



CYPT CA VB  
MONTHLY  
NEWSLETTER

*The Point*

12/18/2022



## ASSOCIATION NEWS:

**CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) Meeting:** There was a CAC meeting on 11/17/22 which featured the operation of the 911 call center and we learned about a new App called Smart 911. The main effect is that when you basically pre-register the 911 process goes much faster and smoother if you call. I signed up in about 3 minutes.

# SMART 9-1-1

It's Quick, Easy, and Can Save Your Life



- Registration is simple and takes less than 5 minutes
- The information you provide will display automatically to the 911 call taker's screen when you make an emergency call
- These details can save seconds or even minutes during an emergency



Be Smart About Safety

**ECCS**  
—VB911 VB311

Sign up at  
**Smart911.com or Smart911 App**

 **Smart911**

 

**Association Meeting:** We had a lively meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker was Pastor Jackson from Enoch Baptist Church. The Pastor (and I) serve on the steering committee of the SPCP (Strengthening Police and Community Partnership). We also voted on and approved previously tabled proposals to add tax preparation, financial reviews, and a possible dissolution process. We introduced and tabled for the next meeting a proposal to add a CPERT standing committee.

We're trying to lighten the mood at our four quarterly meeting with a social period just prior to the meeting in order to mix, mingle, and welcome new members. Along the lines of "feed 'em and they will come" we will be trying out having a fruit and or dessert tray catered by the club for these social periods.

**Welcome Packets:** One of our goals in the past was to give to each new member of the neighborhood a binder containing some essential information. This cost us a significant amount of money to prepare these and we killed a few trees in the process of copying documents. As suggested by our Welcoming Committee leads (Bob and Sandy Morgan) we have a much simpler, inexpensive, and comprehensive program that uses our website and annual hardcopy newsletter(with expanded format) in place of the binders.

**Website:** Don't forget to check out our website from time to time. Located at: <https://cypca.com/>

**Election Results:** The following members were voted in by the required minimum quorum and will serve as officers in 2023:

President: Bill Filbert

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Dr. Richard Hamlet

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Wes Neal

Treasurer: John Bilzor

Secretary: Ben Miller

Additionally, Tom Wood is appointed as Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, David Gonzalez is appointed coordinator of the CPERT standing committee and Bob and Sandy Morgan appointed as co-leads of the Welcoming Committee.

**Holiday Lights Contest:** The annual Holiday Lights contest will be held on 24 December around 5:30PM so please have everything up and running. It looks like it will be a close contest this year. The Grand Prize winner will be awarded a \$25.00 gift card and (new this year) a free membership for 2023 (a \$15.00 value).

**CPERT:** Your disaster prep team will be meeting after the first of the year to begin the process of adding some substance to the basic document that has been produced. Additionally, we're working with Dominion to come and be our guest speaker at the next quarterly meeting in February (date TBD at this time).

**Street Lights:** You might have noticed that the street lights on Cypress Point Blvd aren't working and it's been some time. Dominion is well aware of this; they've marked poles on either end with a green work order sticker. I've been working with my contact at Dominion and it appears to be a "supply chain" problem getting some parts and it will require some trench work.

**Street Signs:** You also might have noticed a plethora of advertising along the various streets in the neighborhood. I pick them up and throw them out as fast as I can. Feel free to help. We do have "No Soliciting" signs up and this is soliciting at its finest. There are some things we leave alone such as "For Sale" signs, "Open House" and other realtor advertising. We also steer clear of political or religious signs-1<sup>st</sup> amendment stuff there. Basically, we don't want commercial signage up-otherwise given proliferation we could have hundreds of signs up and look like a junkyard.

**Disaster Prep- The "Go Bag"** Consider preparing one.



## **Crime Prevention:** December tips;

### **1. Don't shop 'til you drop:**

- Stay alert and be aware of what is going on around you.
- Park your car in a well-lit area; close the windows and lock the door.
- Don't leave packages and boxes visible through car windows. Lock them in the trunk or take them directly home.
- Don't carry large amounts of cash. Pay with checks, debit, or credit cards whenever possible.
- Don't get overburdened with packages; always keep one hand free. Don't leave your packages unattended; thieves are always looking for unattended packages and shopping bags.
- Keep your purse close to your body, not dangling loosely. Put your wallet in your front pants pocket or in an inside coat pocket.



### **2. When shopping online, use common sense to protect against fraud or ID theft:**

- Familiarize yourself with the rules and policies of online stores and auction sites.
- Only shop with companies you know and make sure that the sites comply with industry security standards.
- Keep your personal information private and keep your passwords secure. Do not respond to requests for a password or credit card information unless you initiate the transaction.
- If you're not going to be home to accept the delivery package, delivery providers offer alternatives that prevent your packages from being left unattended. Lockboxes and secure alternative retail locations are just a couple of options. Visit your courier's website for more details.

