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October was a busy month for service. Top left to right: Charlene Santos and 40 other students help "stop hunger now"; Keynan Boatwright participates in SOC Event (Hunger and Homelessness) at the FOR Kids Mojo Thrift Store; Kayla Rodgers helps a participant in the Marlins Community Youth Garden Club; Jacklyn Cheely, Dionne Fox and Emily Caldbeck visit with a parrot at the Virginia Beach SPCA Mutt Masquerade; Ruta Habtemariam votes Absentee by Mail in Election 2016; Brian Castillo at Neighborhood Tutoring with FYE Service Learning. Through this month, 314 Marlins have served our community, including reported athletic team and course-connected service.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

For details about items on the calendar, please scroll down to the "WHAT? WHERE? WHEN?" section.

Nov. 1, Readings With Wesleyan, 6pm, Good Sam

Nov. 2, Neighborhood Tutoring, 330-530, Heritage UMC

Nov. 5, Marlins Go Green Trail Clean Up, 11-1, Campus

Nov. 8, ELECTION DAY Shuttles and Walking Teams to the polls at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 6 am-7pm

Nov. 9, Neighborhood Tutoring, 330-530, Heritage UMC

Nov. 10, SOC Service (Hunger and Homelessness): FOR Kids Inc. Good Mojo Thrift Store, 230-430, Norfolk

Nov. 12, Marlins Go Green at First Landing State Park, 11-1, Virginia Beach

Nov. 16, American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11-5, CMAC

Nov. 16, Neighborhood Tutoring, 330-530, Heritage UMC

Nov. 19, Habitat for Humanity Work Day, 7am-4 pm, Suffolk
Nov. 19, National Family Service Day, 8:30-1, CMAC
Nov. 30, Neighborhood Tutoring, 330-530, Heritage UMC

MARK YOUR CALENDAR (details to come)

Jan. 11-18, Homeless Shelter Service in the Community
Jan. 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service
Feb. 8, American Red Cross Blood Drive
Feb. 12, Special Olympics Basketball Tournament
April 8, Spring Marlins Make a Difference Day
April 12, American Red Cross Blood Drive

WEEKLY COMMITMENTS IN SERVICE PROGRAMS

- **Marlins Read:** **Mondays**, Noon-1; **Wednesdays**, 9-10; **Thursdays**, 1-2; **Fridays** 9-10.
- **Marlins Count:** **Mondays**, 9-10; **Tuesdays**, 940-1040; **Fridays**, 11-12.
- **Global Marlins:** **Wednesdays**, 11-12
- **Neighborhood Tutoring, 10 weeks on Wednesdays**, thru Nov. 30, 3:30-5:30 pm, Heritage UMC

WHAT? WHERE? WHEN?

Nov. 1, Readings With Wesleyan, 6pm, Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, Baker Road

“ECONOMY AND THE ELECTION” IS THE TOPIC—The final installment of the Fall 2016 Readings With Wesleyan will be a panel discussion on the economy and the election, featuring Business Professors Dave Garraty, Dr. Paul Ewell and Professor George Jackson. Provost Dr. Timothy O'Rourke will moderate. Event hosts needed. “Readings” brings college-level teaching and discussion to the community.

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, Neighborhood Tutoring, 330-530, Heritage UMC

NEIGHBORHOOD TUTORING CONTINUES—About 10 children from area elementary schools need your help with homework. Sign up in Community Service. Email Director Erik Estrada (eaestrada@vwc.edu) to learn more.

Nov. 5, Marlins Go Green Trail Clean Up, 11-1, Campus

Nov. 12, Marlins Go Green at First Landing State Park, 11-1, Virginia Beach

Join Marlins Go Green for these outings to clean up our campus trails and keep First Landing State Park looking beautiful. Sign up in Community Service and Contact Zach Drake for more information, ztdrake@vwc.edu.

Nov. 8, ELECTION DAY (Shuttles and Walking Teams to VWC polling place, 6 am-7pm)

WHAT MORE CAN WE SAY? VOTE! Shuttles and walking teams to VWC's polling place will be available throughout the day, leaving Batten at the tophy cases at the bottom of the hour. Sign up in Community Service for rides or to be part of a walking team.

