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COMMUNITY REPORT: A CITIZEN’S GUIDE TO LOUISA COUNTY GOVERNMENT
louisacounty.gov/communityreport

See how decisions are made, department overviews, 2023 highlights and more.

Reading a digital issue?
Click links throughout!
Economic Development Director Andy Wade and I spoke to a group of local business leaders at the most recent Chamber of Commerce Business Bites event about County happenings, the budget, and the significant impact of Amazon Web Services’ investment in Louisa County. It was a valuable opportunity to share information with and hear input from the business community, and we (both elected officials and County staff) are grateful for it. Staying informed about what’s happening in the County is important for all of us, and this newsletter is another example of our efforts to make that even easier. In addition to The Informed Citizen, we also share information on social media and publish minutes, video and other online details from our Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission meetings. Whichever method of receiving updates works best for you, we encourage you to stay informed and welcome your feedback!
**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**APRIL**

**Public Meeting Calendar**

**Neighborhood Meetings**
Neighborhood Meetings allow the community to learn about land use project applications in the Neighborhood Meeting phase.
April 10, 2024, 4PM - 6PM at the Louisa County Public Meeting Room

**James River Water Authority**
April 10, 2024, 9AM - 11AM
132 Main Street, Palmyra, VA 22963

**Louisa County Water Authority**
April 10, 2024, 6PM
Louisa County Public Meeting Room

**Planning Commission**
The Commission meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7PM at the Louisa County Public Meeting Room.

**Board of Supervisors**
- April 8, 2024, 5PM (Meeting), VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan Worksession, April 8, 2024, 4PM - 5PM
- March 29, 2024, 5PM (Meeting)
Meetings officially begin at 5PM with Closed Session. Public Comment and general business begins at 6PM. Public hearings will begin after general business is concluded. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month (unless a holiday is being observed or a schedule change is approved) at the Louisa County Public Meeting Room.

**The Louisa County Administration Building Public Meeting Room is located at**
1 Woolfolk Avenue, Louisa, Virginia 23093.

**Sign Up for Notifications**
You may click the “Subscriptions” buttons to sign up for Board of Supervisors and/or Planning Commission meeting notifications. However, you have additional options to manage how you stay informed. You may also sign up for “Louisa County Public Meeting Calendar” calendar notifications and utilize a related account portal.

**Scan to sign up for calendar updates.**

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**LOUISA CLEAN**

**JOIN THE MOVEMENT!**

Did you know that the folks who you see picking up trash along the roads are likely caring homeowners, someone who has adopted a portion of roadway, or volunteers with Louisa Clean? Much more help is needed!

**April 13-14 The Big Clean**
Louisa Clean is asking the citizens and businesses in the county to consider putting together a group of friends, co-workers, employees, neighbors or family members over the age of 16 to pick up litter on a section of road in the county on April 13 & 14. Please email LouisaClean2022@gmail.com to let them know if you can support any of the roads below for cleanup.
- Byrd Mill Road
- Shannon Hill Road
- Columbia Road
- Moorefield Road
- West Old Mountain Road

Louisa Clean will supply bags, safety vests, and pickers.

**April 13-20 Litter Awareness Week**
Along with the Big Clean event, this awareness week will give Louisa a head start on Earth Day.

**April 22 Earth Day**
Celebrate Earth Day with Louisa Clean by
- Cleaning the road frontage on your property,
- Working as a group to clean a section of road,
- Promoting your business by adopting a road!

Post your pictures on the Louisa Clean Facebook page. Email LouisaClean2022@gmail.com for information on the roads to be cleaned in this event!
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

SAT APRIL 27
8AM - 1PM

LOUISA LANDFILL
807 MOOREFIELD ROAD
MINERAL, VA 23117

A FREE program to help Louisa County residents dispose of household hazardous materials

For Louisa County Residents, Proof of Residency may be Required. (Driver’s License, Registration, etc.).

To ensure everyone’s SAFETY, please:
- Tighten caps and lids leaving materials in the original labeled containers.
- Do not mix chemicals!
- Place all materials, preferably labeled in the trunk or bed of your vehicle.
- DO NOT EXIT your vehicle!

Only fuel storage containers will be returned to you. For more information on recycling, you may visit louisacounty.gov or call the Louisa County Sanitary Landfill at (540) 894-5390.

Thank you for your support and cooperation during the Event!

