Welcome & Welcome Back!
*Lend a hand. Learn to lead.*
VISIT US AT CLUB FAIR, SEPT. 2, 11-1, in the Batten Center!

Are you registered to vote???
...If you are a Virginian, you may register to vote online. Go to http://www.vote.virginia.gov/
...If you are from out-of-state, you may go to your state’s Board of Election website or complete the national voter registration form and mail it in. You may go to this site for that form: http://www.eac.gov/assets/1/Documents/Federal%20Voter%20Registration_1209_en9242012.pdf
...VOTE. Request your absentee ballot and get it in by the deadline, or vote at your polling location on Nov. 5.

REGISTRATION FOR THE WEEKLY COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS will be held Aug. 26-29 outside the Office of Community Service and Sept. 2 at Club Fair. Check your schedule and sign up for the program.
that best fits your interest and availability. Orientation meetings for each program will follow in early September. Programs begin on site in mid-September. Make a difference in the life of a child!

**SIGN UP FOR A WORK DAY; CELEBRATE VWC’s 25 YEARS WITH HABITAT**—There will be no shortage of opportunities to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity this year, as the VWC Campus Chapter celebrates 25 years of service, in which time we’ve built five houses! Work days are scheduled throughout the year. For more info, contact Habitat President Jonathan Snow, josnow@vwc.edu. Sign up in Community Service.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES THIS MONTH...**

*(To commit to a volunteer opportunity, come to the Office of Community Service and sign up or reply to this email.)*

Aug. 26-29, Sept. 2  Sign Ups for Weekly Community Service Programs, 830-430 pm, OCS
Aug. 30  Western Bayside Community Day, 11-1, 1-3, 3-5, Good Samaritan Church, Baker Rd
Aug. 30  Habitat for Humanity Anniversary Work Day 2, 8-3 pm, Site to be announced
Sept. 4  Soup Line Serving with the Catholic Worker, 530-830 am, Norfolk
Sept. 4  AVID Information Session, 430 pm, Clarke 125
Sept. 6  Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness and Prevention Walk, 8-11 am, Virginia Beach
Sept. 10  American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11-5 pm, CMAC
Sept. 10  Hunger Action Month Project: Cooking for Kids, 630 pm, Campus Kitchen
Sept. 11  Soup Line Serving with the Catholic Worker530-830 am, Norfolk
Sept. 12  United Way Day of Caring: Untamed Spirit Therapeutic Riding Stables, 12-5, Virginia Beach
Sept. 13  Habitat for Humanity Anniversary Work Day 3, 8-3 pm, Site to be announced
Sept. 17  Open House: Community Service/Student Activities/International-Intercultural Programs/Chaplain, 11-1 pm, Batten/Boyd Corridor
Sept. 18  Soup Line Serving with the Catholic Worker, 530-830 am, Norfolk
Sept. 18  Marlin Community Youth Garden Club (Thursdays thru Nov. 20), 330-530 pm, Good Sam
Sept. 20  One Love Festival United Nations Day of Peace, 1-9 pm, Batten
Sept. 22  Hunger Action Month Project: Soup Kitchen at The Focus Center, Park Place UMC, 5-8, Norfolk
Sept. 25  Soup Line Serving with the Catholic Worker, 530-830 am, Norfolk
Sept. 27  Marlins Make A Difference Day (Sites: Western Bayside Community Garden, Heritage UMC Food Pantry, VWC Trails, Habitat for Humanity 4), 8-1 pm, Batten Lobby/Off Campus
Sept. 30  Internship and Volunteer Fair, 11-1, Grille

