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## Peak Tropical Weather Season is Here

by Neil A. Morgan, County Administrator

Everyone who has lived around here for any period of time knows that tropical weather systems can be a threat from June through November. We are in the peak risk period right now. Although there is no way the county or you personally can eliminate all of the potential problems that come with this threat, it makes sense to take certain precautions.

On the county side, we review our emergency plans with some frequency. Almost everyone on the county staff knows they may have a role if a tropical weather emergency gets bad enough. Our responsibilities include traditional public safety responses at a heightened level (Communications, Fire and Life Safety, Sheriff's Office), but also things like opening and managing shelters, protecting county property, and keeping the sewer system functioning when there is no power. Coordinating with neighboring localities, the state, and private utility providers is another important task that we try to anticipate. For details on York County's hurricane preparations, please visit our website at [www.yorkcounty.gov/fire](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/fire). For real-time tropical weather emergency information, tune to the website, the county's Facebook (@yorkcountyva) and Twitter (@yorkcountyvagov) pages, York County's Announcement Channel (Cox 48, Verizon 40), WXGM-99.1FM, and local tv stations.

Despite good plans, good people, and efforts at continuous improvement, we all need to understand that in a major event much could go wrong and the efforts of your local government could be quickly overwhelmed.

There are so many different scenarios that could impact us and we can't anticipate

**Please see *Tropical Weather*, continued on page 8**

**Before the hurricane. Before the evacuation. Before the traffic. Know your zone.**



Go to [KnowYourZoneVa.org](http://KnowYourZoneVa.org) to find your storm evacuation zone.



"Officials have identified hurricane evacuation zones for portions of the county most likely to be affected by flood waters. To determine if your home is in an evacuation zone, visit [KnowYourZoneVa.org](http://KnowYourZoneVa.org) or the county's property information site - <http://maps.yorkcounty.gov> - and search your home address." - Neil Morgan, County Administrator

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## Board of Supervisors Actions

This list features a sampling of items that appeared before the Board of Supervisors since the first June meeting. Additional information about these and other Board actions is available at [www.yorkcounty.gov/bos](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/bos).

### June 6, 2017

- Authorized the transfer of just over \$200,000 from the Revenue Stabilization Reserve Fund to the School Division's Capital Projects Fund to be used for the design phase and topographic and boundary survey for the new elementary school at the Marquis Development site.
- Authorized the purchase order between the county and the City of Newport News for the Lightfoot Water Line Extension Phase II, which extends the Newport News Waterworks distribution system ensuring more adequate pressure and quality drinking water for those in the Lightfoot corridor.

### June 20, 2017

- Authorized the appropriation of funds from the US Sport Fishing and Boating Act – totaling just over \$55,000 – for improvements to the waterfront piers and security network. These funds pay for cameras to improve the security on the docks as well as the gate structure on the pier, and installation of new metal mooring balls.

### July 18, 2017

- Authorized two towing service/automobile storage yards - one on Mooretown Road and the other on Penniman Road. These applications were submitted by two unrelated owners.
- Authorized the abandonment of a segment of Water Street to a property owner. In return, the owner is relinquishing a portion of property to widen the Read Street right-of-way.
- Authorized the county administrator to enter into a Hampton Roads Water Quality Agreement for Chesapeake Bay Restoration and participation in the Sustainable Water Initiative for Tomorrow program - SWIFT - with the potential of eliminating up to 90 percent of the waste water currently reaching tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay.

### August 1, 2017

- Approved the renaming of the Brown Park Community Center building after Martin Luther King, Jr. Brown Park is located on Rt. 238 in the Lackey community.
- Approved the expression of the Board's sympathy for the loss of York County Volunteer Susan Powell. Mrs. Powell was active in the arts and bringing the Art at the River event to Riverwalk Landing.

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## Board Appointments

### **Chesapeake Bay Board**

Martin L. Cardwell, Jr.

### **Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board**

Thomas Byrne

### **Historic Yorktown Design Committee**

Robert Hodson      Carolyn Weekley

### **Marquis CDA**

John C. Kueser

### **Planning Commission**

Bruce Sturk      Glen D. Titus

### **Social Services Board**

Melissa Magowan

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County Administrator..... Neil Morgan  
Public Affairs Manager ..... Paula Hersh  
Public Information Officer.....Gail L. Whittaker

## Mark these Dates!



### Go Green Expo - September 9

The Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners are once again sponsoring the "Go Green Expo" on Saturday, September 9, at the Brittingham-Midtown Community Center, 570 McLawhorne Drive. This FREE family event is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and is open to the public. This year's theme is "Eat Local, Grow Local, Live Local." For event details, visit [www.nngogreenexpo.org](http://www.nngogreenexpo.org).