Household Hazardous Wastes Accepted:
- Oil, Latex Paints
- Stains, Thinners
- Solvents & Varnishes
- Household Poisons
- Drain Cleaners
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Bleaches
- Oven, Floor Cleaners
- Floor Cleaners
- Ammonia
- Batteries
- Insecticides, Weed Killers
- Pesticides, Herbicides
- Pool Chemicals
- Rust Preventatives
- Sealants
- Creosote
- Aerosol Cans
- Propane Tanks
- Fire Extinguishers
- Kerosene, Gasoline
- Antifreeze
- Brake Fluid
- Transmission Fluid
- Radiator Cleaners

Electronic Wastes Accepted Include:
- Computers, Printers
- TV’s, Cell Phones
- Stereo Equipment
- Satellite Receivers

Items Not Accepted:
- Smoke Alarms / Detectors
- Explosives, Fireworks
- Road / Boat Flares
- Ammunition
- Medical Waste
- Prescription Medicine
Louisa County is holding a photo contest! Submit your best pictures of Louisa County landscapes, activities, attractions and historical sites for a chance to be showcased on the walls of the Public Meeting Room. A review committee will select photos that represent each district. Images of parks and County programs may also be eligible to be featured in other County offices.

The contest is open to all ages and skill levels, and there is no limit to the number of submissions per individual. By submitting, the participants affirm they hold the necessary rights and permissions, and grant the County of Louisa permission to use the image as artwork in the County Office Building and in communication materials announcing the winning selections. Additional permission to use a submission may be requested by the County. Winning photos will be framed and displayed in the Public Meeting Room at 1 Woolfolk Avenue in Louisa indefinitely.

To enter, send images to info@louisa.org along with contact information and location details by 6PM on June 30, 2024. High resolution images without watermarks will be required prior to announcing winners.

The Louisa County Animal Shelter is hosting field trips with the Louisa Career & Technical Education Small Animal/Vet Science class. In the visit shown above, the group focused on biosecurity and cleaning procedures - specifically, infection control in a shelter/clinic setting. Students received hands-on learning with cleaning crates outside and participated in discussions about common diseases in shelter settings, treatment protocols, and isolation. We thank the students and the Louisa County Public Schools staff for this collaboration.

The Lion Pride Run is an annual run benefiting students who have overcome obstacles in their lives. On March 26 at 10:15AM, Ms. Fletcher successfully ran 40 miles and crossed the 2024 Lion Pride Run finish line at Monticello. This year’s run traced the route that Jack Jouett rode in 1781. Way to go again, Ms. Fletcher!
The Virginia Burn Law remains in effect through April 30. Violation is a Class 3 misdemeanor and carries a fine up to $500. This law prohibits open-air burning prior to 4pm if the fire is within 300 feet of the woods or dry grass which could carry the fire to the woods. Burning is allowed between 4pm and midnight given the burner takes proper precautions and attends to the fire at all times.

Fires are more likely during late winter and early spring due to elevated winds, lower humidity and forest floor debris. Virginia adopted its Burn Law in the 1940s and it is in effect each year from February 15 through April 30.

Helpful hints during these conditions:
- Do not toss your cigarette or cigars on the ground or from a vehicle. It is dangerous and illegal.
- Adjust your trailer chains so they do not drag the pavement, creating sparks while driving.
- Do not burn anything in barrels during this time.
- Check lawn mowers and farm equipment for properly working spark arresters.
- Be cautious using lawn mowers to mulch leaves as hot bearings and exhaust can easily start a fire.
- Move anything that will burn far away from structures, items like firewood, dry and dead landscaping plants, compost piles, brush piles, etc.
- Notify your electric company when dead trees or overhanging limbs endanger electric wires.

If any further information is needed, please call the Louisa County Fire and EMS Office at (540) 967-3491.

A tremendous THANK YOU to our first responders and mutual aid partners from Fluvanna, Goochland, Henrico and Orange counties for their response to the fires in Louisa in March. We also thank the staff of Louisa County and partners like Louisa Community Animal Response Team (CART), the Blue Ridge Health District, and chaplains with the Louisa County Sheriff’s Office, who quickly worked to open an emergency shelter supporting evacuees and their pets, answer calls, and provide updates. There were many additional pieces to the puzzle - our Board of Supervisors promptly declared the local State of Emergency, our Animal Shelter prepared for potential evacuation of the shelter animals, the school system aided in coordination for emergency shelter space, local organizations shared information ... and much more. We thank you all.
PARTNER UPDATES: LOUISA ARTS CENTER

