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Edgeworth Park News

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Celebrating April



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Colonial Williamsburg, in Williamsburg, Va., is known for its historic buildings and staff dressed in period costumes. If you go off the main roads and slip through the little white gates into the spaces behind the buildings, however, you'll discover numerous beautiful little gardens, which now are a riot of spring color.

The style of the gardens and the plants in them are authentic to the time period. The overall layouts are very formal. They are all straight lines, square beds, and lots of trimmed hedges. Within that formality the plantings are rich, layered, and a little bit wild. The formal structure tames the informal plantings, and the final effect is magical.

Join us April 14th @10am

For a garden tour and lunch in Colonial Williamsburg



Garden Club Meeting April 5th @ 10:30

In the Bistro



The Compton Oak on Nicholson Street in Colonial Williamsburg spreads its branches far and wide, inviting you to take a break on benches parked beneath its umbrella-like canopy.

In summer, it's probably the coolest spot in town, while its October views afford you the best seat to see the historic area's annual show of fall foliage.

Planted in the early 1930s, the picturesque oak stands 70 feet tall and 97 feet wide; its trunk circumference is an impressive 14 feet when measured at chest height.

The evergreen oak is a natural hybrid, having a live oak and an overcup oak for parents. Legend says it was found growing wild in Pungo, a southern area of Virginia Beach, and transplanted in the early 1930s. The name honors Mrs. C.C. Compton, wife of a forest service employee in Natchez, Miss., and plant lover who initially brought the tree to the attention of Charles Sargent of the Arnold Arboretum at Harvard and author of "Trees of North America."

The tree's size and uniqueness makes it a stand-out specimen in Colonial Williamsburg.



Edgeworth Park Celebrates Earth Day All Month Long!

Check out the calendar for weekly events



In Honor of Arbor Day Edgeworth Park will be planting Butterfly Bushes in the Courtyards



Earth Day Clothing Donations Upstairs in Activity Room



This year, Easter falls on Sunday, April 4, 2021—a little earlier in the spring than it did last year (Sunday, April 12, 2020). The holiday is a "movable feast," meaning the date, which is always a Sunday, changes every year and follows a similar calendar to the Hebrew calendar based on the lunar cycle.

Easter is a deeply religious holiday for Christians that typically falls in the spring. The holiday celebrates the day Jesus arose from the dead, three days after the Crucifixion. Like many other religious holidays (looking at you, Christmas), Easter has also become a highly commercial event often catered toward young children, full of chocolate rabbits, decorated Easter baskets, and colorfully dyed eggs. And, of course, there's the Easter Bunny, dropping off baskets of gifts and treats in the middle of the night to delight children everywhere on Easter Sunday morning. Some claim that the word Easter derives from Eostre, a pagan goddess of spring and fertility. According to folklore, Eostre found a bird dying from the cold and turned it into a rabbit so its fur would keep it warm—but that rabbit still laid eggs like a bird. "In one version [of the

Easter Festivities

- April 2nd 1pm - Dying Easter Eggs
- April 3rd 10am - Easter Coloring Contest
- April 3rd 1pm - Easter Puzzles
- April 3rd 2pm - Easter Egg Hunt
- April 4th 8am - Easter Breakfast
- April 4th 9am - Easter TV Service
- April 4th 10am - Scavenger Hunt
- April 4th 11am - Easter Lunch
- April 4th 4pm - Easter Dinner



April 2nd 1pm Dying Easter Eggs in the Bistro

From colored eggs to chocolate eggs to egg hunts, nothing says "Easter" like the incredible edible. Yet our modern take on collecting, dyeing, and decorating eggs comes from a tradition dating back thousands of years, long before the time of Jesus Christ.



Shining Stars of Edgeworth Park



April Birthdays

In astrology, those born from April 1–19 are Rams of Aries, the first sign of the zodiac. Rams are unafraid to forge ahead with passion, zeal, and confidence. Full of optimism and hope, they are both eager to get the job done and unafraid to confront problems head-on. Those born from April 20–30 are Bulls of Taurus. While Taureans enjoy the comforts of luxury, they are unafraid of hard work and dedicate themselves to the tasks at hand. Their steadfast nature makes them reliable.

Residents

- April 1st – Ray W.
- April 3rd – Lou G.
- April 4th – Miriam T.
- April 14th – Cleva T.
- April 16th – Ruth B.
- April 18th - Ed W.
- April 18th - Nancy S.
- April 23rd – Diana L.
- April 25th – Ed S.
- April 27th – Susan H.

Staff

Susan Sperlein	RMA	4/1
Denise Billups	Housekeeper	4/6
Kim Williams	CNA	4/6
Renee Bartlett	Sous Chef	4/7
Dahlia Gardner	CNA	4/10
Melissa Gary	BOM	4/14
Keshia Sutherland-Oller	RMA	4/16
Belinda Washington	CNA	4/21
Bobby Baxevanis	Sous Chef	4/25
Diana Jones	CNA	4/26