

FALL EVENTS

Summertime, with its lovely flowers, fresh garden veggies, swimming pools, the beach & BBQs is almost over....We hope you have enjoyed this wonderful time of year with your friends and family!

Now we look forward to our beautiful Fall season with its crisp, clear days, outside fire pits, colorful mums, and, of course, back-to-school!

Please join your Bellamy Woods Civic League for these upcoming Civic League events:

PARTY-IN-THE-PARK - Sunday, September 7 (3-7 pm)

Come have fun with your neighbors and meet new ones! Great food, great company, great games! Free for all members. \$10 for non-members.

City of VB Senior Bikeways & Trails Planner Wayne Wilcox will be our guest at PIP to show residents the Violet Bank Trail route connecting Selwood Drive to Kittery Drive. He wants feedback from our community about this project. Your comments will help define this project and hopefully move it forward, so we can have a safe route (off of Providence!) to get to schools, the rec center & the library. Please express your support to him.

BWCL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Tuesday, October 21 (7 pm). Providence Elementary School. Speaker tba.

HALLOWEEN PARTY - Sunday, October 26 (2-4 pm) – Pinatas, costume contest, candy, and fun! Neighborhood park.



President's Message

Dear Neighbors,

I hope everyone is having a safe and fun-filled summer. There's a lot to report on and exciting upcoming events. Our annual **Party-in-the-Park** event is on Sunday, September 7th. There will be catered food, games, a bounce house and many other activities for kids of all ages. Further details are provided inside. It's also time to renew your **BWCL membership** or join as a new member. We ask for your support by returning the enclosed form [or visiting the BWCL website to enroll/renew online](#). Your dues allow us to provide significant community enhancements and activities on your behalf, including this newsletter. One of the programs in progress is the replacement of several old benches in our park and the addition of a bench near the volley ball net. The Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation Foundation and the City of Virginia Beach are partnering with BWCL again to provide the new benches which match other recent park improvements.

Please look inside for additional events and news. I hope to see all of you at the Party-in-the-Park!

John Sokolowski, BWCL President

OUR MISSION STATEMENT, SINCE 1987:

The purpose and object of the Bellamy Woods Civic League is to bring into organization the residents and property owners of the Bellamy Woods area; to promote good fellowship and citizenship; to encourage the interchange of ideas; and to further the best interests of this area in the City of Virginia Beach toward beautification, recreation, sanitation, and safety of the residents and the protection of their property investments.

BWCL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	John Sokolowski	495-4861	President@bellamywoodscivicleague.org
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Student Board Associates	Long-Quan Pham and Briana Bullard		

BWCL COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND VOLUNTEERS

Block Captains (40 of them!)	Current list, block map, and contact points are at www.bellamywoodscivicleague.org		
Communications:	Teresa Kraus	495-7790	Editor@bellamywoodscivicleague.org
- Newsletter Committee	Don Ohnemus, Mary Ohnemus, Alice Konchuba, Emily Holmes, Beth Paulmann		
- Park Bulletin Board	J.T. Haste		
- Website & Email Alerts	John Glenn	648-8225	Secretary@bellamywoodscivicleague.org
Community Yard Sale Coord.	Mary Beth Kirby		
Halloween Party	volunteers needed		
Party in the Park	Kyle Bullard	474-4470	PiP@bellamywoodscivicleague.org
Landscaping Programs:	Frank Gewet	495-1704	Director@bellamywoodscivicleague.org
- Entrances & Park Garden	Jane Lina and the Benedict, Tate, and Waschbisch Families		
Membership Director:	Cathe Waters	495-9222	Treasurer@bellamywoodscivicleague.org

Thank you....

To the **Brocaille** family for their many years of doing the landscaping services at our entrances. They did such a beautiful job and were terrific neighbors! We wish them well in their move to Nebraska!

To **Minh-Quan Pham** for your service as a Student Board Associate on the BWCL Board!



