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CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores, and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



MAYOR OBERNDORF TO SPEAK AT JANUARY MEETING

DON'T FORGET! The mayor will be speaking at our civic league meeting on **January 20 at 7:30**. She will give us a general update on the state of our city, but more specifically she will address such concerns as:

- Where does our storm waste money go?
- Can we get street sweepers to help protect our waterways?
- Will we be able to keep our Bayside Precinct Police Station and Library in present location when they are expended?
- What is latest status on widening of Independence Boulevard?
- Mosquito control is needed. Are we going to have better control this year?

Mayor Oberndorf will also accept questions from the floor as time allows. So PLEASE come prepared for a pleasant evening when you meet this charming lady face to face and get answers to your questions.

YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL AT

PEMBROKE MEADOWS. (The following is a letter from the principal, Dr. Nancy Rosenblatt) I have been invited by your board to respond to the article about year-round schools that appeared in the Virginian Pilot on Saturday, December 11. In the article, there was a comment that indicated that the Pembroke Meadows community did not support Pembroke Meadows Elementary's efforts to become a year-round school and, therefore, we did not pursue it further. The truth is that 65% of our patrons, who responded to a survey, DID support year-round school. Yet, the school division had set a minimum of 75% support as a prerequisite for becoming a pilot school. Only 50% of our staff supported the concept and 75% was required. (cont. on Page 3)

YEAR 2000 NEIGHBORHOOD DIRECTORY TO BE DELIVERED

WITH FEB. NEWSLETTER. I am happy to report that our directory has gone to print! Thanks to the active members of the Civic League for their work. Most of the people attending the meetings get to assist in ongoing projects, and this is one project that has been ongoing (going on!) for the past year. Actually, the schedule was set 14 months ago. I am only going to mention the names of two people: Steve Hawthorne, who handled all the formatting, and our President, Don Sanders, who grabbed the bull by the horns and took care of much of the advertisement organization. Many members actually went out and talked to the local merchants. (cont. on Page 3)

PRESIDENT'S CORNER. HAPPY NEW

YEAR! I hope everyone's holiday season was as good as mine. I only wish the snow had lasted longer.

We have two important items to announce. First, the Mayor of Virginia Beach, Myra Oberndorf, will speak at our General Meeting on January 20. Please plan to attend. We need to have a room full of neighbors to welcome her. Plan to bring your questions.

Secondly, the Year 2000 directory will be out in February. The bulk of the effort was done by John Shaedel. He deserves a great amount of thanks. The following people were also a great help with the directory:

Steve Hawthorne Clera Hall

Valerie Davis

Sid Sward

Jim Willenbrink

Peggy Caverly

Belinda Nash

Gerry Richter

and many others. Thanks to you all!

Don Sanders

ATTENTION TOWN HOME RESIDENTS AND LANDLORDS:

Connie Lue has once again acted in the interest of the town home residents and has located a contractor who may be able to pave the individual parking areas. A flyer is included in this newsletter for all town home residents and we ask that renters please bring this subject to the attention of their landlords.

"CIVIC-MINDED MAN LEADS WAY FOR BAYSIDE HISTORY TRAIL."

That's what the <u>Virginian Pilot</u> reported on our own Steve Hawthorne. Steve came up with the idea of an historic trail while biking with daughter, Heather. He and Carolyn Caywood, also from our very own neighborhood, started thinking of promotions and they found 15 other folks to help. The Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation has been honored by the Learning Resources Network for excellence in the Community Service division for its development of the history trail. The project was selected from a field of more than 100 nominations from four countries.

CONNIE'S COMMENTS.

Welcome!

Carl and Theresa James, along with their sons Matthew and Travis have moved into 809 Cathedral Drive. Carl is in the Navy-last active duty-and Theresa is a homemaker. They plan to stay in the area and are impressed with the neighborhood and the park. Again, welcome to the neighborhood!

Connie Lue

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOUND: 26" ladies bike found on St. Martin Drive New Year's Eve. Call **Daphne Sanders at 499-7987**.

