

NEWS RELEASE

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What's Happening in Suffolk This Week

Monday, November 12

Veterans Day Holiday

In observance of Veterans Day, Suffolk City offices will be closed Monday, November 12, 2018. Normal operations will resume Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 8:30 a.m.

Suffolk Public Works Department will pick up trash as scheduled next week. TFC Recycling will also conduct their normal recycling collection routes. **Suffolk Public Works Department** reminds you that trash must be placed at curbside no later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection. For more information on refuse collection, please call Public Works at 757-514-7630.

Thursday, November 15

Historic Suffolk Narrated Bus Tour

See Suffolk through the eyes of years gone by. Suffolk's rich heritage dates back to the early 17th 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. This 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.

Friday, November 16

Suffolk Grand Illumination

The 2018 Holiday Season officially begins in Suffolk with the Suffolk Grand Illumination Ceremony in Market Park at the Seaboard Station Railroad Museum, located at 326 North Street.

The event rings in the holidays with the park opening at 6 p.m. Watch the 32' tree light up when the switch is flipped at 6:15 p.m., illuminating Suffolk for the holiday season. Be there when Santa arrives in style at approximately 6:30 p.m., and enjoy seasonal music courtesy of local choirs. Be sure to bring your camera to capture your children's smiling faces as they whisper their Christmas wishes to Santa Claus. Stick around to purchase tasty treats from local vendors as your children watch puppet shows, decorate their letter to Santa and visit the Suffolk Seaboard Station Railroad Museum. There will also be horse and carriage rides available for purchase! This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 757.514.7267.

Saturday, November 17

*Suffolk Farmers' Market - **Don't Miss the Last Farmers' Market of the 2018 Season to get the freshest ingredients for your Thanksgiving meal or to start your holiday shopping!***

The Suffolk Farmers' Market, conveniently located in the Suffolk Visitor Center Pavilion at 524 North Main Street, boasts the best in locally-grown fresh fruits and vegetables, along with eggs, honey, homemade jams and jellies, baked goods, fresh cut flowers, plants and handmade jewelry and crafts.

For more information or to become a vendor, contact the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130 or VisitSuffolk@SuffolkVa.us.

Saturday, November 17

7th Annual Artisan Gift Fair

Start your holiday shopping at the Seventh Annual Suffolk Artisan Gift Fair. Held in conjunction with the Suffolk Farmers' Market, the traditional outdoor holiday market features artisan-quality crafts, jewelry, soaps, fine art, candles, woodcrafts, birdhouses, crocheted items, jams and jellies, totes, holiday ornaments, wreaths, baked goods, seasonal produce, meats and more. The Artisan Gift Fair is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the open-air Suffolk Visitor Center Pavilion, conveniently located at the corner of Constance Road and North Main Street. The Suffolk Visitor Center Pavilion will be festive with live music, a petting zoo, face painting and a bounce house. Enjoy light refreshments inside the Visitor Center. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 757.514.4130.

Sunday, November 18

Great Dismal Swamp Safari

The Great Dismal Swamp is anything but dismal. The narrated *Swamp Safari*, one of Suffolk's most popular attractions, fills up quickly. This four-hour tour, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., is led by a biologist specializing in the unique habitat of the Great Dismal. Learn about the history, lore, vegetation and wildlife with this adventure that includes a brief walk to Lake Drummond. Sunscreen, insect repellent, comfortable clothes and shoes are recommended. A small snack and beverage is provided. This tour is not recommended for very small children. Call the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130 to reserve your spot. Cost is \$10 adults; \$8 seniors (60+), military, and children ages 3 to 12.

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.

For a complete listing of Suffolk Public Library events, visit www.SuffolkPublicLibrary.com.

For a complete listing of Suffolk Tourism events, visit www.VisitSuffolkva.com.

To view other City events, visit www.SuffolkVa.us/calendar.aspx.

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