



THE MUNICIPAL MAILER

FALL

2019

Celebrating the Holiday's in Smithfield

Whether it's a historic home tour, an antique show, our popular evening market, or our fabulous old- fashion Christmas parade, you're sure to find something festive happening in Smithfield and Isle of Wight County throughout the entire holiday season.

See pages 10 & 11 for details on upcoming events.

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Town Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the Smithfield Center, located at 220 N. Church Street, Smithfield, Virginia.

Check out Charter cable Channel 189 for more town news or the town's web site:
www.smithfieldva.gov

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Smithfield & Isle of Wight Tourism
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Your valuable feedback is requested!

Town Council is beginning the recruitment process for a Town Manager and would like to know what attributes, traits, and experience you feel are important for someone in that position to possess. A brief confidential survey has been created to capture this information. Please visit our website at www.smithfieldva.gov to click on the survey link and provide your feedback. If you prefer, a hard copy of the survey can be picked up at Town Hall (310 Institute Street) and returned confidentially. The survey will be available through **November 29, 2019.**

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful responses.

Interested in Serving Your Community...

A Talent Bank has been established to compile a list of interested citizens, willing to serve on Smithfield's Planning Commission, Board of Historic and Architectural Review, and/or Board of Zoning Appeals when vacancies become available. If you are interested in serving your community please complete a Talent Bank form and submit it to the Town Manager's Office so that we have your information on file. If you have any questions please feel free to give Town Clerk, Lesley King a call at 757-365-9506.



TAX REMINDERS

**PLEASE READ ALL OF THE INFORMATION BELOW AS IT HIGHLIGHTS
IMPORTANT TAX DEADLINES FOR 2019 and 2020**

**PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE OR POSTMARKED BY THE DUE DATES IN ORDER
TO AVOID PENALTIES AND INTEREST. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CONTACT THE TREASURER'S OFFICE AT
(757) 365-4276.**

ON-LINE BILL PAYMENT

The Town's on-line bill payment system is operating through the Town's website, www.smithfieldva.gov. The link is listed under **How Do I? (Pay My Taxes)** on the home page of the website. This option may be used to view or pay real estate and personal property taxes. **Once you have selected your payment option, please select Dept/Ticket No. as method for locating your tax ticket information. Also note that the department numbers for 2019 tax bills will be RE2019 and PP2019 for real estate and personal property respectively.** There is also a **Payment Help** section if more explanation or assistance is needed.

2019 REAL ESTATE TAXES

All **2019 real estate taxes** are due by **CLOSE OF BUSINESS (5:00 p.m.) on December 5, 2019**. If the tax payment was mailed, the envelope must be **postmarked** no later than **December 5** to be considered current. A **minimum** \$10.00 or 10% penalty (not to exceed the assessed value of the property) will be added to all unpaid balances as of **December 6, 2019**. On **January 1, 2020** interest will accrue on delinquent balances including penalty at the rate of 10% per annum. Also, if you expected your real estate tax to be paid by your mortgage company, but the bill came to your home, you will need to contact your mortgage company to make payment arrangements. Mortgage companies must make a request in writing each year before the Town will forward the bill to them.

2019 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Personal property taxes are also due on **December 5**. Payments must be **postmarked** or remitted by **CLOSE OF BUSINESS (5:00 p.m.)** on the due date. A **minimum** \$10.00 or 10% penalty (not to exceed the assessed value of the property) will be added to all unpaid balances as of **December 6, 2019**. **Please note that penalty is applied separately to each item on a tax ticket** and is calculated on the net tax after tax relief. On **January 1, 2020** interest will accrue on delinquent balances including penalty at the rate of 10% per annum. **Taxpayers are not relieved of the responsibility for payment by the due date if they do not receive their tax bills in the mail.** Town clerks are on hand to assist with this information in the event that a bill becomes lost or is undeliverable.

2019 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

The Town receives a lump sum payment of \$240,794.89 for personal property tax relief from the State. Because this payment does not change or account for growth, the Town must recalculate its car tax relief rate annually in order to collect 100% of its allowable billing. The tax relief rate for 2018 was 49.25%. The tax relief for 2019 will increase to 46.50%.

