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# THE CHRONICLE

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# DINWIDDIE EST. 1752 *County* VIRGINIA

## Gerdau Celebrates 25 Years in Dinwiddie County!



As part of Gerdau's 25th anniversary celebration, the company hosted a picnic for employees and community leaders. During the picnic, Jim Christina, Vice President and General Manager, presented \$1,000 checks to Dinwiddie Fire & EMS, Namozine Volunteer Fire Company, and the Dinwiddie Food Bank. "Our success would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our community partners. We are deeply grateful for the strong relationships we have built with local businesses, educational institutions, and non-profit organizations. Together, we have created job opportunities, supported local education and training programs, and contributed to the overall economic growth of our region." – Jim Christina, Vice President and General Manager.

## General Reassessment Update

The last general reassessment of real estate in Dinwiddie County became effective on January 1, 2019. Pursuant to Virginia law, Dinwiddie County must conduct a general reassessment of real estate at least every six years. To meet that requirement, the Board of Supervisors hired the reassessment firm of Wampler Eanes in 2023. As a result, a new general reassessment will become effective on January 1, 2025. The purpose of the general reassessment is to assess the value of properties in Dinwiddie County using the principles of fair market value and uniformity. Property owners will be receiving a Notice of Reassessment this fall. This notice will state the new assessed value of real estate. Because property values have risen so much since 2019, citizens may experience sticker shock on the 2025 property values. The assessed value of real estate multiplied by the tax rate will equal the tax levy or tax bill for each property. The first tax bill on the new assessment will be due June 5, 2025. Citizens are reminded that the Board of Supervisors has the ability to lower the tax rate from the current rate of \$0.84/\$100 at the tax rate public hearing in the spring. The Board of Supervisors members have individually stated that they do intend to lower the tax rate from \$0.84. The final tax rate for 2025 will depend on how much money is needed for the County budget. If citizens believe that the value on their assessment is not a fair market value or is not uniform, they may follow the directions on their notice to appeal the reassessment to the assessor. There will also be an opportunity to apply to the Board of Equalization to adjust any values that do not reflect fair market value and uniformity.

## HOMETOWN HEROES

Dinwiddie County is now accepting nominations for the annual Hometown Heroes program held in observance of Black History Month.

Eligibility information and nomination forms can be found at: [www.dinwiddieva.us](http://www.dinwiddieva.us)

Nominations must be received by December 13, 2024.

## Winter 2025

REGISTRATION OPEN

## CITIZENS ACADEMY

A Comprehensive Overview of Dinwiddie County Government

### LEARN ABOUT:

- Board of Supervisors
- Constitutional Officers
- County Administrator
- All County Departments
- County Facilities

SPACE IS LIMITED

Call to Register  
804-469-4500, OPTION 1, EXT. 3230





**William "Bill" Chavis, Chairman,**  
*Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors*

## Letter from Chair, Mr. William "Bill" Chavis

I would like to thank everyone who attended and participated in our recent series of Town Hall Meetings hosted by the Board of Supervisors. A meeting was held in each electoral district during the month of September and included representatives from the School Board and Social Services Advisory Board. It was refreshing to see so many citizens come out to learn more about what is going on in their districts. Our discussion included the general reassessment, County budget priorities, school security, and the foster care program. The contributions and insights added great value to the discussion, and we look forward to hosting a similar series of Town Hall Meetings in 2025.

Peace and Blessings,  
William D. Chavis, Chairman, Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors



**District 4 Town Hall**



**District 1 Town Hall**



**District 2 Town Hall**



**District 3 Town Hall**



**District 5 Town Hall**

## Message From County Administrator

I had the pleasure of attending the Dinwiddie County Fair, not as your County Administrator, but as a husband, father, and resident of Dinwiddie County. Walking through the gates, I was immediately struck by the vibrant atmosphere and joyous expressions on the faces of visitors from Dinwiddie and across the region.

The Dinwiddie County Fair is more than just an annual event, it is an opportunity for our community to come together, celebrate our shared traditions, and showcase all that makes Dinwiddie unique and special.

Our County employees worked tirelessly to make the Fair an unforgettable experience for every attendee. From logistics and planning to safety measures and entertainment, each aspect of the fair was handled with care and professionalism.

