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## Progress Report online

The 2008 James City County Progress Report will be available exclusively online at [jccEgov.com](http://jccEgov.com) beginning September 12. County Administrator Sandy Wanner says "the decision to go electronic reduces paper and demonstrates the County's commitment to the environment and community." Those who would prefer a paper copy can print the Progress Report at home with a click of a button on the website.

The Progress Report reviews accomplishments County departments have made over the past Fiscal Year, July 1, 2007-June 30, 2008. The County's Strategic Management Plan serves as the "backbone" for the Report which highlights achievements in these strategic directions:

- Manage finances wisely and encourage a balanced economy
- Improve the lives of citizens and foster a sense of community
- Plan responsibly for the needs of a growing, diverse community
- Steward the natural environment and historic heritage
- Provide outstanding customer service

James City County Progress Reports from previous years can be seen at [jccEgov.com/communications](http://jccEgov.com/communications).

## Same services, different look

The recently remodeled County Satellite Services and DMV Select offices at 3127 Forge Road, Toano are open for business. County citizens can register for Parks and Recreation activities, purchase Convenience Center coupons, pay taxes and complete select DMV services without the \$5 in person fee for vehicle registrations.

- **Satellite Services hours:** Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- **DMV Select hours:** Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

For a complete list of services provided, visit [jccEgov.com/satellite](http://jccEgov.com/satellite) or call **564-2160**.



## Are you registered?

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4. Voters will be asked to elect the next President, Vice President and representatives to the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives.

### Important dates to remember:

Monday, September 22	First day of absentee voting
Monday, October 6, by 5 p.m.	Last day to register to vote
Saturday, October 25, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.	Special Saturday hours at the Registrar's Office
Tuesday, October 28, by 5 p.m.	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot <i>by mail</i>
Saturday, November 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.	Special Saturday hours at the Registrar's Office
Saturday, November 1, by 5 p.m.	Last day to apply for an absentee ballot <i>in person</i>
Tuesday, November 4, 6 a.m.-7 p.m.	Election Day!
Tuesday, November 4, by 7 p.m.	Last day to return absentee ballots.

Absentee ballots may be returned via USPS, UPS, FedEx, DHL, or any other generally recognized courier service. An absentee ballot may be hand delivered by the voter who requested the absentee ballot ONLY.

The Voter Registrar's Office is located in the County Government Complex at 101-B Mounts Bay Road. For more information, call **253-6868** or visit [jccEgov.com/vote](http://jccEgov.com/vote).

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Working in partnership with all citizens  
to achieve a quality community

## Tune in to Community Channel 46

In addition to JCC TV48, James City County operates Community Channel 46 on Cox Cable. Channel 46 gives citizens more opportunities to watch their local government in action by rebroadcasting important public meetings. Here's the schedule:



- **Wednesdays:** special County meetings including Wetlands and Chesapeake Bay Boards and Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meetings

- **Thursdays:** Board of Supervisors

- **Fridays:** Planning Commission

Meeting rebroadcasts can be seen at 8 a.m., 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

On weekends, check out Classic Arts Showcase, featuring classic animation, art, dance, music and more, midnight Friday - midnight Sunday. A Message Board advertises non-profit community events between programs.

For more information about Community Channel 46, visit the web at [jccEgov.com/communications](http://jccEgov.com/communications) or call 253-6864.

## Mark your calendars

The annual **Haunted Forest** and **Scarecrow Stuffing** have been combined! Both will be held on Saturday, October 25, 6-9:30 p.m. at Upper County Park with free parking at Toano Middle School. Admission to the Haunted Forest is \$1 or half price in costume.

The event is for all ages – children six and younger and their parents can visit Goblinville with moonwalks and a hayride and attend Frankenstein's Birthday Party. Teens can take the floor for Dracula's Dance Party and lots of activities and games! At 6:30 p.m. make your own scarecrow (\$17/scarecrow includes free admission to the Haunted Forest). Other activities include a costume contest, arts and crafts and more!

## Neighborhoods Conference

Register today for the free 2008 Historic Triangle Neighborhoods Conference, "Monumental Possibilities: Capitalizing on Collaboration" at Warhill High School, October 10 and 11. Participants will move through interactive workshops in leadership, neighborhood building, youth/adult partnerships, asset mapping and community problem solving. The Conference is not limited to adults – children in kindergarten through fifth grade will have their own sessions and older youth will attend the adult workshops. Other highlights include "Stories from the Porch" and the 2008 Neighborhood Awards. Registration materials are available at [htnc.org](http://htnc.org) or by calling 259-5422.

