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We believe that learning and playing are lifelong endeavors and vital to overall health and wellness. Our department is dedicated to providing a variety of quality recreational and leisure opportunities to the citizens of Augusta County.

If you're looking for a creative outlet, a challenging adventure, a means to stay fit and healthy, or an activity to further your child's development, you have come to the right place! We maintain several parks and facilities throughout the county that can host a wide range of activities. Our trip offerings take you to amazing places both within our state and beyond.

Join us for a new adventure today!



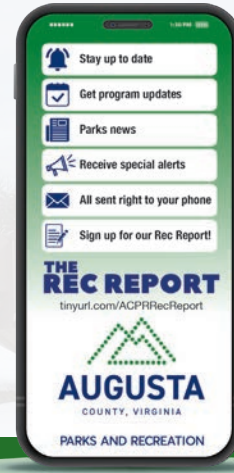
The Parks and Recreation Commission serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors in recommending policies relating to recreation programming, constantly assessing recreation needs to provide year-round supervised recreation for the citizens of Augusta County. If you would like to contact your commissioner directly, please see the website for more information.

The Commission regularly meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month in the Board Room at the Augusta County Government Center in Verona. The general public is invited and welcome to attend. Meeting times can change occasionally, so be sure to check the County Calendars page on the website before you join us.

THE REC REPORT

Can't find your activities guide? Whether it has been recycled, chewed by the dog, used to start that woodstove, or thrown away (gasp), we've got you covered! We send out an email newsletter that lists programs with upcoming registration deadlines and special announcements! It's called the Rec Report and arrives every month. Sign up now so you don't miss out!

<https://tinyurl.com/ACPRRecReport>




ACTIVITIES GUIDE SCHEDULE

February - May	Delivered the beginning of January
June - September	Delivered the beginning of May
October - January	Delivered the beginning of September


Online registration will open around the 20th of the month preceding the guide being delivered to households.

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FALL MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY  SEPTEMBER 28

Chris Pratt

Samuel L. Jackson

THE GARFIELD MOVIE



Food trucks, games and more starting at

5PM

Movie starts at sundown

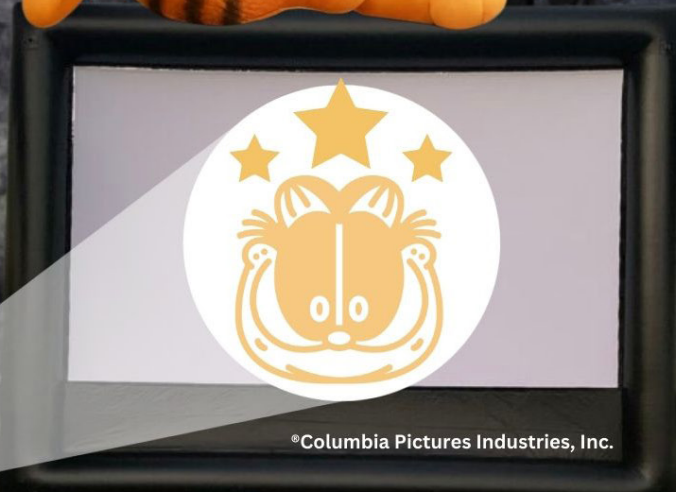
7pm



*Food trucks are not free



Bring your own blankets and chairs!



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TO ATTEND

SENIOR HEALTH FAIR
18 GOVERNMENT CENTER LANE

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 6
9AM-12PM

EXHIBITOR FEES: BUSINESS: \$40 | NON-PROFIT: \$25 | SPACE IS LIMITED
APPLY BY SEPTEMBER 25 | EMAIL: PARKSREC@CO.AUGUSTA.VA.US

WANT TO BE A SPONSOR?

Includes 1 exhibitor spot at event, featured as sponsor in program/map. Preferred placement. (Windows, larger table)

Featured in all marketing* and social media campaigns leading up to the event. Extra space at the event to spread out, with TV to run static advertisement.

Logo on all marketing materials*, banner placement at the Government Center prior to event, premier placement at event with TV to run static advertisement.

TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3
\$150	\$300	\$600



ONLY 2 SPACES AVAILABLE

ONLY 1 SPACE!



*Marketing materials may include our Facebook, Instagram, website, announcement reel, press releases, radio ads, newsletters, billboards and advertisements.

County Wide - Hide & Seek - Scavenger Hunt

Find Clark the Elf or his friends in one of the six Augusta County parks between November 18-December 16; then return them to the Parks and Recreation Office in Verona to claim a prize from one of our community sponsors.



The Hunt Begins **Nov. 18**

Follow us for clues, rules and game information!

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WANT TO BE A SPONSOR?

Sponsorship eligibility is flexible! Sponsorships are used to create prize packs and grand prizes! We can use gifted items, gift cards, tickets and more! Email us for more info: parksrec@co.augusta.va.us

Cheerleading by Stretch-n-Grow

Ages 3 ½-9

The Stretch-n-Grow Cheerleading program is designed to teach the fundamental skills needed for cheerleading routines. Participants will learn arm motions, jumps and cheers needed to perform cheerleading skills. The classes will also emphasize the importance of regular exercise as a lifetime habit, as well as teach stretching and exercises to increase flexibility. Each child will receive a set of pompoms and a routine booklet during the first class (cost included in registration fee). Children should be dressed appropriately for exercise. Instructor is Stephanie Taylor. Register by September 17.

Government Center - Activity Rm 2 and 3			\$60/person
Wednesdays	Sept 25 - Oct 30	5:15PM - 5:45PM	Ages 3 ½-5 #50813-08
Government Center - Activity Rm 2 and 3			\$65/person
Wednesdays	Sept 25 - Oct 30	5:50PM - 6:35PM	Ages 6-9 #50813-09



Kids' Test Kitchen

Ages 5-15

Kids' Test Kitchen is on a mission to get young eaters cooking, tasting and thinking about healthy ingredients! Each class presents participants with an opportunity to explore new or familiar foods in the raw, un-manipulated state. Then, with adult supervision and occasional assistance, we will work together virtually to slice, dice, peel, measure and cook until we have each prepared the finished dish.

The virtual experience gives students the unique opportunity to gain comfort and independence within their own kitchen and then immediately share their work with family! Parents love having the night off from planning and preparation and agree that coming together as a family to enjoy the product of their kid's labor is priceless. A team of registered dietitians plan the menus that have previous included: Nourishing Nachos, Comfort Stew, Creamy Tomato Tortellini Soup, Homemade Ricotta and stuffed shells, Potato Gnocchi, Crepes and so much more! Fee includes instruction only. Prior to the first night of class, guardians will be emailed an ingredient list and instructions on how to log in for class. Instructor is Kids' Test Kitchen facilitators. Register by October 29.



Virtual via Zoom			\$85/household
Wednesdays	Nov 6 - Dec 18	5:30PM - 6:30PM	#50801-07

**No classes on November 27.*



Baton Twirling

Ages 3+

This class offers participants the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of baton twirling and will cover basic techniques, novelty tricks and choreography. Participants will learn to twirl recreationally in a safe and inclusive environment, while developing lifelong skills. The sport of baton twirling is a fun and unique art for children of all ages and a great way to teach poise, hand-eye coordination, technique, marching, parades and more. This class will help build self-esteem, encourage teamwork, stay-fit physical fitness, teach sportsmanship, dedication, self-motivation and children will have fun! Instructor is Joey Warren. Register by October 31.

Crimora Community Center **\$37/person**

Thursdays **Nov 7 - Dec 19*** **5PM - 5:30PM** **Ages 3-4** **#50802-15**

Crimora Community Center **\$37/person**

Thursdays **Nov 7 - Dec 19*** **5:30PM - 6PM** **Ages 5-8** **#50802-16**

Crimora Community Center **\$46/person**

Thursdays **Nov 7 - Dec 19*** **6:05PM - 6:55PM** **Ages 9+** **#50802-17**

**No class on November 21 and 28.*



Beginning Archery

Ages 12+

Come have fun learning a new sport in the outdoors! This program will teach participants how to properly use archery equipment (bow and arrow) safely. Class will be held rain or shine and involves both indoor classroom time and outside shooting time. Dress according to the weather and wear closed toe shoes. The participants will use a Genesis bow that can be used by all ages; all necessary equipment will be provided. Instructor is Buddy Wagner from Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR). Register by October 13.

