

THE PHOEBE NEEDLES CENTER WALKING TOUR

Rectory – was built in 1911 as the teacher’s house. There were as many as seven teachers who lived at one time in the house, in addition to several students who helped out with chores.

Saint Peter’s-in-the-Mountains Episcopal Church – remains an active congregation today. It was built in 1915 to replace Emmanuel Church (the first church built on the property) which blew down in a snowstorm March 2nd, 1914.

Phoebe Needles Hall – build in 1917 by Arthur C. Needles, President of the Norfolk & Western Railroad in memory of his daughter Phoebe, who died at age 6 of meningitis. This school, replaced the previous wooden two-room school-house, operated until 1943.

Webb Lodge – built in 2000 in honor of Lura and Nick Webb, neighbors of the Center. The bunks in the building were built by John Neathawk for his Eagle Scout project.

McCauley Hall – built in 2003 in honor of The Rev. Claud McCauley.

Activity/Maintenance Barn – built in 2000 to accommodate program & maintenance equipment, and to provide space for summer camp programs.

Playground, recreation area, and picnic shelter - was completed in 2012, by volunteer donations and labor.

Stations of the Cross – built in 2011 by Joseph Katt for his Eagle Scout project.

Informational Kiosk – built in 2011 by Taylor Holden for his Eagle Scout project.

Swimming Pool – built in 2009.

Low Ropes Course – built between 2000 and 2013 with approximately 18 elements designed to promote team-building, problem solving, and communication skills in small groups.

High Ropes Challenge Course – completed in 2008. There are 18 elements on the course designed to build trust, self-reliance and self esteem, confidence, and working through perceived risks.

Climbing Tower – the three-walled tower is to be completed in the summer of 2013.

Wastewater Treatment Plant – completed in 2010 serves the current needs of the Center, and is expandable to accommodate the future growth determined by the master plan for the facility.