

#### YMCA EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO RETIRE

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James A. Leiby, president and chief executive officer of the YMCA of Greater Richmond, announced yesterday that he would retire Aug. 31.

Leiby has spent the past 17 of his 40-year YMCA career in Richmond. He has worked for YMCAs in Alabama, Georgia, Texas and Florida.

When Leiby arrived in 1974, there was a single downtown facility, three storefront centers and a camp. Now in addition to the camp are seven branches, six of which are full facilities.

The YMCA serves about 43,000 people, up from 8,000 in 1974. Its operating budget has grown from \$700,000 annually to \$7.3 million, with \$16 million in properties.

Leiby oversaw the creation of the YMCA's child-care programs, Teen Scene programs for middle-school students, aquatics and personal-fitness programs, and Youth Achievers, which matches high school students with adult role models.

He initiated an endowment program in 1978, and last year forged a partnership with the YMCA in Esslingen, Germany.

Leiby graduated from George Williams College in Chicago, which was the national YMCA college, and attended the University of South Carolina.

## **BIRDING TRIP**

The Richmond Audubon Society will hold a birding field trip from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Sunday at Curles Neck Farm in Henrico County.

Participants will meet at Varina Elementary School on Route 5.

For more information, call 233-2295.

An owl and woodcock walk through the wetlands of James River Park will be held from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Participants will meet at the Landria Drive entrance to the park.

For more information call 320-0138.

# **HEART PROGRAMS**

A basic life-support skills class, Heart Savers, will be offered from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the Culpeper Building at the Koger Executive Center, 1500 Forest Ave.

Blood pressure screenings and heart information will be offered from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. tomorrow at Regency Square shopping mall, Quioccassin and Parham roads, and from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through March 1 in the main lobby at Henrico Doctors' Hospital, 1602 Skipwith Road.

Both programs are sponsored by Henrico Doctors' Hospital.

For more information and to register for the class, call 289-4652.

### BARBECUE SALE

Straight Inc. Parent Booster Club will sponsor a barbecue sale from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today on Hull Street between Courthouse and Genito roads.

Proceeds will benefit the Straight Inc. rehabilitation program for adolescents battling drug and alcohol addiction.

For more information, call 285-4244.

**SWIM CLINIC** 

The Jewish Community Center will offer a swim clinic for members of area summer swim teams March 17 through May 12 at the center, 5403 Monument Ave.

Swimmers ages 7 to 9 will meet from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and those ages 10 to 18 will swim from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Cost of the clinic is \$55 per swimmer. Information: 288-6091.

## **DECORATING SKILLS**

A program on "Decorating on a Budget, Home-Office" will be offered from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. March 7 in Room 210 of Building B at J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Parham Road campus, 1651 E. Parham Road.

The program is part of the college's Community Network series, which includes programs to assist career entry or re-entry adults with employment skills.

The program is free. For more information and reservations, call 371-3240.

## **LECTURE SERIES**

' 'A New Look at Past Impressions" is the title of a lecture series planned for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and March 13 in the flag gallery at the Museum of the Confederacy, 1201 E. Clay St.

The first lecture of the series will be by Guy R. Swanson, director of library and research at the museum. His topic will be "The Master Images of General Robert E. Lee."

Leslie D. Jensen, former director of the Old Guard Museum at Fort Myer, will deliver the second lecture: "Butternut and Gray: The Confederate Quartermaster System."

Admission is free for museum members and \$5 per lecture for non-members. Information: 649-1861.

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