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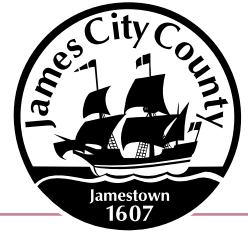
*A report to the citizens of James City County*

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## For Your Information

*Working In Partnership With All Citizens  
To Achieve A Quality Community*



### 2007 Legacy Hall offers exciting meeting venue



The County's new 2007 Legacy Hall, located at 4301 New Town Avenue in New Town, will be available for rental by citizens, community and civic groups for meetings and other functions beginning in mid-December.

The new community building will offer meeting and event space for a maximum crowd of 299. The 5,300-square-foot facility offers a large room that can be partitioned into two spaces for receptions, weddings, meetings and other events. A public art project, an abstract wall sculpture that pays tribute to the three ships that arrived here in 1607 will be featured in a large lobby. The building's large glass facade will front Sullivan Square, a civic green and patio.

Community groups, private parties and others may find out about rental fees and reservations by calling 259-5410 or online at [jccEgov.com](http://jccEgov.com)



### Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Many citizens, including teenagers, took part in the update of Parks and Recreation's Master Plan.

Comments – from citizen forums, a telephone survey, the Listening Board, InfoLine and calls and letters – are being compiled and analyzed. Results will then be forwarded to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors for consideration as the recreation component of the County's overall comprehensive plan review next year.

Though this review period has ended, citizen comments on recreational programs, parks and facilities are always welcomed. Call, write or visit: James City County Parks and Recreation, 5300 Palmer Lane, Suite 1A, Williamsburg, VA 23188; 259-5415.



*Local youth voice their opinions at a citizen forum. Pictured are Bryce Williams (left to right), Steven Hall, Ali Wheeler, Molly Emmett and Karissa Milligan.*

## Youth Sports Expo

Jan. 27, 9 a.m. to noon  
James City/Williamsburg  
Community Center  
Free

James City/Williamsburg area parents and children will meet local athletic groups and gather information about the youth sports opportunities in our area. Soccer, baseball, swimming, softball, basketball, hockey, track, football, and volleyball will be represented. Clinics, contests for the kids, door prizes, and speakers on youth sports will be held.

Sponsored by Parks and Recreation and the James City Chapter of the National Youth Sports Coaches Association.

## Become part of history!

America's 400th Anniversary Weekend, May 11-13, is our opportunity to showcase our history and our community and to come together to enhance the experience for all who attend.

Volunteer opportunities include shuttle bus attendants, crowd control, parking attendants, ticket takers, event and activity attendants and more. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age.

Volunteer applications are available at [www.americas400thanniversary.com](http://www.americas400thanniversary.com). An application may also be requested by contacting the Volunteer Office at 220-7008 or [vols2007@cwf.org](mailto:vols2007@cwf.org). If you haven't already submitted an application, then mail to:

Lynn Smith  
Volunteer Office  
412 W. Francis Street  
William Byrd III Stable  
Williamsburg, VA 23185



connecting youth, families and community since 1986!

## School Age Programs

**Registration begins in January for the 2007 Rec Connect School Age program.** Rec Connect includes both the Summer Camp 2007 program and the 2007-2008 Before and After School program. This program offers dependable and safe activities such as games, fitness opportunities, creative crafts, drama, music and team projects to Williamsburg-James City County elementary and middle school children.

Mail-in registration for County residents begins Feb. 2. Non-residents may apply beginning Feb. 9.

Registration packets may be picked up beginning Jan. 22 at the James City/Williamsburg Community Center, the James River Community Center, the Satellite Services Office in Toano or downloaded from [www.jccEgov.com](http://www.jccEgov.com).

For program fees and additional information, call 259-5356 or visit [www.jccEgov.com](http://www.jccEgov.com).

## Citizen Leadership Academy forming

Learn leadership skills that can be applied to everyday life! Neighborhood Connections is looking for County residents who wish to attend the 2007 Citizen Leadership Academy. Classes meet for two hours once a week for nine weeks beginning in January. Topics include strengthening relationships, how to work together as a team, networking and how to take ideas from talk to action.

Open to County residents at no cost. For an application, call 259-5422.

## Mark your calendars...

...to attend upcoming trainings. For registration information, call Neighborhood Connections, 259-5422.

