



The Civic League Ledger



February 2025

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The February 2026 PAPCL meeting will be held at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 509 S. Rosemont Road. The meeting will still begin at 7 PM.

Windsor Woods Area Library (WWAL) News

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.

2025 Dates

February 10

March 10

April 14

May 12

June 9

Place

Bow Creek Recreation Ctr.
3427 Club House Road

Our PAPCL email address:

PAPCivicLeague@gmail.com

Our PAPCL website:

<https://princessanneplazacivicleague.godaddysites.com>

Our PAPCL Facebook page:

[PA Plaza Civic League Facebook](#)



The January meeting was the last for our friend and community partner Erica Cooper, Manager, Windsor Woods Area Library. Erica regularly attended our meetings to update members about adult and children's programs, reading challenges and monthly events, as well as providing a variety of informational handouts. She also provided on-site support of our Member Appreciation Picnics by sharing library information.

Erica has been a wonderful asset to the PAPCL community and she will be missed. The League wishes her continued success as she heads to the Princess Anne Library.

Susan Haddock will be the new WWAL manager, and we look forward to partnering with her.

Membership Report

We are happy to welcome new league members to the PAPCL: Neil and Leah Donohue, Sharon Grozich and Amy and Richard Schwartz. Thanks in advance for your commitment to the community and neighborhood engagement!

Membership Chair Ruth Snider

Voter Registration/Elections Moves

The Virginia Beach Voter Registrar's Office is moving to a new location at 500 Studio Drive, which is the building directly behind the Hall Mazda on Holland Road. Municipal Center offices close at 5 PM. on Wed, Feb. 18 while staff moves on Feb. 19 and 20. All election-related activities and services will then be provided at 500 Studio Drive.

The following link takes you to the City's Voter Registration and Elections webpage where you can go to the "Find My Voting Information" tab to locate your local election district, polling location, General Assembly representative and more.

<https://voter.virginia-beach.gov>



Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office (VBSO)



Va. Beach Sheriff Rocky Holcomb and six deputies were our featured January meeting presentation. Before opening the floor to questions, Holcomb shared some of his department's core responsibilities and the community events they are involved with. Their core work involves: running the Correctional Center (three buildings holding 1100 inmates), security for three courts and serving civil paperwork. Holcomb joked he would ensure League members have time to get home to watch the premier of "Booked In" on A&E, which is the third season his jail has been featured on the show.

The following is a roll-up of questions and topics that followed:

__Inmates no longer cut grass on City owned property, now they are used for picking up trash, although they currently working with LRNow on a project.

__They work with inmates on work force re-entry as well as simple life skills

__The VBSO provides free home security checks and offers a senior citizen self-defense course.

__Nineteen is the average number of days for an inmate stay, although that number includes calculating drunk in public individuals might be there for several hours.

__DARE Program is done with private schools and now goes beyond drugs to include bullying, cyber-bullying, and decision making skills.

__ The VBSO now has a drug detection dog, Apollo.

__Some of his deputies attend the police academy to obtain additional information and training. One of his employees received a Crime Solvers Award for providing intel that helped solve a crime

__Anyone interested in helping prisoners can contribute soft back books or magazines, and can order items for them through the jail's store. Holcomb funds a prison ministry called "Road to Hope." He also learned of an inmate's artistic talents, and arranged for him to paint a mural for the jail.

__The jail, while currently short staffed, employs over 500 people. Holcomb noted there is a SkillBridge bridge program for retirement pending military personnel who can train with the VBSO and be hired upon their military retirement.

More information about the VBSO mission, programs, community outreach, employment and more, visit the Sheriff's website at <https://vbso.net>

IRS Accounts and Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN)

The IRS is encouraging taxpayers to create an IRS Individual Online Account to access their tax account information securely online and to help protect against identity theft and fraud. If you don't already have an account on IRS.gov, you must register to validate your identity, and the following IRS link will help you get started.

<https://www.irs.gov/payments/online-account-for-individuals>

IRS / IP PIN Continued

Anyone with a Social Security Number (SSN) or taxpayer identification number (TIN) and can verify his/her identity is eligible for an identity protection PIN (IP PIN). An IP PIN is a six-digit number that prevents someone else from filing a tax return using your SSN or TIN. The IP PIN is known only to you and the IRS. If you're ready to take a proactive step in protecting yourself from tax-related identity theft, the following IRS link will provide the information you need.

<https://www.irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/get-an-identity-protection-pin>

VBCCO News

Every year, the City of Virginia Beach (CoVB) adopts a budget exceeding \$2 billion. Where does that money come from and how is it spent? How much do homeowners and businesses pay in taxes? What services are funded—or not funded? How do long-term obligations affect taxpayers?

VBCCO Academy–Session #3 is designed to help us better understand how the budget is developed, who is involved at each stage, and when meaningful public input can occur. Learn about the budget process in plain language, know who is involved at each stage and see where taxpayer input fits – and where it doesn't.

If you're ready to read the budget with confidence, and engage earlier and more effectively, you'll need to attend this session

The next session will be the Central Library Auditorium, 4100 Va. Beach Blvd., beginning at 5:15 PM. Register now for the March 25 session as the slots filled up quickly. Visit <https://vbcco.org> and go to the Events and Programs section to sign up.

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	
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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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