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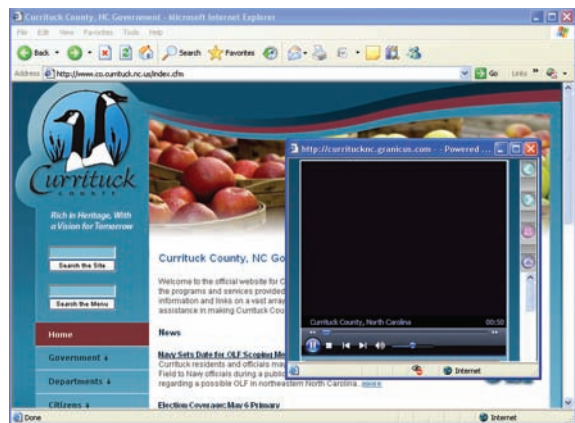
Beginning in late April, Internet visitors to the county government website may have noticed an exciting new feature that makes Currituck County Board of Commissioners meetings available in real time to a global audience.

County staff worked with California-based Granicus, Inc. to develop a live video streaming feature on the Currituck County website, [www.currituckgovernment.com](http://www.currituckgovernment.com). The "Go Live" date for the first Board of Commissioners meeting to air in this manner was May 5, 2008.

Prior to that, the first item in the website's video library was a copy of the April 17, 2008 candidate's forum, hosted by the Currituck Chamber of Commerce.

Along with viewing live meetings, Internet visitors also enjoy additional web video streaming features. These include a video archive that allows users to select specific past meetings for viewing.

Within each video in the archive, a content menu enables users to select particular items for viewing from that meeting's agenda. This allows users to watch only the discussions and actions of their interest. In addition, a search function helps users find certain topics from each meeting within the video.



Several county employees were involved in bringing this progressive technology to Currituck, including: Tina Scanlon, Computer Systems Administrator; Debra Embrey, Electronic Media Coordinator; Van Manson, Video Production Specialist; and Gwen Keene, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

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### FALL READING CLUBS

"**WHAT SHOULD I READ NEXT?**" is focused towards readers of fiction or non-fiction who are always looking for their next good book. Each member of the club will read a different book each month, and then lead a short discussion to encourage other members to read their selection. This is a good chance to share books you love with other readers. If the Currituck County Library does not own the book you wish to share, the Friends of the Library have offered to buy the books for the library, if available.

**HISTORY BOOK CLUB** where each month, members choose a historical event or period to read about and discuss. Members can select non-fiction, biographies, or magazine articles. This club will try to develop a better understanding of why things happened and how historical events impact the present.

"**READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?**" - sponsored by the Currituck Library Teen Advisory Group for Teens to share favorite books, series and authors with their peers.

If you are interested in joining any of these reading clubs, please call 453-8345 and be prepared to indicate days and times you would be available. All clubs will begin in September.

### SHERIFF'S OFFICE EXTENDS HELPING HAND TO AUTISTIC RESIDENTS

Many residents of Currituck County may not be aware of the serious effects Autism Spectrum Disorder may have on a person's ability to function. However, the Currituck County Sheriff's Office has increased its knowledge of this disability and is reaching out to families and communities of autistic individuals.

The Sheriff's Office is compiling a database autistic persons' addresses, and would like for all families or neighbors to help make them aware of these locations. This has become a necessity due to the unique characteristics of autism and the adaptations that are necessary when interacting with a person of this disorder.

"What we're trying to do is get the word out so we'll find out which addresses in our county have a person with a condition in the Autism spectrum," said Currituck Chief Deputy Sandy Casey. "We are really trying to have our officers educated, and we're trying to inform the public as well."

A person with Autism Spectrum Disorder may have several traits that pose a challenge for Sheriff's Deputies or other civil employees. (Continued on page 6)

### REFLECTIVE ADDRESS SIGNS COULD HELP SAVE LIVES & PROPERTY

A simple measure taken by residents could help Currituck County Fire-EMS and Volunteer Fire Departments provide more timely and effective services during emergencies.

Both County officials and Volunteer Fire Department personnel feel that residents who place a Reflective Address Marker on roadside mailboxes or posts make it easier for emergency personnel to locate homes and businesses during a crisis. These signs are either vertical or horizontal in nature, with reflective white numbers placed on a dark background. The reflective nature of the numbers help emergency vehicle operators find the correct address.

"It helps us help them," said Chief James Moseman, Lower Currituck Volunteer Fire Department. "It especially helps at night. It's a lot easier to see the reflective signs."

According to Moseman, locating an address number on residential properties can be difficult in certain parts of Currituck for fire trucks, ambulances or other emergency personnel. This is especially true in dark, rural sections, or in situations where a home sits far back on its property from the road. Residences with only address numbers on the home itself are much more difficult to locate than those with Reflective Address Signs on roadside mailboxes or posts.



This creates a potential problem for emergency staff who are attempting to reach a certain location as quickly as possible, said Currituck County Fire-EMS Chief Michael Carter. "This is one avenue that would help us find a residence," Carter said. "We would like to have this implemented by residents throughout the county."

Currently, the Reflective Address Signs can be ordered for \$15 on the Lower Currituck Volunteer Fire Department website, at [www.lcvfd.org](http://www.lcvfd.org).

Crawford Volunteer Fire Department is also offering the Reflective Address Signs, said Moseman, who hopes that residents throughout Currituck will take advantage of this program and help improve response times for all volunteer fire stations.

To promote the Reflective Address Sign initiative, Chief Moseman (right) presented Chief Carter with a reflective address marker on April 1, 2008. The new reflective sign will be posted at the Currituck Fire-EMS office on Caratoke Highway.

### ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. Data from South Camden is also included because Currituck acquires approximately 200,000 gpd for our customers. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water and to providing you with this information, because informed customers are our best allies. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water, please contact Curtis at 252-453-9382. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. (Continued on page 4)

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# EMS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, PLANNING, GREEN TIP

## ENDANGERED TURTLE TURNS TO 9-1-1 FOR HELP



9-1-1 telecommunicator Jamie Patton rescued a spotted turtle that had crawled to the Communications Center's back door, despite having lost a front leg.

