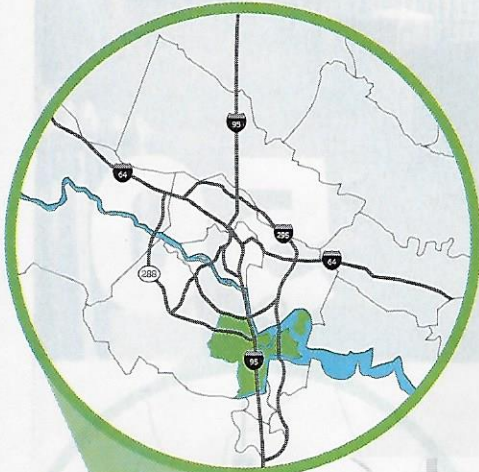


DID YOU KNOW?

This area was home to the Arrohateck tribe of the Powhatan Indians for thousands of years before Sir Thomas Dale picked his spot for the site of the second permanent English settlement in North America in 1611. This part of the county has a lot of firsts — the first hospital (Mt. Malady at Henricus) and the first iron-ore forge and furnace (at Falling Creek). Chesterfield County Museum Complex is the place to go to see artifacts from centuries ago and a summary of county history.

ENTERTAINMENT

The county fairgrounds are home to a Fourth of July extravaganza, and the Chesterfield County Fair rules the roost at the end of August into September featuring animals, carnival rides, treats, concerts and contests of all kinds. Colonial Christmas at Henricus in December offers a mix of re-enactments and hands-on activities geared toward children, delivering a sense of what life was like in colonial days.



CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

The Chippenham Parkway, the James River and Route 10 bound this portion of southern Chesterfield. It encompasses the eastern section of the county. Interstate 95 and the Jefferson Davis Highway bisect it.

LOOKING FORWARD

China's Shandong Tranlin Paper Co. announced that it would build a paper and fertilizer factory at James River Industrial Center in 2014. The plant is expected to employ 2,000 people by 2020.

SHOPPING

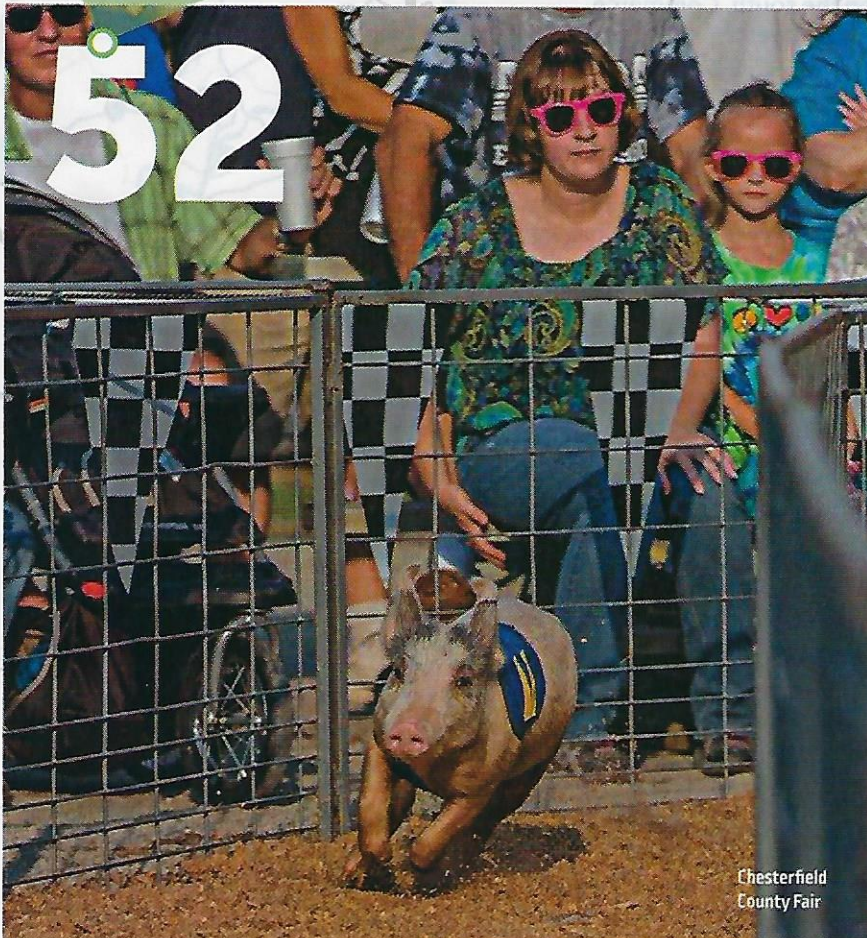
Chester has the largest concentration of retail in this area since it's near the intersection of Route 10 and I-95, not to mention Route 1. Chester Village Green is a planned community, with shopping and restaurants at the Town Square within walking distance for many area residents.

RECREATION

The 810-acre Dutch Gap Conservation Area is a paradise for paddlers, hikers, boaters and bird watchers. Boaters can drop into the tidal James here for water skiing, fishing and eagle spying. Bird watchers might add scarlet tanagers and great-crowned flycatchers to their life lists during spring migration. The Chesterfield County Outdoors program offers ways to help folks explore the lagoon and marshland habitats with paddling classes, ghost tours and more. R. Garland Dodd Point of Rocks Park offers the typical fields and fitness options but adds unexpected hiking trails through the woods and along the Appomattox River, including a boardwalk into the tidal marsh.

THE VIBE

You're never far from the James or the Appomattox rivers in this part of the world. Route 10 at the western edge of this area has sprouted many tree-lined developments. Chester, just west of I-95, has a village feel to it still.



Chesterfield County Fair