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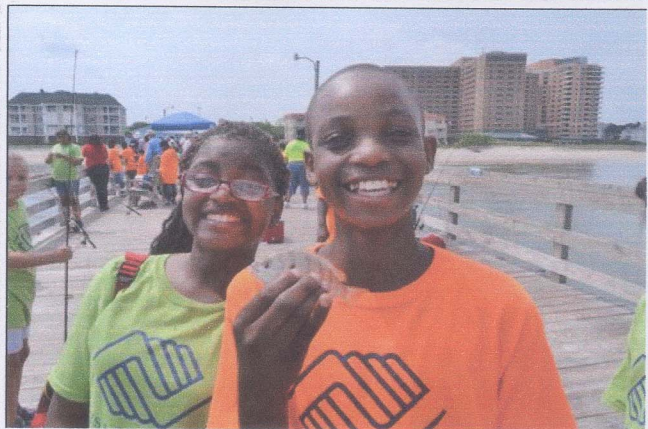
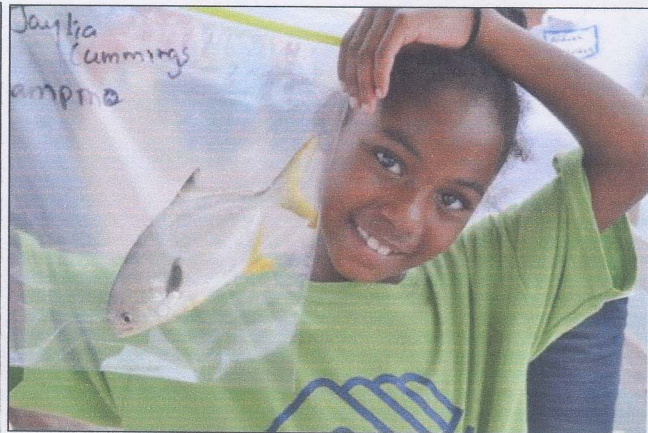
Church of the Holy Family
1269 North Great Neck Road
Virginia Beach, VA, 23454

August 5, 2012

Financial Report
for the
Commonwealth of Virginia
Marine Resources Commission
2600 Washington Avenue
Third Floor
Newport News, Virginia 23607

Grant # RF 12-10, 27 June 2012, 2012 Knights of Columbus Annual Kids Fishing Day

25th Annual Rodgers Family Kids Fishing Day – August 1, 2012 – Lynnhaven Fishing Pier





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The 25th Annual Rodgers Family Kids Fishing Day (KFD) was held on Wednesday, August 1, 2012 on the Lynnhaven Fishing Pier in Virginia Beach, Virginia. This event was an exciting morning of fishing for 182 young boys and girls (ages 6-18) from all nine units of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Virginia (BGCSEVA). This event was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Pope Leo XIII Council 10804 of Virginia Beach. 81 adult volunteers from the Knights of Columbus and the local community, assisted by 24 BGCSEVA paid staff chaperones, mentored the children as they learned how to fish, most of them for the very first time. Adult volunteers were sought using The Virginian-Pilot. Adult volunteer show time on the pier was 7:30 AM. At 7:45 AM there was a KFD Orientation and Safety Brief for the adult volunteers on the pier. The children started arriving at 8 AM from the seven cities (nine units) of the BGCSEVA (Chesapeake (from 2 units), Exmore, Franklin, Norfolk (from 2 units), Portsmouth, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach). The children fished until noon. This year, prior to the KFD event, the event Co-Leads, Greg Brown and Ed Hanrahan, visited each of the nine BGCSEVA units to give them an educational presentation on fishing. A PowerPoint presentation on Fish and Fishing in the Chesapeake Bay was given to all children present at each BGCSEVA unit. This was followed up by a hands-on demonstration on how to safely use a spin fishing pole. The presentation was repeated four times at each unit to four age groups (6-7 year olds, 8-9 year olds, 10-11-12 year olds, 13-18 year olds). At some of the smaller BGCSEVA units, some age groups were combined. In accordance with the guidance provided in the 28 June 2012 RF 12-10 grant letter, information on the VMRC Virginia Junior Angler Program was incorporated (via three additional PowerPoint slides) into the educational program being given to the BGCSEVA units. Overall, 600 children received the educational presentation prior to the August 1, 2012 KFD event. Thanks to a generous grant approved by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC), as recommended by the Recreational Fishing Advisory Board (RFAB), using the Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund (SWRDF), each child took home the brand new fishing pole that they just used to catch fish with. They were also given a 25th Annual Rodgers Family Kids Fishing Day T-shirt (which included the SWRDF / VMRC logos on it) as a reminder of their great pier fishing experience. Before leaving the pier they were treated to a freshly cooked hot dog bag lunch that they ate on the pier. For most of the children, this was their first ever fishing experience. It exposed the young and excited children to the new experience of being a fisherman. For many, this will be a life changing experience. The hands on fishing experience, the direct exposure to the marine environment, and the educational program in the units, coupled with the practical experience gained on the pier, made this event a "memory of their young lifetimes." Additionally, many chaperones and new volunteers, who have never fished, were exposed to the same marine learning environment. Volunteers were paired up so that each pair