Spotted turtles are on the threatened species list and covered by the Endangered Species Act, according to the World Conservation Union. "Spurtle", as the creature was named, is now living peacefully at the Manteo Aquarium.

## NEW FACES: STEPHANIE FLOWERS, EMS A-SHIFT CAPTAIN

Increasing public awareness of Fire and Emergency Medical Services in Currituck County is a primary mission of Stephanie Flowers, Fire-EMS' new A Shift Captain, who assumed this role on April 26, 2008.

Flowers' assignment followed a short stint as an EMT-Paramedic for the county's Medic 5 station, in Grandy. Prior to that, Flowers served as a Flight Medic at Pitt County Memorial Hospital, in Greenville.

In addition to public relations, Flowers will help oversee recruitment and retention, grant writing and application, and uniform issues. As one of four shift Captains, she will also be responsible for daily operations and assignments.



But the idea of strengthening the public's perception of Fire-EMS is where Flowers aims to put a great deal of focus. She hopes to communicate with the public about the modern equipment, progressive capabilities and overall staff expertise of Currituck Fire-EMS.

As part of her strategy, Flowers intends to develop protocol for EMS personnel to interact with the public. For example, when staff members are present at community events in a standby capacity, Flowers would rather see interaction than simply waiting in the ambulance for a call.

"I really want us to increase the public awareness of Fire-EMS," said Flowers, whose professional experience includes emergency services public relations in Halifax County. "It's really good for the county. If we're already there as a standby, there should be some type of program in place."

Also, Flowers said she intends to increase the department's relationship with Currituck County schools. Among her ideas is a remote-controlled, child-friendly ambulance robot used for making school and community appearances, and visiting with student groups. In addition, she plans to show older students that positive career opportunities exist right here in Currituck County, within the Fire-EMS Department.

While recruitment is a constant need of all emergency services, Flowers hopes to also improve employee satisfaction and retention through a more active departmental incentive program. She wants Fire-EMS members to be recognized for their commitment, effort and service to the community.

"It helps when you have people in administration say you did a really good job," Flowers said.

With much on her plate, Flowers expects to be very busy. But her enthusiasm, knowledge and outgoing personality make her an excellent representative of Currituck Fire-EMS, and someone the public will see more of throughout the community.

### The following individuals have also been approved to serve as Acting Officers:

- Paramedic/Firefighter Matthew McCain
- Paramedic/Firefighter Carl Johnson

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION



David Webb (pictured left) and Stacey Smith (pictured right) each received a Certificate of Appreciation from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Management, for five years of service as a Local Permit Officer with the CAMA Permit Program.

## GREEN TIP: LOWER CARBON EMISSIONS AND YOUR ENERGY BILL

Lighting the average American home generates about two-thirds of a ton of greenhouse gases every year and consumes 20 percent of the average household's electricity bill. Often the lighting is unnecessary - and it is a myth that turning lights on and off uses more electricity than leaving them on. Turn them off if you'll be out of the room for more than a minute. If you find it hard to remember, relatively inexpensive timer controls and daylight or movement sensors can be installed to switch off light automatically. Dimmers and lamps can also help to reduce unnecessary light use.

*True Green, 100 Everyday Ways You Can Contribute to a Healthier Planet*

## DONATION TO EMS HONORS LONG-TIME ANIMAL LOVER

Louis Snidow loved animals, operated a kennel for more than 30 years, and was a past president of the Virginia Kennel Club. After the Corolla resident passed away in the spring, his family decided to honor his memory while recognizing his love for man's best friend. As a tribute, Louis Snidow's brother, Lyle Snidow, together with his wife, Greta, donated a set of pet oxygen masks to the Corolla Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad. This squad had responded to the emergency call made on the morning Louis died of a heart attack. The resuscitation kits are intended for use during structure fires, when family pets might experience smoke inhalation. The masks come in a variety of sizes to specifically fit pets such as dogs and cats.

"We wanted to do something in honor of Louis," said Greta. "He loved animals so much, and we just thought this would be a good idea."

The masks and a plaque commemorating the donation were presented to the Corolla fire department during a brief ceremony held at the station in April.



## EM GRADUATES FIRST COMMUNITY RESPONSE CLASS

Currituck County Emergency Management recently completed its first citizen training course designed to help prepare communities for disaster response.

Ten members of the first Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) graduated from a specialized training program on Saturday, April 12, 2008. Under the leadership of Stanley Griggs, Currituck County Emergency Management Director, and Mary Beth Newns, Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator, the class completed a 20-hour course intended to help create a more prepared and self-sufficient community.



"These groups will not only be able to help in a disaster, they will also be able to help in Emergency Management exercises, community events and in improving public education," Newns said.

The course focused instruction and training in a variety of emergency response situations. These included disaster preparedness, basic fire suppression, basic disaster medical training, terrorism, light search and rescue, and disaster psychology. Participants also learned the primary emergency services organizational structure and the role this team can play in a county-wide emergency response.

At the conclusion of the course, CERT members participated in a mock tornado response exercise. Students were required to plan neighborhood damage assessments, put out small fires, performed basic medical treatment and triage, and completed a light search and rescue operation.

Emergency Management officials conducted the training in Moyock, and divided the class into four evening sessions and two Saturday sessions over a two-week period. Nine of the ten CERT members live in the Moyock area, while one resides in Grandy.

"These individuals dedicated 20 hours of their time, and they worked together to become a very effective team," said Newns, who added that additional CERT courses will be planned in the future.



Members of the first Currituck County Community Emergency Response Team include: Diane Diedrich, Bill Elliott, Jodi Grauman, Chris Mystry, Eric Rasmussen, D.J. Reep, Kat Thomson, Ronald Van Nostrand, Britny Warren and Sherri Warren.

CERT programs originated in California as a way to help communities respond during earthquake emergencies, and the concept gained further momentum after the 9/11 disasters. Following 9/11, President George Bush charged communities to become better prepared and more involved with disaster response.

