



TOUCHING BASE

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HISTORIC MOORE'S LAKE COTTAGE MOVED TO NEW HOME

Preserving history isn't new to Chesterfield County, but Thursday, Feb. 14, a unique piece of the county's roadside past was protected when a small cottage was moved from the Moore's Lake area on Jefferson Davis Highway to Falling Creek Ironworks Park.

One of approximately 40 cottages built at the Moore's Lake retreat in 1929, it serves as a reminder of a by-gone time when Route 1 was the main highway from Maine to Florida, and travelers from far and wide stopped at the popular vacation spot. Cottages were scattered across the retreat property which featured a lake with a sandy beach, water slides, a dance hall and eventually a restaurant. Moore's Lake thrived until the construction of Interstate I-95 took traffic away from the Jefferson Davis corridor and the retreat later went out of business after larger hotels and motels were built along the highway to serve travelers.



STONEBRIDGE RECREATION CENTER

Valentine's luncheon

There was a great turn out for the Valentine's luncheon last week with 90 people in attendance. Food was donated by Brighter Living in Hopewell and entertainment was by James Curry.

Special guest Speaker from Chesterfield County Public Schools was on hand to talk about the Super Senior Passport Program which is a discount card that is offered to Seniors 60 and over. This card offers them discounted fees for adult education classes, free admission to music and theater productions in schools, and other school activities for which fees are charged. 32 Seniors signed up to receive discount cards.

Steve Thornton with Clear Caption set up a booth. Great Clips in the Stonebridge Plaza donated two gift baskets, and 5 free haircuts. Director Dr. James Worsley attended and addressed the crowd.



Parks and Recreation Director Dr. James Worsley

HISTORY

Festive Flowers Tea

On Saturday, the Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia hosted a “Festive Flowers” tea at Magnolia Grange. The program, by Vicki O’Neal, covered how flowers got their names, the symbolism behind various flowers, the use of color in gardening with flowers, and more. Guests were offered a selection of teas, finger sandwiches, and sweets while they enjoyed the presentation.

In addition to serving as a master gardener for Chesterfield Cooperative Extension, speaker Vicki O’Neal is also a career design professional. In 1998, she founded her own design company, Form and Function. Ms. O’Neal is also an author, having published numerous articles on gardening, interior design, and landscaping. The speaker’s passion and wealth of knowledge on flowers and decorating made the program a delight. 24 attended



THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

At TR Mystery Afternoons, Valentine's Day was celebrated with word games, bingo, and Music Therapy from Healing Sounds, LLC. There were many games, smiles, and so much fun.



Anything Goes continued this week at Ettrick Recreation Center with weights, stretches, and games.



A second session of Bingo was added this week due to high demand. Our participants love Bingo.



Inclusion

Inclusion services are being provided for three participants at three afterschool programs in the county. Staff is working with instructors at Bensley Recreation Center to provide an inclusive environment for their karate program for multiple individuals.

50+ ACTIVE LIFESTYLES

Card Creations class

Bess Kirk held her Card Creations – Stamping class at the Chesterfield Baptist Church on Feb. 19. Participants learned how to make beautiful greeting cards using stamps, ink and paper with amazing color combinations. Each participant was able to create and take home four separate cards.



PARK OPERATIONS

Staff replaced and painted the backboard on a tennis court at Matoaca Park.



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Beethoven in Brandermill: enjoy the Richmond Symphony in Chesterfield on Saturday, Feb. 23, 2 p.m. at Brandermill Church, 4500 Millridge Parkway, Midlothian, 23112. The performance will include Beethoven, Mozart and a piece by Indian-American composer Reena Esmail.

Details and tickets:<https://tinyurl.com/y45clhfn>