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR...**

Oct. 6  Premiere of *Winter Shelter: College Students Encounter Homelessness at Home*
Oct. 9-11  Imagine: Alternative Fall Break serving Habitat for Humanity 5-7
Oct. 24  VA Engage Meeting
Nov. 4  Marlins VOTE Initiative: ELECTION DAY
Nov. 5  American Red Cross Blood Drive
Jan. 11-18  9th Annual Winter Homeless Shelter
Jan. 19  Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service
Feb. 8  Special Olympics Area 2 Basketball Tournament
Feb. 25  American Red Cross Blood Drive
March 13  17th Annual Empty Bowls Charity Dinner
March 18-21  Habitat for Humanity Anniversary Work Break 18-21
March 28  Marlins Make A Difference Day (Sites: Habitat for Humanity 22...)
April 22  American Red Cross Blood Drive
April 24  YWCA/VWC Stand Against Racism

**WHAT? WHERE? WHEN?**
Aug. 26-29, Sept. 2, Sign Ups for Weekly Community Service Programs
SIGN UP NOW FOR MARLINS READ, MARLINS COUNT, GLOBAL MARLINS, NEIGHBORHOOD TUTORING, FUTURE MARLINS—There are 10 opportunities to commit to a weekly service program through the Office of Community Service. Sign ups are outside the office this week and Sept. 2 at Club Fair. Program orientation dates will be announced at Club Fair. Volunteers will be on site by mid-September.

Aug. 30, Western Bayside Community Day, Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, Baker Road  
**MEET OUR NEIGHBORS, GIVE OUT SCHOOL SUPPLIES, HELP SERVE FOOD**—Western Bayside Churches United brings together our community twice a year at Community Days, serving free food to the masses, bringing city and community resources to our neighbors, offering fellowship, music and activities for children. Represent Virginia Wesleyan. Volunteer! Sign up in Community Service. Three shifts: 11-1, 1-3, 3-5.

Aug. 30, Sept. 13 and 27, Habitat for Humanity Anniversary Work Days  
**WESLEYAN CAMPUS CHAPTER HAS BEEN PROVIDING DECENT, AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR 25 YEARS**—Commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Virginia Wesleyan’s Campus Chapter of Habitat for Humanity by volunteering for a work day sometime this year. There are 25 opportunities to do so! A team of six can sign up together for one day. Check out the service calendar and commit today! No experience necessary. Just a willingness to learn.

Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, Soup Line Serving with Catholic Worker, 5:30 a.m.  
**DELIVER A SMILE AND THE FIRST MEAL OF THE DAY**—Join a small band of students interested in helping where the need is greatest. Assist volunteers from the Catholic Worker organization “bringing breakfast to the streets”. Learn more about this organization at [http://www.catholicworker.org](http://www.catholicworker.org) or contact Paul Kaufmann at pkaufmann@vwc.edu. Transportation is provided. Sign up in Community Service.

Sept. 4, AVID Information Session, 4:30 pm, Clarke 125  
**HELP HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS ADVANCE WHILE EARNING A PAYCHECK**—If you would like to apply for the AVID Tutor position with Virginia Beach City Public Schools, you are invited to find more information and start your online employment application today by visiting [http://www.vbschools.com/hr/content/pdfs/AVIDad.pdf](http://www.vbschools.com/hr/content/pdfs/AVIDad.pdf). If interested, please attend a live information and application workshop on Thursday, Sept. 4 at 4:30 p.m. in Clarke 125. This is a great, paid, part-time employment opportunity for education majors and other juniors or seniors who love to work with middle and high school students. Sign up in Community Service to attend this session.

Sept. 6, Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness and Prevention Walk  
**BRING SUICIDE AND DEPRESSION OUT OF THE DARKNESS AND INTO THE LIGHT**—Women’s Lacrosse and Counseling Services are sponsoring a Wesleyan Team to participate in the Out of the Darkness Walk to promote good mental health. To sign up, access this link, select "Team Walker", and then "Join A Team". Sign up under "VWC Family": [https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=register.start&eventID=2593](https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=register.start&eventID=2593) For more information, contact Kelly Jacobson at kajacobson@vwc.edu.