# WATER TIPS, MOSQUITO PREVENTION, SPOTLIGHT

## IS IT SAFE TO DRINK WATER FROM A GARDEN HOSE?

No. Substances used in vinyl garden hoses to keep them flexible can get into the water as it passes through the hose. These chemicals are not good for you, nor are they good for your pets. Allow the water to run for a short time in order to flush the hose before drinking or filling your pets' drinking containers. Hoses made with food-grade plastic will not contaminate the water. Check your local hardware store for this type of hose.



For more info, contact the Currituck County Water Department at 232-2769.

## WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply. Such measures not only save the supply of our source water, but can also save you money by reducing your water bill. Here are a few suggestions:

Conservation measures you can use inside your home:

- Fix leaking faucets, pipes, toilets, etc.
- Wash only full loads of laundry.
- Do not use the toilet for trash disposal.
- Take shorter showers.
- Do not let the water run while shaving or brushing teeth.
- Soak dishes before washing.
- Run the dishwasher only when full.
- Replace old fixtures; install water-saving devices in faucets, toilets and appliances.



You can conserve outdoors as well:

- Water the lawn and garden in the early morning or evening.
- Use mulch around plants and shrubs.
- Repair leaks in faucets and hoses.
- Use water-saving nozzles.
- Use water from a bucket to wash your car, and save the hose for rinsing.



## MOSQUITO PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

Always remember the 3 D's of the protection from mosquitoes.

**Drain:** Many mosquito problems in your neighborhood are likely to come from water-filled containers that you, the resident, can help to eliminate. All mosquitoes require water in which to breed. Be sure to drain any standing water around your house.

- Change the water in bird baths at least once a week.
- Clear roof gutters of debris.
- Check and empty children's toys.
- Avoid water collecting on pool covers.
- Dispose of any tires. Tires can breed thousands of mosquitoes.
- Plug tree holes.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers.
- Clean pet water dishes regularly.
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets.
- Canoes and other boats should be turned over.
- Empty water collected in tarps around the yard or on woodpiles.

**Dress:** Wear light colored, loose fitting clothing. Many of the 176 mosquito species are attracted to dark clothing and some can bite through tight-fitting clothes. When practical, wear long sleeves and pants.

**Defend:** Choose a mosquito repellent that has been registered by the Environmental Protection Agency. Registered products have been reviewed, approved, and pose minimal risk for human safety when used according to label directions. Three repellents that are approved and recommended are:

- DEET
- Picaridin
- Oil of lemon eucalyptus

Here are some guidelines concerning insect repellents:

- Read the directions on the label carefully before applying.
- Apply repellent sparingly, only to exposed skin (not on clothing).
- Keep repellents away from eyes, nostrils and lips: do not inhale or ingest repellents.
- The American Academy of Pediatrics suggests that DEET-based repellents can be used on children as young as two months of age. Generally, the AAP recommends concentrations of 30% or less.
- Avoid applying repellents to portions of children's hands that are likely to have contact with eyes or mouth.
- Pregnant and nursing women should minimize use of repellents.
- Never use repellents on wounds or irritated skin.
- Use repellent sparingly and reapply as needed. Saturation does not increase efficacy.
- Wash repellent-treated skin after coming indoors.
- If a suspected reaction to insect repellents occurs, wash treated skin, and call a physician. Take the repellent container to the physician.



## STORM STATS AND STRATEGIES

2008 Tropical Storm Forecast Predicted 15 Named Storms & Predicted 8 Hurricanes

Prepare your family's hurricane kit and emergency plan

- Visit [www.readync.com](http://www.readync.com) or [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) for helpful suggestions and checklists.
- Got a kit together already? Now is the time to check the expiration dates on all supplies.

REMINDER - There are NO pre-storm shelters in Currituck County

- Be sure to monitor local radio and television stations for evacuation instructions.
- Be prepared to evacuate. Have your kit ready and vehicle fueled.
- Take time to secure belongings both inside and outside of your home. Loose objects can break windows and doors when moved by high winds

Questions about Hurricane Preparation? Contact the Currituck Emergency Management Department at (252) 232-2115. \*New Information Hotline! For storm information and Re-Entry instructions call (252)232-6010.

## A SPOTLIGHT ON ... SOCIAL SERVICES

### LACEY KALLESTAD



### ECU Grad Happy to Help Currituck's Youth

Though some families view the Department of Social Services with a wary eye, many Currituck County parents are warming up to the aid being provided them by Social Worker III Lacey Kallestad.

As an investigator and assessment social worker, Kallestad helps families remedy the risks and issues which call for the involvement of child protective services. After serving as a department intern, she began her full-time position in August 2007.

In that time, Kallestad has proven adept at linking families in need with community resources that ensure child safety.

"Lacey has core values and is family centered in her practice," said Stephanie Bradley, DSS Social Work Supervisor. "Her dedication, education and belief in what she does will serve the citizens of this county well in the future."

Kallestad has already shown an excellent work ethic and commitment to her profession. Following her 2007 graduation from East Carolina University, she completed a Master of Science Degree in Social Work from ECU while simultaneously working full-time for Currituck DSS. Although this required a great deal of commuting between her home in Moyock and Greenville, the hard work paid off when Kallestad graduated from the Master's program on May 10, 2008.

Now that she has settled into her position, without having the added academic burden, Kallestad is fully focused on improving the family, community and school environments of many Currituck children.

"I really like being able to help people receive resources they didn't know existed, and then seeing how things change in a family after they get help," Kallestad said.

She emphasizes that Social Workers do everything possible to keep children with their families, and that removing any child from a home is a last resort. She's also excited that she recently began working with the county's adoption program and enjoys the 'happy endings' of those situations.

Though she admits to sometimes feeling the stress associated with social work and worrying about the children she encounters, Kallestad is happy to be part of the DSS team.

"I just love this job," Kallestad said. "You get to meet, and help, a lot of different people."

