



Diamond Hill News

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Thank you to our President Julie Neighbors, Community Leaders and Police Department

In past years Diamond Hill Historical Society has been working closely with our city representatives to resolve issues that have arisen in our district.

This year would like to thank our Community Services Coordinator, Steven Wood, Officer Joshua Collins, Officer Nicole Campbell, and Lynchburg Police Chief, Col. Park Snead, our City Counsel Representative, Rev. Ceasor Johnson, and Director of Public Works, Dave Owens, and Keith Wright, in Community Development, and Rob Fowler, in Zoning, and Lynchburg's Historic review Board for their work in the Diamond Hill District, and their efforts to keep our neighborhood attractive, and safe for its residents and their families.

Steven Wood has been working all year long keeping us informed about changes in our area, and community service activities involving the Lynchburg Police Department and the neighborhood watch groups.

Officers from the Lynchburg Police Department have been attending our DHHS monthly meetings to keep us informed about LPD calls for service in our area. Police Chief Col. Snead attended our October meeting to address the issues residents have.

There is concern for speeding cars on Washington Street and on Pearl Street, and traffic traveling in the wrong direction on Clay Street. Chief Col. Snead addressed this, plus the problem of nuisance properties, absentee landlords, out-of-state homeowners, and the difficulties members have had with renters. In an effort to deter crime in this area, Dave Owens has worked with DHHS Board and their concerns about poorly lit and overgrown areas, and trees over growing sidewalks and steps.

We are very appreciative of their efforts and insights in helping Diamond Hill Historic District residents in making this neighborhood a wonderful place to live!

Diamond Hill committee to improve Traffic Safety

As Diamond Hills younger population and traffic flow increases, so has the level of concern for safety. This has resulted in the formation of a committee (Mari Smallshaw, Gretchen Sowash and Rad Briley) to discuss options and to approach the city for assistance in making our neighborhood as safe as possible. The committee's efforts to approach the city has been met with an understanding for our concerns and a willingness to help reach our goals. Lynchburg's new city traffic engineer, Don Deberry, has conducted a recent inspection of the area and concluded that our concerns are valid and may be reduced by the addition of four-way stop signs possibly at as many as four intersections within Diamond Hill. His findings are currently under consideration by local authorities. After a review of current conditions in the neighborhood and appropriate city & state codes, we should receive the city's recommendations. The committee hopes to report these results in the near future.



Election of Officers & Directors

Our nominating committee will present the following slate of officers and directors at the Annual Meeting on Jan. 8th:

- ◆ President: Julianna K Neighbors
- ◆ Vice-President: Ray Pulliam
- ◆ Recording Sec: Robert Halpin
- ◆ Membership Sec: Kathryn Becker
- ◆ Treasurer: Mark Little
- ◆ Historian: Jean Hannon
- ◆ Director 2013-14: Mari Smallshaw
- ◆ Director 2013-14: Louis Kibby
- ◆ Director 2012-13: Marla Potter
- ◆ Director 2012-13: Katheryn Brown

The election will be held during the DHHS Annual Meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2013. Our sincere thanks to our nominating committee for their work: chairperson Josi Alvarenga, Kat Becker and Nancy Zehmer.

We would like to remind our members that in order to vote in the January meeting the 2013 membership dues must be current.



The Holidays are best when good friends can get together!
December Meeting
DHHS Brunch

Please join us to celebrate the spirit of the season at Josi's Alvarenga residence for the December meeting and brunch.

Location: 1421 Harrison St.

When: Saturday, December 8th

Time: meeting at 10:00 am followed by brunch at 11:00 am.

Food: If you would like please bring your favorite dish.

Happy Holidays!



December Activities:**Point of Honor & Museum**

December 2nd—Christmas Open House
Noon to 4:00 pm—FREE

LHF

December 1st
Historic Miller Claytor House
Story Time with Santa at
1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.
Santa will arrive for the first reading at
1:00 p.m.; \$5.00 per child limited seating –
Refreshments will be served. For more
information call the Foundation office at
(434) 528-5353.

Poplar Forest

December 9th
Holiday Open House
10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Free Admission

Old City Cemetery

December 1st - 9:30 a.m.
Holiday Wreath-Making Workshop
Make your own natural holiday wreath
with greenery from the Cemetery grounds.
All materials provided. Seating is limited.
Pre-registration required.

