

President's Letter by Mike Kelly

Ladies and Gentlemen,



We are kicking off the membership drive and shortly you will have a form in your mailbox. Everyone who joins or renews their membership by April 1st will be added to a drawing to win \$100. The drawing will take place on June 6th at the Spring Fling.

Directory

We are also emphasizing the response for the Croatan directory. Even if you decide not to join, please provide your point of contact information so that we can make this year's directory as accurate as possible.

As always, be safe.

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Beach Safety Update by John Mannarino

On the 28 January I saw a survey team working the beach. I asked James D. White, P.E. Coastal Section Project Manager, about them and in reply he stated, "The survey team you observed was our consulting engineering firm Waterway Surveys and Engineering (WS&E). WS&E was out surveying the beach and offshore for the Spring 2020 beach monitoring report. Staff has requested an update for the Rudee Inlet and outer Deposition Basin Dredging solicitation from the US Army Corps of Engineeres (USACE). I will provide an update once received from the USACE." Prior to that exchange I had sent the



engineers a note on 22 January describing beach erosion after a week of high winds and consequent high tides. I wanted to ensure they were aware of the issue. So we are still awaiting notification of the status of the bid/award.



Croatan Civic League Happy Hour February 28th

Please join your friends and neighbors at Murphy's Irish Pub 2914 Pacific Ave..on Friday, February 28th from 6:30-8:30 for appetizers sponsored by the CCL. We look forward to seeing you there!

VOTER INFORMATION FOR THE MARCH 3RD 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION

If you have any questions about voting, call the DPVA Voter Hotline at 844-4VA-VOTE (844-482-8683)

The Democratic Presidential Primary is on March 3, 2020 from 6AM – 7PM. Voter registration is not party specific and Virginia has open primaries, so you do not need to be a registered Democrat to vote in the March 3rd Primary.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Register to Vote or Update your Voter Information Deadline: Monday, February 10, 2020.
- 5PM in-person
- 11:50PM online

Safety, Security Update, Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC), and Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO)

Welcome to February. The groundhog predicts an early Spring and, indeed, some sprouts and blooms are beginning to make themselves known. It is a delightful time of year here in Croatan despite the prospect of renewed lawn work.

Our Security Patrol reports no incidents beyond parking violations. As you renew your CCL membership, please remember to contribute to the **Croatan Security Fund** that pays for Master Police Officer Noha's off-duty services. Details are on our website – https://www.croatanbeach.org/security/.



Citizen's Action Committee (CAC):

The purpose of the CAC is to identify specific or potential areas of community concern for police and other municipal services. Representatives from Police, Fire, Rescue, Mental Health, Parks & Recreation, Code Enforcement & Zoning, Neighborhood Housing & Preservation, Conventions & Visitor Development, and the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney usually attend to answer the concerns of citizens. Meetings are open to all. The CAC meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 PM in the briefing room of VBPD Second Precinct, 820 Va. Beach Dr (17th Street). This is the blue-roofed one-story building. (For those who haven't noticed the color scheme – the Fire Department's roof is red and the Volunteer Rescue Squad's roof is green.)

The VB Volunteer Rescue Squad conducts free **CPR/Stop the Bleed** training every first Saturday of the month 9 AM - noon at their Station #8 - 1243 Bayne Dr (just beyond the Fire Station). Register at https://vbvrs.org/ - "Because Life Happens."

Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO):

There are two remaining **Sea Level Wise** briefings scheduled for this month - Feb. 12

- 6 to 8 p.m. Kellam High School 2665 West Neck Road; Feb. 15 10 a.m. to noon
- Cox High School 2425 Shorehaven Drive. VB Public Works is conducting these events to seek citizen involvement on their draft Virginia Beach Sea Level Wise Adaption Strategy. As you may have read, tacking Sea Level Rise will require a multi-billion-dollar commitment by federal, state, and local governments. For more information, see: www.vbgov.com/pwslr.



The City's FY 2019 Popular **Annual Financial Report** – a 20-page summation of revenues and expenditures is now available on-line at

 $https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/finance/Documents/Risk\%20Management/FY\%202019\%20PAFR.pdf\ .$

M. C. "Connie" Agresti, CCL VP, Security Chair

The Croatan Book Club

Next Meeting



Date: **Thursday**, 2/20/2020

Time: 7:00 P.M. Place: Jane Kelly

Selection: **Becoming** by Michelle Obama

All Neighbors are welcome. Just read the book (or maybe not), bring a beverage or snack, and e-mail the hostess that you will be attending.



4/16/2020 **Dutch House** Ann Patchett

See the CCL website for 2020 selections: www.croatanbeach.org/book-club/.

Croatan Women's Club

Next Meeting

Date: Monday, February 10

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: Angie Schwartz, 633 S. Atlantic

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Program: Valentine Wine Tasting

See the CCL website at

www.croatanbeach.org/womens-club/



BECOMING



Do you want to save \$200.00, save your neighbors, save children, bicyclists, pets and wildlife? **GO SLOW IN CROATAN!!!**

Neighborhood Contacts

Send any corrections, deletions or additions to this page to Marian Kitchin at mdkitchin@gmail.com.

Welcome Wagon

Contact Cheryl Garvey at cgcroatan@gmail.com or phone 471-5436 if you know of new Croatan neighbors .



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Who to Call

Dead or Stranded Marine Mammal (dolphin, seal, whale) or Sea Turtle Virginia Aquarium Stranding Response Team

757-385-7575



Important Contacts

Police Fire & Rescue Emergencies	911
Non-Emergency Assistance	385-5000
Miss Utility	811
Potholes, Street Signs and Repairs	385-1470
Animal Control (Option #1)	385-4444
City Landfill	385-1980
Bulk Trash Pickup	385-4650
Croatan Temporary Parking Permit	385-4131
Wildlife Response , Inc.	543-7000
VBSPCA Wildlife Referral Line	263-4762
Wildlife Conflict Helpline (toll free)	

(855) 571-9003

Beach Wedding Permit 385-4800

Tidewater Wildlife Rescue

Helpline 757-255-8710

A volunteer organization dedicated to assisting orphaned and injured wildlife throughout Tidewater, Virginia.

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SCOOP THE POOP!!!!! It's the LAW!!! Please carry a plastic bag with you when you walk your dog. Don't let pet waste become part of our waterways or our neighbor's landscape.

The People Make the Beach **Croatan Civic League**

We are on the WEB! Check us out at www.croatanbeach.org and Nextdoor.com

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