

Spotlight on Our Past: Skirmish at James Plantation Pungo-Blackwater Library Thursday, Feb. 6 5:30-6:30 pm

History lost to time can also be history re-discovered: For instance, did you know about the infamous traitor Benedict Arnold sending Hessian troops against Princess Anne County militiamen in a Revolutionary War skirmish right here in Virginia Beach? Join us and get the facts from local Historian Chris Pieczynski as he details the once forgotten 1781 clash, which involved swamp crossings, burned bridges, and even gunboats on the North Landing River. Adults. Registration is not required.

Spotlight on Our Past: Princess Anne County Cemetery Survey Saturday, Feb. 22 2:00-3:00 pm

Do you have an interest in local history, or would you like to know more about the area that once was Princess Anne County? If so, join us on Saturday February 22 at 2 p.m. for a free program at the Pungo-Blackwater Library as local historian Barbara Henley shares some of her knowledge about Princess Anne County and the families who lived and died here. Adults. Registration is not required.

In Memoriam

The Senior Resource Center has lost several very special friends.

Lettie Dozier – In early December Lettie Dozier, a faithful member of the Resource Center, passed away. As long as she was able, Lettie served as a phone duty volunteer as well

as a regular attender of events at the Center. When she had to depend on others for rides after her beloved Pete died, she insisted that we get the bench located outside our entrance so that she could enjoy the weather while she waited for her ride.

Mert Whitehurst – Shortly after learning that he had a serious brain tumor, Mert lost his battle with the dread disease. We remember Mert as a driver of police cars left at the old substation for needed service, as well as a lover of music and good food.

Irene Frost- Shortly before Christmas, “Miss Irene,” as she was fondly known by all, passed away after a brief stay in a rehab facility. An avid domino and card player, Miss Irene came out to the Resource Center as long as she was able and hosted friends in her home when she could no longer travel. She was one of our early “members” who was instrumental in getting the SRC started.

Patty Holmes- Our beloved, Patty Holmes, passed away December 31, after a lengthy battle with leukemia. Patty was “Ms. Congeniality” at the SRC, welcoming everyone with a smile, a joke and a hug. She never complained despite all her challenges and was always willing to do anything needed by anyone. Her goofiness and upbeat attitude will be sorely missed. Special thanks to Rita Trammell, Pat Jenkins and the Whites for helping so much and to her 3 daughters for their care and love.

Walt Whitehurst- Walt passed away Jan. 4. He was a retired United Methodist minister, including a stint at Charity UM Church, and he and his beloved wife Betty served as missionaries in Chile for several years. SRC members knew him as a talented ukulele player and singer, accompanying Betty, and as our official grace giver. His wry sense of humor always made us laugh, and his gentle spirit brightened our days. His smile and hugs will be missed.

We have lost so many of our loved and valued members in recent months, and we are