December 15th - Noon
Wreaths Across America
After a brief ceremony, attendees lay ever-
green wreaths on hundreds of veterans'
graves in the Cemetery.
For more information visit:
<http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/>

December 16th
Holiday Open House 1-4 p.m.
Stop by the Cemetery Center for hot cider
and cookies and last-minute gifts before
going to the Chapel for a special holiday
concert at 3 p.m.

Academy of Fine Arts

Arts vs. Craft Fair
December 1st - 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
The perfect place to support local artisans
and Etsy sellers and do all of your holiday
shopping!

Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra

Home For the Holidays
Saturday, Dec. 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the
Academy Warehouse Theatre

Holiday Traditions!**Carriage Rides at the Lynch-
burg Community Market**

Saturday, December 1, 8 and 15
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Two carriages will leave from the Com-
munity Market. Free, donations wel-
come.

**The Grinch in Downtown
Lynchburg**

Saturday, December 1, 8 and 15
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Grinch will hit the streets in Down-
town Lynchburg each Saturday to greet
visitors and hand out special treats.

**A Reading of "How The Grinch
Stole Christmas"**

Friday, December 7th as part of First
Fridays!

Downtown Library, 900 Church Street
4:30 p.m.

Join WSET's Dhomonique Ricks for a
children's story hour to read "How the
Grinch Stole Christmas."

**Neighborhood Cleanup
December 1st**

Lou Kibby, our Neighborhood Beauti-
fication chairman, is asking all mem-
bers to please assist with the annual
Diamond Hill Cleanup on Saturday
morning, December 1st. Lou is asking
volunteers to gather at 9:00 a.m. at the
corner of Clay and Washington Streets
for instructions and an exciting day of
cleaning. Bring your rakes, gloves and
pruning shears. A dumpster will be
available in the 1400 block of Madison
Street where we can dump the leaves,
brush and trash we collect. If you can't
make the scheduled cleanup, please
make an independent effort to clean up
and spruce up some area in our neigh-
borhood that needs some TLC. Front
yards and tree lawns are always good
candidates for sprucing up.

We appreciate your participation!

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Committee Chairpersons

Neighborhood Beautification: Louis Kibby
June Social: Jean Hannon
Tours: Ray Pulliam
Website: Mari White Smallshaw
Newsletter: Josi Alvarenga
Neighborhood Watch: L. Robert Halpin
Children's Activities: Mari Smallshaw
Auditor: Todd Leap
Endowment Fund: Jim Carrington
Remembrance Committee: Ray Pulliam
Parliamentarian: Pat Gatti

Meetings

Business meetings are usually held at 7:30 p.m.
on first Tuesdays of each month except June, July
and August. Owners of properties in the Dia-
mond Hill Historic District and others interested
in supporting historic preservation are welcome
to attend.

Membership

Annual dues for Active Members are \$10.00 per
person and the initiation fee is \$5.00 (first year).
Active Membership is limited to adult members
of households owning Diamond Hill property.
Annual dues for Associate Members are \$10 per
person (no initiation fee). All members receive
this newsletter at no charge. Newsletter subscrip-
tions for non-members are \$5.00 per year.

Publisher's Statement

The Diamond Hill Historical Society (DHHS) is
a nonprofit historic preservation organization
approved under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
Revenue Code of 1954. Its purpose is to preserve
and encourage—through the fostering of educa-
tion, research and restoration—the historical and
architectural integrity of the Diamond Hill His-
toric District. DHHS was incorporated in the
Commonwealth of Virginia February 22, 1979.
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not necessarily reflect the position of DHHS or
its officers and directors.

City Ordinance on Dogs and Animals in General

Cleaning Up After Dogs

Sec. 7-12. Cleaning up after dogs

(a) It shall be unlawful for any owner or person in control of any dog to allow such dog to defecate on public property or on the private property of other persons without their consent or the consent of the owner's authorized agent.

(b) Provided however, defecation by a dog on public or private property shall not constitute a violation of this section if the owner or person in control of the dog immediately removes the defecated matter and disposes of it in a safe and sanitary manner.

