Lake Smith Ripples



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Civic League Selects Callie Hennessy as Scholarship Winner

The civic league would like to thank everyone who contributed to the 50/50 raffle at their general meetings and events. Without these contributions they would not be able to fund this award each year. Since May 2012, five-hundred-dollar scholarships have been awarded to nine deserving high school graduates. This year's award winner is Callie Hennessy of Bayside High School. Callie has been a member of the Health Occupations Student Association for 4 years, a member of the National Honor Society for 3 years, Medical Honor Society for 2 years, and has taken over 10 AP Classes. She has logged over 300 volunteer hours in her four years for an average of 75 hours each year. Additionally, she served as the Student Representative for the civic league and did all of this while working part time and maintaining a GPA of 4.238. Indeed, a most deserving and exemplary recipient of this year's award. Callie is now attending the University of Pittsburgh and is studying Biology. Congratulations Callie!!

Welcome Kiley Wilson! Taking over where Callie left off, Kiley has volunteered to be the new Civic League Student Representative. Thank you, Kiley for joining the team. Kiley is a 10th grade student at Kempsville High School.



Watch for children at bus stops and please observe our 25-mph speed limit.

Mark Your Calendar!

1 Annual Fall Festival

Sunday, October 16th, 2:00-4:30
Haygood Point Park
Fun for the whole family!
Potluck Picnic, Hay Ride, Petting Zoo,
Free Pumpkin for each Family, Bounce
House, Paint Lady and Jerry's famous

Hand-made Ice Cream
(See the October Ripples for details)

2 Neighborhood Yard Sale

Saturday, October 22nd 8:00-2:00 Rain Date – Sunday, October 23rd

Planning to participate? Provide your address to John Eason at <u>jeason913@verizon.net</u> so we can put it on our map.

Civic League Meetings and Programs

Tuesday 20 Sept & Thursday 22 Sept Bayside Presbyterian Church

Social period with refreshments - 6:30 p.m. Meeting called to order - 7:00 p.m.

Presentation

Sept 20 Meet the Candidates (w/ Thoroughgood)

School Board Candidates Dist. 9 Carolyn Weems and Erika Guess Voter Registrar Reps

Jennifer Halpin & Donna Jordan

Sept 22 Meet the Candidates (w/ Thoroughgood)
City Council Candidates Dist. 9
Moss, Morgan and Schulman

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President's Corner

It has been a long hot summer, but hopefully the worst of the oppressive hot days are in the rearview mirror. Now if we can just dodge any late summer hurricanes, we should be moving toward enjoying a more temperate season. Fingers crossed.

Even though the civic league has not held any membership meetings or events (other than National Night Out) since May, there has still been activity behind the scenes. Your civic league board continued to meet during the summer months to plan the fall and winter events and activities, and to evaluate and address external issues that may impact our community.

Our Fall Festival committee is working toward having another great event for the members in October. From what I have seen, it will be one of the best fall events ever. Watch for complete details in the October Ripples newsletter.

I encourage you to attend our dual September civic league membership meetings. We are joining with our friends in the Thoroughgood civic league to host local candidates at two separate meetings on Tuesday September 20th and Thursday September 22nd. The Tuesday meeting will feature the two school board candidates for our district 9 on the ballot in the November election. The Thursday meeting will feature the three city council candidates for district 9. At each meeting candidates will be afforded time to present their positions on important local issues, and then take questions from the audience. These are important meetings in the lead up to the November 8th election. These types of meetings are how you become a more informed voter. Please put them on your calendar. Both meetings are held in the fellowship hall at Bayside Presbyterian Church with a start time at 7:00 PM.

Speaking of elections, the Virginia Beach Voter Registration and Elections office is still in need of election officials (poll workers) to staff voting precincts in the area. This year Virginia Beach has added eight new precincts to bring the citywide total to 108 voting locations. Each precinct is staffed with 8 to 12 election officials. Our election system is the cornerstone of a representative democracy. The election officials working in voting precincts are on the front line ensuring an accurate and complete election. Workers are paid \$162 for working at the polls and another \$20 for attending a required training session prior to election day. To get more information or to sign up, contact the Voter Registration and Elections office at 757-385-8683 or email voter@vbgov.com.