VEHICLE LICENSE TAX

The vehicle license tax is shown in a separate column on the personal property tax bill. This tax is then added to the total tax for each vehicle.

BUSINESS LICENSES DUE APRIL 15, 2020

Business Licenses are due each year on April 15. A 10% penalty will be added to those purchased after the due date, and interest at the rate of 10% per annum will be added as of May 1. A copy of the applicant's Schedule C is required as backup for reported gross receipts. New businesses may contact the Treasurer's office at any time during the year for purchase of a business license. The first year's license may be based on estimated gross receipts.

Letter from the Mayor



Welcome All,

After a very long dry spell we are finally having some needed rainy days. My collards are really enjoying it, as are all of the bushes, flowers, and trees in and around town.

The majority of Town Council attended this year's annual Virginia Municipal League Conference held the 1st weekend of October in Roanoke, and quickly learned that Smithfield is probably one of the busiest small towns in the State. This is largely due to the many, many volunteers that work so hard to make Smithfield the place to be. We appreciate each and every one of you. Smithfield was also voted as being one of the friendliest towns, so thanks to all the citizens for waving and saying hello to everyone you see.

The Clontz Park Boat Ramp is up and running with many thank you's from the local boat owners and a very big thank you to Smithfield Foods for making it possible. The Right Turn Lane project at the Joseph W. Luter, Jr. Sports Complex will finally be finished by the end of November. Thanks to all who had to wait through lines of one way traffic. The Park to Park Trail project is still in the planning stages. As we continue to look at all our options, there is just no perfect or safe way to travel from Battery Park Road to the Cypress Creek Bridge. Hopefully, we will have a plan soon. The Pinewood Heights Relocation project is on track as we continue to move forward with relocating all the residents in the final phase of the project.

The Windsor Castle Park Restoration project is wrapping up and will be complete by the end of November. This project has been three (3) years in the making and we are pleased to say that the entire project is coming in well under budget. Again, a big thank you to Smithfield Foods and the Joseph W. Luter Foundation for their generous contribution towards this project.

The Long Leaf Pines, that are being planted on 2 ½ acres in Windsor Castle Park are native trees to this area that have become nearly extinct over the years. The Town is working with the Department of Forestry in an effort to bring them back from near extinction.

I am forming what will be called, "The Mayor's Green Team." This will be a committee to promote ideas to make our town greener and prettier. I envision clubs, churches, and/or anyone else who would like to adopt a highway to keep clean or use biodegradable straws to promote a greener environment for all of Smithfield. If you would like to help, please contact me.

Once again, thanks to Smithfield VA Events for another successful Bacon Bourbon and Beach Music Festival that was recently held at Windsor Castle Park with over 3,000 people in attendance.

We all bid farewell to John and Ann Edwards for their influence and involvement in our town for forty-seven (47) years through the Smithfield Times; although, John may still be writing a column occasionally. They will be sadly missed as they retire to another chapter in their lives.

We welcome Mr. Sanford B. "Sandy" Wanner as our Interim Town Manager while we are looking to fill the permanent Town Manager position. Mr. Wanner will manage the town with great enthusiasm and personality while he carries us through the next 3 to 6 months.

The Smithfield Town Council would like to thank the employees of the Town for their hard work, dedication to serving the citizens of the Town of Smithfield.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season & a prosperous New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. Carter Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

T. Carter Williams
Mayor, Town of Smithfield

Code Compliance Corner

Fall 2019

Hello to all Smithfield residents from your Planning Technician/Code Enforcement Official, Joseph Reish. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Smithfield residents for doing their part in keeping the Town looking great. For this newsletter, I have a few suggestions to offer to all residents and businesses in Smithfield.

Temporary Signs and Banners: Please be sure to contact the Town of Smithfield Department of Community Development & Planning before installing or displaying any temporary signs, feather flags, banners, etc. Please be aware that only one (1) temporary sign, banner, or feather flag is allowed per business premises or property, and the one (1) temporary sign, banner, or feather flag cannot be placed on any public property, to include public rights of way. Also, please be aware that the use of any temporary sign, banner, feather flag, etc. requires a temporary sign permit. There is a small, ten-dollar (\$10) fee required to issue the permit which we are capable of waiver for bona fide nonprofits. The temporary sign, banner, feather flag, etc. can be used for up to thirty (30) days at a time, and then must be removed for a full thirty (30) days after the permit expires. The Smithfield Zoning Ordinance (SZO) allows for up to three (3) temporary sign permits in any twelve (12) month period. We look forward to working with you to obtain your required temporary sign permits. Please contact us for more information concerning temporary sign permits before installing or using any temporary sign, feather flag, banner, etc.

