Welcome to the monthly e-newsletter for the Economic Development Department of Prince George County. We hope you find this publication informative, timely and interesting. Please feel free to contact the office should you have any ideas for future articles.

"Business Watch"

The Prince George County Police Department has initiated a Business Watch Program for County businesses, designed with focus on Crime Prevention and Business Security. The program's goal is to reduce crime, or the fear of crime, while promoting communication between the businesses and the Police Department. The Business Watch Program is a form of Neighborhood Watch and will allow "neighbors" to have an avenue for sharing information as well as understanding and promoting basic crime prevention. The program was started in the area of the Crossing Shopping Center with Ms. Traci Hackley of the Baymont Inn and Suites being the first to register as a member. Since then, 24 other businesses have signed up. The program has started to expand to other County businesses along the Temple Avenue corridor with both Crossroads dealerships and the Work Zone as members.
If you are a business owner/manager and want more information or wish to join the Prince George County Business Watch Program, please contact Office Harold Shreves or Officer Earl Crawford of the Prince George Community Policing Unit at (804) 863-1847 or you may email communitypolicing@princegeorgeva.org.

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**Torch Run for Special Olympics**

The 2013 Virginia Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics will take place in Prince George County on Thursday, June 6, 2013. Runners will be leaving William A. Walton Elementary School at 8:30am and travel east on Courthouse Road to Scott Park Pavilion. A second group will join the procession at the round-about at approximately 9:00am. Members of the Prince George County Special Olympics Team, volunteers, family members and County staff will participate.

Courthouse Road will be closed to east-bound traffic from U.S. Rte. 460 to Laurel Spring Road from 8:30am until approximately 9:30am. Please plan your commute and that of your employees, delivery drivers and guests accordingly. More information can be found on the Prince George Police web page by clicking here. Everyone is encouraged to cheer along the runners and walkers while supporting these amazing athletes.

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**Economic Development and Tourism Strategic Plan Public Input Session**

On Tuesday, June 11, 2013, Ms. Lynn Knight from MAI will make the final presentation of the Economic Development and Tourism Strategic Plan to the Prince George County Board of Supervisors. Business leaders are invited to attend the 5:00pm Work Session.

This Work Session will be held in the Board Room, located on the third floor of the County Administration Building. An Agenda will be made available by Friday, June 7, 2013, on the County's web site: www.princegeorgeva.org

Also presenting at the Work Session will be Ms. Stephanie Allman, Economic Development Manager of the Port of Virginia. Ms. Allman will give an overview on the current status of the port and its impact on the region.
Crosspointe Centre Update

Work continues on 40 acres of Rolls-Royce property at Crosspointe Centre. All four (4) sites are now cleared and in the site pad development phase. The four sites are being marketed to potential Rolls-Royce suppliers for location in Prince George County.

Construction continues on the Rolls-Royce Advanced Airfoil Machining Facility. Structural steel is complete and outer walls are being formed.

West Quaker Road, from U.S. Route 460 to Wells Station Road, will be widened and an existing curve straightened. Work will begin after the May 31, 2013 bids are received.

Key Dates and Upcoming Events:

- June 5, 2013 - Prince George County Business Roundtable - Independence Place Apartments - 12:00pm to 1:30pm
- June 6, 2013 - The Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics - Courthouse Road (Rte. 460 to Laurel Spring Road) - 8:30am start
- June 9, 2013 - CPR Training - Emergency Operations Center - 6:00 to 9:00pm
- June 11, 2013 - Primary Election (Democratic) for Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General and VA House District #63 - County Polling Stations - 6:00am to 7:00pm
- June 11, 2013 - Board of Supervisors' Meeting - Board Room, Third Floor - 7:00pm
- June 17, 2013 - DMV2GO - First Baptist Church, 10209 County Drive, Disputanta - 9:00am to 4:00pm
- June 27, 2013 - Planning Commission Meeting - Board Room, Third Floor - 7:30pm
- June 29, 2013 - Prince George County Founders' Day Celebration, 310th Anniversary - Prince George Heritage Center, Courthouse Road - 2:00pm to 6:00pm