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First Colony Engraving Opens in Historic Downtown Smithfield

SMITHFIELD, VA – First Colony Engraving celebrated its Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 207 C Main Street in Historic Downtown Smithfield on January 9, 2014. This business is owned and operated by Lee Moretz, a resident of Smithfield for nearly 12 years. The store offers engraved gifts, awards, unique products, and custom laser engraving services. Some of the products you can find include engraved wooden kitchen boards and utensils, wine glasses, leather book covers, customized picture frames, wooden ornaments, and glass etchings. Also popular are items that can be customized with a name, favorite saying, or photograph on ceramic and glass tile among other materials.

“One of the things I wanted to add to the shop were engraved products unique to Smithfield where tourists and people proud of living in Smithfield could come and grab a mug engraved with ‘Life is Good in Smithfield,’ or a pig ornament to take back home with them. What makes it unique is that the items can be personalized, making them one of a kind. I actually do all the designing and set-up, as well as the engraving,” said Moretz.

Moretz has a background in both art and education. She was a high school teacher for over 15 years and an artist, along with her mother and grandmother, both former owners of The Great Dismal Swam Art Gallery in the Deep Creek section of Chesapeake.

The hours of operation are Monday 10-5, Tuesday 11-6, Wednesday 10-5, Thursday 10-5, Friday 9-4, Saturday 1-5, and Sunday- 2-5. First Colony Engraving is on the web at www.firstcolonyengraving.com or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/firstcolonyengraving) where you can view the latest product photographs, news, upcoming events, and special offers. E-mail: lee@1stcolonyengraving.com, phone: 757-279-2099, and fax: 757-279-0039.



First Colony Engraving Ribbon Cutting, Jan. 9, 2014 - Pictured in the photo left to right: Sherri Gill, Judy Winslow, Robert Boyce, Daniel Moretz, Danny Moretz, Owner-Lee Moretz, Al Casteen, Peter Stephenson, Carter Williams, Connie Chapman and Kristi Sutphin.

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