April

SNOW WHITE
April 14 at 3:00PM

Paint & Sip
Cherry Blossoms
April 26 at 6:00 PM

Derby Decorating Hat Class
$20
April 21st
3 - 4 PM

Youth Art Club: Create Your Own Comic Book
April 7th
2 - 3 PM
Grades 2-8

Louisa Players Live!
April 26 & 27, 7:30 PM, APR 28, 2:00 PM
May 3 & 4, 7:30 PM, May 5, 2:00 PM

LouisaArts.org
540-967-5200

212 Fredericksburg Ave,
Louisa, VA 23093

Scan Here

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Louisa Arts Center

**SUMMER CAMPS**

Camp details available by scanning the QR code below or visiting our website!

- **Robot Racing with Laser**
  - May 28-31
  - 12 - 4PM
  - Rising 4-8th graders
  - June 10-14
  - 12:45 - 4PM

- **Camp Broadway Steps**
  - June 17-21
  - 5 - 7pm
  - Ages 8-15

- **Cinematography Camp**
  - June 24-28

- **Camp Creativity: Awesome Artists**
  - July 8-12
  - 9am - 11am
  - Grades K-5

- **Camp Bravo**
  - 3rd - 8th grade
  - July 8-12
  - 9am - 12

- **Camp Sight & Sound**
  - July 8-12

LouisaArts.org | 540-967-5200
212 Fredericksburg Avenue | Louisa, VA 23093
**Start Planning For The June Primaries Today!**

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<td>Early Voting Starts! Early voting begins and is available Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, in our office located at 103 McDonald St in Louisa.</td>
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<tr>
<td>28 MAY</td>
<td>Deadline to Register to Vote for June Primaries Register early so there is no confusion on Election Day. Register to vote by scanning the QR code below or by requesting an application through our office.</td>
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<td>7 JUN</td>
<td>Deadline to Apply for Absentee Ballot by Mail Not going to be around on election day? No worries! Apply to receive an absentee ballot by mail. Scan the QR code below to sign up today!</td>
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<td>8 JUN</td>
<td>Open Saturday for Early Voting The Office of Elections will be open from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm for your early voting needs. Come visit us at 103 McDonald St in Louisa.</td>
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<td>15 JUN</td>
<td>Last Day for Early Voting Don’t miss your chance to vote early! Today is the last day to vote early. The Office of Elections is open from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. After today you will have to vote at your home precinct!</td>
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<td>18 JUN</td>
<td>Election Day! It’s finally election day! You <strong>MUST</strong> vote at your home precinct today, There will be <strong>NO</strong> voting at the Office of Elections or the County Administration Building.</td>
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**Scan the QR Code to:**
- Check registration status and register to vote
- Apply for Absentee Ballot by mail
- Find your voting location for Election Day
- Information on candidates and sample ballots

**Contact Information:**
- **Email:** elections@louisacounty.gov
- **Phone:** 540-967-3427
- **Website:** [www.louisacounty.gov/voter-registration](http://www.louisacounty.gov/voter-registration)
Louisa County 4-H CAMP

JUNE 3-7, 2024

What is Camp?
4-H camp is a fun opportunity for youth ages 9-13 to learn skills through hands-on experiences. Participants have the opportunity to participate in exciting classes as well as swim and recreation time, special evening events, campfires and more!

Classes
Some of the classes we offer include: Archery, Riflery, Swimming, Basketball, Canoeing, Kayaking, Fishing, Arts & Crafts, Outdoor Living, Challenge Course, Leather Crafts, Performing Arts, and much more...

Registration and Fees
The registration fee of $285 (+ $15 fees if paying by credit card) covers all meals, lodging, classes, activities, a camp t-shirt, and bus transportation from Louisa County to camp on Monday, and back to Louisa on Friday (everything except camp store items).

More Information
https://louisacounty4h.weebly.com/
540-967-3422
200 East Main Street, Louisa, VA 23093

SCAN TO REGISTER NOW!

Virginia Cooperative Extension
Virginia Tech • Virginia State University

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact VCE Louisa at (540-967-3422/TDD*) during business hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.
*TDD number is 1-800-828-1120.
We are excited to announce that we will be kicking off our Saturday pickleball play on April 6th at the Metal Gym located behind the Louisa County Middle School. We will have three courts available for play, and one of the courts can be reserved ahead of time. To reserve a court, please call Christina Miller at 540-967-4424.

