

CYPT CA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



February 16th, 2019

CYPT NEWS

Annual Newsletter

The newsletter went out on time around February 1st. Hopefully you've had a chance to read it and note that page six has the form you use to pay your dues. Please take the time to fill this out and send it to Larry Rossen, our Treasurer. Also note that there is a section that you can use to update your contact information in our database. As a note-we never share that database with any outside organization.

Mailing Address

Please do not mail anything to the Country Club. All financial items should go to Larry Rossen at 1228 Smith Cove Circle. Anything of a more general note should go to Bill Filbert at 5493 Club Head Road.

Association Meeting, 13 February

We had a good turn-out at this year's first meeting-about 25 residents. We heard from CPT Hatfield, our new Precinct Commander as well as Officer Salas, our new Community Policing liaison. Mr. Keith Arnold gave a very informative talk about fire safety and smoke detectors. There was an update on the Weblin

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Farm re-zoning project and discussions about our upcoming Easter Egg Roll and garage sale (April 13th and 27th respectively). As always there was a Q&A and this time we had a door prize which was a free day at the pool, won by John Busch and a 50/50 raffle, with a payout of \$13, won and generously given back to the association by Kale Warren.

Crime Stats-CYPT Nov 16th-Feb 14th

There was a domestic assault reported in the month of January in the 1000 block of Backwoods.

VBCCO (VB Council of Civic Organizations) News

SHORT TERM RENTAL FINALE* "On January 15, Virginia Beach City Council completed the three year negotiations of short-term rentals in the resort community . . . The adopted legal framework, to take effect November 1, 2019" information can be further viewed at the following website: https://pilotonline.com/opinion/editorial/ We appreciate all neighborhood input and we encourage citizens to inform the VBCCO of any issues that may continue to arise with the Short Term Rentals. This information was provided by the "Protect VB Neighborhoods" organization and FaceBook available at: https://www.facebook.com/search/top/

Subject: City's Efforts in Addressing Communique to the Community Flood Related Issues City Council members and the City Manager expressed a lack of communications between the city government and communities in reference to what the city is doing about neighborhood flooding mitigation efforts. Additionally, many know about a "Dewberry" report but don't understand the two pronged approach the city is undertaking on this effort. There are two different approaches being undertaken simultaneously: coastal flooding and stormwater drainage. Coastal flooding is a result of sea level rising (SLR) addressed by the Dewberry report recently briefed to City Council. The report provides the cause and justification for a decision to be made by City Council. Upon approval, further studies on execution can then be funded. Stormwater drainage is the city staff's focus as a parallel effort to the Dewberry report. Models are being employed to determine the worst areas for flooding and the best return to fund and initiate mitigation efforts. The Dewberry Report revealed that flooding in Virginia Beach will continue to be a problem for many citizens in our community and there will be more flooding as the sea level continues to rise every year. The Dewberry Project study was initiated in 2016 and reveals the statistics related to areas subject to flooding. Did you know that the sea level has increased by almost 1 foot since the 1960's? Projections: 30 years: 1.5 increase in sea level; \$50 Million losses due to flooding 50 years: 3 foot increase in sea level: \$271 Million losses due to flooding YOUR VBCCO AT WORK - by Al Wallace Several members of the VBCCO Board have been following the actions of the city regarding Sea-Level Rise, Stormwater Flooding, the Dewberry Report and other water related issues facing our city. 7 So what is the City of Virginia Beach doing? Below are some resources shared at Council Woman Barbara Henley meeting: 1) Sea Level Rise Presentation to City Council – January 15th, 2019 https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/publicworks/comp-sea-levelrise/Documents/slr-rf-plan-study-policy-strat-council-brief-1-15-19.pdf 2) City of Virginia Beach

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Comprehensive Sea Level Rise and Recurrent Flooding Response Plan – Thursday, January 10th, 2019 https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/public-works/storm-water/