### Master Gardener's Plant Sale

The York/Poquoson Master Gardeners' plant sale on Saturday, September 23, is open from 8 a.m. to noon. Annuals, perennials, shrubs, and trees will be for sale. For up-to-date information, including location, visit [www.yorkcounty.gov/vce](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/vce) or call (757) 890-4940.



### DMV Connect Visiting Yorktown Library in October

DMV's portable outreach program, DMV Connect, brings services to busy Virginians. Everything DMV Connect needs to process your requests is packed up into a portable suitcase and set up anywhere.

DMV Connect's next scheduled visit to the Yorktown Library is Wednesday, October 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For a full schedule of DMV Connect visits, go to [www.dmvnow.com](http://www.dmvnow.com).

**TICKETS  
ON  
SALE!**

**NACo 2017  
ACHIEVEMENT  
AWARD  
Winner**

# HOME-BASED BUSINESS

## RESOURCE FAIR & CONFERENCE

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**  
**STRYKER CENTER | 8:00 am - 4:30 pm**  
 412 N. Boundary Street | Williamsburg, VA 23188

# Yorktown 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS



## VIRGINIA SYMPHONY

**September 2**

Saturday

7:30pm, FREE

Pre-concert starts at 6pm  
Riverwalk Landing



## MARKET DAYS

**Weekly through**

**October 28**

(Except Oct 7)

Saturdays

8am - 12pm, FREE

Riverwalk Landing



## RHYTHMS ON THE RIVERWALK CONCERT SERIES

**Sept. 8 - Oct. 6**

Fridays

6:30pm - 8:30pm, FREE

Riverwalk Landing



## YORKTOWN ART STROLL

**September 24**

Sunday

11am - 6pm, FREE

Riverwalk Landing

**WWW.VISITYORKTOWN.ORG**

# Local Business Report

by Melissa Davidson, Assistant Director, Office of Economic Development

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## York County Economic Development's Home-Based Business Program Wins Two Top Awards



Recognized by the National Association of Counties (NACo), the Home-Based Business Program received a **2017 Achievement Award** for the creation and implementation of the program and was chosen as one of NACo's **Top 100 Brilliant Ideas at Work Across the Nation!**



Additionally, the program was selected for the **Best Achievement Award from the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo)**. Of the 79 entries submitted to VACo in 11 categories, 17 awards were given, with the overall Best

awarded to York County Economic Development's ground-breaking program.

The York County Home-Based Business Assistance Program includes a Transition Grant, an annual Home-Based Business Resource Fair & Conference, and a monthly Home-Based Business Lunch & Learn Series, all of which provide resources, support and opportunities for our home-based business entrepreneurs.

Most experts agree that home-based businesses are the wave of the future for much of the American and world-wide workforce. York County is proud to be at the forefront of this growing trend.

## Register Now: 2017 START Peninsula Entrepreneurial Pitch Event November 3-5 Williamsburg Stryker Center - 412 N. Boundary Street

**PITCHERS WANTED!** Do you have an innovative business or product idea? START Peninsula is the place for you. You could win up to \$10,000 plus space in a local business incubator and/or business acceleration program to help bring your ideas to fruition.

Startup weekends are being held across the country. The goal is to catalyze the creation of high-growth potential businesses by bringing together all of the resources (ideas, technical expertise, business acumen, capital, etc.) in one intensive weekend to identify the most viable ideas and to invest resources in those ideas to jump start the business into a growing entity. The top three contenders are not only awarded an initial surge of start-up funding, but also receive free office space in one of the Peninsula business incubators and/or participation in a 90-day business acceleration program. The Economic Development Authority is proud to be a founding sponsor of this exciting entrepreneurial event.



### New In Town

York County welcomes new businesses to our community with grand opening/ribbon cutting ceremonies!

Check out the latest *New In Town* feature on WYCG-TV or online at [www.yorkcounty.gov/tv](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/tv).

