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CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,
and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



DAVIS CORNER RESCUE SQUAD REP to speak at September CL Meeting!

Have you noticed the new equipment at the **NEIGHBORHOOD PARK?**

UPDATES ON DAM, INDEPENDENCE BLVD, etc.

SEPTEMBER MEETING, THURSDAY, THE 16TH, AT 7:30.

Brian Pennell, an EMT paramedic from Davis Corner Rescue Squad, will be the speaker at our September meeting. Brian is a native of Virginia Beach (Witchduck Road). He will speak about the history of the rescue squad, their interaction with the Fire Department, and where they see the city heading in the future. Don't miss this interesting and valuable information. We never know when we may need this wonderful community service.

Peggy Caverly
2nd Vice President

WHAT A SIGHT TO SEE THE CHILDREN of the neighborhood enjoying the new playground equipment! The new park playground and picnic equipment has been installed and is being enjoyed by many. We will send a letter of thanks to the City for these new and additional enhancements to our lovely park. **This new equipment is another example of Civic League action;** and our ad hoc Park Committee who helped arrange and coordinate it is commended for their efforts. Committee members are **Jim & Jeanette Willenbrink, Clara Hall, Valerie Davis, Gerri Richter, Loretta Watkins and Belinda Nash.** The delay in hanging the swing seats resulted from a shortage of parts, which are on back order.

LAKE MEADOWS

DAM/PATHWAY. The previously reported improvements planned for our Lake Meadows dam and pathway are still on hold awaiting completion of the heavy work on the new construction house on the easement lot. As soon as the house is completed, the work on the dam will begin.

PLEASE DON'T FEED THE GEESE OR DUCKS!

The over-population of geese and ducks on our community's lakes are causing harm to our lakes and some threats to our health. The droppings of these geese and ducks—particularly the large gaggles of Canada Geese on Lake Pembroke—are contaminating our shallow waters with an overabundance of nutrients. These nutrients cause "blooms" of algae, which in turn consume oxygen from the water endangering the fish and other lake inhabitants, which are essential to the lakes' ecology (bug control, etc.). Also the fowl droppings spread fecal coliform bacteria, on land as well as in the water, which can make humans and other animals sick. Additionally, bread and other foods which the geese/ducks miss

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*Special form for PMGC
on back page. Don't miss
out on this year's sale!*

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can generate very dangerous botulism toxins when it decays on the muddy lake bottoms.

Another consideration concerning the large number of Canada Geese, which are normally migratory birds, is that regular feedings by humans are turning them into permanent "residents" who won't migrate. If we experience a very severe winter, those geese will probably not survive!

So, please help us protect our environment, our wildlife and ourselves by not feeding the geese and ducks! *(An occasional limited feeding of ducklings might be excepted.)*

Contributed by Jim Willenbrink

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR

BUSINESS ASSOCIATES. The following local businesses have evidenced their concern for our community by joining our Civic League as associate members:

Big Ocean Plumbing, C&M Cafeteria, Cinema Café, Crestar Bank, Edward Jones Investments, Forest Arbor Barber, Independence Veterinary Hospital, Manhattan Bagel, Montagna's Shoes, Sundays Tanning Resort, Val's Mini Italia and Jones Roofing.

We invite any and all nearby businesses to join our Civic League (only \$8 per year).

Contributed by Jim Willenbrink

HAVE YOU NOTICED THAT PURPLE STREAK LATELY?

Well, it is **Michelle Browning**, running and pushing her children in a purple double jogger! Michelle is training for the Marine Corp Marathon in Washington, DC this October. She plans to finish the race for cancer patient Katie Dozier, the Leukemia Society and for all the people that believe in her and support her and her goals. Interested friends and neighbors that would like to help Michelle reach her goal of \$1,700 by September 30 for the Leukemia Society or just to offer encouragement during her training, can reach her at **497-1684 or email SUMDIL@exis.net.** Good luck, Michelle!

9TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN



WALK. We hope our new neighbors will join us this year in our annual neighborhood parade of goblins. We also invite you to volunteer to help make this year's parade another wonderful festivity that we all will remember.

We need volunteers, new and old residents, to donate apple juice, cider, cookies or donut holes—or maybe you could assist in monitoring the parade itself by watching the youngsters and stopping traffic at the intersections. Maybe you have some decorations that you would like to share with us for that day. We decorate the park Saturday morning and then the decorations are taken down and returned to the owners. Your talents may be at the game section after the parade, in the park or helping with refreshments. My family and I find it such a joy to be able to oversee the yearly tradition.