The rate for court reservation is $20 per hour for up to 10 people. We have also designated the other two courts according to skill level. One court will be reserved for beginner/novice players, while the other court will be for novice/intermediate players.

We are thrilled to offer this opportunity to our community and hope to see many of you at the Metal Gym for some fun and competitive pickleball.

As the Metal Gym availability increases, we anticipate offering additional opportunities during the week for pickleball play. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.
WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

Women in Construction Week (WIC) takes place during the first full week in March every year, and the Louisa County Board of Supervisors recently celebrated the work of women in the industry with a proclamation. On March 4, the Board proclaimed March 3-9, 2024 as Women in Construction Week and acknowledged 2024’s theme, “Keys to the Future.” The theme highlighted the initiatives and vital role that women play in shaping the future of construction, and built upon the National Association of Women in Construction’s roots as a local support group started in 1953.

COMMENDING & HONORING ERIC PURCELL

At the March 4, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board commended and honored Eric Purcell, Louisa District Supervisor from January 2004 through December 2007 and January 2020 through December 2023. Among other accomplishments during his tenure, Mr. Purcell played a pivotal role in the resolution of a longstanding boundary issue with Goochland County and remained committed to the availability of broadband internet access across the County through the County’s partnership with Firefly Fiber Broadband on the Regional Internet Service Expansion project. He also served on numerous boards, committees and organizations. Following the recognition, he thanked three groups: 1.) the people of the Louisa for allowing him to represent the district, 2.) members of the Board that work to make the best decisions possible for the County, and 3.) his wife and son for their unwavering support.

RECOGNITION OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Louisa County Department of Human Services is committed to improving the lives of children, families, and communities through comprehensive services that support the well-being of Louisa County citizens. To recognize this important work in the County, our Human Services Advisory Board provided an appreciation lunch for the department’s staff on March 12.
This FREE transportation information, referral, and coordination service makes navigating local transportation systems easy. Discover transportation options for adults 60+ or adults living with disabilities and plan your ride.

Call an experienced caseworker to help you organize your next trip: 888-879-7379

Mobility Management Program is provided by the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC) and JABA.
Join JABA’s Caregiver Support Group for resources and strategies for caring for yourself – and your loved one. Caregivers show resilience by helping their neighbor, family member, or friend with routine tasks and/or health management. Make lasting friendships with those who understand your life, challenges, and joys. **Draw strength from support at this free group.**

Your loved one may be able to visit JABA’s Respite & Enrichment Center while you attend the group. **Check eligibility or RSVP by calling 434-817-5235. RSVP is not required if you are attending alone.**

**SUPPORT STARTS HERE**

2:00-4:00 PM Every Second Thursday  
JABA 674 Hillsdale Drive Suite 9  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Learn More: 434-817-5244 or jabacares.org/caregiver-support
PARTNER UPDATES: FIREFLY FIBER BROADBAND

SPRING INTO ACTION

It’s time to wipe away those slow connection speeds!

Local internet that’s fast & affordable!
Firefly has project areas throughout Louisa County. We are building our fiber network to homes and businesses that sign up for service. To learn more about our services and pre-register your address, visit fireflyva.com.

The Firefly Difference!
What you can expect from us:
- No contracts
- No hidden fees
- No data caps
- No “introductory pricing” that increases later

firefly flash
Up to 1 Gbps upstream & downstream
$79.99/mo
- Fiber-to-the-home broadband internet
- Unlimited data
- Managed Wi-Fi with 24/7 tech support

firefly light
100 Mbps upstream & downstream
$49.99/mo
- Fiber-to-the-home broadband internet
- Unlimited data
- Managed Wi-Fi with 24/7 tech support

firefly voice
Voice over IP
$29.99/mo (plus taxes & fees; reflects 10% bundle discount)
- Unlimited local & long distance
- Voicemail, caller ID, and more
- 24/7 tech support

QUESTIONs? GIVE US A CALL
(833) 473-3591

Our team is ready to get you connected. Make sure to pre-register your address today!
AWS Commits $400,000 to Support Local Causes in Caroline, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Louisa Counties

AWS InCommunities Funds
Amazon Web Services (AWS) has announced that it is launching two AWS InCommunities Funds to support local projects in Caroline, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Louisa counties in Virginia. AWS has committed $400,000 between the two funds to support local causes. Local community groups, schools, non-profits, and other organizations are invited to apply starting April 1, 2024.

The launch was announced at the recent event at Germanna Community College, marking its $35 billion-dollar investment in new data centers in the four counties.

