Jan 6, Feb. 3, Mar. 2; 6:30 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch

Event: **The Mix Book Group**
Dates/Times: Jan 21, Feb. 18, Mar. 17; 6 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch

Event: **Main Book Club**
Dates/Times: Jan 25, 2:30 p.m.
Location: Main Library

Event: **Movies**
Dates/Times: Jan 6, 13, 24, 27; Feb. 3, 10, 21, 24; Mar. 2, 9; 2:30 p.m.
Location: Main Library



Computers/Electronics

Event: **Basic Computers for Adults**
Dates/Times: 1st and 3rd Wednesday: Jan. 15; Feb. 5, 19; Mar. 4, 18; 11 a.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: *Reservations Required - 393-8501*
 New topic every month

Event: **BYOD: Bring Your Own Device**
Dates/Times: Every Wednesday, by Appointment -393-8501
Location: Main Library

Entertainment/Games

Event: **Black History Expo**
Dates/Times: Feb. 12, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch
Description: Port Towne Magic Show Orchestra, and Guest Speaker Inez Randolph

Event: **African Drum Performance**
Dates/Times: Feb. 22, 2 p.m.
Location: Churchland Branch

Event: **Puzzle Contest**
Dates/Times: Feb. 22, 12:30 – 4 p.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Please call 393-8501 to reserve a spot for your team. All teams must have four members, and at least two on the team must be adults. Teams will have 3.5 hours to complete the puzzle. Fastest team wins!

Event: **TEDtalk Discussion Group**
Dates/Times: Jan 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 10; 10:30 a.m.
Location: Cradock Branch
Description: Join the group for a new topic every month.



Exercise

Event: **Yoga @ Main**
Dates/Times: Tuesdays, Thursdays and alternating Saturdays;
 Jan 2, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 21, 23, 25, 28, 30; Feb 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27; Mar 3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 31
 Tuesdays at Noon, Thursdays at 11 a.m., and alternating Saturdays at 11 a.m.
Location: Main Library
Description: Please check the library website for any/all updates or cancellations. www.portsmouthpubliclibrary.org

Miscellaneous

Event: **Homeless Outreach Assistance**
Dates/Times: Jan 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 19, 26; Mar. 4, 18, 25; 11 a.m.
Location: Cradock Branch



Library Information

portsmouthpubliclibrary.org

Churchland (CH)

4934 High Street West | (757) 686-2538 | Mon.-Wed., 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. | Thurs., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Fri. and Sat., 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Cradock (CR)

28 Prospect Pkwy | (757) 393-8759 | Mon.-Thurs., 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. | Fridays: Closed | Sat.: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Main Library (ML)

601 Court Street | (757) 393-8501 | Mon.-Thurs., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Fri. and Sat., 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Tues. Noon | Thurs. 11 a.m. | every other Sat. 11 a.m.

Manor (MA)

1401 Elmhurst Lane | (757) 465-2916
 Mon.-Thurs., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Fridays: Closed | Sat., 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Portsmouth Museums

Ongoing

Exhibits, Programs & Events

Museum Information

The Portsmouth Colored Community Library Museum
Friday & Saturday
 Noon – 5 p.m.
 Opens Jan 17, 2020

Children's Museum of Virginia
 Closed Mondays between Labor Day and Memorial Day
Tuesday – Saturday
 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum
Wednesday – Saturday,
 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. &
Sunday, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center
 Open on Monday holidays 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and on the First Fridays, March – October open 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Wednesday – Saturday
 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

The Lightship Portsmouth
Friday & Saturday
 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday
 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
 Opens March 6, 2020

Privately Operated Museums

The Hill House Museum
 221 North St.

The Jewish Museum and Cultural Center
 607 Effingham St

Railroad Museum of Virginia
 16 Crawford Cir.

Visual Arts Center at TCC
 340 High Street



Make It, Take It

Days: Tuesday through Saturday **Time:** 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. & 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.; Sundays, 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia **Age:** Families/children ages 2-8 years old **Fee:** Museum admission. Stop by the *Make It, Take It Room* and create a fun themed craft. You can display your design in our room or take it with you.



SHIPYARD SEASON'S GREETINGS: *Vintage Images of Norfolk Naval Shipyard at Holiday Time (Photo display)*

Date: Through January 31, 2020 **Location:** Naval Shipyard Museum **Age:** All ages **Fee:** Museum Admission. See mid-20th century images of shipyard buildings and facilities decorated for the holidays. Despite being an industrial facility, the shipyard did manage to make merry for the holidays with large outdoor signs, huge, homemade Christmas trees, and unique office decorations – most of which were crafted by the workers themselves. Images courtesy of the Norfolk Naval Shipyard Archives.