## County Calendar

- September 1 ..... **Labor Day** – County offices, community centers and libraries closed
- September 2 ..... School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- September 8 ..... Community Conversation, 6 p.m.
- September 9 ..... BOS Regular Meeting, 7 p.m.
- September 10 ..... Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- September 16 ..... School Board work session, 7 p.m.
- September 23 ..... BOS work session, 4 p.m., regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- October 1 ..... Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- October 7 ..... School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- October 14 ..... BOS regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- October 16 ..... Libraries closed for staff in-service day
- October 21 ..... School Board work session, 7 p.m.
- October 28 ..... BOS work session, 4 p.m., regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- October 31 ..... **Halloween** – Trick or Treating hours 6-8 p.m.
- November 4 ..... **Election Day** – Polls open 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- November 5 ..... Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- November 7 ..... Daylight Savings Time ends
- November 11 ..... **Veterans Day** – County offices closed, community centers and libraries open regular hours
- November 11 ..... School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- November 12 ..... BOS regular meeting, 7 p.m. (note date due to holiday)
- November 18 ..... School Board work session, 7 p.m.
- November 25 ..... BOS work session, 4 p.m., regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- November 26 ..... Libraries open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- November 27 ..... **Thanksgiving** – County offices, community centers and libraries closed
- November 28 ..... **Thanksgiving** – County offices and libraries closed, community centers open regular hours

For more information on meeting locations, visit [jccEgov.com](http://jccEgov.com). Information on dates for absentee balloting and voting are on reverse side.

## Save money and water!

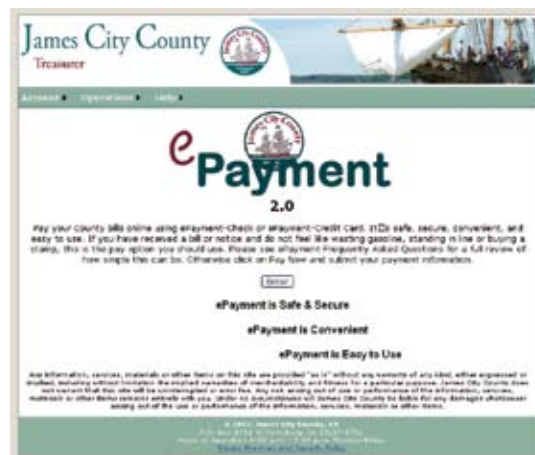
Concerned about your water usage? James City Service Authority (JCSA) is helping you work towards water conservation with new rebates. Receive rebates for rain sensors, rain barrels and cisterns, EnergyStar dishwashers and washing machines, WaterSense high-efficiency toilets, 'on demand' water recirculators and WaterSmart landscaping. Applications are available online at [bewatersmart.org](http://bewatersmart.org) or by calling 253-6859. You must be a JCSA water customer to apply.

## Did you know?

- Outdoor water use regulations remain in effect until September 30. Details are available at [jccEgov.com/jcsa](http://jccEgov.com/jcsa) or by calling the Outdoor Water Info line at 259-4152 for a recorded message or Customer Service at 253-6800.
- On February 17, 2009, analog broadcasting will end for full-power TV stations. If you use a broadcast antenna and don't have a digital TV, you'll need a converter box. For more information, go to [dtv.gov](http://dtv.gov) or call 1-888-CALL-FCC.
- Visit [jccEgov.com/subscribe](http://jccEgov.com/subscribe) where you can subscribe to the electronic version of *FYI*. While you're there, sign up for e-mails on recycling, environmental education, Parks and Recreation activities, emergency services, JCC TV48 and more.
- Hurricane season runs through November 30. Preparedness and recovery information is available on [jccEgov.com/EOC](http://jccEgov.com/EOC) or by calling 564-2140. Also be sure to check out the 2008 Hurricane Readiness Guide at [jccEgov.com](http://jccEgov.com).

## Pay bills, save stamps

Pay your County bills online using ePayment ([jccEgov.com/epayment](http://jccEgov.com/epayment)). It's safe, secure, convenient, free and easy to use for both check and credit card transactions. Payments are accepted



for personal property and real estate taxes, business and dog licenses, Convenience Center coupons and parking tickets.

For more information, call the Treasurer's Office at 253-6705 or go to [jccEgov.com/treasurer](http://jccEgov.com/treasurer).

## Leaf collection schedule

Bagged leaves will be collected in two cycles during December and January. Bagged leaves can also be self-hauled to the Jolly Pond Convenience Center during operating hours (one coupon per four lawn and leaf-sized bags is required). The complete collection schedule will be available in the December issue of *FYI*.

For more information call 565-4000 or visit [jccEgov.com/recycling](http://jccEgov.com/recycling).

## Are you a Greasebuster?

JCSA asks that you help us prevent costly, unpleasant sewer blockages by properly disposing of fats, oils and grease. Pour cooled oils and grease into an old glass jar or can and dispose of it in the trash or take it to James City County's Jolly Pond Convenience Center located at 1204 Jolly Pond Road. Remove excess grease left on cookware with a paper towel and scrape excess food scraps into the trash. For more information visit [jccEgov.com/jcsa](http://jccEgov.com/jcsa), e-mail [greasebusters@james-city.va.us](mailto:greasebusters@james-city.va.us) or call 253-6859.