We are looking to expand our civic league membership base. Yours is an active and vibrant community civic league. Each year we have eight membership meetings with presentations applicable to our community. We also facilitate three major events for the members, and we publish, print, and deliver this newsletter to every home in the neighborhood each month from September to May. Our webmaster, Don Krudop, continues to make improvements to the civic league website. Additionally, we monitor and interface with the local government officials on matters that potentially affect our residents. Our annual membership dues are still a very affordable \$15 per household. I encourage every household to come onboard.

John Eason

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How to Winterize a Lawnmower

This is a bit early but as there may be a couple items to be picked up, it is worth starting to prepare now. Winterizing can avoid an expensive repair or carburetor replacement. Spend just a little time prepping your mower for storage over the winter, and you'll enjoy a happier reunion in spring. Here are some tips on what you can do now to be sure your mower will start easily next spring. Make sure your operator's manual is on hand for quick reference when you work on your mower.

Remove the Battery if it has one. It's a good idea to remove your lawn mower battery for the winter and store it in a cool, dry place. Be sure to store it away from gas cans, the water heater or furnace. Disconnect the battery cable from the battery, starting with the negative cable (it will have a minus sign). Remove the battery and wipe it off with a cloth. Clean the battery terminal using a metal brush or clean it with a battery cleaner product. For added protection, coat all terminals with a product like the Briggs & Stratton Terminal Protector.

Clean your Mower. Brush or hose off leaves, grass and mud from your mower. Always remove the spark plug lead wire from the plug before doing this or any other mower maintenance, and tape or tie it out of the way. Gently tip your walk behind mower on its side to spray the underbody. If debris is caught on the blade, use a stick or tool to remove it - never use your hands.

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Your Neighborhood Watch has always emphasized getting to know your neighbors as they can help protect your home and belongings while you are away, but I didn't know that it can help us all be healthier. Here are some excerpts from an article in the Aug 21 *Virginian-Pilot* about neighbors. **Opinion**: "Save America by Getting to Know your Neighbors"

By Lynn Schmidt; St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Our country is in a very dark place at the moment. But I have hope because the answers are all around us. They live around us. For thousands of years wise people have been extolling the virtues of loving your neighbor. Now is the perfect time to get out and do just that.

The word neighbor appears over a hundred times in the Bible. More specifically, the Bible tells us to love our neighbor. A Chinese proverb teaches that a good neighbor is a found treasure. A Welsh proverb says, "A little among neighbors is worth more than riches in a wilderness." Finally, and perhaps most notably is the wisdom of Mister Rogers: "All of us, at some time or other, need help. Whether we're giving or receiving help, each one of us has something valuable to bring to this world. That's one of the things that connects us as neighbors — in our own way, each one of us is a giver and a receiver."

Knowing and loving your neighbors can have real benefits. Strong neighborhoods can make residents healthier, both physically and mentally, happier, safer, less lonely, and increase longevity. They also provide access to more information and resources.

Studies have shown that cohesive or tight-knit neighborhoods have lower rates of gun violence, and fewer lives are lost in tragedies, including natural disasters. Older adults who know their neighbors report a far higher sense of psychological well-being. Social connections can also have a profound effect on physical health. According to a 2011 study at the University of Missouri, people who perceived their neighbors as trustworthy were more likely to report higher rates of health and well-being than those who said they did not know or trust their neighbors. A more recent 2014 study by the University of Michigan found that close community ties reduced heart attack risk for people over 50.

There are ways people can get to know the people who live around them. It starts with a simple introduction and a commitment to memory of the neighbor's name. Every encounter outside is an opportunity to greet the neighbor, even if it's just a wave. There's always time to talk or offer a helping hand. Even if the neighbor doesn't accept the offer, the willingness to help may have a beneficial impact.

The bottom line is to step outside and give neighborliness a chance to thrive. It is good for you, it is good for them, and it might just be good for our country.

Membership Jean Bowman

Hello Neighbors,

Our annual membership drive is underway and we need your support! For a modest fee of \$15 per household per year, you and your family can be members of the civic league. The annual dues helps to keep your neighborhood civic league up and running. Our fiscal year runs from January 1st to July to December 31st. Please show your support by sending in the completed membership application along with your \$15 annual dues made out to the LST/HP/GS Civic League.

Membership entitles you and your household to participate in our many neighborhood events. Below are some of the services we provide to our members:

- Monthly membership meetings with guest speakers
- Supports a Certified Neighborhood Watch Program
- Publishes and hand-delivers the Lake Smith Ripples
- Maintains civic league website (<u>www.LHGCL.org</u>)
- Provides email broadcasts to members regarding safety, lost pets, and other areas of concern or interest
- Plans our annual social events-Fall Hayride & Pumpkin Patch, Christmas Dinner, and Easter Egg Hunt.

