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**Announcements
and News**

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Thank you for taking a moment to open this issue of the Prince George County Economic Development e-Newsletter. We hope you find this publication to be informative, timely, and interesting. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions about the articles you see here, or if you have any ideas for future articles.

Prince George County Business Roundtable 2015

On Wednesday, Dec. 2, the Prince George County Business Roundtable will graduate the Class of 2015 at Bud's Inn at Chester Plantation. This was the fourth year for the Business Roundtable.



Twenty businesses began the year in February as an information exchange between the public and private sector. Meeting every other month, this group spent the year discussing topics which impact the economic growth of our community.

Candidates for the 2016 Class of the Prince George County Business Roundtable will be selected in December with letter invitations to be sent during the first week of January 2016. If you would like more information on this group or if you would like to be considered for the 2016 class, please contact Mr. Jeff Stoke at (804) 722-8612 or jstoke@princegeorgecountyva.gov.

Access the County's *Announcements and News* page for up-to-date articles as they affect the County and County Government.

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Mark Your Calendar

Access the *County Calendar* to see a listing of key dates and upcoming events in and around the County.

[Calendar Link](#)

Prince George Citizens Academy 2015

The 2015 Citizens Academy is currently under way. This free course provides an inside look at the government system in Prince George County, Virginia. Classes are generally held at various County locations on the second Thursday of each month.

Registration will begin in April 2016 for the next session, with classes beginning in June 2016 and running through December. The public is encouraged to attend and should contact County Administration at (804) 722-8600 or email: jstoke@princegeorgecountyva.gov. Registration is limited to the first 25 people to sign up.

MAKE SURE YOUR BUSINESS SHOWS UP ONLINE!

Virginia's Gateway Region will offer a **FREE** workshop for local business:

What you get:

- *Assistance in getting found on Google Search & Maps
- *Online verification for your business
- *A website free for one year
- *Introduction to web tools to help grow your business online
- *Google swag including t-shirts, totes and more

Date:

Thursday, November 19, 2015 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Location:

Community College Workforce Alliance - Chester
(on the campus of John Tyler Community College)
13101 Jefferson Davis Highway
Bird Hall, Room B113
Chester, VA 23831



Longwood University SBDC Person of the Year: Carol Hendricks, Merchants

Hope Memorial Gardens

Carol Hendricks, owner of Merchants Hope Memorial Gardens, was honored as the Longwood University Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Person of the Year on Friday, November 13th, at a monthly networking event sponsored by the Hopewell/Prince George Chamber. The event recognized Ms. Hendricks as an outstanding entrepreneur in our community as she grows several aspects of her business.

Kidco Academy Ribbon Cutting November 17, 10:00am


Prince George County and the Hopewell/Prince George Chamber of Commerce invite you to the official Ribbon Cutting and Open House for *Kidco Academy, Inc.* The celebration will take place on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at 10:00am at their facility located at 4821 Prince George Drive.

Please help us welcome Prince George County's newest business and Chamber member.



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Key Dates and Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 14 - Prince George Farmers' Market, Scott Park Pavilion - 8:00am - 12:00pm.
- Nov. 16 - Prince George *TRIAD*, Prince George County Library - 1:00pm.
- Nov. 16 - Opening Celebration of the new Social Sciences, Humanities & English Building at Richard Bland College, 8311 Johnson Road, South Prince George - 2:00pm.
- Nov. 17 - H/PG Chamber Ribbon Cutting Event at *Kidco Academy*, 4821 Prince George Drive, Prince George - 10:00am.
- Nov. 17 - "Stories of the Fallen", presented at the Prince George Regional Heritage Center, 6406 Courthouse Rd. - 7:00pm.
- Nov. 19 - "Grow Your Business Online" Workshop for Small Business Owners & Entrepreneurs, CCWA Chester Campus at John Tyler Community College - 8:00am - 10:00am.
- Nov. 19 - Citizens' Academy Meeting - Class of 2015

2nd Floor Break Room, Administration Building - 6:00pm - 9:00pm.

- Nov 19 - Planning Commission Meeting, Board Room, 3rd Floor, Administration Building - 7:30pm.
- Nov. 21 - "Thanksgiving In The Trenches", a free historical event at Petersburg National Battlefield, 5001 Siege Rd, Petersburg - 5:30pm - 6:45pm.
- Nov. 24 - Board of Supervisors' Meeting, Board Room - 3rd Floor, Administration Building - 7:00pm.
- Nov. 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday begins at 12:30pm - COUNTY OFFICES WILL CLOSE.
- Nov. 26 - Thanksgiving Day Holiday - COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED.
- Nov. 27 - Day after Thanksgiving - COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED.
- Nov. 30 - Fall Transportation Meeting: "Funding the Right Transportation Projects", hosted by the Eastern Henrico Rec Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Ave, Richmond - 4:30pm - 6:30pm.

- Dec. 1 - Prince George County Legislative Dinner, Prince George Branch Library - 6:00pm.
- Dec. 2 - Prince George Business Roundtable Meeting & Graduation Ceremony, Bud's Inn At The Chester Plantation - 12:00pm.
- Dec. 2 - Prince George Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Regional Heritage Center - 7:00pm.
- Dec. 2 - VML Regional Supper: *2016 General Assembly Session*, Old Town Train Station, 103 River Street, Petersburg - 6:00pm.
- Dec. 3 - Citizens' Academy Meeting, Prince George Regional Heritage Center - 6:00pm to 9:00pm.
- Dec. 4 - Wreath Laying Ceremony (two events) Merchant's Hope & Southlawn Cemetery - 9:00am & 11:00am.
- Dec. 5 - Prince George County Christmas Parade, Courthouse Road - 3:00pm.
- Dec. 6 - Fundraiser to honor VA State Trooper Nathan-Michael W. Smith, El Arriero Mexican Restaurant, 12205 S. Crater Rd - 4:00pm to 9:00pm.
- Dec. 8 - Board of Supervisors' Meeting, Board Room, 3rd Floor Administration Building - 7:00pm.
- Dec. 10 - Public Information Meeting & Open House: *High Speed Rail (DC2RVA)*, DMV Offices, 2300 W. Broad Street, Richmond - 5:00pm to 7:30pm.
- Dec. 14 - Prince George *TRIAD*, Parks and Rec Department - 12:00pm.
- Dec. 16 - *DMV2Go*, at the Prince George Police Department Parking Lot, 6600 Courthouse Road - 9:00am to 4:00pm.
- Dec. 17 - Planning Commission Meeting, Board Room,

3rd Floor Administration Building - 7:30pm.

- Dec. 21 - Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting, Board Room, 3rd Floor Administration Building - 7:30pm.
- Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve - COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED
- Dec. 25 - Christmas Day - COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED

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