Documents/South%20Watershed/south-watershed-stakeholder-engage-1-10-19.pdf 3) Sea Level Rise Web Page – Public Works City Web Site www.vbgov.com/pwslr 4) Stormwater Web Page – Public Works Web Site https://www.vbgov.com/pwsec 5) If any residents of the Foxfire neighborhood were present and wish to take the Neighborhood Well Survey that Tom Nicholas discussed, you can find that at: www.publicinput.com/3732 The current issue with the employment of models, is the need for detailed photos of flooded areas. These are needed to input data as a means to confirm the model's reliability. People are encouraged to send their "flood" photos to the city'sdatabase via email: 6) If you wish to send flooding/ storm pictures to Public Works, please send them to this e-mail address: stormpics@vbgov.com

Virginia Wesleyan News:

Check out these four amazing drone videos showing different projects on campus from a fascinating perspective: progress of the soon-to-be completed <u>Susan S. Goode Fine and Performing Arts Center</u>, <u>The Beacon</u> which will be dedicated later this month, the recently completed <u>Betty S. Rogers Track and Field Center</u>, and <u>TowneBank Park/Broyles Field</u> which is home of the back-to-back defending NCAA National Softball Champion Marlins.

Virginia Beach News

So Many Choices, So Little Time! Feb. 18 - 24

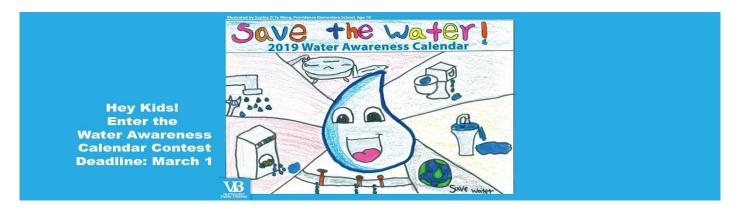
This extraordinary dining event is your chance to dine out at Virginia Beach's finest restaurants. Try somewhere new or go back to a family favorite. Virginia Beach Restaurant Week offers delicious flavors from around the world.



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Show Us Your Artistic Talent for the 2020 Water Awareness Calendar

Each year, Public Utilities conducts a Water Awareness Calendar Contest to help educate our customers about ways to use water wisely. The calendar's theme is "How I use water wisely in and around my home. All kindergarten through 5th grade students who live or attend school in Virginia Beach are eligible to compete.



Forests & Flood Protection Presented by Dr. Daniel McLaughlin

Join us Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. at the TCC/Advanced Technology Center for a discussion on how forests can play a large role in urban flood protection. Learn ways to incorporate forests into stormwater planning and get the scoop on local research that's informing conservation and restoration for urban flood reduction.



Ignite Your Small Business Feb. 23

Learn where to find opportunities and how to compete to win government contracts at the Ignite small business workshop, hosted by Council Member Sabrina Wooten. The small business workshop will be held in the 2nd floor theater of the Advanced Technology Center at the TCC Virginia Beach Campus, 1800 College Crescent, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.



News from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation

We're very happy to share our first list of programs for 2019 with you. From hands-on restoration to seminars, festivals to oyster tastings - there is a little something for everyone. And we can't do it without you! Please consider attending or volunteering with us at one or more of these events. If doing more for the environment was among your resolutions, we have you covered! And either way, we can all resolve to do a little more for our waterways. Thank you for considering. Here's the first swing of 2019...

<u>Volunteer:</u> **Engage Norfolk Civic Fair**: Sunday February 10th, Noon – 5:00pm @ Norview High School (6501 Chesapeake Blvd, Norfolk, VA). This annual event aims to show citizens how to engage their community, connect to leaders and causes, hear and share ideas, attend workshops, and be a part of the conversation. We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate the CBF booth. Please email Tanner Council (tcouncil@cbf.org) to volunteer for this

<u>Attend or Volunteer:</u> Brock Environmental Center Learning Series: Tuesday February 12th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm @ Brock Environmental Center (3663 Marlin Bay Drive, Virginia Beach 23455). The fourth installment of our BEC Learning Series will examine *BayScaping* – an umbrella concept including Bay-friendly landscaping practices, getting to know and rely on our native plants, and other techniques to reduce runoff, flooding and maintenance! Presenters include Laurie J. Fox, Ph.D., Horticulture Associate, Virginia Tech and Chesapeake Bay Landscape Professional Certified Trainer; Beverly Martin, Landscape Design Consultant, Countryside Gardens; and Robert Jennings, CBF Grassroots Coordinator. To register for this free event, please visit www.CBF.org/BECLearningSeries Please email Tanner Council (tcouncil@cbf.org) to volunteer for this event.