Government Center - Activity Rm 1 **\$20/person**

Saturday **Oct 19** **8AM - 12PM** **#20804-01**



Sporting Clays Learn-To-Shoot

Ages 8+

Never shot clay targets and want to try? Come out to The Flying Rabbit Sporting Clays in Mount Crawford to learn the basics of sporting clay shooting! Participants will learn the basic fundamentals of clay target shooting including safe firearm handling, proper stance and gun mount. Cost includes instruction, gun rental, ammunition and clays. Please dress for the weather (wear layers if possible); class will go on during light rain, but will be cancelled for heavy rain or lightening. All equipment and safety gear will be provided. **Any participant under age 18 must have a legal guardian present at all times.** Instructor is Danny Harding or Tracy Harding. Register at least one week before start of class.

The Flying Rabbit Sporting Clays-Mount Crawford			\$55/person
Saturday	Oct 26	1PM - 2PM	#51304-05
Sunday	Nov 17	2PM - 3PM	#51304-06
Sunday	Dec 7	1PM - 2PM	#51304-07

There is no electricity or running water (port-a-johns are located on site).



Paint4Fun®™ with Diane **Ages 14+**

Complete this one-of-a-kind Wilson Bickford design, Choir Practice, using acrylic/oils. This day class is open to novices as well as those who want to enhance their painting skills. All painting supplies, including a 11x14 canvas, are provided. Participants should bring a roll of paper towels, lunch and drink to class. Instructor is Diane Ricketson with Paint4FUN®™. Register by November 3.

Government Center-Activity Rm 3			\$81/person
Saturday	Nov 9	10AM - 3PM	#20209-07



Yoga Basics – An Introduction to Yoga Practice **Ages 13+**

Yoga is a mind/body practice that cultivates strength, balance and flexibility on both a physical and mental level, helping us navigate the challenges of life with more grace and ease while bringing the different aspects of ourselves into alignment and integration. This class provides beginners with an accessible introduction to the core practices and principles of yoga in a relaxed, fun and engaging way. Please wear loose-fitting, comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle and yoga mat if you have one. Instructor Carey McCallum has been practicing yoga for over 15 years and is an RYT 200 certified instructor. Register by September 30.

Government Center-Activity Rm 2 and 3			\$70/person
Mondays	Oct 7 - Oct 28	5:45PM - 7PM	#50510-02

NRA Home Firearm Safety/Double A Tactical Basic Firearms Course ***Ages 18+**

This is a five-hour course for safe gun handling that is conducted in the classroom only. Students are taught NRA's three rules for safe gun handling, primary causes of firearms accidents, firearm parts, how to load and unload certain action types, ammunition components, cleaning, care, safe storage of firearms and ammunition and the benefits of becoming an active participant in the shooting sports. Students will receive a course completion certificate. Safety comes before all else. This class will meet requirements for the Virginia Concealed Carry Permit. Instructor also has extensive knowledge of the Criminal and Civil Liabilities pertaining to CCW Permit holders while carrying concealed and if you are forced to defend yourself with your firearm. **Please do not bring guns to class.** Instructor is Jim Wood, NRA Certified Instructor. Register at least one week before start of class.

3. ALWAYS keep the gun unloaded until ready to use

Government Center-Activity Rm 1				\$108/person
Saturday	WOMEN ONLY	Oct 19	1PM - 6PM	#50202-10
Tuesday		Oct 22	5:30PM - 10:30PM	#50201-07
Thursday	WOMEN ONLY	Nov 7	5:30PM - 10:30PM	#50202-11
Saturday		Nov 9	1PM - 6PM	#50201-08
Tuesday		Dec 10	5:30PM - 10:30PM	#50201-09
Saturday	WOMEN ONLY	Dec 14	1PM - 6PM	#50202-12
Saturday		Jan 18	1PM - 6PM	#50201-11
Saturday	WOMEN ONLY	Feb 15	1PM - 6PM	#50202-04

**Only individuals 21 and older can apply for the Concealed Carry Permit.*

Adult & Pediatric CPR/AED Training **Ages 12+**

Be prepared for a health emergency for family, friends or even those you don't know! Learn to perform lifesaving care for adults, children and infants in this hands on American Red Cross course. Participants will learn to administer CPR and use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) which can save lives. Successful course completion results in a 2-year certification from the American Red Cross. Instructor is Casey Tucker with Vivid Earth Adventures. Register at least one week before the start of class.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1				\$95/person
Saturday		Nov 2	9AM - 12:30PM	#20214-01
Saturday		Feb 22	9AM - 12:30PM	#20214-02

Utah Nonresident Concealed Carry Permit

Ages 21+

The Utah Concealed Firearm Permit (CFP) is one of the most sought-after permits because with it law-abiding citizens may legally carry a firearm concealed in 39 states. The Utah CFP course is classroom based and taught by NRA certified & Utah BCI certified instructors. Course instruction includes the following topics: Utah criminal and traffic code, U.S. federal firearms regulations, BCI administration policy, practical and legal considerations and more. Although this is NOT a live fire course and range time is not required, participants are encouraged to cultivate their marksmanship skills by scheduling one-on-one firearms training at the range with a qualified instructor. Class cost includes a course completion certificate, instruction on obtaining your FBI fingerprinting (which is required by the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification) and passport photo service to help expedite the submitting of your application. Each course participant packet contains course handouts of material covered, a blue FBI fingerprint card and a Utah Non-Resident CFP application. Any U.S. citizen may apply for a non-resident Utah CFP after taking this required course. Before applying for the Utah CFP, you must obtain a concealed carry permit from your home state. Once applying for the Utah CFP a criminal background check will be conducted. **Please do not bring guns to class.** Instructor is Jim Wood, NRA & Utah BCI Certified Instructor. Register at least one week before start of class

Government Center-Activity Rm 1			\$100/person
Tuesday	Nov 12	5:30PM - 7PM	#50216-04
Tuesday	Jan 7	5:30PM - 7PM	#50216-05

Adult & Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED Training

Ages 12+

Learn to perform lifesaving care for adults, children and infants in this hands on American Red Cross course. Participants will learn to administer CPR, use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and first aid skills to care for sudden illnesses, bleeding emergencies and other common injuries and illnesses. Successful course completion results in a 2-year certification from the American Red Cross. Be prepared for a health emergency! Instructor is Casey Tucker with Vivid Earth Adventures. Register by January 19.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1			\$133/person
Saturday	Jan 25	10AM - 3:30PM	#20215-01

What happened to my activity?

Augusta County Parks and Recreation has every intention for all offered activities to take place, especially considering the time investment staff has made in planning activities. Unfortunately, sometimes excellent offerings are cancelled due to low enrollment. So if an activity looks interesting or fun, don't hesitate, register today!

All About Reverse Mortgages

Ages 18+

So, you've heard about reverse mortgages but not sure how they work? In this class learn facts verses fiction, the history of reverse mortgages and more. This is an informational class only and is designed to be a safe, non-threatening way to get information on reverse mortgages. Instructor is Diana Sample of ALCOVA Mortgage. Register at least one week before the start of class.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-Registration required

Thursday	Nov 7	10AM - 11AM	#20227-01
Wednesday	Jan 8	10AM - 11AM	#20227-05

**Spanish interpreter available on request.*

Homebuying Made Simple

Ages 18+

This class will cover everything you need to know when it comes to buying a home, whether it's your first or retirement home. We will cover credit scores and history, loan programs, down payment assistance and more. This program will walk through the steps of the home buying process and the details to think about before you make the decision to purchase a home. This is an informational class only and is designed to be a safe, non-threatening way to get information on important home buying topics. No loan plans can be discussed during the class. A real estate agent will be present. Instructor is Diana Sample of ALCOVA Mortgage. Register at least one week before the start of class.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-Registration required

Tuesday	Dec 3	11AM - 12PM	#20226-06
Tuesday	Feb 11	6PM - 7PM	#20226-05

**Spanish interpreter available on request.*

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AARP Smart Driver

Ages 50+

AARP Smart Driver is a driver improvement course specially designed for motorists age 50 and older to help drivers refine existing skills and develop safe, defensive driving techniques. Graduates of the course may be eligible to receive a discount on their auto insurance premiums (check with your insurance agent to determine eligibility). Instructor is Kati Mole from AARP. AARP Members please bring your membership card to class as this will be checked upon arrival. Register at least one week before start of class.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1 **\$20 (AARP members); \$25 (non-AARP members)**

Wednesday	Oct 9	8:30AM - 4:30PM	#20602-04
Wednesday	Feb 5	8:30AM - 4:30PM	#20602-01

There will be a 30-minute lunch break. Feel free to pack a lunch; there are snack and drink vending machines on premise.

