

CYPT CA VB MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

The Point

06/17/2023



ASSOCIATION NEWS:

<u>CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) Meeting:</u> We had a very lively CAC meeting on June 15th at Williams Farm Rec Center. Our guest speaker was Colin Stolle, Commonwealth Attorney. He gave us a quick rundown on how his office works and then he took questions from the audience. Our Association is supporting the 3rd Precinct picnic coming up on July 8th with a small donation.

<u>Association Meeting:</u> Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 1st at 7PM. This is also the annual National Night Out (NNO) Crime Prevention meeting. This year I'm going to set this one up outside in the parking lot if possible and if the weather cooperates. We will do a mock disaster drill and everyone who shows up will get a chance to participate.

<u>Time to Pay Your Dues:</u> Please take care of this. It's only \$15.00 per year and we've made it remarkably easy. Find a very simple form at the end of this email. Clip it off and send it with your check to our Treasurer. His address is on the form. We are investigating electronic payments going forward. Soon I will be sending out personalized reminder letters to residents who have yet to take the "dues plunge".

<u>Website:</u> Don't forget to check out our website from time to time. You'll find it located at: https://cyptca.com/.

Disaster Prep- Tornadoes

Tornadoes often accompany thunderstorms. When there are thunderstorms in your area, turn on your radio or TV to get the latest emergency information from local authorities or check your mobile phone for weather alerts. Pay close attention to changing weather conditions when there is a severe thunderstorm watch or warning.

- A severe **thunderstorm watch** means severe thunderstorms **are possible** in your area.
- A severe thunderstorm warning means severe thunderstorms are occurring in your area.

Learn about the tornado warning system of your county or locality. Most tornado-prone areas have an outdoor siren system. Know how to distinguish between the siren's warnings for a tornado watch and a tornado warning.

Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEAs) are another method to stay up to date on weather emergencies. WEAs are emergency messages sent by authorized government authorities, such as the National Weather Service, through your mobile carrier. The alerts look like a text message and typically show the type and time of the alert, any action you should take, and the agency issuing the alert. For more information, visit t Know the signs of a tornado Some tornadoes strike quickly without time for a tornado warning, so it is important to know the

signs of a tornado.

Signs that a tornado may be approaching include the following:

- Rotating funnel-shaped cloud
- Approaching cloud of debris
- Dark or green-colored sky
- Large, dark, low-lying cloud
- Large hail
- Loud roar that sounds like a freight train

If you notice any of these signs take cover immediately and stay tuned to local radio and TV stations, a NOAA weather radio, or the internet

Crime Prevention.

More Americans are falling victim to text-messaging scams, and losing thousands of dollars in the process.

U.S. consumers lost \$330 million to fraudulent texts last year, up from \$131 million in 2021 and \$86 million in 2020, according to a FTC scam <u>report</u> published Thursday. The median loss reported by individual victims was <u>\$1,000</u>, the federal agency said — double the amount in losses reported in 2021.

Scam texts have grown effective in recent years in part because they offer rewards like a job or gift, the FTC said. Other messages successfully fool consumers into thinking someone has accessed their bank account, Emma Fletcher, a senior data researcher for the FTC, wrote in an analysis of the scam report.

"Texting is cheap and easy, and scammers are counting on the ding of an incoming text being hard to ignore," Fletcher said. "Scammers use the speed of text communication to their advantage: they hope you won't slow down and think over what's in the message."

The FTC is warning consumers not to click links or respond to unexpected text messages. The agency advises people to report all suspicious texts to ReportFraud.ftc.gov or to forward the potential scam message to 7726, or SPAM. Reporting dubious texts in this way helps cellphoneservice providers stamp out fraudsters, the FTC said.

Americans filed over 235,961 complaints of unsolicited text messages last year, down from 294,655 in 2021, according to agency <u>data</u>. Scammers used texting as the mode of contact for 22% of all fraud cases filed by Americans last year, in which a mode of contact was named. That's up 1% from <u>2021</u>.

