



Cape Charles Gazette

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We hope that you will enjoy reading the Cape Charles Gazette which is the electronic newsletter published from time to time on behalf of the municipal government of the Town of Cape Charles. The Gazette provides a variety of information that we believe will be useful to the citizens and businesses of Cape Charles as well as those who plan to travel to Cape Charles or have any interest in our Town or the Town's government. The Gazette provides information on actions being undertaken or being considered by the Town government, upcoming activities in the Town, important public safety and security issues and emergency announcements.

We welcome your responses which may be sent to gazette@capecharles.org, by regular mail to 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or by calling (757) 331-3259.

We also encourage you to visit the Town's website at www.capecharles.org where you will find up-to-date information about the operation of the Town government.



FROM THE TREASURER



The Cape Charles personal property and real property tax bills are anticipated to be mailed out by November 10, 2016. There is a possibility that software conversion problems may cause further delays, but we are hopeful that billing will go as planned. Both bills will be due on December 5, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Department at 757-331-2979.

CAPE CHARLES HISTORICAL SOCIETY OYSTER ROAST

On Saturday, November 26 the Cape Charles Historical Society will hold its 19th annual Oyster Roast from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Cape Charles Museum. The menu includes local oysters - roasted and raw, fried chicken, potato salad, chowder, 4 bean salad, homemade rolls, desserts, coffee, and soda, with beer and wine available. Food is served 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., with live classic and acoustic rock music by Mike Proffitt and Dana Silvercloud throughout. Also, a silent auction featuring an array of eclectic items, and the traditional Eastern Shore 50/50 raffle. Seating is available both inside the Museum and outside under the tent.

Tickets to the Roast are \$40 for adults and \$15 for children ages 7-12. As always we welcome sponsors (\$120 includes 2 tickets; \$240 - 4 tickets, etc.) and also contributions for the Silent Auction. Tickets and sponsorships are available in Cape Charles at Periwinkles on 215 Mason Avenue by cash or check, and at the Museum by cash, check or credit card. To pay over the internet with a credit card, send an email to cmuseum@hughes.net stating number of tickets desired, and you will be invoiced through PayPal. (\$1 extra per ticket to cover PayPal costs). It's best to purchase tickets at least 10 days before the event, as we usually sell out and they may not be available at the door. Proceeds of the event benefit the Cape Charles Museum.



CAPE CHARLES WETLANDS & COASTAL DUNE BOARD'S BEACH SAND MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO TOWN COUNCIL

Throughout the summer the Wetlands and Coastal Dune Board researched beach sand management best practices from several states and localities. The Board was directed by Town Council to research the issue and make recommendations to the Council. The Board held numerous public meetings, heard from local and regional beach management professionals, put out a call for public comment, and presented their final recommendations at the September Town Council meeting. Agendas and minutes for all for these meetings are on the Town's website: www.capecharles.org under "Agendas and Minutes" and "Wetlands/Coastal Dune Board."

Please [click here](#) to see the slide show recommendations delivered to Town Council.

TURKEY FRYING

Turkey frying is becoming an increasingly popular way to prepare the main course for that special Thanksgiving meal. However, what most people do not realize is the dangers that come with turkey frying. Turkey fryers use a substantial quantity of cooking oil at very high temperatures and pose a significant danger that hot oil will be released at some point during the cooking process. Some important points to consider should you choose to fry a turkey this holiday season.

- Hot oil may splash or spill at any point during the cooking process. The fryers are very unstable and could tip very easily. Any contact between the hot oil and skin could result in serious injury or death.
- In deep frying, oil is heated to temperatures of 350° Fahrenheit or more. Cooking oil is combustible, and if it is heated beyond its cooking temperature, its vapors can ignite. Always have a thermometer handy for checking the temperature of the oil. Even if the unit has temperature controls, they can fail.
- Propane-fired turkey fryers are designed for outdoor use and should be used away from the house. A deck is not a safe area for use as generally most decks are made of combustible materials.
- Always make sure the turkey is completely thawed. Sticking a partially frozen turkey in hot grease greatly increases the potential for fire.
- Never leave the fryer unattended while it is on.
- Always follow proper instructions on the fryer as to not overfill more than is needed. Most fires start because of overfilling.
- Please [click here](#) for a video showing how NOT to fry a turkey.