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# CURRITUCK WATER QUALITY REPORT

(Water Quality from page 1)

## WHAT EPA WANTS YOU TO KNOW

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

## SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (SWAP) RESULTS



The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Public Water Supply (PWS) Section, Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) conducted assessments for all drinking water sources across North Carolina. The purpose of the assessments was to determine the susceptibility of each drinking water source (well or surface water intake) to Potential Contaminant Sources (PCSs). The results of the assessment are available in SWAP Assessment Reports that include maps, background information and a relative susceptibility rating of Higher, Moderate or Lower.

The relative susceptibility rating of each source for Currituck County Water was determined by combining the contaminant rating (number and location of PCSs within the assessment area) and the inherent vulnerability rating (i.e., characteristics or existing conditions of the well or watershed and its delineated assessment area).

The assessment findings are summarized in the table below:

## SUSCEPTIBILITY OF SOURCES TO POTENTIAL CONTAMINANT SOURCES (PCSs)

Source Name	Susceptibility Rating	SWAP Report Date
Currituck Wells 3,6,8,9,14,26	Lower	2005
Currituck Wells 1,2,4,5,7,10,11,12,13,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,27,28	Moderate	2005
South Camden Shallow Wells 1,2	Moderate	2005
South Camden Deep Wells 1,2	Lower	2005

The complete SWAP Assessment report for Currituck County Water may be viewed on the Web at: <http://www.deh.enr.state.nc.us/pws/swap> Please note that because SWAP results and reports are periodically updated by the PWS Section, the results available on this web site may differ from the results that were available at the time this CCR was prepared. If you are unable to access your SWAP report on the web, you may mail a written request for a printed copy to: Source Water Assessment Program – Report Request, 1634 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1634, or email requests to [swap@ncmail.net](mailto:swap@ncmail.net). Please indicate your system name, PWSID, and provide your name, mailing address and phone number. If you have any questions about the SWAP report, please contact the Source Water Assessment staff by phone at (919)-715-2633.

It is important to understand that a susceptibility rating of “higher” does not imply poor water quality, only the systems’ potential to become contaminated by PCSs in the assessment area.

### VIOLATIONS THAT YOUR WATER SYSTEM RECEIVED FOR THE REPORT YEAR:

During 2007, or during any compliance period that ended in 2007, Currituck County Water received **no violations**.

## WATER QUALITY DATA TABLE OF DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

We routinely monitor for over 150 contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected in the last round of sampling for the particular contaminant group. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2007. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

## IMPORTANT DRINKING WATER DEFINITIONS:

*Not-Applicable (N/A)* – Information not applicable/not required for that particular water system or for that particular rule.

*Non-Detects (N/D)* - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at the level of detection set for the particular methodology used.

*Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L)* - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L)* - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

*Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)* - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

*Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)* - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

*Action Level (AL)* - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

*Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)* - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)* - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Extra Note: MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

## MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	MCL Violation Y/N	Your Water	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria (presence or absence)	N	0	0	one positive monthly sample	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform or E. coli (presence or absence)	N	0	0	0 (Note: The MCL is exceeded if a routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or E. coli positive)	Human and animal fecal waste

Inorganic and Organic Contaminants (IOC's) (regulated and unregulated)  
Sampled 6/18/07 All contaminants were below detection limits.

Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOC's)  
Sampled 3/01/07 All contaminants were below detection limits.

Nitrate/Nitrite Contaminants  
Sampled 6/04/07 All contaminants were below detection limits.

Synthetic Organic Chemical (SOC) Contaminants Including Pesticides and Herbicides  
Sampled 3/01/07 and 6/04/07 All contaminants were below detection limits.

Volatile Organic Chemical (VOC) Contaminants  
Sampled 12/04/07 All contaminants were below detection limits.

Radioactive Contaminants  
Sampled 2006 (4 quarters) All contaminants were below detection limits.

## UNREGULATED INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Range		Secondary MCL
			Low	High	
Sulfate (ppm)	6/18/07	12.8	N/A		250



# CURRITUCK WATER QUALITY REPORT CONTINUED

## UNREGULATED VOC CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Range	
			Low	High
Chloroform (ppb)	12/04/07	2.4	N/A	
Bromodichloromethane (ppb)	12/04/07	7.1	N/A	
Bromoform (ppb)	12/04/07	32	N/A	
Chlorodibromomethane (ppb)	12/04/07	22	N/A	
Bromobenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Bromochloromethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Bromomethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
n-Butylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
sec-Butylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
tert-Butylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Chloroethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Chloromethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
o-Chlorotoluene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
p-Chlorotoluene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Dibromomethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
m-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Dichlorodifluoromethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,1-Dichloroethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,3-Dichloropropane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
2,2-Dichloropropane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,1-Dichloropropene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,3-Dichloropropene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Fluorotrichloromethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Hexachlorobutadiene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Isopropylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
p-Isopropyltoluene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
Naphthalene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
n-Propylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,2,3-Trichloropropane (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene (ppb)	12/04/07	N/D	N/A	

## LEAD AND COPPER CONTAMINANTS (NEXT SAMPLING DUE 2008)

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	# of Sites Found Above the AL	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm) (90th percentile)	8/19/2005	0.482	0	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb) (90th percentile)	8/19/2005	4	0	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

## DISINFECTANTS AND DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	MCL/MRDL Violation Y/N	Your Water (AVG)	Range		MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
			Low	High			
TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]	N	50.25	33-65		N/A	80	By-product of drinking water
chlorination HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids]	N	20.23	14.9-23		N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Bromate (ppb)	N	N/A			0	10	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorite (ppm)	N	N/A			0.8	1	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	N	N/A			MRDLG = 800	MRDL = 800	Water additive used to control microbes
Chloramines (ppm)	N	2.8	2-4		MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorine (ppm)	N	1.6	.6-3.8		MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

Secondary Contaminants, required by the NC Public Water Supply Section, are substances that affect the taste, odor, and/or color of drinking water. These aesthetic contaminants normally do not have any health effects and normally do not affect the safety of your water.