Fletcher said there are several types of texting scams, but five categories in particular accounted for 40% of all text frauds reported to the FTC last year. The most common was copycat bank fraud, in which a text is received by someone impersonating a bank, which accounted for 10% of text scams reported in 2022. Bogus gifts and fake package delivery texts each accounted for 9% of reported text scams, followed by phony job offers — 8%, and Amazon security alerts — 7%.

Crime Stats: 3rd Precinct:

WAVES

Weekly Analysis for VBPD Engagement & Strategies

3rd Precinct





3rd Precinct Sworn Personnel as of 06/12/2023					
Gender -		Race			
		White	Black	Other	
Male	85	72	10	3	
% of Total	85%	85%	12%	4%	
Female	15	11	3	1	
% of Total	15%	73%	20%	7%	
Total	100	83	13	4	
% of Total	100%	83%	13%	4%	





				Crime Sta
	28 Day			
Violent Crime	05/14/2022 to 06/10/2022	05/14/2023 to 06/10/2023	% Change	3 Year Avg of 28 Days
Homicide ²	0	0	0%	0.0
Rape	0	2	N/C	2.3
Robbery	5	4	-20%	4.3
Aggravated Assault	7	4	-43%	10.0
Total Violent Crime	12	10	-17%	16.7

91 Day				
03/12/2022 03/12/2023 to to 06/10/2022 06/10/2023		% Change	3 Year Avg of 91 Days	
4	0	-100%	2.0	
4	6	50%	5.7	
16	14	-13%	13.0	
24	18	-25%	25.3	
48	38	-21%	46.0	

tistics for Period Ending 06/10/2023

YTD					
2022 YTD Ending 06/10/2022	2023 YTD Ending 06/10/2023	% Change	3 Year YTD Avg	2023 YTD Compared to 3 Year YTD Avg	
4	2	-50%	3.7	-45%	
10	12	20%	9.7	24%	
25	21	-16%	23.7	-11%	
32	37	16%	43.0	-14%	
71	72	1%	80.0	-10%	

Property Crime	05/14/2022 to 06/10/2022	05/14/2023 to 06/10/2023	% Change	3 Year Avg of 28 Days	
Commercial Burglary	3	1	-67%	3.7	
Residential Burglary	4	6	50%	6.7	
Motor Vehicle Theft	27	31	15%	24.0	
Larceny from Motor Vehicle	104	38	-63%	75.3	
All Other, Larceny	91	131	44%	88.3	
Total Property Crime	229	207	-10%	198.0	
Total Part I Crime	241	217	-10%	214.7	

03/12/2022 to 06/10/2022	03/12/2023 to 06/10/2023	% Change	3 Year Avg of 91 Days
13	10	-23%	9.7
13	14	8%	19.0
93	80	-14%	78.0
329	132	-60%	249.3
304	387	27%	261.0
752	623	-17%	617.0
800	661	-17%	663.0

of	2022 YTD Ending 06/10/2022	2023 YTD Ending 06/10/2023	% Change	3 Year YTD Avg	Compared to 3 Year YTD Avg
	22	22	0%	34.7	-37%
	31	21	-32%	38.0	-45%
	187	130	-30%	154.3	-16%
7	488	214	-56%	402.7	-47%
	521	743	43%	480.7	55%
	1,249	1,130	-10%	1,110.3	2%
	1,320	1,202	-9%	1,190.3	1%

Footnotes:

Generated on: Monday, June 12, 2023
Data Source: PDReporting..vwlBRrecords, vwAxonIBRrecords
*Data entry may not be complete for time period

¹ Homicides, rapes, and aggravated assaults are reported by victim; motor vehicle thefts are reported by vehicle; all other offenses are reported by incident

² Homicide = 'MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER' & 'NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER' only. Excluded: 'AUTO FATALITY, NEGLIGENT' & 'JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE'.

¹ N/C indicates the percent change is Not Calculable; one cannot divide by zero

Safety Patrol for July





FIND SHADE

The sun's rays are strongest between 10AM to 4PM... Look for access to a shaded area during these times.

WEAR A HAT

Accessorize with a hat that shades your face, neck, and ears. Avoid straw hats with holes that can let sunlight through!





