

Wellington Woods Neighborhood News

Virginia Beach, VA 23454

Mission Statement: Our mission is to have a unified voice that protects and enhances the value and living enjoyment of our neighborhood....and of course, fun times to make a strong neighborhood.

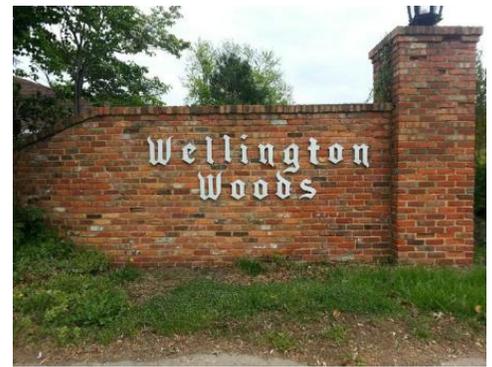
A Special Recognition from the WWCL Board

Even though this pandemic has basically caused us to cancel most all planned events, it cannot hold back the Wellington Woods neighborhood spirit. Below are a few neighbors that stepped in and took charge of some items that we all have benefitted.

Ron Jerasa has taken on the duty of mowing, edging and making the main median more beautiful. This may seem like a small stretch of land but between mowing, edging and picking up the trash this is quite the project that spans a few football fields. He has done this weekly throughout the summer and continues. A special thanks to Ron.

Recently **Valerie, Matt and Katie Grosz** volunteered to replace the United States Flag on the main median. They did this as a contribution to the neighborhood and the photos capture Katie and Matt properly taking down and disposing of the old flag then installing the new one. A special thanks for taking this initiative. See page 5 for photos.

Teresa Brannock has headed up the overhaul of our South Entrance. This involved pulling old plants, weeds and debris out to make room for new colorful plants. Additionally, you will notice the old bushes are being removed and will be replaced with some more manageable greenery. A special thanks to Teresa for putting a lot of sweat into this project that we will benefit for many years to come. **Continues on page 2**



Mark your Calendar

- Sept 8th Back to School
- Sept 18th Early in Person Voting Begins
- Oct 31st Halloween (pg 2)
- Nov 3rd Election Day
- Nov 11th Veteran's Day
- Nov 11th CAC Meeting (pg 5)
- Nov 17th Virtual Civic Meeting (pg 2)
- Nov 20-22nd Food Drive (pg 5)



Stay connected with Wellington Woods

WWCL website:

<http://wellingtonwoodscivicleague.com/>

Friend us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/wellington.woods.5>

Join Next-door:

<https://nextdoor.com/invite/trsewqamfbbwpmxzyjim>

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Per Virginia Beach Public Manager Office:

What's Happening with Halloween Given the Pandemic?

Hello Neighbors: The latest question being asked is, "What's happening with Halloween given the pandemic?" Trick-or-treating during a pandemic adds to what has already been a year filled with frightful events. While the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Virginia Department of Health warn against the typical door-to-door trick-or-treating and in-person parties this year, there are still plenty of options for you and your family to celebrate safely. As a reminder, per Virginia Beach City Code, trick-or-treating begins at dusk on October 31 and ends at 8 p.m. and is for children 12 years of age and younger only.

Monitor halloween2020.org for location-specific information and recommendations. Here are some tips and guidelines for celebrating safely.

Lower the risk: It should go without saying, but we'll say it anyway – do not participate in any in-person activities or pass out candy if you have tested positive for or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19. Choose activities that have a lower risk of spreading the virus. Consider carving or decorating pumpkins outside and at a safe distance from others, doing a Halloween scavenger hunt, participating in one-way trick-or-treating that offers individually wrapped goodie bags lined up away from you that children can grab at a safe distance, or hosting an outdoor costume party.

Special Recognition continued

In 2019, **Chris Bay** with Driskell Electric installed the nice lantern lighting throughout the median. This was a huge project which he did as a donation to the neighborhood. Thanks so much Chris for lighting up our neighborhood. Also, with the new efficient lights our electric bill has been drastically reduced.

A special appreciation to **Bill Steil** as for the past 20 years he has taken charge of replacing any light bulbs that may go out within our median. A special thanks to Bill for many years of these efforts.

Jim Walters has been servicing our dog waste stations for the past 2 plus years. Note when you go through 200 "filled poop" bags every few months...that's a lot. Thank you so much for assisting keeping our yards poop free.

Thanks to our **block coordinators** as you have been a big help driving dues payments. There are several coordinators that pay a proud visit to drop off checks and say "My block/area is 100% collected." This is awesome and this has been happening for many years.

A huge thanks to **Dan Brannock** for serving as our treasurer for the past 4 years. His CPA skills have kept our finances visible and has made many recommendations to save money.

Alicia Shepard for being a great Vice President for the past 4 years. In addition to getting newsletters completed and delivered she always comes to events and manages the many details to keep us together.



Nov. 17th we will be conducting a **Virtual Civic League** meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to give all a chance to help plan for 2021 and understand more about WWCL and our goals.