If your new business is interested in hosting a grand opening celebration, we'd love to help!



### Need More Information?

If you or anyone you know is interested in establishing, expanding, or relocating a business in York County, or if you have ideas to help improve the county's business environment, please contact us. Don't forget to visit our website at [www.YesYorkCounty.com](http://www.YesYorkCounty.com).





302 Dare Rd., Yorktown, VA 23692 (757) 898-0300 [yorkcountyschools.org](http://yorkcountyschools.org)

## 2017-18 Bus Routes

**New!** The York County School Division has added a new software system to manage school bus transportation. This system is designed to improve bus routing efficiencies and provide bus tracking while a bus is on its assigned route.

*Many bus routes, bus stops and bus stop times have been adjusted for the 2017-18 school year based on this new software.*

Beginning the week of August 21, families will also be able to use the system to locate regular bus routes, bus stops and bus stop times by visiting [yorkcountyschools.org/busroutes](http://yorkcountyschools.org/busroutes). The information will also be provided at all schools during Open House and New Student Orientation sessions.

By the second quarter of the school year, the division will activate a program, **MyStop**, which will provide information about the bus while it is traveling the assigned route. MyStop will also be able to provide notifications if a bus is running behind schedule.

*NOTE: Runs are continually updated through the first month of school.*



## SCHOOL MEALS

### 2017-18 Prices

	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL	ADULT	REDUCED PRICE
<b>BREAKFAST</b>	\$1.50	\$1.60	\$2.00	\$0.30
<b>LUNCH</b>	\$2.60	\$2.70	\$3.35	\$0.40
<b>MILK</b>	\$0.55	\$0.55	\$0.55	

Free or reduced price lunches are available (upon application and approval) to students whose family income falls within federally established guidelines. Applications for free and reduced-price meals are distributed to parents at the beginning of the school year. Applications also may be requested at any time from any school.

### Online Payment System

Funds can be deposited electronically through the online portal, MySchoolBucks. This service allows parents to monitor balances and set up email alerts when balances are low, view student purchases and place daily or weekly spending limits.

### Cash or Check Payments

Parents can also make advanced payments for meals by cash or check. Please make checks out to the school your child attends. In the memo section, include the child's name and student ID.

### Account Balances

The division has adopted a policy and regulation to ensure all students are provided meals regardless of their ability to pay for the meal on a given day. Automated messages and letters will be sent to families with negative meal account balances. Account balances should be settled in a prompt manner.

## SCHOOL HOURS

### Elementary Schools

8:41 a.m.–3:21 p.m.	BMES, MES, MVES, TES
8:56 a.m.–3:36 p.m.	CES, DES, GBES, SES, WMES, YES

### Middle Schools

8 a.m.–2:45 p.m.	QLMS, TMS
8:05 a.m.–2:50 p.m.	GMS, YMS

### High Schools

7:20 a.m.–2:05 p.m.	BHS, GHS, THS, YHS
8:25 a.m.–3:10 p.m.	YRA



check out the  
**STUDENT PORTAL**  
[GO.YCSD.YORK.VA.US](http://GO.YCSD.YORK.VA.US)



- Live homework help from certified teachers
- One-click access to Microsoft Office 365 Suite
- Research resources
- Interactive instructional sites

To access the portal, log in at [go.ycsd.york.va.us](http://go.ycsd.york.va.us) using your student username & password.

## STUDENT HOTLINE (757) 890-5000



## What's Happening @ Your Library

**C.J. Box**, author of 21 New York Times best-sellers, presents an author talk and book signing starting at 7 p.m., Thursday, October 26, at Christopher Newport University's David Student Union. The Edgar Award-winning novelist is best known for his mysteries featuring Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett. *Vicious Circle*, his 17th Joe Pickett novel, debuted at #2 on the March 9, 2017 *New York Times* best-seller list. His latest novel, *Paradise Valley*, was released July 25 and features investigator Cassie Dewell.

Free tickets for the author talk, question-and-answer session, and book signing are available beginning Monday, September 11, at the sponsoring libraries of York County, Newport News, Hampton, and Poquoson, and the academic libraries of Christopher Newport University, Hampton University, and Thomas Nelson Community College. Tickets are provided on a first-come, first-served basis and limited to two per person while supplies last. At the event, ticket holders are seated first with remaining seats open to the general public.

