

CCL Newsletter

February, 2024



Submitted by Kathy Donahoe

President's Letter

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Board met this past Monday. There is not much to update you on.

Our February meeting was noticeably short since we had resolved the 2024 budget and dues at the January meeting.

Here are some important dates to put on your calendar.

February 19th - District 5 Community Meeting. Hosted by Vice-Mayor Rosemary Wilson. She is also our district councilperson. The meeting is from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Aquarium South Building (new building). Special guest speakers are Police Chief Paul Neudigate and Sheriff Rocky Holcomb.

March 21st (Thursday) - Membership Social.

May 4th (Saturday) – The Croatan Garage Sale. Shadowlawn will be holding theirs on the same day. Hopefully, that will bring more people looking for “great bargains” into our area of the city. We will be advertising and will put a map on the website for people who want to register their sale so that buyers know where to go.

June 1st (Saturday) – Spring Fling. The format will be the same as in past years.

Amanda Robinson and Katie Ripberger are working on the rest of the events, and we will get those out soon. If you have any ideas, please contact them.

For those of you who have not done so yet, join or renew your membership for 2024. It is easy to do online. **Please consider donating to the security fund** as well. Those costs have gone up significantly in the last two years. Any amount will do, but if we do not meet our budget amount of \$15,000, we will be cutting hours in the last few months of the year.

There are no updates on the VB restoration contract.

The next Board of Director's meeting will be held on Monday, March 11th at 6:30 PM via Zoom. If you would like an invite, please let me know and I will send you one.

All the best and stay safe,

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

2/12 Women's Club
2/22 Book Club
3/4 CCL Meeting
3/21 Spring Event
5/4 Neighborhood Garage Sale
6/1 Spring Fling

Croatan Women's Club



Croatan Woman's Club Pajamas and Fondue Party



Wear your PJs and plan
to dip away, please bring a
drink of choice



524 Croatan Hills Dr
(Plenty of street parking
as well as the driveway)



Monday Feb 12th @ 7pm

Please RSVP to 757-567-1412



Croatan Book Club

CROATAN BOOK CLUB February 2024

Next Meeting Thursday,
February 15, 2024 Time 7 P.M.
Hostess: Kathy Prokopius
Place: 828 Vanderbilt

Book: The Violin Conspiracy – Brendan Slocumb

All Neighbors are welcome. Just read the book (or maybe not – come to socialize and hear a review of the book) and notify the hostess that you will be attending via a response to the email. Bring a light snack/wine to share, if desired. We meet on the third Thursday of each month, location varies.

Future Selections (in order):

None of This is True - Lisa Jewell

The Frozen River – Ariel Lawhon

Saved – Benjamin Hall

The Emancipation of Evan Wallis – Jeffrey Blount

Everyone in My Family Has Killed Someone – Benjamin Stevenson

Next Year in Havana – Chanel Cleeton

Ordinary Grace – William Kent Kruger

The Measure – Nikki Erlick

Safety/Security – February, 2024

Bottom Line Up Front:

- Clear the Sensor
- Security Fund
- CAC – Next meeting March 13
 - Primary Elections (March 5) – early voting now through March 2
 - District 5 Community Meeting, February 19 6-8 PM, new Aquarium Bldg

Security Fund: Sixty-one percent of CCL membership renewals through January 31 have included contributions to the Security Fund. Thank you for all these contributions – some of which were very generous. Our officers are still operating under a reduced number of hours until we can determine how many hours the contributions will support. Ninety percent of Security Survey respondents want to keep these off-duty officers patrolling our neighborhood. Contributions can be made online at <https://www.croatanbeach.org> or mailed to our Treasurer.

Clear the Sensor: I am not sure how many more frosty mornings we'll have this winter, but I was recently reminded (by my car) to scrape the windshield in front of the sensors. Many new vehicles have optical and R/F sensors that help drivers in judging distances, lane keeping, etc. If they're not free of frost, they will not work properly. If you have to scrape the windshield, please ensure that you clear them.

Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC): Because the second Wednesday in February is both Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday, the CAC meeting normally scheduled for that day will not be held. The next CAC

meeting will be held on March 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the conference room of Virginia Beach Volunteer Rescue Squad #14, 740 VB Blvd (17th Street). Please park on the east side of the building. CAC meetings are open to all.

Primary Elections: Virginia Primary Elections are Tuesday, March 5. These primaries will help determine which candidates face each other in November for President of the United States. **Registered voters can vote early, in-person now through March 2.** Virginia has an open primary, meaning that any voter can vote in either the Republican or Democratic primary (not both) regardless of to which party one is aligned or registered. See the left-hand menu item for Elections and Voting on <https://virginiabeach.gov> for more information and a sample ballot.

District 5 Community Meeting: VB Deputy Mayor and District 5 (i.e., Croatan's) Councilwoman Rosemary Wilson will be hosting a Community Meeting on Monday, February 15 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM in the Virginia Aquarium south building (this is the new building).

M. C. "Connie" Agresti,
CCL Safety and Security Director



Become A POLL WORKER for the City of Virginia Beach

Virginia Beach needs citizens to serve as poll workers on Election Day.
Please consider this opportunity to serve your community.

Poll workers are paid \$240.00 each election and an additional \$25.00 to attend a specialized training class.

Initial application can be filled in online at <https://virginiabeachva.easypollworker.com>
For the best experience with this website, please use Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Mozilla Firefox. Internet Explorer is not a supported browser and will not work.

You may also stop by our office at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center, Building 14.
Before coming, please go to <https://voter.virginiabeach.gov> and select Election Officials for more information, to review paperwork, and to know what to bring.

Voter Registration & Elections, 2449 Princess Anne Road, Bldg.14, Virginia Beach, VA 23456 757-385-8683

Neighborhood Contacts

Welcome Wagon

Contact Cheryl Garvey
cgcroatan@gmail.com
(757)739-7078

if you know of new
Croatan neighbors



Who to Call

Dead or Stranded Marine
Mammal (dolphin, seal, whale)
or Sea Turtle Virginia Aquarium
Stranding
Response Team
757-385-7575



Book Collection

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Katie Ripberger	Director, Logo wear, Social Activities
Amanda Robinson	Social Activities, Children’s Programs
Amber Torgensen	Director, Halloween Events
Eileen Wren	Director