CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores, and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



Sept 2012

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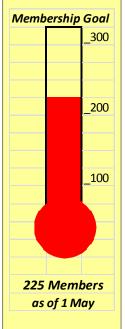
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September will feature an update from a police representative from the Virginia Beach Police Department's 3rd precinct. During this session, our attendees will receive an update related to the recent burglaries and attempted burglaries in our neighborhood.

The presentation will be followed by a brief business meeting.

PEMBROKE MEADOWS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FALL CARNIVAL

Saturday, October 13th from 11am – 3pm.

This event is for children of all ages and will include Special Events Entertainment including a Tiki Island Rock climbing wall, a Toy Story bounce house, mini slide, circus train crawl, kiddiepillar, end zone obstacle course, wrecking ball joust, table games, face painting, balloon maker, cake walk, and other carnival games. Enjoy pizza, hot dogs, soda, chips, popcorn, snow cones and more! Fun and affordable wristband and individual tickets will be sold. Join us for a fun-filled, exciting dav!

HALLOWEEN WALK PLANS

Our 22nd Annual Halloween Walk - Saturday, October 27th at 3p.m.

We need volunteers!! Folks willing to:

- Decorate the park prior to festivities •
- Be corner / intersection safety monitors •
- Walk in parade to provide spacing & safety •
- Serve refreshments at the park •
- Donate juice, cookies, or cash

This is a great time to meet your neighbors, have fun and show off your costumes. Ages 0 -101+ welcome. Contact- Gerry Richter -497-5243 (Mark this event on your calendar NOW, there will be more details and a reminder flyer in next month's newsletter)

www.pembrokemeadows.org



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS NEI GHBORS !!

Median Clean Up

September 16-30	???
October 1-15	???
October 16-31	Jim & Donna Price

To add your name here, call Brian Miller at 499-0039 or email at BTSEN5@cox.net



PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

After a moist and enjoyable summer, I hope the beginning of the school year finds us all well. It was another successful year for the neighborhood pool and a winning season for the swim team. And, amazingly, Princess Anne High won a football game; yea Cavaliers!!!

Our next civic league meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20th, 7 p.m. in the allpurpose room at the elementary school. Detective Boda of the 3rd Precinct has been invited to attend for a discussion of crimes in our community. School Board candidate Joel McDonald has asked to attend; in keeping with our longtime election season practice, his representative was advised he will not be given the dais time, but is welcome to converse with our members before and after the meeting and during the break. (This is what congressional candidate Paul Hirschbiel did at our May meeting.)

The civic league has new officers sworn at the January meeting. With no December meeting, we like to have nominations by the November meeting. If you would like to become part of the board, please let the current board know. Or if you would like to be a part of the nominating committee, we welcome that as well.

A couple pass-along items from neighbors: *if you have large vehicles (i.e. high sitting trucks, school buses, trailers), please consider how you park affects visibility for other drivers.

*A neighbor has reported observing rats this summer. To abate this problem, keeping your yard clean and debris free is recommended. *The report regarding our lakes from the state Department of Environmental Quality was "better than feared" and better than Lake Smith. However, the water column was full of algae. To improve the quality of our lakes we should keep our gutters clean and refrain from dumping into our storm drains: this includes yard waste. Plant debris (such as grass clipping and leaves) uses oxygen to decompose, which depletes oxygen for marine life.

*The city arborist (who knew?) has agreed to have two large dead pine trees at the park cut down. (Thanks to Jim Willenbrink for keeping up with this.)

*Several requests have been received to have a speed trailer (an apparatus which measures the speed of passing vehicles and displays it for drivers) placed on Pembroke Boulevard. The police department no longer has a working speed trailer; however, the city's Public Works department has agreed to work Pembroke Boulevard into its speed trailer schedule. The purpose of the speed trailer is a friendly reminder to drivers to be mindful of their speed. Additionally, the police department has been requested to do some speed enforcement in the neighborhood; their reminders might not be perceived so friendly.

