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Chesterfield Historical Society of VA offers Open House at Pleasant View African-American School, a County Historic Landmark

Chesterfield, VA, June 7, 2022 -- The Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia (CHSV) in cooperation with the Chesterfield County Department of Parks and recreation presents an open house at Historic Pleasant View School on Saturday, June 18 from noon. – 2 p.m.

Members of CHSV's African American History Committee will share the history of the school house and conduct tours. Tours are free and will be on-going throughout the day. Parking is available on site at the school. This Open House will be held in conjunction with Chesterfield County's Juneteenth celebration.

Pleasant View School was built in 1930 and designated a Chesterfield County Historic Landmark in April 2017, in recognition of its significance as an authentic representation of early twentieth century education in the county. This one-room schoolhouse, located at 18431 River Road, is Chesterfield's best remaining example of African-American education in the segregated era.

Pleasant View served as an elementary school until 1947. The Pleasant View Community Association maintained the building and used it as a community center from 1947 until 1998. Now owned by the County's Department of Parks and Recreation, this treasured landmark stands with its original exterior, hardwood floors and beaded-board walls and ceilings. Original desks, blackboard and other items from the past will be on display.

For details call 751-4946 or visit www.chesterfieldhistory.com

The non-profit Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia serves as the center for Chesterfield County history. Its mission is to collect, preserve, interpret and promote the County's past for the education and enjoyment of present and future generations. For additional information or to volunteer, go to www.chesterfieldhistory.com

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