



News Bulletin from the RFS/WM/EP Civic League

How can our civic league better serve our neighborhoods? Come to our next meeting, Monday, Oct. 13, and tell us what you think!



The RFS/WM/EP Civic League will host Lauren Richardson, neighborhood development specialist with the City of Norfolk, at our Monday, Oct. 13, 7 p.m. meeting. at Aldersgate United Methodist Church on Sellger Drive. After graduating from Virginia Commonwealth University with a B.A. in History and Secondary Education, Lauren returned began teaching in Norfolk Public Schools in 2015.

In 2021 she joined the staff of the Nauticus, Maritime Center as an education specialist. In her current role with the City of Norfolk, Lauren fosters meaningful connections with residents in an effort to strengthen neighborhoods. She will lead those attending our meeting in a conversation about what should be the civic league's short-term and long-term goals. The civic league board will use this information and the results from a recent survey to develop a strategic plan to guide future work.

Why is it important for you to attend?

In the past we have concentrated on such efforts as addressing traffic problems, lobbying the City of Norfolk for more resources on our side of the city (like a new combined library/recreation center,) and more funding for the capital improvement of schools. Did we hit the mark? Or, can we do better? Come tell us what you think!

And If You Can't Attend in Person, Drop In Via Zoom!

The RFS/WM/EP Civic League now offers residents the chance to attend via Zoom. Just mark you calendar for October 13 at 7 p.m. and visit this page on our website to "drop in": <https://eastsidecivicleague.org/zoom-meetings/>.



Stay in touch with community events and notices:

- <https://eastsidecivicleague.org>
- www.facebook.com/groups/RFSCivicLeague/

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the
community's annual

HARRY JONES FALL PICNIC

SATURDAY

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OCTOBER

RIVERSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

AT 11 AM - 3 PM

5678 SELLGER DR

Among the planned festivities are:

A cornhole tournament

First, second and third place trophies will be awarded. Competitors must be at least 12-years-old to participate. The tournament will start around 12 p.m. so those who want to compete should arrive at the picnic in time to be included.

A bounce house and an antique car show

And of course, good food, including hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages and side dishes and desserts. The civic league is asking attendees to bring a side dish or a dessert to share with friends and neighbors!

As a reminder, our picnic is named after former president and civic leader Harry Jones who passed away in September 2022. We trust he will be with us in spirit on Oct. 4!

MANY THANKS TO RIVERSIDE BAPTIST FOR PROVIDING THE LOCATION FOR THE PICNIC; ALDRSGATE UNITED METHODIST FOR PROVIDING THE HOT DOGS; AND THE NORFOLK SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR PROVIDING FREE POPCORN (TO BE FRESHLY POPPED VIA AN ON-SITE POPCORN MACHINE)!