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of volunteers mentored 5 children, with at least one experienced fisherman in the volunteer pair. Thus many adult volunteers and chaperones also benefited from the educational opportunities provided to them via a program designed and centered on the 182 BGCSEVA children. Pictures of the event appeared in the August 2, 2012 edition of The Virginian-Pilot. Overall, approximately 300 Tidewater children and adults gained a better appreciation for the marine environment that will help them to serve as better stewards of the Commonwealth's marine and aquatic resources, and to better protect its tidal waters and homelands. It was clearly one of the highlights of the summer for these excited and eager young citizens of Tidewater. This year the children caught over 350 fish. At last year's event it was Spot and then Bluefish as the most caught species of fish. This year, it was a spectacular showing of Puppy Drum with a truly conservative estimate of over 250 Puppy Drum caught, all in the 10-14 inch range (all catch and release) that provided the most excitement for these brand new fisherman. For the children, 15 and younger, no one was able to catch the required 6 species of fish that would make them eligible for an award under the VMRC Virginia Junior Angler Program, although one child caught 19 fish!

Included in this Final Report are originals or copies of:

- Grant # RF 12-10 refund check for \$933.80
- Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund Summary Project Application
- Excel spreadsheet of Grant Financial Request
- Grant # RF 12-10
- KFD Financial Tracking Report – 5 August 2012
- Copies of proof of purchase / invoices / donation
- KFD T-shirt design (with SRFDF / VMRC logo)
- The Virginian-Pilot Beach Briefs "FISHY FUN FOR KIDS"
- The Virginian-Pilot "Go fish!"
- Collage of four of the many photographs taken during the KFD event

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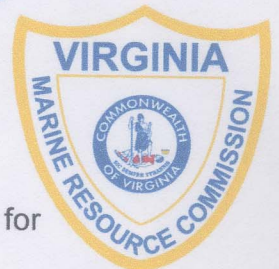
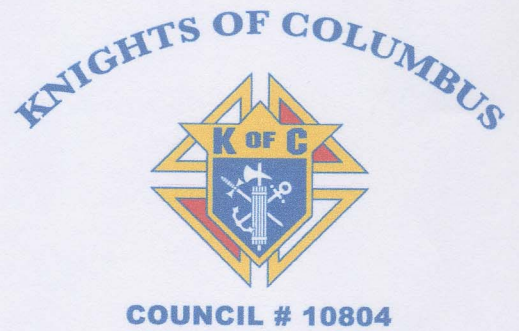
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11:45 a.m. Sunday. Christ Unity
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Beach Blvd., Suite 101. 410-715-
6751, ruth@ruthlittlejohn.com.
www.hamptonroads.csl.org.

**Silent Unity and Daily Word
Meditation Service**, modeled
after Silent Unity services
at Missouri's Unity Village,
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Sunday Celebration Service,
the Rev. Elizabeth Haugen
will present "What is Your
Spiritual Cutting Edge?"
10:30 a.m. July 29. Christ
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Children's Clothing Exchange,
9 a.m.-noon today, July 26
and Aug. 2; 3-6 p.m. Tuesday
and July 31. Haygood United
Methodist Church, 4713
Haygood Road. 499-1269.