Our civic league is very active and one of the best in Virginia Beach because of the strength of our membership. Please take a moment and join today!

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Thank you for Supporting your Neighborhood Civic League

The following is a list of households that have paid civic league dues for calendar year 2022 – and in many cases additional years. This list is current as of August 24, 2022. If your address is <u>not</u> listed here, <u>please join by mailing a check</u> for \$15 to <u>LST/HP/GS Civic League</u>, <u>PO Box 68883</u>, <u>Virginia Beach</u>, <u>VA 23471</u>

We encourage every household (owners or renters) to join the civic league.

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Jean Bowman

Wow, it has been a fabulous year in real estate! Inventory overall remains low; home prices have reset slightly but remain strong and homes are in demand! Buyers are continuing to compete for available homes, especially in the lower price ranges even though mortgage interest rates have increased.

Let's take a look back and see how the real estate market faired in the City of Virginia Beach. Below is a "snapshot" of housing statistics for the year beginning with January 2022:

<u>Current</u> Inventory: 807 detached and attached properties (historical low)

<u>Pending</u>: 612 properties are under contract and preparing to close

<u>Sold</u>: 5076 properties have sold to date this year Below are the price ranges for the homes SOLD:

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\$101,000-\$200,000	574
\$201,000-\$300,000	1439
\$301,000-\$400,000	1443
\$401,000-\$500,000	708
\$501,000-\$600,000	311
\$601,000-\$700,000	186
\$701,000-\$800,000	122
\$801,000-\$900,000	106
\$901,000-\$1,000,000	51
\$1,100,000-\$2,000,000	104
\$2,100,000-3,000,000	13
\$3,100,000+	9

The lowest price sold since January was \$50,000 and the highest price was \$9,500,000.

Future prices will be determined by the "supply and demand" as well as values of previously "SOLD" homes within the past 12 months.

Source (REIN) Real Estate Information Network

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4625 John Alden Rd
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1036 Patrick Henry Way
4645 John Alden Rd
1104 Ewell Rd
1056 Revere Point Rd
1216 Five Forks Rd
4737 Little John Rd

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The Upside of Downsizing

Slash utilities – Smaller homes require less electricity, gas, heating and cooling, resulting in lower bills

Less to Maintain – Downsizing to an apartment or condo eliminates the need for lawn service, cleaning service, and additional costs of driveway, roofing and yard maintenance

Reduce Taxes - A smaller property may offer the benefit of lower real estate taxes Less Energy Usage — Reducing utilities will pave the way to a greener lifestyle.

Travel Readiness – If your aim is to become a more accomplished traveler, downsizing will provide you with a modest home base to return to between trips.

Minimalism – Sell, donate, or throw out items accumulated over the years that you no longer need

Less Stress – Less clutter, financial debt and maintenance obligations will lead to a clearer state of mind, and give you the opportunity to enjoy a new, simplified home. Working with a real estate agent you can trust is important when it comes to buying or selling a home. And working with one who is familiar with the local neighborhood, mortgage lendors, and inspectors also makes sense. When you're ready to buy or sell, give me a call.



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Trim Up the Grass and Tidy Up Those Bushes, the Civic League's Yard of the Month Program Kicks Off this Month

LST/HG/GS Civic League Yard of the Month Program

The *Yard of the Month* Program was established to recognize LST/HP/GS residents who demonstrate positive efforts in maintaining their property, thus contributing to the overall appearance of the neighborhoods. The program runs from March through December. The LST/HP/GS Civic League believes that everyone plays an important role in keeping our community beautiful.

Guidelines – *Yard of the Month*

- All LST/HP/GS residents are eligible to participate.
- Any resident of LST/HP/GS can nominate a residential home; membership in the Civic League is recommended, but not required. Residents may nominate their own yard or another resident's yard. Nominations must include
 - a) a photo of the yard,
 - b) the address of the residence and
 - c) the name of the person nominating.

If you would like to submit a nomination or have questions, please contact Don Krudop at dkrudop@mac.com.