- *Advanced Legal Aspects, Jan. 20.* This course will provide an in-depth look at the laws governing homeowner's associations, duties of board members, how to accurately reflect meeting minutes, enforcement and collections and more.
- *Essentials of Community Volunteer Leadership, March 27.* This course will look at the creation, legal foundation and financial structure of community associations and will introduce an approach that can be used for addressing issues and solving problems. The returning feature is a working lunch, "Questions and Answers with Legal Counsel."
- *James City County 101, April 28.* See exhibits from various County departments, take part in interactive exercises, hear a short presentation by County Administrator Sandy Wanner and then board a bus for a tour around the County. Participants will learn about the County's history, organizational structure, services, facilities, voting districts, role in America's 400th Anniversary and much more. Open to all County residents.

# Holiday and winter fire safety fun

In keeping with the holiday spirit, here's a game to learn fire safety for the holidays! Let's see if you can answer these questions correctly. The first 50 citizens to answer all questions correctly will receive a prize!

1. What is the second leading cause of residential fires?

- A: Heating
- B: Cigarettes
- C: Candles
- D: Santa coming down the chimney too fast!



2. What is the largest cause of residential fires on Thanksgiving Day?

- A: Turkey fryers
- B: Cranberry blasts
- C: Cooking
- D: Candles



3. What is the best way to extinguish a grease fire on the stove?

- A: Fire extinguisher
- B: Water
- C: Flour
- D: Lid to the pan



4. If you celebrate Christmas with a live tree and it becomes dry and a fire starts, how long will it take for the room to catch on fire?

- A: 1 minute
- B: 2 minutes
- C: Less than 30 seconds
- D: None of the above



5. If you use holiday lights, is it important to only use the recommended number of light strings?

- A: Not very important
- B: It's OK if you use an extension cord
- C: It's very important
- D: You can overload light strings



6. How can you learn about recalls on holiday gifts?

- A: No idea
- B: Visit the stores more often
- C: If it's important, I might see it on television
- D: Visit the Consumer Product Safety Commission Web site

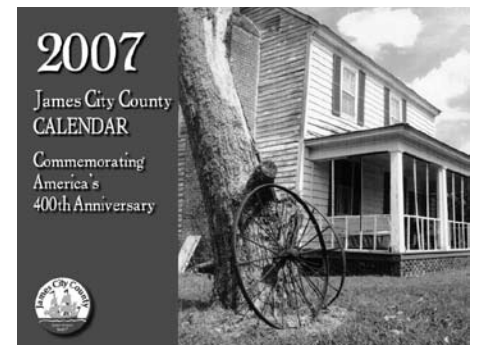
To get your prize, e-mail Margaret Tucker, Public Fire Safety Educator, at [margaret@james-city.va.us](mailto:margaret@james-city.va.us)

## Share your memories

Were you in the Williamsburg area in 1957? How about your family members or friends? The Williamsburg Regional Library is gathering reminiscences and memorabilia of area citizens who were here during the last great Jamestown commemoration in 1957.

For more information, contact Patrick Golden at 259-4071 or [pgolden@wrl.org](mailto:pgolden@wrl.org), or visit [www.jamestownmemories.com](http://www.jamestownmemories.com)

## Calendar published



James City County has published a 2007 calendar highlighting historic places and sites in commemoration of America's 400th Anniversary. County employees contributed photos featured in the calendar, including Whitehall Tavern, the James River and Jamestown Settlement.

The calendar will help guide citizens through the upcoming signature events surrounding the commemoration. It also includes helpful phone numbers and information regarding County services.

The calendar, which will be mailed to selected households, also will be available at County offices or can be viewed at [www.jccEgov.com](http://www.jccEgov.com).

Not sure of the correct answer? Want some help? Look here!

- 1. See [www.usfa.dhs.gov](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov).
- 2. See [www.usfa.dhs.gov](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov).
- 3. Ask any child who has had the fourth grade fire safety class or visit [www.fireextinguisher.com](http://www.fireextinguisher.com).
- 4. Watch this video at [www.usfa.dhs.gov](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov).
- 5. See [www.esfi.org](http://www.esfi.org).
- 6. See [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).

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## Bath house improved for swimmers

James City County worked in a funding partnership with Williamsburg Aquatic Club and Eastern State Hospital to provide a major improvement to the swimming pool facility. The 1,600-square-foot “bath house” adjacent to the 25 meter pool on the Eastern State grounds features heated locker rooms, showers and bathrooms for men and women. It will allow increased usage by the three area high school swim teams, the Williamsburg Aquatic Club and Eastern State patients and staff.

The lobby floor features the footprints of all the swimmers whose families contributed to the building.

For more information about the Williamsburg Aquatic Club or the bath house project, call the WAC office at 229-4338.



*Fundraising Chair Rick Overy (left to right,) WAC President Gloria Linderman, WAC Head Coach Harold Baker, James City County Administrator Sandy Wanner, and Eastern State Hospital Administrator John Favret.*

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