The **Live Well @ Your Library** series continues

in September with free financial workshops by Langley Federal Credit Union. On Thursday, September 21, join us from 6-7 p.m. at the Yorktown Library when experts will cover the ins and outs of saving for retirement. *Mortgages 101* is the topic on Thursday, September 28, from 6-7 p.m. at the Tabb Library. To register, visit the event calendar at [www.yorkcounty.gov/library](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/library), or call (757) 890-5120 (Tabb) or (757) 890-5207 (Yorktown).

Refresh and renew this fall with our free **Senior Wellness Series!** Nancy A. Geary, a certified Yoga and Tai Chi instructor, helps seniors support their mental and physical health with three workshops held in the Tabb Library meeting room. Each session begins with an introduction to the program, followed by guided practice, and then a question-and-answer session. Space is limited, so visit our website or call (757) 890-5120 to reserve your spot today.

Join Blaine L. Pardoe and Victoria R. Hester, authors of *A Special Kind of Evil: The Colonial Parkway Serial Killings*, to investigate the infamous Colonial Parkway murders. The event is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on

Tuesday, October 17, at the Tabb Library. Get a comprehensive look at the investigation and crimes that continue to haunt the region. A question-and-answer session follows the presentation.

The Tabb and Yorktown libraries are closed Monday, September 4, Thursday, October 19, and Friday, November 10.

For more information on Library programs, call (757) 890-5120 (Tabb) or (757) 890-5207 (Yorktown). Follow us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/yorkcountypubliclibrary](http://www.facebook.com/yorkcountypubliclibrary).



**Bestselling author C.J. Box** is the guest at an author talk and book signing on Thursday, October 26 at 7 p.m. at CNU.



The Williamsburg Regional Library is delighted to offer a wide array of collections, programs, and services to York County residents, including:

- Access to thousands of books, music CDs, audio books, DVDs, and periodicals
- Opportunity to download and stream audiobooks, magazines, music, and ebooks
- A calendar filled with computer classes, activities for children and teens, film series, and live performances
- Computer work stations and free WiFi access
- A wide range of digital resources for students

Libraries are located in Williamsburg at 515 Scotland Street and upper James City County at 7770 Croaker Road, just off exit 231-A on I-64.

Visit [www.wrl.org](http://www.wrl.org) or call 757.259.4040 to learn more.

# Yorktown 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS



## YORKTOWN WINE FESTIVAL

**October 7**  
Saturday  
12pm - 6pm  
\$30 advance/\$35 door  
Riverwalk Landing



## YORKTOWN MARKET DAYS FALL FESTIVAL

**October 14**  
Saturday  
8am - 3pm, FREE  
Riverwalk Landing



## YORKTOWN DAY

**October 19**  
Thursday  
9am - 5pm, FREE  
Riverwalk Landing



## YORKTOWN HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

**November 18 & 19**  
Saturday & Sunday  
9am - 5pm, FREE  
Riverwalk Landing

**WWW.VISITYORKTOWN.ORG**

## Election Day - November 7

Election Day is November 7. Registered voters will cast their ballots for Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and member of the House of Delegates.

Voters at Coventry Elementary School and Tabb Library also will be choosing a member of the York County School Board.

All polling places are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sample ballots are available at [www.yorkcounty.gov/voting](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/voting).

The deadline to register to vote or to update your address or other information, is Monday, October 16. You may be eligible to register to vote online at [www.vote.virginia.gov](http://www.vote.virginia.gov).



### Are You Registered to Vote? Do You Know Where to Vote?

You can check your registration status online at [www.yorkcounty.gov/voting](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/voting) and selecting "Confirm your voter registration here." Follow the instructions to determine your registration status. This link also tells you where to vote!

### Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots will be available no later than September 22. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot by mail, fax, or email is Tuesday, October 31. The deadline to apply in person for an absentee ballot is Saturday, November 4 (the office is open that day accepting absentee applications).

For more information about voting or becoming an Officer of Election, call the Voter Registrar at (757) 890-3440. The office is located at 224 Ballard Street in Yorktown.

