

#### **Community Found!**



"We serve our neighbors best when we try to understand their experience." *George W. Bush (June 2, 2020)* 

## Thank you, Colonial Beach

#### **Your Support Humbles Us**

A month ago, we asked for donations to support our local food pantries.
Because of the pandemic and resulting quarantine, many of our neighbors lost their jobs or saw their work hours, and therefore pay checks, greatly reduced. Consequently, the food pantries have experienced a significant increase in customers.



The Foundation contributed \$5,000 and put the call out to the community

to match that amount. And, in true Colonial Beach fashion, the community rose to the occasion. Currently, the "matching fund" is over \$7,100. Thank you all so very much for your generosity. Many have considered giving as an opportunity to "pay it forward," "pay it back," or demonstrate "an attitude of gratitude" because they still have a regular income.

Some of the money is going to Healthy Harvest Food Bank in Warsaw, which distributes food to outlets supporting the 22443 zip code. Most of the money, however, is being used to purchase \$10 gift cards from Hall's and Food Lion. Those gift cards are then given to the various food pantries serving the Colonial Beach area to distribute at their discretion according to individual needs. The cards enable customers to purchase items that the food pantries do not have.

Even though we're easing out of the quarantine and folks are gradually returning to work, we are leaving the fund open and still accepting donations. It will take a while for everyone to get back on their feet. So, please, whenever you can, put a few dollars into the fund so we can continue to help those who still need it.

Support our local food pantries.

## **New Website Launched**

We are pleased to tell you that we launched our new website a few days ago. We have been revising and updating it behind the scenes, and recently moved it to a new host platform. It still needs a bit of fine tuning, and a few areas are still under construction; we will continue to work on it though. We hope it is informative and user friendly for you; we are confident it is easier to maintain for us.

Check out our new website.

# **Happy Anniversary WWER**

Colonial Beach's radio station, *WWER* 88.1 FM, hit the air waves one year ago (June 1, 2019 at midnight). In that year, its all-volunteer staff have developed WWER into an informative and entertaining radio station that we all can proudly call our own.



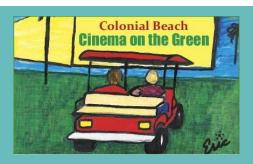
WWER offers an eclectic music mix, interesting specialty shows, and informative interviews with citizens (*Porch Talk*) and town officials (*Town Matters*). It regularly presents information that our residents want and need that no other radio or TV station provides, such as tide reports and public service announcements (which have been very important during these past few months). Earlier this year, WWER added live streaming from its website, so you can listen wherever you are.

Station Manager Ted Tait encourages listeners to contact him with their opinions, good and bad. Send him an *email*, or leave a message at 804-214-6226.

WWER 88.1 FM is run by volunteers who have impressive professional radio experience, and funded by underwriters and members of the public like you.

Show your support for WWER 88.1 FM.

#### **June Events**



## Cinema on the Green returns!

Saturday, June 13, at dusk on Town Hill

This month, enjoy 1990's *Mermaids* (PG-13, 1 hr 50 min). Watch from your golf cart drive-in style (we encourage that), or bring a chair or blanket. Seating is limited to allow us to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

Admission is free; donations to WWER 88.1 FM will be accepted. There will be no food or drink concessions, but you are welcome to bring your own refreshments and snacks.

For everyone's comfort and safety, social distancing measures will be in place and we ask that everyone respect them. Also, a hand sanitizer station will be provided and clean, new masks available.



#### A performance by Colonial Beach's own Hard to Tell Band

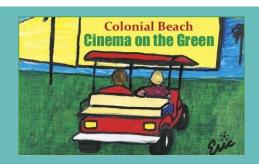
Saturday, June 20, in the evening (exact time to be determined) on Town Hill

Admission is free; donations to the Foundation will be accepted. Bring your golf carts, chairs, or blankets; and refreshments and snacks. Concessions will *not* be available. Seating is limited to allow us to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

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Check the News & Events page of our website closer to the performance for more details.

#### **Save the Dates**



Cinema on the Green

July 11 August 1 September 6



3rd Annual Northern Neck Beach Music Festival September 12, 2020



1st Annual Foundation Gala & Community Awards
October 17, 2020

### Thank You ...

Dabney Vaccaro of Dabney Vaccaro, LLC and Rooted in Wellness, and Sam Triandos for being Foundation Friends.



Nancy Duggan for the cover photograph, and Glenn and Teri Lewis who have allowed us to use it. The bike in the photograph belonged to Glenn's father and we are pleased to join with them in honoring him.

Everyone who has donated to our food pantries and WWER.

Support our local food pantries

Help our community thrive with a donation to the Foundation. Select **Donate Now** at the bottom of our *Home Page*.

Became a WWER 88.1 FM Member.

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