I would like to extend heartfelt appreciation to every County employee who played a part in the planning and implementation of this year's Fair. Your efforts ensured that everything ran smoothly and safely, allowing families like mine to enjoy a weekend of fun.

The importance of the Dinwiddie County Fair cannot be overstated. The economic impact is real, with local businesses and nonprofits benefitting from the influx of visitors. I am thankful that the Board of Supervisors continues to make a commitment to financially support the Fair.

This year's Fair reminded me, once again, why I am so proud to serve Dinwiddie County. We are a county that values tradition, family, and community, and our County Fair is a testament to that. Thank you to everyone who made this year's event possible. You have truly helped build something that our community cherishes.

With deep appreciation,  
W. Kevin Massengill  
County Administrator



**W. Kevin Massengill,**  
*Dinwiddie County Administrator*

# Parks and Recreation Updates

<p><b>Good News Gospel Band:</b> Ragsdale Community Center 1st Friday of the Month</p>	<p><b>Bluegrass Jam Session</b> Eastside Enhancement Center 1st Wed. of the Month</p>
<p><b>Dinwiddie Diamonds Senior Group:</b> Luncheon (members only) on third Thursday of each month. Dance (public with a fee) on fourth Friday of each month.</p>	<p><b>Karate:</b> Eastside Enhancement Center \$50 per session (8 weeks) Year round offerings</p>
<p><b>Easter Eggstravaganza:</b> April 11th 5pm - 7pm</p>	<p><b>12 Days of DCPR Christmas:</b> December 1st through December 23rd</p>
<p><b>Social Groups:</b> Any clubs that would like a place to meet are welcome to contact us. We would love to host you!</p>	<p><b>Fitness Classes:</b> Yoga, Aerobics, Slow Jam, &amp; Pop Line Dance: Offered at both centers; \$1 per class.</p>



PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
**THE DINWIDDIE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PARADE!**  
*Twas the Night Before Christmas*

PARADE ENTRIES:  


**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**  
STARTING AT 5:00 PM  
FREE ENTRY!

**Virginia Motorsports Park**  
8018 Boydton Plank Rd,  
N. Dinwiddie, VA 23803

Join us for a magical evening at the Dinwiddie County Christmas Parade, where holiday cheer, dazzling lights, and festive floats will bring the spirit of the season to life!

Please join us for a



**Grand Illumination**

Tuesday, December 3rd at 6pm  
Historic Dinwiddie Courthouse  
14101 Boydton Plank Road,  
Dinwiddie, VA 23841  
www.discoverdinwiddie.com



## Dinwiddie County 4-H



Becky Tilson and 4-H Member

After 32 years of dedicated leadership, Becky Tilson is officially retiring from the Dinwiddie Horsekateers 4-H Club. Throughout her remarkable tenure, Mrs. Tilson has devoted her time to teaching young people essential life skills through horsemanship. Under her guidance, youth have honed their abilities in public speaking, record keeping, leadership, goal setting, teamwork, and much more. In recognition of her significant contributions, at the recent Dinwiddie 4-H Achievement Banquet, the Spirit of 4-H

Award was renamed in her honor as the Rebecca Tilson Spirit of 4-H Award. Mrs. Tilson will be honored at the Board of Supervisors public meeting in December, and we invite any former 4-H'ers to attend.

### Mark your calendars for 4-H Junior Camp Registration!

4-H Junior Camp is an exciting educational, overnight experience offered through the Virginia Cooperative Extension office in Dinwiddie County. Camp is co-ed, and hosts campers between the ages of 9-13 (as of 09/30/2025). Registration will open early for 4-H'ers who are active in clubs on February 17, 2025 for 24 hours. Registration will open to the general public on February 20, 2025 at 8:00 p.m. Dinwiddie 4-H Junior Camp is scheduled for June 16-20, 2025 and will be held at the Airfield 4-H Conference Center in Wakefield, Virginia. Teen volunteers, age 14 and older, are needed to serve as counselors. Orientation will be held November 14 at 6PM at Dinwiddie High School. For more information, visit the camp website at <https://bit.ly/din4hcamp>.



