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#### CYPT NEWS:

<u>Power Outages</u>: There have been numerous outages in the Backwoods area in the last few months. After discussions with Dominion, Tom Woods reports that these outages have resulted from repairs and upgrades to the underground lines with completion due to be complete in mid-July. Whenever there is an extended outage you should report it to Dominion.

<u>Garage Sale</u>: I initially suggested a push back until the 11<sup>th</sup> of July but let's now look very seriously at 25 July with 1 August as a backup.

Scams: Tis the season for IRS and tax-related scams:

- a. No business/service can get you a refund faster
- b. No third party is being used to hold or sort checks
- c. Funds are issued to you directly by the IRS
- d. The IRS will not ask for PINs, passwords over the phone
- e. The IRS does not generally call unless you have a pending case.
- f. Don't click on links from unknown sources.
- g. Protect your Social Security Number: people can use it to file and claim your refund

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National Night Out: Has been moved by the national organization from 4 August until 8 October.

<u>Free VWU courses:</u> Several of our friends have made note of free online courses on very practical subjects offered by Virginia Wesleyan. Check for them at: <u>https://www.vwu.edu/about/news-and-events/features/story/vwu-offering-10-free-online-courses</u>

#### CYPT Crime Stats:

a. 5200 block Club Head	Fraud	06/01/20
b. 5300 block Kindlewood	Assault	05/16/20
c. 1200 block Smith Cove	Fraud	05/27/20
d. 5400 block Wesleyan	Hit/Run	05/25/20

Local History Corner: A new item in this issue. From Ray Duffy:

In 1866, exactly 100 years before the first class entered Virginia Wesleyan University, the Baker farm--on which the University lies--was claimed by the Second District Department of Negro Affairs as a site for helping recently freed slaves make the transition to freedom.

<u>National History Corner:</u> With everything else going on let's not forget June 4<sup>th</sup> 1942 (Battle of Midway), June 5<sup>th</sup> 1944 (Liberation of Rome), and June 6<sup>th</sup> 1944 (Allied landings in Normandy). Page 3, The Point, 06/16/2020

**VB CITY NEWS:** 

Provide Input on the Virginia Beach Chief of Police Recruitment

What are the most important qualities, characteristics and issues the City should consider as it chooses the next chief of police? Residents are invited to share their perspectives through an online survey available at PublicInput.com/VBPoliceChief.

#### Ignite Small Business Recovery, June 20, 2020

The pandemic dealt a major blow to small businesses. Learn how to survive it at this informative, virtual workshop.

### About this Event

Join City Council Member Sabrina Wooten for this fifth installment in the Ignite business series, "Business Recovery." Experts will offer advice on ways to help you navigate these uncertain times. This virtual event is FREE and open to the public.

Registration is not required. Access the online platform by visiting the following link:

https://vbgov.webex.com/vbgov/onstage/g.php?MTID=e6cc100874 ffefd869fa6e3371350fb20

## **Topics:**

- 1. BUSINESS RESOURCES
- 2. ENCOURAGEMENT FOR BUSINESS OWNERS
- 3. REINVENT YOUR BUSINESS
- 4. RESILIENCE IN CHALLENGING TIMES

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Acting City Manager Tom Leahy Makes Statement Regarding <u>Future of</u> <u>Confederate Monument</u>

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (June 12, 2020) — I am sending a letter to City Council this evening to make recommendations regarding the future of the Confederate monument. Under current law, the City does not have the authority to remove the monument. However, as of July 1, the relevant law will allow the City to consider multiple options including removal or relocation of the monument. With that said, I have ordered that the Confederate monument be covered, and a fence be erected around it. The monument is and will be monitored by two video cameras and by police officers. I have done this for the following reasons:

- To protect people from hurting themselves or others
- To abide by our laws and regulations
- To protect property

I am scheduling a public hearing in July as required by the legislation that will take effect July 1. We are currently working with the City Clerk to schedule the public hearing and will announce the date as soon as we have it confirmed.

<u>Clean the Bay</u> The city cancelled this operation scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup> due to the pandemic. Nevertheless, several of us went out and bagged up a significant amount of junk out on Lake Lawson/Lake Smith. It's amazing to me how people can do this to our shared environment. You'll hear more about this next year. Page 5, The Point, 06/16/2020

<u>Virginia Beach City Treasurer's Office Now Open</u>-With the Exception of the Lynnhaven Location

The City Treasurer's Office is now open to the public **from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday,** with the exception of the Lynnhaven location. The Lynnhaven Office opening will coincide with the Planning Department's opening, which has yet to be determined. The Lynnhaven drop box will continue to be picked up daily.

Strict sanitizing guidelines to protect the public and employees have been implemented. Citizens will be asked to respect the 6 feet social distancing and face covering mandates that are still in effect. We strongly encourage citizens to conduct business online or by phone, email, and fax when possible.

For more information please contact the City Treasurer's office at (757) 385-4445 or visit: <u>www.vbgov.com/treas</u>

Hurricane Season: It's Here...Are You Ready?

Hurricane season officially starts June 1 and runs until Nov. 30. Take steps now to protect you, your family and property from storm damage. Get a kit, make a plan, be informed, know your risks, and know your evacuation zone and routes.

Make a plan today. Your family may not be together if a disaster strikes, so it is important to know which <u>types of disasters</u> could affect your area. Know how you'll contact one another and reconnect if separated. Establish a family meeting place that's familiar and easy to find.

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# Step 1: Put a plan together by discussing the questions below with your family, friends or household to start your emergency plan.

- 1. How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
- 2. What is my shelter plan?
- 3. What is my <u>evacuation</u> route?
- 4. What is my <u>family/household communication plan</u>?
- 5. Do I need to update my emergency preparedness kit?
- 6. Check with the <u>Centers for Disease Control (CDC)</u> and update my emergency plans due to Coronavirus.
  - Get cloth face coverings (for everyone over 2 years old), disinfectants, and check my sheltering plan.

### Step 2: Consider specific needs in your household.

Keep in mind some these factors when developing your plan:

- Different ages of members within your household
- Responsibilities for assisting others
- Locations frequented
- Dietary needs
- Medical needs including prescriptions and equipment
- Disabilities or access and functional needs including devices and equipment
- Languages spoken
- Cultural and religious considerations
- Pets or service animals
- Households with school-aged children