BELLAMY WOODS YOUTH SERVICES



Babysitting ~~ Lawn Care ~~ Pet Care ~~ Pool Care ~~ Tutoring ~~ Vacation Help/Plant Sitting

These young Bellamy Woods residents are seeking paid work – please consider them when help is needed:

Katelyn Anderson	(15)	Grade 10	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.)	233-2946
Isabella Gonzalez	(16)	Grade 11	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.), Pet & House Plant Care	424-0820
Cate Hickman	(14)	Grade 9	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.)	495-6075
Raven Laibstain	(17)	Grade 12	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.)	467-3428
Becca Schwartzman	(17)	Grade 12	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.)	416-6756
Irena Tobola	(17)	Grade 12	Babysitting (Red Cross Cert.)	467-3742

These FREE listings are provided as a service to the community. Email the Editor to get listed or to submit updates.

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Bellamy Woods Civic League Party in the Park Annual Community Picnic

**Founded
in 1987**

You are cordially invited to spend a fun and relaxing afternoon with your family and neighbors at the BWCL Annual “Party in the Park” picnic.

Date: Sunday, September 7th

Time: 3 to 7 PM

Location: Bellamy Woods Neighborhood Park

FREE for BWCL Member Households

Three convenient ways to become a member:

1. [Join online and use PayPal for your membership fees](#)
2. Mail membership form with check prior to event
3. Pay with cash, check *or credit card (new!)* at check-in

Join soon for a quicker check-in at PIP!

Non-members are also welcomed

13 and over	\$10.00
6-12 yr olds	\$ 5.00
5 & under	FREE

Schedule of events:

3:00 pm to 6:30 pm	Food served & volleyball
4:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Face painting & <u>bounce house</u>
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Games for children & adults – prizes awarded

- Enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, pulled-pork barbeque, fried chicken, baked beans, corn-on-the-cob, coleslaw and more.
- Come listen to great music, catch up with old friends, meet new neighbors and enjoy the games including the famous Bellamy Woods egg toss!
- Bring a lawn chair and dessert dish to share such as cut-up fruit trays, cookies, and veggies. Please no chips and dip, cakes or pies.
- Drawings for gift certificates to local restaurants and businesses will be held throughout the event! Must be present to win.
- City of Virginia Beach Senior Bikeways & Trails Planner Wayne Wilcox will be available to show interested residents the **Violet Bank Trail route** connecting Selwood Drive to Kittery Drive. Improvements to the existing unofficial dirt path will provide a safer connection to the elementary school, Kempsville Recreation Center, adjacent neighborhoods and a much improved walking and bike path. Wayne will have an easel display and handouts and would love to get feedback from our community about this project. He will also speak about biking, hiking, and paddling paths throughout the city.

If you would like to volunteer for 30 minutes at PIP, please call Chair Kyle Bullard @ 474-4470, or email him (PiP@bellamywoodscivicleague.org). Help is welcomed for set-up, registration, dining tent support & breakdown.

Rain date is Sunday, Sept. 14th

SEE YOU THERE!!!

BWCL - NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Bellamy Woods Park Project 2014 - UPDATE!

Last year, BWCL, in partnership with the Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation Foundation and the City of Virginia Beach, completed a major capital improvement project at our neighborhood park. This project included the addition of two picnic tables, installation of two dog waste bag dispensers, replacement of our information kiosk, a new bike rack, a new table at the playground shelter, wood restaining and a partial roof replacement at the Glen Lochen shelter, complete replacement of the playground mulch, and the removal and replacement of several storm-damaged trees.

In the spring of 2014, the BWCL Board presented a proposal to fund a new neighborhood park improvement project for 2014 which was approved by our residents at the general meeting held on May 8, 2014. The project sought to accomplish three goals: 1) in the interests of improving the outward facing appearance of our park, replace the aging benches at our park's main entrance location; 2) have the City install a new bench near the volleyball area to create seating at that location, and 3) have the City replace the two aging benches along Berrywood inside the tree line (known informally as our 'dog park' area) with a single modern bench. Each new bench will be set on a concrete pad to ease the maintenance activities associated with mowing and avoiding potential damage to the benches caused by landscaping equipment.