Through the funds, AWS will support organizations with grants up to $10,000 to support new and existing community projects, focused on one of the following themes: STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) education, environmental sustainability, and cultural heritage preservation. Organizations can also apply for funding to introduce community programs that have been successful in other communities across the world.

The AWS InCommunities Funds will accept applications from April 1 through June 1, 2024. The Funds will be managed and administered by nonprofit organization ChangeX. ChangeX will evaluate the projects’ positive impact on the community, with a focus on prioritizing projects that are designed to support Virginia’s underserved populations.

To apply to one of the AWS InCommunities Funds, and for more information, including details about upcoming information sessions, access the ChangeX platform by visiting the AWS InCommunities Fredericksburg Region Fund or the AWS InCommunities Louisa County Fund page.

These new community funds are part of AWS’s longstanding commitment to Virginia. AWS has launched a series of local programs including STEAM education programs for school age children through programs such as AWS Think Big Spaces, educational labs designed to inspire a passion for STEAM disciplines. It has also launched workforce development initiatives to help provide free tech skills training through no-cost programs such as the AWS Fiber Optic Fusion Splicing Certification Course. And, through its employee engagement programs, AWS employees contributed more than 4,000 volunteer hours to local organizations throughout 2023.

Virginia Community College System (VCCS)
Amazon Web Services (AWS) also provided support to VCCS in a recent Department of Labor grant application process, including expertise on data center operations and workforce skills needs, and is collaborating with VCCS on programs related to skilled trades, fiber optics, and data center operations. In collaboration with AWS, VCCS recently hosted an Information Infrastructure Workshop, a program that builds awareness of careers related to cloud infrastructure. AWS has also organized free Fiber Optic Fusion Splicing Trainings for community members, which are delivered through community colleges that are part of the VCCS network.
LOUISA FFA
BINGO APRIL 24TH
PLANT SALE APRIL 27TH

ORDER FRESH GROUND SAUSAGE.

REGISTER FOR BINGO

Louisa County FFA
757 Davis Highway
Mineral, VA 23117
(540) 894-5436
louisahsffa@gmail.com

PLANT SALE WILL HAVE HANGING BASKETS, BEDDING PLANTS, HERBS, AND MORE!

THE INFORMED CITIZEN, LOUISA COUNTY NEWSLETTER
**JULY 25-27TH**
**WALTON PARK**

**Activities**
- Live music
- Livestock shows
- Beer garden + Food
- Adult + Kid games
- Daily grounds entertainment
- Enter and enjoy judged exhibits
- Local vendors - accepting applications!

**Sensory Hours**
- JULY 25
- 3-5PM

**Gates Open**
- JULY 25
- 5-9PM
- JULY 26 + 27
- 9AM-10PM

**Follow along on Facebook for event updates**

**Special Events**
- **July 14:** Miss Louisa Co Fair Pageant
- **July 21:** Horse Show

*Special Event entries open to all Louisa Co residents*

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The Louisa County Fair, Inc. is a 501 (C) (3) Non-Profit Corporation
IN APRIL, CELEBRATE LIBRARIES & YOUTH ART

National Library Week April 7-13; LCPS Student Art Display April 1-30

There’s a lot to celebrate at Louisa County Library in April.

YOUTH ART MONTH

Each year, the Louisa County Public Schools Art Educators celebrate Youth Art Month by collaborating on a district-wide art exhibition, hosted by the Louisa County Library.

“Our showcase brings life and creativity into a public space and is an awesome way to celebrate the artistic talent found right in our community,” said LCPS Art Teacher April Lee.

“This year we are excited to utilize the new hanging display wall for the first time in this exhibition, opening up more space for more artwork throughout the library,” Lee said. “Come check out our amazing student artwork as well as the public library!”

“We are so pleased to be able to offer a public facing space to display student artwork where it is accessible to the entire community,” said Ophelia Payne, Louisa County Library Branch Manager. “Our goal is to complement and build on what students are learning in school and give family members opportunities to see what their children are working on.”

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

National Library Week, April 7-13, is an annual celebration that honors the vital role libraries play in our communities.

“During National Library Week, we’re taking a moment to appreciate the heart of our community: our libraries,” said Library Director David Plunkett. “Thanks to the support of Louisa County, the Louisa County Library continues to thrive as a hub of learning, creativity, and connection for all. Let’s celebrate together the importance of libraries and their ability to bring us closer as a community.”

In addition to National Library Week, two recognition days in April honor the work of library staff.

