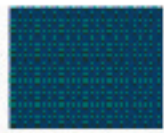


Middle-schoolers were flying high on this field trip. OPEN BOOK, PAGE 4

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## PEANUT PREZ'S JOB IS ALL IN THE FAMILY

### HARBOUR VIEW

## CITY'S FIRST HARRIS TEETER NEARLY FINISHED

By Vicki L. Friedman  
*The Virginian-Pilot*

#### SUFFOLK

The ever-growing Harbour View section of northern Suffolk will be home to the city's first Harris Teeter grocery store later this spring.

Construction is nearly complete on the 48,000-square-foot building, which will open June 3 and operate 24 hours a day.

Several retail outlets are available for lease in the same strip as the store, which is at the intersection of Harbour View Boulevard and Harbour Town Parkway. It sits at the entrance to Harbour View Station West, which houses a 16-screen cinema along with a small collection of restaurants and shops.

The Harbour View community, home to Riverfront Golf Course, is among the most rapidly expanding areas in Hampton Roads. Nearby construction projects include a Hilton Garden Inn and a TowneBank. A strip of shops across the street from Harris Teeter has several vacancies, with Starbucks soon to open as the first tenant.

Comfort Inn Suites and The Orchards, a senior retirement living community, recently opened on nearby Route 17.

"Harris Teeter is moving into Suffolk because we recognized it as a good market and wanted to establish a presence in the area," said Harris Teeter communications specialist Catherine Reuhl.

The Suffolk Harris Teeter plans to employ 84 people, Reuhl said.

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### SUFFOLK'S ANIMAL CONTROL NUMBERS



## Wanted: safe, warm home and a family to call my own

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#### SUFFOLK

They yelp and whine. Give a lick or bat their paws. The dozens of pets at the city's animal control shelter practically beg for attention as soon as the door to the kennel room opens.

While adoptions are up at the facility, so are the number of animals staying there.

Nearly 1,200 dogs, cats and other companion animals — about 130 more than in 2007 — were surrendered by their owners last year in the city. The total number of strays captured — 1,522 — also rose.

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HATTIE BROWN GARROW PHOTOS

I wasn't surprised when I saw Lewis Everett standing in the front of the room at the Wakefield 4-H Center at the annual meeting of The Virginia Peanut Growers Association.

Lewis is from a Southampton County family I've come to know and adore, not just for their high ethics and stamina, but for the warm, friendly, wrap-their-arms-around-you kind of loyalty and friendship they offer.

At just 30, Lewis is president this year of the state group. It's a family tradition. His dad, M.L., was president, and his granddad, Marvin, led the group before that.

Lewis is the fifth generation who has toiled in the family fields near Capron. When offered an opportunity, he likes to talk about the possible sixth generation — Logan, his 18-month-old daughter.

"She already likes to get up there and ride on the tractor," he said, laughing. "Maybe she'll be a farmer, but I'll let her decide that. She can be whatever she wants to be."

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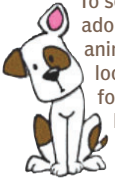
# PETS

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Overall, city and Suffolk Humane Society officials are pleased with the 2008 figures. One-third of the animals that entered the municipal shelter found new homes. That's not the say that the rest were euthanized – that

### pets of the week

To see more adorable animals looking for a new home, turn to page 10.



rate was down almost 7 percent in 2008. Some animals were reclaimed by their

owners, transferred to other facilities or died while awaiting adoption.

More events, school career day visits and media exposure may be the reason for increased adoptions, said animal control officer Harry White. White has worked with the facility for 22 years, experiencing the joy when an animal finds a home and the sorrow when one must be put down.

White and the other animal control workers are dedicated to the animals and have to make hard decisions all



HATTIE BROWN GARROW

**Kennel manager Jessica Johnson rubs Peanut, a Lab mix who is sweet but skittish.**

### how you can help

To get more information about the humane society, make a donation or learn more about upcoming events, call 374-1476 or visit [www.suffolkhumanesociety.com](http://www.suffolkhumanesociety.com).

The Suffolk Animal Control Bureau shelter, at 124 Forest Glen Drive, can be reached at 514-7855 or [www.suffolk.va.us/anml\\_ctrl/](http://www.suffolk.va.us/anml_ctrl/).

the time, Suffolk Police Maj. Larry Wilson said. For those reasons, they're "incredibly special people," he added.

As of last week, the shelter had 41 dogs, 17 cats and three rabbits, according to new kennel manager Jessica Johnson. Seven of those animals were scheduled to leave for their adopted homes on Friday.

Meanwhile, the humane society plans to continue to emphasize shelter adoptions and spay/neuter programs in 2009, said Angela Chandler, president of the organization's board of directors.

The humane society, which does not have its own shelter, works closely with the Suffolk Animal Control Bureau to promote adoptions at the municipal shelter and responsible pet ownership.

### the numbers

Here's what happened to the 2,886 animals housed in the municipal shelter in 2008:

- Reclaimed by owner: 251
- Adopted: 831
- Transferred: 98
- Died in facility: 130
- Euthanized: 1,503
- On hand Dec. 31: 70
- Other: 3

Courtesy of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Chandler called on neighbors to help each other out when times get tight because her group can't afford to buy food for every pet owner with financial struggles.

In April, the organization will move into a temporary administrative office at 3118 Kings Highway in Driver. Volunteers will man the site on weekdays, but animals will not be accepted there. They'll use the office for events, storage and a place to accept monetary and pet supply donations.

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