SPORT SUNGLASSES

Sunglasses with lenses that have UV absorption provide optimal protection for the eyes and the surrounding skin.

COVER UP

Wear a long-sleeved shirt and long pants. Dark clothing with tightly woven fabric blocks more sun.





DON'T FORGET SUNSCREEN

Use everyday - even if it's cloudy! Reapply sunscreen every two hours or every hour if you are swimming or sweating.

VISIT YOUR DERMATOLOGIST TO LEARN MORE!



To schedule an appointment, call: (973) 761 - 5200



In The Garden in July



- <u>Be vigilant about removing weeds</u> or the weeds will soon overtake your garden beds. Weeds flourish in the July heat.
- Continue to remove suckers from <u>indeterminate tomato plants</u> and <u>support plants</u> <u>either with stakes or tomato cages</u>.
- Be on guard for Infestations of insects including but not limited to <u>thrips</u>, tomato fuitworm, <u>squash vine borer</u>, <u>tomato hornworm</u>, <u>spider mites</u>, <u>chinch bugs</u>, scale, snails, and <u>slugs</u>.
- Monitor plants for diseases such as <u>septoria leaf spot</u>, <u>powdery mildew</u>, and <u>rust</u>.
- Inspect plants for <u>Japanese beetles</u> (*Popillia japonica*) on <u>gourds</u>, pumpkins, and squash.
- Fertilize heat-resistant flowers such as <u>coleus</u>, <u>hibiscus</u>, <u>Melampodium</u>, <u>Pentas</u>, plumbago, <u>moss rose</u>, and <u>zinnias</u>.
- (Mid-July) <u>Pinch</u> chrysanthemums one last time. Pinching too late in the summer reduces the blooms that you are counting on for fall displays.
- Harvest ripe vegetables regularly to improve yields. <u>Zucchini</u> plants, for example, will keep bearing throughout the summer if you harvest the young fruits on a regular basis.
- Pick <u>blueberries</u> before the birds eat them. To avoid having to be so vigilant, practice <u>sound bird control</u>. The most common way gardeners protect blueberries from birds is by <u>covering the plants with bird netting</u>.
- Inspect fruit trees for suckering water sprouts and prune to remove them. Water sprouts will steal energy from fruiting branches.
- Inspect plants for damage from pests such as <u>groundhogs</u> and <u>rabbits</u> and, should you find any, take quick action: These animals can rob you of your harvest in no time. Consider growing rabbit-proof and groundhog-proof plants next year.

History Corner: This month in US History:

June 4, 1944 - During World War II in Europe, Rome was liberated by the U.S. 5th Army

June 6, 1944 - <u>D-Day</u>, the largest amphibious landing in history, began in the early-morning hours as Allied forces landed in Normandy on the northern coast of France.

June 14, 1775 - The first U.S. Military service, the Continental Army consisting of six companies of riflemen, was established by the Second Continental Congress. The next day, <u>George Washington</u> was appointed by a unanimous vote to command the army.

June 14, 1777 - John Adams introduced a resolution before Congress mandating a United States flag, stating, "...that the flag of the thirteen United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new constellation." This anniversary is celebrated each year in the U.S. as Flag Day.

June 14, 1951 - Univac 1, the world's first commercial electronic computer was unveiled in Philadelphia. It was installed at the Census Bureau and utilized a magnetic tape unit as a buffer memory.

June 15, 1215 - King John set his seal to <u>Magna Carta</u>, the first charter of British liberties, guaranteeing basic rights that have since become the foundation of modern democracies around the world.

June 19, 1865 - In Galveston, Texas, upon the arrival of Union troops, Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger read General Order No. 3: "The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States [President Lincoln], all slaves are free.

CCO NEWS: The CCO (Council of Civic Organizations) will meet at Kempsville Elementary on Thursday, June 22nd at 7PM. I am a Director of the CCO and we've got some interesting things on the agenda. One item is a presentation of our new bylaws that we have worked on for the past two months. Another item will be a discussion of Project Wayne-see the discussion following.

