### CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

#### OUR NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

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September 2023

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## **Next Civic League Meeting**

# September 21st, 7pm

#### Old Donation Episcopal Church Canterbury Room

# What Is the Purpose of the Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO):

The stated purpose of the VBCCO according to the current by-laws:

To create a forum whereby the civic organizations throughout the city can work together to educate, inform, and empower civic leaders, support and assist member organizations, and advocate for stronger neighborhoods.

To help organize neighborhood civic organizations, and to support the activities of member organizations when requested.

To unite Virginia Beach neighborhoods for the common good.

To study and discuss important issues and problems that affect our community and to work toward mutually agreeable solutions.

To provide a forum for the discussion and debate of current topics and to provide educational programs that will enable member organizations to better serve their residents.

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#### **President's Corner**

Happy Fall Neighbors,

As summer comes to a close and school has started back up (a week early this year) make sure you observe those students and buses.

Many thanks to all who made National Night Out (NNO) a success again this year!! We had another phenomenal turn out of over 150 people. We had pizza, balloon twisters, glitter tattoo artists, public officials, police, fire, rescue and many others. Make sure you put the first Tuesday in August on your calendar for next year.

The pool was busy this summer with many special events and food trucks. We are fortunate to have such an awesome asset in our neighborhood. Look in the newsletter for more information from the pool Director.

This newsletter is packed with information for the upcoming fall. We have our September General Membership meeting on Thursday, Sept 21st at 7:00 pm at Old Donation Episcopal Church. We will have 2 guest speakers: Christopher Graves from the City of Virginia Beach with updates on the water system replacement phase 1 and Mike Mullins from Davis Corner Rescue. Both presentations will be packed with information so you will not want to miss this meeting.

Celine Vanneste is busy working on the Community Garden. We are working with the City to find a plot of land that is appropriate. Watch for more information to come. We hope to be up and running by the spring.

The Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations is running strong but they need your help. Please review the page on what the VBCCO is and does and how you can get involved. Lots of opportunities and information here.

Elections for your 2024 officers will take place in November at our Annual Wine, Beer & Cheese Social. Consider running for a position. We have 3 openings on the board this year: 1 president and 2 vice-president positions. If you would like to know more, just reach out to any board member or email me at <a href="mailto:pmcl.president@gmail.com">pmcl.president@gmail.com</a>. There is nothing more fulfilling than serving your community.

Make sure to read and keep this newsletter since it is packed with information for the fall/winter season. We always have room and need for volunteers, so if you see something of interest, please reach out to any board member.

Look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Thursday, Sept 21st.

Have a Fantastic Fall,

Jackie Savage

#### ANNUAL HALLOWEEN WALK

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023 STARTING AT 3 P.M.

#### THIS WILL BE OUR 34th YEAR OF HOLDING THIS EVENT

# FUN FOR ALL AGES –INFANTS TO 102 (anyone over 100 must be in costume.

This is a community wide family event so put on your costume and join in the fun. \*\*Parents-please instruct your family members on social distancing this year and throughout the walk. Bring a bag to collect your treats along the route. We will ask anyone tossing candy to toss it in the street. Please don't allow children to come in contact with those offering treats this year. If you choose not to walk-please come join us anywhere along the route and help cheer our little ghosts and goblins as they march to the music. \*Since this is a "walk" please leave the skateboards, scooters, bikes and dogs at home. Strollers, prams, carriages, wheelchairs, wagons, etc. are fine. This is for the safety and enjoyment for all. Beginning at the medical complex on Whitechapel Drive—Left from Whitechapel to Cambria Street-Right on to Abbey Drive and continuing on Severn Drive following the music to Pembroke Blvd and on to the park. Single serve drinks and snacks will be handed out at the park.

#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED for Annual Halloween Walk**

Safety Guards at intersections

Decorate Park

Babysit park once decorated until goblins arrive at park

Tattoo appliers

Contact: Elizabeth Matulenas <u>elikava21@yahoo.com</u> 757-715-5100



#### **E-Cycling Event**

#### September 23rd, 9 am-12 noon

#### Hosted by the Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center

#### **Drop-off Location: East Parking Lot**

E-Cycling is happening this fall! This is the perfect opportunity to responsibly recycle personally-owned electronic waste, along with prescription drugs, vehicle batteries, and more. This event will be held in partnership with AAA Tidewater Virginia, Goodwill Industries, TFC Recycling and the Virginia Beach Police Department (VBPD). Presented by PRA Group.

The event ends promptly at noon! We are collecting personal-use items only and not from businesses at this time. Learn more and register for this event at the link!

E-Cycling is free to the public, but donations are appreciated and will support the Aquarium's Green Team and their efforts promoting sustainable practices.

