- Yard of the Month candidates will be judged on the total appearance of the exterior property and front yard as viewed from the street. Criteria for judging will be based on visual attractiveness, creativity, originality, beautification, and overall maintenance. The upkeep of the yard may reflect the efforts of the residents or that of a professional landscaper or groundskeeper.
- Awards for best Halloween decorations will be presented in October and the best Holiday decorations will be presented in December.
- Judging will be provided by the LST/HP/GS Civic League Board of Directors selection committee.
- All submissions are due by the first week of each month. Certificates and signs will be distributed no later than the 15th of the month. Yard of the Month winners must be willing to have photos of their yard published on the LST/HP/GS Civic League website and social media. Winners will have the honor of having a beautiful Yard of the Month sign placed in their yard for the month of recognition. Finally, winners will receive a "Reward for Excellence" format TBA.

Back to School Car Tips

Whether you're dropping off the kids at pre-k or sending them off to college, it's important to have a vehicle you can rely on. Here are some of the best steps to make sure you're ready for the year:

Make sure your oil change is up to date. If it isn't, be sure to schedule an oil change because oil keeps your engine running smoothly. By doing this it also reduces sludge and deposits that build up overtime which can lead to premature mechanical engine problems. Preventative oil maintenance will also save you (and the kiddos!) time spent in the shop waiting on repairs.

Have your tire tread and air level checked. We all dread the low tire pressure light that pops up on the first cold day of the year—that's why we recommend checking your tire pressure regularly. You can see the recommended tire pressure for your vehicle on the inside of the driver's door. In addition to tire pressure, your tires need to be checked for wear and tear. When you're getting your oil changed, ask a technician to check the life on your tires. Keeping good traction will help you navigate those rainy fall roads.

Perform factory-recommended maintenance. Your kids have their favorite back-to-school beverages, and your car does too! There are four other important fluids in our cars besides oil coolant, brake fluid, power steering fluid, and transmission fluid all need to be changed at factory-recommended intervals according to most manufactures. You wouldn't give your child an expired juice box, make sure you aren't doing the same to your car!

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Lake Smith Terrace Garden Club

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 27TH
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Social 6:30, Program 7:30

It Was a Clean Sweep!!!!

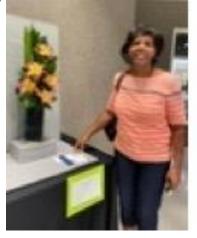


Daylilies, our Garden Club ladies were the big hit at the Tidewater Daylily Society Festival and Show held at the Norfolk Botanical Garden this past June. Local arrangers created unbelievable displays using their daylilies of all colors and sizes. There was an array of stunning designs in two show categories: Daylily Flowers and Table Artistry. In the flower category, our Mildred Dyson, pictured left, won first and second place, Sylvia Williams picked up third while Debbi Banashanian rounded it off with an honorable mention. The table artistry first place went to Sue Harper, pictured right, with her entry and ribbons, while Barrett Tharrington captured third place. Just to put the icing on the

cake (or daylily). Sue Harper garnered

the *Best in Show ribbon*. It's always fun when the home team wins. (More photos on club Facebook page). What's next? Wrap up on daylilies and, of course, we're moving into fall plants, especially **Pansies** in our **annual Fall Sale** ... see both below.

This is <u>Your Neighborhood Garden Club – Why</u> You Might be Interested. This is our 56TH year!! We continue to offer education in Horticulture, Flower Design, and Environmental Information for gardeners of all varieties – there is always





something to learn. And it's not just limited to gals, we've got some guys too! Our members range from beginners to Master Gardeners, so there's a wide range of interests and, naturally, plenty of advice to help with any challenges or problems. Give us a try and we think you will be interested. The club was established in 1966 and is still going strong. Contact: Lynda Kirby, Membership Chair @ (757) 363-8236 or Keren Pernini, President @ (757) 589-8463 for more information or just come!

Coming Attractions

First, we're on a roll, in our September meeting we'll explore the complex and stunning beauty of day lilies with a presentation by the Tidewater Daylily Society. This will be a wonderful sequel to the society's fall daylily festival ... all the more interesting because our "ribboned" garden club members will be there.

Second, our **annual Pansy Sale** will happen on 22 October. As always, a large array of pansies: the familiar Blotch or "face" pansies (some Colossus), Deltas with strong, vibrant solid colors (see to believe); yellow Jump Up and Citrus Violas; Snapdragons, Dusty Miller, Silverdust and ornamental kale. Garden Club gals and guys will be there to assist you and answer any questions. We need your orders (and \$) no later than October 17 ... order form and more information in October Ripples. Proceeds help our club maintain the gardens at our neighborhood entrances; the large garden and new "pollinator Station" (a must see) in our park; and support of local environmental organizations