Medicare Workshop

Ages 25+

Have you found that choosing the right Medicare coverage for you can be overwhelming? Whether you have Medicare or are trying to understand the various parts, we can help! During this educational session you will learn about: parts of Medicare A, B, C and D, Medicare Supplements, Medicare Advantage and when to enroll in Medicare. All of your questions will be answered to help you have a better understanding of Medicare. Now is the time to consider all your options. Making an informed Medicare choice is empowering. This is an informational workshop only and is designed to be a safe, non-threatening way to get information on important Medicare topics. No Medicare plans can be purchased during the workshop. Instructors are Paul Pellicane of Pell Insurance Solutions and Charles Dumaresq of Dumaresq Insurance Associates. Register by January 16.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1 **Free - Pre-registration Required**

Thursday	Jan 23	10AM - 12PM	#20201-06
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Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention

Ages 60+

Slow, controlled movements build strength, improve balance, free up stiff joints and relieve stress. Class techniques are taught by a certified instructor and are safe, effective and recommended for older adults and those diagnosed with arthritis, fibromyalgia, scleroderma or spondylitis. Participants should wear comfortable, appropriate footwear with a non-slip sole. Instructor is Ann Gross with Valley Program for Aging Services. Register at least one week before the start of class.

Government Center-Activity Rm 2 and 3 **Free - Pre-registration Required**

Tuesdays	Sep 10 - Oct 15	2:30PM - 3:30PM	#20607-01
Tuesdays*	Oct 22-Dec 3	2:30PM - 3:30PM	#20607-07

**No class on November 5.*

A Matter of Balance

Ages 60+

This award-winning program is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falls. Participants will learn to set realistic goals for increasing activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors and promote exercise to increase strength and balance. Instructor is Ann Gross with Valley Program for Aging Services. Register by September 2.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Mondays*	Sept 9 - Nov 4	2:30PM - 4:30PM	#20605-03
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**No class on October 14.*

I'm Dead, Here is the Deal

Ages 60+

Dying is one of the most chaotic times in a person's life and the thought of trying to prepare for it can be overwhelming. This is an opportunity to receive a free funeral planner and educate yourself on the difference between comfort care, palliative care and hospice. We will also discuss ways to start the conversation with your loved ones about what your wishes are and how to start making sure these are followed upon your passing. Instructor is Ann Gross with Valley Program for Aging Services. Register by September 29.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Friday	Oct 4	10AM - 11:30AM	#20609-02
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Care Partner's "Line in the Sand"

Ages 18+

The question often arises as to "when do I know it's time for an alternative home for my family member". Ideally, we want to believe that someone can age in place and remain at home but that can't always happen. It may be for safety reasons, financial concerns or simply because we have reached the point that the care of someone else is impacting our own health and well-being. This class offers an opportunity to discuss why it is important to recognize limitations and resources available to assist. Instructor is Sharon DeBoever. Register by October 10.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Thursday	Oct 17	10AM - 11AM	#20203-01
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Late Stage Alzheimer's

Ages 18+

This class will focus on both the strengths and weaknesses that appear in late-stage Alzheimer's. The instructor will offer tips for interaction and adaptations that may be helpful both to the individual with the diagnosis and the care partner. Instructor is Sharon DeBoever. Register by November 5.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Tuesday	Nov 12	10AM - 11AM	#20203-02
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Middle Stage Care Partner Madness

Ages 18+

This is often the most difficult stage of any of the dementias for care partners to deal with the transition. Resources seem limited, behaviors more erratic and life in general seems more chaotic. This class will offer survival tips and ways to make this transition easier for everyone. Instructor is Sharon DeBoever. Register by January 7.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Tuesday	Jan 14	10AM - 11AM	#20203-04
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Community Resources to Support the Art of Living with Dementia

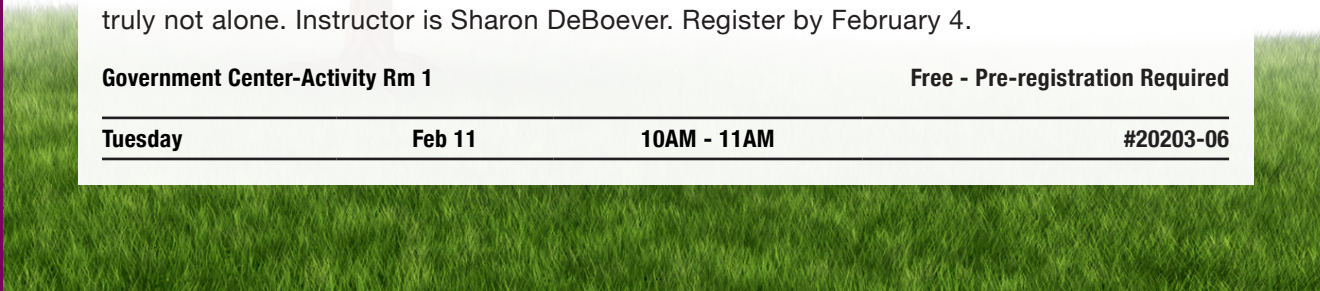
Ages 18+

This session will provide information regarding the various resources that are available to support both the person with a diagnosis and the care partner on their journey. From local in-person events, home care and webinars, all are great resources to find out that you are truly not alone. Instructor is Sharon DeBoever. Register by February 4.

Government Center-Activity Rm 1

Free - Pre-registration Required

Tuesday	Feb 11	10AM - 11AM	#20203-06
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Doyles River Falls Hike **Ages 50+**

Join us as we hike down to the Doyles River Waterfall where we will enjoy our packed lunch. This 3.3-mile round trip hike is considered moderate; this type of hike is generally suitable for novice hikers who want a bit of a challenge and the terrain will involve a moderate incline and may have some steeper sections. The guide on this hike, Lester Zook with WILD GUYde Adventures LLC, will teach participants about general outdoor and hiking safety. Fee includes guided hike and transportation. Register by September 22.

Shenandoah National Park **\$45/person**

Thursday	Oct 3	7:45AM - 2:15PM	#20601-31
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**Participants should bring a packed lunch.*



Tamarack Marketplace **Ages 50+**

Experience the nation's first showcase of handcrafts, fine art, regional cuisine and the best of West Virginia at Tamarack. More than 2,800 artisans from all fifty-five counties in the state have become part of the Tamarack family. For over 20 years, Tamarack has greeted millions of visitors, offering unique Appalachian goods. Find original and handmade gifts at this one-of-a-kind cultural center. Fee includes transportation. Register by October 23.

Beckley, WV **\$40/person**

Wednesday	Nov 6	8AM - 5PM	#20601-17
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Brunch at the Mimslyn Inn **Ages 50+**

The menu is ever changing as the executive chef, who specializing in upscale Southern cuisine, surprises the palate with seasonal dishes. Signature breads, muffins and other sweet treats are prepared daily by the pastry chef. Fee includes brunch and transportation. Register by October 6.

Luray, VA **\$55/person**

Sunday	Oct 27	9:30AM - 1PM	#20601-16
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Augusta County in the Civil War **Ages 50+**

Augusta County played a vital role in the Civil War. Battles were fought here, armies and equipment moved through constantly and County citizens served in countless ways. Amazing and moving stories abound and are part of this day-long tour of nearly fifty sites including historic homes, churches, cemeteries, battlefields and much more. Local historian Mike McCray will accompany this trip as the tour guide. Fee includes transportation. Register by October 24 for the November 7 trip and October 31 for the November 14 trip.

