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### **York County's Weather Alert Center Activated During Severe Storm Threats**

A Winter Storm Warning is in effect for York County and the region from 10 p.m. tonight (1/28) until 4 p.m. tomorrow. Potential accumulation and impact for the area are unknown at this time as the storm has been difficult to predict. Citizens will find helpful information posted on the York County website homepage [Alert Center](#), including facility closings, program cancellations, helpful links to regional resources, and more. In addition, updates are posted on the [County's Facebook page](#) as they are received. The Alert Center is activated when severe weather threatens.



### **January Winter Market Canceled for Visitor Safety**

The predicted storm has caused Visit Yorktown to cancel tomorrow's first Winter Market. Although Market Days are moved to the lower level of the parking terrace when it rains, the weather forecast is for wintry conditions that will likely make travel difficult. The next event is the Valentine's Market on February 12. Shoppers will find fresh produce, desserts, and baked goods, along with original artwork – perfect for your sweetheart for Valentine's Day. Following the Valentine's Market, the other scheduled dates are February 26 and March 12. Market information is available on the [Visit Yorktown website](#).

### **Senior Center Offers Variety of Programs in February**

Seniors aged 55 and older are invited to participate in the wide variety of activities and presentations available at the Senior Center (5314 George Washington Memorial Highway in the Washington Square Shopping Center). Among the upcoming special events is “**A History Lesson to Remember**” at 1 p.m. on February 11. Dr. Rebertha Pope-Matthews' innovative project highlighting the contributions of African (Black) Americans from 1619-2020 will be presented. “We Remember 1619,” written by Dr. Pope-Matthews, is spoken to an electrifying musical track, produced, composed, and arranged by Rahni Song and featuring musicians Bill McGee and Verrandall Tucker. Register by February 7 [online](#) or by calling the Senior Center at (757) 890-3444. **AARP** is once again offering **free tax preparation assistance** for citizens aged 55 and older.

Appointments are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., February 1 through April 15.

Citizens must pick up a tax packet at the Senior Center during those hours prior to scheduling an appointment. Safety precautions are required. For more information, please call the Senior Center. A complete list of upcoming February activities is available [online](#).



## Register Now for the Great American Cleanup

In the past couple of years, litter has increased across all Hampton Roads communities. The presence of discarded masks and gloves as well as to-go/takeout food containers has added to the problem. Here's a chance to help by participating in the Great American Clean Up – March 25 and 26. Volunteers are provided trash bags, gloves, safety vests, and litter collection tools to help make participation a breeze. Who should partner? Anyone!... watershed restoration groups, military commands, neighborhood associations, schools and universities, corporations and small businesses, faith communities, families and individuals. More information is available on the [Waste Management website](#). So, get ready to clean up America!



## Help Choose the Films Shown at This Year's Movies in the Parks!

Our popular Movies in the Parks series returns beginning April 23. Parks and Recreation is currently working on which films to show. Does your family have a favorite you'd like to share with others? Send an [email](#) to Parks and Recreation with your suggested movie title. The movie must be rated either G or PG, has to be available for licensing (check this

[website](#) for movie options), and we need your suggestions no later than February 7. We can't wait to hear from you, we'll have the popcorn!

**Additional Notes for the Week.....**Registration begins February 1 for Adult Softball Leagues: Men's, Co-ed Church, and Co-ed Industrial. Visit the [Parks and Recreation website](#) for more information.

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