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## What's Happening in Suffolk This Week

### Monday, March 12

#### *Historic Suffolk Narrated Bus Tour*

See Suffolk through the eyes of years gone by. Suffolk's rich heritage dates back to the early 17<sup>th</sup> century when Captain John Smith first encountered the Nansemond Indians on the Nansemond River. Guided by a Suffolk historian, you meet the people and places that made Suffolk the City it is today. Highlights of this windshield tour include Cedar Hill Cemetery, Riddick's Folly House Museum, Constant's Wharf, College Court and Suffolk's historic Lakeside neighborhood. The *Historic Suffolk Narrated Bus Tour* departs from the Suffolk Visitor Center, conveniently located at 524 North Main Street, and is scheduled from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets for each tour are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors (60+), military and children ages 9 to 12. For more information, call 757.514.4130.

**Wednesday, March 14***Local History and Genealogy Questions? Ask LaSandra!*

Local History and Genealogy Librarian, LaSandra Adams, will be available from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Morgan Memorial Library, 443 West Washington Street, to answer questions, demonstrate the use of tools like the microfilm machine, and record oral histories for Suffolk Speaks. For more information, call 757.514.7323.

**Wednesday, March 14***Afternoon Conversations: Historical Documents with Jessica Ritchie*

Every month a guest speaker will present a topic of local and historical interest. In March, the Suffolk-Nansemond Historical Society and the Suffolk Public Library welcomes ODU Special Collections Librarian, Jessica Ritchie, to the Phillips-Dawson House located at 137 Bank Street. From 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., Ms. Ritchie will speak about the preservation of historical documents from family records to rare books. For more information, call 757.514.7323.

**Thursday, March 15***Inclusive Design: Architecture in Action*

Architect Ed Lazon of The Design Collaborative will speak about designing spaces for all abilities and the differences between accessible, usable, and universal design. Learn about the physical challenges people with disabilities face on a typical day and test your new knowledge of inclusive design with a hands-on activity. This program, free and open to all ages, is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Morgan Memorial Library, 443 West Washington Street. For more information, call 757.514.7323.

**Saturday, March 17***SPL Women's Fest 2018*

In recognition of Women's History Month, join the Suffolk Public Library from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a celebration of women with speakers, self-defense demos, Mammography Van, art projects and more! This event will take place at the North Suffolk Library, 2000 Bennetts Creek Park Road, and is FREE and for ALL AGES! For additional information, please call 757.514.7323.

**Saturday, March 17***Great American CleanUp 2018*

Spring is upon us, and Keep Suffolk Beautiful is launching its greatest "Great American Cleanup" campaign to date. The campaign is designed to encourage people to get outside and volunteer a few hours to help make our City a cleaner, greener place to live, work and play.

The campaign kicks off on St Patrick's Day, Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Individuals, families and organizations are invited to meet at the City Parking Lot behind the Mills E. Godwin Courts building, located at 150 North Main Street, at 10 a.m. and "Teamup to Cleanup" East Washington Street and the surrounding area. Volunteers will receive equipment and a cleanup map. Students can earn volunteer hours for this project. For more information, contact Suffolk Public Works Litter Control at 757.514.7604.

**Saturday, March 17 and Sunday, March 18***Winter Warm Furrries Adopt-a-thons*

The Suffolk Animal Care Center and the Suffolk Humane Society will host an Adopt-a-thon from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 17 at the Chesapeake Square PetSmart, 4300 Portsmouth Boulevard in Chesapeake and on Sunday, March 18 at the North Suffolk PetSmart, 6243 College Drive. For more information, call 757.538.3030.

**Saturday, March 17 – Saturday, March 24**

*Suffolk Restaurant Week: A Culinary Showcase*

As Suffolk's premier culinary celebration, Suffolk Restaurant Week was launched by Suffolk Tourism to showcase the array of exceptional dishes prepared by the best chefs in Suffolk.

During this spring showcase, participating eateries offer chef-created delicacies and simple three-course, price fixed menus at the **deluxe** (\$10 lunch/\$20 dinner), **premier** (\$15 lunch/\$30 dinner) or **ultimate** (\$20 lunch/\$40 dinner) levels.

There are no passes to buy, coupons to carry or cards to punch – simply order from the Suffolk Restaurant Week menu. It's the perfect time to sample new restaurants or delight in old favorites. For a list of participating restaurants and additional information, visit [www.restaurantweekssuffolk.com](http://www.restaurantweekssuffolk.com) or call 757.514.4130.

**There are more interesting and exciting events happening in the City of Suffolk!**

See what Suffolk Parks & Recreation has to offer! Visit [www.SuffolkVa.us/parks](http://www.SuffolkVa.us/parks).

For a complete listing of Suffolk Public Library events, visit [www.SuffolkPublicLibrary.com](http://www.SuffolkPublicLibrary.com).

For a complete listing of Suffolk Tourism events, visit [www.VisitSuffolkva.com](http://www.VisitSuffolkva.com).

To view other City events, visit [www.SuffolkVa.us/calendar.aspx](http://www.SuffolkVa.us/calendar.aspx).

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