## WATER CHARACTERISTICS CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Range		Secondary MCL
			Low	High	
Iron (ppm)	Daily	.02	N/A		0.3
Manganese (ppm)	Daily	.01	N/A		0.05
Nickel (ppm)	N/A		N/A		N/A
Sodium (ppm)	N/A		N/A		N/A
pH	Daily	7.4	N/A		6.5 to 8.5

## SOUTH CAMDEN WATER CCR RESULTS FOR 2007

## UNREGULATED INORGANICS CONTAMINANT

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	Range Low High	Proposed MCL
Sulfate (ppm)	04/10/06	7.7	NA	500
Sodium (ppm)	04/10/06	92.400	NA	NA

## LEAD AND COPPER CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water	# of Sites Found Above the AL	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm) (90th percentile)	07/13/07	.090	0	1.3	AL = 1.300	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppm) (90th percentile)	07/13/17	N/D	0	0	AL = 0.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits

## DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCT CONTAMINANTS (SOUTH CAMDEN WATER)

Contaminant (units)	MCL/MRDL Violation Y/N	Your Water (AVG)	Range Low High	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
TTHM (ppb) [Total Trihalomethanes]	N	50	N/A	N/A	80 or 100	By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAA5 (ppb) [Total Haloacetic Acids]	N	N/D	N/A	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine (ppm)	N	.77	.69 .81	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

## UNREGULATED VOC CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant (units)	Sample Date	Your Water
Bromoform (ppb)	04/09/07	1.6
Chlorodibromomethane (ppb)	04/09/07	0.6

SOC'S Testing included 26 regulated compounds and 13 unregulated compounds. Test results showed all compounds tested were below the detection limit.

VOC'S Testing included 21 regulated compounds and 31 unregulated compounds. Test results showed all compounds tested were below the detection limit, except the three in the table above.

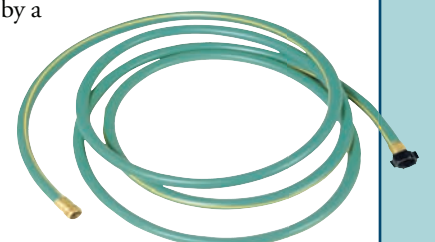
## CONTAMINATION FROM CROSS-CONNECTIONS

Cross-connections that could contaminate drinking water distribution lines are a major concern. A cross-connection is formed at any point where a drinking water line connects to equipment (boilers), systems containing chemicals (air conditioning systems, fire sprinkler systems, irrigation systems) or water sources of questionable quality. Cross-connection contamination can occur when the pressure in the equipment or system is greater than the pressure inside the drinking water line (back-pressure). Contamination can also occur when the pressure in the drinking water line drops due to fairly routine occurrences (main breaks, heavy water demand), causing contaminants to be sucked out from the equipment and into the drinking water line (back-siphonage).

Outside water taps and garden hoses tend to be the most common sources of cross-connection contamination at home. The garden hose creates a hazard when submerged in a swimming pool or when attached to a chemical sprayer for weed killing. Garden hoses that are left lying on the ground may be contaminated by fertilizers, cesspools or garden chemicals. Improperly installed valves in your toilet could also be a source of cross-connection contamination.

Community water supplies are continually jeopardized by cross-connections unless appropriate valves, known as backflow prevention devices, are installed and maintained. We have surveyed all industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities in the service area to make sure that all potential cross-connections are identified and eliminated or protected by a backflow preventer. We also inspect and test each backflow preventer to make sure that it is providing maximum protection.

For more information, visit the Web site of the American Backflow Prevention Association ([www.abpa.org](http://www.abpa.org)) for a discussion on current issues.



# AUTISM CONTINUED, SOCIAL SERVICES, HOT WHEELS, VOLUNTEERING

(Autism from page 1)

These characteristics could include language deficits, difficulty in relating to others or communicating, avoiding eye contact, not responding when spoken to, showing distress or a temper tantrum for no apparent reason, difficulty in expressing their needs, be over-sensitive to being touched or held, and wandering off or fleeing from a person.

These traits pose serious challenges to officers, especially if the Sheriff's Office has not been made aware that they are dealing with a person of Autism Spectrum Disorder. These individuals may run from a Deputy, or worse, they might have a tendency to physically resist because they may not comprehend the situation.

To improve these risks, the Sheriff's Office will take several steps to help ensure the safety of the autistic person when notified by a family. The first step will be to "flag" the autistic person's address in the county database, which will immediately be used to inform officers when responding to an emergency call.

Also, the Sheriff's Office will help families request Autism Awareness Kits from the Autism Society of North Carolina. These kits include identifying features, such as stickers to be placed on residence doors and vehicles, and ID cards for the individual's wallet.

These identification materials will also help alert neighbors and community members, who may be able to spot an autistic person wandering and notify the family and Sheriff's Office.

With the population of Autism Spectrum Disorder on the rise across North Carolina, the need for awareness and education is at an all-time high.

"We'd really like to encourage the families to assist law enforcement and EMS by notifying us that there is a special needs person living in the community," Currituck Sheriff Susan Johnson said.

## FOSTER PARENTS

Currituck Department of Social Services is seeking caring individuals to serve as foster parents for children, ages birth to 18 years old. In N.C., a single person or married couple must be at least 21 years old to become a foster parent, and at least of age 18 to become an adoptive parent.



Applicants must complete a 30-hour training program, entitled Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting. This 10-week course is provided through the Department of Social Services.

Consider what it will mean to have a child come into your family and how this will affect your lives and the child's life. Foster or adoptive parents must be ready to give each child an opportunity to develop to their full

physical, emotional, academic and social potential. Parents must combine realistic expectations with unconditional support and love.

There are also opportunities for foster parents to adopt the children they foster. Research has shown that children who remain in a stable environment are more likely to achieve successful life outcomes.

Department of Social Services provides a stipend for the support of these children while in care. You do not have to own a home or have a certain amount of income, but you do have to have enough income to support your own family.

Additionally, Currituck foster and adoptive parents have formed a support group called Currituck County Foster and Adoptive Family Association. This group shares information and provides respite care for parents. For more contact information, contact Carolyn Eason, Lacey Kallestad, or Fay Lindsay at 232-3083.