**THANK YOU FOR A GREAT 2024 DINWIDDIE COUNTY FAIR!**



**STAY TUNED FOR THE 2025 FAIR DATES!**




**THANK YOU!**  
OFFICERS OF ELECTION

Stephanie B. Wray, General Registrar, would like to thank Dinwiddie County's Electoral Board and Officers of Election for their hard work and dedication during the 2024 Election.



SAVE THE DATE



SATURDAY

MARCH  
**01**  
2025

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Leadership takes many forms. There are faith leaders, government leaders, school leaders, civic and non-profit leaders, business leaders, youth leaders, and more.

The LEAD Well Summit is an opportunity for all Dinwiddie County leaders to come together in pursuit of a common goal...to make Dinwiddie County the best it can be!

**ATTENTION YOUTH:** A special event is being planned with you in mind!

**DINWIDDIE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**  
11501 Boisseau Road, Dinwiddie, Virginia

Hosted by the Dinwiddie County Faith-Based Initiative

## Dinwiddie County Welcomes David Y. Kissner, II as Fire Chief

On September 16, 2024, Dinwiddie County welcomed David Y. Kissner, II as the County's new Chief of Fire and EMS. Chief Kissner brings more than 32 years of public safety experience. He is a team-oriented and personnel-focused firefighting professional. Chief Kissner served the citizens of Colonial Heights, Virginia as Firefighter, EMT, Lieutenant, Battalion Chief, and most



**David Y. Kissner,**  
*Dinwiddie County  
Fire Chief*

recently, Deputy Fire Chief. He holds an extensive list of certifications through the Department of Fire Programs and Virginia Department of Emergency Management. He is certified in the National Fire Academy Incident Command System, and is a Nationally Registered Paramedic. Chief David Kissner and his wife are residents of Dinwiddie County, where he has been a long-time member of Ford Volunteer Fire Department. "David Kissner's vast experience and proven leadership ability make him the ideal choice as our new Chief of Fire and EMS," said W. Kevin Massengill, County Administrator.

## Citizen Spotlight: Katie Chappell



Mr. Bill Chavis, Katie Chappell  
and Mr. Kevin Massengill

The Board of Supervisors recognizes that in Dinwiddie County, there are exceptional people doing incredible things. "The Citizen Spotlight" was created in an effort to bring attention to these individuals. The goal is to recognize at least one citizen during each monthly Board of Supervisors meeting.

The first person recognized through our Citizen Spotlight was Miss Katie Chappell. Katie is a lifelong resident of Dinwiddie County and graduated from Dinwiddie High School in 2020. She completed a 2-year program in General Agriculture through the Agricultural Institute at North Carolina State University, then returned home to work on the family farm – Chappell Farms.

Understanding that in a post-pandemic world, the farm must diversify operations in order to continue. As such, Katie worked to establish a beef operation, which has now grown to a herd of 75 cows. Her goal is to one day serve the community with high-quality beef.

Katie's hard work, dedication, and commitment are evidence of her incredible strength, and are an inspiration to young people, particularly girls, countywide.

If you know someone who should be featured in the Citizen Spotlight, please send an email to Marie Grant, at [mgrant@dinwiddieva.us](mailto:mgrant@dinwiddieva.us). Include your name and contact information, as well as the name and contact information of the citizen you wish to spotlight. Please include a brief description of the great things they are doing in the Dinwiddie community.



**Barrett Chappell,**  
*Clerk of the Circuit Court*

## Clerk of the Circuit Court

While rare, Deed Fraud is on the rise. There are no reported cases in Dinwiddie County at this time. Deed fraud is a type of identity theft. A criminal identifies a potential home to target. It is often a second home, rental, vacation home, or vacant house, and then forges the true owner's signature on the deed as they "sell" it to themselves or a third party such as a trust. There are a few ways to protect yourself from Deed Fraud:

- Pay attention to incoming bills
- Monitor your credit reports for signs of identity theft
- Check if you have a title insurance policy or buy one when refinancing. This often covers you against deed fraud.
- You could pay for a monitoring service or monitor your deed yourself.
- Periodically, check the status of your property deed. You can search our name index without a fee here:

<https://risweb.vacourts.gov/jsra/sra/#/search/indexCourts>

## Commissioner of the Revenue

We are happy to bring some important reminders to your attention as the first of the year will be here before you know it.