## New Veterans Benefits Office

A new Veterans Benefits office is opening in Williamsburg this fall to serve area veterans who currently have to travel to either Hampton or southside for assistance. The new office makes more accessible the same services provided at the other regional offices, from compensation claims and healthcare eligibility, to education benefits and pension claims. Please visit the Department of Veterans Services' website –

[www.dvs.virginia.gov](http://www.dvs.virginia.gov) – and register for eNews to receive information about services, events and benefits.

For more information about the new location, please call the Richmond office at (804) 786-0286.

## Mosquito Season Continues

Summer may be ending and fall is just around the corner, but the mosquito season is far from over. York County Mosquito Control continues trapping mosquitoes through October and collects larvae throughout the winter. Your help is needed! Continue dumping water from containers in your yard and, if you would like us to inspect your property for mosquito breeding sites or if you would like a speaker for your organization, please call us at (757) 890-3790.

Be on the lookout for the Sapphire Striped Mosquito. This relatively small pest is very easy to recognize because of its iridescent blue scales about the head, thorax and wings. The females feed exclusively on the blood of reptiles and amphibians and they live through the winter as adults. Larvae are found in permanent ponds, lakes and marshes that support rooted and floating vegetation. Even though this mosquito never bites humans, it could be key for passing Eastern Equine Encephalitis in reptile populations.



## Tropical Weather, continued from page 1

them all. The fact that we haven't really had a serious tropical event since Isabel in 2003 and Irene in 2011 tends to cause us all to lose focus on how bad it could be. And let's be honest, by the time those particular storms hit the Virginia Peninsula, they weren't nearly as extreme as what we will experience one of these days.

There are two scenarios that I personally think about the most. One is a combination of heavy rain beyond what is forecast, along with tidal flooding. That would be like Floyd (1999) and Isabel combined. The other, and not necessarily exclusive of the first example, would be a mass evacuation of Hampton Roads that was initiated too late to be completed, resulting in many stranded non-York County visitors needing shelter in numbers far beyond our capacity. In these scenarios, we would likely be in a situation where large parts of Virginia and the Southeast were impacted simultaneously, meaning help from the outside world would be slow and limited.

Our staff knows that they need to prepare their families so that York County gets their full attention when a storm hits. We urge you to do the same with your homes, families, and pets. The website [www.yorkcounty.gov/fire](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/fire) gives you the complete list of preparations including having a supply of drinking water, fuel in your vehicles, a plan for where to meet if you must evacuate, etc. And speaking of evacuations, the state has recently announced a new evacuation zone program. The plans to publicize the new concept are still being implemented, but in the years to come it will be easy to understand what evacuation zone you are in, if any, and whether you need to leave the area. Officials have identified hurricane evacuation zones for portions of the county most likely to be affected by flood waters. To determine if your home is in an evacuation zone, visit [KnowYourZoneVa.org](http://KnowYourZoneVa.org) or the county's property information site - <http://maps.yorkcounty.gov> - and search your home address.



York County  
VIRGINIA  
America's Future Since 1781  
Children &  
Family Services

Now Enrolling

York County Head Start preschool program is now accepting applications for eligible children 3, 4, and 5 years of age including children with special needs for the 2017-2018 school year!

- **Monday - Friday**
- **Low Child-Staff Ratio**
- **Free Breakfast and Lunch**
- **Family Support and Parent Education Services**
- **No Cost for Tuition**

Applications may be picked up at the Tabb & Yorktown Libraries and the Griffin Yeates Center or printed from our website [www.yorkcounty.gov](http://www.yorkcounty.gov) under Head Start and Forms.

Call 757-890-3888  
for more information.



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# York County Waste Management Center

## Household Chemical/Computer Recycling

The Household Chemical Collection and Computer Recycling programs, offered by the Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority (VPPSA), provide an opportunity for residents of York County, Hampton, James City County, Poquoson, and Williamsburg to responsibly dispose of a variety of household chemicals and paint products, as well as computers and related electronics.

All VPPSA community members are eligible to utilize the collection opportunities at any of the events - proof of residency may be required.

York County's Household Chemical and Computer Recycling events are generally held from 8 a.m. to noon on the second Saturday of every other month from March through November. Remaining events this year are Saturdays, September 9 and November 11.

To download a list of acceptable computer and electronics products and a complete schedule of all VPPSA Community Computer and Electronics Recycling events, visit [www.vppsa.org/compcollection.htm](http://www.vppsa.org/compcollection.htm).

For more information, please contact VPPSA at (757) 259-9850.

