



## Museum and Visitor Center Well Underway

The beautiful Georgian style building is quickly taking shape on the Intracoastal Waterways next to the Great Bridge Bridge. *The Great Bridge Battlefield and Waterways Museum & Visitors Center* is Chesapeake's newest museum, commemorating the historic importance of the Revolutionary War Battle of Great Bridge and our waterways.

The cupola was installed on July 2, with the assistance of Dar's Welding and Munns Manufacturing, Inc.; Precon Marine; Coastal Virginia Crane; and P.G. Harris Construction Co.

The addition of the cupola brings building construction to more than fifty percent complete. A soft opening is slated for this December with the museum grand opening scheduled for spring 2019. The museum will be an educational and community resource for years to come.

For more information about the museum or the Battle of Great Bridge, please visit the Foundation's website at [GBBattlefield.org](http://GBBattlefield.org).

## Groundbreaking Held for New Fire Station



The Fire Department held a groundbreaking ceremony on July 19 for Fire Station 10.

The new station will be located in Bowers Hill at the intersection of South and West Military Highway. The 17,000 square foot facility will include administration, housing functions, four apparatus bays for various fire vehicles and warehouse space for department equipment.

Left to right: Lt. Marshall Smith, Chief Donald Wooten, Sunray Community Historian Gary Szymanski, Chief Thomas Schwalenberg, Mayor Rick West, Chief Dan Fermil, Council Member Debbie Ritter, and Chief Michael Hoag

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## PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS

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### Firefighters Deploy to Hawaii



Mobile Command Unit: Captain Paul Gorski and Senior Firefighter James Giles (far right) with Team Members

The Fire Department deployed two of their firefighters to Hawaii for several weeks in July to serve in the Emergency Operations Center of Hawaii County in response to the occurring volcanic activity.

Captain Paul Gorski and Senior Firefighter James Giles, were assigned to the Haz-Mat Safety Team. Their mission assignments were monitoring air quality, sensor and metering maintenance, the Respiratory Protection Management Program, and the Public Communications Safety Messaging Program.



Lava flow from Mount Kilauea



Volcanic smoke and ash in Hilo, Hawaii



Captain Paul Gorski on the front lines

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### Department's Summer Camp Receives Donation

The Fire Department's Camp Fury received \$2,500 from the Kroger grocery store located at 1653 Sentinel Drive in Chesapeake. The store recently sold a winning lottery ticket, and in turn, the Virginia Lottery gave \$10,000 back to the store. Kroger decided to split the \$10,000 among deserving nonprofit organizations in the Chesapeake community.

On July 11, Battalion Chief Christine Dosmann and Firefighter/Paramedic Mandy George represented the Department and Camp Fury at the presentation of the check.

Camp Fury provides hands-on experience for girls to learn about fire fighting and other public safety careers in a challenging environment.



Left to right : Chief Christine Dosmann, Kroger Manager Gina Roye and Firefighter/Paramedic Mandy George

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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEWS

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### Brewery Expands to New Location

**B**ig Ugly Brewing Company will celebrate the opening of its new 6,000 square foot brewery and taproom on Saturday, August 4. As the City's first and only micro-brewery, the expansion was vital to accommodate the company's growing customer base and manage the distribution side of the business.

The new location at 845 South Battlefield Boulevard in Great Bridge, is less than a mile from the Chesapeake Expressway, attracting customers traveling through the City as well as local residents. The new building features an open yard space which will accommodate musical performances, arts and farmers markets and will create a community gathering spot.



Big Ugly Brewing Company's new building

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### Regional Leaders Discuss Opportunities for Growth



Maynard Scales, host of *Decision Makers*, moderates the discussion about the City's growth

**P**rofessor Robert McNab, Old Dominion University Department of Economics, Steven Wright, Director of Chesapeake Economic Development, and Chad Matheson, Director of Business Intelligence at the Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance recently appeared on WCTV Chesapeake Television's *Decision Makers* program to discuss opportunities for growth, a path for the jobs of tomorrow and navigating the challenges that lie ahead for the City and the region.

*Decision Makers* is a program that brings leaders from the region to discuss the decision making process, and the direction of the region from a social, economic, and business standpoint.

[To watch the full episode, please click here](#)

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## LIBRARY NEWS

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### September is National Library Card Sign-up Month

The Library is offering their first ever community designed library card, created by local third grader, Olivia.

Olivia's design, which features a dog reading on a sofa in a library, claimed the lead over 150 other designs submitted by students grades K-12. Each design went through multiple rounds of review before ultimately going to the public for final selection. In addition to the new library card, the library will be distributing bookmarks designed by contest finalists.



If you don't have a Chesapeake Public Library card, you can get one of the special edition cards for free. If you already have a card, your first replacement is free and any additional replacements cost one dollar. These limited edition items are only available while supplies last.

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## CENTRAL FLEET NEWS

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### Department Environmentally Recertified

Central Fleet Management was recertified as an Environmental Enterprise (E2) participant in the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program in July.

The certification recognizes Central Fleet's commitment to proactive environmental management, compliance with environmental requirements, and continuous improvement in their environmental performance.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Hands-Only CPR and AED Use**  
**Thursday, August 2**  
**6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
**Chesapeake Public Library**  
**298 Cedar Road**  
[Click here for more information](#)

**"Summer Stars"**  
**Thursday, August 9**  
**8:00 p.m.**  
**Chesapeake Planetarium**  
**312 Cedar Road**  
[Reservations Required](#)

**City Council Meeting**  
**Tuesdays, August 14 & 21**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**306 Cedar Road**

**"Movie & More" Outdoor Series**  
**Saturday, August 18**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Elizabeth River Park**  
**1400 Elizabeth River Way**

**Farmer's Markets**  
**Saturday, August 25**  
**8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
[Multiple Locations](#)

**Summer Concert Series**  
**Thursday, August 30**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
**Towne Place at Greenbrier**  
**725 Eden Way North**