- January: Don't forget to turn in your high mileage in January. If you are not sure if your car qualifies, give us a call or stop by and we will be happy to assist you.
- February 18th: Filing deadline for businesses, airplanes, or mobile homes.
- March 3rd: is the business license deadline.
- April 1st: Tax relief for the elderly and disabled applications or affidavits are due. If you know an elderly or disabled person that needs assistance, please let my office know. We will go to them if they need us to.

My office is dedicated to being here for you. We are open from 8 to 5, and the DMV Select is open from 9 to 4:00, with no appointment necessary. The DMV Select can process most vehicle transactions. However, we cannot issue driver's licenses or driver tests.

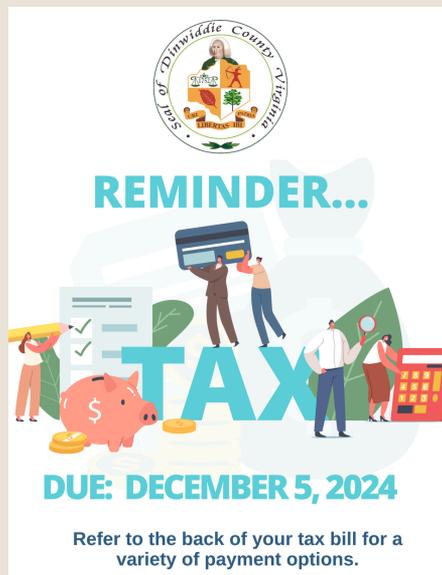


**Lori K. Stevens,**  
*Commissioner of the Revenue*

## Treasurer's Office - Taxes Are Due!



**Jennie Perkins,**  
*Dinwiddie County Treasurer*



Don't forget - taxes are due December 5th, 2024! Late fees will be assessed to balances not paid by December 5th. For more information about how you can pay your taxes online, by phone, by dropbox, by mail, at the bank or in person, please visit our website.

## FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE KICKOFF

Stay tuned for programs and events that will:

- Embrace Fatherhood
- Promote Healthy, Bonding, Engagement and Guidance between fathers and children.
- Aid in building trustworthy and respectful relationships.
- Support the bridge of fathers entering back into the community.

Sign up today to get updates on events!

Dinwiddie Department of Social Services  
[awesomedad.dinwiddie@gmail.com](mailto:awesomedad.dinwiddie@gmail.com)

14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841

## Dinwiddie County Sheriff's Office



**Sheriff D.T. "Duck" Adams**  
Sheriff



### Dinwiddie County School Resource Officers

Back Row – L to R: Sgt. R. Fish, Sgt. Z. Hare, and Deputy J. Dance

Front Row – L to R: Deputy D. O'Brien, Deputy D. Eichler, Deputy G. Kincaid and Deputy S. Fleshman

When I took office as your Sheriff, I made it one of my top initiatives to have a School Resource Officer in each of the seven schools in the Dinwiddie County Public School system. I am proud to say that I have accomplished this goal, and this is the second school year where these deputies have been working in all of the schools countywide.

Each day these dedicated deputies work with the school administration to keep the students and staff safe. They have received specialized training offered to School Resource Officers across the state, and we have implemented the DARE program in the elementary and middle schools where they teach students how and why to avoid the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

These positions were established with the support of grants through the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. We are grateful for the support of the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors for continuation funding once grant periods are closed.

## Dinwiddie Workforce Development Update:

Dinwiddie Youth Workforce Development is changing! Yannette Nicholas was recently hired as the Workforce Development Manager and is working to incorporate workforce development programming for youth, as well as adults.

The **2024 Summer Work-Based Learning Program** provided Dinwiddie students, ages 14-19, with opportunities to work for 4-8 weeks, gaining real-world experience and professional development. The 2024 program included 30 students and 18 employers, with seven students securing permanent employment. The program included enriching field trips to WTVR/Channel 6 News Station and the Richmond Flying Squirrels stadium.

**The Dinwiddie Emerging Leaders Academy** will begin this winter, focusing on leadership and civic engagement for 12 high school juniors and seniors.