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<u>Volunteer:</u> **Granby Street – Willow Wood Bridge Living Shoreline Site Prep**: Saturday, February 23rd, 8:30am to 11:00am.@ the City of Norfolk park located between the Granby Street and Willow Wood Drive bridges (parking is available across Granby Street and in adjoining neighborhoods). Help the Lafayette Wetlands Partnership prep the site for a shoreline stabilization project scheduled for May 2019. The work starts early to take advantage of low tide. The shoreline is located behind an oyster reef installed by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the Elizabeth River Project. The new stabilization initiative will help protect the reef from sedimentation. Gloves and boots or closed-toe shoes are recommended. Approximately 10 people will be needed. Please contact John Stewart (jdstewart1@cox.net) if you can participate.

<u>Volunteer:</u> **10**th **Annual GBFA Fishing Flea Market:** Saturday March 9th; 8:00am – 2:30pm (1/2 day shifts available or take the whole day!) @ Chesapeake Conference Center (700 Conference Center Dr., Chesapeake, VA, 23320). This has always been a fun event for CBF volunteers to share their interests in clean, fishable waters in the Bay and its tributaries, especially to an equally interested group of anglers. About 2,300 water lovers from all over attend this annual event to buy and swap, meet and greet. We are looking for 5-6 volunteers to help staff the CBF booth. Please email Tanner Council (tcouncil@cbf.org) to volunteer for this event.

Attend or Volunteer: Slurp and Learn: Thursday, March 14th, 6:00–8:00pm @ Mariners' Museum (100 Museum Drive, Newport News, VA 23606). Have you ever wondered where the oysters on your table come from? More and more, these delicious delicacies are being produced on oyster farms, where they contribute to improving the Bay's water quality and habitat before hitting your table. Join us to learn more about this growing industry from local oyster grower, Colonial Oyster Company. This social and educational event features local beer and all-you-can-eat oysters. Tickets cost \$10. Register by visiting cbf.org/slurpandlearn Please email Tanner Council (tcouncil@cbf.org) to volunteer for this event.

<u>Attend or Volunteer</u>: Chesapeake Bay Education Day: Saturday March 30th, 11:30am – 5:00pm @ Brock Environmental Center (3663 Marlin Bay Drive, Virginia Beach 23455). Hosted with the Waterman's Museum, please join us at this fun filled exploration of life on the Chesapeake Bay. Volunteers will share information at the CBF booth. You will also be able to enjoy the event, which will teach about oysters and other Bay wildlife, aquaculture, living shorelines, sea level rise, pollution impacts and prevention, Chesapeake Bay agencies and businesses, shipwrecks, summer camps and other educational programs. Please email Tanner Council (tcouncil@cbf.org) to volunteer for this event.

<u>Volunteer:</u> Seeking Caretakers for Libby's Garden @ Brock Environmental Center (3663 Marlin Bay Drive, Virginia Beach 23455): CBF seeks volunteers to provide routine maintenance on Libby's Garden, a very special pollinator garden planted in memory of Libby Norris, a beloved member of the CBF family. In order to maintain optimal function (and form!), this garden requires more regular attention and love. We are looking for a group, couple or individual to pick just ONE month to weed the medium-sized garden. Build your own schedule. All tools (and a great view of the Lynnhaven!) provided. To inquire, please email Tanner Council (<u>tcouncil@cbf.org</u>) and indicate which month you would like to claim.

<u>Click!</u> Follow us on Facebook!: Did you know the CBF Hampton Roads Office has its own Facebook page? Oddly enough, it's called 'Chesapeake Bay Foundation - Hampton Roads Office' and can be found here: https://www.facebook.com/CBFHamptonRoads. Won't you pop by and "like" us? We post great pictures and updates on water quality issues all the time. From the field right into your feed! Thank you in advance. We like you too.