## WATER SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN

It's that time of the year again for fun in the sun, beautiful beaches, boating on the Sound, and enjoying backyard swimming pools!

To ensure that your children are safe, NEVER leave them around the water unsupervised. The Child Fatality Prevention Team and the Community Child Protection Team, along with Emergency Medical Services and first responders, have reviewed child drowning incidents that could have been prevented.

Whenever young children are swimming, playing, or bathing in water, make sure an adult provides constant and appropriate supervision. While children are in the water, the adult should not read, talk on the phone, mow the lawn, go to the bathroom, or engage in any other distracting event.

Keep in mind these Water Safety Tips:

- Teach your child to swim. Most swim lessons will not be administered under the age of four. The American Association of Pediatrics does not believe children are developmentally ready and have a higher potential for drowning, even while in swim lessons. Remember, even if a child knows how to swim there is still a risk of drowning.
- Always have a Coast Guard approved life jacket specifically designed for children.
- Childproof your swimming pool. Include a fence around your backyard and a fence around your pool. Keep gates locked. For above ground pools, remove steps while not in use and utilize pool alarms.
- Teach children to always swim with a buddy.
- To prevent choking, do not chew gum or eat while swimming, diving, or playing in the water.
- Watch for dangerous waves and signs of rip currents. If caught in a rip current, swim parallel to the shore. Once you are out of the current swim back to the shore.
- Become trained in basic water safety, first aid, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation(CPR).



## IS YOUR CHILD READY TO BE HOME ALONE?

The Community Child Protection Team and the Child Fatality Prevention Team, along with the Department of Social Services, realize that many parents will be faced with a childcare dilemma during the summer. Some solve the problem with babysitters, daycare, or family. However, there are others who allow children to stay home by themselves.

While there are no specific laws governing this situation, children should not be left home alone under the age of 10. Babies and children under this age should NEVER be left home alone, even for a few minutes. Also, it is recommended a child under 12 NOT be left home alone after 9:00 p.m.

To determine whether your child is ready to stay home alone, consider the following:

- Is the child mature enough to handle a potentially dangerous situation, including a fire, STRANGER AT THE DOOR, or other possible problem?
- Does the child follow rules/instructions well?
- Is the child afraid to be home alone?
- If siblings are home, do the children get along?
- Does the child have any physical or developmental disabilities?

If you determine that your child is ready to transition to being alone, consider:

- Establishing rules for answering the door and telephone.
- Which foods are they allowed to eat, cook, or microwave.
- Are other children allowed in the home? Remember this is what could get your mature child into trouble absent any adult supervision.
- The child should only be allowed short spurts of time alone initially.
- Be sure the child has access to help if an emergency comes up.
- Make sure your children know what you expect from them and go over house rules regularly.

Ultimately, the parents should use good judgment and common sense before moving into the arena of children home alone! For more information visit [www.preventchildabusenc.org](http://www.preventchildabusenc.org).



## HOT WHEELS



### SENIOR CENTER'S NEW BUS

Currituck senior citizens will travel in style aboard the Senior Center's new 25-passenger bus, which was acquired in April. The spacious vehicle will be used primarily for day and overnight trips organized by the Senior Centers of Currituck, Knotts Island and Powells Point. Passengers will enjoy comfortable amenities, such as spacious individual seating, and improved safety measures.

### SHERIFF'S OFFICE REVEALS NEW DECALS

Currituck residents may notice an improved look on the cars driven by Sheriff's deputies. The Sheriff's Office has placed its oval seal on the side of each car, and the nationally-known "Serve and Protect" law enforcement motto along the bumper. The new look adds a unique touch to the cars and further promotes the Office to county residents.



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT COUNTY

Several opportunities exist for Currituck County residents to get involved with helping others. Numerous county departments lean on volunteers to complete many events, activities and programs.

- Currituck Senior Center is seeking volunteers to help with its "Meals-On-Wheels" program. This program delivers meals to elderly shut-ins, and volunteers in the areas of Moyock, Currituck, Barco, Maple, Sligo and Bells Island.
- Currituck Parks and Recreation depends on volunteers for sports programs, including basketball, soccer, flag football, cheerleading and tackle football. Upcoming programs include fall soccer, flag football, cheerleading and tackle football.
- Currituck Library has volunteer opportunities for adults and teenagers over the age of 16. Duties include preparing craft materials for children's programs, entry of genealogy records, typing, shelving books and completing inventory.
- Volunteer Fire Departments help protect people, homes and businesses in your community. Each department needs support from the community to provide successful fire protection service.
- Emergency Management's Community Emergency Response Team receives hands-on training in topics such as preparedness, fire safety, emergency medical treatment and search and rescue.
- Cooperative Extension accepts many volunteers for a variety of programs. For example, the Senior Health Insurance Information Program helps senior citizens with Medicare issues and the Extension and Community Association has four clubs that help strengthen families.
- Several opportunities exist for citizens to participate on various county Advisory Boards.

These are but a few of the opportunities to volunteer in Currituck County. For more information, please visit [www.currituckgovernment.com](http://www.currituckgovernment.com).

# RECYCLING, MOBILE DMV, ECONOMIC TIPS, EXTENSION, TV PROGRAMMING

## NOW AT THE RECYCLING CENTER NEAREST YOU: Compact Fluorescent Lamp Bulb Recycling!

Please bring used bulbs to the recycling center along with your household garbage and recyclables and deposit them in the container reserved for the purpose of recycling mercury containing bulbs.



### BENEFITS OF RECYCLING

- Keeps mercury containing products out of inappropriate waste disposal streams (especially incineration);
- Preferred disposal method in most states for mercury-containing lamps;
- Consistent with solid waste disposal bans and partial bans in some states;
- May limit user's superfund liability; and simplifies enforcement

Generally, fluorescent lamps are four to five times more efficient than incandescent bulbs. Fluorescent lamps reduce energy consumption which saves you money. Reducing energy use also cuts down on power plant emissions of mercury and other emissions that contribute to global climate change, acid rain and smog.

