



The Civic League Ledger



June 2026

Student Participation Wanted!

"Art At The Ballpark"

September 12, 2026

The PAPCL received a 2026 Creative Neighborhood Arts Grant to partner with Plaza Little League (PLL) to beautify the league baseball/softball complex. The grant provides funding for the painting of two murals and signage by a professional muralist, in addition to landscaping and supplies.

The unveiling of the murals and community celebration of the project will be held Sat., September 12, 2026 at the Plaza Little League Complex, 701 Chantry Drive. We would like to include student artists in the planning and painting of the murals and by displaying their art at the celebration in September! Seth Lubaton, our contracted muralist, is excited to include students in this project.

The design phase is planned to take place in July with painting in late August. If a student is interested in participating, please make contact by Monday, June 15.

At the September celebration, there will be locations for the display of art created by students from elementary and middle schools within the PAPCL area. We would like to see a variety of mediums highlighting the people, places, and excitement of playing baseball and softball.

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Princess Anne Plaza

Civic League

*General league meetings are the **SECOND Tuesday of the month** (except July and August) and begin at 7 p.m.*

2026 Dates

June 9

September 8

October 13

November 10

December 8

Place

Bow Creek Recreation Ctr.

3427 Club House Road

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PAPCivicLeague@gmail.com

Our PAPCL website:

<https://princessanneplazacivicleague.godaddysites.com>

Our PAPCL Facebook page:

[PA Plaza Civic League Facebook](#)

Congratulations to the following members who were elected at the May meeting for two year terms, as well as the one year left in a Trustee's term:

PRESIDENT: George "Buddy" Wall

1st VICE PRESIDENT: Matt Hamaker

CORRES. SECY': Deane Donahue

TRUSTEES (2): Mary Balonek and Rick Schwartz

TRUSTEE (1 year term): John Allen

"Art At the Ballpark" continued

There will be monetary and material prizes for participants in the art display. Art pieces are needed by Tuesday, September 8, and will be returned to the participants following the celebration.

Deane Donohue is the project contact person for student participation, and she can be reached via our email at papcivicleague@gmail.com for additional information, to answer questions, and to receive student interest.

Remember the deadlines: June 15 to confirm interest in the mural planning and painting, and September 8 to submit student art for the celebration on September 12.

May Meeting Highlights

_Nominating Committee Chair Vickie Bright explained the evening's election process and asked each candidate to make a brief statement. Once votes were cast, the nominating committee began their count while the evening's speaker was introduced.

_Valerie Henschel, CoVB Traffic Engineering Division, explained the City's criteria for traffic calming procedures and provided traffic statistics along Bow Creek Boulevard, noting that 85% of motorists travel at or below the speed limit. Speeding westbound averaged 32 mph, with

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May Meeting Highlights *continued*

eastbound averaging 36 mph. Traffic calming procedures (TCP) include selective enforcement, speed tables, speed measurement tables and community engagement (through petitions.) At least 75% of the homeowners affected by speeders along the targeted area must sign a petition to move to the next phase of TCP that include additional fines. Henchel said Hilber Street residents want to move to the next phase but haven't yet at obtained signatures from 75% of those affected. A Q&A session followed her presentation. One member expressed concern with increased traffic on Club House once Phase 1 of the park is complete. As that project is not under Traffic Engineering, the League will reach out to the appropriate department. .

_State Delegate Feggans, Dist. 97, visited, and shared some of the bills and initiatives he was working on. His local offices are in a Town Center shared space at 5600 Va. Beach Blvd., and 900 Commonwealth Place, and introduced his chief of staff, Marcus. During a Q&A session, Feggans was asked about voting on salary increases for delegates. He feels the current \$17k salary affects the ability to keep delegates serving as it actually a full time job, and residents will decide next year if they agree.

_Recording Secretary read the previous meeting's minutes, and officer and committee reports were given by the Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Membership chair.

_Old Business: President Wall said City Council voted to allocate \$40k to each City ballpark to help with maintenance and upgrades. He said complaints about Checkered Flag not following proffers increased after nearby residents learned they were requesting a conditional use change. Wall will be talking with the Planning Commission this week about it.

_Election results were announced and the oath of office will take place at the June meeting.

_Flood Committee Chair Bob Jennings reminded everyone hurricane season begins June 1 and to work on your emergency kit.

_A member had a petition for anyone interested in signing entitled "Repeal the Meal Tax."

_Deane Donahue said May 31 is the closing day for Plaza Little League spring ball.

_Good & Welfare News: Fran Sansone shared collection results for Clean the Bay Day; the 5/31 memorial will be dedicated this year; and the new, single online portal for appointive groups (commissions & boards) launched May 1.



Since 1962, the Plaza Volunteer Rescue Squad (PVRS) has been helping the community and saving lives. In 2025, units within the VB Rescue system were dispatched to almost 58,000 calls for service – that's an average of 159 calls per day!

The PVRS is in the midst of their spring fundraiser. Our contributions assist them in continuing to provide exceptional pre-hospital emergency care for our community as well as enabling squads to obtain life-saving equipment and supplies for their ambulances.

You can mail your contribution to PVRS, PO Box 2128, Va. Beach, VA 23450, or donate online at www.plazarescue.com

VBCCO

Upcoming VBCCO general meetings are June 17 and July 15, 630 PM, at the Bow Creek Rec Center, The guest speakers are to be announced. Check their website for updates at www.vbcco.org

Hurricane Season Begins



Hurricane season runs June 1 to November 30. Forecasters with the NOAA's National Weather Service are predicting a slightly below normal season for the Atlantic Basin. The agency is forecasting a total of 8-14 named storms (winds of 39 mph and higher), and of those, 3-6 are expected to become hurricanes, including up to 1-3 major hurricanes with winds of 111 mph or higher. An average season has 14 named storms with seven hurricanes, including three major hurricanes. While El Niño conditions tend to support less tropical storms and hurricanes, there is always an uncertainty how the season actually unfolds.

That uncertainty is why it is essential to make your hurricane preparedness plans *now*, especially if you plan to get flood insurance. Flood insurance is separate from homeowners insurance, and has a 30-day waiting period to take effect.

"Know Your Zone" means knowing your evacuation zone which can be found at <https://www.vaemergency.gov/know-your-zone>

Get a full checklist of items for your hurricane survival kit at <https://www.vaemergency.gov/emergency-kit>

Visit www.ready.gov to help you prepare for any disaster by building an emergency supplies kit; learn about different warning alerts you can get and how to get them; power outage tips; and preparing your pets for disasters.



Effective December 2024, dues are \$25 per year per family/household, with the new membership year beginning in September. Your dues support the civic league in the publication of the newsletter, social media, participation in community events, local church food pantries, and more.

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Last Name	First Name
Street Address in ZIP Code 23452	
Telephone #	Cell Phone #
E-Mail Address. Please print clearly. (Your information is for use only by the PAPCL)	
Can you help the League by serving on the Executive Board or a Committee	
Yes _____	No _____
Mail to: PAPCL - Membership Committee PO Box 2412 Virginia Beach, VA 23450-2412	

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