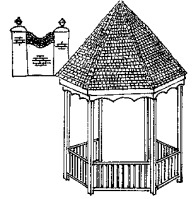


# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,  
And Pembroke Shores Townhomes



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## COMING EVENTS:

Sept 30th 8am-1pm  
Community Yard Sale

Sept 28th & Oct 25th  
Ladies' Luncheons

Oct. 19th - Civic  
League mtg- guest-  
Virginia Beach EMS

Oct 28th Annual Hal-  
loween Walk

Nov. 16th @ 7pm,  
Wine & Cheese at the  
Ferry Plantation  
House

## **IMPORTANT!! CHANGE OF DATE:**

### ***Civic League meeting: Wednesday, September 20th***

*To accommodate the school's open houses, our next meeting had to be moved to Wednesday, September 20th, still at 7pm in the Pembroke Meadows Elementary school cafeteria. We will be joined by a special guest from McDonald's Garden and Nursery. We hope you all had a great summer, and we'll see you at the meeting!*

## **Governor Kaine Exonerates the Witch of Pungo!**

On July 10th, 2006 at 10:00 am, exactly 300 years from the date and time of the original water trial in 1706, Ferry Plantation House hosted a reenactment of the trial of Grace Sherwood, (a.k.a. the Witch of Pungo). The ceremony also celebrated the official pardon recently granted by Governor Timothy Kaine, exonerating Grace Sherwood. Mayor Meyera Oberndorf was on hand during the festivities, declaring July 10th "Grace Sherwood Day". Grace Sherwood was the only woman tried by water in Virginia. She was tried and jailed in a brick building which used to be adjacent to where the Old Donation Church stands today.

**Congratulations to Belinda Nash**, who has been working for years researching the history of Grace Sherwood, and fighting to get Grace's name cleared. Many thanks to Belinda Nash and Gerry Richter for their tireless efforts at Ferry Plantation House. We also wish to thank all our neighbors and esteemed guests who participated in making this such a memorable event.

## **Summer Campers LIVE THE LIFE of Ferry Plantation House**

This summer's Ferry Plantation House Camps provided the chance for children to experience life as it was in the 1700's and 1800's. Children participated in daily chores including caring for the gardens and collecting eggs. They made and ate foods authentic to the time period, including beef jerky, apple leather, hardtack, and hand-churned butter. Many Feathers was on hand teaching the children authentic crafts and traditions of local Native American heritage. Children dug in the archaeological site, finding artifacts from the Walke Manor house that burned in the 1700's. Advanced camp participants were trained and inducted as Civil War soldiers (with this event being shown on PBS Television in October). Camp finished off with an authentic tea party, complete with period costumes and china settings, and the last day featured the children in a play reenacting the trial of Grace Sherwood- BRAVO!



## 18th Annual Clean the Bay Day– Another Successful Event!

On June 10th, our community of Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores and Old Donation Farms was once again commended for our significant participation in the 18th Annual Clean the Bay Day. Concentrating on cleaning the lakes and adjacent waterways in our neighborhood, 73 volunteers participated and picked up approximately 14,000 pounds of trash and debris. Most of the large weight resulted from very large wood debris, including removal of destroyed pier pieces from the Old Donation Creek and River areas.

Many thanks to our Area Coordinators: Bob Lukeman, Frank Mulcahy, Jim Hall, Pam Sasser, Jim Willenbrink Jr., and Fred Willis. We also wish to thank the following volunteers for their participation:

Joe and Ginger Avoli

Donna Beacham and Family

Max and Erin Groneman

The Lukeman Family

The Mike Moore Family

Jim Sanson

Robert Westmont & Sam

The 3 Willenbrink Families

11 members of the Old Donation Farms Homeowner's Association

7 park picnickers who did not sign in

Ed Campbell

Jim Eddings

Joe Lang

Richard & Michael McClaughlin

The Jim Price Family

Sid and Lynne Sward

Tammy Widdeu

The Carlie Wilson Family

Jack Dutko and son

Katie and Chris Fertig

Earl Lee

The Mulcahy Family

Charlie & Betsy Russ

Walt Westoff

Fred & Jean Willis

WELL DONE! Thanks to all the participants!