Sept. 10, KA American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11-5 pm, CMAC  
**GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE—DONATE or VOLUNTEER TO FACILITATE THE DRIVE**—Go on line to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) for a time to donate blood at the campus’ first blood drive of the year. There will be two drives in the fall (Sept. 10, Nov. 5) and two in the spring (Feb. 25; April 22). Scheduled donors will complete the donation process in about an hour. Walk-ins are welcome as space is available. **Volunteers** are needed at registration and the canteen on the day of the drive. Volunteers may sign up in the Office of Community Service for one-hour shifts throughout the drive. Kappa Alpha Order is sponsoring the Blood Drives. The need is critical, especially for O blood types.

Sept. 10 and 24, Hunger Action Month Project: Cooking for Kids, 6:30 pm, Campus Kitchen  
**IMPACT CHILDHOOD HUNGER**—Cooking for Kids is a food preparation program in partnership with the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia that takes place in our campus kitchen every other Wednesday. Child nutrition is a real issue in our communities. Ending childhood hunger is a major priority of our Foodbank. In South Hampton Roads, more than 79,600 youth are eligible for the free and reduced price lunch program at
Participating will be: organizations and agencies teaming up to present internship and volunteer opportunities. 

**OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN, SERVE WILL BE SHOWCASED**

- **Sept. 12, United Way Day of Caring: Untamed Spirit Therapeutic Riding Stables, Noon-5 pm**
  - **HANG WITH THE HORSES, WORK AT THE STABLES, LEARN ABOUT RIDING AS THERAPY**—Join us for an afternoon at the barn! Thousands of volunteers from throughout the region will be paired with non-profit United Way agencies on this day to help with much needed projects. Wesleyan’s site is Forward Motion Farm in southern Virginia Beach. This assignment is a great way to get to know our community and make a difference! There’s lots of work to be done at Forward Motion Farm where Untamed Spirit resides to make riding horses safe and enjoyable for people with disabilities. Space is limited. Transportation is provided. Sign up in Community Service.

- **Sept. 17, Open House: Community Service/Student Activities/International-Intercultural Programs/Chaplain, 11-1 pm, GET TO KNOW US AND OUR SERVICES**—You are invited to visit the Offices in the Batten-Boyd Corridor to get to know the Directors, their staffs and the services they provide. Come see how you can connect!

- **Sept. 18, Marlin Community Youth Garden Club, 330-530 pm, Thursdays thru Oct. 23**
  - **VOLUNTEER TO HELP KIDS SOW AND GROW**—Lend Mrs. Greer a hand as she gets this initiative off the ground to develop in elementary and middle school-aged youth an appreciation for gardening, healthy lifestyle choices, hard work, patience, teamwork and the interconnectedness of the world in which we live. You will be assisting in teaching lessons and working one-on-one with children in the classroom and the garden. Sign up in Community Service.

- **Sept. 20, One Love Festival and United Nations Day of Peace, Volunteer Shifts: 1-3, 3-5, 5-9**
  - **WHAT WOULD WORLD PEACE LOOK LIKE?**—Volunteer or just participate in the 9th Annual One Love Festival. It is a FREE on-campus event that draws people together for music, poetry, drumming, and activities to promote community peacebuilding. Conceived as a snapshot of what world peace would look like (even if for only one night), the festival is held every fall at Virginia Wesleyan College. The flavor of the festival is unique every year, but the idea is the same: bring all kinds of people together to create a community of harmony and peace, enjoy all different kinds of performances, and most of all have fun. The agenda is: Largest Drum Circle in the World, 1–5 pm, Batten Center Grille, featuring The Hampton Roads Youth Poets, a division of Teens With A Purpose; Pax Christi presents Activist Kathy Kelly, a co-coordinator of Voices for Creative Nonviolence and a co-founder of Voices in the Wilderness, a campaign to end economic sanctions against Iraq (http://vcnv.org/speaker-bio/kathy-kelly), 1 pm, Monumental Chapel; evening concerts by a variety of artists. To learn more, go to: http://onelovefestivalva.com/ To volunteer, sign up in Community Service. To participate, just show up!!!

