

# Prince William Park, Haymarket Old Town Hall honored

## HISTORY » State approves 15 additions to its Landmarks Register

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RICHMOND — Virginia has approved 15 additions to its Landmarks Register, including a Lynchburg center of the civil rights movement and 10,000 acres in Prince William County where the first Civilian Conservation Corps company was put to work.

The new listings were announced this week by the state Department of Historic Resources.

Descriptions of the additions were provided by the department. The sites also will be forwarded to the National Parks Service for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

They are:

» **The Great Falls Park Historic District** in Fairfax County. It encompasses part of the Potomac Canal, an engineering project that was part of George Washington's dream of creating a canal to the Ohio River.

» **Prince William Park Historic District** in Prince William County. The park has the largest collection of CCC-built structures in the National Park system. The Great Falls and Prince

William parks are administered by the Park Service.

» **Old Town Hall and School** in Prince William County. Dating to 1883, it was a center for the Haymarket community for more than a century.

» **Greenwood-Afton Rural Historic District** in Albemarle, Nelson and August counties. Settled by Scots-Irish immigrants, the 16,200-acre district is dominated by large farmsteads.

» **Diamond Hill Baptist Church** in Lynchburg. It was an important meeting place for registering and turning out black voters.

» **Virginia University of Lynchburg**. The oldest institution of higher education in the city and the first associated with the education of black Americans.

» **Crednal** in Loudoun County. A 1785 stone

dwelling with ties to many prominent Virginians.

» **High Banks** in Frederick County. Built in 1753, its English house plan and Germanic building techniques reflect early European settlement in the northern Shenandoah Valley.

» **The William Virts House** in Loudoun County. Its namesake moved with his family from Pennsylvania, reflecting a settlement pattern of British Quakers, German Lutherans and Scots Irish. It dates to 1798.

» **The Earle M. Winslow House** in Arlington County. Constructed in 1940, it is an example of the Streamline Moderne architectural style. Eight others exist in the county.

» **The Lane Hotel** in Mathews County. Dating to 1840, it has lives as a

tavern, hotel and storehouse. It is now a bed-and-breakfast.

» **Baker-St. John House** in Washington County. Built in 1866 for Dr. John Alexander Preston Baker, it has a rich social history.

» **East Hill Cemetery** in Bristol. Established in 1857, it contains the graves of Bristol's founders, African-Americans and 179 Civil War soldiers.

» **The Schoolfield Welfare Building** in Danville. Completed in 1917, it was built by Dan River Inc. to better the lives of its primarily female work force. It offered child care and contained a clinic.

» **Spring Valley Rural Historic District** in Grayson County. The 4,220 acres illustrates farming and commercial agricultural practices in remote southwest Virginia.

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