Permits: Just about any structure being built in the Town requires a zoning permit or a zoning permit waiver. Fences and sheds of any size require a zoning permit, as do swimming pools, additions, decks, etc. Please be aware that a zoning permit is not the same as a building permit. Zoning permits can be obtained at Town Hall (310 Institute St, Smithfield, VA 23430), located in historic downtown Smithfield. There is a twenty-five dollar (\$25) processing fee for most residential accessory zoning permit applications, but that small fee will assure that you avoid any problems which may otherwise arise in the event that something is built without permitting. Building permits, even for projects in the Town of Smithfield, are issued by Isle of Wight County Central Permitting; who can be reached at 1-(757)-365-6211.

Building Numbers: Some of the houses and businesses in Smithfield may not have visible street/building numbers. Every building in Town is required to have building numbers attached to the building that should be visible from the right-of-way. Not having building numbers makes it harder for emergency services to locate you; their absence is also a violation of the Smithfield Town Code (STC). Please make sure that your building numbers are visible from the right-of-way.

For questions and concerns, the Town of Smithfield Department of Community Development & Planning can be reached at 1-(757)-365-4200, or by e-mail at jreish@smithfieldva.gov.

Thank you again for keeping Smithfield safe and beautiful. We can all work together to keep Smithfield a beautiful place to live and work.

Joseph Reish, Planning Technician & Code Enforcement Official

ARE YOU ABOUT TO BLOW IT AND NOT EVEN KNOW IT?

STORM DRAINS are not TRASH CANS for FALL LEAVES.

Leaves CLOG storm drains which causes FLOODING.
And if not removed, ROTTING leaves cause ALGAE BLOOMS THAT HARM local fish and crab populations.

SO

RAKE 'EM BAG 'EM
MULCH 'EM COMPOST 'EM

However you get rid of fall leaves, make sure you KEEP THEM OUT OF THE STORM DRAIN.

For more mindful yard maintenance tips, just askHRgreen.org »

Your Sprinkler System, Your Backflow Prevention Device, and YOU...



Did you know that your sprinkler system could be a potential threat to you, your neighbors, and even the entirety of the Town of Smithfield?

The sprinkler system installed on the property consists of sprinkler heads that hide below the surface of the ground. When this system is on, it rises above to give you that beautiful and luscious green grass. But are you aware of the hazards that could lurk just under that beautiful grass? In the event of backflow or back-siphonage; if the sprinkler head is under the ground, it could potentially suck in any fertilizers that were used, mud, etc., right back into your home and others' homes.

How can you protect this from happening?

This is where the Backflow Prevention Device comes into play. If you have a sprinkler system, you **SHOULD** already have this device in place. If you do not have this device or you are unsure, you may contact the Compliance Administrator at cdaughtrey@smithfieldva.com for inspection of your system or you will need to contact your local plumber that has a **CERTIFIED** Backflow Technician. This device is important simply because in the event of backflow or back siphonage, that device will protect the water that flows into your or others' homes.

What more can YOU do?

There are a few things to remember with the responsibility of owning a sprinkler system. One of the responsibilities of owning a sprinkler system is to follow all of the Town of Smithfield's Ordinances and Regulations. These Ordinances and Regulations state that all sprinkler systems **MUST** be connected to backflow prevention device, unless special permission is granted by the Compliance Administrator, Director of Public Works, and the Town Manager. Other regulations include; the backflow prevention device **MUST** be tested **ANNUALLY** by a **CERTIFIED** Backflow Technician. The passing test report of your device **MUST** be turned in to the Town of Smithfield's Compliance Administrator. Additionally, please keep in mind that it is important to winterize your entire sprinkler system including the backflow prevention device **ANNUALLY**. Winterizing protects your backflow prevention device from failing during the cold and freezing temperatures that are sure to come. Winterizing will also ensure that your sprinkler system will not break or crack under the ground, preventing water leaks and high water usage bills.

