

CITIZEN NEWS

Weekly

Happy Father's Day



June 16, 2023

Celebrate Dad in Yorktown this Weekend!

Stop by [Yorktown Market Days](#) tomorrow (6/17) from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. to pick up a last-minute gift for Dad's special day, like coffee, BBQ sauce, kettle corn, seafood, leather goods, woodwork and more to choose from! A Taste of Love with Jan and Bart will perform a variety of hits on the Riverwalk Landing Stage at 9 a.m., and the Fifes and Drums of York Town will march through the market at 10 a.m.



June 17
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Tomorrow (6/17) is your last chance for a great photo of *Kalmar Nyckel*, The Tall Ship of Delaware, at the Riverwalk Landing piers. Although the sails are sold out, our locally home-ported schooner, the Alliance II, has day sail [tickets available](#) all summer long. Touring or cruising is a great way to create special memories in Yorktown.

Hit the road and head to Yorktown on Thursday (6/22) for an electrifying performance by [Tidewater Drive Band](#) from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The colossal brass band will delight guests with a mix of modern covers, vintage Motown, R&B, and classic rock songs. Here's the [full line-up](#) of the Free Thursday night *Sounds of Summer* concerts, now through August 10.

June 18-24 is Mosquito Control Awareness Week—Follow These Tips to Fight the Bite

There are several small steps residents can take to help reduce the number of mosquitoes this season. Consider making these part of the normal routine: **Tip and toss** items that collect water, such as baby pools, tires, flower pots, bird baths, the list goes on! When you're outside, wear **long, loose fitting, and light-colored clothing** (mosquitoes are attracted to dark colors), and use an **insect repellent** registered by the EPA; and finally, toss **Mosquito Dunks®** anywhere you have standing water in your yard. York County citizens may pick up a free pack of this natural larvicide product (one per resident) at the Waste Management Center, Public Works Office, and Tabb Library.



Celebrate Their Achievements Again: York County Class of 2023 Graduation Replays – Now in HD!

The 2023 York County School Division high school commencements were held Saturday (6/10) at the Hampton Coliseum. Full replays of all four ceremonies are now playing in rotation on YCSD-TV (Cox 47/87HD, Verizon 39) and on

demand from the School Division's [YouTube channel](#). Also available is the graduation ceremony for York River Academy, which took place Wednesday (6/15) at York High School. Congratulations, graduates!

Quality Family Time at New Quarter Park

Looking for the whole family to enjoy? Visit New Quarter Park for the **Summer Friday Evening Programs!** On the fourth Friday of each month this summer, families can explore and learn about the Chesapeake Bay. Coming up next Friday (6/23), VIMS speaker Jess Small will talk about Oysters. Return to the park on Saturday (6/24) at 10 a.m. for a **Walk & Talk about Fossils**, led by Dr. Lockwood from William & Mary. See, touch, and feel real Virginia coast fossils. Both of these programs are free. Please [register online](#) two days before the event.

Juneteenth Celebration Tomorrow at the McReynolds Athletic Complex

Tomorrow (6/17) starting at 3pm, York County Parks and Recreation and community partners are hosting a family fun day with activities, food, games all to celebrate Juneteenth. The day wraps up with a FREE Concert by Slapnation at 6pm and **Movies in the Park** after sunset. Details are available [here](#).

Upcoming Library Programs for Adult Patrons

Stop by the Yorktown Library Technology room next Saturday (6/24) from 1 to 2 p.m. to learn more about the Cricut tools in this **Meet Your Maker(space): Cricut** program. Head over to the Tabb Library on the fourth Sunday of each month from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. for **Tabletop Gaming**. Adults of all levels of gaming experience are invited to stop by to play board or card games, and even bring a few along to share. This month's program is next Sunday (6/25). For more information, call 757-890-5120 or 757-890-5207.

Free Active Shooter Safety Course from YPSO

The public is invited to [register](#) for a free Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) course, which provides strategies, guidance and a proven plan for surviving an active shooter event. The class is Wednesday (6/21) from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Public Safety Building, 301 Goodwin Neck Road. Topics include the history and prevalence of active shooter events, civilian response options, medical issues, and more. The course is designed and built on the Avoid, Deny, Defend (ADD) strategy developed in 2004.



Additional Notes for the Week... Learn all about “**The Joy of Genealogy**” at the Yorktown Library tomorrow (6/17) from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. This presentation is for beginners and seasoned family historians. The **Skate, Rattle, & Roll** program has ended for this season. Thanks to all who made the program so much fun! Skating returns in September.



The **Compost Facility** remains closed due to a mulch fire that began last weekend. County Staff and VPPSA are working toward reopening to the public on Monday 6/19. Updates on the status of the facility will be shared on the [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

JUNETEENTH
Celebration
SATURDAY, JUNE 17 · 3-8 PM
MCREYNOLDS ATHLETIC COMPLEX:
SOCCER AREA
Family Activities • Bounce House • Speakers • Entertainment
Community Groups • *Food Trucks • *Concessions
Free Popcorn & Snow Cones
CONCERT: SLAPNATION · 6-8 PM
MOVIES IN THE PARK:
THE PRINCESS & THE FROG · 8:30 PM
Family Friendly • Alcohol Free Event
Bring a lawn chair(s) or blanket. *Items available for purchase

York County
Government Offices will be Closed on
Monday, June 19
in observance of
Juneteenth
No Change to Trash or Recycling Collections.
Waste Management Facility Operations Open, VPPSA Compost Facility Closed.

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