Augusta County, VA **\$45/person**

Thursday	Nov 7	8AM - 5PM	#20601-18
Thursday	Nov 14	8AM - 5PM	#20601-22

**Participants should bring a packed lunch.*



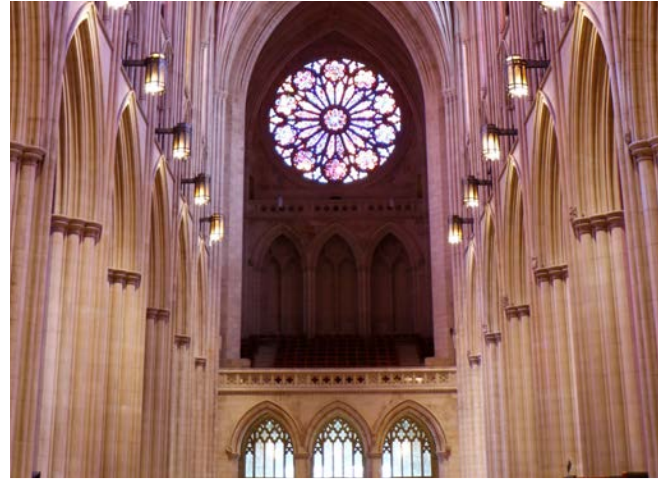
White House of the Confederacy

Ages 50+

Visit this historic home where Jefferson Davis and his family lived during the war and where Abraham Lincoln met with his generals. Learn about the lives of the enslaved and free people who worked there and the impact of the war on them. Lunch will be on your own at Siné Irish Pub and Restaurant. Fee includes tour and transportation. Register by October 24.

Richmond, VA **\$40/person**

Friday	Nov 8	9AM - 2:45PM	#20601-19
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National Cathedral

Ages 50+

Explore some of the most beloved Cathedral features with an expert guide! Tour the main level where you will see the world-famous Space Window, Canterbury Pulpit and more, we will also explore the lower level chapels and exhibits. Fee includes guided tour and transportation. Register by October 27.

Washington, DC **\$90/person**

Tuesday	Nov 12	7AM - 4PM	#20601-20
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Point of Honor

Ages 50+

Point of Honor may not look like a big house at first glance, but it has served as home to many influential people throughout Lynchburg's history. During the guided tour learn who worked, lived and visited this historic spot. Lunch will be on your own at Market at Main. Fee includes tour and transportation. Register by October 30.

Lynchburg, VA **\$35/person**

Wednesday	Nov 13	9AM - 2:30PM	#20601-21
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Ted Swindley's Honky Tonk Angels - Swift Creek Mill Theatre **Ages 50+**

A Texas housewife, a West Virginia girl and a Los Angeles career woman share the same honky-tonk dream; when all three meet on the bus to Nashville, the Honky-Tonk Angels are born! This show is a hilarious, foot-stomping good time with 30 classic country songs! Fee includes lunch, show and transportation. Register by November 3.

Colonial Heights, VA **\$95/person**

Wednesday	Nov 20	10AM - 7:15PM	#20601-23
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The Bizarre Bazaar **Ages 50+**

Enjoy holiday shopping for your family and friends or treat yourself! The bazaar is a Virginia tradition for 49 years, with unique offerings that include seasonal gifts and decorative accessories for the home and garden, gourmet food and cookbooks, fine linens, designer women's and children's clothing, toys, fine crafts and artwork, furniture and jewelry. With over 475 exhibitors, you are sure to find some treasures! Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by November 21.

Richmond, VA **\$45/person**

Thursday	Dec 5	10AM - 8PM	#20601-24
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Christmas at the Homestead **Ages 50+**

Since 1766 The Omni Homestead Resort has welcomed Virginia residents and travelers to the breathtaking mountains of Virginia. No time is the hotel more magical than during the holiday season. Experience the elegant charm that has made this resort a premier destination for 23 U.S. presidents. Located across more than 2,000 acres of scenic Virginia landscape, you are sure to have an experience unlike any other. Before arriving at the resort, we will stop for dinner at the Country Café. Fee includes transportation. Register by November 26.

Hot Springs, VA **\$25/person**

Tuesday	Dec 10	3PM - 9:30PM	#20601-25
Wednesday	Dec 11	3PM - 9:30PM	#20601-26





Riverside Christmas Spectacular

Ages 50+

Experience the excitement, memories and joy of Christmas as this spectacular cast of singers and dancers present the very heart and essence of the holiday season. Escape the cold, hustle and stress by warming your Christmas spirit at Riverside Center with this glittering celebration of everything that makes this “the most wonderful time of the year”! Fee includes show, lunch and transportation. Register by October 1.

Fredericksburg, VA **\$115/person**

Friday Dec 13 8:45AM - 7:15PM #20601-27



The Greenbrier at Christmas Time

Ages 50+

Christmas straight out of a storybook is what you will experience at this resort. When you arrive at The Greenbrier, you will start by exploring the grounds with a horse-drawn carriage ride then have time on your own to explore the resort and enjoy the decorations. Lunch will be on your own at Cooks Country Kitchen. Fee includes carriage ride and transportation. Register by December 3.

White Sulphur Springs, WV **\$82/person**

Wednesday Dec 18 10AM - 5:45PM #20601-28



Maggie L. Walker National Historical Site

Ages 50+

Maggie Lena Walker devoted her life to civil rights advancement, economic empowerment and educational opportunities for Jim Crow-era African Americans and women. As a bank president, newspaper editor and fraternal leader, Walker served as an inspiration of pride and progress. Today, Walker’s home is preserved as a tribute to her enduring legacy of vision, courage and determination. Fee includes guided tour and transportation. Register by January 9.

Richmond, VA **\$30/person**

Thursday Jan 23 8:45AM - 3:30PM #20601-29



9 to 5 - The Musical

Ages 50+

Tumble outta’ bed and stumble to 9 to 5 The Musical. With music and lyrics by Dolly Parton, 9 to 5 is based on the smash hit movie. Three unlikely friends take control of their office and learn there is nothing they can’t do! Pushed to the boiling point, the female coworkers concoct a plan to get even with the sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot they call their boss. In a hilarious turn of events, Violet, Judy and Doralee live out their wildest fantasy – giving their boss the boot! Fee includes meal, show and transportation. Register by October 22.

Toby’s Dinner Theatre - Columbia, MD **\$120/person**

Wednesday Mar 5 7AM - 6:30PM #20601-30

TRIPS FILL FAST!

Augusta County Parks and Recreation takes a 14-person mini bus on most of our trips. To have the best chance of securing a seat on a trip, we suggest registering online or over the phone as soon as registration opens. If the trip is something you really want to take, don't wait until the register by date since some trips fill quickly!

Luckett's Fall Market

All Ages

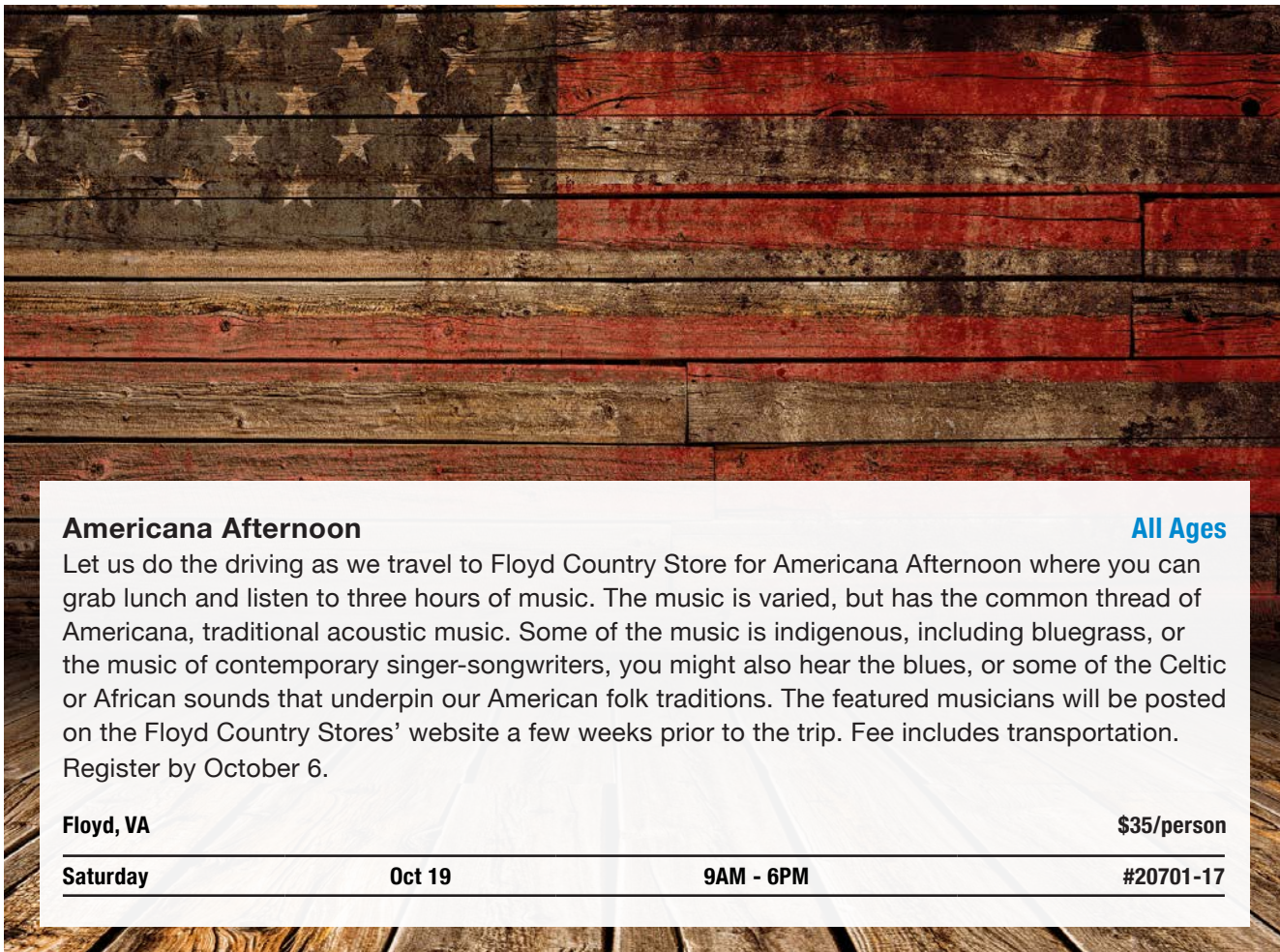
Luckett's Fall Market is a wildly popular Northern Virginia event that highlights more than 200 of the best "vintage hip" vendors on the East Coast. Live music, delicious food trucks and fun workshops all make for a spectacular shopping experience. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by September 25.



