



Community Found!



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"THERE IS NO POWER FOR CHANGE GREATER THAN A COMMUNITY DISCOVERING WHAT IT CARES ABOUT."

~ MARGARET J. WHEATLEY

Spotlight on CBCF

Charitable Giving & Financial Assistance The Year in Review, So Far

We're halfway through 2019 and the Colonial Beach Community Foundation (CBCF) has proudly given financial support to many organizations that directly benefit our community. We are pleased to report that CBCF has provided grants to the following:

- Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office to go toward the

- purchase of a motorcycle
- Colonial Beach Humane Society, which manages a town-wide trap, neuter, and release (TNR) program to help control the feral cat population
- Save the Bay in support of its cleanup activities.



The CBCF also is pleased to have awarded scholarships to three Colonial Beach High School students. Pictured from left to right are Hailey Becraft, \$500 Technology Award (Germanna Community College); Rachel Gray, \$500 Community College Award (Rappahannock Community

College); Christiana Parker, \$500 Community College Award and \$500 Nursing Award (Rappahannock Community College); and CBCF Board Members Joyce Reid and Joyce Gunderson.

Later this month, 16 children will attend a week-long 4-H Summer Camp at the 4-H Educational Center in Williamsburg, Virginia. The CBCF has paid the full tuition for each of them. The 4-H camp provides experiential learning to help teach decision-making, problem-solving, and resource management -- skills that will help them for the rest of their lives.

In addition, the CBCF proudly provides financial support to WWER 88.1 FM as it establishes itself in the community. CBCF also is pleased to have served as the fiduciary vehicle managing private donations that have made the Torrey Smith Recreation Park and beach access panels possible.

All of that support is made possible by you. The CBCF combines individual membership dues and donations, and directs them to causes that enrich our community.



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A Venue for Us All

The Colonial Beach Community Center, located at 717 Marshall Avenue, on the Point, is owned by the town, but managed and maintained by the CBCF. The building was built and originally maintained by the Lions Club. The CBCF took over management in 2015.

The community center building and grounds took a beating from the straight line winds in April 2017. But, in true Colonial Beach fashion, local businesses and individuals donated, or provided at

cost, materials and supplies, as well as the time, talent, skill, and craftsmanship necessary to make repairs, renovations, and improvements. We are extremely grateful to them and awed by their generosity and sense of community. Thanks to them, the Community Center has a new roof and siding, expanded parking area, an accessible restroom, and landscaping.

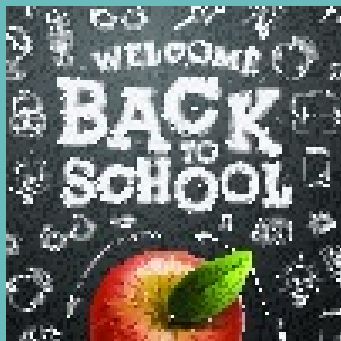
In the future, benefactors plan to run hot water to the restroom sinks, replace the kitchen flooring, and increase lighting. We also hope to repair damaged drywall and baseboards. If you have skills, materials, and/or time to help renovate and maintain the Community Center, please send us an *email*. We would welcome you to our team.

The community center is the go-to venue for CBCF events and is available for rent by organizations (e.g., the Colonial Beach Playhouse) and individuals for meetings, events, and celebrations. It has a kitchen, restrooms, tables and chairs, a large field, an outdoor stage, and ample parking. Check availability and reserve a date and time *here*. Please note that your reservation is not confirmed until you complete an application and receive confirmation. Because the Community Center belongs to all of us, the CBCF asks everyone who visits to treat the building and grounds with kindness.

Learn more at *CBCF's website* and follow the Community Center on *Facebook*.

Back to School

Ensuring All Colonial Beach Kids Are Ready for a New School Year



For several years, Colonial Beach resident, Sher Lee, has organized a school supply drive to ensure all students begin the school year with everything they need. She began by reaching out to people she knew, who, in turn, reached out to people they knew. This year, the CBCF is happy to join Sher Lee and reach out to people we know.

To donate backpacks and/or school supplies to children whose families can use the help, please refer to the elementary and high schools' supplies lists. You can find the elementary school supply list *here*. The high school 2019-2020 supply list has not yet been posted, so periodically check the high school's home page *here*. The greatest need is for our 8- to 18-year-old students (i. e., 3rd to 12th grades).

When purchasing school supplies for students in need, please keep

these tips in mind:

- Purchase the best quality backpack you can. A quality backpack can last a student two or three years, or be passed to a younger sibling, or used for another purpose, such as an overnight visit.
- Purchase backpacks that can be used by a boy or girl of any age. That gives us more flexibility getting them to the students who need them, and allows students to reuse the backpacks as they mature and move up in grade levels.
- If you can, please complete an entire supply list for one of the grade levels. However, if that is not possible, please be assured that we appreciate and can use all donations.

Drop off backpacks and supplies at Coldwell Banker Elite, 233 North Irving Ave, Monday through Friday, from 9 AM until 5 PM no later than Monday, August 19th. If you have questions, send a text to or leave a message at 407-725-0029. And, thank you for supporting our Colonial Beach kids.

July Events



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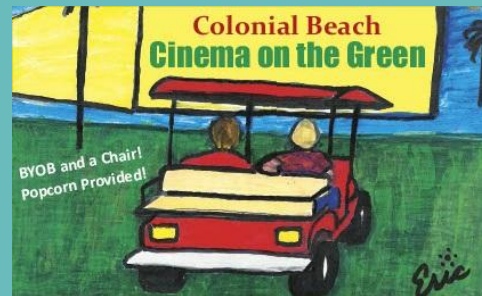
More Messy Mondays ...

July 8th from 9 until 11 AM

Play the day away! Meet on the beach by the swings for volleyball, sand castle building, beach crafts, and more.

July 22nd from 4 until 6 PM

Join us at Riverwood Apartments for classic carnival and fair games, such as fish bowl toss, fishing games, and duck pond. Win tickets for prizes.



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Cinema on the Green

July 13 at dusk

Colonial Beach Community Center (717 Marshall Ave)

Bring a chair and beverage

This month enjoy the 1978 musical, *Grease* (PG-13).

Pull up in your golf cart to watch the movie and/or bring a chair. Admission is always free and snacks are provided by a local nonprofit, for which donations are accepted and appreciated. This month's nonprofit is Friends of Eleanor Park.

Torrey Smith Recreation Park Grand Opening July 16, 5 to 7 PM



The wait is almost over. Join Torrey Smith and Coach Swope for the grand opening of the Torrey Smith Recreation Park on Tuesday, July 16th, from 5 until 7 PM.

Plan Ahead

"I Love Beach Music..."

If you love beach music, then you'll love the 2nd Annual Northern Neck Beach Music Festival, Saturday, September 14, 2019, from 12 until 8 pm, on Town Hill. Dance to the music of The Embers and The Rhondells. Don't know how to Carolina Shag? No problem. We'll be happy to teach you.



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Get tickets here.

CBCF members, keep an eye on your email inbox to learn how to purchase discounted tickets.

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Have a Safe & Happy Fourth of July!



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Get an exclusive, free tee shirt and decal. *Join today!* Don't



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