Nov. 10, SOC Service (Hunger/Homelessness): FOR Kids Inc. Good Mojo Thrift Store, 230-430, Norfolk

PROCEEDS BENEFIT HOMELESS CHILDREN, FAMILIES—If you missed the October project at Mojo, don't miss this one! Sort clothes and configure store displays so they may be bought to benefit FOR Kids Inc., serving homeless children and families. Sign up in Community Service. For more info, contact SOC Lead LeMar Callaway at lcallaway@vwc.edu.

Nov. 16, American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11-5, CMAC

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE—DONATE or VOLUNTEER TO FACILITATE THE DRIVE--Go on line to www.redcrossblood.org to reserve a time to donate blood. There will be two additional drives in the spring (Feb. 8, April 12). Donors can give blood every 56 days. Plan your donations at VWC four times a year! Scheduled donors will complete the donation process in about an hour and can expedite the process by using RapidPass on line. Walk-ins are welcome as space is available. **Volunteers** are needed at registration and the

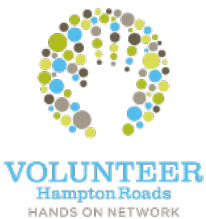
canteen on the day of the drive. Volunteers may sign up in the Office of Community Service for one-hour shifts throughout the drive. Tri Sigma sponsors the Blood Drives. The need is critical, especially for O blood types.

Nov. 19, Habitat for Humanity Work Day, 7am-4 pm, Suffolk

HELP BUILD A DECENT, AFFORDABLE HOUSE FOR A DESERVING FAMILY—This is an all-day commitment during which you will work on a construction site and be taught various aspects of building and maintaining a home. Sign up in Community Service or contact Alicia “Conne” George at amgeorge@vwc.edu for more information.

Nov. 19, National Family Service Day

COMMUNITY FEEDS HUNGRY FROM CMAC—Volunteer Hampton Roads will host some 600 area families who will box Thanksgiving meals for families who would not otherwise have a meal. Stay tuned for how Marlins can help. Learn more at <https://www.volunteerhr.org/fvd>.



VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads News...

... Our area’s volunteer center is located at Virginia Wesleyan College in Village II. In addition to promoting volunteerism through connecting people who want to help with community needs and large-scale service projects such as the National Family Service Day food boxing event held on campus each November, VHR aims to increase the capacity of Hampton Roads’ nonprofit sector to address serious community issues by building the capacity of agencies and encouraging corporate engagement.

...The VHR presence on campus offers the college an additional connection to career-related, skills-based volunteering and internship resources, as well as training in areas of non-profit management. Watch this box in future editions of the Service NEWS Bulletin for opportunities.

...Learn more about VHR at <https://www.volunteerhr.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD DRIVE TO BENEFIT HERITAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY--The Women's Lacrosse team is having a food drive throughout the entire month of November. The following items are most needed: peanut butter, boxed macaroni and cheese, canned spaghetti sauce, canned vegetables and fruits, Ramen noodles. All canned, non-perishable items will be accepted. Boxes can be found throughout Batten or contact one of the women's lacrosse players for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEADERSHIP IN SERVICE—Students interested in leading upcoming service projects, please visit the Office of Community Service to sign up to be considered for the following opportunities:

...Help plan the Martin Luther King Jr Day of Service, Jan. 16

...Be a manager for the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament, Feb. 12

...Serve at a Student Outreach Coordinator in Animals and the Environment or Women’s Issues, Spring 2017

WHAT IS TERRACYCLE? What do **foil-lined energy bar wrappers** and **oral care and beauty product containers** have in common? They wind up in the landfill because they cannot be recycled or broken down and remade, but they can be upcycled and made into other products, or repurposed. What does this have to do with you? Back in April, Virginia Wesleyan partnered with Terracycle (<https://www.terracycle.com/en-US/>) to collect these items for which we receive points toward repurposed items we can use on campus, like benches, or cash we can donate to a non-profit or convert to cash to support our recycling program. Our initial trail period (April to July), yielded three boxes of materials. We are rolling out Oral Care and Beauty Product

Terracycle brigades at various locations on campus. Repositories for these items can also be found in Community Service and the Library. Foil-lined Energy Bar Wrapper collection spots are at Recycle Stations in Batten and the Library. You are invited to bring your items to any of these locations. Collections will be monthly and shipments made at the end of each semester. Please help us keep the upcycling and recycling streams pure by redirecting folks who want to use the bins for trash. Stay tuned for future updates on the progress of these efforts. In the meantime, bring in your items to recycle, upcycle and compost. Be part of making our planet great again! If you have questions, concerns or suggestions about the Terracycle effort, please contact Technical Services Librarian Sophie Rondeau or Director of Community Service Diane Hotaling.