BWCL partnered with the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Foundation's to leverage its ongoing Bench and Tree Buddies program. Due to a shortage of city bench inventory and an unexpected increase in pricing, we could only construct benches at three of the four sites in our plan - the two entrance benches and the new bench near the volleyball net. The other benches will remain, subject to a future improvement project. Each bench will have a plaque attached with the following wording:

- Berrywood side of the park entrance - "Bellamy Woods Civic League 2014"
- Glen Lochen side of the park entrance - "Bellamy Woods - Promoting Good Fellowship and Citizenship Since 1987"
- At the volleyball net - "Bellamy Woods Park Project 2014"

The benches have been installed and are awaiting the plaques. For the latest news, please see our web site at <http://bellamywoodscivicleague.org>

We are excited to see movement on this project and hope that our residents will enjoy these improvements!



The BWCL has received complaints about persons drinking alcohol in the neighborhood park and leaving beer cans and bottles behind. The police have been contacted and will keep an eye out for problems. If you observe this type of activity or observe persons in the park after dark, please call the police non-emergency line at 757-385-5000.



As a reminder, no alcohol is allowed in the park and the park closes at dusk.

BWCL EARTH DAY CLEANUP PROJECT

On April 26, 2014, several neighborhood residents gathered at the end of Old Princess Anne Road for the 2nd Annual BWCL Earth Day service project. Last year we removed a huge rubbish accumulation from the triangular City-owned vacant lot just past the guardrail, facing Princess Anne Road. This year the City brought in heavy equipment and dug up a row of stumps that had allowed an uncuttable jungle to develop. They also provided a free yard debris dumpster, and our volunteers supplied the labor to cut back and clear years of overgrowth on the lot. Limbs, vines, brush ... in three hours we completely filled the dumpster with over two thousand of pounds of material, plus several bags of litter. The work was hot and hard, but the result was a much better appearance on a BWCL boundary seen by more than 28,000 cars per day. We also told the City that our Southern boundary along Ferrell Parkway was significantly littered, but it was unsafe for our volunteers to work there. Within a week they had a municipal crew clean the entire length from Salem to Indian Lakes Elementary.

A super "Thank You!" goes out to our hard-working volunteers, and to the City for our ongoing partnership.

Before #1



After #1



Before #2



After #2



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

The community's yard sale, held on May 17 was a success! Over 40 homes participated in this event – cleaning items out of their home, making a few \$\$\$, and helping out CHKD by donating unsold items. Please join us next May for this annual event!

**BELLAMY WOODS CIVIC LEAGUE
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM
July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015**

Your \$30 annual dues support:

- ✓ Civic League newsletters & website (www.bellamywoodscivicleague.org)
- ✓ Annual neighborhood "Party in the Park" picnic & Halloween party
- ✓ Neighborhood Watch crime prevention program & Emailed Alerts
- ✓ Beautification of flower beds at entrance areas and Neighborhood Park
- ✓ Civic League-sponsored neighborhood garage sale
- ✓ Free listings for neighborhood youth seeking babysitting, lawn care, and pet/plant care work
- ✓ Civic League meetings where you can meet public officials
- ✓ Community Improvement Projects including Birks, Selwood & Brantingham entrance signage and Neighborhood Park improvements & playground equipment

**Please join today either online at www.bellamywoodscivicleague.org, or
by sending this form and your \$30 check to:**

Bellamy Woods Civic League
c/o Cathe Waters, Treasurer
1208 Chattingham Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23464
Phone: 495-9222 Email: Treasurer@bellamywoodscivicleague.org

Name(s) of Resident(s): _____

Street Address: _____ Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Home phone #: _____ Publish phone # in Civic League Directory? Y N

Owner or Renter? O R Possible Volunteer for _____

Newsletter Preference: _____ via email _____ paper copy via U.S. Mail _____ both email and U.S. Mail

Email address(es): _____

(email addresses are not published, but are used for sending BWCL crime alerts & newsletters to residents)

VBPD Neighborhood Watch Participation: I agree to be alert to things happening on my street and neighborhood, and to call the Police non-emergency number (385-5000) if I suspect anything is out of the ordinary.

