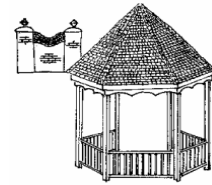


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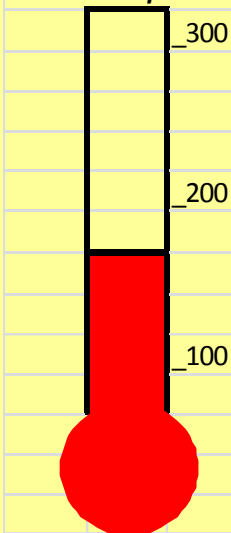
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Next Civic League Meeting Pembroke Meadows Elementary School March 20th, 2014 @ 7 pm

Our guest speaker is Ms. Lynn Draper from the City's Department of Planning and Community Development. Come with your questions about zoning issues, businesses in residences, commercial equipment in residential areas, fences, landscape requirements, and illegal dwellings or out buildings. Find out what your obligations are.

Now Mark Your Calendar...

NEIGHBORHOOD EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday April 12th @ 11:00 a.m.

Kids & Volunteers needed, see details on back page of newsletter



Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center

Daylight savings time is here. The temperatures are climbing. The days are getting longer and soon our neighborhood pool will open for the summer. Make pool membership your summer stay-in-town vacation. Enjoy sun & clear water without expensive food, driving, parking fees or other hassles.

All Membership fees are greatly reduced this year!
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Details and POOL Application are inside this issue!

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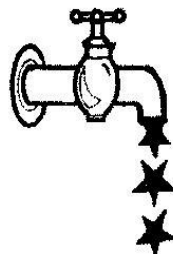
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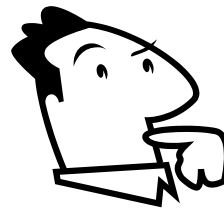
Median Cleanup

Mar 1 - 15	Tyler Wilson
Mar 16 - 31	
Apr 1 - 14	
Apr 15 - 28	



To add your name here, call Tim Roy at 478-0580

Volunteers keep our entryway clean and nice looking, won't you please call him to add your name?



Presidential Ponderings

Dear Neighbors:

Wowser! We had a terrific turnout for the February meeting/potluck dinner. I am left to wonder if you all, my neighbors, just need our popular mailman to be in attendance or if the food offerings were incredibly tempting. I stopped counting at 82 attendees and know that several neighbors joined us throughout the evening.

During our potluck celebration and enjoyment of one another, we did attend to the business of the night. Bill Moore, the Pembroke Meadows mailman for the past 15+ years was presented with restaurant gift certificates, a framed certificate of appreciation, the key to our neighborhood and an evening of praise and thanks. Thank you so much to all of you that remembered to thank Bill's wife.

I also want to extend our appreciation to Syd Sward and George Wilson. Thanks to both men for providing enjoyable music at the dinner.

Thank you to those of you in our community who faithfully paid your 2014 Civic League Dues. We appreciate your recognition of our efforts and support of the Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Walk, median strip improvements and mowing, Op-Grad, National Night Out, and on and on.

Our March meeting speaker is Lynn Draper who works in the City's Zoning Department. Ms. Draper will be able to join us around 7:30 on March 20th. She is coming to us after attending the VB Police Department's 3rd Precinct's Citizen Advisory Committee meeting.

As I close this article, the temperatures have begun to warm up, the snow is all melted and the sun is shining. Please review the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center application included in this publication and consider joining your neighbors as members of the pool this summer. It is a wonderful (and close) location to rest, relax and soak up warm sun rays. Our 2014 Pool Board has worked hard in the off season to lower the season's rates.

See you on the 20th at the Pembroke Meadows Elementary School!
- Donna Price

Neighborhood Yard Sale ?

Should we plan a neighborhood yard sale in June? If you are interested, please come to the CL Meeting where we will determine if there is enough participation and then discuss planning and advertising.

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Lost Pet Program Update

Thanks to all of you that completed the Lost Pet Form and sent it in. It really helps in identifying your pet when it becomes lost.

BE SURE TO ATTACH A PICTURE. (It is hard to physically identify one "mixed breed" "brown, white, black" dog) We depend on the picture to verify the correct pet.

Remember the forms are on our web site. An email is sent out to all families that have signed up for the neighborhood notification list so be sure to check this as soon as your pet is missing.

- Gerry Richter



Our Real Estate Market...

If you are considering making a move, here is a list of weekend projects to help boost your home value *without* spending a fortune.