The route will be the same as last year, starting at Independence Circle. The Independence Junior High band will warm up at 2:30 and **the parade will step off at 3 led by yours truly dressed as Grace Sherwood, the Witch of Pungo, and poodle, Bailey, in her eggshell boat.** We will go across to Cambria Street, on to Abbey Drive, follow the circle around onto Severn Drive until it becomes Abbey again. Then we will go north on Bishop Drive, turn east on Pembroke Boulevard and to the park for refreshments, games and prizes. We need lots of clapping and cheering grownups, too, along the parade route to make the excitement for the little ones.

This Halloween Walk will not be possible unless we all pull together. Let's make this year another great success. **If you can help in any way, please call Belinda Nash, Parade Coordinator, at 490-2504.** There will be photographs from previous years displayed at the September Civic League Meeting. Apple juice, Cider and cookies may be dropped off at the September and October meetings. Thank you for your help.

Belinda Nash

NOTE: Belinda puts a lot of effort into this annual parade for the children. Her enthusiasm is contagious! Let's help her keep the tradition going!

*October Newsletter Deadline
Sept 26/11*

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,
 School has started and another summer has slipped away. This fall your Civic League plans to publish a new community directory. We are in the process of canvassing each residence in order to update our records for current names, phone numbers, etc. In order to pay for the printing of the directory, we solicit advertising from local businesses. We need a volunteer to coordinate our solicitation efforts. If you could help in any way, please call me at 499-7987.

**Best regards,
 Don Sanders**

BABYSITTERS

Venetia Brewer	Grade 09	490-1777
Erin Mulcahy	Grade 10	499-6699
Katie Murphy	Grade 09	497-6078
Maggy Nixon	Grade 09	497-4506
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Elaine Shindelar	Grade 10	497-1051
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Dear Neighbors: As we go to print, Hurricane Dennis is hovering offshore. Hopefully, he will turn east and be a non-storm. I have agreed to stay on as the editor of this newsletter because I believe we have a special neighborhood and this is a good place to live. Communication is very important to keep the lines open and keep everyone informed of things going on—good or bad. This newsletter is a good place to say hello to new neighbors, good-bye to old friends; find businesses that support us and even list our own items for sale. It helps us find a babysitter that we can trust right in our area. I love walking around our neighborhood and seeing the children playing in the park or families out riding bicycles or rollerblading together—it's even a pleasure to see families doing yardwork together. I always have to inquire about the "catch" at the lake. You'd be surprised at the number of very young fishermen at the lake—and they arrived under their own leg power—either by foot or by bicycle! Our park is a good place to socialize. Also, do you realize how many young adults who grew up here are living in our neighborhood and raising their children here? It's amazing! See you at the civic league meeting! Later, Clera

**PEMBROKE MEADOWS
GARDEN CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL
HOLIDAY GREENERY SALE!**

Once again the ladies of Pembroke Meadows Garden Club are holding their Holiday Greenery Sale. Last year was the first effort and it turned out to be a winner for all concerned. The customers got top-rate fresh greenery and the club made a nice profit to help toward the beautification of the neighborhood. We have a larger selection of items this year, so look over the enclosed order form and make your choices early! The holidays are just around the corner. The Club meets every second Thursday at 7:30 in a member's home. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call **Jeanette Willenbrink at 497-0700.**

**INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD
WIDENING DELAYED AGAIN!**

As you may have read in the Pilot, State funding for many road projects throughout Virginia has again been delayed. It is estimated that the Independence widening will be delayed again, as much as 15 months. Our legislators, however, are reportedly trying to shorten that delay.

**PEMBROKE ZONE FOR
1999 CLEAN THE BAY DAY
BREAKS RECORD WITH
76 VOLUNTEERS!**

Zone Captain Jim Willenbrink reports that a record 76 volunteers participated in our June 12 Clean the Bay Day and picked up approximately 3,800 pounds of trash along the Lynnhaven River (Western Branch), Old Donation Creek and Cove, Lake Meadows, the Pembroke Lakes and other ancillary creeks. There were 11 boats participating, including three Navy boats trailered in and operated by volunteers from outside the area.