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**"Good and Faithful" Drama
Presentation**, series of stories

FUNDRAISER

The 13th annual Allen
Stone-Braveheart Memorial
Races will take place
Saturday at Neptune's
Park, 31st Street at the
Oceanfront.

The event includes three
races: a run-swim-run, a 5K
run-walk, and a one-mile
children's fun run. Proceeds
will benefit the Navy SEAL
Foundation and the Virginia
Beach Volunteer Rescue
Squad.

Prior to the 7:40 a.m. race
kickoff, the Navy parachute
team the Leap Frogs will
jump over the Atlantic
Ocean, landing on the beach
at 31st Street. The event
also will feature a tribute
to the families of fallen
SEALs, games, awards and
an after-party beginning
at 11 a.m. at LunaSea, 206
22nd St.

Registration is
available at www.AllenStoneMemorial.com,

Registration is required;
email jobsearchseminar@cceva.org or call 456-2366,
ext. 502.

FISHY FUN FOR KIDS

Volunteers are sought
for the 25th annual Rodgers
Family Kids Fishing Day
to be held Aug. 1 at the
Lynnhaven Fishing Pier, 2350
Starfish Road.

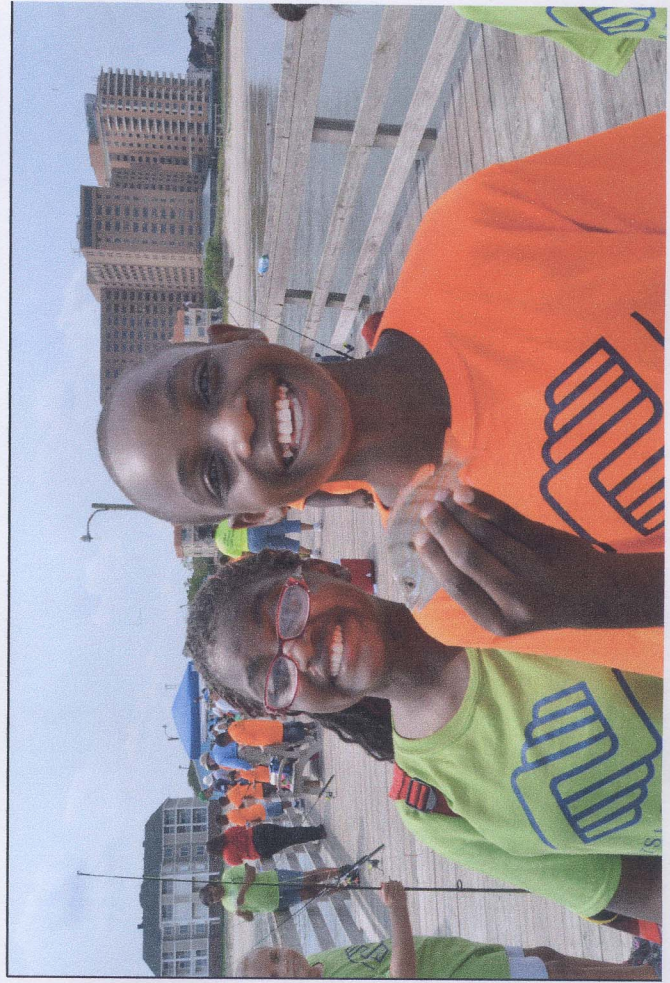
The event, sponsored by
the Knights of Columbus,
Pope Leo XIII Council
10804, hosts children from
the Boys & Girls Clubs of
Southeast Virginia. To
volunteer, contact Greg
Brown, 560-0988 or gcb212@verizon.net.

SEEKING DEBUTANTES

Progressive Women
Inc. is recruiting for its
2013 Midsummer Fantasy
Debutante Cotillion, which
will be held in July 2013.

Interested young women
who are graduating next

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Go fish!