

September 2006 Events



Residents at **Hollybrook Apartments** held a **National Night Out** cookout on Tuesday, September 26. (The cookout had been delayed from its original August 1 date, due to extreme heat.) During the cookout, representatives from the Henrico County Police Department presented Nancy O'Donnell, Hollybrook Manager, with a certificate recognizing Hollybrook as a Crime-Free Residential Community.

The Villa's **KidsFest children's festival** was held on Saturday, September 30. More than 4,000 people attended, and from the looks of it, everyone had a good time.



October 2006 Events

St. Joseph's Villa participated in **National School Lunch Week**, and each day, our Culinary staff really got into the assignment (as if you couldn't tell!).

(l-r) Suzy Kerr, Chet Russell, Janice Clifton



Lewis Children's Center held a **Book Fair** from October 16 to 20. More than \$320 in books was raised to support the Children's Center's programs for infant, preschool and after-school students.

Two cottages at Flagler Home are getting a "makeover," courtesy of Capital Interior Contractors. Our transitional home for homeless mothers and their children will receive new paint in the common areas, new ceiling tiles, steam cleaning in the kitchen and new carpets.

Thank you for your support, Capital Interior Contractors!



The Ramon E. Pardue Field at St. Joseph's Villa was dedicated on October 17, 2006. A plaque, water fountain and benches have been erected next to the field. Ray retired as the Villa's CEO on June 30.

(l-r) David Redmond, former Chair, Board of Trustees; JoAnne Henry, current Chairperson, Board of Trustees; Ray Pardue

St. Joseph's Villa received word in October that it has been placed on the **Better Business Bureau of Central Virginia's "approved" list** of local charitable organizations.

Work has begun on a **new sign** at the corner of Brook and Parham Roads. The new sign should be completed by mid-November.



At its October meeting, St. Joseph's Villa's Board of Trustees approved the creation of the new **Sarah Dooley Center for Autism at St. Joseph's Villa**. The Center is a partnership between the Villa and Commonwealth Autism Service, and its focus will be on providing students with functional skills they can use throughout their lives to give them as much independence as possible.

With this change, the Villa also has changed the names of the other Dooley Academies to better reflect their educational missions. A complete list of these academies can be found at this page on the Villa's web site: <http://neverstopbelieving.org/node/235>

The Villa had a **Staff Wellness Day** on Wednesday, October 18. More than a dozen vendors and health providers explained healthy lifestyles to Villa employees.



A new television commercial, part of Arby's Restaurants' "Connecting With the Community" program, began airing on WTVR, the local CBS affiliate. The commercial was produced by WTVR, and it will run through the end of the year, at no cost to the Villa.

You can see the commercial by clicking <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A486HK7QWdQ>

Thank you Arby's and WTVR for helping us raise awareness of St. Joseph's Villa.

St. Peter Baptist Church held a "Kitchen Shower" to benefit the Villa's Donation Center. These goods will be used by Villa clients as they set up new homes. Thank you for your support, St. Peter!

Brook Road Academy held a **"Haunted Halls"** haunted house on Sunday, October 29. The price of admission? One unwrapped new toy, which will be donated to a needy child at one of the Dooley School academies. More than fifty toys were provided through this event.



Volunteers from **SuperValu** visited the Lewis Children's Center on Monday, October 30 to provide some pre-Halloween cheer and to drop off books for the Center. "Bob and the Bees" were a big hit!

Thank you, SuperValu!

Villa artistic talent was in abundance, as various offices and services competed for the pumpkin decorating prize. Here are a couple of prime examples.

(Right) **Yoda** from Paul Steele, Director of Family and Community Services

(Below left) **The Three Little Pumpkins** from Lewis Children's Center

(Below right) **The Overall Winner**, submitted by the clients at the Sarah Dooley Center for Autism at St. Joseph's Villa



Children from Lewis Children's Center visited the Villa's Administration building for **Trick or Treating** on Halloween morning.

CEO Kathleen Barrett (left) and COO Cindy Faison (right) greet Trick or Treaters in the Villa Rotunda.



Tyson Foods is donating approximately 500 lbs. of chicken per month to the Villa for the next year. The donations will be used to provide meals to our clients, including students at the Dooley School, the Flagler Home and the Lewis Children's Center. The first shipment was received on October 31.

Thanks for your support, Tyson Foods!

Upcoming Events

November 9 – A celebration of the life of Benjamin Franklin, whose 300th birthday is being observed this year. Volunteers from Capital One will help the Dooley School students bring this great American to life through plays, presentations and recreations of some wonderful inventions.

November 13 – Pizza dinner for Flagler Home "Family to Family" participants. (Families in the community sponsor individual families going through the Flagler program.)

November 20 – "Villa People" Veteran's Day/Thanksgiving performance for residents at the Villa's Emergency Shelter.

November 24 – Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by St. Peter Baptist Church.

December 6 – Lighting of the Villa Christmas tree.