### Residential Curbside Recycling Program Collection Calendar July 2017 - June 2018



#### Program Guidelines

- Place the cart at the curb by 7 AM on your collection day
- Please...**NO PLASTIC BAGS!!**
- Recyclable materials can be mixed in the cart
- Please rinse food residue from recyclable items before placing in the cart
- Recycling carts containing household waste and trash will not be serviced
- For additional program information; visit [www.vppsa.org](http://www.vppsa.org)



Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority  
757-259-9850

Your Collection **DAY**: **MON TUE WED THU FRI** Your Collection **WEEK**: **BLUE RED**

**July 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B						I
R	2	3	4	5	6	7
B	9	10	11	12	13	14
R	16	17	18	19	20	21
B	23	24	25	26	27	28
R	30	31				

**August 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
R		I	2	3	4	5
B	6	7	8	9	10	11
R	13	14	15	16	17	18
B	20	21	22	23	24	25
R	27	28	29	30	31	

**September 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
R					I	2
B	3	4	5	6	7	8
R	10	11	12	13	14	15
B	17	18	19	20	21	22
R	24	25	26	27	28	29

**October 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B	1	2	3	4	5	6
R	8	9	10	11	12	13
B	15	16	17	18	19	20
R	22	23	24	25	26	27
B	29	30	31			

**November 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B			I	2	3	4
R	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	12	13	14	15	16	17
R	19	20	21	22	23*	24
B	26	27	28	29	30	

\* Nov. 23: Thursday and Friday each delayed by 1 day

**December 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B					I	2
R	3	4	5	6	7	8
B	10	11	12	13	14	15
R	17	18	19	20	21	22
B	24	25*	26	27	28	29
R	31					

\* Week of Dec. 25: service delayed by 1 day

[www.vppsa.org](http://www.vppsa.org)

## County Launches New Website

[www.yorkcounty.gov](http://www.yorkcounty.gov)



Debuting August 1st to rave reviews, the new county website focuses on transparency, ease of navigation and being more mobile friendly. Other enhancements include high definition streaming of meetings, as well as the archives for agendas and minutes accessible on one page.

Citizens will find drop-down menus and new “sticky buttons” dedicated to the BOS, county offices, Jobs, Bill Pay, and “How do I” navigation for requesting garbage pick up, building permits, and even a direct link to VDOT.

Also launched are new websites for Tourism – [www.visitryorktown.org](http://www.visitryorktown.org) – and Economic Development – [www.YesYorkCounty.com](http://www.YesYorkCounty.com). We hope you will visit the new sites, peruse the content, and let us know what you think. Call York County Public Affairs at (757) 890-3300 or send an email ([webmaster@yorkcounty.gov](mailto:webmaster@yorkcounty.gov)).

## Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries



As we prepare to "fall back" at 2 a.m. on Sunday, November 5, let's be sure to follow the advice of the York County Department of Fire & Life Safety and adopt a simple, potentially life saving habit: **check and change the batteries in your smoke alarms.**

"Smoke alarms provide an early warning of potential danger," said Fire Chief Stephen P. Kopczyński. "The warning provides individuals and families valuable time to escape a household fire."

When properly placed, a smoke alarm can cut your risk of dying in a fire by half, which is reason enough for all households to check their smoke alarms when they change their clocks.

If you are at least 65 years old, need assistance obtaining alarms, or if you need any assistance with maintaining your alarms, please contact Fire & Life Safety at (757) 890-3600, Monday through Friday, from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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## 4-H For You

### Purchase Chrysanthemums from the 4-H Mums Club!

Youth members of the 4-H Mums Club will be selling chrysanthemums at the Yorktown Market Days on Saturdays, September 16 and 30, from 8 a.m. to noon. The youth have been working with Master Gardeners all summer learning to grow, propagate, and market their mums. Stop by the Virginia Cooperative Extension booth at the market and purchase a mum to support these young entrepreneurs.

### 4-H Summer Camp 2018

York County youth, ages 9-13, have the opportunity each year to participate in a week-long, residential 4-H Summer Camp held at the Jamestown 4-H Center in Williamsburg. The dates of the 2018 camp, as well as the registration fee, are still to be determined. Registration for the camp will open in February 2018. For more information, including camp and registration dates, please visit [www.yorkcounty.gov/vce](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/vce) or contact the Extension Office at (757) 890-4940.