Tuesday, April 9: National Library Workers Day, a day to recognize the valuable contributions made by library workers, including the amazing staff at the Louisa County Library.

Wednesday, April 10: National Library Outreach Day, a day to celebrate the dedicated the library professionals who are meeting their patrons where they are. JMRL’s Bookmobile added several stops in Louisa this fall, visit jmrl.org/bookmobile for more information.
ARD at the Sargeant Museum

FAMILY FREE DAY
April 13th - 10 am to 1 pm
every 2nd Saturday from March to October!
Hands-on history fun! Each month focuses on a
different topic and features living history
demonstrations, hands-on children’s activities,
and an old-fashioned, one-room schoolhouse
lesson!

LATHER UP WITH HOMEMADE SOAPS
HERITAGE SKILLS WORKSHOP
April 13th - 1 pm to 3 pm
Learn about making soap the old-fashioned
way and leave with your own custom-made
scented soap. This is a great way to spend time
with friends (and make new ones!) while gaining
handicraft experience.
Adult Ticket: $20 (18+)
Student Ticket: $10 (17 and under)

HERITAGE DAY FESTIVAL
April 27th
10 am to 4 pm
FREE Admission
Experience the richness of Louisa County history and step back in time
through living history demonstrations! Children’s activities, music, craft and
food vendors, and more will be available for all! This event will be held rain
or shine and is free and open to the public.

214 Fredericksburg Ave., Louisa VA 23093
540-967-5975
info@louisahistory.org
https://louisahistory.org/

Visit the historical Village at Jack Jouett day on
June 8th, 1100 E Jack Jouett Rd, Louisa, 11am-5pm.

Discover more events
in the Visit Louisa app or on VisitLouisa.com!

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HOME-DELIVERED MEALS PROGRAM

“I look forward to getting my meals. This means I don’t have to worry about cooking three meals a day.”
Gloria, a JABA Home-Delivered Meals client in Louisa County.

Indeed, for many seniors who live alone or who are on fixed incomes, JABA’s Home Delivered Meals Program (HDM) offers a sense of security and relieves stress. Same goes for family members and caregivers.

"Knowing a loved one is getting regular, pre-prepared and healthy meals provides real peace of mind,” says Crystal Donovan, who coordinates the HDM Program. “We work with Mom’s Meals and Meals on Wheels to provide meals right to your door.”

JABA’s HDM Program serves lower income older adults 60+ in Charlottesville and Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa & Nelson Counties who struggle to prepares meals for themselves. JABA can also connect you with other services within your community. Some eligibility requirements apply. Call 434.817.5244 for more information.

Meals are FREE to qualifying households. Get started today! Call 434.817.5244 or contact us online at jabacares.org/HDM
Jefferson Area Board for Aging (JABA) Volunteer Opportunities!

JABA (Jefferson Area Board for Aging) Outreach Ambassador – Volunteer Opportunity
Has JABA helped you or a loved one with Medicare counseling, caregiver support, or perhaps as an advocate for someone in long term care? If you are enthusiastic about spreading the word about JABA’s many services for older adults, adults with disabilities and caregivers, this is an opportunity for you!
Volunteer Outreach Ambassadors participate in events and provide information about JABA programs and services to the public. Events occur during the week and on weekends, and typically are about 4 hours in duration. JABA staff will provide training to enhance your comfort level, as well as materials and giveaways to be used when tabling external and internal events.

Monthly Phone Calls to Home Delivered Meals Clients
Multiple volunteers needed to make monthly phone calls to Home Delivered Meals clients. Volunteers will call the same people each month, confirming delivery and gathering information for the program. This can be done remotely and requires a few hours each month.
Calls are made with a user-friendly application that simplifies record-keeping and masks the volunteer's personal information. We provide training and support. There is an optional opportunity to have longer phone conversations with select clients, providing socialization.

Volunteer Receptionist
Friendly volunteers needed to staff our front desk for four hours on Thursdays or Fridays at our Hillsdale location. Volunteers will greet people as they come in, direct them to the appropriate people or locations, answer the phone and take messages off the phone. As this position involves a lot of public interaction, patience, warmth and good listening skills are helpful. Volunteers can help weekly or bi-weekly.

Fall Volunteer Opportunities
JABA will offer training in September for Insurance Counselors, Greeters, and Zoom Hosts, members of our Insurance Counseling Team, as well as FISH (Friends in Schools Helping) Mentors. Visit our website for more information or to complete an application.
To volunteer for these and other opportunities, visit the JABA website or complete an online application. Questions? Email volunteer@jabacares.org or call 434-817-5289.
Happy Birthday!