Berryville, VA

\$55/person

Friday	Oct 11	11:15AM - 6:30PM	#20701-16
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Americana Afternoon

All Ages

Let us do the driving as we travel to Floyd Country Store for Americana Afternoon where you can grab lunch and listen to three hours of music. The music is varied, but has the common thread of Americana, traditional acoustic music. Some of the music is indigenous, including bluegrass, or the music of contemporary singer-songwriters, you might also hear the blues, or some of the Celtic or African sounds that underpin our American folk traditions. The featured musicians will be posted on the Floyd Country Stores' website a few weeks prior to the trip. Fee includes transportation. Register by October 6.

Floyd, VA

\$35/person

Saturday	Oct 19	9AM - 6PM	#20701-17
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Fleet Fest

All Ages

This event has a little bit of something for everyone, including ship tours, live entertainment, military demonstrations, food vendors and more. You will get a chance to meet and bond with sailors and marines during this educational day. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by October 3.

Norfolk, VA		\$55/person	
Saturday	Oct 19	7:30AM - 8:30PM	#20701-18

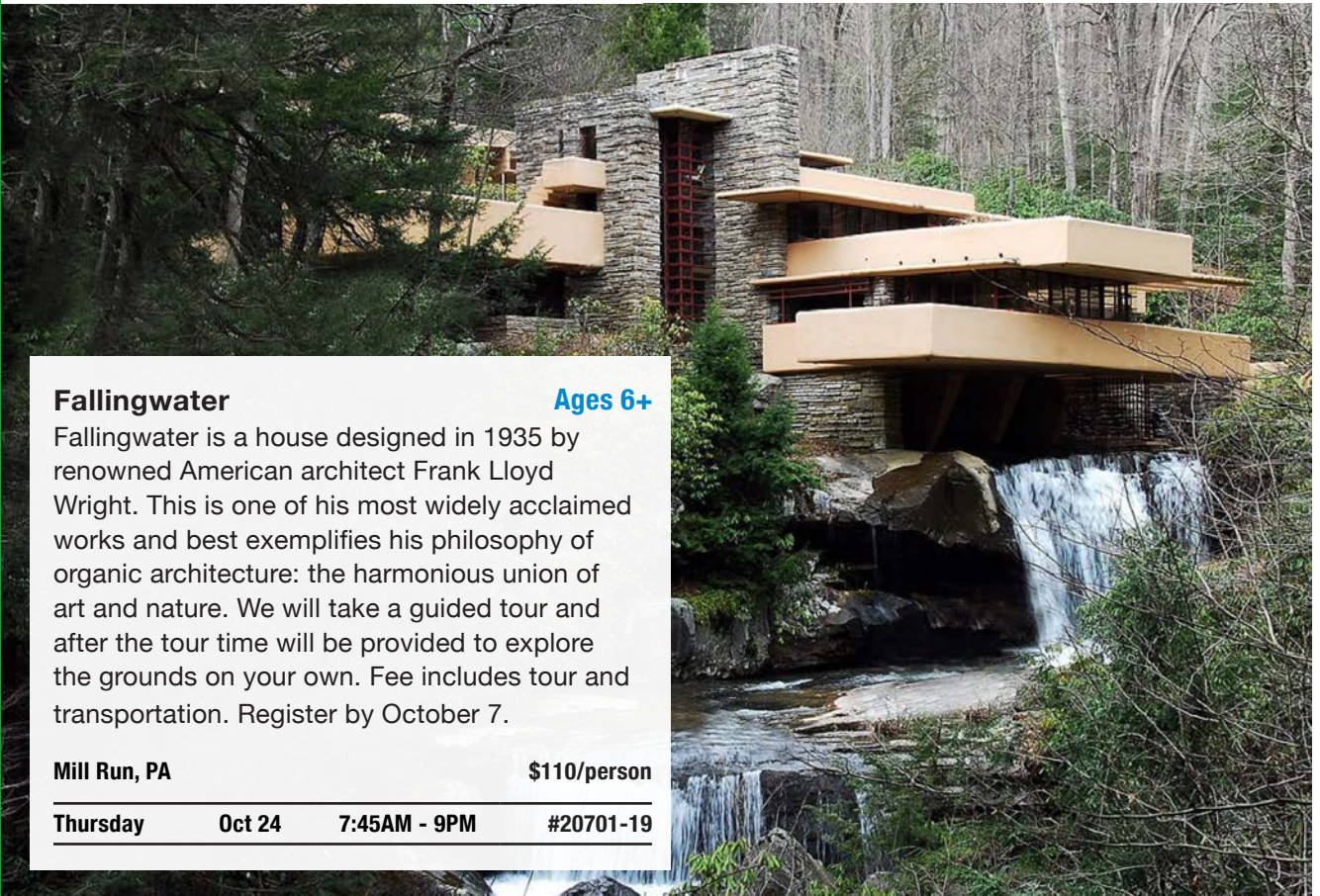


Hollywood Cemetery Trolley Tour

All Ages

Take a ride through history on this tour loaded with Civil War notables including J.E.B. Stuart and George Pickett and learn about the role this cemetery played in creating a national holiday—Memorial Day. The cemetery is an amazing place of serenity and tremendous beauty including spectacular views of both the river and the city. After the tour we will head to Carytown for lunch on your own. Fee includes narrated trolley tour and transportation. Register by October 7.

Richmond, VA		\$80/person	
Wednesday	Oct 30	8AM - 4:15PM	#20701-20



Fallingwater

Ages 6+

Fallingwater is a house designed in 1935 by renowned American architect Frank Lloyd Wright. This is one of his most widely acclaimed works and best exemplifies his philosophy of organic architecture: the harmonious union of art and nature. We will take a guided tour and after the tour time will be provided to explore the grounds on your own. Fee includes tour and transportation. Register by October 7.

Mill Run, PA		\$110/person	
Thursday	Oct 24	7:45AM - 9PM	#20701-19

Shopping at Potomac Mills **All Ages**

Get your Christmas shopping finished early this year! Potomac Mills is Virginia's largest outlet mall, located minutes from the heart of Washington, DC. Potomac Mills features an indoor shopping experience with over 200 stores, including Bloomingdale's-The Outlet Store, Saks Fifth Avenue OFF 5th, Nordstrom Rack, Kate Spade New York, The North Face, Nike Clearance Store and so many more. When you need a respite from power shopping, catch a movie at the AMC Potomac Mills 18 Theatres (with IMAX), refuel at Starbucks or grab a bite to eat at one of the 25 eateries. Fee includes transportation. Register by October 27.



