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# The Current



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#### 2016 Annual Citywide Black History Celebration

Sat., Feb 20, 2016 - The Seatack Community Civic League sponsored the second Annual Citywide Black History Celebration! Speakers included Mayor Sessoms, Gary McCollum, Starr Armstrong, Wayne Marcus Scriven, Pastor Jason Knight, Pastor Dr. Harry Poole and the Master of Ceremony Kelvin Murray. We are grateful to all dignitaries that were in attendance and hope everyone enjoyed the program as well as the beautiful historical displays.

























Your membership helps support the community of Seatack. Membership dues are accepted at each meeting in the form of cash or checks.

#### Membership—Join Today!

#### 2016 Renewals are Now Due!

#### The Seatack Community Civic League Needs You!

Membership is open to all residents, friends and children of Seatack. Support our children's educational and reading programs. Annual membership dues are \$12 per person. Life membership is available to individuals, business, church, club, family and community groups or organization. SCCL Life Membership is \$250. The fiscal year runs from January I to December 31.

**Special Note:** Senior Citizens who are 75 years of age or older, who have resided in Seatack for 50 years or more, are exempt from paying yearly dues and are still recognized as members in good standing of the civic league. For more information on membership, contact Elizabeth "GG" Mills, 2nd Vice President at ggluckygirl@yahoo.com or 757-831-7362.

# The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs offer free tax help for taxpayers who qualify. Visit <a href="http://www.unitedway.org/myfreetaxes">http://www.unitedway.org/myfreetaxes</a> to find help in your area.

**South Hampton Roads Earned Income Tax Credit Coalition** has IRS trained volunteers to assist eligible individuals. Visit <a href="https://www.shreitc.com">www.shreitc.com</a> for a list of local free tax preparation sites in South Hampton Roads.

#### **Attention Seatack Churches**

This is your space to announce upcoming community events and programs. Please submit your information by the third Wednesday of each month via email to the newsletter editor. Pictures or fliers need to be in jpeg format.

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American Association of University Women: The Virginia Beach Branch of the American Association of University Women offers a \$500.00 scholarship to a female resident of Virginia Beach who returned to school after a period of time and is 23 or older. Applicants must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate program and have completed a minimum of 15 credit hours at an accredited institution with a grade point average of 3.0 or better. Application forms are available at <a href="http://virginiabeach-va.aauw.net/scholarship/">http://virginiabeach-va.aauw.net/scholarship/</a>, or by sending a self-addressed envelope to AAUW Virginia Beach Scholarship Committee at 1010 Barnacle Court, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. The deadline is April 15, 2016.

The Virginia Beach Arena is not going away. Stay up to date by following on social media or the website.

Here's the link: http://www.esgco.com/virginia-beach-arena/

#### **Parents in Need**

THE P.I.N. (Parents In Need) Shop is now open in Chesapeake and looks forward to blessing families throughout Hampton Roads who are struggling to meet the essential needs of their young children, ages newborn-six years. The P.I.N. Shop provides diapers, clothing, shoes, linens, and larger children's items at the shop. All services are free and open to all with a valid need. Visit the P.I.N. website,

www.ParentsinNeedHR.org to learn more and submit an application for assistance.

#### DON'T GET BAMBOOZLED!

#### HERE'S HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM SCAMS:

- Don't get sucked into making a quick decision—especially based on emotions, which scammers try hard to play on. Stay calm and verify the "emergency" before you send money (this is especially so with the "Grandparent scams" where a caller pretends to be a grandchild or other relative needing money quickly for bail, court fines, or some other "emergency").
- If you have \*any\* doubt, always verify, question, then verify again. Look up a company at the Federal Trade Commission's website
- Never wire money to anyone. Scammers almost always request that funds be wired. Just know that when you wire money, you might as well be sending cash. It's virtually impossible to reverse a wire transaction and the funds cannot be traced.
- Make sure you protect your identity. Tricksters will send out phishing emails, appearing to be legitimately from your bank or possibly a business you have a credit card with, requesting to confirm the account (by asking for the account number, and your personal information of course). And always remember—your Social Security Number is the key to everything—guard it with your life!
- Never agree to deposit a check and wire money back. Scammers will typically pay more than the asking price for an item listed for sale, and then ask you to wire the extra funds back. While the check may initially clear your bank, it may be a few weeks before your bank discovers the check is actually counterfeit and they will then deduct the entire amount from *your* account.

For more information on the latest scams, how to avoid them, and what to do if you are scammed, check out the BBB's "Scam Stopper" website at www.bbb.org/scam.

# Seatack Community Civic League Reading Fun Festival



Watch as reading, self-esteem boosting and creativity intertwine to create a fun and educational environment for our beloved children in first-fifth grade.

This is a program you do not want to miss!