Hope to see you at the civic league meetings. - Jim Price



If you are interested in receiving timely neighborhood updates – lost/found pets, our neighborhood watch news, found property notices, etc., please send an email to Jim and Clera Hall at <u>jimhal@cox.net</u>.

They will add your name to our email update list. Please be assured that the Halls protect your email address. It is not seen in electronic notices transmitted throughout our neighborhood nor is it provided to advertisers or others.



LOST PET REPORT

Please register your pets in our neighborhood's FREE Pet Lost / Found Registry. Forms and details are on line at <u>www.pembrokemeadows.org</u>.

- Gerry Richter



The Ladies Lunch Group will be going to the English Rose Tea Room in Sept. which is in the Rose Hall Shoppes, 3101 Virginia Beach Blvd, Suite 111, on Thursday, Sept. 27, 2012, at 12 noon. Please call in your reservation by Monday of that week. The Tea Room needs a little extra notice since it is a small business. Thanks.

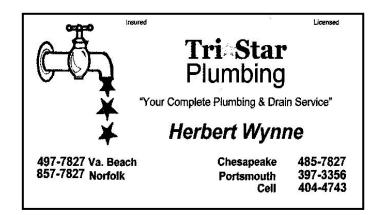
In October, we will be going to Tripp's at 101 South Independence Blvd. That will be on Wednesday, Oct. 24th at 12 noon. Reservations by Tuesday of that week.

You can call Loretta at 497-2130 or Jeanette at 497-0700



Friends of Live Oaks Offers Free Trees for Adoption

The Friends of Live Oaks, a Virginia Beach citizen advocacy group formed to promote and preserve live oak trees, has free live oak trees available for Virginia Beach residents to adopt. To request a live oak go to www.friendsofliveoaks.org and complete a request form. You can return the form online or print it and return it to 4908A Lauderdale Ave., Virginia Beach, VA 23455. The deadline for submitting requests is Sep. 22. Recipients will be notified the first week in October by email or phone. Trees will be available for pick up at Lynnhaven River NOW's 2012 Fall Festival at Pleasure House Point on October 13th from 11 am to 4 pm. The group will not deliver trees this year. Questions? Contact Karen Murphy at tomandkarenmurphy@gmail.com, 757 961-4109.



Ferry Plantation House

www.ferryplantation.org

Ferry Plantation House is hosting an "Edgar Allan Poe Tea" on October 6^{th} from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., Wear your black, and enjoy a recitation of *The Raven* by Poe while having a full English Tea.

A \$25.00 donation to Ferry Plantation will hold your reservation and can be mailed to Ferry @ 4136 Cheswick Lane, Virginia Beach Va. 23455. For information, call 757-473-5182.



VISITING SOMEONE IN A NURSING HOME?

I am becoming more and more aware of the need to connect with friends and relatives who must live away from home. The visit need not be long, in fact short is sometimes better -- no more than 1/2 hour. A good way to make it happy for you both is to ask the patient a question about his past - like what schools he went to. And if you have a photograph that will bring up a fond memory, by all means take it along.

POOL NEWS

Pool Still Open in September!

The pool is still open this month on Saturdays and Sundays from 11:00am-6:00pm. That is, weather permitting, being defined as "warm enough to get in the water, or not raining". We intend to keep the pool going weekends in September as long as we have patrons attending however, we can't afford to guard an empty pool. So, please consider a dip in the pool after you have done all your chores of the day.

We have enjoyed having so many of you at the pool this summer. Thanks for all your support! PMRC

Jeanne

Pool Elections

On Monday, Sep 3, 2012, the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center held its annual election for Board Members for the pool year 2012/2013.

The new board members are:

Director - Tom Hronek Asst Director - Erin Strasburger Secretary- Kim Best Treasurer - Lori Hines At-Large Members (5) : Tina Ridgeway, Pam Dolan, Kim Baker, Chris Pascuzzi, and Marti Bede

Please help them as they take on these new challenges of keeping our pool the best pool in Virginia Beach.



Newsletter Deliverer Needed

To cover Hudgins Drive, from Cavendish to Liverpool (16 houses).

