

THE CITY FOCUS

CHPD Announces Inaugural DUI “100 Club”

The City of Colonial Heights Police Department has created a new program designed to recognize the efforts of police officers combatting the operation of motor vehicles within the city by drivers “under the influence” of alcohol or drugs

CHPD Chief Jeffrey W. Faries, with the support of M.A.D.D. (*Mothers against Drunk Driving*), recently created the **DUI “100 Club”** in an effort to give special recognition to those CHPD officers who have made substantial numbers of DUI arrests.

“Taking at least 100 drunk drivers off Colonial Heights streets is obviously a significant accomplishment.” said Chief Faries. “The work of these officers has not only created a much safer city for our residents but has also saved the community from considerable property damage and loss.”

The first of its kind in the Commonwealth, the **DUI “100 Club”** was developed to recognize CHPD officers who have arrested *at least one hundred (100) drunk drivers* over the span of their career.

Members of the inaugural **DUI “100 Club”** are:

- **Lt. Steve Groat**
- **Lt. William Anspach**
- **Sgt. Robert Helms**
- **Senior Officer Chris Harris**
- **Senior Officer Mike Foster**
- **Senior Officer Travis Karr**

“The Colonial Heights Police Department is committed to maintaining a safe community for

both residents and visitors,” said City Manager Tom Mattis. “This recognition is further evidence of the professionalism and commitment to that goal by these officers.”

The officers were recognized by the City Council and awarded the first **DUI “100 Club”** pins that they will proudly display on their uniforms.

2012 IS AN ELECTION YEAR BE READY TO VOTE!

This coming November brings an important election regarding national, state, and local officeholders and issues — *don't miss your chance to vote.*

The last day to register to vote or make changes to your existing voter registration is **October 15, 2012.**

Absentee voting will begin **September 21, 2012.** In person absentee voting will run through **November 3, 2012.** Requests for absentee ballots by mail must be made by **October 30, 2012.**

On the **November 6, 2012** ballot will be:

- **U.S. President and Vice-President**
- **United States Senate**
- **U.S. House of Representatives**
- **City Council (3)**
- **School Board (3)**
- **Virginia Constitutional Amendments**

For more information on any of the above, please visit the State Board of Elections website: www.sbe.virginia.gov or contact the Registrar's Office at 520-9277 or www.colonialheightsva.gov.

Make an Emergency Supply Kit

Recent storms remind us we should be ready for emergencies

Hurricane season is here. And nearly everyone in Virginia recently experienced the historic derecho severe storms and extended power outages. Do you have an emergency supply kit?

Every family needs supplies on hand for these situations. Start your emergency kit with these essential items:

- Three days' of food that won't spoil (canned goods and packaged foods)
- Three days' of water, one gallon per person per day
- A hand crank and/or battery-powered radio and extra batteries
- A written family emergency plan

Once you gather these basics, put them in waterproof containers that you can carry or roll in case you need to leave your home quickly. Old suitcases or backpacks also can hold supplies.

Other items are useful in an emergency supply kit, such as flashlights with extra batteries (not candles), a first aid kit, a list of prescriptions and doctors and a supply of medications, food and water for your pets, and special items for babies, disabled or older family members.

Get started with the essential items, and then add to your kit. For a fill-in or downloadable family emergency plan worksheet, go to www.ReadyVirginia.gov and click on Make a Plan.

Emergency preparedness is everyone's responsibility.

Phase 2 of Appomattox River Greenway Trail Now Completed

Progress continues on the developments of the *Appomattox River Greenway Trail* with the recent completion of the project's second phase. This construction added an additional one-half mile section to the trail, which is located adjacent to the river—and now extends from Roslyn Landing Park to I-95.

Keith Barber Construction Company performed the work at a cost of \$231,000. Over 80% of the project cost was provided through a grant from the Virginia Department of Transportation, which administers the funds on behalf of the Federal Government.

A formal ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for later this summer.

Funding is now in place to complete the trail, in two additional phases, over the next couple of years. Phase 3 will be located between I-95 and the Boulevard and Phase 4 is located west of the Boulevard.

When completed the trail will be two miles long and connect Roslyn Landing and Appamatuck Parks. Additional amenities are planned for the future. For more information please go to the CHARTS web site at www.colonial-heights.com.



*Thank you to
all Colonial Heights
citizens for their
patience and support
during our recent
transition of
trash & recycling
services*

*Call the CVWMA Customer
Service Hotlines at
(804) 425-0500 (trash) or
(804) 340-0900 (recycling)
With any questions or com-
ments about these services*



DMV2GO
Can't get to DMV?
DMV is coming to you!

**In Colonial Heights at Town Hall Centre 1500 Boulevard
Thursday, August 9, 2012 - 9:00AM to 4:00PM**

With the latest technology, the wireless office on wheels offers all DMV services:

- ▶ Apply for or renew your ID card – available for adults and children.
- ▶ Apply for or renew your driver's license – take road and knowledge tests; get your picture taken. Reinstate driving privileges.
- ▶ Get a copy of your driving record.
- ▶ Obtain vehicle titles, license plates, decals, transcripts.
- ▶ Order disabled parking placards or plates.
- ▶ Recently moved? Stop in to update your address on your DMV record. At the same time you can update your voter registration address and organ donor status.
- ▶ Request a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to set up a myDMV account – receive DMV notices via email or phone; conduct secure transactions on the DMV website, www.dmvNOW.com.
- ▶ Search for other state services through a Virginia Internet portal.
- ▶ And more!

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Department of  Motor Vehicles

Thinking of Ways to Honor a Friend or Loved One? Consider Donating a Book to the CH Public Library

The Colonial Heights Public Library is pleased to help citizens donate a book honoring a friend or loved one.

A book donation can be a birthday or father's day present for someone who "has everything". It can be a gift honoring the memory of a loved one – or it can be a surprise gift for no special reason.

The library staff is happy to help in the selection process; and will prepare an at-

tractive bookplate for the book noting the honored person along with the giver's name and brief tribute message.

The honored person will receive a card informing him or her of your gift to the library, and that the title will remain in the library's collection for decades.

For more information, please contact Bruce Hansen at 520-9384, or hansenb@colonialheightsva.gov

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Boulevard Business Development

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| ☞ EVB Bank..... | \$ 2.2M |
| ☞ BB&T Bank..... | \$ 1.3M |
| ☞ Martin's Fuel Station..... | \$ 1.0M |
| ☞ Old Town Creek Center..... | \$ 4.0M |
| ☞ Family Dollar Store..... | \$ 1.8M |
| ☞ City Courthouse..... | \$16.0M |
| ☞ Boulevard Modernization..... | \$10.0M |

**2012-13 TOTAL PUBLIC/PRIVATE
INVESTMENT - \$36.3M**

**See the Economic Development Newsletter at
www.colonialheightsva.gov for more details**

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