- **Sept. 22, Hunger Action Month Project: Soup Kitchen at The Focus Center, Park Place UMC**
  - **SERVE THE EVENING MEAL TO 200+ HUNGRY PEOPLE**—Bring a warm greeting and a hot meal to where it is needed the most. Food insecurity is all around us. Will you choose to see it? Will you choose to act on changing that? Join us. Sign up in Community Service. Learn more about the outreach of the Focus Center at http://www.thefocuscenter757.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Focus-Center-Volunteer-Flyer.pdf

- **Sept. 27, Marlins Make A Difference Day, 8 am-1 pm**
  - **SHOW HAMPTON ROADS THAT WESELNEY CARES**—Join fellow Marlins for a day of service. We will stay close to home this fall. Our sites are Western Bayside Community Garden, Heritage UMC Food Pantry, VWC Trails and Habitat for Humanity. We start at 8 am with bagels, go to our sites, and return for pizza. All participants get t-shirts. Transportation is provided. Sign up in Community Service.

- **Sept. 30, Internship and Volunteer Fair, 11-1 p.m., Grille**
  - **OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN, SERVE WILL BE SHOWCASED**—Career Services and Community Service are teaming up to present organizations and agencies the offer internship and volunteer opportunities. Participating will be: VB Parks & Rec, VB Convention Center, GEICO, VA Dept. of Corrections, CIA, Global
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MARLINS READ RESUMES--Literacy is the goal of this weekly program which pairs college students with a child who needs reading assistance. Volunteers meet with the same child each week for 30 minutes to an hour. Four local elementary schools are part of Marlins Read, providing a selection of days and times to fit students’ schedules. Elementary schools where the program is offered and Student Liaisons coordinating volunteer at each site are: Bayside, Wednesdays at 10 (Toni Aris-Howell); Diamond Springs, Thursdays at 1 (Fatima Davis); Shelton Park, Thursdays at 11 (Kylah Jackson); and Newtown, Tuesdays at 11:30 (Angela Tolliver). Days and times are subject to change. Limited transportation is available. Sign up in Community Service. To learn more, contact Director Fatima Davis, fbdavis@vwc.edu.

MARLINS COUNT RESUMES, EXPANDS—Modeled after Marlins Read, Marlins Count pairs college volunteers with elementary school students struggling in math. The program will run on Thursdays, 11:30-12:30 at Newtown Elementary and BF Williams. Bayside Elementary will be Fridays at 11. Days and times are subject to change. Transportation is provided. Sign up in Community Service or contact Program Director Ashley West (anwest@vwc.edu) for more information.

NEIGHBORHOOD TUTORING RETURNS for 17th YEAR—Consider a commitment to the academic advancement of neighborhood children through our weekly Neighborhood Tutoring Program. Our classroom is located at Heritage United Methodist Church adjacent to campus. About 15 children from area elementary schools will come on Wednesdays for assistance with homework and fun, educational games. Sign up in Community Service. Email Director Brittany Tasker (bntasker@vwc.edu) to learn more.

GLOBAL MARLINS CARRIES ON--The Bayside Tri Campus has more than 50 students who come from homes where English is not the first language. These families by and large hail from Spanish-speaking countries, but others are from India, Africa and China. Help these children do well in school on Fridays at 9 am. Sign up in Community Service for more info.

FUTURE MARLINS CONTINUES TO CONNECT AT BAYSIDE MIDDLE—This mentoring program continues to connect caring college students with struggling middle school students, one-on-one and in group sessions weekly throughout the year. See progress being made when connections are solid! The program meets on Fridays, 11-Noon. Contact Sam Ajibola for more information, sajibola@vwc.edu.

DOCUMENT YOUR SERVICE. USE THE ON-LINE SERVICE LOG—Students needing to document their service hours have the opportunity to record them as they go through this on-line, on-your-honor service log system. Go to www.vwc.edu/service where you will find a button on the homepage that says DOCUMENT YOUR SERVICE. Once there, you will be asked to register the first time you access the system. After that, you will be sent directly to the log where you can input a description of your volunteer work and hours. If you are in Honors and Scholars, be sure to check the Honors and Scholars line in the Service Type box. You may print your log to submit wherever your service is required.