READING COMPREHENSION, MATH &

PHONICS: Gr. 1-8. Right in neighborhood. Call Mrs. Watkins, 497-2130.

FOR SALE: Maple desk w/3 drawers & hutch-\$75; Genesis Sega Machine-\$35 w/tape; TV stand with rollers & drawer-\$5; and Sony st. tape player w/2 spkrs.-\$35; tape holder-\$3. Valerie Davis, 497-7208 (I also have a plastic sword from a costume at Halloween parade & party.)



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE IS
30 JANUARY 2000

DIRECTORY (cont.)

The advertisers have paid all costs for this directory so we as a community did not spend a cent. This was quite an undertaking. Thanks to all who so politely answered your door and made us feel welcome when we came collecting the information.

From all of us that walked the streets to all of you who answered the door—Thank you for making our time so pleasant.

John Shaedel (and most of the active members of your Civic League!)

YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL (cont.)

This year, we are beginning the process of gaining support earlier than we did last year. On January 5, I will attend an informational meeting with Dr. Jenney, our Superintendent. I will then have some idea of the requirements and the timeline for submitting our proposal for participation as a pilot yearround school. I will share those requirements and timeline, information about year-round schools with you at the February 17 Pembroke Meadows Civic League Meeting. The following information might clarify questions you have for now: In a year-round school, as proposed for next year, 2000-2001, at Seatack Elementary, and in one or more additional Virginia Beach schools in 2001-2001, students will attend school for 180 days as they do now. The calendar would begin in the summer with 9-week sessions throughout the year. The intersessions, of from 1 to 3 weeks, would be used for students who need remediation or would benefit from enrichment courses. It is my hope that we can become a year-round school in 2001, but I cannot do so without community and staff support.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 17th of February...

Nancy C. Rosenblatt, Ph.D. Principal, Pembroke Meadows Elementary School

PEMBROKE MEADOWS GARDEN CLUB GREENERY SALE AGAIN A

SUCCESS! Thank you for your support again this year. We had a very successful sale and will be able to continue to help beautify our lovely neighborhood. Hopefully, soon you will notice some new landscaping at the brick walls and added color to the park. Thanks again for your support.

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See you on Jan. 20 at school eafeterin! Start 2000 out with cinic league support!

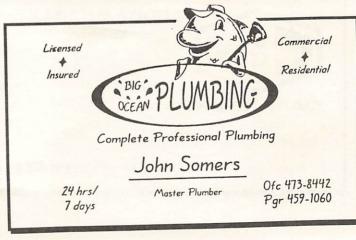
HOLIDAY SPIRIT EVIDENT IN THE MEADOWS, SHORES AND TOWN

HOMES! Our neighborhood was prettier this year than I can ever remember -- Everyone seemed to have the holiday spirit. Icicle lights and wreaths were abundant and the spirit seemed to be everywhere. It would have been impossible to make a judgment of the prettiest decorations—they were all outstanding. Your civic league decided to give out free passes to the Cinema Café (compliments of Cinema Café) for the homes that were exceptionally well lit. The plan was to pass out the notes and passes between Christmas and New Year, but not everyone had their lights on every night after Christmas—so if we missed you, please come to the Civic League Meeting on January 20 and get your tickets. All attendees get tickets at the meeting. See you there!

CONSTRUCTION OF HANDICAP

RAMPS TO RESUME. Last year many of the street corners in our neighborhood were reconstructed with handicap ramps. The town homes and southern Meadows' streets were completed before City budgetary limits suspended the program. The City now plans to complete construction of the ramps throughout our neighborhood (35 more ramps in the Meadows and Shores) commencing about 10 January and will hopefully be completed by mid February. For more information, call Jim Willenbrink at 497-0700 (before you call the City).









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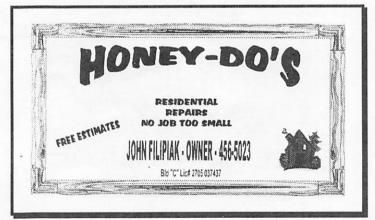
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