Additionally, the **Dinwiddie Teen Expo** is scheduled for April 12, 2025 at Richard Bland College. The Dinwiddie Teen Expo is a day-long workshop to help 7th - 12th graders prepare for life after graduation. The Teen Expo also features sessions for parents to help them acclimate their student to life after high school. Registration information will be posted on our website and social media channels.

In 2025, an **adult workforce development program** will be introduced to help adults gain marketable skills for employment. The department will communicate with local employers to find out the needs for the current and future workforce. If you have a specific training need or skill, please contact the Workforce Development Manager, Yannette Nicholas at (804) 469-4500 opt. 1, ext. 2154

For more information on these programs, please visit our website: [www.dinwiddieva.us](http://www.dinwiddieva.us) or connect with Yannette Nicholas, Workforce Development Manager.



# TEEN EXPO 2025

DINWIDDIE COUNTY



## SAVE THE DATE!

# 04.12.2025

RICHARD BLAND COLLEGE

## 2024 Board Advance

The 2024 Board Advance for Dinwiddie County involved a three-day joint workshop between the Board of Supervisors and the School Board. The event ran from October 23 to October 25, 2024 and included extensive sessions aimed at strategic discussions and site visits around the County. During these days, Board members embarked on a bus tour to observe existing and potential county projects, highlighting infrastructure and educational facilities. Each day began with departures from designated locations, including the Eastside Enhancement Center and Richard Bland College.

This year's Board Advance was unique in that it was in partnership with the School Board. This provided an opportunity for both boards to collaborate on priorities that impact the community, from economic development projects to school enhancements, ensuring alignment on future planning and funding allocations. The final day of the workshop concluded at the Ragsdale Community Center, where wrap-up sessions summarized key takeaways and action points to address ongoing community needs.



Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors and School Board Members touring the High School's Spring Sports Complex



Chief Kissner, Dinwiddie County Fire Chief, discussing current and future projects relating to Fire & EMS



County Administrator, W. Kevin Massengill, welcoming County and School officials at Eastside Enhancement Center.

## 2024 Budget Breakdown



## Ribbon Cutting for Richard Bland College's Academic Innovation Center

On Thursday, September 19th, Chairman Bill Chavis and County Administrator Kevin Massengill participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Richard Bland College's Academic Innovation Center (AIC). The 14,000 sq. ft. new construction, and 10,000 sq. ft. library renovation directly align with the College's Facilities Master Plan and strategic priorities. The AIC houses the Student Hub, including admissions, advising, and career services. The Center includes cutting-edge technology such as Esports arenas and one-button recording studios. The facility also offers space for students, faculty, businesses, and community partners to host lectures, meetings, seminars, and trainings. Skyfold walls – partitions that fold and retract vertically – enable maximum flexibility in the configuration of customizable spaces to accommodate a variety of uses. This \$17 million project was funded by the Commonwealth of Virginia.



*Ribbon Cutting featuring Richard Bland President Dr. Debbie Sydow, Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors Chair, Mr. Bill Chavis, County Administrator, W. Kevin Massengill and others.*



## Keys to Staying Healthy During the Holidays

The holiday season is a time of celebration, family gatherings, and often a lot of indulgent food and festivities. While it's important to enjoy this time, it can also be easy to lose focus on maintaining good health. Here are 3 keys to help you stay healthy, both physically and mentally, during the holidays:

- 1. Prioritize Balanced Eating:** Indulging in holiday treats is fine in moderation, but try to maintain balance by eating mindfully, loading up on fruits and vegetables and staying hydrated. Accomplish this by taking time to savor your food and avoid overeating by listening to your body's hunger cues. Be sure to include nutrient-rich options to balance heavier holiday meals. Remember sometimes thirst can be mistaken for hunger, so drink plenty of water throughout the day.
- 2. Stay Active:** It can be tempting to skip your regular exercise routine during the holidays, but staying active is key so incorporate movement daily and get active with family and friends. Whether it's a brisk walk after meals, dancing at a holiday party, or playing with kids, find ways to keep moving. Turn physical activity into a fun social event by doing group walks or playing sports together. The holidays are a great time for game of limbo or musical chairs (play at your own risk of course).
- 3. Be Prepared for Cold and Flu Season:** With the holidays coinciding with colder weather, it's essential to take precautions to stay healthy and strong. You can accomplish this by washing your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with warm soapy water, staying up to date on vaccinations and listening to your body.

