



CYPT CA VB
MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER

The Point

18 March 2025



ASSOCIATION NEWS:

CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) Meeting: Will meet on Thursday 20 March at the Williams Farm Rec Center at 6:30PM. The new Precinct Captain, JJ Gordon will be introduced. It's also fitting to note that the CAC made a significant donation to the families of the VB Officers lost in the line of duty recently.

Association Meeting: The next association meeting will be on May 13th.

Farm Fresh Development: Those who attended the February meeting heard from Justin Boyd, the developer of the Farm Fresh shopping center. He presented artist's renderings, some factual data, and answered questions. In his words:

As you may or may not know, Boyd Homes affiliated company has purchased Cypress Point Shopping Center with the intention of bringing a new vision to this location. We are currently in the early stages of the re-development.

Our vision contemplates a walkable, amenity driven, mixed-use re-development, with townhomes and trophy-class multi-family residences. We will do this while retaining the in-demand retail and eateries the surrounding communities enjoy in a re-designed and more efficient shopping experience.

Boyd Homes wants to make Cypress Point a landmark in the community, using innovative and desirable design elements, high-quality construction materials, color palates, and amenities designed to draw residents, neighbors, and customers together in a walkable, livable space.

We look forward to working with the community to make Cypress Point a destination for both the local residents and retailers.

Some of you might have reservations. If so, please send me an email with your concerns to wfilbert@gmail.com. I will collect them and present them at the May meeting mentioned above. If a quorum is present and a majority reached the Board and I will consider drafting a resolution with your concerns to the Planning Commission and city council.

Bylaws Update: The CYPT CA VB bylaws have been re-written and put on the table for discussion and voting in May. Key changes are:

1. Removed the term “Constitution” as not consistent with Virginia law
2. Map of the neighborhood now an integral part of document
3. Clarifies roles of officers and expenses in excess of \$1000 subject to members approval
4. Quorum required for voting reduced to 10% from 20%
5. Standing Committees updated to reflect current operation
6. Prior amendments on dissolution and indemnification are inserted into the main document
7. Approval of the members required for certain provisions

The new draft bylaws will be posted on the website.

Website: Please check out our website from time to time. You’ll find it located at: <https://cyptca.com/>

Annual Hardcopy Newsletter: The hardcopy was delivered to about 485 residences early in February. This is a great opportunity and a reminder to pay your dues. Use the last page to send us a check. Once again, it seems that some of the long-time members are slow on the draw to renew.

SCAM Alert:


One disturbing scam that's become more prevalent in recent years is a financial sexual extortion, or sextortion, scam.

The scammers often pretend to be young girls or women who are interested in a romantic relationship. They may send stolen or AI-generated explicit photos and trick victims into sharing explicit photos or videos. Alternatively, scammers sometimes trick victims after forming a friendship and then offering money, gift cards or something else in exchange for images or videos.

Victims are told that the images or videos will be sent to family, friends and classmates if they don't pay the scammers. Often, this all happens very quickly—sometimes in less than an hour—and victims may be too embarrassed to ask for help.

The [FBI](#) and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's [CyberTipline](#) have more resources. You can also report the scam to the CyberTipline and get help taking down explicit content.

CYPT Crime Stats Year to Date: I finally got my friends to update it.

Date_Occurred	 Offense_Description	Block	Street	Case_Status
2/22/2025 8:00	ASSAULT, SIMPLE, DOMESTIC	5300	CLUB HEAD RD	CLEARED BY ARREST
1/17/2025 13:00	TRESPASS OF REAL PROPERTY	5300	CLUB HEAD RD	PENDING - INACTIVE

In the Garden: Chores for the month of March:

Clean Up Garden Beds



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Clearing garden beds is essential for healthy plant growth and better airflow. In Zones 9-10, gardeners can begin early as temperatures rise, while in Zones 1-2, the ground is still frozen, so focus on planning instead. In Zones 3-6, waiting until the soil thaws before removing debris or trimming dead plants is best. For Zones 11-13, regular maintenance, like refreshing mulch and removing fallen leaves, keeps gardens thriving. No matter the zone, preparing beds early helps plants establish strong roots for the season ahead

Prune Dead or Damaged Plants



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Pruning timing depends on your climate zone and the type of plant. Pruning should be done in colder zones after the coldest weather has passed, but it's important to prune certain plants—like fruit trees and roses—while they are still dormant, usually from late winter to early March. In warmer zones, be cautious with spring-flowering shrubs like azaleas and lilacs, which bloom on old wood. These should not be pruned in March, as you could cut off next season's blooms. Always tailor pruning to the specific plant variety and local climate to ensure the best results.

