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*Quidditch tournament coming to Dorey Park on Nov. 1-2
'Harry Potter'-inspired competition will attract 20 teams across Mid-Atlantic*

Henrico County will host 20 college quidditch teams from seven states and Washington, D.C., as they compete for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 1-2 at Dorey Park.

In conjunction with the tournament, the Division of Recreation and Parks will present Quidditch Fest from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2 at Dorey Park, 2999 Darbytown Road. The family-friendly event will feature hands-on quidditch demonstrations, broom-making, food and other fun inspired by the "Harry Potter" book series by J.K. Rowling.

Admission and parking for all activities are free and open to the public.

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship is organized by US Quidditch, a nonprofit organization dedicated to governing the sport adapted from the "Harry Potter" series. Quidditch is a coed, contact sport that combines elements of rugby, dodgeball and tag and is played by 4,000 athletes on more than 170 official teams across the United States.

Teams consist of seven active players who must carry brooms between their legs at all times while they try to score points for their team or interfere with their opponents. Each side features three chasers who work together to try to pass or kick a quaffle (volleyball) through the opposing team's hoops. Two beaters hurl bludgers (dodgeballs) to disrupt the action and temporarily remove their opponents from the game.

Each side also has a keeper who defends his team's hoops and a seeker who chases the snitch, which is a tail attached by Velcro to the shorts of the snitch runner. The snitch runner is a neutral player dressed in yellow who tries to avoid capture by either team.

A game ends when the snitch is captured, giving the capturing team 30 points — an amount equal to three goals. The team with the highest point total wins.

Matches and quidditch demonstrations for youth will be held from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Nov. 1 and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Nov. 2. More than 400 players on 20 college club teams from Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C. will compete for 10 berths in the US Quidditch World Cup VIII, to be held next spring in Rock Hill, S.C.

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship is supported and cohosted by the Division of Recreation and Parks and VisitRichmond. For more information, go to VisitHenrico.com or USQuidditch.org/about/MidAtlantic-RC.

Oct. 17, 2014

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Henrico County Television named third best in nation

For the second consecutive year, Henrico County Television (HCTV) has been named the third best overall government television station in the country, trailing only San Diego and Seattle — stations serving major metropolitan areas.

The National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) recognized HCTV for “Overall Programming Excellence,” a category NATOA deems to be of “special significance.” In this category, judges evaluate the variety of programming, technical elements including video quality, audio, lighting and graphics, as well as the overall impression of the station.



“I am thrilled to receive this honor for the second year in a row,” said Public Relations & Media Services Director Tamra McKinney. “To be named the third best government station in the entire country, and to be in the company of major cities like Seattle and San Diego speaks volumes for the quality of HCTV.”

NATOA’s 29th Annual Government Programming Awards were held at the Crowne Plaza Riverfront Hotel in St. Paul, Minn. The awards program honors excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies. This year, NATOA received 720 entries submitted by local governments across the country.

HCTV is available to Comcast and Verizon cable subscribers on channels 17 and 39, respectively. Programs can also be viewed on Comcast’s Video on Demand (under “Get Local”) as well as online at henrico.us/pr/hctv-program-schedule/online-programs.

Oct. 13, 2014

CONTACT: Mark J. Coakley, General Registrar Henrico County
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Henrico to offer voter photo ID registration at libraries

The Henrico County Office of Voter Registration and Elections will register voters for a free photo ID at several libraries in October to help them meet new requirements for voting in Virginia.

Voters will have to present an acceptable form of photo ID at their polling place before casting a ballot in the Nov. 4 general election, under a Virginia law that took effect July 1. Acceptable forms of ID include a Virginia driver’s license, a photo ID issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, a United States passport, an employee photo ID, a government-issued photo ID and a photo ID from a college or university in Virginia.

Voters who need a valid photo ID can register for a free one at the following sessions:

- Friday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m. to noon at North Park Branch Library, 8508 Franconia Road;

- Friday, Oct. 17, 2 to 4 p.m. at Gayton Branch Library, 10600 Gayton Road;
- Tuesday, Oct. 21, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Twin Hickory Area Library, 5001 Twin Hickory Road;
- Thursday, Oct. 23, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Glen Allen Branch Library, 10501 Staples Mill Road;
- Friday, Oct. 24, 10 a.m. to noon at Sandston Branch Library, 23 E. Williamsburg Road.

Voters also may register for a free photo ID at the Office of Voter Registration and Elections' locations at the Henrico Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road, and the Eastern Government Center, 3820 Nine Mile Road. The offices are open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For information, call (804) 501-4347 or go to henrico.us/registrar.