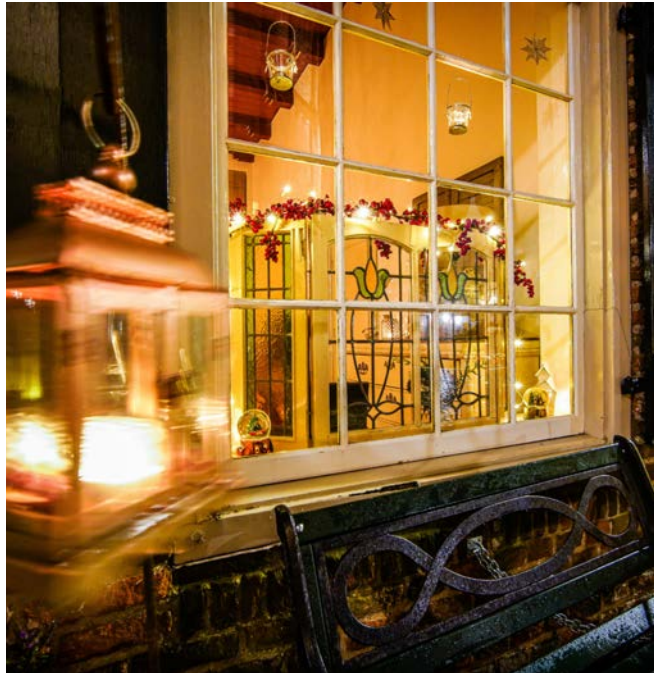
Woodbridge, VA **\$65/person**

Saturday	Nov 9	8AM - 10PM	#20701-22
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Colonial Williamsburg **All Ages**

Colonial Williamsburg is the world's largest living history museum. Tour the Governor's Palace, Capitol or Raleigh Tavern and learn of the debates that raged in the years leading to independence. Visit a trade shop or historic house and discover something about the everyday life of Williamsburg's 18th century residents. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by November 3.



Williamsburg, VA **\$80/person**

Saturday	Nov 16	7:30AM - 7PM	#20701-23
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Dickens of a Christmas **All Ages**

Join in the fun at Roanoke Valley's largest holiday celebration. This family-friendly event includes favorites like roasted chestnuts, carriage rides, street performers and more! This particular Friday will feature the City of Roanoke's Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by November 24.

Roanoke, VA **\$25/person**

Friday	Dec 6	4PM - 10:30PM	#20701-24
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Mountain Memories Christmas **All Ages**

Celebrate the “Reason for the Season” at the Gandy Dancer Theatre! Enjoy the magic of Christmas with all your holiday favorites that will bring back memories and create new ones. The incredible cast includes talented singers, beautiful costumed dancers, comedians and the finest musicians around. Fee includes meal, show and transportation. Register by October 3.

Elkins, WV		\$80/person	
Saturday	Dec 7	8:45AM - 6:45PM	#20701-25



Bull Run Festival of Lights **All Ages**

This 2.5-mile drive-thru holiday light display is the largest in Northern Virginia and includes lighted reindeer jumping, a gingerbread man flipping, candles, animals in festive gear and tunnels. After riding through the light display, you will have time to enjoy the Holiday Village. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by November 25.

Centerville, VA		\$40/person	
Thursday	Dec 12	3PM - 10:15PM	#20701-26



Hersheypark Christmas Candylane **All Ages**

Start a new holiday tradition or cherish an old favorite at Hersheypark. Experience the wonder of family rides and coasters while sipping a delicious hot chocolate and strolling through more than 5 million twinkling lights! Plus, pay a special visit to Santa and his 9 live reindeer - don't forget your Christmas list! Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by November 4.

Hershey, PA		\$140/person	
Saturday	Dec 14	7:30AM - 11:30PM	#20701-27



The Tea Cart

All Ages

Nestled in historic Downtown Winchester, The Tea Cart is a traditional British tearoom serving fine English fare and curated loose teas. They have brought the Old Water Street Inn to life again; the federal style home has all the natural charm and personality for the perfect tea experience. Fee includes full English tea and transportation. Register by December 18.

Winchester, VA **\$85/person**

Wednesday Feb 5 9:30AM - 2:30PM #20701-28

Virginia International Tattoo

All Ages

The call of the trumpets, the beat of the drums and the wail of the pipes – the mighty sounds of the Virginia International Tattoo! Centuries-old Scottish tradition with the 21st century American soul. Enjoy the pageantry, the patriotism and the sheer spectacle. With over 1,000 international performers including many of your favorite groups from the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, this is a perfect show for all ages and interests. Fee includes admission and transportation. Register by October 31.

Norfolk, VA **\$80/person**

Sunday Apr 27 8AM - 9PM #20701-29

OVERNIGHT TRIP!



Castles of New York

Ages 18+

Journey to a bygone era on this 5-day, 4-night trip to upstate New York. Cruise aboard a replica steamboat on the scenic St. Lawrence River to tour Boldt Castle – a monument of love built by George Boldt for his wife Louise – and stately Singer Castle which was built in 1905 by the Bourne Family. Participants will also visit Wing’s Castle – a unique architectural marvel on the Hudson River, – receive a guided tour of the New York State Capitol Building and Millbrook Vineyards and Winery. Fee includes tours, eight meals, hotel accommodations and charter bus transportation. Register by April 22, 2025.

New York

Monday - Friday Sep 15 - 19, 2025 **Single Occupancy \$1,300/person #20705-01**

Double Occupancy \$1,000/person #20705-02

\$75/person, non-refundable deposit due upon registration; balance due June 16, 2025.



AUGUSTA SPRINGS PARK

- 201 Augusta Springs Rd, Craigsville, VA
- Amenities: picnic shelter, walking trail, playground, basketball court

DOOMS CROSSING - SOUTH RIVER ACCESS

- 31 Dooks Crossing Rd, Waynesboro, VA
- Amenities: river access, fishing

CRIMORA PARK

- 1648 New Hope-Crimora Rd, Crimora, VA
- Amenities: picnic shelter, walking trail, playgrounds

STUARTS DRAFT PARK

- 96 Edgewood Ln, Stuarts Draft, VA
- Amenities: picnic shelter, walking trail, playground, baseball fields, soccer fields, pool, performance stage

CRIMORA PARK - SOUTH RIVER ACCESS

- 1624 New Hope-Crimora Rd, Crimora, VA
- Amenities: river access, fishing

NATURAL CHIMNEYS PARK & CAMPGROUND

- 94 Natural Chimneys Ln, Mt. Solon, VA
- Amenities: seasonal camping, picnic shelters, walking and hiking trails, playground, performance stage, pool, volleyball net, basketball court, fishing (seasonal), river access (seasonal)







DEERFIELD PARK

- 59 Marble Valley Rd, Deerfield, VA
- Amenities: picnic shelter, walking trail, playground, basketball court, and volleyball net

THE TRAILS AT MILL PLACE

- 68 Centerview Dr, Verona, VA
- Amenities: picnic shelter, walking trail, fishing

RESERVING A SHELTER

<u>Location</u>	\$						
Augusta Springs Park	\$45	8	48	✓			
Crimora Park #1	\$45	4	24	✓			
Crimora Park #2	\$45	4	24	✓			
Deerfield Park	\$45	14	84	✓			
Stuarts Draft Park	\$55	9	54	✓			
Natural Chimneys Park #1	\$55	10	60	✓	✓		
Natural Chimneys Park #2	\$55	10	60	✓	✓		
Natural Chimneys Park #3	\$95	20	130	✓	✓	✓	✓

Looking for a place to hold a picnic, family get-together or a cookout? The Parks & Recreation Department offers 8 reservable picnic shelters at locations throughout the county. Shelters may be reserved for dates between April 1 and October 31, 2024.

Reservations can be made online, in-person or by phone at the Parks and Recreation Office in the Augusta County Government Center in Verona. Our phone number is 540-245-5727.

To learn more or reserve your shelter online, please visit us at <https://tinyurl.com/3ywk8fe4>

CANCELLATION POLICY & REFUNDS

- Should a cancellation be made at least 2 weeks prior to date of reservation a \$10 per shelter cancellation fee will be deducted and the balance will be refunded. Any reservation canceled less than 2 weeks from rental date will not receive a refund.
- Any requests for a refund due to emergency, illness, family death, etc. must be received in writing for review within 5 business days of cancellation date.

SAVE THE DATE!