Please be aware of the possible dangers and keep your family and home safe during the holidays.

Source: NFPA <http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/for-consumers/causes/cooking/turkey-fryers>

REMEMBER TO "FREEZE THE GREASE" THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



Over the next few weeks, many households will be cooking more than usual as they prepare to host family members for the holidays. That's why the Department of Public Utilities is asking residents to avoid sending fats, oils, and grease (FOG) down the drain.

Any FOG that enters the plumbing system, whether through your kitchen sink or bathroom toilet, can thicken and block pipes, causing sewage to back up into homes. Proper disposal can save you an inconvenient (and expensive) visit from your plumber.

Here are some simple tips to protect your home from nasty sewer back-ups and save you money this holiday season:

- Store any used oil in a can and freeze it for reuse (make sure to strain out any food particles first). Oil can be kept for up to six months and reused for up to six hours of fry time.
- Pour used oil in a can and place it in the fridge. After the grease hardens, plop the can in the trash.

And remember, turkey grease isn't the only thing you have to be mindful of this holiday season. Many other foods, like salad dressings, butter, ice cream and even baked goods contain large amounts of FOG that can wreak havoc on your sewer system. So be sure to dispose of these foods in the trash as well.

Courtesy of the City of Virginia Beach

CAPE CHARLES HISTORIC DISTRICT REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES SURVEY UPDATE

In 1989 Cape Charles was surveyed by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) and listed as a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places. From that designation, the Town completed a Preservation Plan in 1996, revised the zoning ordinance, established a Historic District Review Board, and adopted historic district design and construction guidelines.

Thanks to grant funding from VDHR, which does not require any Town matching funds, the historic register survey will be updated this fall and winter. The updated survey will review the 1989 document and make appropriate additions and deletions to properties list in 1989. While much of the Cape Charles old town was included in the survey, sections of town, including Jefferson and Washington Avenues, were excluded. The updated survey will also amend the register and remove those buildings listed in 1989 but demolished in the intervening years. [Click here](#) to view the 1989 register document. If your property is not listed, and is at least fifty years old, it will likely qualify during this update.

A public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday December 20th at 6:00 p.m. to meet the consultant, and exchange information about local properties. More information will be provided in the December Gazette. Please contact Town Planner Larry DiRe at 757-331-3259 ext. 15, or by email planner@capecharles.org if you have any questions.

NEW ROOTS YOUTH GARDEN 6TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PIE SALE



New Roots Youth Garden is excited to offer this year's selection of delectable homemade pies, straight from the kitchen of Chef Amy Brandt to your holiday table!

9" Mocha Pecan Pie

Your classic pecan pie enhanced with bittersweet chocolate and espresso. Pecans hand-shelled by New Roots Youth and Volunteers.

9" Sweet Potato Cheesecake Pie

A light version of an old favorite! Made with Pickett's Harbor Hernandez Sweet Potatoes.



\$17.50 for one, or more than one for \$16 each!

Orders must be placed by Monday, November 14. Pick up on Tuesday, November 22, at Appleseed Porch & Garden in Eastville or Gull Hummock in Cape Charles!

Go to <http://nryg.webs.com/pie-orders> to order online using PayPal or to download an order form!



The Town offices will be closing at noon on Wednesday, November 23, 2016, and will be closed on Thursday, November 24, 2016, and Friday, November 25, 2016, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

CAPE CHARLES ROTARY CLUB COAT DRIVE



The Cape Charles Rotary Club is collecting gently used or new coats for kids in the overall community. If you can contribute, please contact any member of the Cape Charles Rotary Club to have coats picked up.

This drive will continue throughout the season.





WATER SYSTEM FLUSH

Monday, November 14, 2016 through Tuesday, November 15, 2016, beginning at 9:00 PM and continuing until 2:00 AM, the Town of Cape Charles Utility Department will be conducting a system flush of the water system in all districts of the Town.

You are cautioned not to use water at that time. Sediment could be drawn into the residence water lines. When done, the system should rectify itself fairly quickly.