Many thanks to all the volunteers for an excellent job and for their commendable concern for our waterways environments. Our area coordinators were:

1. **Earl Davis** (Lynnhaven Ricer and creeks)
2. **Jim Hall and Norman Cox** (Old Donation Cove)
3. **Jerry Ketchmark** (Old Donation Creek)
4. **Jim Willenbrink, Jr. and Frank Mulcahy** (Lake Pembroke East)

5. **Bob Lukeman** (Lake Pembroke, Independence)
6. **Fred Willis** (Lake Pembroke, West)
7. **Hal Kuehne** (Lake Meadows)

Other volunteers from our neighborhood were: **the Mike Moore family, the Jim Price family, Barbara Kenneweg and family, Valerie Davis, Clera Hall, Jerry Ruggles, the Rich family, Dave and Mary Trosien, Ryan Ketchmark, Jennifer Samuel, the whole Willenbrink Clan, Bridget Lukeman, Walt Westhoff, Sid Sward, the Mulcahy family, Steve Davis, William Quinn, the Brian Hastings family (from Independence Veterinary Clinic) and Dr. Moayery (from Atlantic Ophthalmology).**

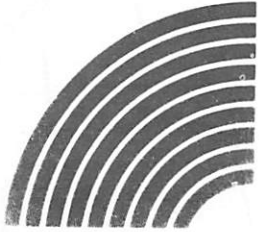
Thanks also to **Bob Little, Jack Evelyn and fifteen other volunteers from the Old Donation Homeowners Association** for their excellent participation and the invaluable use of their community boat ramp. Thanks also to Cinema Café for donating free movie passes to all our participants.

This, and past years' cleanups have resulted in a significant improvement in the cleanliness of our Pembroke area lakes and waterways—a fact which has been specifically recognized by the City's Clean Community Commission.

Contributed by Jim Willenbrink

BAYSIDE LIBRARY FUTURE.




City officials are currently contemplating a possible expansion and relocation of the Bayside Library. This issue was discussed at our May Civic League meeting and a straw telephone poll was taken (by Jim Willenbrink) during which more than 30 of our residents unanimously expressed the following preference: The Bayside Library should be expanded (and updated) and **SHOULD REMAIN IN ITS PRESENT LOCATION!** This is our Civic League position. We will discuss the library's future at our next Civic League meeting and the library is scheduling a meeting on October 4 for further citizen input. *P.S. a Beacon article in July misquoted, but later corrected, Jim Willenbrink's representation regarding the Police Station which was, and is, that we would also prefer the police station to remain at its present location, but separate from the library. However, we are NOT opposed to the station and library sharing a single building if absolutely necessary for both expansions.*



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Item Number	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Blue Berried Juniper Wreath (20 inch)		16.00	
2	Double Faced Boxwood Wreaths (20 inch)		14.95	
3	Double Faced Boxwood Wreaths (24 inch)		16.95	
4	Single Faced Mixed Evergreen Wreaths (16 inch)		13.50	
5	Single Faced Mixed Evergreen Wreaths (20 inch)		15.25	
6	Single Faced Mixed Evergreen Wreaths (24 inch)		18.50	
7	Single Faced Noble Fir Wreaths (20 inch)		14.95	
8	Diamond shaped Door Charm (20-24"Hx12-14"T)		10.50 ea. or 2/20.00	
9	Candle Ring (Fir w/inlaid cedar) (11" w/4 1/2" center)		6.50 ea. or 2/12.00	
10	Deluxe Centerpiece (Noble base w/Cedar, Juniper & Pine Cones) (approx. 12x16")		12.00	
11	Candy Cane (Noble Fir approx. 30" high)		16.00	
12	Cross (Noble Fir w/Blue Berried Jun. & Cedar) (Approx. 30" high)		20.00	
13	Medium Boxwood Tree (9" wide x 14" tall)		18.95	
14	Large Boxwood Tree (12" wide x 18" tall)		29.95	
15	Cedar/Fir Garland 75 feet		55.00	
16	Pine Garland 75 feet		20.00	
17	Boxwood Garland 75 feet		40.00	
18	Bows—Custom made, your ribbon or ours! Prices start at \$5.00 each (Call for specific price)			
Grand Total				

NOTE: Due to last December's HEAT WAVE, tips for keeping greenery fresh during unseasonably warm weather will be included with each order.