



Some of the CVB staff who participated in the drive and Krishna Loya, JCOC volunteer coordinator.

Convention and Visitors Bureau staff members donate socks, gloves to Judeo Christian Center

As part of their "Thankful Thursday" holiday festivities, Virginia Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau staff members held a sock and glove drive recently to benefit the Judeo Christian Outreach Center.

As a result, a donation of 242

pairs of socks and gloves were recently accepted on behalf of the JCOC at the Virginia Beach Convention Center.

This is the second year the bureau has held this drive in support of those in need in the community.



Linda Lavender and John Houchins share at moment together.

ATC welcomes John Houchins to staff

Linda Lavender, network administration and cybersecurity instructor, greets new Virginia Beach school technology support technician, John

Houchins.

He is a 2016 graduate of her program at the Advanced Technology Center and now a professional colleague!



Cox High School Noble Teens members juniors Amaiah Hybert, Virginia Kayser, Lia Dopp, Cecilia Jakovljevic and Christina Henderson organize toys for distribution.

Cox High School's Noble Teens collect, distribute toys and gifts for the needy

The Noble Teens, a Cox High School community service club sponsored by Advanced Placement US History teacher Mark Girard, held its annual toy drive to supply gifts to children whose families are in need during the holiday season.

The toys were recently picked up and distributed after school. According to thenoble.org, the service group is a Virginia Beach-based non-profit organization that includes members located throughout the Hamp-

ton Roads and whose mission is to identify and perform 'Noble Deeds' for great local kids in need of help.

The Noble Teens branch within the school has been successful in the past with many of their charitable efforts.

"We have won the award every year for the past four years for the most toys, so our goal is to beat last year's toy count, about 300, and also beat other schools. But, all in the spirit of giving," Girard said.

Lighthouse Day Support Services Center has new phone number

The new phone number for the Lighthouse Day Support Services Center is (757) 385-5160. The city operates the Lighthouse Day Support

Services Center at 825 18th Street. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Day support services end at 3:30 p.m.

2017-2018 School Calendar

Adopted by the School Board December 20, 2016

JULY 2017							AUGUST 2017							SEPTEMBER 2017						
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OCTOBER 2017							NOVEMBER 2017							DECEMBER 2017						
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JANUARY 2018							FEBRUARY 2018							MARCH 2018						
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APRIL 2018							MAY 2018							JUNE 2018						
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In cases of school closings due to inclement weather or emergency conditions, makeup days will be designated by the superintendent and may include available staff days or holidays.



Virginia Beach School Board adopts new school calendar; 8-day break

The Virginia Beach School Board recently approved its 2017-18 school year calendar.

This 181-instructional-day calendar includes two designated professional learning days for staff, August 29 and October 9, as well as an eight-and-a-

half-day winter break.

Makeup days needed for inclement weather or other unscheduled school closures will be designated by the superintendent, with the preference being the use of staff days and holidays.

Human rights awards nominations accepted

Nominations for the 23rd Annual Human Rights Awards Program are being accepted now through Jan. 31, 2017 by the Virginia Beach Human Rights Commission (HRC). Winning nominees will be honored at the 23rd Annual Human Rights Awards Ceremony on April 6, 2017.

The HRC recognizes noteworthy individuals and groups who have aided in the understanding of cultural diversity and advocated for the human rights of the city's residents.

The awards committee will evaluate nominees based on

community involvement, initiatives and humanitarianism. Eligible nominees are people living or working in Virginia Beach or anyone who has contributed to the promotion of human rights to benefit Virginia Beach residents.

The commission will be presenting several types of awards.

"The Human Rights Commission needs your help in recognizing people in our community who work tirelessly to promote justice, fairness and diversity continuously. We look

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