- ~ Clean up or replace your mailbox and put up new street numbers
- ~ Paint your front door and replace any rotten trim
- ~ De-clutter your home and paint interior a neutral color
- ~ Replace old switch plates and doorknobs
- ~ Brighten up the baths by replacing frosted glass doors with clear glass, clean grout, apply fresh caulk, update cabinet pulls and replace faucets
- ~ If kitchen cabinets are scratched or outdated, paint and add new hardware
- ~ Prune and trim - overgrown landscaping is a problem at all price points

What's new on the market here in Pembroke Meadows??

Currently for Sale

740 Abbey Dr	4BR	2 BA	250,000
827 Cathedral	3 BR	2 ½ BA	165,000
4257 Cheswick	4 BR	3 BA	395,000
4169 Cheswick	4 BR	4 ½ BA	727,200
624 Whitechapel	4 BR	3 BA	275,000

Homes Under Contract

616 Severn	3 BR	2 BA	225,900
4433 St. Mark	4 BR	2 ½ BA	172,000

Homes Sold

604 Bishop Ct	3BR	2 BA	276,000
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- Sue Lentini



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Independent Living: Your Way Workshop and Resource Fair

Saturday, April 26

The City of Virginia Beach and AARP/Virginia are hosting a free Independent Living: Your Way Workshop and Resource Fair, Saturday, April 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Registration and complementary refreshments beginning at 8 a.m.) at the Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street.

At this free workshop and resource fair, participants will get comprehensive advice, tips, and checklists for improving the comfort, safety and long-term livability of their home. Everything from useful gadgets to major renovations will be addressed. Local experts will answer questions on what finance, health, and transportation resources and services are available to help people continue to live at home in Virginia Beach, "A Community for a Lifetime."

No products will be sold or promoted. Seating is limited, so registration is highly recommended. To register, call 1-877-926-8300 or visit: <http://aarp.cvent.com/VAILYW>.

Ladies Lunch Group



On Thursday, March 27th, 2014, we will lunch at Bahama Breeze Grill at Pembroke Mall (restaurant has outside entrance)-at Noon.

Remember to call in your reservation by Tuesday the week of the luncheon to Joy 473-9284 or Loretta 497-2130.

Bring A Neighbor We will gladly celebrate welcoming in the SPRING

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Ferry Plantation House

**"A MORNING WITH GRACE SHERWOOD"
aka "THE WITCH OF PUNGO"**

Come to Ferry Plantation House on Thursday, **April 3rd at 11 a.m.** and learn about our very own "Witch", tried and ducked right here in our very own neighborhood.

Find out --Why they thought she was a Witch. Who thought she was a witch? What made people believe other neighbors? What was Grace Sherwood like? Where did she live? What did she do that others did not that caused her to be singled out? What gossip was told about Grace that proved by today's knowledge to be untrue? Could YOU have been accused of Witchcraft?

Enjoy a nice cup of **Ferry Plantation Tea** while you hear the story of Grace.

\$5.00 per person. Reservations required in advance- 497-5243



New Flood Zones

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released updates to the flood maps, known as Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), for the City of Virginia Beach.

The City of Virginia Beach will hold a Flood Risk Open House on the updates in Building 19, 2416 Courthouse Drive, in the Municipal Center on Wednesday, March 26, 2014, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Property owners are encouraged to learn more about their risk

Additional information is also available at www.vbgov.com/flood.

Goodbye, Bill! Record Potluck Turnout

With 80+ residents of Pembroke Meadows/Pembroke Shores in attendance, we said a fond farewell to Bill Moore. Bill was the mailman on the Pembroke Meadows side of the neighborhood for the past 15 years. We recognized and thanked Bill with restaurant gift cards, a key to our neighborhood, a thank you certificate of appreciation and stories shared.

Bill shared his recollections of the first neighbor to reach and greet him (and I have forgotten her name) and the first baby born on his route (Madison Willenbrink) and many other firsts. He thanked those in attendance for being so friendly and helpful. Bill shared that he felt "at home" in Pembroke Meadows, knew he was cared for and respected and feels the same way about so many of us.

Loretta Watkins shared that Bill had prevented a fraud by just recognizing that information he received for an address change was inaccurate. It seems that someone put in a change of address form for one of our residents showing a relocation to New York. Bill, knowing his route and his homes, knew this to be inaccurate. Thanks to his actions, our neighbor did not lose any mail and his information was not sent to unknown persons out of state.

