

CYPT CA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER The Point



ASSOCIATION NEWS:

<u>Garage Sale:</u> The sign is up! July 25th from 8AM until noon. Anybody in the neighborhood can participate. There will be a \$5.00 participation fee that will be collected that morning for anyone participating. It isn't mandatory but we'd like to see non-members apply to join the association for an additional \$15.00. Use your own driveway and please remember all of your good COVID-19 social distancing skills. Unfortunately none of the local charities are picking up after the event. Posted on the website (cyptca.com) and on Facebook (facebook.com/cyptca)

Home/Garden Corner: (Pam Shields contributing)

It's hot July now, and our lawns are feeling the heat. The most important thing to do right now is make sure our yards are getting enough water. According to the Virginia Tech Extension publication calendar for cool-season (fescue) lawns at

https://www.pubs.ext.vt.edu/content/dam/pubs ext vt edu/430/430-523/SPES-162.pdf:

July is a month to ensure our lawns have sufficient water, but avoid applying fertilizers and other chemicals. Water early in the morning, a deep soaking every few days if we don't get rain. It's better to water 45 minutes every 3 days than 15 minutes every day. Avoid fertilizing in high heat, lawns are already stressed from lack of water. Fertilizing just adds more stress to the lawn because it requires hydration to be effective. And set your mower to 4 inches in height to help it retain moisture.

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CYPT Crime Stats: (from VBGov-ePRO)

a. 5300 block Club Head 06/18/20 Larceny from Mot Vo	enicle
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b. 5300 block Club Head 06/18/20 Dest of Private Property-Parking Lot/garage

c. 5100 block Cypress Pt Cir 06/18/20 Dest of Private Property-residence

Virginia Wesleyan Update: (Ray Duffy contributing, from President Miller)

Earlier this spring, Virginia Wesleyan launched an exclusive agreement with Lakeland University to jointly operate a campus in Tokyo. The name change of the campus in Tokyo--Lakeland University Japan / Virginia Wesleyan University Global--recently received final approval from all appropriate regulatory authorities.

I am pleased to share that non-credit continuing education courses offered by VWU Global Campus enrolled over 8,000 learners during the COVID-19 crisis. We offer hundreds of non-credit personal and professional development courses online that have become very attractive in the Coastal Virginia region. Kudos to Dr. Paul Ewell, Dean of VWU Global Campus, Larry Belcher, Director of Enrollment, VWU Global Campus, and Marion Hibbler, Coordinator of Evening and Weekend Program, for their leadership

Home Improvement Tips: Signs (From Mike Jordan)

Signs... Signs... everywhere a sign

Blocking out the scenery breaking my mind Do this, don't do that, can't you read the sign

For those who are old enough, you may remember this 70's song by the Five Man Electrical Band.

You attention is requested regarding one of the Cypress Point covenants "No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any Lot other than one (1) sign of not more than six (6) square feet advertising the Lot and any Dwelling constructed on the Lot for sale or rent."

The intent of this covenant is not to restrict trade or freedom of expression but to maintain an aesthetically pleasing landscape as well as eliminating the appearance of clutter. Your neighbors will appreciate this consideration in maintaining our Cypress Point Neighborhood

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History Report:

- a. Local Items: Any idea of the meaning behind Pleasure House Road? No, it's not what you might think. There was a tavern located there as far back as the late 1600's owned by Adam Thoroughgood's descendants. Apparently a church and courthouse nearby to discourage licentious behavior.
- b. National Events: Note-I include Canada Day and Bastille Day because of our multinational makeup here in CYPT.
 - 1. 01 July 1867-Canada Day-"Oh Canada!"
 - 2. 02 July 1937: Amelia Earhart disappears
 - 3. 02 July 1962: First Walmart opens
 - 4. 04 July 1776: Declaration of Independence read
 - 5. 04 July 1863: Surrender of Vicksburg
 - 6. 04 July 1863: Battle of Gettysburg
 - 7. 14 July 1789: Bastille Day-"Vive La France!"
 - 8. 17 July 1955: Disneyland opens
 - 9. 20 July 1969: First man on the moon
 - 10. 25 July 1944: Operation Cobra-US Army breaks through in France

CITY NEWS:

Patrick Duhaney Appointed Virginia Beach City Manager

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (June 16, 2020) — Following a nationwide search, the Virginia Beach City Council today announced the appointment of Patrick A. Duhaney as city manager. He will begin July 20, 2020.

