

# The Civic League Ledge



# **June 2024**



### Expect Detours on Old Forge as Stormwater Projects Continue

Stormwater project work that closed Red Lion Lane is complete and the street is undergoing grading and paving. A portion of Old Forge Road closed to through traffic as project work continues in that area. Presidential is still closed to through traffic from Silina to S. Plaza Trail, but project work has been completed and the road is being paved.

The Virginia Beach Flood Protection Program—The Ripple Effect—is a comprehensive multi-year plan to address recurrent flooding in Virginia Beach. For more details, the following links takes you to the City's project webpage and two project overview brochures.

https://s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/virginia-beach-departments-docs/pw/Projects/Windsor-Woods-Princess-Anne-Plaza-and-The-Lakes/Overall-Project-Brochure-Dec.-2022.pdf

https://s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/virginia-beach-departments-docs/pw/Projects/Windsor-Woods-Princess-Anne-Plaza-and-The-Lakes/Old-Forge-Road-and-Red-Lion-Road-Brochure-Nov.-2021.pdf

https://virginiabeach.gov/connect/blog/theripple-effect-tide-gate-installation-inprogress-to-prevent-tidal-flooding-inwindsor-woods

## 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.

#### **2024 Dates**

June 11

September 10 October 8 November 12 December 10

#### **Place**

Bow Creek Recreation Ctr. 3427 Club House Road

PAPCivicLeague@gmail.com

#### **Our PAPCL website:**

https://princessanneplazacivicleaque.god addysites.com

Both the following links take you to the PAPCL Facebook page; however, the first link is edited and renamed for user convenience.

#### PA Plaza Civic League Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/PrincessAnn ePlazaCivicLeague

REMINDER: The PAPCL does not meet in July and August, and the newsletter is not published.

#### **New Officers Elected**

The following members were elected by acclamation at the May meeting. Installation will be at the June meeting.

President - Buddy Wall

1st Vice President - Matthew Hamaker
Corresponding Secretary - Sandra
Shinabarger
Trustee (2) - Betty Warren and
Cameron Turner

#### Membership

League membership annual dues remain at \$12 per year per family/household, due in September. Dues help support civic league functions, local church food pantries, the Plaza Volunteer Rescue Squad, maintaining our website and more.

Membership Chair, Ruth Snider, is reaching out to former and current members to verify contact information is up-to-date. If you get an email or phone call from her, please respond!

Thank you, for your continued support and for renewing your membership.

#### Stay Informed and Involved Make Your Voice Heard

Use this QR code, or the link below, to sign up for SpeakUpVB.com



which both educates residents and invites their input on important shape City policy. www.speakupvb.com



The Plaza Volunteer Rescue Squad (PVRS) has served the community since 1962. It maintains a fleet of five Advanced Life Support ambulances staffed by more than 50 volunteers. Last year, these volunteers responded to over 7900 calls!

PVRS launched its spring campaign, and any amount donated is spent on purchasing and maintaining ambulances and life saving equipment. If you lost the spring drive donation envelope recently mailed, you can send a check to: PVRS, PO Box 2128, Va. Beach, VA 23450, or, you can visit their website and donate via PayPal the following link: through https://plazarescue.com/

We appreciate all the volunteers who give their time and talent to our rescue squad. And, we expect an ambulance and volunteers to be at our June 8 picnic!

# Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO)

The VBCCO is hosting a Forum for all of the Mayoral candidates at Kellam High School on Monday, Sept. 23. This will be a moderated discussion with some questions to the candidates prepared in advance and some questions solicited from attendees at the door. Registration is free, attendance is limited to 750 people. Register at the following link:

https://www.vbcco.org/content.aspx?page\_id= 4002&club\_id=312677&item\_id=2281568

#### Hurricane Season Starts June 1

The 2024 Atlantic Hurricane Season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, is forecasted to have above-average activity, with 17-25 total named storms. Of those named storms, eight to 13 are forecast to become hurricanes, including four to seven major hurricanes (Cat. 3, 4 or 5.)

Here are a few steps to help you and your family start preparing for an incoming storm or hurricane:

\_\_Sign up for <u>VBAlert</u>, the City's emergency alert and warning system. Messages are automatically sent to landline telephones in affected areas. For mobile-only users to receive public safety messages by warnings, evacuation announcements text or email, register as a new user online or text "VBAlert" to 67283.

\_\_Assemble an emergency kit with essential supplies to sustain you and your family for *at least* 72 hours. The kit should include non-perishable food, bottled water, flashlights, batteries, a first aid kit, a battery-powered or hand-crank radio, extra medications, personal hygiene items, cash, important documents, and extra clothing. Be sure to include your pets' in preparation and evacuation planning! For more info preparing for an emergency, visit <a href="VirginiaBeach.gov/ReadyVB">VirginiaBeach.gov/ReadyVB</a> and <a href="https://www.ready.gov/">https://www.ready.gov/</a>

\_\_Create a family communications plan to ensure everyone knows who to contact and how to reach them in case of separation. Determine a designated meeting point and alternative methods of communication.

\_\_Check your insurance coverage. Most homeowners' insurance policies *do not* cover flood damage, so consider purchasing flood insurance, which typically takes 30 days to take effect, so apply as soon as possible. For more info on flood insurance, visit:

https://www.floodsmart.gov/



#### **May Meeting Highlights**

\_Membership Chair Ruth Snider explained ballots and position requirements of each office. Nominations from the floor were accepted. As all the open positions were unopposed, the candidate slate was accepted by acclamation. Installation will be held at the June meeting.

\_President Clint Mills shared the following community events: Comprehensive Plan 2040 update, May 16 at Kellam High; Memorial Day Ceremony, May 27, 19<sup>th</sup> Street; Military Appreciation Month, free access to Va. Beach rec centers; Bow Creek Blvd. pump station replacement project update, May 30.

\_Erica Cooper, Manager, Windsor Woods Library, said the summer reading program begins in June.

Public Works Engineer Mike Mundy explained wind direction, tidal impacts, and how water flows through area infrastructure. He also noted tidal gauges at Sewell's Point and Pinners Point are showing a 4.4 mm per year, +/- .027, increased tide elevation. The equation includes subsidence as a factor as well. He also recapped the status of various projects with League boundaries. Mundy said the 104-acre Bow Creek Stormwater Park will have multi-purpose trails including the former 1.75 mile cart path. The former driving hill will be a scenic lookout, and the club house will be renovated for use as an event facility. The City continues to work with state agencies regarding the active eagle nest. The park will be closed when a storm approaches in the event it is used for water storage. Completion is expected in Qtr.4 2032.

Dues remain only \$12 per year per family/household. Your dues support the civic league in the publication of the newsletter, social media, participation in community events, local church food pantries, and more. Thank you for your continued support and for renewing your membership.

Renewal & New Membership Form	
Enclose this form with your payment of \$12	
Last Name	First Name
Street Address in ZIP Code 23452	
Telephone # Cel	I Phone #
E-Mail Address For Newsletter Delivery. 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: Phyllis Elms, Membership Committee 266 Raintree Ln. Virginia Beach, VA 23452	

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#### **Committees**

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May 2024

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Our newsletter is published ten times a year, and there is 10% discount with a year's paid advertisement. Rates per newsletter issue: 1/8th page - \$10 1/4th page - \$20 1/2 page - \$40 Full page - \$80