Yes _____ No _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use: _____ D	_____	_____
WEBSITE	DATABASE	C#

The Bellamy Woods Civic League thanks you for your participation!

BELLAMY WOODS CIVIC LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT*as of June 30, 2014 (Membership Year 2013-2014)*

	<i>Actual</i> 7/1/13 – 6/30/14	<i>Budget</i> 7/1/13 - 6/30/14	<i>FY 15 Budget</i> 7/1/14-6/30/15
Bank Balance July 1st	\$8,534.00	\$8,500.00	\$7,600.00
Revenues			
01 Membership Dues	6,990.00	6,750.00	6,750.00
02 Donations (cash)	13.00		
03 Other	15.00		
04 Advertising Revenue	545.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
05 Donations In-Kind (non-cash)	427.00	400.00	400.00
Total Revenues	\$7,990.00	\$ 8,150.00	\$8,650.00
Expenses			
Membership Benefits & Costs			
10 Party in the Park	1,878.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
11 Halloween party	76.00	175.00	100.00
12 Membership invoice	150.00	300.00	300.00
13 Newsletters	1,161.00	1,600.00	1,800.00
17 Entrance Signs electricity	394.00	500.00	500.00
20 Beautification/Landscaping	284.00	600.00	465.00
21 Community Yard sale ad	23.00	30.00	30.00
22 Meeting Expenses	87.00	250.00	250.00
23 Neighborhood Directory	0.00	0.00	500.00
24 Web Site Support	233.00	300.00	300.00
28 Signage	12.00	250.00	250.00
29 Bulletin Boards	0.00	50.00	50.00
30 Donations In-Kind Exp (non-cash)	427.00	400.00	400.00
Other-Misc			
60 VBCCO Dues	25.00	30.00	30.00
61 VBCCO Awards dinner	160.00	200.00	200.00
62 PTA Donations (\$100/KHS, KMS, PES)	300.00	300.00	300.00
63 Insurance	425.00	425.00	450.00
31 Supp'l Event Insurance	350.00	350.00	400.00
64 Unrelated Business Income Tax	15.00	50.00	0.00
65 Office Supplies	5.00	150.00	150.00
66 Bank Charges	0.00	75.00	75.00
67 PayPal Charges	69.00	100.00	100.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$6,074.00	\$8,135.00	\$8,650.00
Capital Improvements			
105 Violet Bank Bike Path Fixture		1,000.00	1,000.00
106 Park Improvements	2,397.00		
Total Expenses	\$8,471.00	\$9,135.00	\$9,650.00
Bank Balance (current)	\$8,053.00	\$7,515.00	\$6,600.00
Insurance Reserve-Restricted Funds	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Unrestricted Funds	\$6,053.00	\$5,515.00	\$4,600.00

Respectfully prepared by Cathe Waters, BWCL Treasurer**ADVERTISING, STORIES & SUBMISSIONS**

The Bellamy Woods Civic League Newsletter reaches 452 homes and nearly 500 individual subscribers through a combination of our U.S. mailed print edition and our e-mailed cyber edition.

It is also posted on our website, www.bellamywoodscivicleague.org.

We welcome photo and text submissions from our residents – please email them to treasurer@bellamywoodscivicleague.org.

Paid advertising helps reduce the cost of our publications. Please contact the Treasurer for current rates and multi-issue discounts.

Deadline for getting your ad into the next BWCL newsletter is September 19!