September

- Pool Closes for 2024 Season: September 2nd
- Grindstone Trail Running Festival: September 20th - 22nd
(see www.grindstone.utmb.world)
- Movie Night at Natural Chimneys: September 28th

October

- Food Truck on site: October 19th
- Food Truck on site: October 26th
- Camping Season Ends: October 31st. The last night for camping is October 30th.

Stay tuned to our social media for upcoming details on participating Food Trucks!

Thank you, campers, for a wonderful 2024 camping season! See you next year!

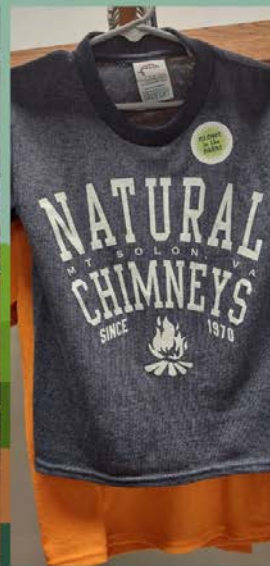
94 Natural Chimneys Lane, Mt. Solon, VA

SAT SEPT 28
Entertainment & Food 5pm
Movie starts 7pm
ADMIT ONE



Off season hours
November - April

Camp Store
Tues. - Sat.
10am-4pm



snacks - supplies - souvenirs - apparel - beverages - ice cream

THE 2024 CAMPING SEASON ENDS!

The 2024 camping season at Natural Chimneys comes to a close on Thursday, October 31st. Make your reservations now for October camping as the last night to camp this season is Wednesday, October 30th. All campers must check-out on Thursday, October 31, 2024. Happy Halloween and thank you for another wonderful year at Natural Chimneys!

CAMPING FEES 2024

Basic Camping Fees

	E&W Sites	EW&S Sites	Tent Sites
Weekday Nights (Sun - Thurs)	\$35/night	\$41/night	\$24/night
Weekend Nights (Fri & Sat)	\$41/night	\$47/night	\$28/night

Discounts

	E&W Sites	EW&S Sites	Tent Sites
Stays of 7 or more consecutive nights. (Max. stay of 14 nights)	15% off	15% off	N/A

*additional VA state sales tax of 5.3% will be applicable to all camping fees

CAMPING FOR 2024

Our campground is designed and managed for 'family-style' camping and we encourage all campers to consider this when making reservations or plans to stay with us.

Site-load capacities are:

- 8 people per site/per night
- 1 RV, trailer, or pop-up camper and one tent allowed per site
- 2 parked vehicles (in addition to the camping unit/rig) per site
- 2 tents allowed on sites with no RV, trailer, or pop-up

Please note: there is a two-week time limit for all reservations, this includes the use of our camper storage program.

Making Reservations for Camping Season 2024:

- Payment of the full camping fee is required when making a reservation. We accept cash, check, money order, or credit. (Visa, Mastercard, or Discover)
- Only campers who will be staying on a site may make reservations for that site and only one site can be reserved per household per night.
- Check-in time is 2:00pm and check-out time is 12 noon.

Cancellation & Refund Policy:

- Should a reservation be cancelled more than 48 hours prior to check-in, a \$5.00 per night administrative fee will be deducted and the balance will be refunded. Refunds on payments originally made by cash and check will be refunded by check. Any reservations cancelled less than 48 hours prior to check in will not receive a refund.

CLOSINGS & HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day & Yorktown Victory Day	Veterans Day	Thanksgiving	Day after Thanksgiving	Christmas & Christmas Eve
October 14 th	November 11 th	November 28 th	November 29 th	December 24 th December 25 th

WEATHER CANCELLATION HOTLINE

You can get the most recent and up to date activity cancellations, postponements, and scheduled make-ups due to uncooperative weather conditions and forecast by calling 540-245-5727 ext. 4.

REGISTRATION

Participants must register before the start of all programs; you are not considered registered for a program unless payment is made in full. Augusta County Parks and Recreation’s programs have a minimum and maximum number of participants. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first paid basis until a program is full. Once a program is full, ACPR may take names for a waiting list but does not guarantee anyone on a waiting list acceptance into a program. ACPR reserves the right to cancel a program due to lack of enrollment. In such a case, enrollees will be promptly notified of the cancellation. You may register online, by mail, by phone, or in person at our office.

PAYMENT

Payment in full is due at the time of registration, unless the specific activity/trip/program description outlines an otherwise approved payment schedule that includes an initial deposit. You may pay by check, cash, Visa, MasterCard, or Discover. Please do not send cash with mail in registrations. All checks and money orders are payable to Augusta County Parks and Recreation or ACPR. A \$30 return check fee is charged for all returned checks.

ONLINE REGISTRATION TIPS

You may register for our programs online using WebTrac. Go to www.augustarec.com and click on “Online Registration”. This will take you to our online registration system.

Once you get to WebTrac follow these steps:

Step 1: Sign in with your username and password or create a new account. If you can’t remember your username or password, just click “Need your username/password?” and your information will be sent to the email address associated with your account.

Step 2: Find the activity you desire, check for additional information and availability, then register!

Note: after clicking the shopping cart icon to register for an activity, a window will appear at the bottom of your screen. Click on “Enroll Now” and you will be taken through the payment process.



REFUNDS & CANCELLATIONS

Full refunds will be given if Augusta County Parks and Recreation cancels a class, program, trip, etc. With any registration cancellation, a \$10 cancellation fee will be retained (or the full fee if less than \$10).

For activity and class programs (non-trips), refunds will be given up until 5 business days prior to when a program begins, minus the \$10 cancellation fee. If pre-purchases have been made, these costs will also be deducted from the refund. No refunds will be approved after this date unless special circumstances warrant.

For all trip programs, no refunds will be given, unless your space on the trip can be filled. If a waiting list exists, ACPR will contact those on the waiting list to try to fill the space(s). If no waiting list exists OR those on the waiting list no longer want to participate in the trip, it will be the responsibility of the participant to resell their space(s) on the trip. In many cases, the department must make pre-purchases; therefore, this refund policy is not flexible. Note that the \$10 cancellation fee will apply, even if the space is filled.

OVERNIGHT TRIP POLICY

For all overnight trips a minimum of \$75 deposit per person is required to reserve your space. Deposits are non-refundable unless the trip is cancelled by ACPR. If a person from a double/triple room withdraws from the trip or fails to pay the balance, it will be the responsibility of the remaining roommate(s) to pay the difference on the new room rate.

PARTICIPANT STATEMENT & ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Accident insurance is not provided by Augusta County Parks and Recreation for any program participant.

Augusta County Parks and Recreation programs require participants to adhere to reasonable rules of conduct and we reserve the right to remove any individual whose behavior violates program standards or creates an unsafe or intolerable atmosphere for other participants.

Participants realize that some activities offered are potentially hazardous activities, thus they should not register and/or participate unless they are medically and physically able. The participant assumes all risks associated with participating in the activity including, but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, and the effects of the weather (including high heat and/or humidity). All such risks should be known and appreciated before registering. Knowing these facts, participants and anyone entitled to act on their behalf, waive and release Augusta County Parks & Recreation, Augusta County, any and all partners, sponsors, officials, volunteers, instructors, coaches, and their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of the participation in the activities offered, even though that liability may rise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) listed previously.

Participant grants permission to all of the foregoing to use any photographs, motion picture recording or any other recording for any legitimate purpose in promoting Augusta County Parks & Recreation. If the participant is under the age of 18, the Augusta County Parks & Recreation employees, volunteers, officials, instructors, and/or coaches will need to be granted permission to authorize medical treatment if necessary.

Seeking Instructors!

Augusta County Parks and Recreation is looking for program instructors to teach a variety of topics for youth, adults and seniors. Areas of interest are arts and crafts, dance, music, fitness and exercise, financial matters, languages, etc. If you have a passion for a special skill you want to share with others, please let us know by filling out the Program Proposal form on our website found under the Programs and Activities tab.

COUNTY NEWS



APPEALS PROCESS

For Assessed Values

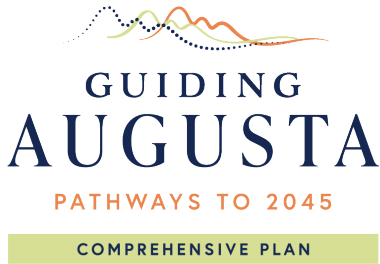
Appeals of assessed values of real estate before the Board of Equalization started in June and have been running smoothly. Thank you to those who scheduled their appeal before the September 1 deadline.