If you see these County workers this month, join us in wishing them a happy birthday!

- MAXINE, ADMINISTRATION
- SARAH, ANIMAL SHELTER
- LISA, COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE
- REBECCA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
- CHARLES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- JANET, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- KRISTIN, FIRE & EMS
- GERALD, FIRE & EMS
- MATTHEW, FIRE & EMS
- MARK, FIRE & EMS
- GREGORY, FIRE & EMS
- ERIC, FIRE & EMS
- CHRISTOPHER, FIRE & EMS
- JAMES, FIRE & EMS
- JASON, FIRE & EMS
- LORENZO, GENERAL SERVICES
- CHRISTOPHER, GENERAL SERVICES
- JOHNATHAN, GENERAL SERVICES
- ROGER, GENERAL SERVICES
- CARLTON, GENERAL SERVICES
- THOMAS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- GRACE, LCPRT
- KATELYN, LCPRT
- JOSEPH, LCPRT
- EMILY, LCPRT
- JOHN, LCPRT
- HARMONY, LCPRT
- THOMAS, LCPRT
- ALEKSANDER, LCPRT
- ALYSSA, LCSO
- JARED, LCSO
- CHARLES, LCSO
- MACKENZIE, LCSO
- DONNIE, LCSO
- TODD, LCSO
- HAROLD, LCSO
- STACEY, TREASURER
- JACOB, COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY, 1 YEAR OF SERVICE
- PATRICE, COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY, 15 YEARS OF SERVICE
- CRYSTAL, DHS, 19 YEARS OF SERVICE
- MELISA, DHS, 8 YEARS OF SERVICE
- JANICE, DHS, 20 YEARS OF SERVICE
- AMANDA, DHS, 2 YEARS OF SERVICE
- JACOB, FIRE & EMS, 5 YEARS OF SERVICE
- TYLER, FIRE & EMS, 5 YEARS OF SERVICE
- LEONARD, FIRE & EMS, 9 YEARS OF SERVICE
- KEITH, FIRE & EMS, 2 YEARS OF SERVICE
- LORENZO, GENERAL SERVICES, 5 YEARS OF SERVICE
- GREGORY, LCSO, 1 YEAR OF SERVICE
- NATHAN, LCSO, 1 YEAR OF SERVICE
- BRANDON, LCSO, 3 YEARS OF SERVICE
- GLENN, LCSO, 9 YEARS OF SERVICE
- MARY, LCSO, 2 YEARS OF SERVICE
- RYANT, LCSO, 4 YEARS OF SERVICE
- LISA, TREASURER, 3 YEARS OF SERVICE

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Happy Retirement

PAULA GROOME-TURNEDY

After more than three decades with Louisa County Parks, Recreation & Tourism (LCPRT), Paula Groome-Turney has retired. Last month, we were honored to celebrate her and her countless contributions to the County. A message from the LCPRT team, reflects a sentiment shared by all County staff: “Paula, your dedication, passion, and the love you’ve shared has left an indelible mark on the community and Louisa County Parks, Recreation & Tourism. Your legacy will continue for years to come. Thank you for 32 amazing years, we love you!!”

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THE INFORMED CITIZEN, LOUISA COUNTY NEWSLETTER
### JOB OPENINGS

**Community Development**
- Permit Technician I

**County Attorney**
- County Attorney

**Parks & Recreation**
- Before/After School Child Care Aide
- Administrative Assistant III
- Deputy Director

**General Services**
- Animal Shelter – Facility Supervisor
- Lead Custodian
- Animal Shelter Attendant – Part-Time

**Human Services**
- Benefit Program Specialist
- Family Services Specialist(s)

**Extension**
- Louisa 4-H Program Educator

**Fire & Emergency Services**
- Firefighter/EMT and Firefighter/Medic Opportunities
- Administrative Services Manager

**Sheriff’s Office**
- Deputy Sheriff – Court Security / Civil Process
- Deputy Sheriff – Patrol Division
- Deputy Sheriff – School Resource Officer
- Full Time Communications Officer

**Water Authority**
- Water Treatment Plant Operator

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**Join Our Team!**

Virginia Cooperative Extension Office in Louisa County is accepting applications for a Full-time 4-H Youth Program Educator. Reporting directly to the 4-H Agent, the 4-H Program Educator works under general supervision and independently to deliver and provide 4-H in-school, after-school and non-formal educational programming for youth ages 5-18 in accordance with established Virginia Cooperative Extension policies.