A WORD ABOUT COMPOSTING--Our Grounds Supervisor Kathy Bartkus has made it possible for you to compost on campus, as well. You may bring your organic food waste (think coffee grounds, egg shells, vegetables--no meat) to the recycle station near the Physical Plant and deposit it in the green container with the flip top. It will be added to our compost pile and used to brew "compost tea" which is a natural fertilizer for campus plants and flower beds.

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, T1 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.

VOLUNTEER INDEPENDENTLY

*(To sign up for any of the opportunities listed, please call the contact noted. Additional opportunities can be found in the **Independent Volunteer Opportunities binder** in the Office of Community Service. Other opportunities can be found at www.volunteerhr.org)*

RIVERFEST is Nov. 20 with the Elizabeth River Project. Volunteers are needed. Sign up at <http://elizabethriver.org/volunteer-riverfest>. Learn more at <http://www.elizabethriverfest.org/>.

SALVATION ARMY requests assistance with homework for students enrolled in the The Salvation Army Kroc Center's HeartStrings Program, 6-6:30PM Tuesdays-Thursdays throughout the school year. This program is to teach children how to play the violin, however, there is a strong commitment to homework assistance. For more information about the HeartStrings Program: <https://wavy.com/2016/10/03/audience-heart-strings/> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YzpYLkCYKMc&sns=em> If you are interested in tutoring, please contact Marleen K. Mallory, Assistant Program Director for Arts & Education, The Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center of Hampton Roads. Office: 757.622.KROC x64341 or 757.390.7281.

BROOK BAPTIST CHURCH LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY, located at 4397 Wishart Road, Virginia Beach, seeks volunteers for the follow opportunities: **Mondays** from 9:30-11:30 am at the church to help unpack vehicles loaded with donated items from local grocery stores. Sort and put away items; **Mondays** from 4:30-6:30 pm, to help pick up items from the local food bank and bring back to church to unload and put away. Need to leave the church at 4:30pm. **Wednesdays**, 7-9 am (for early risers) to help pick up items from the local food bank and bring back to unload and put away at the church. **Wednesdays** - The pantry is open. Need help for both shifts: 2:45-4:30 and 4:30 to 6:30pm. Duties include organizing items to distribute to clients, staffing various tables to tell clients what they can have, sign-in clients, package and distribute food to clients' cars; **4th Wednesday** of each month help is needed to unload food delivery truck from Food Bank. Requires some moderate to heavy lifting. Volunteers are needed from 12:45 to approximately 2:30 pm - depends on how many individuals are available to help; **All positions** (except signing-in clients) require some moderate

bending and lifting. Training will be provided for all positions. The load and delivery area requires taking groceries out to clients' cars which involves working in a variety of weather conditions but only for brief periods. If interested in helping consistently at any of these times, please contact VWC Alumna Teresa Cherry at tbird1216@yahoo.com.

YOUTH ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES is a weekly after-school program focusing on literacy and reading activities. Students also participate in character building and cultural enrichment activities and homework assistance. There is no charge for the program and students from kindergarten to 8th grade can participate. The goal is to reach underachieving students and reluctant readers. The average attendance is 15-20 students per week. Wednesday We meet from 4:30 to 6:15 each at First Church of Christ Holiness located at 862 East Princess Anne Road. We are looking for several people who enjoy working with children. I am a retired English teacher and completed my teacher certification requirements at Virginia Wesleyan. I am working on getting a 501c3 designation for my little project. Please let me know what I need to do to have your office consider listing this volunteer opportunity for your students. Norma Trotman b4girlpower@gmail.com

SUMMER 2017 INSTITUTE ON PHILANTHROPY AND VOLUNTARY SERVICE IN WASHINGTON, DC. (JUNE 3 – JULY 28, 2017) is now accepting applications for our program in community leadership and engagement. The program includes: Undergraduate academic credit from George Mason University; Internship placement with an organization in the Washington, DC Metro Area; and Fully furnished on-campus housing in the heart of Washington, DC. Immerse yourself in community leadership and engagement this summer in Washington, DC! The 8-week program allows students to intern with nongovernmental organizations while earning academic credit in economics and humanitarian aid. Your summer will put you on the front lines, working to solve local, national and global issues. Applications are due by **December 6** to receive a 5% tuition discount. More information on our programs may be found at www.DCinternships.org/IPVS. Please contact Carly Chafey with any questions at cchafey@tfas.org or [202.986.0384](tel:202.986.0384).