## DMV MOBILE UNIT: NEW SCHEDULE

The Department of Motor Vehicles Mobile Unit which visits Currituck County once a month is changing its schedule. Beginning with March 6, 2008 the DMV Mobile Unit will come to Currituck on the Thursday of the first full week of each month.

This Mobile Unit will still be located in the Historic Courthouse parking lot. The unit is scheduled to visit Currituck on the following dates (for the remainder of 2008): June 5, July 10, August 7, September 4, October 9, November 6, and December 4.

## Pete's Economic Quick Tips



Peter Bishop,  
Economic Development Director

So, after taking, and taking, and taking...the IRS has finally given you some money back!

Did you get \$300? \$600? \$1,200? What are you going to do with the money?

Well, if you haven't already committed it to paying down high interest credit card debt or making an extra house or car payment (all excellent ideas), you may want to hold off on that plasma screen HDTV (sorry fellas) or the string of pearls for your wife (sorry ladies) or the Disney vacation (sorry kids).

With gas prices soon to be flirting with \$4 per gallon and other commodities – especially food – rising in similar fashion, spending smart rather than blowing the check seems like an awfully good idea. Here are a few ways to help:

Cut the coupons and shop for deals: Always throw away the annoying newspaper inserts and coupon stuffers in the mail? Think again. Sure, \$0.35 off that bag of pretzels doesn't seem like a lot, but over a \$100-\$200 grocery bill, you could be looking at \$10 in savings if not more. Also, watch for deals on the products you buy most and stock up!

Live efficiently, especially in the heat: Make sure you are prepped for summer. Turn off power to appliances and lights when not in use. Make sure your vehicle is running properly and is in tune. Check window and door seals for A/C leaks, and only use A/C on the hottest days. Line-dry clothes rather than use the dryer.

Keep the vacation local: When is the last time your family enjoyed its surroundings? Disneyland has nothing on us: beautiful beaches, marshes, sounds and forests. Explore the many recreational and horse trails; go fishing or kayaking on the sound; go see the wild horses with your kids and enjoy a day at Carova Beach. You'll probably be surprised how much fun you have, how little it costs, and how close it all is!

Have a neighborhood BBQ: The best place to enjoy an early summer night is at home, with your friends and neighbors. Host a pot-luck BBQ with your friends and neighbors, with everyone chipping in on the food and beverages. Block off the street, break out the lawn chairs, and fire up the grill. Not only is it cheaper than a night out, it provides entertainment for all ages, and brings the community together. Plus, you're not burning gas, only some propane and maybe your wife's chicken.

## 2008 NORTHEAST AG EXPO

WHEN: Friday, August 8, 2008

WHERE: C.A. Perry & Son, Inc  
2824 Virginia Rd, Tyner, NC

The Northeast Ag Expo Field Day is conducted annually through the joint efforts of producers, agribusinesses, North Carolina State University, commodity groups, and the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Centers of the counties of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans. Attendees can view various research plots and benefit from presentations by Extension specialists and company representatives. The featured crop for the 2008 Expo in Chowan County will be peanuts.

People desiring to receive certified crop adviser credits or pesticide applicator/dealer credits will be provided more information and registration forms in the near future at the Expo website: <http://pasquotank.ces.ncsu.edu/content/2008+Northeast+Ag+Expo>

In addition, interested persons wanting more information about the Ag Expo, may contact the Currituck County Center of North Carolina Cooperative Extension at (252)-232-2262.

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE N.C. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

**BABYSITTING 101** will be held on Tuesday, July 1, Wednesday, July 2 and Thursday, July 3 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. This training series is for youth ages 12 and older who are interested in earning money by babysitting. Learn the business of babysitting, safety issues, child development, basic child care techniques, CPR and how to handle first aid emergencies. The cost is \$20 per person. The class is limited to the first 12 who pre-register by paying the non-refundable fee, payable to Currituck County. Mail to NC Cooperative Extension, 120 Community Way, Barco, NC 27917. Participants will receive their own American Red Cross Babysitting reference guide and CPR certification. Participants must bring a bagged lunch daily.



**YOUTH NUTRITION AND FITNESS CAMP** will be held for youth ages 9 – 12 on Monday, July 28 – Thursday, July 31, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$20. Youth will learn basic food preparation skills, Nutrition, MyPyramid, play games, participate in physical activities daily and take field trips. The class is limited to the first 12 who pre-register by paying the non-refundable fee, payable to Currituck County. Mail to NC Cooperative Extension, 120 Community Way, Barco, NC 27917.

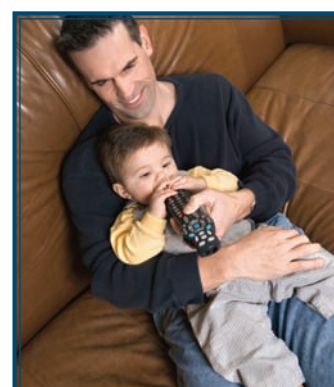
**ITS-SIDS** – Sudden Infant Death Syndrome training for child care providers, parents and caregivers will be held on Tuesday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. This is a state required training for providers who care for children ages 0 – 12 months of age. Call 232-2261 to pre-register.

## N.C. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION NEWSLETTERS

**EDUCATIONAL NEWSLETTERS** - The mission of the NC Cooperative Extension is to partner with communities to deliver education and technology that enrich the lives, land and economy of North Carolina. Our new slogan is "Empowering People, Providing Solutions". We provide free educational newsletters. Call 232-2261 to receive one of the following newsletters:

- **SUCCESSFUL FAMILIES** – Quarterly newsletter for busy families with information on nutrition, financial management, consumer issues and announcements of upcoming educational programs and events.
- **CHILD CARE NEWS** – Designed for Child Care providers and offers training opportunities.
- **GARDEN NEWS** – Monthly newsletter to home gardeners with gardening tips for the month and season of the year and to inform them of upcoming community events.
- **CURRITUCK CONNECTION** – Agriculture related monthly newsletter to provide information to farmers and hobby farmers.
- **CURRITUCK CLOVERLEAF** - designed for youth 5-19, their parents and 4-H volunteers. The newsletter includes announcements of programs and activities for 4-H age youth and volunteers, recognition of outstanding achievements, update on 4-H club activities and educational topics of interest.