### **3. Don't make your office a target for crooks looking for extra holiday cash:**

- Do not leave gifts lying around an empty office. Secure them in a safe place or lock your office door if possible.
- Always keep your keys and wallet with you. Secure purses and other valuables in a locked drawer or cabinet.
- Don't be embarrassed to challenge an unfamiliar face in the office.
- Remember If you see something say something, call Public Safety immediately **212-854-5555 (MS Campus)**, **212-305-7979 (Medical Center)** and **212-853-3333 (MV Campus)** to report suspicious activity or persons.
- Secure your office when stepping out, even for a minute.

## **In the Garden:** December chores:

1. Dig over empty borders and prepare your soil for next year's planting.
2. Group potted plants together in a sheltered spot in the garden to protect them from the harshest winter weather.
3. Get pruning! **Wisteria**, some **fruit trees**, **roses** and **Japanese maples** are just some of the plants that benefit from a winter prune.
4. Look after the birds - clean feeders, stock up on **wild bird food** and make sure they have access to fresh water.
5. Prune **climbing roses** now, removing diseased or damaged growth and tying in any new shoots to their support. Prune older flowered side shoots back by two thirds of their length.
6. Prune your Japanese maple trees (**Acer palmatum**) if needed, as they will bleed sap if pruning is done any later.
7. Leave the faded flower heads on your **hydrangeas** until spring, as they provide frost protection to the swelling buds further down the stems.
8. If any of your rose bushes suffered from blackspot or rust during the summer, gather up and remove any fallen leaves still on the ground to reduce the chance of spreading the infection next year.
9. Keep checking over stored **dahlia tubers**, keeping an eye out for rot.
10. Move containers of shrubs or bedding planters to sheltered spots; clustering them together helps protect the root systems from frost damage.
11. Check **climbers** and **climbing shrubs** are securely attached to their supports with ties.



## Safety Patrol- December safety



## History Corner: This month in US History:

December 2, 1823 - President James Monroe introduced his "Monroe Doctrine"

December 5, 1955 - In Alabama, the Montgomery bus boycott

December 6, 1865 - The 13th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified ending slavery.

December 7, 1941 - The U.S. Naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was attacked.

December 10, 1948 - The UN proclaimed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

December 13, 1862 - During the American Civil War, the Battle of Fredericksburg occurred

December 14, 1962 - The Mariner II space probe sent back information from the planet Venus, the first information ever received from another planet

December 16, 1773 - The Boston Tea Party occurred.

December 16, 1944 - During World War II in Europe, the Battle of the Bulge began.

December 17, 1903 - The Wrights achieved the first powered, controlled airplane flights

December 19, 1732 - Benjamin Franklin first published *Poor Richard's Almanac*.

December 20, 1606 - The Virginia Company expedition to America began.

December 23, 1947 - The transistor was invented at Bell Laboratories.

December 25, 1776 - George Washington conducted a surprise raid at Trenton, NJ.

December 30, 1862 - Union ironclad ship *USS Monitor* sank off Cape Hatteras, NC

**Neighborhood Crimes Report** from VBGov.com/ePRO**Virginia Beach Police Department  
Crime Report For Neighborhood**Reporting Period: 11/19/2022 - 12/19/2022  
Crime Subset: All Crimes**Neighborhood: CYPRESS POINT**

100 Block#	Street	Date Reported	Attempted/ Completed	Crime Description & Code Premise	Precinct Investigator	Zone
<b>Neighborhood: CYPRESS POINT</b>						
1200-blk	FOURSOME LA	11/26/2022	C	CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (90Z4) RESIDENCE, SINGLE-FAMILY	THIRD DAVENPORT, K. N.	327

**Crime Count for CYPRESS POINT: 1**  
**Number of Cases: 1**

**SUMMARY**

**Crime Count: 1**  
**Case Count: 1**

**END OF REPORT**

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the information provided. However, in some instances, cases of a sensitive nature that are under active investigation may be temporarily excluded from this report.