Please Call Mike Moore at 557-0328

NEI GHBORHOOD CLASSI FI EDS:

TWO TEENS LANDSCAPING

Need help? Busy schedule? No energy? Too hot or too cold?

Let us do the dirty work. Simple odd & end jobs. You pay us what you think we are worth.

Letters of recommendation available

For more information or to set up an appointment call mom, Liz Hayes @ 801 Saint Denis Court. (757)-472-0283



CHOO-CHOO WANTED

Grandmom in neighborhood is looking for a train table (think Brio or Thomas

wooden trains- that kind.) Anyone out there have one to sell? Please call Watkins at 497-2130.

FALL GARDENING TIPS

- Mow/mulch fallen leaves with a lawnmower and place them on garden beds for spring time weed control and long term soil enrichment.
- Fall is good time to reduce your lawn coverage by creating new flower or shrub beds. Any reduction in lawn decreases rainwater runoff into our local estuaries.
- Fall is a good time to plant trees and shrubs
 -- Any month that ends in 'er' is a good month to plant
- This recommendation goes for transplanting as well.
- Fall is also a good time to tackle non-native invasives such as English ivy and honeysuckle.
- Use a minimalistic approach to lawn fertilization. Fertilize once a year in the fall and use phosphorus-free products as the soil in Southeast Virginia is naturally high in phosphorus.
- Tips Courtesy of Lynnhaven River NOW



ELECTION NEWS

ELECTION OFFICIALS NEEDED

The Election on November 6, 2012 will include nominees for President/Vice President, United States Senate, House of Representatives; Mayor, City Council and School Board!

The Virginia Beach Voter Registrar's Office is looking for 400-500 additional Election Officials (poll workers) to work at the 94 polling locations in order to manage the number of expected voters. This is a much needed community service in which you also get paid \$135.00 for training and Election Day. Those citizens who are interested in learning more about serving as a paid Election Official for the City of Virginia Beach are invited to go to www.vbgov.com/voter and click Election Official Information.

LOCAL ELECTIONS

This year there are 9 candidates running for 4 seats on City Council and 4 candidates running for mayor. Some citizens may not realize that they vote for all of the City Council seats, not just for persons running for an individual borough. It is important we know the facts about all of the candidates.

Some of our local Civic leagues have set up forums to meet the candidates. Everyone is invited to attend.

- Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 7:00 PM Meet and Greet Social Period, with Refreshments. 7:30 PM Meeting. Bayside Presbyterian Church - Fellowship Hall, 1400 Ewell Road (Corner of Ewell and Independence). Sponsored by Lake Smith Civic League

- Thursday Sept. 20 at 7:00 PM at the Thalia Trinity Presbyterian Church, sponsored by the Thalia Civic League. The event will be moderated by long time WTKR newsperson, Barbara Ciara

- Monday, Sept. 24, at 7:00 PM at the Virginia Beach Central Library, sponsored by the Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations (VBCCO)

CIVIC LEAGUE ELECTIONS TOO...

November is the time for civic league elections. Our officers are elected annually and no officer is allowed to hold a position more than 2 consecutive years. The positions of President and Vice President must be filled with a new person this year. A new volunteer may be elected to any position if interested. Won't you please considering volunteering? We'd love to have YOU join in our fun. These responsibilities only require the attendance at a monthly board meeting and attendance at a monthly civic league meeting. Only two evenings a month can make a lot of difference for our community. You'll get to meet your neighbors and have a voice in planning ideas for your neighborhood.

Please contact members of our board to get involved. We will present a proposed slate at the October meeting and we will vote at the November meeting.

Happenings At Your Bayside Library

Bayside & Special Services Library 936 Independence Boulevard Call 385-2680 for details on the following programs:

Microsoft Word 2010 for Beginners - Learn how to complete common tasks, including creating and formatting simple documents. Basic computer skills required. Bring a USB/Flash drive to save your work. Call to register. Adults

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 10 a.m. - noon.