## GOV ACCESS TV: UPGRADES ON THE WAY!



Later this year, county residents will begin seeing a variety of original programming on the local government access television stations. In addition, technology plans are in place to provide the same timely format to all areas of Currituck County, throughout the mainland, Knotts Island and Outer Banks.

Behind the initiative of Van Manson, Currituck County Video Production Specialist, and Tina Scanlon, Computer Systems Administrator, the current format of informational written slides will transform into a majority of original video programming.

By the end of this year, Manson expects to have new content scheduled for public television each week. Some of the programming expected to air includes shows on aerobics, healthy eating, pet adoption, county government updates and a community events newscast.

Along with modern viewing, improvements in the county's technology will allow for informational slides to include motion and more attractive graphics. With fewer bland slides shown, the county hopes to increase viewers and communicate with the public in a more entertaining manner.

In addition, the recent technological upgrades to the county's website, [currituckgovernment.com](http://currituckgovernment.com), that provide live video streaming will also enable the county to air public access television via the website. When the new technology is in place, programming on Currituck's public access television will be made available to Internet users worldwide.

These upgrades represent another method that Currituck County Government is reaching out to the public in a modern, informative and positive manner.

# EVENTS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 14 – The 4th Annual Enduring History Celebration; Historic Jarvisburg Colored School, call 453-8234 for information
- June 14 – Harbinger Lavender Farm 2nd Annual Open House; 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., call 491-2225 for information
- June 14 – Dennis Anderson's Motor Sports Park Mud Bog Race; 1:00 p.m., Aydlett
- June 18, 19 – The 7th Annual "Under the Oaks" Arts Festival; 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Whalehead Club, Currituck Heritage Park, call 453-9040 for information
- June 21, 28 – Digger's Dungeon Autograph Signing with Dennis Anderson; 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., call 453-4121 for information

### CATCH THE READING BUG

Our kick off for the Summer Reading Program, *Catch the Reading Bug*, will be on Thursday, June 26 at 11:00. Rob Wescott Productions will perform with a "Magic" theme. Also, reading logs will be given out.

#### SUMMER READING - WEDNESDAYS AT 11:00

July 2 - Lady Liberty, July 9 - Author and Artist Lisa Doxey with her coloring book of Currituck mainland, July 16 - Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education, July 23 - Buccaneer Bash with Pirate Grace and July 29 - Bugs N' Stuff with Steve Somers

#### STORY TIME - TUESDAYS AT 10:00

July 1 - Celebrate the 4th of July, July 8 - B is for Bugs, July 15 - Collage Art, July 22 - Down by the Ocean.

#### TODDLER TIME - THURSDAYS AT 10:00

July 3 - Celebrate the 4th of July, July 10 - B is for Bugs, July 17 - Collage Art, and July 24 - Down by the Ocean.

July 1 to 3 - Babysitting 101; 9:00 – 4:00 p.m. daily, Cooperative Extension Center, Call 232-2261 to pre-register



### CELEBRATE JULY 4 WITH US!

Currituck County will host the 16th Annual Independence Day Celebration on Friday, July 4, 2008. From 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Currituck Heritage Park in Corolla will fill with vendors, entertainers, and attractions. The evening will culminate with an extraordinary fireworks show along the shore of the Currituck Sound.

Parking will be limited. Call the Currituck Travel and Tourism Department, at 453-9612 or 453-2947, for more information and directions.

July 5 – Dennis Anderson's Motor Sports Park Mud Bog and Power Wheels Races; 1:00 p.m., Aydlett



July 8, 9, 10 – The 5th Annual Wild Horse Days, Corolla Wild Horse Museum, Corolla Light Town Center, call 453-8002 for information

July 18 – Moonrise Bay Vineyard "An Evening with Jesse Chong"; 7:00 p.m., call 429-9463 for information

July 26 – The 18th Annual Knotts Island Peach Festival and 9th Annual Wildlife Festival; 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Ruritan Community Park and Knotts Island ES

July 28 to 31 - Youth Nutrition and Fitness Camp; 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. daily, Cooperative Extension Center, call 232-2261 to pre-register

August 8 – Northeast Ag Expo; Chowan County Extension Center, call 232-2262 for more information

August 9 – Dennis Anderson's Motor Sports Park Mud Bog Race; 1:00 p.m., Aydlett

August 16, 30 – Digger's Dungeon Autograph Signing with Dennis Anderson; 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., call 453-4121 for information

August 19 – ITS SIDS Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Training; 6:30 p.m., Cooperative Extension Center, call 232-2261 to pre-register

### 1ST ANNUAL CCFafa GOLF BENEFIT MILL RUN GOLF CLUB, 12:00 NOON, SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

The Currituck County Foster and Adoptive Family Association will host a golf tournament to benefit the county's foster children. Come out and help support a great cause. Exciting gifts and raffles for participants will be included.

\$160 per 4-person team. To register or sponsor this event, please call Fay Lindsay at (252)-232-3083, or CCFafa at (866)-894-4155.

The non-profit CCFafa was founded in 1997 to empower, educate and elevate children to greater opportunities and future possibilities. The group offers such benefits as school supplies, special outings and Christmas gifts for children. It also provides support to foster families and offers specialized training options.

This group meets on the fourth Thursday of each month, and annual dues are \$20 per family. For more information regarding the CCFafa and meeting schedule, please contact Fay Lindsay or Carolyn Eason at 232-3083.

### RECURRING EVENTS

June, July, August, Tuesdays - Kitty Hawk Kites/Carolina Outdoors Kids Day; 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Monterey Plaza, Corolla, call 453-3685 for information

June, July and August, Tuesdays and Thursdays – Horse Painting; 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Corolla Wild Horse Museum, call 453-8002 for information

June, July and August, Wednesdays – Meet a Wild Horse; 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Schoolhouse in Old Corolla Village, petting available, call 453-8002 for information

July and August, Thursdays – Summer Concert Series on the Lawn; 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Currituck Heritage Park, call 453-9040 for information

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