A sign-up email will be sent Nov 8th to gain access to the meeting. Hope to see a lot of neighbors on the meeting as it does take a village.

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BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



AREAS OF NEED for 2021:

- Distribution of Flags on holiday(s) (Memorial Day, 4th of July, Veterans Day and/or Labor Day)
- National Night Out Coordinator August each year
- Driveway Social Host (you pick the Friday and month from June through September)
- Newsletter editor (twice a year)
- Fall Festival Coordinator (October)
- Landscape Coordinator
- Promotion Coordinator
- Treasurer /Dues Coordinator
- President
- Vice President

Please contact Paul Brannock or Alicia Shepard at the numbers listed at the bottom of each page if you can give some time to help your community.



Dog Owner **Volunteer(s) Needed** to empty the 2 pet waste stations in our neighbor on Monday evenings before trash pickup.

Please contact Alicia Shepard
757-450-4448



New property owners or renters ~ Help us update our records so you can receive valuable WWCL updates. Simply email your name(s) and address to wellingtonwoodscivicleague.com subject: new neighbor.



2020 Civic League Dues Drive

Your membership dues (**\$25.00** per household, **renters or homeowners**) support the betterment of the Wellington

Woods neighborhood. We fund entrance electricity, maintenance of common areas, family activities and capital improvements.

If you have not paid your membership dues, you have 3 options:

1. Online Pay Now button on the WWCL website; <http://wellingtonwoodscivicleague.com/>
2. Pay your block coordinator, see page 8 for listing; or
3. Mail/drop off to WWCL President, Paul Brannock at 920 Earl of Chatham Lane

If you are interested in making a donation to our annual scholarship fund go to the WWCL website at <http://wellingtonwoodscivicleague.com/35-2/> and click on the Scholarship Program tab for more information.

Our 3-year average for dues is 139 homes paying. So far this year, only 90 homes payed dues, so hopefully we can increase this to 150.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Update - As of 9/30/2020 WW currently has \$3,500 working capital cash on hand before expenditures for any fall/seasonal activities. This cash surplus is primarily from several volunteers, including Paul Brannock and Ron Jerasa providing their time & equipment at no charge for landscaping services this year. Landscaping when contracted out cost around \$2,100 annually which is the largest expense item accounting for approximately 50% of the annual expenses of the association. Thank you to all that pay their annual dues as this benefits our community, we can do more if everyone pays their annual dues.



Typically, our general budget covers median lighting electricity, social gathering items and other General improvements/expenses. It's great to see our fund growing so we can budget major entrance improvements in the near future.

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Congratulations to our College Scholarship Winner:

Joshua Grosz

He is attending East Carolina University and recently graduated from Cox High School with a 3.9 GPA. Best of luck to Joshua as he is also an outstanding Baseball athlete with a tremendous future. His desired fields of study upon entering ECU were Sports Marketing, Business and Communications.



An Achievable Dream Academy at Lynnhaven Middle School begins design phase for new high school classroom addition.



Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS) and An Achievable Dream Academy (AADA) expands its partnership as the design phase for a new addition at Lynnhaven Middle School (LMS) is officially underway. Construction of an approximately 25,000 square-foot addition is slated to begin fall of 2021. This will be home to the first class of the Lynnhaven AADA High School Program, including 9th through 12th graders. The completion date for the new building is January of 2023.

Lynnhaven Middle School welcomed sixth grade students in 2018, and these students will represent the first graduating class from the Lynnhaven AADA secondary school program in 2025. The high school program will partner with neighboring First Colonial High School for selected courses, as needed, and for athletics/activities as many of the students attending the program were already zoned for First Colonial High School.

Programming and planning workshops are currently underway, which will expand to include stakeholder groups later this month. A presentation to the community on the classroom addition is planned for later in the 2020-2021 school year.

An Achievable Dream provides additional resources beyond the VBCPS content and objectives including a Social, Academic and Moral Education (SAME) curriculum. This custom-built curriculum includes classes on personal finance, ethics, conflict resolution and etiquette. Additionally, Seatack Elementary School's AADA program, which began in July 2014, is the division's K-5 program.

For more information about the program, visit the Achievable Dream Academy page on [vbschools.com](https://www.vbschools.com) or [achievabledream.org](https://www.achievabledream.org).

Wellington Woods Real Estate Market



Wellington Woods is a sought-after neighborhood and the market shows.

Recently Sold:

6/7/20	724 Earl of Chesterfield Ct	5/4	2,564 sqft	\$490,700
7/31/20	929 N. Plantation Dr	3/2	1,682 sqft	\$393,000
8/25/20	900 N. Plantation Dr	4/2.5	2,763 sqft.	\$444,000
8/11/20	829 Earl of Chesterfield Ln	4/2	1,931 sqft	\$400,000
8/31/20	2225 N Wolfsnare Dr	4/2.5	2,300 sqft	\$416,000
9/8/20	2209 N. Wolfsnare Dr	3/2	1,872 sqft	\$390,000
9/22/20	921 Duke of Suffolk Dr	3/2	1,875 sqft	\$435,000
10/7/20	832 N. Plantation Dr	4/3	2,675 sqft	\$488,000

Under Contract:

920 N. Plantation Dr	3/2	1,875 sqft	\$399,900
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Support Local Schools all Year Long

NEW Box Top Program: There are two ways: Continue to clip and send into school or download the app and scan your store receipt. You get to pick which school you'd like your credit to go to on the app.