TIDEWATER PARK ELEMENTARY MENTORSHIP: Tina Andrade is first year teacher at Tidewater Park Elementary school looking for mentors for her 4th grade students. The program is similar to Big Brother/Big Sister. You would commit to 30 minutes a week spending time with the student you are paired with. Please contact our Hannah at hruck001@odu.edu if you are interested.

TIDEWATER COMMUNITY ACADEMY OPPORTUNITY: Dr. Wendy Scott, an adjunct faculty at ODU, is the director of a program that serves 20 4th-12th grade students who have fallen behind in public school because of various reasons. She is looking for volunteer tutors to work with students either in small groups or one-on-one. She is mainly looking for volunteers to help with middle school reading, but there are also tutoring opportunities for math, sciences, computer science, and media literacy. This is great opportunity for secondary students! If you are interested please contact wscott@odu.edu, tidewatercommunityacademy@gmail.com, 757-376-3864.

KINDRED AT HOME HOSPICE seeks volunteers to give time, talents and heart in a hospice environment. Hospice is a unique medical specialty dedicated to the support and care of persons with limited life expectancies. Hospice care focuses on comfort, quality of life, and pain management. Hospice care can take place in a variety of settings. It is designed to surround the patient and the family with the physical, emotional and spiritual resources needed to make the most of every moment. With its dedicated team of interdisciplinary health care professionals, spiritual liaisons, and volunteers, Kindred at Home provides compassionate and expert palliative care. Hospice volunteers are there to hold a hand, listen, read, write a letter, run errands and or even help out in our office. Volunteers are there to step in when a family member needs a break, and are there for the family and friends after their loved ones have passed away. No matter what your skills are, talents or motivation, we have a rewarding opportunity for you to help. Requirements to be a Kindred at Home Volunteer? At Least 16 Years of Age. Annual TB Testing. Submit & Pass a Criminal Background Screening. Submit and Pass a Drug Screening. Care and Concern for Others. Tolerance, Flexibility and Patience. Maturity, Self-Understanding. Good Communication Skills. Confidentiality and Dependability. Empathy, Sincerity and Sensitivity. Acceptance of Moral and Cultural Differences. Ability to Work Cooperatively With Others. Ability to Accept Supervision and Evaluation. Complete Comprehensive Hospice Volunteer Training. To learn more or to offer your time, contact Ashley Holliday, Volunteer Coordinator. 757-831-8240 or via email, Ashley.Holliday@kindred.com.

ACTIVE CITIZENS RECOGNITION...

One Love Festival, Oct. 1.—Eve Craig

Marlin-to-Marlin Lacrosse Clinic, Oct. 1—Logan Arnold, Tyler Conn, Thomas Potter, Dante Castillo, Duncan Haight, Josh Davis, Brad Lill, Andre Brummitt, Justin Fitzgerald, Corey Hilliard, Nick Frampton, Andrew Johnson, Mati Roush, Phil Venanz, Chris Mctague, Zach Peters, Cory Austin, Luke Townsend, Madigan Horne, Zak Harrison, Joe Labell, Brian Lane, Evan Merrill, Clay Brumbaugh, Brandon Hayslett, Spencer Valent, Rod Jordan, Joey Couture, Austin Sax, Chris Marucci, Colin Douglas, Steve Roberts, Pete Langan, Nick Zepho, Justin Metzger, Matt Baldwin, John Colwell, Tommy Faiella, John Blackwell, Eddie Desiderio

Habitat Build Day, Oct. 1—Alicia Conne George, April Bell, Lydia Dale, Morgan Lucas, Natalie Kendall

Neptune Festival, Sept. 30, Oct. 1, Oct. 2—Ali Dollins, Jayla Harris, Ceci Billings, Reagan Holmes, Whitney Victory, Crystal Strother, Kerri Wasko, Tiera Johnson, Jayla Cross, Justice Miller, Amanda Gerni, Alexis Platt, Taylor Cain, Brianna Kidwell, R. Kellin Phillips, Amber Riggs, Rajaa Shabazz, Megan Sherman, NiAsia Caldwell, Raya Berkley, Kristin Rempas, Jaelyn Washington