Here is what to expect for the end 2019 into the beginning of 2020:

-November 1, 2019: This is the final date to get all backflow prevention device test reports in to the Compliance Administrator. If more time is needed you may email your request to cdaughtrey@smithfieldva.gov

-November 2, 2019: It is important to talk to your plumber/ **CERTIFIED** Backflow Prevention Technician about scheduling to get your sprinkler system and backflow prevention device winterized **BEFORE** the cold weather can do damage to your system.

Beginning of the 2020 year: Be on the look out for the first round of Backflow Prevention Device Test Reminders for the new year with an expectation of completion by July 1, 2020.

If you have any further questions about this article email the Compliance Administrator at: cdaughtrey@smithfieldva.gov



REFUSE & RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Remember to place all carts at curbside with lid opening facing towards the street and at least 3 feet away from all structures. All lids need to be closed to help reduce items from falling out of carts.

WEST SIDE	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Every other Thursday	Every other Friday	EAST SIDE
Benn's Church Blvd Church Street Covenant Place Cypress Creek Evergreen Acres Goose Hill Creek Grimesland Hearn's Historic District - (except Acacia, Cockes, Drummonds, Astrid, Sykes, and South Ma- son Street which fol- low the East side schedule) Jericho Estates Jersey Park Lakeside Heights Pinewood Heights River Oaks Riverview Waterford Oaks Route 258 (Courthouse)	West Side Refuse	East Side Refuse	Call- In Debris Pick-up Day	West Side Recycling	East Side Recycling	Aspen Woods Battery Park Rd Church Square Croatan Landing Deer Run John Rolfe Estates Moonefield Moone Plantation Morris Creek Pagan Point Pinehurst Red Point Heights Rising Star Scots Landing Smithfield Forest Villas Wellington Estates Willow Oaks



****HOLIDAYS****

THANKSGIVING*CHRISTMAS DAY
NEW YEARS DAY



Refuse and Recycling Collection Schedule

HAPPY★NEW★YEAR

The only holiday impacted will be New Years.
Residents on the normal Thursday Recycling collection will be picked up Friday, January 3rd, 2020 and for residents on the normal Friday Recycling collection will be picked up Saturday, January 4th, 2020.

Debris Collection Schedule

There will be no debris collection for the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Years. For each holiday week it will be picked up the week following the holiday if you have a pick up scheduled.



Special Christmas Collection & Natural Christmas Tree Pickup



Bay Disposal and Recycling will provide free pickup service for Christmas type items (such as boxes and wrapping paper) for all town residents on Thursday, December 26th 2019. All items should be placed curbside for collection.



The Town of Smithfield will provide free pick up service for natural Christmas trees for all town residents until January 10th, 2020. Please contact Kathy Bew-Jones at 365-4200 or you can e-mail her at kjones@smithfieldva.gov and provide your address and when your tree will be available for pick up.

NOTE: All trees must be placed curbside. Trees may not necessarily be picked up on the day you put them out, we generally pick up once a week on no particular day. We also ask that all decorations be removed.

Please contact Bay Disposal and Recycling at 857-9700 or the Town of Smithfield Department of Public Works at 365-4200 with any questions on the holiday collection schedules. Throughout the year, schedule changes will be posted on the town's website; Facebook page; and published in the Smithfield Times.

2020
Town of Smithfield
Refuse & Recycling Calendar

REFUSE
(weekly)

RECYCLE
(every other week)

January

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

February

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29

March

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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29	30	31				

April

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May

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June

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Please Note: Refuse & Recycling Schedule for July—December 2020 will be included in the Spring Municipal Mailer

Important Good to Know Messages

The Town of Smithfield does not allow any item to be placed outside the Refuse or Recycle Container for pick up except during special events such as Spring Cleanup Days. So just keep in mind, if it is not in the container it will not be picked up and should be taken to the many area convenience centers which are free to all county residents or you may also hire someone to remove items for you. Bay Disposal does offer this service, however there will be a charge that you will be responsible for, along with setting up an appointment with them for pick up.

If you have questions, they can be reached at 757-857-9700.

If you have more recyclables than you have room for the town has a recycling container at 223 Washington St., which is the old VFW across from the Smithfield Library.