Personally, I could not help but thank Bill for his patience. As our son and daughter in law have been transferred several times, he never failed to ensure we received their forwarded mail. He always took that extra moment to ask where they were eventually headed and to offer to assist with any mail needs.

We were very lucky, my friends, to have such an attentive and caring mailman all these years. If you see Bill out and about, please be sure to let him know his is missed!

- Donna Price

Thank you from Bill

We've received a very nice thank you from Bill, as follows:

Please extend my warmest thanks to all the folks in the neighborhood for the wonderful evening. Deb and I truly had a great time. I will miss everyone.

Bill

Homemade Mosquito Trap

Spring is just around the corner! Cheryl Douglas provided the following idea:

Items needed:

- 1 cup of water
- 1/4 cup of brown sugar
- 1 gram of yeast
- 1 two-liter bottle

HOW:

1. Cut the plastic bottle in half.
2. Mix brown sugar with hot water. Let cool. When cold, pour in the bottom half of the bottle.
3. Add the yeast. No need to mix. It creates carbon dioxide, which attracts mosquitoes.
4. Place the funnel part, upside down, into the other half of the bottle, taping them together if desired.
5. Wrap the bottle with something black, leaving the top uncovered, and place it outside in an area away from your normal gathering area.

Change the solution every 2 weeks for continuous control.



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 www.TidewaterBSA.com .

For Girl Scouts go to www.gsccc.org.

Free – From a neighbors attic

Replacement / repair parts for the original windows that were installed by the builder in 1968. Call 757-497-0700.

Treasurer Notes

Mike and I have been out of town for about a month, so if you sent a check or cash in to the Civic League during the month of February, or paid dues at the Potluck Dinner, be assured that all have been deposited as of March 10th. I apologize for the delay.

Also, as of this publication, the Civic League has 179 paid members. Thank you all for sending in your dues and an extra thank you to those who sent in a donation as well.

-Carol Moore

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POOL (PMRC) NEWS

Spring is almost here! I know I am not the only one looking forward to warmer weather.

The Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center is preparing for another great season at our pool. We are continuing to improve our facility and are offering lower rates for everyone this year.

With cell tower income subsidizing operating expenses, membership costs are way down from last year. A family membership for the summer is \$350, and only \$315 if paid by April 30th. Individual memberships are \$150; \$135 if paid by April 30th.

PMRC membership is also open to those outside our neighborhood, applications are available online and from any pool board member. Talk it up with your friends and have an easy summer at our pool.

See you at the pool!

- Chris Pascuzzi



Membership Chairmans Note;

Thank you to all our neighbors who have submitted information for the community directory. Many of you raised concerns at the Potluck Dinner regarding how this information is used. Your Civic League Board would like to assure you that this information is used only in our online directory to facilitate communication between neighbors and foster a spirit of friendship and community good will. It is considered private and privileged and is not intended for further publication or dissemination. We will never sell your info!

PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

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Webmaster	Clif Furedy	490-5792

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Electrical	George Watkins	497-2130
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Neighborhood Maint.	Robert Westmont	473-1024

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Meadows	Stephanie Neihart	456-5795
Shores	Bob/Marge Brotman	497-0565
Townhomes	Vacant	

Directory Chairman	Robert Westmont	473-1024
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Lakes/Waterways Chairman: Jim Willenbrink

Lake Pembroke	Jim Willenbrink	497-0700
Lake Meadows	Charlie Russ	497-5298
Lynnhaven	Jeff Brown	464-0183

Welcoming Committee Chair: Clera Hall, Karen Roy, Jeanette Willenbrink

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Shores	Lisa Dutko	473-1112
Townhomes	Liz Hayes	472-0283

Newsletter Editor	Mike Moore	557-0328
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Pet Lost & Found/Pet Registry

Shores and Meadows	Gerry Dashiell-Richter	497-5243
	Jim Willenbrink	497-0700

Recreation Center (pool)

Director	Chris Pascuzzi	
Asst Director	Erin Strasburger	
Treasurer	Lori Hines	557-0101
Secretary	Kim Best	671-1810
PMRC Pool Phone	(in season only)	963-2239

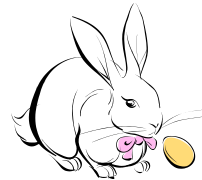
EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday April 12th @
11:00 a.m.**

Face painting, tattoos and the
Easter Bunny.

All Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores and Pembroke Townhomes children are welcome. Volunteers are needed for set up and high school students can earn community service hours.

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