If you would still like to appeal your assessment, you may do so through the Circuit Court. Appeals to the Circuit Court are a judicial procedure and filings are made to the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Complaints or applications should be filed with the Circuit Court Civil Division in person.

Please call the Court Clerk's office at 540-245-5321 for more information.



BOARD OF EQUALIZATION



Update on Comprehensive Plan Process

2025 Community Input Meetings Upcoming

The Augusta County Comprehensive Plan process is coming along! Thanks to the many residents who gave input at community meetings and events or through the survey.

Look for upcoming dates in 2025 for community input meetings to review Comprehensive Plan drafts and to give your feedback.

Sign up for updates on the process via email or text at:

www.AugustaCountyVA.gov/e-notices

Choose the category 'County Projects' or the topic 'Comprehensive Plan.'



Learn more about the Comprehensive Plan at:

www.AugustaCountyVA.gov/CompPlan.



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Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is a leading cause of preventable death. The PulsePoint app alerts bystanders - like you - who can help victims before professional help can arrive.

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SCA victim in need.



911 sends PulsePoint alert.



Signal received by nearby PulsePoint users.



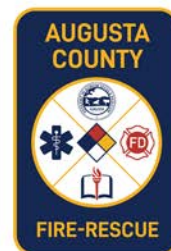
Users rush to help in the critical minutes before professional help arrives.

PulsePoint AED **BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS**

REGISTER AEDs. HELP SAVE LIVES.

Businesses and organizations can help strengthen the chain of survival for cardiac arrest victims.

Report your AED locations by downloading PulsePoint AED for free at pulsepoint.org/download or by visiting AED.new



AUGUSTA COUNTY RESIDENTS STATE & LOCAL TAX RETURNS

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

September 15 3rd Quarter 2024 VA State Estimated Income Tax due

NOVEMBER

November 1 Last day to enroll new parcels into land use program

DECEMBER

December 5 2024 Second Half Real Estate Taxes due
2024 Personal Property Taxes due
2024 Mobile Home Tax due
Last day to revalidate land use applications for 2025

December 31 Last day to revalidate land use parcels
Late payment penalty applies.

Revalidation forms sent by mail must be postmarked on or before Dec. 31.

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COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE
AUGUSTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
VERONA, VA 24482

AUGUSTA SMALL BUSINESS LOANS



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- Available for various uses

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AUGUSTA COUNTY'S VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE NEEDS YOU!

Augusta County Emergency Personnel work together to provide Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Care to its citizens each year. We are seeking **VOLUNTEERS** to help the fire departments and rescue squads that serve Augusta County, Staunton and Waynesboro. There are many ways in which you can give your time/talents for a very worthy cause!

To join a volunteer fire department or rescue squad in Augusta County, contact:



Minday M. Craun, Volunteer Coordinator for the Augusta County Fire-Rescue System, at (540) 245-5624 x5 or email at mcraun@co.augusta.va.us.

Augusta County is always looking for new candidates to make a **CAREER** change to Fire-Rescue! Are you interested in having a career with Augusta County Fire-Rescue? Paid Training, Salary Incentives and Advancement Opportunities!

Visit our Jobs Page at:

<https://www.co.augusta.va.us/government/departments-and-offices/fire-rescue/jobs>



ACFR IS ASKING FOR YOUR HELP TO SAVE LIVES AND PROPERTY. JOIN THE ADOPT-A-HYDRANT PROGRAM.

Augusta County Fire-Rescue (ACFR) is asking for your help in keeping fire hydrants that are close to your home or business clear of snow in the winter and free of weeds and shrubbery in the summer by participating in the Adopt-A-Hydrant program.

To take part in the Adopt-A-Hydrant Program, Fire-Rescue asks that you:

- Shovel the area around the fire hydrant after each snowfall. Clear the area approximately three (3) feet around the hydrant as well as a path from the street or roadway to the fire hydrant so that the hydrant is visible and accessible.
- During the summer months, please make sure that the same three-foot path around the hydrant is free of weeds, shrubbery, flowerbeds, etc and can be seen easily.



SMOKE ALARM AND CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY

- Make sure you have a good working smoke alarm that is not older than 10 years
- Check the batteries monthly by pressing the test button
- Keep the alarm clean and free of dust and dirt
- Carbon Monoxide alarms should be used in your home if you have any appliances that use some type of gas or have a flame
- Carbon Monoxide alarms should be placed near your sleeping quarters so that you can hear the alarm if it alerts you



TOP TIPS FOR HEATING SAFETY



- Have chimneys and furnaces cleaned and or inspected at the start of the season
- Fireplace ashes are placed outdoors in a metal container at least three feet from house and make sure they are cold before leaving them
- If you use any type of heating appliance/heaters make sure they are approved by a national testing lab and have a tip over shut off feature
- Do not use electrical cords with heaters

TOP TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN SAFETY

- Carry glow sticks for flashlights; use reflective tape of stickers
- Costumes should be light and easy to see by vehicles, make sure it fits to help with trips and falls, think about face paint over mask, nothing should obscure vision
- Kids 12 and under should be accompanied by an adult
- Try out a Trunk or Treat event instead of walking the street



TOP TIPS FOR THANKSGIVING COOKING SAFETY



- Keep your cooking area free from items that can catch fire
- Do not leave cooking unattended on the stove, stay in the kitchen when cooking
- Do not cook when extremely tired
- Keep small children at least three feet from the stove

TOP TIPS FOR DECORATING FOR THE HOLIDAYS & TREE SAFETY

- If using a real live tree, make sure you keep plenty of water in the base and check it regularly
- Do not use real candles around live trees
- Hang breakable ornament at the top if you have small children
- Keep poisonous holiday plants out of reach of children and pets (Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222)
- Turn off lights before leaving your home or going to sleep and check them regularly for exposed for frayed wires



Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas tree recycling will be available at the Regional Landfill and County Collection sites during normal working hours from December 26th through Saturday January 11th.

Regional Landfill accepts trees year-round.





Website: www.headwatersswcd.org

Phone: 540-248-0148

Address: 70 Dick Huff Lane, Verona, VA 24482



COVER CROP SIGN-UP DEADLINES

Standard Planting for Harvestable: **October 20, 2024**

Early Planting for Kill: **October 20, 2024**

Standard Planting for Kill: **November 10, 2024**

HARVESTABLE

Baled Crop Cost-Share: \$20/acre

OR

Residue Crop Cost Share: \$30/acre

OR

Tax Credit: 25% of total out of pocket costs (up to \$25,000)

No signups will be taken after 11/11/24

An ACTIVE Nutrient Management Plan is required

Practice Completion: March 14th, 2025 crops must be killed-down or grazed by June 1, 2025

NON-HARVESTABLE/KILL

Standard Cost-Share: \$40/acre

OR

Tetraploid Rye Stand: \$20/acre
Early Planting Bonus: \$30/acre

OR

Tax Credit: 25% of total out of pocket costs (up to \$25,000)

SHENANDOAH VALLEY SOCIAL SERVICES ADULT SERVICES

Make a difference and become a Volunteer with the Money Management Program

The Volunteer Money Management Program (VMMP) at Shenandoah Valley Social Services coordinates volunteer services to provide financial management

for elderly or disabled clients who need assistance managing their Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI).



The Adult Services unit staff oversee the program. Please call 540-942-6648 or email dsssvss-vmmp@dss.virginia.gov to learn more about becoming a volunteer and making a difference in the community.

FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Shenandoah Valley Social Services will accept Fuel Assistance Applications from October 8, 2024 - November 8, 2024. Fuel Assistance helps with home heating costs during the months of January- April. Crisis assistance for security deposits, repairs and replacement of heating equipment runs from November 1, 2024-March 15, 2025. Crisis assistance for heating disconnections or low fuel will begin on January 2, 2025 and end on March 15, 2025. Please apply online at <https://commonhelp.virginia.gov>, or by calling the Enterprise Customer Service Center at (855) 635-4370. You can also submit paper applications at 68 Dick Huff Lane in Verona, VA or 1200 Shenandoah Ave in Waynesboro, VA. For any additional questions please call (540) 245-5890.

Household Size	Maximum Income
1	\$1,882
2	\$2,555
3	\$3,227
4	\$3,900
5	\$4,572
6	\$5,245
7	\$5,917
8	\$6,590
9	\$7,262
10	\$7,935





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