



May 17, 2024

New Law Enforcement Building Ribbon-Cutting is Tuesday

The public is invited to the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Law Enforcement Building on Tuesday (5/21) at 4 p.m. This event, being held inside the facility in the Community Room, includes remarks by local and state dignitaries, the ribbon-cutting, and tours of the building. Light refreshments will be served. The new 51,000 square foot building, located at 159 Goodwin Neck Road, is designed to serve the law enforcement needs of the County for forty years and is the new home of the York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office.



York County IT Director Featured in *Interface* Magazine

Learn about the latest efforts of York County's Department of Information Technology (IT) in this hot-off-the-presses article featuring Tim Wyatt, York County's Director of Information Technology. In the magazine, Mr. Wyatt discusses cybersecurity and the citizen outreach program, the latest software partnerships, and other efforts the County makes to safeguard our residents' private data. The article is a great representation of the excellent work being done by Mr. Wyatt and the IT staff. The article is available [online](#).

Coming Up in Historic Yorktown

Don't miss **Yorktown Market Days** tomorrow (5/18) from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Riverwalk Landing. Strawberries, herbs, asparagus, onions, and spinach are in season, so get your shopping list ready. Purchase fresh flowers, baked goods, coffees, and more! In addition, our local artisans will be on hand with beautiful glassware, leather goods, and jewelry. Ron Fetner will be performing acoustical guitar beginning at 9 a.m.





Yorktown's **Sounds of Summer concert series** begins Thursday, June 6, at Riverwalk Landing in Historic Yorktown. The Thursday-night concerts are from 6:30 to 9 p.m. through August 15 (*no Sounds of Summer concert on July 4*). The Uptown Band kicks off the season, followed by an exciting lineup that includes rock-n-roll, R&B, pop, beach, and country music. All concerts are free!

Get ready to celebrate **National Travel and Tourism Week (NTTW)** from May 19-25, 2024! NTTW is an annual celebration that underscores travel's essential role in driving our nation's economy, cultivating vibrant communities, and forging connections. Follow along on Visit Yorktown's Instagram, Facebook, or TikTok accounts to learn how tourism benefits our area!

Got a Gardening Question? There's Help!

Are you having issues in your landscape? Having problems in your garden? Our trained Master Gardener volunteers are here to help. Email the Master Gardener Virtual Help Desk at yk.pq.mg@gmail.com. Include your name, phone number, a brief description of your question or garden concern, and 3-4 quality pictures that illustrate the problem. A Master Gardener volunteer will respond with helpful information to keep your garden green, blooming, and beautiful!



On Your Mark, Get Set, Go! Races Coming Up in Historic Yorktown

Registration is now open for the **Yorktown Independence Day Run/Walk!** Don't miss your chance to run the historic battlefield roads on July 4th. This is a popular event with an 8K Virtual Run/Walk, a 6K Run/Walk Fun Run, and a 5K Virtual Run/Walk. Be sure to [reserve your spot](#) for this popular event! This is a chip-timed race that starts at 8 a.m. All participants registered by **June 23** will receive a custom race T-shirt in their requested size, and the first 450 registered participants who finish the race will receive a beautiful custom die cast commemorative medal. Overall top three men and women will

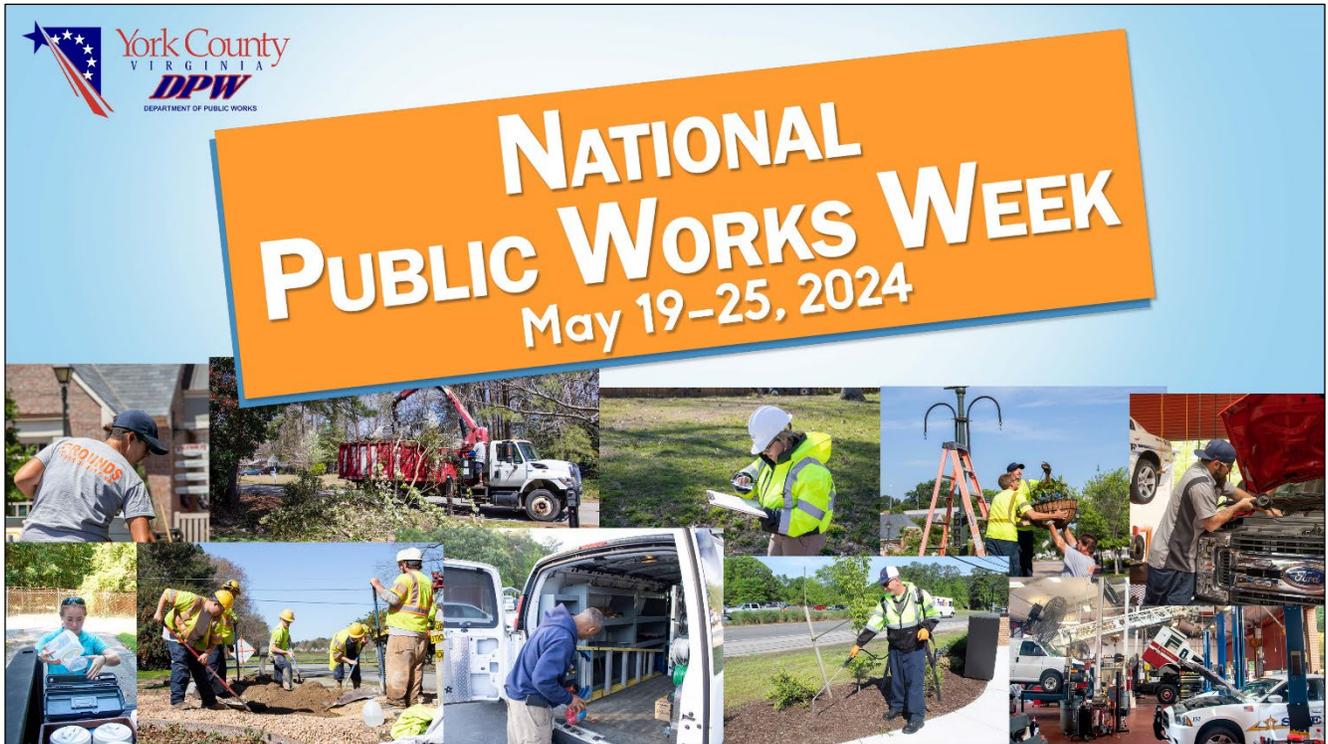
receive awards. More information is available [online](#).

Coming up *this* month is the **Yorktown Freedom Run 8K and 5K Fun Run/Walk** on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, at 8 a.m. This 8K race is also run along the historic battlefield roads with same-day registration and parking at York High School. Register in advance [online](#).

Safe Exchange Zone for Buying/Selling Online

Consider using the York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office's Safe Exchange Zones located at the new building (159 Goodwin Neck Road) as well as at their old location (301 Goodwin Neck Road) when picking up/dropping off items purchased/sold online. The designated zones are under 24-hour surveillance and allow the public to make purchases and exchange transactions in a monitored area rather than conducting exchanges at private residences. See how it works with this helpful [video](#) from York County.

Additional Notes for the Week... Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills have been mailed and are available to view and pay [online](#). These bills are for the first half of 2024 with payments due no later than June 25. Taxes are calculated on the new rates set by the Board of Supervisors on May 7: \$0.74 per \$100 of assessed valuation for Real Estate, and \$3.80 per \$100 of assess valuation for Personal Property.



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