#### **COMMUNITY INPUT MEETINGS**

#### **WE NEED YOUR INPUT!**

Join us and be a part of the conceptual design of the new VB Schools for the future!

#### **Bayside High School**

Monday, September 11th at 6:00pm **BHS Library** 

#### **Princess Anne High School**

Wednesday, September 13th at 6:00pm **PAHS Library** 

#### Bettie F Williams & Bayside 6th Grade

Thursday, September 14th at 6:00pm **BFWES Cafeteria** 

Refreshments will be provided.







Can't make a meeting?

Fill out our survey and find more information on our website vbschoolsofthefuture.com





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Princess Anne High School

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#### We need your input!

Join us and be a part of the planning and design of the new VB Schools for the future!

#### **Educational Specification Session**

Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023 at 6:00pm **BHS Library** 

#### Conceptual Design Session 1

Thursday, June 1st 2023 at 6:00pm **PAHS Library** 

#### **Conceptual Design Session 2**

Wednesday, September 13th 2023 at 6:00pm PAHS Library

#### **Schematic Design Session**

Wednesday, October 25th 2023 at 6:00pm **PAHS Library** 

Refreshments will be provided.







Fill out our survey and find more

Interested in advocating for the preservation of green space and waterways?

# Sign the Petition

Support our Adjacent Neighbors in Witchduck

https://www.change.org/p/say-no-to-trinitychurch-overdevelopment-on-residential-zone? source location=search

# Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO)

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**Committees need volunteers** to help run the Committees.

Our current Committees are:
Membership
Best Practices
Bylaws
Communication
Community Affairs
Programs
Reviews



If you would like to volunteer on a Committee, or if you have any of your Members who would like to volunteer, please send us an email at: <a href="mailto:board@vbcco.org">board@vbcco.org</a>

#### **Current Issues in Virginia Beach:**

Rudee Loop
Project Wayne
Wycliffe Church Property
Brook Baptist Church Property
Election System Changes
Offshore Wind Project

Please visit <u>VBCCO.org</u> to find out details on each of these issues.

#### Elections for the 2024-2026

The process for the election of Officers and Directors will begin in **October 2023**. The nominating committee will present a slate of nominees at the **October General Membership Meeting**. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Nominations will be accepted only with the consent of the nominee. The election will be held at the **November Membership meeting**. Newly elected Officers will take office on **January 1**, **2024** and have a two year Term of Office. Further information can be found in the Bylaws.

If you are interested in serving on the Board as either an officer or a director, please email **election@vbcco.org** to express your interest.

In addition to the PMCL President, our Representative to the VBCCO is Steve Wynne. **We need 2 voting Reps.** If you would like to be considered for a position of a voting rep (you will need to attend the monthly meeting or at least meetings when votes are being held) please contact Jackie Savage at <a href="mailto:pmcl.president@gmail.com">pmcl.president@gmail.com</a>



When it comes to policy development and decision making, Virginia Beach City Council wants to hear from residents on what they believe City Council's focus should be.

During the City Council retreat in August, council members were invited to identify and share up to seven priorities, which were then consolidated into individual themes such as budget, affordable housing, public safety, flood protection parks and recreation, mental health and more. These themes and priorities will shape the focused action plan, which will outline where the city manager and staff will focus their efforts. Before the plan is finalized, the City Council has requested resident input.

Residents are encouraged and invited to share their input on how much focus each theme should receive by completing a brief survey online at SpeakUpVB.com, now through Sept. 18. In addition, residents can share what success looks like for the areas they marked as a high priority.

The resident rankings and comments gathered through the survey will be provided to the City Council prior to finalizing the FY24-26 focused area plan. To learn more, visit SpeakUpVB.com/focused-action-plan.

#### **REAL ESTATE NEWS**

Today's housing market has only HALF the usual inventory (about 647,000 homes) compared to the prepandemic inventory of 1.24-1.32million homes. If you are a buyer in this market, you can surely feel the pinch and frustration. According to Lawrence Yun, Chief Economist at NAR, "There are simply not enough homes for sale. The market can easily absorb a doubling of inventory." That means that buyers don't have enough options right now. If you work with an agent to list your home now, it should be in the spotlight!

Sources:Realtor.com, NAR, Keeping Current Matters

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# What's Happening in our Neighborhood?

#### **Currently for Sale**

Nothing currently on the market at the time of this writing

#### **Homes Under Contract**

4305 Temple Ct 4 BR 2 ½ BA 475,000 612 Whitechapel Dr 3 BR 2 BA 425,000 617 Severn 3 BR 2 BA 350,000

#### **Homes Sold**

4301 Saint Martin Ct 4 BR 2 ½ BA 726,000 825 Saint Martin Dr 5 BR 2 ½ BA 554,000 637 Whitechapel 4 BR 2 BA 300,000

Provided by: Sue Lentini (as of August 30, 2023)





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