If you need a new container, just call Bay Disposal 757-857-9700. There is no charge for new containers, they just ask that the old container be accessible for pick up when they deliver the new one.

Also concerning placement and removal of Refuse and Recycling containers.

Below is the Town Code that explains your requirements as a citizen of the Town of Smithfield in regards to this.

-Failure to meet these requirements could result in Civil and/or Criminal Penalties.-

Sec. 66-40. - Placement for collection; removal after collection.

(a)

Receptacles containing garbage to be collected by the town or its agent shall be placed on the premises at the curb nearest to the rear or side entrance to such premises, if collection is to be made from the rear or side, or at some convenient place near the front entrance at the curb, if collection is to be made from the front. Receptacles shall be placed at pickup site after 6:00 p.m. the day prior to scheduled collection.

(b)

All receptacles in which garbage is placed and set out for removal shall, after they have been emptied, be removed by the persons to whom they belong on the day on which they are emptied. No garbage receptacle shall be set out on the street, at the curb or sidewalk again until the evening prior to the next succeeding day on which garbage is to be removed.

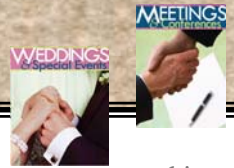
(Code 1982, § 17-25)



The Smithfield Center



Groups large and small will find everything needed and more for a [meeting, conference, wedding, or banquet](#) at the Smithfield Center. If you're interested in an outdoor event, several gorgeous outdoor sites located in the beautiful, acclaimed historic district of downtown Smithfield are also available. There's no better place than [Smithfield, Virginia](#) – home to “hams, history, hospitality & heART” to experience your event.



[The Smithfield Center](#) is a multi-purpose space with an extremely versatile design that meets the needs of small and large groups, with a 2,300 square foot deck that overlooks the Pagan River - a picture perfect place for a ceremony. Then invite your guests inside to our 5000 square foot Main Hall for your reception. Dance the night away in this spacious hall which offers plenty of room for 150 guests plus tables for a buffet line or food stations

[Outdoor sites](#) represented include the popular [Windsor Castle Park](#) with its natural amphitheater gently sloping down to Cypress Creek, scenic [Clontz Park](#) along the Pagan River, and the intimate [Hayden's Lane](#) located in the heart of Historic Downtown Smithfield.



Parks and Recreation

Below are a few photos of completed or near completed projects.



Game Day at the Joseph W. Luter, Jr. Sports Complex



Clontz Park Boat Ramp Ribbon Cutting



Restoration of Windsor Castle Manor House





The Smithfield Police Department Thin Blue Line



DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE RUNNING There has been a growing trend in the Hampton Roads area of unlocked vehicles stolen while warming up in the morning or when folks are stopping for a few essentials at the store. The most common places for this to happen is at gas stations, convenience stores, apartment complexes and residential driveways. Please be aware and take the necessary precautions to prevent this from happening. You should ALWAYS lock your doors, especially when the keys are in the ignition!



NO PORCH PIRATES

Porch Pirates The Smithfield Police Department wants to remind residents that crime prevention starts at home. Package thefts occur from doorsteps and front porches during day-time hours when many victims are away from their home. Here is a list of things you can do to help prevent package theft. 1) Choose an alternate destination. Have packages delivered to a family member's home, your workplace or to a neighbor you trust. 2) Request a signature upon delivery from the shipper. 3) Try to track your packages, most mail carriers allow you to online. By doing this, you might be able to be present at the time of delivery. 4) If you cannot be home at the time of delivery see if you can get a family member or neighbors to pick up delivered packages as soon as possible after they are dropped off on your doorstep. 5)

Always lock your doors when leaving your home. If someone is brazen enough to steal from your doorstep or porch, they might try your front door as well. 6) Get to know your neighbors and report any suspicious activity or persons in your neighborhood by calling 911 for emergencies or 757-357-2151 for non-emergencies.