(c) A violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

(d) To charge someone with a violation of this section the person observing the violation shall determine the identity of the person committing the violation and appear before the magistrate and provide the magistrate with the information necessary for the issuance of a summons or warrant. (Ord. of 01-10-2006, Ord. No. O-06-001)

Care of Animals

Sec. 7-7.1. Care of animals by owner; penalty.

(a) Each owner shall provide for each of his companion animals:

(1) Adequate feed;

(2) Adequate water;

(3) Adequate shelter that is properly cleaned;

(4) Adequate space in the primary enclosure for the particular type of animal depending upon its age, size, species, and weight;

(5) Adequate exercise;

(6) Adequate care, treatment, and transportation; and

(7) Veterinary care when needed or prevent suffering or disease transmission.

The provisions of this section shall also apply to every animal shelter, pound, dealer, pet shop, exhibitor, kennel, groomer, and boarding establishment. This section shall not require that animals used as food for other animals be euthanized.

(b) Game and wildlife species shall be cared for in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries by January 1, 1994, and any subsequent amendments or revisions to such regulations.

(c) Violation of this section is a class 4 misdemeanor. (Ord. No. O-01-171, 9-18-01)

Animal Control Unit

The Office of Animal Control and Wildlife Management, under the command of Chief Animal Warden G. Todd Jones, employs two part-time Wildlife Specialists and three full-time Animal Wardens. Animal Wardens are to enforce all City and State Codes relating to animals and fowl, and to patrol the City of Lynchburg to ensure public safety by controlling loose dogs. While Animal Wardens do not pick up stray cats, there are a number of City Codes that require the following:

- All Dogs and cats over four months of age must be inoculated against rabies
- All dogs must have a City of Lynchburg Dog License
- In City of Lynchburg parks and recreation areas, dogs must be kept on a leash at all times

Wildlife Specialists work to control deer populations in the City of Lynchburg, for the purpose of reducing the damage to plants and associated risk of disease.

Animal Wardens are on-duty Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Dog License

Residents in Lynchburg are required by City Ordinance to obtain a license for their dog(s). New licenses go on sale November 1 of each year and must be purchased by January 31. The chart below lists the fees. Licenses can be obtained at the Billings & Collections windows at City Hall, 900 Church St., or by mail. A valid rabies vaccination certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian must be presented before a dog license can be issued. Tags are required on dogs at 4 months of age. To order by mail, include the required vaccination certificate. The certificate will be returned with your order.

Dog License Type & Fee

Fertile Male and Female

Fee * \$ 10.00

Neutered Male and Spayed Female

Fee * \$ 5.00

Duplicate license

Fee * \$ 1.00

Kennel License for 20 dogs or less

Fee * \$ 25.00

Kennel License for 21 dogs or more

Fee * \$ 35.00

Dangerous Dog (must have Registration

Certificate filled out and signed by Animal Warden and a current dog license)

Fee ** \$150.00

Hybrid Canine (must have Registration

Certificate filled out and signed by Animal Warden and a current dog license)

Fee ** \$ 50.00

Pet Shop Permit or Dealer in Companion

Animals (application must be filled out

and signed by Animal Warden)

Fee ** \$ 50.00

* For additional information call

455-3850

** For additional information call

455-6058





Meet & Greet

Ray Pulliam hosted a “Meet and Greet “ event at his house on September 9th. New neighbors were invited to meet some of our long term residents. All who attended had a wonderful afternoon with good food and interesting conversation. A great opportunity to greet our new neighbors!

Pumpkin Contest Winners

Funniest: 708 Pearl Street
Spookiest: 409 Washington Street
Most Creative: 505 Washington Street

Best Wishes to Mark and Todd!

For their civil union ceremony celebrated on October 9th at the Tidal Basin in Washington, DC. A trip to Italy followed the event. Congratulations!



Wow! What a change to 618 Pearl St. (Blackford House– 1855)!

With a new paint job, new roof, new front and side porch and the removal of trees and shrubs, the appearance of this house has been completely revived. We are happy Mark, Todd, Joyce and Christy are part our neighborhood. Mark and Todd have completed a wonderful exterior transformation to their property! Job well done!

December Meeting

Sat., Dec. 8th
10:00 am.

at the

Tyree-Slaughter House
(C.1856)
1421 Harrison St.

Host: Josi Alvarenga