One of the important purposes of the revitalized VBCCO is to "study and discuss important issues that affect our community". On June 13, 2023, the City Council, at the behest of Mayor Dyer, initiated the rezoning process on a 150 acre public site located in the ITA (Interfacility Traffic Area) south of the Green Line to accommodate the development of the site as a medical device manufacturing facility by a private company. The developer remains anonymous and the project has a code name: Project Wayne. In 1979 the City Council established the Green Line to concentrate City services and development to the north with agriculture below the Green Line. This specific site has already been planned for public facilities and amenities in the Comprehensive Plan and ITA Master Plan. The Mayor's push was to get this in front of the Planning Commission "to see what can be built there". Council Member Henley noted that the ITA and Comprehensive Plans, both created with extensive study and citizen input, already answer that question. She further noted that there is a private property owner that is wiling to sell to the Project Wayne developer so that City property and investment in infrastructure would not be necessary. For further information you may listen to the discussion: City Council Discussion on June 13,2023 (discussion is at the 2:51 mark.) or listen to this Podcast Interview with Council Member Henley on the background of the Green Line, the ITA and planned use of this parcel

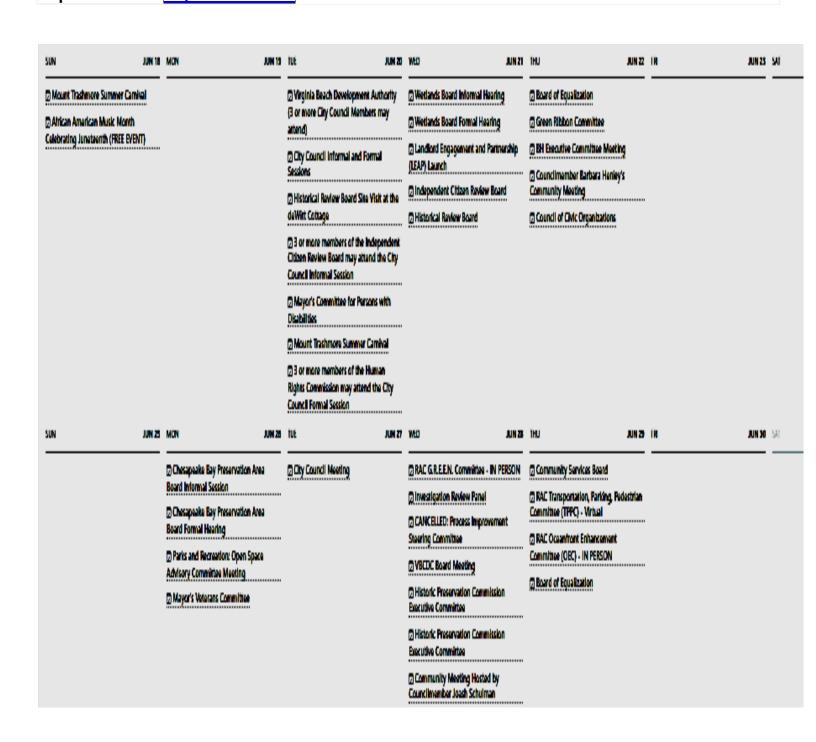
CITY CALENDAR: Major Upcoming Events.

June 23-25: Beach It! Country Music Festival

July 1-4: Fourth of July

Aug. 20-27: East Coast Surfing Championship

Sept. 1-4: Labor Day Weekend Sept. 29-Oct. 1: Neptune Festival



Important Meetings Coming Up:

.



CYPRESS POINT CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Renewal New 2023 Dues are \$15.00 for 01/01/2023-12/31/2023 Name:_ Make check payable to CYPT CA of VB Address:__ Phone Number:____ Please mail this form and payment to: Here is how I'd like to participate in 2023: Treasurer, CYPT CA VB 5396 Club Head Rd CPERT-Cypress Point Emergency Response Team Neighborhood Watch Virginia Beach, VA 23455 Newsletter Environmental Events/Contests Beautification Architectural Control Look for us on Facebook Welcome https://www.facebook.com/ Routine correspondence should be directed to CYPTCA/ or our website at cyptca@gmail.com Advertising Rates: Full page -\$150, Half-page-\$75, Quarter www.cyptca,com page \$40, Business Card-\$25