FRAMED: *Step Into Art*®

Date: January 26, 2020 – May 10, 2020 **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia **Fee:** Museum admission. *Immerse Yourself in the World of Famous Paintings* - Experience art like never before in *Framed: Step into Art*™. This engaging exhibit transports visitors to a world where paintings leap off the canvas and children are invited inside the art experience. The exhibit provides opportunities for children and adults to spend time with five paintings – from iconic to contemporary – and learn to appreciate their own, as well as others' opinions of individual art.

THE TEST: *Tuskegee Airmen*

Date: March 6 – May 31, 2020, Main Gallery



S.T.E.M. Studio

Day: Saturdays
Time: Saturdays,

12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia **Age:** Families/children ages 3 and above **Fee:** Museum admission. The STEM Studio uses STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) activities that are hands-on and appropriate for the entire family to do together. The STEM Studio is included in the general admission and is open to anyone as long as space is available.



Olde Towne Farmers Market

The Portsmouth Olde Towne Farmers Market is making plans for the coming winter months in 2020. More information will be available on the market's facebook page and at the website, www.portsmouthfarmersmarket.com.



Exhibits

Reception: Friday, March 6, 2020, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Location:** Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center **Age:** All ages **Fee:** Museum admission. *The Test* shares the story of the first African-American U.S. Military aviators who were first introduced into combat during World War II. The aviators were part of an effort by the War Department to determine if African-Americans had the capabilities to be effective combat aviators. THE TEST tells the incredible story of men in war struggling to be the best Americans they could be while they also struggled against prejudices from their fellow countrymen

Soul Finger Project

Date: April 3 – June 20, 2020, Entrance Galleries **Reception:** April 3, 2020, 5 – 8 p.m. **Location:** Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center **Age:** All ages **Fee:** Museum admission. This 3-person exhibition features paintings and drawings influenced by contemporary Black Culture to its roots in Northern Africa to the Caribbean and beyond. Featured artists include Portsmouth native and now Florida resident, Ramel Jasir, Clayton Singleton, Norfolk, VA and Anthony Burke also of Florida. Each artist brings their own unique style or "fingerprint" that differs and compliments the art by others in the exhibition.

2020 Outdoor Sculpture

Date: April 3 – October 12, 2020, Courtyard **Reception:** Friday, April 3, 2020, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Location:** Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center

Courtyard Age: All ages **Fee:** Free. The fifteenth annual juried Outdoor Sculpture exhibition goes on display in the historic courtyard from April through October 2020. Vanessa Thaxton-Ward, Ph.D., Director of Hampton University Museum, served as juror. The exhibit offers \$3,000 in cash awards including Juror's Choice, \$1500; Seawall Art Award, \$1,000 and People's Choice at \$500. Visitors are invited to cast their ballot to determine which sculpture wins the People's Choice award.



A STEADY CYCLE OF LIVELY EVENTS: *The African American Social Scene in Postwar Portsmouth*

Date: Through October 31, 2020 **Location:** Portsmouth Colored Community Library Museum **Age:** High school and older **Fee:** Free/donations accepted Learn about some of the African American community's social and recreational activities in post-World War II Portsmouth. See vintage images of parades, talent shows, club meetings and more, from this era when segregation led to Portsmouth's black residents establishing their own social scene with *A Steady Cycle of Lively Events*.



CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

S.T.E.M. Challengers

Date: January 18 & 25, February 15 & 22, and March 21 & 28, 2020

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia

Age: 6-9 years old **Fee:** Cost per two – week sessions: Members: \$25 Non-Members: \$30 (includes museum admission) STEM topics are explored during these workshops using hands-on project-based concepts. Each month is a new idea and project. Students register for each month that includes two sessions, on the 3rd and 4th Saturdays of the month.



Preschool Saturdays

Date: January 18, February 15, and March 21, 2020 **Time:** 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Location: Children's Museum of Virginia

Age: Children ages 3-5 years old **Fee:** \$2 for members/\$7 for non-members (includes museum admission for the day) Does your preschooler want to be a scientist or artist? Join us for our 3rd Saturday Series that combines art and science. As always, remember to dress for a mess! For information call 757-393-5258 or visit www.ChildrensMuseumVirginia.com to register.