Test Your Soil



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Soil testing is crucial for ensuring that your plants thrive in the upcoming season, no matter where you are. For gardeners in the Pacific Northwest, the soil tends to be more acidic due to rainfall, so adding lime may be necessary. In drier climates like Arizona (Zones 9-10), soil can be sandy and lacking in essential nutrients, so you may need to amend it with compost and organic matter. Testing your soil in March provides a foundation for selecting the right plants or adding soil amendments to optimize growth throughout the season.

UPCOMING EVENTS: April 12th is the annual front yard landscaping contest, May 3rd is the annual garage sale, May 8th is our next general meeting and May 13th is the annual CPERT (Emergency Team) meeting.

History Corner:

March 1, 1781 - Formal ratification of the Articles of Confederation was announced by Congress.

March 4, 1933 - Newly elected President Franklin D. Roosevelt took office and delivered his first inaugural address attempting to restore public confidence during the Great Depression, stating, "Let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself..."

March 5, 1770 - The Boston Massacre occurred as a group of rowdy Americans harassed British soldiers who then opened fire, killing five and injuring six.

March 5, 1946 - The "Iron Curtain" speech was delivered by Winston Churchill at Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri.

March 6, 1836 - Fort Alamo fell to Mexican troops led by General Santa Anna.

March 9, 1864 - Ulysses S. Grant was commissioned as a Lieutenant General and became commander of the Union armies.

March 10, 1880 - The Salvation Army was founded in the United States.

March 11, 1918 - The 'Spanish' influenza first reached America as 107 soldiers

March 17, 1776 - Early in the American Revolutionary War the British completed their evacuation of Boston following a successful siege conducted by Patriots

March 19, 2003 - The United States launched an attack against Iraq to topple dictator Saddam Hussein from power.

March 23, 1775 - Patrick Henry ignited the American Revolution with a speech before the Virginia convention in Richmond, stating, "I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!"

March 28, 1979 - Near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant accident occurred in which uranium in the reactor core overheated due to the failure of a cooling valve.

New section: A little more in-depth on one of the critical battle above. Many interesting things associated with the Battle of the Alamo. For one, this wasn't even an "American" battle. It was Mexico versus Texas. The people there referred to themselves at that time as "Texians". Similarly, the Battle of San Jacinto, a later tremendous victory that garnered Texian independence was also not even an American victory. However we did name a cruiser after it. The original plan was to evacuate the Alamo but after Jim Bowie showed up he decided to strengthen and hold it. Not everyone died there; Mrs. Dickinson, wife of the Texian artillery commander and several women were spared, as well as "Joe", the enslaved servant of the Commander, William Travis and "Ben" the freed servant of Jim Bowie. Davy Crockett survived and tried to honorably surrender but was cut down

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City News: City Calendar

SUN	Mar 30	MON	Mar 31	TUE	Apr 1	WED	Apr 2	THU	Apr 3	FRI	Apr 4	SAT	Apr 5
No Events	No Events			 RAC Planning & Design Review Committee (PDRC)	 Resort Investment Committee (RIC)			 Planning Commission Site Visits	 Social Services Advisory Board		No Events		
				3+ CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS	3+ CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS			 Resort Advisory Commission (RAC)					
					 Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Informal Session			3+ CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS					
					 Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Formal Hearing			3+ ADVERTISING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS					



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE CYPRESS POINT CIVIC ASSOCIATION VB

The purpose of the association is to promote the participation of all members in all the activities that pertain to the development of commercial, civic, and safety, and the general welfare of the Cypress Point community

CYPRESS POINT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Dues are \$15.00
(January to December)
Make check payable to
CYPT CA VB

NEW

RENEW

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

eMAIL: _____

I'm interested in volunteering for:

Association Officer: _____

Emergency Response Team: _____

Neighborhood Watch: _____

Newsletter: _____

Events/Contests/Food Drive: _____

Welcome Committee: _____

MAIL TO:

TREASURER
CYPT CA VB at

1228 Smith
Cove Circle

Routine correspondence
should be sent to

cyptca@gmail.com

Advertising rates: Full page
\$150 half-page \$75, Quarter
page \$40, business card \$25

Look for us on Facebook at
[https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/CYPTCA/)
[CYPTCA/](https://www.facebook.com/CYPTCA/) or visit our webpage
at www.cyptca.com

Dues can also be paid through
the association's PayPal
account. It is secure, free, and
doesn't require you to have
your own account.

Go to
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