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## What's Happening in Suffolk This Week...

**SATURDAY, April 28, 2012**

- *Family Fun and Bike Fest*



Wondering how you can enjoy some family time? Visit the Northern Shores Recreation Center for the Suffolk Parks and Recreation Family Fun and Bike Fest on Saturday, April 28, 2012, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., for a day of family fun. Enjoy food, vendors, and crafts in the park.

A portion of this event is a Bike Fest and event-goers are encouraged to bring bicycles to enjoy a ride through the trail. There will also be a bike pageant and parade for kids with decorations provided. Other scheduled events include bike safety inspections, Cycle-X Racing, free boat inspections, disc golf demonstrations, as well as skateboard demonstrations and riding.

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The Family Fun and Bike Fest is free and open to the public. Bennett's Creek Park is located at 3000 Bennett's Creek Park Road.

For more information, contact Lee Wilson at the Northern Shores Recreation Center at 757-514-7249.

- *The Virginia Regional Festival of Flight*



The Virginia Regional Festival of Flight is more than just a gathering of aircraft, their pilots, owners

and builders. It is an exciting participatory experience. Attendees will find activities for all ages. Visitors can enjoy two days of airplanes and family fun from Ultralights to Multiengine planes. The Festival will be held at the Suffolk Executive Airport on Saturday, April 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April, 29, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information visit <http://virginiaflyin.org/> or call 804-358-4333 or 703-581-7667.

- *National Take-Back Initiative Day*



On April 28, 2012, the Drug Enforcement Administration (Richmond District) will partner with the Virginia State Police, Suffolk Police Department, and other local agencies to conduct a statewide prescription drug take-back. The event, National Take-Back Initiative Day, is a collaborative effort to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from our nation's homes. A national take-back day will provide an opportunity for the public to surrender expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction.

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Suffolk Police Department Investigators will be on hand at Walmart, 1200 North Main Street, and the Bennett's Creek Pharmacy, 3219 Bridge Road, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the collection of unwanted and unneeded prescription drugs.

This program provides an opportunity for everyone to clean out their medicine cabinets and dispose of controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter substances. Participants will not be asked any questions and requests for identification will not be made. Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container. If an original container is submitted, it is asked that you remove any identifying information from the prescription label. All solid dosage pharmaceutical products and liquids in consumer containers may be accepted. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. Intravenous solutions, injectibles, and syringes will not be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood-borne pathogens.

For more information, contact Lieutenant Janet Brandsasse with the Suffolk Police Department Special Investigations Unit at (757) 514-7951, or email [jbrandsasse@suffolkva.us](mailto:jbrandsasse@suffolkva.us)

## **SUNDAY, April 29, 2012**

- *Rain Barrel Workshop*



The Suffolk Master Gardeners (SMG) will present a rain barrel workshop on Sunday, April 29, 2012, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Suffolk Art Gallery.

Go green, get water-wise and save on your water bill too! Make your own rain

barrel from a 55-gallon pickle barrel. Be prepared to take your barrel home. A registration fee of \$50 will cover the class and all materials.

Please make your checks payable to Ronald Williams, Treasurer, City of Suffolk, and mail them to the Suffolk Art Gallery. You may also register in person. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 25, 2012.

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For more information, call the Suffolk Art Gallery at 757-514-7284. The Suffolk Art Gallery is located at 118 Bosley Avenue.

**Now through April 28, 2012**

- *Land of Our Fathers Exhibit – Suffolk Center for Cultural Arts*



*Land of our Fathers* The “Land of Our Fathers” exhibit features art from the Norfolk State University African Art Gallery, the Doctors L.T. & Margaret Reid Collection from the Suffolk Art Gallery, and is accompanied by the photographs of Brenda C. Wright. Eight African Countries are represented in a variety of mediums including: wood, metal, clay, and fiber.

This exhibit is on display Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., now through April 28, 2012 at the Suffolk Center for Cultural Arts, 110 W. Finney Avenue. For more information, call 757-923-0003 or visit [www.SuffolkCenter.org](http://www.SuffolkCenter.org).

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