

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING

NORFOLK FITNESS and WELLNESS CENTER

**MONDAY
December 17, 2012
6:45 PM**

**Program
Speaker from Norfolk Public Library**

**Rick Dempsey, Engineer
Norfolk Department of Utilities
Update on Pump Station,
Neighborhood Sewer Repairs**

Board Elections

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Unfortunately, Jim is ill and was unable to prepare a message. It will be back next month. He sends the press release from the Bon Secours DePaul groundbreaking ceremony on November 28, 2012.

Leaders from Bon Secours Virginia and Bon Secours Hampton Roads Health System, together with Norfolk Mayor Paul Fraim and Lend Lease Medical Real estate, are pleased to announce the launching of the construction of a \$22.3 million office building to be located on the campus of Bon Secours DePaul Medical Center. The 103,700 square foot, four-story Bon Secours DePaul Medical Plaza is the second phase of a three-phase campus development plan by Bon Secours to improve Bon Secours DePaul through investments in programs and services.

At the core of the medical plaza is a comprehensive cancer institute, which will place state-of-the-art technology in the hands of cancer experts, enabling them to address the unique needs of those battling cancer. Strong charitable support from the community is helping to raise funds to make the Cancer Institute possible. In addition to the Bon Secours Cancer Institute, the medical

plaza will also house specialists and primary care physician practices.

“The new medical office building will bring many more patients to our hospital campus with improved access to a state-of-the-art cancer center, as well as physician specialties and services,” said John E. Barrett, CEO, Bon Secours DePaul Medical Center. “This is an exciting phase of our campus development as we bring more great services to DePaul. We are especially appreciative of the generous charitable support from our medical staff, our employees and our community to bring advanced services here.”

Physicians from the Bon Secours Virginia Medical Group, to include both primary care and specialists, will become tenants upon opening. “The Medical Plaza is a prime location for the Bon Secours Medical Group,” said Dr. Thomas Auer, CEO, Bon Secours Virginia Medical Group. “In addition to providing more physical space to grow our practices, the new building will allow us to configure our offices to become more clinically efficient and to offer Patient Centered Medical Homes.”

In Bon Secours DePaul’s first phase of development, Bon Secours invested in services including neurosciences and cardiac catheterization, in recruitment of physician experts and in state-of-the-art technologies, including robotics for minimally invasive surgeries and the first low-dose 64-bit CT scanner in Hampton Roads. Last month, Bon Secours DePaul became the seventh and final Bon Secours Virginia hospital to launch ConnectCare, a clinical information system housing all of Bon Secours Virginia’s patient data using an electronic health record (EHR) program.

“Bon Secours continues to be committed to serving the Norfolk community and to furthering the DePaul ministry that started more than 157 years ago,” said Michael K. Kerner, CEO, Bon Secours Hampton Roads Health System. “We are grateful to the city of Norfolk, as well as to our Bon Secours leaders and our donors, for enabling us to invest in the people, programs and services to better meet the needs of this community.”

In addition to Bon Secours DePaul's second phase of development – the Bon Secours DePaul Medical Plaza – Bon Secours plans to invest in a third and final phase of DePaul's campus development, to include the building of a 124-bed replacement hospital, scheduled to open in the summer of 2017.

Completion of the Bon Secours DePaul Medical Plaza is expected to be in early 2014. Lend Lease DASCO, a national leader in the development, financing, leasing and management of medical office buildings and outpatient facilities, will develop, finance and manage the project.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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| Police Non-Emergency | 441-5610 |
| Pace Officer | 831-3484 |
| Police Red Sector | 664-6914 |
| Code Enforcement | 664-6532 |
| Environmental Health | 683-2712 |
| Sewer Backup | 823-1000 |
| Waste Management (Call here for large pickups) | 441-5813 |
| Norfolk Cares Call Center (Don't know what office to call on the problem?) | 664-6510 |
| Police Emergency | 911 |

Wards Corner Civic League Minutes

November 19, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President English, who lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. The President welcomed new members to the meeting. Approximately 18 members attended.

Andy Protogyrou, our City Councilman, provided updates us on several projects:

- New theater building at Norfolk Collegiate is scheduled to open by March 1, 2013.
- Waterside deal should be finalized by the end of 2012- Cordish Company will be spending \$30 million on the project, and expects the generation of 1000 new jobs. They promise to provide eight new venues not currently found in this area.
- There will possibly be another new downtown development finalized by the end of the year.
- RFP is going out for marina support

-City is negotiating purchase of 4 contiguous properties in the Denbigh Park area for approximately \$2 mil.

He also commented on the positive news of the new Commonwealths Attorney's office established in the Kroger shopping center.

Officer Odell Davis discussed crime stats in our area: 20 incidents in the last few weeks-many being crimes of opportunity. They included 4 burglaries, 2 robberies, 4 stolen automobiles, and 10 larcenies. Again, he reminded us to keep cars and homes locked, remove valuables from our cars, and keep Christmas presents hidden in the trunk.

Rick Dempsey, City Engineer in charge of the Pump Station/Sewer Repairs Project reported that it is still on schedule, and sewer repairs should be completed by the beginning of February, the pump station by the end of May, and water main replacement on W. Little Creek by early December. Burleigh and Restmere should be paved soon.

Linda Bryant, Deputy Commonwealths Attorney, spoke to us about herself, her new office in Wards Corner and the goals for this satellite office. She is a graduate of UVA and William and Mary Law School, with 16 years of experience in the Norfolk Commonwealths Attorney's Office, and is also an adjunct faculty member of W & M. This satellite office, which she describes as a "Patient First" for law and justice, has been established with the following goal in mind: to provide resources for the community to build trust and provide access to justice. This office can help expedite interactions with the police, review patterns of crimes for volume, and possibly provide educational seminars. Community centers such as these have also been established in Chicago and Philadelphia.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Ross substituting for Joan Griffey,
Recording Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

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| Beginning Balance | | | \$1,453.73 |
| + funds received | \$240.00 | | |
| - funds disbursed | | \$105.00 | |
| Ending Balance | | | \$1,588.73 |

NEWS AND NOTES

Your Civic League would like to thank those of you who have volunteered to deliver the newsletter. Much appreciated are the faithful, long time delivery people as well as the new ones. And thank you also to past folks who for many reasons can no longer do it.

Primeplus, at the Norfolk Senior Center (in the Fitness and Wellness Center) has a company that provides pedicures, manicures, foot soaks and trims, foot/leg circulation, and massages on Tuesdays and Fridays. Call 625-5857 or 328-2164 for prices and to make an appointment.

Take some time over the holidays to check out the History Section on the website wardscornernow.com. There are some fascinating pictures and descriptions of the Wards Corner area from the 1920's and later.

Thanks to Martin Thomas, Jr. for conducting the extensive research to pull this together.

Santa's elves will be roaming the neighborhood in the days before Christmas. They will report their picks of the best decorated homes in our area to our Board for the Holiday Decoration prizes. So, put your lights on at dusk, and don't be surprised if you see some reindeer around your home.

Categories are Most Traditional, Most Whimsical, and Best Overall. Incidentally, only homes of Civic League members will be selected. Winners will be announced at our January meeting.

PLEASE, PLEASE!! Don't park your car in your front yard!! In addition to being a code violation, it also looks terrible! We encourage neighbors to call the Cares number at 664-6510 or the Code Enforcement office at 664-6532.

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Membership

Our current membership is 108 households! It's time to renew your membership. Our dues amount is a bargain-\$5.00/person or \$10/household. Send your check to Ray Duron at 530 Sterling Street, 23505. Our dues' year runs from January 1 through December 31.

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