EVENTS



Toddler Days

Date: January 7-10, 2020 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 a.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia **Age:** Preschoolers **Fee:** Included with museum admission. Winter break is over, school is back in session and the little ones need out of the office, too! It's a great time for toddlers to play in the museum – explore the exhibits, see a planetarium show, make a craft and more!



2020 BLACK HISTORY NOW:

Celebrating Today's Changemakers

Date: January 18, 2020 – February 29, 2020 **Days:** Saturdays, January 18, 25, and February 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 **Location:** Portsmouth Museums & Public Libraries **Age:** All ages **Fee:** Primarily free/ Children's museum admission. For a list of all of the events visit www.childrensmuseumva.com

www.portsmouthartcenter.com
www.portsvaafricanamericanheritage.com
www.portsmouthpubliclibrary.org



Celebrate the Arts

Date: Saturday, March 7, 2020 **Time:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia **Age:** Families/educators **Fee:** Museum admission. Celebrate the Arts is an interactive family-fun day, which also serves as Arts for Learning's (A4L) Showcase. This event is filled with interactive performances and workshops for all ages with A4L's professional artists. Educators and PTA Executive Board Members are admitted FREE with proper identification. For more information visit arts4learningva.org

Grandparents Day

Date: Sunday, March 22, 2020 **Time:** 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Location:** Children's Museum of Virginia Join us in celebrating our Grandparents! We're saying "Thank You" to all the grandparents by offering a special discount of \$5 for the entire day. To top off your visit Scoops Cafe (next door) is offering a special discount for all grandparents & grandchildren this day. Just show your museum wristband to receive your ice cream treat.



First Fridays

First Friday: Concert in the Courtyard Series & Reception for The Test: Tuskegee Airmen

Date: Friday, March 6, 2020 **Time:** 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Location: Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center

Age: All ages/families **Fee:** Free

"THE TEST" shares the story of the first African-American U.S. Military aviators who were first used in combat during World War II, which became known as the "Tuskegee Experiment". In early 1943, the first squadron of black aviators deployed to North Africa to enter combat. The outcome would impact the future opportunities open to African-Americans in and outside of the military.

First Saturdays

First Saturday Exhibits & Art Presentation

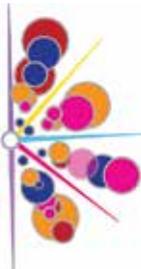
Date: Saturday, March 7, 2020 **Time:** 1:30 p.m.

Location: Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center

Age: All ages **Fee:** Free

The PACC will be open from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. to the opening day of a new exhibit titled *The Test*, which tells the story of the Tuskegee Airmen. There will be a presentation by Dr. Harry Quinton in the Art Annex, regarding his experience with the Tuskegee airmen he knew and his work in the military. Though Dr. Quinton never got to be a pilot, he touted the accomplishments of the Tuskegee pilots. "White pilots frequently requested the 'Red Tails' as they were known because of the red painted tails on their planes."

SPECIAL DAY FOR SPECIAL NEEDS



Dates: Sunday, February 23, 2020 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Location: Children's Museum of Virginia **Age:** Families/ caregivers/children ages 12 and under **Fee:** \$5 per person and 1 caregiver admitted for free

The Portsmouth Museums invites children with special needs and their families to enjoy a morning of their very own. We'll open the museum early for visitors to explore the exhibits, make it/take it arts & crafts, and more!



Visual Arts Center TCC



50th Annual TCC Art Faculty Exhibition

Date: November 23–March 1

Location:

Visual Arts Center | 340 High Street



“A Post Such As Portsmouth” (“British Operations in Hampton Roads, 1781”).



March 28 | Saturday, 9 am - 4 pm

9 a.m.: Parade (*Naval Shipyard Museum down High Street to the Portsmouth Arts and Cultural Center.*)

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.: (*Open to Public*) **History Vignettes/Activities.**

March 29 | Sunday, 10 am - 3 pm

10 a.m.: Greetings at Church

10:30 a.m.: Historic Church Service (*Portsmouth Art & Culture Center, Trinity Church, Children’s Museum of Virginia*)

11:30 a.m.: History Vignettes/Activities.

Age: All ages Fees: Free 18th Century living history event presenting Portsmouth in 1781. Costumed interpreters (reenactors) will portray historic figures including both civilians and soldiers in Portsmouth during the American Revolution. Enjoy historic skits, vignettes, demonstrations, music, dance, activities, and more throughout the day.



Living History
– 18th Century
Reenactment

March 28 - 29, 2020