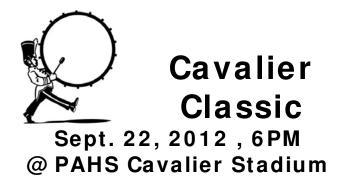
Pawsitive Reading with Therapy Dogs – Practice your reading skills by sharing stories with therapy dogs. Bring your own book or choose one from our selection. Call to register. Grade K-5,

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 6 – 6:45 p.m.

ARTreach - Let those creative juices flow in this hands-on art workshop provided by the Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA). Call to register. Ages 3-5,

Thursday, Sept. 20, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Seeing Beyond Low Vision Support Group: Celebrate the Centenarians! - The National Library Service for the Blind recognizes readers who are more than 100 years old for their lifetime of reading. Adults,

Friday, Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m. – noon. Cloud People - What fun it is for daydreamers to imagine shapes in the clouds. Listen to cloud stories and use your imagination to create cloud crafts. Call to register. All ages, Saturday, Sept. 22, 10:30 a.m.



The Fabulous Marching Cavaliers of Princess Anne High School have teamed up with the United States Scholastic Band Association to bring you the Cavalier Classic at Cavalier Stadium on September 22nd. This will also be the 2012 USSBA Southeastern Virginia Regional Competition. Thirteen bands will be competing. Gates will open at 5 PM with competition beginning at 6 PM. This is great family entertainment for a Saturday evening. The level of musicianship and marching by these schools is amazing.

For those of you who are not marching band alumni or alumni parents, many of the high school marching bands not only perform at football games, but actually spend most of their time preparing for and participating in competitions held throughout the area. Each band is evaluated by professional judges who then provide feedback on strengths and weaknesses in a variety of areas. This helps the students and instructors fine tune their performance for the next level of competition as the season progresses. The Fabulous Marching Cavaliers have consistently ranked as one of the top bands in the area as well as being number one for their size division.

For more information about the Fabulous Marching Cavaliers and this year's schedule of competitions, go to <u>www.fabulousmarchingcavaliers.org/</u>

Friends of Folk Music

I am a board member of Tidewater Friends of Folk Music. Most of our concerts are presented at the Virginia Beach Oberndorf Central Library, and we have been presenting concerts there for many years. A list of our concerts for this next year is at <u>www.tffm.org</u>. I am hoping that you may be interested in some of our concerts as potential social events for Pembroke Meadows residents. - Ken Brock

Youth Opportunities

Are you looking for an organization that can provide your child with fun activities while teaching values, leadership, self-reliance and citizenship? We have active Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in our community. Our Civic League sponsors cub Scout Pack 475 at Pembroke Meadows Elementary School. There are also several Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troops nearby.

For Cub Scout and Boy Scout information go to <u>www.TidewaterBSA.com</u>.

For Girl Scouts go to www.gsccc.org.

Big Band Oldies Now More Accessible

If you love the music of the 20's, 30's, and 40's, it is now much easier to tune them in on your standard radio. Station **99.3 FM** carries them 24/7.

Williams Farm Recreation Center

The Williams Farm Recreation Center will hold the Official Ribbon Cutting and Ceremony on Friday, October 26th, at 4:00 pm. Look for more details on this wonderful neighborhood facility in our October issue.

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You're Invited ...

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- How much insurance you may need
- How insurance should fit into your overall financial strategy

Seating is limited, so reserve your place today.

Dinner will be served

Date: Thursday, October 11, 2012 Time: 6:00 - 7:30 pm Place: Our office @ 525 S Independence Blvd, Ste 110 Virginia Beach VA 23452

RSVP: Judy @ 757-493-7626 or judy.l.reed@edwardjones.com



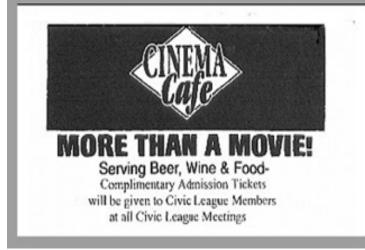
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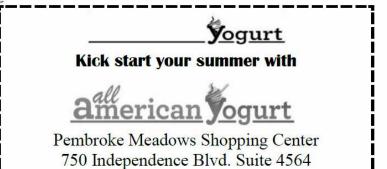
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