**Election Day is November 2, 2014. Please vote!
If you will be out of town, plan now for an absentee ballot.
See Voter Registrar on vbgov.com, or call 385-8683**

LOCAL RETAIL NEWS

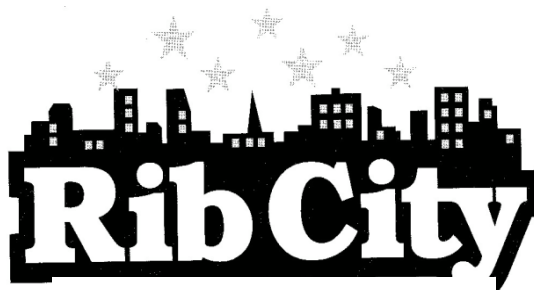
New at Brenneman Farm Shopping Center:

Kumon Math and Reading Center of Virginia Beach – Opened Spring 2014. Offers after-school academic enrichment programs.

Bella Mod Boutique – Opening soon. A women's clothing boutique providing high quality women's apparel and accessories.

FLASHING SIGNALS ON PROVIDENCE RD.

Flashing signals were installed in February 2014 before the sharp curve on Providence Road but are not yet working as Dominion Power has changed their instructions from estimating the electrical use to having meters installed to measure usage. City engineers have made an application for the meter installation. Signals should be activated in a few weeks. **Approach to the flashers will be on a radar type basis with vehicles travelling 10 to 15 mph to activate.**



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

BWCL Board Vice President

BWCL relies on volunteers! We have an opening for the Vice President officer position. The Board is a fun, positive, and friendly group that enjoys getting things done for our neighborhood. Please contact any Board Member for more information.



Halloween Party volunteers are needed. This fun event on Sunday, October 26, requires a few adults for set-up of games and snacks, 2 hours of general supervision, and judges for the costume contest. Contact any Board Member if you could take a turn helping with this neighborhood tradition. ***Please help - a small amount of your time results in big rewards: kids smiles!***

Landscaping Committee Volunteers needed.

Contact Frank Gewet at 495-1704.

SAFETY AND SECURITY TIPS

Virginia Power Scam

Dominion Power has sent out an alert about suspects going to citizen's houses and representing themselves as employees of Dominion Power in the regional area. The suspects then attempt to get into the house and once inside steal various items. Please see Dominion's media release at:

<http://dom.mediaroom.com/2014-07-01-Dominion-Virginia-Power-Warns-About-New-Scam>

New Moped Laws in effect July 1, 2014

Wear a helmet

Title and register by July 1, 2014

Carry a government-issued photo ID while riding (does not have to be a driver's license)

Use eye-protection if no windshield

Do not operate over 35 mph

Get a full brochure of safety tips and regulations at: <http://www.dmv.virginia.gov/webdoc/pdf/dmv264.pdf>

Check Out "[Leadsonline](#)" – Before Criminals Check Out Your Stuff!

The Virginia Beach Police Department is encouraging all residents to use a free online system that will help keep track of valuable – and invaluable – personal property. **Reportit** is a part of [Leadsonline](#), a secure online service allowing citizens to record serial numbers and upload images for phones, electronics, and other valuables. Should those items ever be stolen, having the information will go a long way in accurately and quickly identifying your property. Citizens wanting to participate in **Reportit** can register for the free service and begin building their personal property inventory list at: www.reportit.leadsonline.com.

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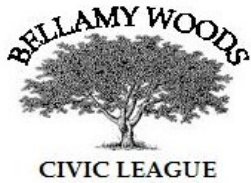
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELORS AT LAW

WARNING!

Despite the restrictions of the civic league, there are lawyers in the neighborhood! Your neighbor, Roger Schafer, is one of the lawyers at Schafer Law Group where they represent people who have suffered injuries from automobile accidents; however, if you have any type of legal problem or question, please call and they will see that you get the help you need. Contact your neighbor Roger at:

Phone: (757) 490-7500
rschafer@schaferlawgroup.com

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Virginia Beach, VA 23464



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