Montero Medical Missions-Veteran's Health Fair, Oct. 1—Nicole Holmes, Syke Seutter, Andrew Deluca

SOC: One Love Festival, Parkway Elementary School Step Team, Oct. 1 —Bobbie Graham, Amber Gaines, Danielle Barrow, Shyail Ownes, Jazmyne Brooks, Kathryn Reavis

Neighborhood Tutoring FYE Ms. Ames, Oct. 5 – Matt Wilberg, Devon Lacy, Anthony Castillo, Jarod Riley, Brain Castillo, Alicia Zamora, Shae Gary, Zack Harrison, John Urusemire, Lorenzo Austin, Kelli Porter

Neighborhood Tutoring, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26--Tamia Ponder, Iyana Downie, Laura Pettigrew, Devon Lacy, Ingrid Yvonne Leron

Fin with Paws, Oct. 1, 8 —Tanail Canty, Gwendolynn Malone, Cameron Irby, Cierra Griffiths, Amber Morris

Marlins Community Youth Garden Club, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25—Lydia Dale, Charlene Santos, Caitlin Eversole, Stephanie McDermott, Mayanni McCourty, Collette Vauthier, Gabrielle Freese, Nyandra McFadden, Jakeeme Wallace, Taariq Brown, Joseph Reagan, Zach Drake, Riley Conrad, Brandon Martinez, Alexis Gaither, Kayla Rodgers

SOC: FOR Kids Good Mojo Thrift Store, Oct. 20—Brandon Martinez, Keynan Boatright, Taylor Boyd, Tashawn Sanders, Avriana Chavez, LeMar Calloway

Bayside JV Football Chain Pull Oct. 20—Wade Jernigan, Raiana Cody

Chesapeake Bay Academy Fall Festival, Oct. 28—Annika Christenson, Mikelah Bur, Kathryn Reavis, Wade Jernigan, Dominique Williams

Stop Hunger Now, Oct. 29—Bobbie Graham, Rachel Connolly, Asheli Gates, Abi Spahr, Kelly Bateman, Allie Ghazalen, Chase Campbell, Eve Craig, Dominique Williams, Miriam Schiller, Brandon Foster, Zachary Imbriaco, Patrick Banson, Avriana Chavez, Destini Garrison, Zachary Brokenbough, Austin Edmonds, Rusoyl Kent, Lydia Dale, Charlene Santos, Kaniah Elkerson, Shelty Wright, Azahia Inman, Isabella Gaze, Shai Russell, Amber McDonald, Jenine Harland, Megan Harrison, Edwin Campos, Ashantiana Jackson, Kelsi Robins, Andrew Deluca, Janes Filklin, Myles Baynard, Robin Takacs, Lovinia Gabriel

Heritage Trunk or Treat, Oct. 30—Quennita Lensey, Bobbie Graham, Eve Craig, Cosmone Clarke, Justin Blake, Brandon Foster, Jakama Wallace, Michael Perry, Julie Manning, Jaime Esquivel, Taariq Brown, Nyandra McFadden, Ruta Hatemriam

VBSPCA Mutt Masquerade, Oct. 30— Zhuohong Zheng, Dionna A. Foxx, Hannah Bocker, Bobbie Graham, Emilee Caldback, Jacklyn Cheely, Taylor Boyd, Gabriela Ayala, Skye Seutter

Weekly Programs:

Marlins Read Bayside – Hannah Fisher, Megan Stredler, Christina Lehner, Brooklynn Brock, Gabriella Copeland, John Leitgeb, Arianna Boone

Marlins Count BF Williams—Tashawn Sanders, Ciara Jackson, Niasia Caldwell, Laura Robusto, Gwendolynn Malone, Anthony Bowden

Marlin Count Bayside—Emma Gray, Cosmone Clarke, Tashawn Sanders, Taylor Major, Cameron Irby, Collette Vouthier, Tim Jones, Gwendolynn Malone, Tanail Canty

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2016-17 Office Staff

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

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Global Marlins...Tanasia Hazelton

Future Marlins...Anthony Bowden

Marlins Count...Laura Robusto, Claude Clarke

Environmental Awareness...Taylor Boyd

Elementary School Assistants...Raqiyyah Eaves and Ashley Wentzel

2016-17 Student Outreach Coordinators (SOC)

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