### 4-H Volunteers Wanted

The 4-H program in York and Poquoson is looking for adult volunteers to lead youth 4-H clubs and programs. 4-H volunteers serve as mentors to youth as they develop life skills and explore interests through club activities and educational programs. Volunteers are needed to lead robotics, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), teen leadership, environmental education/outdoor adventure, cloverbud (for youth ages 5-8), and archery clubs. For more information, please call (757) 890-4940 or email [saupton@vt.edu](mailto:saupton@vt.edu).

### Fescue Lawn Renovation Workshop

Fall is the best season to renovate a fescue lawn. This FREE workshop covers PH levels, seed selection, and incorporating organic matter. The September 16 workshop is held at Taylor's Do-It Center in Poquoson from 10 a.m. to noon. Call (757) 890-4940 to register.

### Master Gardener Help Desk

A Help Desk Master Gardener is available Monday - Wednesday from March to October from 9 a.m. to noon. The Help Desk can be emailed at [yk.pq.mg@gmail.com](mailto:yk.pq.mg@gmail.com) or called at (757) 890-4940. Visit [www.yorkcounty.gov/vce](http://www.yorkcounty.gov/vce) for information.

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## York County Welcomes Finance Dir.

York County welcomes Theresa Owens, the new Director of Finance. Ms. Owens, a Certified Public Accountant for more than 25 years, recently served as the City of Poquoson's Director of Finance since 2008. Prior to that, she worked for Gloucester County and Goodman & Company. She fills the position left open by the recent departure of Debbie Morris, who retired after 22 years with the county, the final two as Director of Finance. Ms. Owens began her job with the county on Monday, August 14.



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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### Tabb Library Roof Re-cover

August – October 2017: The Tabb Library roof is scheduled to be recovered. The project is part of the approved CIP and will not interfere with library access or operations. The Tabb Library was constructed in 1998 with a two-ply, built-up (flat) roof system. The roofing material is beyond its useful life and has been patched numerous times. The project plan is to cover the existing roof system with a single-ply fleece-back PVC membrane which will be substantially less expensive than replacing the existing roof system. The PVC membrane is provided with a 20 year, no dollar limit, warranty.

### Carver Gardens Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation and Water Project

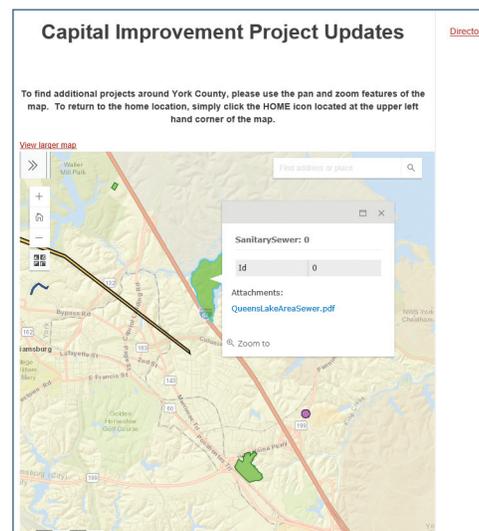
The Carver Gardens Sanitary Sewer and Waterline Replacement / Rehabilitation Project is to rehabilitate the existing wastewater collection system for the entire Carver Gardens neighborhood as part of the Hampton Roads Regional Order by Consent with DEQ. Along with the sewer project, a replacement water system for those properties currently served by York Public Utilities/Mountain Lakes Water will be designed and constructed, and given over to Newport News Waterworks. Henry S. Branscome, LLC was given the Notice to Proceed construction on July 31. The project should be completed within 9-10 months.

### Queens Lake

J. Sanders Construction continues to install the main vacuum line down West Queens Drive and has made significant accomplishments over the last several months. First and foremost, the pedestrian/pipe bridge has been successfully completed and opened to the residents of Queens Lake to enjoy. Secondly, all of the side roads on the west side have been paved and the roadway shoulder restoration work continues.

Currently, the contractor is ahead of schedule for the January 2018 completion date. Subject to the weather, the installation of the main vacuum line will be completed by the end of October, with West Queens Drive paved sometime in November/early December.

The Department of Public Works expresses their appreciation to the residents of Queens Lake for their patience and tolerance while living within a construction zone over the last several years!



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