Oct. 10, 2014

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Tuckahoe town meeting Oct. 20 to highlight recycling programs

Tuckahoe District Supervisor Patricia S. O'Bannon will hold a town meeting Monday, Oct. 20 to discuss the importance of recycling programs in Henrico County.

The meeting will include sessions at 1 and 7 p.m. at the Tuckahoe Area Library, 1901 Starling Drive.

Two representatives of the Central Virginia Waste Management Authority — Public Information Coordinator Nancy Drumheller and Board of Directors member Marcia Kelley —will join O'Bannon for a presentation and will answer questions. Tuckahoe town meetings are open to the public.

For more information, call (804) 501-4208 or go to www.patobannon.com.

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Fairfield meeting Oct. 20 to highlight GRTC service in Henrico

Fairfield District Supervisor Frank J. Thornton will hold a constituent meeting Monday, Oct. 20 to discuss the GRTC Transit System and its service in Henrico County.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Ave.

GRTC CEO David Green and representatives of the Henrico Department of Public Works will join Thornton for the discussion and will answer questions.

For information, call (804) 501-4208.

Oct. 9, 2014

CONTACT: Kevin Pannell, District Emergency Coordinator, Henrico County Health Department
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Henrico Health Department to offer free flu vaccinations Oct. 23, 25

The Henrico County Health Department will offer free seasonal flu vaccines to the public Oct. 23 and 25 at four locations throughout the county.

Clinics offering walk-up service will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23 at the Mount Vernon Adult Education Center cafeteria, 7850 Carousel Lane; Oakland Village Apartments Community Center, 1400 Old Bronze Drive; and Essex Village Apartments Community Center, 117 Engleside Drive.

A clinic offering drive-up and walk-up service will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 at Dumbarton Elementary School, 9000 Hungary Spring Road. The clinics are open to residents and nonresidents of Henrico.

Injectable vaccine will be available to individuals age 3 or older on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. Anyone receiving a shot should wear short sleeves or other clothing that provides easy access to the upper arm.

For information, go to henrico.us/health or call (804) 501-7250.

Oct. 8, 2014

CONTACT: Kendra Young, Extension Agent, Henrico County office of the Virginia Cooperative Extension

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Henrico 4-H sale of apples, peanuts, honey, cookbooks underway; orders due Oct.31

The Henrico County office of the Virginia Cooperative Extension is selling apples, peanuts, honey and cookbooks to benefit the 4-H Youth Development program.

The sale features Virginia-grown produce and six different cookbooks, each with more than 140 recipes. The items and prices are:

- Winesap and York apples, \$19 per half-bushel, which equates to about 80 cents per pound;
- Raw peanuts, with recipes, \$11 per 2-pound sack;
- Salted or unsalted deluxe cocktail peanuts, \$14 per 2-pound sack;
- Honey, \$10 per 1-pound jar; and
- Cookbooks, \$8 apiece. The titles are "Diabetic Recipes," "Kids in the Kitchen," "Slow Cooker," "One Dish Dinners," "Best of the Holidays" and "On the Grill." Each spiral-bound cookbook measures 5½ by 4¼ inches and includes a soft cover and 150 pages.

Order forms are available at henrico.us/extension; the Extension Office in the Human Services Building, at 8600 Dixon Powers Drive; any Henrico library; or by calling (804) 501-5160. A check or money order payable to Henrico 4-H Fund must accompany each order.

Because supplies are limited, orders received after Friday, Oct. 31 will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Orders will be available for pickup from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18 and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19 at the loading dock of the Human Services Building. For information, call (804) 501-5160.

Oct. 2, 2014

CONTACT: Lt. Shawn M. Sears, Animal Protection Unit, Henrico County Police Division
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Henrico to offer rabies vaccinations for pets Oct. 18

The Henrico County Police Division will offer rabies vaccines for dogs and cats from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 18 at the Henrico County Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road.

Pet owners must register and pay at the cashier's office in the Administration Building before seeing a veterinarian on the first level of the adjacent parking deck.

Each vaccine costs \$10 and must be paid in cash. A rabies tag and certificate of inoculation are included. Pets from all localities are welcome. Cats must be in carriers.

Under Virginia law, dogs and cats 4 months of age and older must be vaccinated for rabies.

Henrico dog licenses will be available for \$10, for a one-year license, and \$15, for a three-year license. Officers will be available to discuss license options and vaccination requirements.

For information, call the Animal Protection Unit at (804) 727-8801.