CLIP: If your package has a traditional Box Tops clip, cut it off and send it to school. Just be sure each clip has a valid expiration date.



SCAN: If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your store receipt within 14 days of purchase. No clipping required!

www.boxtops4education.com

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FM99 and 106.9 The Fox Annual Mayflower Marathon

We live in the 2nd Precinct

Captain Shannon Wichtendhal, (757) 385-2700

The Citizen’s Advisory Committees (CAC) are a collaborative partnership between the Virginia Beach Police Department and citizens who reside within the boundaries of Virginia Beach. These meetings are open to all Virginia Beach residents. During the meetings, oftentimes, guest speakers provide interesting presentations on various topics. Representatives from various city and state agencies to include, but not limited to: Fire Department, EMS, Police, Office of Commonwealth’s Attorney, Probation and Parole, Sheriff’s Department, Libraries, Housing and Zoning, Parks and Recreations, and Permits and Inspections are on hand to provide updated information for citizens and to allow them to express concerns and/or opinions on how the City may better serve the community and to provide opportunities for citizens and the City to partner on various initiatives. The CAC is a direct way for the City to be more accountable and responsive to citizens and taxpayers.

The meetings are being held online the second Wednesday of the month and they begin at 7 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 11, 2020.

<http://www.vbgov.com/government/department/police/opsdiv/page/pct.aspx>

For more information, questions or concerns, please contact your CAC representative at cacsecondpct@vbgov.com

All donations collected in Virginia Beach and Suffolk will go to the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, while all donations made at the Hampton and Tabb locations will benefit the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank.

Donations begin at 5:30 a.m. November 20 and will go round-the-clock through 3 p.m. November 22

Virginia Beach -- Pembroke Mall, 4554 Virginia Beach Blvd. *All weekend in the parking lot towards the back of the mall. Same place as last year*

WHAT TO DONATE:

- **Turkeys, Hams and all of the traditional sides**
- **Lean Canned Protein** – peanut butter, tuna, chicken, turkey, beans
- **Fruits and Vegetables** – canned fruits and vegetables, pasta sauce, 100% fruit juice, fruit preserves, dried fruit
- **Whole Grains** – cereal, pasta, oatmeal, family size box rice, crackers
- **Meals** – soups, stews, boxed meals, canned pasta

Online donations also excepted at

<https://foodbankonline.org/mayflower-marathon/>

MATT AND KATIE GROZS HONORING & REPLACING OUR UNITED STATES FLAG



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Crime Report for Wellington Woods

Reporting Period: 01/01/2020 - 10/31/2020



TAKE A BITE OUT OF
CRIME®

100 BLOCK#	STREET NAME	DATE REPORTED	CRIME DESCRIPTION (CRIME CODE)
800-BLK	DUKE OF SUFFOLK DR	01/31/2020	LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE (23F)
900-BLK	EARL OF CHATHAM LA	07/17/2020	ASSAULT, SIMPLE, DOMESTIC (13B2)
700-BLK	EARL OF CHESTERFIELD CT	10/17/2020	OVERDOSE (90ZK)
800-BLK	EARL OF CHESTERFIELD LA	01/15/2020	LARCENY, ALL OTHERS (23H)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX AR	01/16/2020	CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (90Z4)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX AR	01/28/2020	LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE (23F)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX AR	01/28/2020	*MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT (240)
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900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX AR	01/28/2020	*TAMPERING WITH AUTO (290G)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX AR	01/28/2020	*HIT & RUN (90ZC)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX CT	01/28/2020	LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE (23F)
900-BLK	EARL OF ESSEX CT	01/29/2020	RECOVERED VEHICLE- STOLEN OTHER
2200-BLK	LORD SEATON CI	01/28/2020	LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE (23F)
800-BLK	PLANTATION DR N	01/06/2020	LARCENY, FROM MOTOR VEHICLE (23F)
800-BLK	SOUTHAMPTON CI	03/11/2020	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY, PRIVATE
2200-BLK	WOLFSNARE DR N	02/22/2020	LARCENY, FROM BUILDING (23D)
2200-BLK	WOLFSNARE DR N	08/26/2020	HIT & RUN (90ZC)
2200-BLK	WOLFSNARE DR N	09/17/2020	LARCENY, ALL OTHERS (23H)

Non-Emergency Call:

(757) 385-5000

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Comments, questions or news for the newsletter? Contact Alicia Shepard 757-450-4448 or aliciashep@msn.com