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### Latest FlashVote Survey Focuses on Recycling; Results Online

The most recent FlashVote survey was all about recycling and the County's curbside program. There were 497 survey participants who responded to five questions, with the responses providing County staff with important insight into the public's feelings about recycling. Among the survey results, 88% of respondents participate in curbside recycling; 46% would pay the same cost if the program required separating glass items from everything else; and 30% of those surveyed would participate in drop off recycling if the program was cancelled. There are more survey questions and results posted [online](#). Do you want to take part in FlashVote? Register at [www.flashvote.com/yorkcountyva](http://www.flashvote.com/yorkcountyva) and share your opinion on a variety of topics that matter to our community.



### Board Clerk Completes Prestigious Women's Leadership Institute



Heather Schott, Assistant to the County Administrator/Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, recently completed the Virginia Women's Municipal Leadership Institute (VWMLI). The institute provides women aspiring to become local government leaders with tools, content, and opportunities to further develop leadership skills and broaden their network. As a program participant, Mrs. Schott attended virtual and in-person sessions featuring a variety of topics, from budgeting to public speaking, as well as life as an executive woman in local government. The VWMLI is a partnership between Virginia Women Leading Government and the Virginia Tech Roanoke Center. Congratulations to Mrs. Schott on this outstanding achievement.

### What's Old is New Again at the Vintage Market!

Find most things old, some things new, a lot of things borrowed, and some things blue at [York County's annual Vintage Market](#), from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. tomorrow (11/2), at the McReynolds Athletic Complex (412 Sports Way) in Yorktown. With nearly 60 vendors offering everything from vintage jewelry and furniture to classic glassware and cozy quilts, you're sure to uncover hidden gems for your home or holiday list. Car lovers can admire a display of five impeccable automobiles courtesy of the Classic Cruisers Car Club. Local musician Phil Poteat will also perform throughout the day. For added convenience, a mini-bus will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join us at the MAC for a perfect day of shopping, music, and fun!



## Join Us to Celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Yorktown Tea Party



It was the splash heard 'round the world. When Thomas Nelson, Jr. and his group of fellow patriots marched to the Yorktown waterfront and threw two chests of tea overboard, they helped spark a revolution! Join us as we commemorate the [250th Anniversary of this historic event](#). Thursday, November 7 to Saturday, November 10, will be filled with festive and patriotic events to celebrate this important time in our nation's history. There will be free deck tours on Jamestown Settlement's *Godspeed*, concerts, blacksmith demonstrations, living history stations, wandering pirates, reenactments, and much more! Join us as we spill the

tea...literally! The free, accessible Yorktown Trolley will be in operation beginning at 11 a.m. during this event.

## Voting Update: Saturday Hours; Griffin-Yeates Center Detours

Both locations of the Voter Registrar, Washington Square Shopping Center in Grafton and Victory Village Shopping Center in Williamsburg, will be open tomorrow (11/2) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for early voting. This is your final day to vote early before Tuesday's (11/5) General Election when polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Also in voting news, road work around the Griffin-Yeates Center (1490 Government Road) has closed portions of Government Road. Detours are in place to help drivers navigate that area. If your polling place is the Griffin-Yeates Center and you are not able to access it on Election Day, call the Voter Registrar's Office immediately at 757-890-3440.

## Senior Center's November Programs and Events Now Posted

The Senior Center of York welcomes November with a variety of educational and exciting activities for our seniors. Next month's calendar of events is now available and lists all the great activities senior citizens can enjoy in November: exercise and art classes, lively health workshops, and special presentations. Some of November's events include Thankful Breakfast, Mastering Your Money in Retirement, AARP Driver Safety, Health Day, Movie Monday, 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](#).



## Surry Power Station Sirens to Be Removed

In February 2023, Dominion Energy permanently discontinued use of their offsite emergency sirens within the Surry Power Station 10 mile Emergency Planning Zone. The siren system was replaced with the Integrated Public Alert and Notification System (IPAWS) along with the Emergency Alert System (EAS), which will alert the public in case of a Surry emergency. Removal of the sirens, including the seven sirens in York County, is now underway with the work being performed by West Shore Services, Inc. The work is projected to take about six weeks and will be complete in mid-December. For more information, contact [Dominion Energy](#).

**Additional Notes for the Week . . . Daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday (11/3). Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed tomorrow (11/2). At last Saturday's Drug Take Back/Paper Shredding event, over 7,500 lbs. of paper were shredded and citizens dropped off 273 lbs. of food for the Virginia Peninsula Food Bank. The amount of prescription drugs collected is not yet available. Look for the next Drug Take Back/Paper Shredding event in the spring.**

## **VPPSA Household Chemical/Computer Recycling and Paper Shredding**



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9  
8AM - 12PM  
105 SERVICE DRIVE**



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