*Jim Willenbrink, Zone Captain*

### ***Wednesday September 20th Civic League Meeting Program:***

**Steve Urek, Horticulturist and Education Coordinator for McDonald's Nursery** is the featured program speaker. Mr. Urek has been with McDonald's for 19 years and provides and coordinates service to all McDonald's Nursery locations in the Hampton Roads area, and co-hosts the popular radio call-in talk show "Green Tips". The program, developed in conjunction with Virginia Tech Extension Service, is based on science aimed at obtaining and maintaining a beautiful, healthy lawn at the least expense for the average consumer. A FREE testing for soil acidity (PH) will also be offered to meeting attendees. Come and see how inexpensively you can help your lawn beautify your home!



### **16th Annual Halloween Walk-- October 28th**

The neighborhood annual Halloween Walk will be held on Saturday, October 28th at 3:00pm. Start thinking about your costumes, treats, and fun. We will begin promptly.

Meet at the medical center on Whitechapel Drive. Follow the Independence Middle School band through the neighborhood and back to the park for fun and fellowship.

Please leave bikes, skateboards, and pets at home. Donations of cash, juice and cookies can be made at the September Civic League Meeting, or by calling Gerry Richter 497-5243, or Belinda Nash 490-2504. We look forward to another great year. This event is sponsored by your annual Civic League dues.

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE TO BENEFIT THE POOL!

Saturday, September 30th 8am-1pm

(At the empty grass lot on the corner of Whitechapel Drive and Pembroke Blvd)

All proceeds of this sale will benefit the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center. We are asking families to **donate items** appropriate for a communal yard sale. Items can include (but are not limited to) sporting goods, tools, books, furniture, antiques, toys, clothes, knickknacks, crafts, etc... We will arrange for pickup and storage of items if you are unable to bring them to us. [Note: items that are not sold will be donated to and picked up by a charity.] We also need donations of items for a **bake sale**. We will need volunteers for 5am setup on Saturday, people to work throughout the sale, including selling/serving concessions (coffee, muffins, donuts, etc.), people with pickup trucks to help pickup donated items— with many hands this could be a huge success!

Another option, if you are interested in having your own yard sale the same day at your home, is to purchase a helium balloon for a \$10 donation. We will give you the balloon on the day of the sale for you to hang on your mailbox— you will be included free of charge in an advertisement we're running in the Pilot newspaper with all participating addresses in the neighborhood, and you keep your own proceeds. A third option is for you to rent a table from us at the community yard sale location for a \$15 donation. You bring and price your own items, and you keep your own proceeds.

**Dropoff items for donation at the pool Sept. 27th, 28th, 29th from 9am-12noon and 6pm-8pm.  
Last day to pay/register: Monday September 25th**

Please call Cindy Cooper, 473-0850 or email Cindy at [cindycooper@cox.net](mailto:cindycooper@cox.net) if you have questions, items to donate, wish to join in the community sale, or if you can volunteer to help.

***We can't thank all our neighbors enough for continuing to support our efforts to improve and beautify our recreation center. We appreciate all you do!***

## ~~UPCOMING EVENTS~~

### COMING ATTRACTIONS - Mark your Calendars

**Oct. 19** - Civic League Meeting, 7 PM at Pembroke Meadows Elementary School.

**PROGRAM:** A representative from the City of **Virginia Beach Dept. of Emergency Medical Services** will be here to give us first aid tips, show us how to use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and give us an opportunity to get **FREE** training in Emergency Medical Care. Come and learn about the services that are available from our Volunteer Rescue Squads.