The holidays don't have to be perfect to be enjoyable. Focus on the moments that bring you joy, whether it's spending time with family, enjoying a peaceful winter walk, or indulging in your favorite holiday tradition you will find a way to find joy in the holiday season. By focusing on these key health tips, you can enjoy a fun, balanced, and healthy holiday season! Thank you to the Cooperative Extension office for supplying these holiday tips.

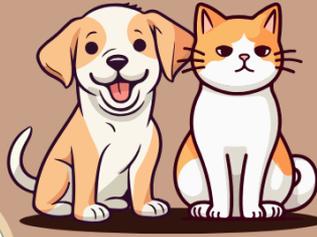
## Cameron Foundation Celebrates 20 Years!

Congratulations to the Cameron Foundation for 20 years of working to transform the Tri-Cities and surrounding counties into a healthy, vibrant and economically vital region by leveraging resources for community impact!





# 2025 Rabies Clinics



## SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH

Chesdin Animal Hospital  
25026 Ferndale Rd.  
North Dinwiddie, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



## SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH

Ford Volunteer Fire Department  
13402 Cox Rd.  
Church Road, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 18TH

Sutherland Sporting Goods  
1911 Cox Rd.  
Sutherland, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



## SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH

Chesdin Animal Hospital  
25026 Ferndale Rd.  
North Dinwiddie, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH

Ragsdale Community Center  
20916 Old School Rd.  
McKenney, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



## SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH

Dinwiddie Administration Building  
14010 Boynton Plank Rd.  
Dinwiddie, VA

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## CASH ONLY

Rabies shots for dogs and cats are \$15 each.

County tags are available for sale at each location.



## 1 YR. CERTIFICATES

Please note that certificates will be written for 1 year unless proof of prior vaccination is provided at the rabies clinic.

Call Chesdin Animal Hospital for additional information  
804-732-6420

## Dinwiddie County Faith-Based Initiative Hosts COMMUNITY Service of Worship

On September 29, 2024 the Dinwiddie County Faith-Based Initiative hosted its 3rd Annual COMMUNITY service of worship and praise. The event was held at Olive Branch Baptist Church and featured the theme "Together by Choice". Messages were delivered by Reverend Terry Norman of Sharon Baptist Church and Reverend Brian Posey of Lebanon United Methodist Church. Special music was provided by Wendell Givens, Rosemary Durgan, and Quinell Henderson of Olive Branch Baptist Church, and Pinckney Wilson of God's Mission of Faith Learning and Development. The purpose of these services is to break down barriers that separate our community as we come together with the common goal of praise and worship. The event ended with Holy Communion served by pastors from across Dinwiddie County.



2024 COMMUNITY Worship Service

## Dinwiddie County Welcomes Quinell Henderson as Director of Parks & Recreation

On August 1, 2024, Dinwiddie County welcomed Mr. Quinell Henderson as the new Director of Parks & Recreation. Mr. Henderson, a Dinwiddie native and 2011 graduate of Dinwiddie High School, earned a Bachelor's degree from Virginia State University Mass Communications/Recreation in 2015. He served the citizens of Dinwiddie County from 2016 - 2020 as an Athletics Recreation Manager and from 2020 - 2023 as Youth Workforce Development Manager. Mr. Henderson was most recently employed with the City of Petersburg as a Recreation Supervisor/Coordinator. Mr. Henderson has a proven track record of managing projects, overseeing programs, and fostering community engagement. County Administrator W. Kevin Massengill stated, "Having worked with Mr. Henderson throughout his career in Dinwiddie County, I have witnessed his professional growth and leadership ability. He embraces the mission of the Department of Parks & Recreation and is dedicated to serving the citizens of Dinwiddie County."



