



Weekly News & Events

October 24-November 7, 2009

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Information and Special Events:

- **Comp Plan Update:** The City of Chesapeake will host a series of community workshops on the update of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan. This new initiative, “Moving Forward – Chesapeake 2030,” will introduce the review/update process and gather public input. The Comprehensive Plan serves as a blueprint to guide the City’s future growth and land use. The workshops will all be in the same format and will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. as follows: Oct. 28, Towne Bank public meeting room, 137 Mt. Pleasant Road; Oct. 29, Indian River Library, 2320 Old Greenbrier Road; and Nov. 5, Russell Memorial Library, 2808 Taylor Road.
CONTACT: Chesapeake Planning Department, 382-6176
- **Chesapeake Sheriff’s Office Senior ID Program:** Senior Identification Cards are free to Chesapeake residents 55 years of age and older. Seniors must present any two of the following to obtain a card: Virginia drivers’ license, passport, military ID, Medicaid/Medicare card, birth certificate, Social Security card, utility bill. The following are locations to obtain a card: Oct. 28, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Indian River Community Center, 2250 Old Greenbrier Road and Oct. 29, 10:00 a.m., Elizabeth River Baptist Church, 601 Sparrow Road.
CONTACT: The Chesapeake Sheriff’s Office, 382-8824
- **Unknown and Known Afro-Union Civil War Veterans Salute,** hosted by the Bells Mill Historical Research and Restoration Society, Inc., will be held Saturday, Nov. 7, 10:30 a.m.-noon, at 1001 Bells Mill Road. The events include a salute by young descendants of Afro-Union patriot heroes, and a brief talk by Dr. E. Curtis Alexander. Limited seated will be provided; please bring a folding chair.
CONTACT: Dr. E. Curtis Alexander, 547-5542
- **The Elizabeth River Park and Boat Ramp** will be closed all day Wednesday, Oct. 28. Elizabeth River Park is located at 103 Poindexter St.
CONTACT: Lennie Luke, 382-6411
- **The Deep Creek Community Center Halloween Festival** will take place Tuesday, Oct. 27, 6:30-8:00 p.m., at the center at 2901 Margaret Booker Dr for children ages 1-12. There will be games, arts & crafts and special treats. Special guest Ronald McDonald will be stopping by.
CONTACT: 487-8841
- **The Chesapeake City Council** is seeking residents who may be interested in serving on various boards and commissions. Boards and commissions provide a vital service to various City departments, agencies and City Council. Citizens wishing to serve must complete an application form. Applications are due in the City Clerk’s office by Nov. 2. City Council will appoint candidates for these vacancies during its Nov. 24 meeting.
CONTACT: City Clerk’s Office, 382-6151

MEDIA TIP SHEET

- **15th Annual March of Dimes Spooky Acres Haunted House** will be held Oct. 24 and 28-31 at Chesapeake Square Mall, 4200 Portsmouth Blvd. Tickets go on sale at 6:30 p.m. and are sold until 10:00 p.m. nightly, but the house doesn't close until the last person makes it out.
CONTACT: 588-2841 or spookyacres.com
- **Portlock Galleries at SoNo:** Katie McLaughlin and Richard Nickel will present recent works in an upcoming exhibition. Katie will be showing photography, ceramics and mixed media works while Richard will be showing his ceramic wall hangings and sculptures. The opening reception will be Friday, Oct. 30, 2009, 7:00-9:00 p.m. The exhibition continues through Nov. 29, 2009. The gallery is at 3815 Bainbridge Boulevard. The reception is by invitation; exhibition open daily.
CONTACT: Nicole Benson, 502-4901
- **Traveling the Road to Success**, workshops for kids and teens, will be held at the Dr. Clarence V. Cuffee Community Center, 5:00-6:30 p.m. as follows: Oct. 28, No Stopping, Standing or Parking: How to Move Yourself Ahead and Nov. 4, Green Light Means Go: Positive Choices Lead to Your Success. Space is limited; registration is required.
CONTACT: Chesapeake Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, 382-3200
- **Portlock Galleries at SoNo** is hosting the Tidewater Art Alliance Member's Exhibition, *Significant Expressions*, through October 25. Portlock Galleries at SoNo is located at 3815 Bainbridge Blvd. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and weekends noon-4:00 p.m. Admission is free.
CONTACT: Nicole Benson, 502-4901

Meetings:

- **The Chesapeake City Council** will hold a work session on Tuesday, Oct. 27, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the 4th floor training room at City Hall. The regular meeting will convene at 6:30 in the Council Chamber. A closed session will be held at 4:00 p.m.
CONTACT: City Clerk's Office, 382-6151

Travel Advisories: (CONTACT: Tammy Barry, Public Works Information Specialist, 382-6983)

- **Greenbrier Parkway:** There will be lane closures on Greenbrier Parkway, between Volvo Parkway and Eden Way North, through Friday, Nov. 13, 8:00 p.m.-6:00 a.m. The project includes installation of 1,500 feet of new road for the addition of a north bound lane and realignment of the left turn lane on the northbound side of Greenbrier Parkway between Volvo Parkway and Eden Way North.
- **George Washington Highway:** The Long Bridge replacement project will result in a lane shift on George Washington Highway, located just north of the firehouse, through Aug. 30, 2010. Construction will be completed in phases to allow traffic to be maintained in both directions. Citizens can follow the progress of the project by viewing the project spotlight, located on the home page of the City website at cityofchesapeake.net.