\*Applications must be returned by March 1, 2016. Transportation will be provided for residents of Atlantis and Friendship Village at rental offices. Please contact Seatack Community Civic League for further information at (757)575-8109\*





#### Seatack Recreation Center Upcoming Events

Rock Wall Fun - March 4, 5:30pm—7:30pm

Maintenance Week -3/7- 3/13 -Closed to the Public



Additionally, March 19 beginning at 9:00 a.m., registration begins for our Recreation Center, Sports, and Specialty Summer Camps. Enroll your kids for a summer full of memories with their friends! For information on all the available camps, dates, and pricing, please visit <a href="VBgov.com/Camps">VBgov.com/Camps</a> or call <a href="757-385-0402">757-385-0402</a>.

More information on each activity can be found in the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation program catalog.

#### **Oceanfront Area Library February Activities**

- Microsoft Word 2013 for Adult Beginners, March 1 @ 9am
- Just 2's, March 8, 15, 22 @ 9:30, Age 2
- 3s Please, March 9, 16, 23 @ 10:30, Age 3
- Onesies March 10, 17, 24 @ 10:30, Age 1



- Pawsitive Reading with Therapy Dogs, March 12 @ 3pm, Grades K 5th
- Lucky Charm Bedtime Storytime, March 17 @ 6pm All Ages
- Not Easy Being Green: Diversity fun for the family, March 19 @ 1pm All Ages
- Bricks on the Beach, March 29 @ I Iam, (K 5th)

Please contact the library directly for registration information and requirements.

700 Virginia Beach Blvd Virginia Beach, VA 23451 (757) 385-2640

# REMINDER: 2nd POLICE PRECINCT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE Next meeting March 9th

## Virginia Beach Triad—Seniors & Law Enforcement Together

Monthly Meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10am at Marian Manor located at 5345 Marian Manor, Virginia Beach

757-456-5018







Meet local women who *do all* these things as professionals in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

## STEM4Girls

A hands-on STEM exploration for 6-8th grade girls AND their significant adults

Saturday, March 12, 2016
Advanced Technology Center
Tidewater Community College -- Virginia Beach Campus
8:30 a.m. -- 4:45 p.m.
Lunch included in registration

Only \$20 per girl/adult duo

For more information about the workshops offered and how to register, go to

http://virginiabeach-va.aauw.net/programs/stem-4-girls/





# DOES YOUR CHILD NEED HEALTH INSURANCE?



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Call: Charleen Thompson, FAMIS Enrollment

(757) 469-4436 or (757) 543-9100





Remember that FAMIS must be renewed every 12 months





Come and get your smile back

## Free Dental Clinic- One Day

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Saturday April 30, 2016

6:30 am-5:00 pm

## Green Run High School Gymnasium

1700 Dahlia Drive Virginia Beach, VA 23453

#### Please prepare to stay all day-

- Bring medications
- -Bring Food/Drink
- -No childcare provided

### Fillings, Extractions & Cleanings

Limited Supply of Crowns and Dentures-pre-registration required/no teeth

for more information: vbmomproject2016@gmail.com
Treating up to 500 adults

First Come, First Served

- \*Uninsured
- \*Underinsured and/or unemployed
- \*Spanish translation will be on site Se ofdrece traduccion en español



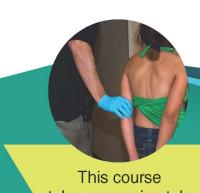




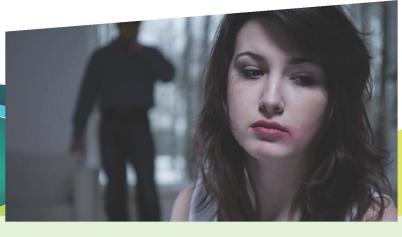
New online training now available:

# CWSE4000: IDENTIFYING SEX TRAFFICKING IN CHILD WELFARE

This course is designed for local departments of social services staff and community partners within the Commonwealth of Virginia. The purpose of this training is to raise awareness regarding the impact of human trafficking – notably commercial sex trafficking – on vulnerable youth in foster care, runaways, and those experiencing abuse, neglect, or other family dysfunction in their homes. Federal and state efforts to combat this problem are outlined with strategies given for local detection and intervention.



This course takes approximately 90 minutes to complete.



Public & Community Partners: To access the course go to www.dss.virginia.gov and locate the Sex Trafficking page under the Abuse & Neglect Menu tab or click here:

CWSE4000: Identifying Sex Trafficking in Child Welfare

**State & Local DSS Staff:** This course can be found in the VDSS Knowledge Center (KC) for state and local agencies. Using the Search Text: CWSE4000 and select exact phrase from

the dropdown list.

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To take the course just click on the program title. All participants will be able to print a certificate of completion for their records at the end of the course.

There is NO such thing as:

Teenage Prostitute!



HUMAN TRAFFICKING EXISTS IN VIRGINIA.

LOOK AROUND YOU. 1-888-373-7888

www.ag.virginia.gov



Who?: The Seatack Community Civic League

What?: Are meeting and accepting new members!

When?: The 1st Monday night of the month at 6:30pm

(Exception Monday Holidays—2nd Monday night of the month)

Where?: Seatack Community Recreation Center

Membership is open to all residents, friends, and children of Seatack

Next Meeting is Monday, March 14, 2016

6:30pm at Seatack Recreation Center

Join us Today!

Email: seatackcivic@gmail.com