Police Ride Along The Community Ride Along program allows citizens to voluntarily accompany officers and to observe law enforcement activities to better understand the issues related to policing. You may request to ride in any area at any time or with a particular officer. If convenient to the department and conditions permit, permission may be granted. Safety of non-police personnel shall be the primary concern during the Ride Along. Persons wishing to ride with an officer may pick up Ride-Along forms at the Police Department in person between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Completed request forms and waivers must be returned at least 48 hours before the desired Ride-Along date. Juveniles must be 16 years of age or older to ride and must have request and waiver forms signed by parent or guardian. If participating you should dress business casual. On the scheduled day and time you will report to the Police Department and get acquainted with the hosting officer. If time permits you will be given an abbreviated tour of the police station before patrol activities begin.

Virginia Code Often on a traffic stop when informed of a violation folks say "I did not know that was illegal".

1) 46.2-1078 states in part "It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle, bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, or moped on the highways in the Commonwealth while using earphones on or in both ears." 2) 46.2-1078.1 state in part "It is unlawful for any person to operate a moving motor vehicle on the highways in the Commonwealth while using any handheld personal communications device to manually enter multiple letters or text in the device as a means of communicating with another person; or read any email or text message transmitted to the device or stored within the device." 3) 46.2-810.1 states in part "It is unlawful for a person to smoke in a motor vehicle, whether in motion or at rest, when a minor under the age of eight is present in the motor vehicle. A violation of this section is punishable by a civil penalty of \$100 to be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Literary Fund. For the purposes of this section, "smoke" means to carry or hold any lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind or any other lighted smoking equipment or to light or inhale or exhale smoke from a pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind or any other lighted smoking equipment." 4) 46.2-716 states in part "No colored glass, colored plastic, bracket, holder, mounting, frame, or any other type of covering shall be placed, mounted, or installed on, around, or over any license plate if such glass, plastic, bracket, holder, mounting, frame, or other type of covering in any way alters or obscures (i) the alpha-numeric information, (ii) the color of the license plate, (iii) the name or abbreviated name of the state wherein the vehicle is registered, or (iv) any characters, decal, stamp, or other device indicating the month or year in which the vehicle's registration expires."



Upcoming Special Holiday Events



Smithfield Volunteer
Fire Department
Ladies Auxiliary



Breakfast will be served Saturday, November 16th, 2019 from 7 am—11 am
at the Smithfield Volunteer Fire Department located at
1804 South Church Street

Adults \$5 / Children \$3 / Under 2 FREE

All proceeds will go to help support the Smithfield Volunteer Fire
Department and the community.

SMITHFIELD FARMERS MARKET

Location: Bank of Southside Virginia, 115 Main Street

Regular Market: Saturday, November 2, 9 a.m. - noon

Specialty Holiday Market Hours: Saturday's 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Harvest Holiday Market: November 16

Thanksgiving Market: November 23

Christmas Craft & Food Markets: December 7 & 21

Plus...DOWNTOWN SMITHFIELD

PICKERS MARKET

November 9, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Joyner Field (319 Main Street)

TELL ME A STORY

Date: November 14, 2019 **Time:** 10am

Location: Isle of Wight County Museum

This program, geared for children ages 3 to 5, introduces youngsters to the symbols of Isle of Wight and features books, songs and games. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Theme:** Thanksgiving



GENUINE SMITHFIELD

Light Up Main

TREE LIGHTING MAIN STREET ILLUMINATION

Friday, December 6 at 5:30 p.m., Smithfield Times Gazebo

AN EVENING WITH ST. NICK

Date: December 6, 2019

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Location: Isle of Wight County Museum

Visit the jolly ol' elf and enjoy an evening of holiday refreshments, crafts and a special reading of *Twas the Night Before Christmas* by Clement Clarke Moore. Perfect for families. Make your visit with St. Nick a little more special.

Bring a wrapped gift for St. Nick to give to your child. Pre-registration will give you the opportunity to provide some information about your child so St. Nick can talk with him or her! Call the head elf for your appointment: 757-357-0115.



CARRIAGE RIDES THROUGH DOWNTOWN SMITHFIELD

Date: December 7th
Time: 10-3 p.m.

Location:
Downtown Smithfield



ANTIQUES SHOW & HOMES TOURS

Christmas in Smithfield

DEC. 7 & 8

Tours of 4 Historic Homes & Antiques Show
at the Smithfield Center ChristmasInSmithfield.com

EVENING MISTLETOE MARKETPLACE

Saturday, December 14, 3:00 until 8:00 p.m.
100-300 Blocks of Main Street in downtown Smithfield

GENUINE DOWNTOWN SMITHFIELD

CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday, Dec. 21 - 10:30 a.m.