Duhaney has been city manager for Cincinnati, Ohio since 2018 and previously served as that city's assistant city manager and chief procurement officer. He currently serves on the Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors and is a member of the Local Initiative Support Corporation's Emerging Leaders Council located in New York. He holds a bachelor's degree in Sociology and Urban Studies from Cleveland State University in Ohio and a master's degree in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati.







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Duhaney has served on numerous boards in Cincinnati pertaining to neighborhood economic development and redevelopment and chaired the City of Cincinnati's Minority/Small/Women Business Enterprise Advisory Board. He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army and U.S. National Guard. His service included 18 months in a combat environment.

Duhaney's contract is for two years. He will earn a salary of \$270,000.

City to Provide Financial Relief to Residents Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic

The City of Virginia Beach is providing relief to residents impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic, including \$4 million for Public Utilities customers and \$2 million in residential and personal property tax relief for individuals. City Council approved the relief programs as part of the FY2020-21 budget that begins July 1, 2020.

City Services Bill Pandemic Relief Program

Starting July 1, the **City Services Bill Pandemic Relief Program** will provide financial assistance to qualifying residential customers who are experiencing financial hardship due to the impacts of COVID-19. The Virginia Beach City Services Bill includes charges for solid waste collection, storm water, sanitary sewer, and water services. The pandemic relief program will provide financial assistance to qualifying applicants based on the services charged on their monthly bills. Relief is not guaranteed and is dependent on availability of funding. Applications can be submitted online at https://vb311.force.com/cspandemicrelief. Customers without internet access can request a mail-in application by phone at (757) 385-4160; however, status updates are not available with this option. For additional program details and requirements, visit www.vbgov.com/CSPandemicRelief.

Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Relief Program

The Department of Human Services will begin accepting applications for the Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Relief Program on July 1 and continue through July 15. The program provides tax relief for households where an occupant has lost their employment due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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A maximum relief of \$500 for residential real estate taxes and \$250 for personal property taxes has been established for eligible households. Potential beneficiaries may only claim their primary residence for relief – no rental or second properties are eligible. Additional information, including necessary documents for proof of eligibility and applications, can be found online at VBgov.com/COVID19TaxRelief.

The new **Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program**, which launched on June 29, 2020, is helping Hampton Roads households that are facing eviction due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For the latest information, please visit emergency.vbgov.com/coronavirus and follow us on facebook.com/CityofVaBeach, twitter.com/CityofVaBeach and instagram.com/cityofvabeach.

PAID ADVERTISING SECTION

Note: A new section. If you have relevant advertising you might wish to include in the monthly email please submit it directly to the editor (<u>wfilbert@amail.com</u>) by the 10th of the month. Small pictures or logos are acceptable. Ads in this section will generally cost \$5.00 such as the one below and be subject to editing in order to meet space/content restrictions.

Medicare – Are you ready? (contributed by Dr. Richard Hamlet-a CYPT resident).

Medicare plans are constantly changing and your current provider may not be the best in terms of pricing, coverage, or benefits. Be sure to check your coverage with a licensed professional as some benefits include hearing aid, eyeglasses, and dental at NO additional charge.

There are multiple plans and programs that you will be bombarded with as you are reaching or have already reached age 65. Plans include Medicare Part A – Part B, Medicare Supplements, Prescription Drug Plans, and yes Medicare Advantage Plans that can provide free zero monthly premiums.

Fall seminars are being scheduled at the Adult Learning Center, the bayside Library, and at the Williams Farm Recreation Center. This is, of course, predicated on the status of the current COVID 19 crisis. In the meantime, should you have questions, please call the Medicare Doctor for answers. The Medicare Doctor is a neighbor in Cypress Point. His name is Dr. Richard M. Hamlet, DBA and he can be reached at 757-297-6130 or by email at rmhamlet@gmail.com. He welcomes any and all questions and is ready to help you or your friends in any way he can. Remote ZOOM appointments and enrollments can be arranged.