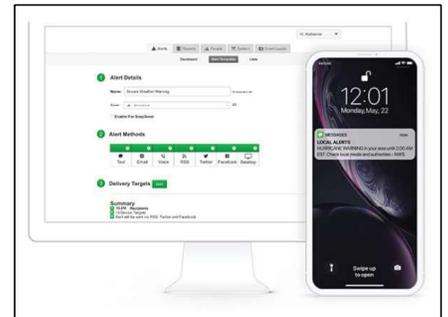




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New Alert System Now Active: Citizens Urged to Sign Up for Rave Alert

The County has a new alerting system. Rave Alert utilizes cutting edge, state-of-the-art technology that enhances the County's emergency response capabilities. The system provides users with alerts and notifications about severe weather conditions, traffic problems, crime alerts, and other emergencies through phone call, text message, and email. A free Smart911 app is also available that allows citizens to receive notifications and to set up a profile with personal information that may be helpful during a request for emergency services. Registration is available [online](#). Read all about it in this week's [press release](#).



Work on Dockmaster Building Scheduled to Begin Next Week

Beginning as early as Tuesday (9/3), visitors to the Yorktown Beach will see some changes to the landscape as crews start the Dockmaster building project. Crews will begin by installing a chain link fence around the existing building and adjacent bathroom facilities. As part of the project, photos depicting the facility as it will appear when completed will be installed on the fencing within the next several weeks. In addition, plans are underway to install a live webcam so that progress can be viewed online. More on the webcam will be coming soon. Over the years, the Dockmaster building has become the hub for many waterfront operations. The new facility will provide space to assist waterfront staff and also house the handicapped accessible restrooms, family changing rooms, and space where visitors can receive information and pick up brochures. Public restroom facilities remain open near the Freight Shed and the Riverwalk Landing parking terrace.



First FlashVote Survey Focuses on Home-Based Businesses

Big news! York County's first FlashVote citizen survey is underway and it focuses on home-based businesses. This survey will provide County officials with valuable insight that could help guide decision-making, ensuring we continue to serve our community effectively. Survey results will be available to everyone tomorrow (8/31) on the [County's website](#). While it's too late to participate in this particular survey, by registering at



www.flashvote.com/yorkcountyva, you'll be ready to share your opinions on a variety of topics that matter to our community. We hope to receive your feedback in future surveys.

Virginia Symphony Orchestra Plays Free Concert Tomorrow

Enjoy a magical night under the stars as the Virginia Symphony Orchestra returns to Riverwalk Landing tomorrow (8/31) at 7:30 p.m. Pack a picnic, bring a lawn chair or blanket, and listen to the beautiful music of this award-winning symphony. This year's performance theme is "[Once Upon a Symphony](#)," inviting audience members to explore the enchanting connection between music and storytelling. The Fifes and Drums of York Town will perform prior to the symphony taking the stage. Additional information is available on the [Visit Yorktown website](#).

Rhythms on the Riverwalk Concerts Begin Next Week!

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, for our first Rhythms on the Riverwalk concert of the season featuring [Brasswind!](#) This electrifying group of fun-loving, experienced entertainers will bring the house down with their smashing covers of hits from Motown to Michael Jackson! If you love an act with an incredible stage presence, you'll love Brasswind!

The only thing you have to bring are your dancing shoes and a lawn chair or blanket! Coolers and alcohol are permitted in designated areas at Riverwalk Landing. Rotating food trucks will be on-site, providing snacks and dinner offerings during the show. Many Historic Yorktown restaurants will also be open for dine-in and take-out options.



Parking can be found at York Hall, the County Administration Building, York-Poquoson Court Complex, and other designated lots throughout town. [The ADA accessible Trolley](#) will run until 9 p.m. during every concert with a modified route that still includes some stops on the outskirts of town.

Senior Center's September Workshops and Programs Now Posted



Every month, the Senior Center of York adds new programs and events, and also brings back popular exercise and art classes, lively health workshops, and special presentations. Some of September's events include a "Lafayette" Culture Day, an outing to the Jamestown Settlement, line dancing, knitting class, and more. If you are interested in finding out more about the classes and programs, [sign up](#) for the monthly calendar email or view it on the [Senior Center website](#).

2025 Jury Selection Postcards Have Been Mailed

The 2025 jury selection postcards have been mailed to randomly selected prospective jurors. Recipients are asked to follow instructions for completing the questionnaire, which is required within 10 days of receipt. More information is available on the York-Poquoson Circuit Court [website](#) or by calling 757-890-3636. Anyone requiring assistance in completing the questionnaire should call the office.

Additional Notes for the Week... Take a [video tour](#) of the new **York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office headquarters** with Sheriff Ron Montgomery. The eight-minute-long video was produced by York County Video Services and gives a peak at a few of the features of the new building. Join us for **Yorktown Market Days** tomorrow (8/31) from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Local [farmers and artisans](#) will be selling their goods at our beautiful waterfront location. We've got everything from baked goods to fresh produce. Beginning at 9 a.m., the acoustical trio Dead Rise will perform on the Riverwalk Landing Stage.



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