**Nov. 16** - Civic League Meeting, 7 PM at **Ferry Plantation House**.

**PROGRAM:** **FREE Wine and Cheese Tasting**. In conjunction with the membership of the Ferry Plantation House, residents of Pembroke Meadows/Shores are offered an opportunity to see what all the excitement is about at our very own corner of Colonial American history. Our homes sit on land that was actually part of Ferry Plantation. Tour the facility, learn about the history of our community and shop for the holidays while sampling a variety of wine, cheese and soft drinks. Y'all come!! (Must be 21 years or older to sample wine... bring a valid ID).

***Please stay tuned for more news coming in future newsletters!***



## **Garden Club Update**

Summer took its toll on the flagpole flower bed! The beautiful red, white and blue petunias literally “burned up”. Hopefully, this fall will bring some rain and cooler weather. The landscape project at the Pool fared a little better, thanks to the daily watering by the pool personnel. We plan to put climbing vines on the trellises this fall.

Don't forget the **HOLIDAY GREENERY SALE** this fall! The price is right and nowhere can you get fresher greenery! The Garden Club members actually soak the wreathes for a full 24 hours before they are delivered to the clients. The proceeds are used for our own neighborhood beautification. Look for the flyer!

The Garden Club meets on the second Thursday of every month at 10:30am. If you would like to visit a meeting to see if you would like to join, call Jeanette Willenbrink at 497-0700 or Clera Hall at 473-8258.



### **Energy Conservation Tip:**

Come out of the dark and switch to fluorescent lights. They are 3 to 4 times more efficient than incandescents and last 10 times as long. Replacing an incandescent bulb with a compact fluorescent will save the energy equivalent of 46 gallons of oil, as well as one-half ton of carbon dioxide emissions over the lifetime of the bulb.



### **Welcome New Neighbors!**

We would like to welcome all our neighbors new to the neighborhood this fall– whether you are renting or a homeowner, we want to let you know you have a wealth of helpful information available to you through your Civic League.

**Checkout our website for details-**  
[www.pembrokemeadows.org](http://www.pembrokemeadows.org)

**NEW to our website:** Click on “Map of Pembroke Area” and then “Satellite Image” to see aerial photos of your street! Be sure to take a minute and update your information on the Neighborhood online Directory.

### **Ladies' Autumn Luncheons**

Celebrate the cooler weather, and join us for our Ladies' Luncheons, at **C&M Cafeteria** always at **12 noon** on the following dates:

**September 28th**

**October 25th**

*We hope you will join us!*





<u>Committees</u>		
<i>Bldg/Grounds</i>	<i>Wes Denton</i>	<i>499-2996</i>
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<i>Meadows</i>	<i>Jim Willenbrink</i>	<i>497-0700</i>
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*If you are interested in volunteering for the Meadows Welcoming committee position, please contact Pat Cook at 499-6204. If you're interested in the Membership Chairperson position, please call Don Sanders at 499-7987.*

**For corrections or submissions to this newsletter, contact the editors via email at rogetvaughan@cox.net, or call 499-6945.**

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### MEDIAN WATCH

To sign up for median strip duty, email **Travis Little** @ [littlhom@yahoo.com](mailto:littlhom@yahoo.com) or **Jim Price** at **499-5115** or e-mail at [jdprice@Cox.net](mailto:jdprice@Cox.net).  
Thanks for your help!

Pembroke Meadows & Shores Civic League Median Strip Clean-up	
DATE 2006	VOLUNTEER
Thanks to:	Bill Hawley
Thanks to:	Joe & Ginger Avoli
September 1-15	Jeanne Blair
Please contact us if you can help. Thanks for all you do!	

**With our heartfelt thanks...**

Jana and Jeff Sias have moved out of the area, but plan on being back someday. We wish to thank Jana and Jeff for all their efforts and dedication to the Civic League, and for being wonderful neighbors.

Jana has done an excellent job as our Membership Chairperson, but has necessarily resigned her position. If you are interested in volunteering for this position, please let us know. Help continue Jana's legacy of generosity by helping out your neighborhood!

**Thanks Jana and Jeff, and Best Wishes!**