



Real Time Updates

Chesapeake VIRGINIA

July 2013

for the Chesapeake City Council and Community Leaders

PROJECTS

ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION

- Construction of the roundabout at Oak Grove Road and Green Tree Road continues. A section of Oak Grove Road just south of the intersection was closed from June 15-30. This closure helped expedite construction of the project which is expected to be completed by August.

DOMINION BOULEVARD

- Construction activity for the Dominion Boulevard Improvement Project will continue to increase, including additional night operations which will minimize disruption to motorists during the day. Equipment operations, temporary lights and noise may be noticeable at times.

NEWS

LANDFILL - SB328

- The City of Chesapeake is closely monitoring the progress of legislation in North Carolina (SB328) which would, in part, lift restrictions preventing the construction of a “mega-landfill” in North Carolina. City staff are relaying concerns to North Carolina legislators, and the City encourages residents to also contact these officials to express concern. Please visit CityOfChesapeake.net/Landfill to keep up with the current legislation and to find contact information for the North Carolina legislators.

REPLACING THE ROPES

- Public Works/Facilities partnered with the Fire Department to replace the ropes on the City Hall flag poles just in time for the July Fourth holiday.



NEWS

CHESAPEAKE FIRE CORPS AMBASSADOR TEAM

- The Fire Department announced their new Fire Corps Safety Ambassador Team at the 2013 Chesapeake Jubilee. This all-volunteer safety team works hand-in-hand with the City's Fire Marshals conducting special event inspections to ensure that all aspects of the event are in compliance with local and state fire codes. When issues arise during inspections, the Safety Ambassadors follow-up with the vendors to provide loaner extinguishers and other fire protection equipment needed to ensure their compliance with codes. Chesapeake has the only Safety Ambassadors program offered throughout the Hampton Roads region.



Pictured Left to Right: Darwin Catalan, Craig Engler, Citizen Corps Grant Manager Robert Gelormine, FCAT Team Lead Stu Spatz, Mike Studley, Jason Skief, and John Dancel.

CHESAPEAKE SOCIAL SERVICES RECEIVES 2012 HUNGER CHAMPIONS AWARD

- Congratulations to the Benefit Programs staff for their dedication and hard work which resulted in Chesapeake Social Services receiving the 2012 Hunger Champions Award! The annual Hunger Champions Award honors local social services agencies nationwide that provide exemplary service in assisting eligible households to apply for and obtain SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits. Chesapeake was one of only three local agencies in Virginia, and the only agency in the Eastern Region, to receive a 2012 Hunger Champions Award. Thank you to the Benefit Programs staff for their outstanding service to the citizens of Chesapeake.

ENHANCING CHESAPEAKE THROUGH "SERVE THE CITY" PROGRAM

- In June, the local *Serve the City* organization teamed up with Chesapeake volunteers, Development and Permits, Community Programs, and the Police Department for their annual City outreach project. The purpose of the program is to help those citizens in our community who were unable to do everyday projects themselves. This year the campaign helped 25 residents in South Norfolk, Western Branch, Greenbrier, and Deep Creek. The program focuses on making both major and minor home repairs including roofing, flooring, dry-walling, deck repairs, painting, plumbing, etc. This year's *Serve the City* project was a team effort and turned out to be a roaring success. A special thank you to the Chesapeake Police Department for donating over 216 hours to the project!

WCTV CHESAPEAKE TELEVISION INTRODUCES A NEW SHOW

- WCTV Chesapeake Television has added a new, locally-produced program to its lineup. *Whatever Works* is a magazine format show highlighting the people who work in and around Chesapeake. *Whatever Works* will give an inside look at what people in Chesapeake do to get the job done. The stories highlight local businesses as well as how tax payer dollars are spent. Watch *Whatever Works* on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. and on Fridays at 12:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Additional airings will be scheduled throughout the month, and the program will also be available for viewing On-Demand at CityOfChesapeake.net/TV.



OPERATIONS

SITE PLAN APPROVALS

- City Engineers approved the site plans for Plantation Greens Apartments (342 units) and Red Knot Apartments (336 units).

COTTON SOUTHERN BISTRO EXPANDS

- The Cotton Southern Bistro restaurant located at 648 Grassfield Parkway, Suite 12, has expanded to include outdoor dining.

CRAZY BUFFET & GRILL GETS A BOOST

- B&R Plumbing & General Contractors, a Chesapeake based company, obtained an alterations permit on May 28 for the Crazy Buffet and Grill. The 20,000 sq. ft. restaurant is located at 1745 Parkview Drive.

CVS IS COMING TO CAMPOSTELLA RD.

- On May 23 a permit was issued to Spell Construction Inc. to build a 12,638 sq. ft. CVS Pharmacy store at 2212 Campostella Rd.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

- The Great Bridge Congregation of Jehovah Witnesses Church, located at 681 Oak Grove Road, was issued a final certificate of occupancy for their 9,100 sq. ft. church.

EVENTS

Celebrate Freedom Concert

Wednesday, July 3
5:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
City Park

South Norfolk Library Grand Opening Ceremony

Monday, July 8
1:00 p.m.
Corner of Bainbridge Blvd.
and Poindexter St.

Dunedin Community Spirit Day

Thursday, July 18
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
M. Anne Tregembo Park

Fourth of July Parade and Festival

Thursday, July 4
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Lakeside Park

Community Neighborhood Event

Thursday, July 11
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Camelot Park

2035 Comp. Plan Citizen Information Meeting

Thursday, July 25
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Joliff Middle School

Fourth of July War Memorial Ceremony

Thursday, July 4
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Lakeside Park

2035 Comp. Plan Citizen Information Meeting

Wednesday, July 17
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Towne Bank at
Mount Pleasant

Unity in the Community Day

Saturday, July 27
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Southwestern Park