Smithfield Kiwanis Breakfast with Santa
December 21, 8 - 10 a.m., Smithfield Center

Most of the events listed require street closures, traffic assistance or park usage within the Town of Smithfield. This is not a comprehensive list of all events within the town. Please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 757-542-3109 with any questions or visit www.smithfieldva.gov for additional updates.

Upcoming 2019 & 2020 Special Events

A Vital Connection: The James River Bridge

Date: November 17, 2019 **Time:** 2 p.m.

Location: Isle of Wight County Museum

Opened November 17, 1928, the James River Bridge has linked Warwick-Newport News to Isle of Wight County for 91 years. This look-back examines life before the bridge, when colonial ferries and steamers served this purpose. The historical journey continues with dedication of the original crossing and construction of the present one.



BOB Fest & 8K Chilly BOB Race



Date: Saturday, January 18, 2020 **Time:** Noon to 4pm

Location: Windsor Castle Park

Contact: Smithfield VA Events – Gina Ippolito 869-0664

There is not another event like this in all of Coastal VA! Held under 65,000 sq. ft. of heated tent space! It's an all-you-can-eat event with unlimited steamed & raw oysters, BBQ & Brunswick Stew. Enjoy rocking out to The Deloreans, an amazing 80's show band. Features Bloody Mary's (with a special Bloody Mary condiment bar), plus other absolute specialty drinks, brews, and wines.



Optional 8K Chilly BOB Roadrace will be held the morning of the event. Runners can add tickets to their race entry with early registration. The following streets will be impacted by the race between the hours of 9 am to 11:30 am: Jericho Road, Cedar Street, Joshua Road and Trumpet Court.

Martin Luther King Banquet

Date: Sunday, January 19, 2020 **Time:** 3pm

Location: Smithfield Center, 220 North Church Street

This event is sponsored by Smithfield's Chapter of the NAACP. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for students. This year's speaker will be Ian Holloman, a senior from Smithfield High School. Also in celebration of our 20th year we are selling ads. For more information please call 757-651-7521.



Learning the Early Stages of Alzheimer's

Date: February 1st, 2020 **Time:** 10—12 p.m.

Location: Trinity Methodist Church—201 Cedar Street

Would you like to know the difference between Alzheimer's and Dementia, as well as the early signs of Alzheimer's? Join us for a free and open to the public forum. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Patrick's Day Parade

Date: Saturday, March 14, 2020

Time: 10:30am

Location: Main Street, Grace Street, Cedar Street and Mason Street / Street closures beginning at 8am

For more information contact Tourism at 357-5182



Wine and Brew Fest

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2020

Time: 10am to 5pm

Location: Windsor Castle Park

Contact: Smithfield VA Events – Gina Ippolito 869-0664

An upscale boutique festival, featuring over 100 tastings from VA Wineries and Breweries.

Enjoy wines from our International Wine Tents with tastings done from the amazing folks at Bon Vivant. Bring your chair or blanket and relax along the river! Enjoy live entertainment on (3) stages. Unique retail and yummy food vendors.



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Important Dates to Remember

(All town meetings are held at 220 North Church Street at the Smithfield Center)

1st Tuesday—Town Council Meeting—6:30 p.m.

2nd Tuesday—Planning Commission—6:30 p.m.

3rd Tuesday—Board of Historic & Architectural Review—6:30 p.m.

3rd Tuesday—Board of Zoning Appeals—7:30 p.m.

4th Monday & Tuesday of each Month—Town Council Committee Meetings beginning at 3:00 p.m. and are held at the Smithfield Center. Stay Tuned to Smithfield Channel 189 for any meeting changes and for important informational updates. **Also click on the town's website:**

www.smithfieldva.gov to see more information.

Holidays— Town Office Closed

Monday, November 11th —Town Offices Closed in Observance of Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 27th - Town Offices Closed at noon in Observance of Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th —Town Office will be Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday, December 25th —Town Offices will be Closed in Observance of Christmas

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Bill Davidson
Thomas C. Pope
Michael Torrey
Michael Swecker

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