For questions, please call Scott Neville or Fred Meditz at 331-1018.

PETA SNIP VAN IN CAPE CHARLES



The PETA SNIP van was in Cape Charles on Monday, October 24. 23 cats and dogs were checked in and vaccinations were given to 9 cats during the vaccine clinic.

Year-to-date, 303 cats and dogs were checked in for low cost spay/neuter surgery. 114 of these surgeries were paid for or subsidized by Eastern Shore Spay Organization (ESSO). These surgeries will prevent the births of 490 unwanted puppies and 1,718 unwanted kittens!

For more information regarding ESSO, please "Like" them on [Facebook](#)!

*Information provided by Sharyl Cline
Eastern Shore Spay Organization*

CAPE CHARLES YACHT CLUB ROAD CLEAN-UP



On October 22, 2016, eight members of the Cape Charles Yacht Club (CCYC) participated in the quarterly clean-up of the roads leading to the Cape Charles Town Harbor: Mike Ash, Walter Childs, Earnie Coalter, Bob Panek, Stuart Smith, Nancy and Rob Smithwick, and Dave Steward.

The CCYC is responsible for Old Cape Charles Road from the Bay Creek entrance to Mason Avenue, and Bay Shore Road from Old Cape Charles Road to the Town Harbor. Eight bags of trash were collected.

The Town thanks CCYC for this public service!

RUDOLPH AT THE HISTORIC PALACE THEATER

The Arts Enter School of Dance and Arts Enter Academy of Theater Arts presents a special Christmas show "Rudolph," an original musical adaptation of the 1962 animated film "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." The show will highlight songs from the original show, along with original dance numbers by a cast of elves and reindeer, as well as Yukon Cornelius and the Abominable Snowman (Bumble).

Show times are December 10 at 7:00 p.m. and December 11 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$5 for children.



TRUNK-OR-TREAT – OCTOBER 29, 2016



Approximately 250 trunk-or-treaters and 7 trunks participated in this year's Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 29. Many businesses also participated in handing out candy. Many participants stated that there were more kids this year than in years past.

Congratulations to Lemon Tree Gallery and Studio which won the Best Decorated Storefront!

The Town of Cape Charles would like to thank all the businesses, individuals and children who participated in this event.



Please let us know how we can make this event even better by emailing your ideas to Jen Lewis at reccoordinator@capecharles.org.



THE TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES URGES RESIDENTS TO SIGN-UP TO RECEIVE LOCAL ALERTS

Cape Charles Residents Can Now Receive Real Time Public Safety Messages Through Nixle

The Town of Cape Charles has partnered with Nixle to implement its Community Notification System to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories via text, email, web, social media and the Nixle Mobile App. The service is secure, reliable and easy to use.



If you haven't already done so, we urge you sign up to receive these alerts.

As a resident, there are several simple ways to register:

1. Text "23310" or "CAPECHARLES" to 888777 from your mobile phone.
2. Go to www.capecharles.org and sign up via the Nixle Widget.

Once registered, residents will receive a confirmation text to their mobile device.

SIGN UP FOR THE GAZETTE & E-NOTIFICATIONS!

The Cape Charles Gazette is available by subscribing to [e-Notifications](#). With [e-Notifications](#) you can sign up to get the Gazette and regular updates on Agendas & Minutes, Alerts, Bids, Calendar Items, Job Postings and other News & Information.

With [e-Notifications](#), you control the information you receive and can cancel the notifications at any time.

We encourage you to browse the Town's website and if there is something that you would like to see added to the site, please submit your comments in writing by sending us an email at info@capecharles.org or send a note to the Town Clerk at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310, and we'll see what we can do to get your requested information online.

We hope you are enjoying our site and we welcome your comments! We look forward to hearing from you!

Please send comments to info@capecharles.org.