Quinell Henderson,  
Director of Parks & Recreation,  
Dinwiddie County



**National Wreaths Across America Day**

**December 14, 2024, 12:00pm**

**Poplar Grove National Cemetery**

**8005 Vaughn Rd, Petersburg VA (Dinwiddie County)**

Parking is limited at cemetery. Shuttle Service from Richard Bland College to and from Poplar Grove Cemetery will be provided beginning 10:45 am, approximately every 15 minutes, with last pick-up at approximately 11:45 am

**Sponsor a wreath for \$17 (Deadline: November 25, 2024)**

**Support a local civic organization - American Legion Dinwiddie Post 149 using link or QR code**



[www.wreathsassamerica.org/VA0974P](http://www.wreathsassamerica.org/VA0974P)



**LIVE WITH PURPOSE**

**2024 Achievement Awards**

Dinwiddie County was the recipient of a 2024 Achievement Award from the Virginia Association of Counties. The winning project was the Spring Sports Facilities at Dinwiddie County High School. This project is the result of collaboration among the County, public schools, non-profit organizations, and local businesses. Through this partnership, the project was completed significantly under budget.

Dinwiddie County was also the recipient of TWO 2024 Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties. The winning projects were the Dinwiddie Spring Sports Facilities and the Dinwiddie Citizens Academy.

For more information on these projects, please utilize the QR codes below.



**2024 Crater Regional Fire Academy**

The 2024 Crater Regional Fire Academy is a joint Fire and EMS Training Academy serving the counties of Dinwiddie and Prince George and the cities of Hopewell, Colonial Heights and Petersburg. The Academy, located in Dinwiddie, Virginia, serves as a rigorous, foundational program for future firefighters from across the region. This school provides comprehensive training that covers essential firefighting skills, including fire suppression, hazardous materials handling, and emergency medical response. This program plays a critical role in preparing recruits to serve their communities safely and effectively. It also offers an opportunity for collaboration among local agencies, fostering a strong network of trained professionals who are ready to respond to emergencies throughout the County and beyond.



**Recruits at the 2024 Crater Regional Fire Academy**



# EDUCATION FOUNDATION MEMBERS

**MISSION: TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES TO ENHANCE STUDENTS' LEARNING EXPERIENCES IN OUR COMMUNITY.**



Nadia Fruchey, Board Chair



Sarah Wilkins, Vice-Chair



Randi Hawkins, Secretary



Chris Everett, Treasurer



Wayne Cook, Director



Kae Bailey, Ex Officio



Kelley Frakes, Ex Officio



Bonnie Gholson, Ex Officio



Barbara Pittman, Ex Officio



Jeff Walters, Ex Officio



Dr. Kari Weston, Ex Officio



*"Striving to bridge the gaps in funding and support for schools, teachers, and students, ensuring that every student has access to a high-quality education. Through partnerships with local businesses, organizations, and community members, we aim to create a strong foundation for lifelong learning, empowering students to reach their full potential and contribute positively to society."*

For more information or to join email [def@dcpsnet.org](mailto:def@dcpsnet.org)

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DINWIDDIE, VA 23841

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**EXCELLENCE, EQUITY, & INTEGRITY**



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Dinwiddie County Administration  
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14010 Boydton Plank Road  
Dinwiddie, VA 23841  
www.dinwiddieva.us

## 2024-25 MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

### Board of Supervisors Workshops

Tue., Dec. 3  
Tue., Jan. 7  
Tue., Feb. 4  
Tue., Mar. 4  
Tue., Apr. 1  
Tue., May 6

### Board of Supervisors Regular Meetings

Tue., Dec. 17  
Tue., Jan. 21  
Tue., Feb. 18  
Tue., Mar. 18  
Tue., April 15  
Tue., May 20

### Planning Commission Meetings

Wed., Dec. 11  
Wed., Jan. 8  
Wed., Feb. 12  
Wed., Mar. 12  
Wed., Apr. 9  
Wed., May 7

Public meetings are held in the Dinwiddie County Government Center unless otherwise noted:  
14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA  
**Board workshops** begin at 4pm.  
**Regular Meetings** at 3pm and 7pm.  
**Planning Commission** meetings begin at 7pm.  
*2025 Meeting dates tentative until voted on.*

## YOUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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cdooley@dinwiddieva.us



**Dr. Mark Moore - District 2**  
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mmoore@dinwiddieva.us



**William "Bill" Chavis**  
**District 3**  
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**Daniel D. Lee - District 4**  
(804) 731-3239  
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