For more Information or to Apply Visit [https://www.louisacounty.com/Jobs.aspx](https://www.louisacounty.com/Jobs.aspx)
 Adoption of Agenda (Approved 7-0)
1. Removed Presentation by the Louisa Arts Center from Information/Discussion Items
2. Added a Resolution Approving the License Agreement for a Construction Trailer with Martin/Horn, Inc. to Consent Agenda
3. Removed an Ordinance to Approve/Deny LDR2023-04; Proposed Amendments to Chapter 86. Land Development Regulations; Article IV. Supplementary Regulations, Division 4. Lake Anna Shoreline Use and Design Standards and Article II. Zoning Ordinance and Maps, Division 5. Growth Area Overlay Standards, Section 86-124. Site Design and Architectural Guidelines

Minutes Approval
1. Board of Supervisors Budget Worksession Minutes – February 20, 2024 (Approved 7-0)
2. Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2024 (Approved 7-0)

Bills Approval
1. Resolution – To Approve the Bills for the Second Half of February 2024 (Approved 7-0)

Consent Agenda
1. Resolution – To Approve and Award a Contract for Banking Services (Approved 7-0)
2. Resolution – Authorizing the Renewal of the Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance Contract (Approved 7-0)
3. Resolution – Authorizing the Sheriff’s Office to Proceed with the FY2024 Portable Radios Capital Project (Approved 7-0)
4. Resolution – Authorizing Holly Grove Volunteer Fire Department to Proceed with Sleeping Quarter Renovations (Approved 7-0)
5. Resolution – Authorizing Louisa County to Serve as Fiscal Agent for the Louisa County Industrial Development Authority (Approved 7-0)
6. Resolution – Resolution Approving the License Agreement for a Construction Trailer with Martin/Horn, Inc. (Approved 7-0)

New Business/Action Items
1. Resolution – Authorizing a Lease Financing with Virginia Resources Authority (Approved 6-1)

Board Appointments
1. Appointed Mr. Nathan Newcomb to the IDA as the Mountain Road District Representative (Approved 7-0)
2. Appointed Ms. Carson Lewis to the Piedmont VA Community College Board (term begins July 1, 2024) (Approved 7-0)
3. Appointed Mr. Tommy Barlow to the James River Water Authority Board (Approved 7-0)
MARCH 18 MEETING
RECAP

Adoption of Agenda (Approved 6-0)
1. Added a Resolution to Enter into a Contract with Woodford Nutrient Credit for the Synthetic Fields Installation Project to Consent Agenda
2. Added a Resolution to Support Dominion Energy Virginia’s Efforts to Seek Funding for Potential SMRS at North Anna Nuclear Power Station to Consent Agenda

Minutes Approval
1. Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2024 (Approved 6-0)

Bills Approval
1. Resolution – To Approve the Bills for the First Half of March 2024 (Approved 6-0)

Consent Agenda
1. Resolution – Proclaiming April 13 - 20, 2024 as Clean Louisa Week (Approved 6-0)
2. Resolution – Authorizing Fire & EMS to Apply for an Assistance for Firefighters grant for the purchase of SCBA units (Approved 6-0)
3. Resolution – Pursuing Roadway Safety Goals (Approved 6-0)
4. Resolution – Requesting a Safety/Speed Study on Route 613 (Oakland Rd) in the Louisa District (Approved 6-0)
5. Resolution – Requesting a Safety/Speed Study on Route 656 (Cedar Hill Road) in the Cuckoo District (Approved 6-0)
6. Resolution – Requesting a Safety Study on Route 208 (Courthouse Road) in the Louisa District (Approved 6-0)
7. Resolution – Requesting a Safety/Speed Study on Route 53 in the Louisa District (Approved 6-0)
8. Resolution to Enter into a Contract with Woodford Nutrient Credit for the Synthetic Fields Installation Project (Approved 6-0)
9. Resolution to Support Dominion Energy Virginia’s Efforts to Seek Funding for Potential SMRS at North Anna Nuclear Power (Approved 6-0)

New Business/Action Items
1. Resolution – Authorizing a Budget Supplement to Louisa County Public Schools for Multiple Capital Projects (Approved 6-0)
2. Resolution – Approving The Execution and Delivery of An Amended and Reinstated Support Agreement for James River Water Authority (Approved 6-0)

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