COMPUTER TUTOR FALL/WINTER SCHEDULE

ONE – ON – ONE Training on: iPhone/iPad, Android Phone/Tablet, Windows Computer Software

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20	THURSDAY, JANUARY 19
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29	SATURDAY, JANUARY 21
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10	THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8	THURSDAY, MARCH 16
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10	SATURDAY, MARCH 18

One Hour Sessions Scheduled
between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.
By appointment only.
Call 757-695-4192

Sessions to be held at the Cape Charles Memorial Library, 201 Mason Ave, Cape Charles



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November 14
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

“Romancing the Stone”: New Ravenna is America’s premier designer and manufacturer of stone and glass mosaic tiles. Come hear how they do it and see some of their exquisite creations! Megan Lawson and Cean Irminger, designer, will tell us the history of the company and explain the process.

December 12
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

“A Hog Island Christmas” The Barrier Islands Center gives you a view of what Christmas was like on Hog Island.

Hear the Cheriton Bell Ringers play for you!



Bay Storage

www.friendscapecharleslibrary.com Facebook: Friends of the Cape Charles Memorial Library Email: Friends.CC.Memorial.Library@gmail.com



February 13
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

“Fish Leather, the Story”: Moonrise Jewelry has developed new and exciting jewelry using fish leather, which comes from Iceland. Learn how fish leather is made and transformed into jewelry.

MARCH 13

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

“A Russian Tea” Jone Gittinger is opening Dacha, a Russian Tea Room, on Mason Avenue. She will treat us to a genuine Russian Tea. Learn about Russia and the traditions for tea there.

GIFT BASKET RAFFLE

Cost: \$22, cash, check, or credit card.
\$120 for entire series

Events are from 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. AT EACH EVENT

Seating is limited. For reservations call 757-695-4192



April 10
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Virginia’s Eastern Shore has a host of beautiful Native Plants. Join Dot Field, Natural Areas Research Coordinator of the VA Dept. of Conservation & Recreation Division of Natural Heritage to discover these beautiful plants.



May 15
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

“Our Mother, Ourselves” Join us for a Mother-Daughter Tea! Mothers, Step-mothers, Godmothers, Mothers, Aunts... come for a very special final tea... Join Carol Hale and Linda Zaremski as they tell us how they found Carol’s family and what it means to her.

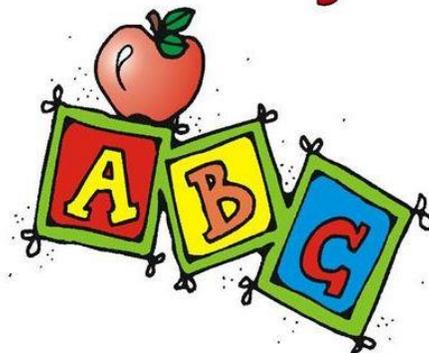


UPCOMING MEETINGS & NOTICES

- Monday, November 14, 2016:
Wetlands & Coastal Dune Board Meeting, 4:00 PM at Town Hall. [AGENDA](#)
- Tuesday, November 15, 2016:
Historic District Review Board Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
- Thursday, November 17, 2016:
Town Council Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
- Tuesday, November 22, 2016:
Mayor's Office Hours, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- **Wednesday, November 23, 2016:**
Town Offices closing at noon for Thanksgiving holiday.
- **Thursday, November 24, 2016, & Friday, November 25, 2016:**
Town Offices closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Thursday, December 1, 2016:
Town Council Work Session, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. (*tentative*)
- Tuesday, December 6, 2016:
Planning Commission Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, December 13, 2016:
Mayor's Office Hours, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Wednesday, December 14, 2016:
Library Board Meeting, 5:00 PM at the Cape Charles Memorial Library.
- Thursday, December 15, 2016:
Town Council Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, December 20, 2016:
Historic District Review Board Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- **Friday, December 23, 2016, & Monday, December 26, 2016:**
Town Offices closed for Christmas holiday.
- Tuesday, December 27, 2016:
Mayor's Office Hours, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Civic Center.

Cape Charles Memorial Library

2016 Fall Story Time	
Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.	
Preschoolers meet upstairs. Toddlers & Babies meet downstairs.	
9/8	Bears
9/15	Cats
9/22	Ducks
9/29	Fall
10/6	On the Farm
10/13	Things that Go
10/20	Night
10/27	Halloween
11/3	Dogs
11/10	Families
11/17	Thanksgiving
11/24	HOLIDAY – Library CLOSED through 11/27



CHESS CLUB
EVERY THURSDAY
5:00 – 6:00 P.M.