**Precinct Crimes Report** from VBGov.com/WAVES**WAVES**

Weekly Analysis for VBPD Engagement &amp; Strategies

**3rd Precinct**

3rd Precinct Sworn Personnel as of 12/05/2022				
Gender	Race			
	White	Black	Other	
Male	88	71	12	5
% of Total	85%	81%	14%	6%
Female	15	13	1	1
% of Total	15%	87%	7%	7%
Total	103	84	13	6
% of Total	100%	82%	13%	6%



Crime Statistics for Period Ending 11/30/2022*													
	28 Day				91 Day				YTD				
	11/03/2021 to 11/30/2021	11/03/2022 to 11/30/2022	% Change	3 Year Avg of 28 Days	09/01/2021 to 11/30/2021	09/01/2022 to 11/30/2022	% Change	3 Year Avg of 91 Days	2021 YTD Ending 11/30/2021	2022 YTD Ending 11/30/2022	% Change	3 Year YTD Avg	2022 YTD Compared to 3 Year YTD Avg
Violent Crime													
Homicide <sup>2</sup>	0	1	N/C	0.3	2	1	-50%	2.0	5	6	20%	6.0	0%
Rape	4	1	-75%	1.7	11	2	-82%	6.7	25	19	-24%	21.3	-11%
Robbery	10	1	-90%	5.7	26	12	-54%	17.0	61	56	-8%	59.7	-6%
Aggravated Assault	3	8	167%	8.3	18	17	-6%	22.7	122	68	-44%	94.3	-28%
Total Violent Crime	17	11	-35%	16.0	57	32	-44%	48.3	213	149	-30%	181.3	-18%
Property Crime													
Commercial Burglary	2	6	200%	2.3	3	12	300%	4.3	20	52	160%	48.7	7%
Residential Burglary	6	6	0%	7.0	21	23	10%	26.7	75	66	-12%	88.3	-25%
Motor Vehicle Theft	42	15	-64%	34.0	73	78	7%	77.3	309	358	16%	264.3	35%
Larceny from Motor Vehicle	115	84	-27%	83.7	275	254	-8%	229.3	854	1064	25%	759.3	40%
All Other, Larceny	88	83	-6%	85.3	319	304	-5%	289.0	943	1127	20%	1036.7	9%
Total Property Crime	253	194	-23%	212.3	691	671	-3%	626.7	2201	2667	21%	2197.3	21%
Total Part I Crime	270	205	-24%	228.3	748	703	-6%	675.0	2414	2816	17%	2378.7	18%

**Footnotes:**<sup>1</sup> Homicides, rapes, and aggravated assaults are reported by victim; motor vehicle thefts are reported by vehicle; all other offenses are reported by incident<sup>2</sup> Homicide = 'MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER' & 'NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER' only. Excluded: 'AUTO FATALITY, NEGLIGENT' & 'JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE'.<sup>3</sup> N/C indicates the percent change is Not Calculable; one cannot divide by zero

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## CITY NEWS:

### City Earns Perfect Score on Municipal Equality Index for Third Consecutive Year

Virginia Beach is among the best municipalities across the country for LGBTQ+ equality according to national civil rights organization, the Human Rights Campaign. The city's raw score of 111 is one of the highest scores in the nation and the highest in Virginia.

### Help Us Reimagine Rudee Loop



During the 2019 Resort Area Strategic Action Plan update, residents identified Rudee Loop as a top priority for green space. The City has partnered with WPA to conduct community engagement as Virginia Beach works to establish a plan for the area. Provide feedback via an online survey open until midnight on Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023.

Yard Waste is collected year-round on your regular garbage collection day. This service does not require a workorder.

#### Branches & Yard Debris

#### Yard Debris

- Acceptable examples of yard debris: grass clippings, leaves, pine straw, shrub trimmings
- Bag yard debris in clear bags only
- Limit 25 bags per home/per collection day
- Bags cannot exceed 25 lbs. per bag

#### Branches

- Group loose branches into bundles. Tied bundles are preferred but not required.
- Limit two (2) bundles per home/per collection day.
- Limbs up to 4 feet long and 6 inches in diameter will be collected.
- Bundles/Piles cannot exceed 4 x 4 x 4 feet.

#### Not accepted in the Yard Waste Service:

- Any work that was done by a contractor (tree and yard debris)
- Roots balls, mulch, dirt, rocks will not be collected.
- Animal feces (bagged or unbagged)
- No dead animals (or live ones)
- Loose leaves/grass

#### Please Note:

- It is the responsibility of the resident to clean up any small debris left after collection. Residents can bag this debris and place it in their garbage cart.
- Any work done by private contractors (tree company, landscaper, lawn company) must be disposed of by the contractor.



**Town Hall Meeting** There was a Town Hall meeting held by Council Woman Delceno Miles on 11/29/22 at Williams Farm Rec Center. Several of us were in attendance. A special prize to anybody who spots me in the picture. Here is the link to that meeting:

<https://virginiabeach.gov/whats-up/whats-the-scoop/bayside-town-hall-nov29>

