

COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 31, 2023

TO: Wesley E. Bowen, Battalion Chief
Robert M. Kudley, Battalion Chief
Troy A. Hoge, Battalion Chief
Charles B. Leftwich, IV, Captain
Reginald I. Rivera, Captain
Michael C. Christopher, Senior Firefighter
Pamela K. Oberlander, Senior Firefighter
Michael D. Foster, Firefighter
Vincent E. Ketcham, Firefighter

FROM:  Stephen P. Kopczynski, Fire Chief/Director

SUBJECT: Thank You Letter

I recently received a thank you letter from Craig L. Hardison, President of Mended Hearts of Williamsburg, regarding the support of our department at the Classic Car Show on May 6, 2023. Enclosed is a copy of the letter.

Thank you all for doing such a wonderful job!

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Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center
100 Sentara Circle
Williamsburg, VA 23188

May 23, 2023

To: Melissa Doak, Battalion Chief, EMS Operations,

We would like to thank Co. 5 of the York County EMS Operations and Fire Company for their support at The Mended Hearts, Williamsburg Chapter 427 "Classic Car Show" which took place on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center. Special recognition of the crew includes Chase Christopher, Acting Officer, FF/Dominick Foster on the fire apparatus, Paramedic Pam Oberlander and FF/EMT Vincent Ketcham on the ambulance. Indeed, they were helpful in the treatment of one of our visitors to the car show who experienced dizziness and fatigue attributed to dehydration. Although transport was not necessary, the reassurance and willingness to provide service was greatly appreciated.

In addition, the presence of the antique 1955 fire engine was readily received and proved to be a special treat! Kudos to those who wish to remember and give honor to those of the past to whom the basis of emergency services was established.

Please accept this donation for the support that Co. 5 provided on that day. Your continued community support helps us to fulfill The Mended Hearts, Inc. Mission "to inspire hope and improve the quality of life of heart patients and their families through on-going peer to peer support, education and advocacy."

Thanks, again for your support.

Sincerely,


Craig L. Hardison, President

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✓ Mended Hearts of Williamsburg

Our motto: "It's Great to be Alive...and to Help Others!"



June 9, 2023

Visit Yorktown for Military Appreciation Weekend!

Special exhibits and programs are offered in the historic area tomorrow (6/10) and Sunday (6/11) as we honor the contributions of our American heroes! Colonial history lessons, games, militia drills, storytelling, music and more will be offered at various locations, including the Watermen's Museum, Mobjack Bay Coffee Roasters, and York Hall. View the [full schedule of events](#).



While in town tomorrow, stop by [Yorktown Market Days](#) from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., featuring two new vendors. Plus, the Royal Atlantic Ceremonial Band performs at 9 a.m., followed by the Fifes and Drums of York Town at 10 a.m. Purchase seasonal fresh produce, sparkling water, cheese, coffee, original artwork, and more!



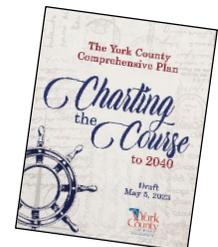
Kalmar Nyckel Sails into Yorktown

The Tall Ship of Delaware arrives Monday (6/12) after its appearance at Norfolk Harborfest! The ship is hosting free deck tours on Tuesday (6/13) from 2 to 5 p.m. and Thursday (6/15) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. [Tickets](#) are available for 2 ½ hour day sails Tuesday through Thursday where passengers can haul lines, set sails, and hear tales from the crew, or simply sit back, relax, and enjoy the view. The [Kalmar Nyckel](#) is a full-scale replica of the merchant

ship that brought Swedish settlers to North America in 1638 to start the first European settlement in present-day Delaware.

Citizens Invited to Speak About Draft Comprehensive Plan

The public may provide comments on *Charting the Course to 2040*, the County's draft Comprehensive Plan, at Wednesday's (6/14) Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m. in York Hall (301 Main Street). *Charting the Course to 2040* is the long-range planning guide for the physical development of the County. Chapters may be viewed [here](#). Those unable to attend may email their comments to planning@yorkcounty.gov. Planning Commission meetings are televised live on WYCG-TV (Cox 46/HD86, Verizon 38) and livestreamed on the [County's website](#).





Celebrate Juneteenth at McReynolds Athletic Complex Next Saturday

The County is holding a special [Juneteenth](#) celebration next Saturday (6/17) from 3 to 8 p.m. at the McReynolds Athletic Complex (412 Sports Way) with family activities, a bounce house, guest speakers, food trucks and concessions, and free popcorn and snow cones! The popular band **Slapnation** plays

from 6 to 8 p.m., followed by **Movies in the Park** at 8:30 p.m. featuring *The Princess and the Frog*. Bring a lawn chair and/or blankets for seating.

Coming Up at the Senior Center

Patrons age 55 and up, and their spouse regardless of age, are invited to a special **Culture Day** presentation by Vincent Tucker, president of the William Tucker 1624 Society, who will discuss “**Tracing The Journey to Virginia**,” the story of the first documented Africans in Virginia. The program is held Tuesday (6/13) at 1 p.m. On Friday (6/16), York-Poquoson Sheriff Ron Montgomery is presenting a general **handgun safety course**. This is not a hands-on class. Photo ID is required. [Registration](#) is now open for both of these programs. The Virginia Stage Company presents “**Every Brilliant Thing**,” an



interactive theatre experience focusing on mental health. The program blends comedy, improv, and audience interaction to make this a life-affirming experience. This free program is open to those age 16



and up, and is held Friday, June 23, at 6:30 p.m. Please [register online](#).

Additional Notes for the Week... The free [Sounds of Summer](#) concert series continues Thursday (6/15) with local rock-n-roll band **Blackout!** Bring your chairs and coolers to Riverwalk Landing for great tunes and fun from 6:30 to 9 p.m. [Registration](#) is open for **Summer Sports Camps**: soccer, baseball, softball, basketball, volleyball, golf, and tennis! The June 17 **Walk & Talk** at New Quarter Park is **all about snakes!** The free guided hike begins at 10 a.m. at the park office (1000 Lakeshead Drive). [Sign up](#) by Thursday (6/15).

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- Site Supervisors
- Recreation Leaders
- Assistant Recreation Leaders



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