UPCOMING EVENTS IN CAPE CHARLES

- 11/14/16: [Afternoon Tea "Romancing the Stone" with New Ravenna](#), 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center
- 11/19/16: [Paws for Reading](#), 10:45 AM, Cape Charles Memorial Library
- 11/25/16: [Festive Fridays in Cape Charles](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 11/25/16: [Fa la la la Lemon Tree: Carols with Pianist William Neill](#), 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 11/25/16: ["A Christmas Story" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 8:00 PM, Free as part of Festive Fridays
- 11/26/16: [Cape Charles Historical Society Oyster Roast](#), 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Cape Charles Museum
- 12/2/16: [Festive Fridays in Cape Charles](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/2/16: [Fa la la la Lemon Tree: Carols with Pianist William Neill](#), 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/2/16: ["It's a Wonderful Life" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 8:00 PM, Free as part of Festive Fridays
- 12/3/16: [Santa Train](#), 9:00 AM in Cape Charles, Mason Avenue
- 12/3/16: [From Sea to Tree: Sea Glass Ornament Workshop with Kathy Groom](#), 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/3/16: [Grand Illumination of Central Park and Lighted Golf Cart Parade](#), 5:30 PM
- 12/3/16: ["In-Lawfully Yours" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 6:30 PM, sponsored by Regent University, Lemon Tree Gallery, Experimental Film Virginia and Arts Enter. This romantic comedy was filmed in Cape Charles.
- 12/3/16: [Lighted Boat Parade and Dance](#), 6:30 PM – 11:30 PM, Oyster Farm
- 12/4/16: [Behind the Scenes with In-Lawfully Yours: A Conversation Café](#), 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/9/16: [Festive Fridays in Cape Charles](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/9/16: [Santa House at Cape Charles Christian School](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/9/16: [Open Mic Night: Holiday Edition](#), 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/9/16: ["Elf" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 8:00 PM, Free as part of Festive Fridays
- 12/10/16: [Paper Magic: Origami Ornaments with Sharon Whitman](#), 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/10/16: [Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Company's Tool Mania](#), 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM, \$25 per person
- 12/11/16: [Historic Cape Charles Cookie Trail featuring Cape Charles' B&Bs and Private Homes](#), 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- 12/10/16: ["Rudolph" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 7:00 PM
- 12/11/16: ["Rudolph" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 2:00 PM
- 12/11/16: [12th Annual Chowder Cook Off](#), 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Oyster Farm at Kings Creek
- 12/12/16: [Afternoon Tea "A Hog Island Christmas,"](#) 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center
- 12/16/16: [Festive Fridays in Cape Charles](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/16/16: [Santa House at Cape Charles Christian School](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/16/16: [Fa la la la Lemon Tree: Carols with Pianist William Neill](#), 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/16/16: ["The Polar Express" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), 8:00 PM, Free as part of Festive Fridays
- 12/17/16: [Paws for Reading](#), 10:45 AM, Cape Charles Memorial Library
- 12/23/16: [Festive Fridays in Cape Charles](#), 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- 12/23/16: [Fa la la la Lemon Tree: Carols with Pianist William Neill](#), 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Lemon Tree Gallery
- 12/23/16: ["National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" at the Historic Palace Theater](#), Free as part of Festive Fridays
- 12/31/16: [3rd Annual Dropping of the Crab Pot](#), 10:00 PM, Mason Avenue (across from the Cape Charles Memorial Library)
- Save the Dates!
 - 2/13/17: [Afternoon Tea "Fish Leather, the Story,"](#) 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center
 - 3/13/17: [Afternoon Tea "A Russian Tea,"](#) 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center
 - 4/10/17: [Afternoon Tea – Beautiful Native Plants](#), 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center
 - 5/15/17: [Afternoon Tea "Out Mother, Ourselves,"](#) 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Civic Center

For more information regarding events, please visit our website and take a look at the [Calendar!](#)

We welcome your feedback. Please send your comments to gazette@capecharles.org.

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