ITEMS TO RECYCLE: Laptops, Tablets, MP3 players, Digital Video/Cameras, Game Consoles, GPS Devices, TI Graphing Calculators—These items, in addition to ink jet cartridges, alkaline batteries and cell phones, can all be recycled in the Office of Community Service. Bring old and broken items to the Office. Proceeds from recycling benefit Office programming. Just over $100 was added to the Office budget last year from these donations.

SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITY…

25th Anniversary of Charter! Habitat for Humanity… President Jonathan Snow, josnow@vwc.edu

Imagine: Wesleyan’s Alternative Break Program… Students interested in leading a trip should contact Diane Hotaling at dhotaling@vwc.edu.
Marlins Go Green… Students interested in environmental issues should contact Zach Drake, ztdrake@vwc.edu.

CALLS FOR SERVICE (To sign up for any of the opportunities listed, please call the contact noted.)

...HERMITAGE MUSEUM seeks volunteers to staff the Bruce Munro Light Exhibition throughout the fall. To complete a volunteer application and sign up for shifts, go to http://www.thehermitagemuseum.org/volunteer/bruce-munro-exhibition-volunteer-opportunities

...CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1601 E Bayview Blvd, Norfolk needs Homework Helpers to work with kindergarten thru 5th graders, 5:30pm-6:30pm, Tuesdays & Thursdays starting Oct. 7. Interested? Contact: Malleri Santiago, msantiago@vwc.edu.

...BE AN ELECTION OFFICIAL—Ever wonder how your vote counts? No better way to find out than to become an Election Official. The City of Virginia Beach is recruiting now for the November Election. Below are links to the necessary documents in order to become an Election Official for the City of Virginia Beach. Original hard copies of the forms are required and must be notarized (where indicated)—we can do this on campus, signed, and submitted to our office. The mailing address is P.O. Box 6247 Virginia Beach, VA 23456-0247, or for your convenience you can drop-off the forms and have them signed by an Assistant Registrar at our main office or either of our satellite offices located at the Virginia Beach DMVs. Location information for the DMVs is as follows: Hilltop DMV: 1712 Donna Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23451 or Buckner DMV: 3551 Buckner Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23453. CLICK BELOW FOR FORMS: Print out and complete the Notice of Appointment forms and submit directly to the Voter Registrar’s Office. http://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/voter-registrar/Documents/20120410-GRD-Fillable_EOProsplintLtBlank%202012_2014.pdf OR Please click on the link below to submit your online interest form and we will mail you a packet of information: http://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/voter-registrar/eo-information/Pages/default.aspx Please call Beverly or Cindy at 385-8683 if you have any questions, or email us at electiontraining@vbgov.com.

ACTIVE CITIZENS RECOGNITION…
Habitat for Humanity, Aug. 19—Portfolio Students: Fatima Davis, Thomas Mills, Jonathan Snow…
Community Garden Work Day, Aug. 19—Field Hockey Team
Packing Backpacks with School Supplies, Aug. 23—Fatima Davis, Toni Aris-Howell, Ashley West, Kara Ditty, Angela Toliver, Sam Ajibola and Taylor Boyd.

CONTACT US
2014-15 Office Staff
The Office of Community Service is open 8:30-4:30, Monday thru Friday, in Batten 25.

Director…Diane Hotaling
Office/Program Manager…Kara Ditty
Cooking for Kids…Denisha Howard
Neighborhood Tutoring…Brittany Tasker
Marlins Read… Kylah Jackson, Fatima Davis, Toni Aris-Howell, Angela Tolliver
Global Marlins…Tanasia Hazleton
Future Marlins…Sam Ajibola
Marlins Count…Ashley West
Environmental Awareness…Taylor Boyd

2014-15 Student Outreach Coordinators (SOC)
Animals and the Environment…Isaiah Beasley
Health and the Elderly…Brooke Totzeck
Hunger and Homelessness…Open
Youth…Open

2014-15 Winter Shelter Managers
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