



NORTH SIDE OF RICHMOND

A turn-of-the-century streetcar suburb boasts expansive old homes, Craftsman cottages and the largest collection of Queen Anne-style houses in the city.

LOOKING FORWARD

The latest update to the baseball stadium debate is a plan to keep the Richmond Flying Squirrels at The Diamond. Conceptual plans unveiled by the grassroots group Save the Diamond, call for a mixed-use development on the 60-acre site on North Boulevard. Time will tell if the plan comes to fruition, but the group has said that they are open to working with city leaders or private developers interested in the proposal.



SHOPPING

If you'd like to take a walk and pick up some freshly roasted coffee or a bottle of wine, head to MacArthur Avenue, where you'll find a growing collection of restaurants and shops that extends for another block around the corner on Bellevue Avenue. On Bellevue, check out Little House Green Grocery.

ENTERTAINMENT

There's live music and all the bivalves you can eat at the annual OystoberFest at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church each fall. Get your jingle on at the annual Ginter Park Holiday Show. And be sure to check out weekly music events at Hardywood Park Craft Brewery.

THE VIBE

Families flock to North Side to take advantage of the large yards and exceptional architecture. Long avenues with well-cared-for medians crisscross the area. Retirees come to the area to live in one of the three senior communities located here.

RECREATION

Bryan Park, a sprawling, hilly expanse of green, is located on the outer edge of North Side. The park features soccer fields, tennis courts, trails for joggers and bikers, and an 18-hole disc-golf course. Arthur Ashe learned how to play tennis on Battery Park's tennis courts. And Brookland Park Boulevard is also being targeted for revitalization.

DID YOU KNOW?

The sixth oldest African-American congregation in the Episcopal Church and the first founded in the South, St. Philip's Episcopal Church at 2900 Hanes Ave., was founded in 1861. Those original members consisted of freed men and women and indentured servants. Upon the conclusion of the Civil War, the church structure was destroyed, but rebuilt in 1869. Today the parish's membership of more than 250 includes individuals of African descent and other diverse socioeconomic backgrounds.