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CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

**Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,
and Pembroke Shores Townhomes**

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING/PROGRAM OCT 19 AT 7:30 PM Peak Performance Speaker--A doctor will explain/demonstrate what is holding you back! Come and learn and understand winning techniques that help eliminate fatigue, improve performance, and reduce risk of injury.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The nominating committee has proposed the following slate of officers for the Year 2001 term:

President	Peggy Caverly
1st VP	Clera Hall
2nd VP	vacant
Treasurer	Belinda Nash
Corr. Sec.	Loretta Watkins
Rec. Sec.	Betty Bloxom
Membership	Daphne Sanders

As you can see we are missing the 2nd VP. This person coordinates the activities of the Building and Grounds, Block Security, and Welcoming Committees. Anyone who has an interest in this position please contact Crystal Ruggles or Don Sanders.

Connie's Comments The Garden Club and Civic League are considering renewal of the entrance and medians on Pembroke Blvd. and re-lighting the gazebo and brick columns. A proposed new addition would be a lighted flagpole with flag. In 1976 in celebration of the Bicentennial, Congress passed a new regulation that flags could be flown at night if lighted. Many people want to fly the flag but are unable to take it down every night. One townhouse neighbor, upon hearing of the idea, offered a donation! Everything gets tired looking as time goes by, but we don't have to let it. This will keep the neighborhood fresh and show we care. The city along with the garden club is replacing the plantings around the median at no cost to us.

DUES--Don't forget your **civic league dues**. Dues are \$10.00 this year and the money goes for various projects--printing the newsletter, sending out flyers, hosting a Halloween celebration for the children, helping with the pool and community projects such as Ferry Plantation.

Pembroke Meadows Garden Club Oct 12 program - Floral design. Nov 9 program - Stamping techniques by Michaels Craft Store. For more information call 473-8258 or 497-0700.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE 600 BLOCK OF ABBEY DRIVE! A request was made in our September Newsletter for replacing some of the old/worn out decorations for our PARK PARTY following the Halloween Walk. The residents really got involved! A collection was requested and people cheerfully gave. **NEW PERMANENT DECORATIONS** were purchased. We will be able to enjoy these decorations and their contribution to our day of fun and excitement for years to come. Just shows you how much these residents appreciate the community and how a little effort can achieve great rewards for all. Many thanks on behalf of the entire community. Perhaps their "Let's Do It" attitude will inspire other blocks to fulfill a need in our neighborhood.

J. Rich

The 10th annual Halloween walk is scheduled to begin at 3:00 PM at the corner of Whitechapel and Pembroke Blvd on Saturday, Oct 28. Rain date is Sunday, October 29 at 3:00 PM.

WHAT "CIVIC LEAGUE" MEANS TO ME...A neighbor's thoughts on the subject:

Remember when we were in school and the teacher would write a sentence on the blackboard (or green board) and tell us to finish the sentence in 25 words or less? Suppose "Pembroke Meadows Civic League" was the subject. Each year our Civic League sponsors the Halloween Walk. In case you haven't seen it or participated in it, it's a real **PARADE** with a real **BAND** and a real **WITCH** leading the way through the neighborhood. This event is sponsored by our Civic League and is manned by volunteers of the neighborhood. Four hundred bags of candy (donated this year by the neighbors on Abbey Drive) are distributed. What an exciting day for the children and their parents—and also fun for the spectators! The Civic League also sponsors the annual Christmas Party in conjunction with the Pembroke Meadows Elementary School. The children make tree decorations, decorate the tree and can even shop for their parents' presents! Do you enjoy the serenity of our neighborhood park and the excellent playground equipment? Our Civic League helped plan the layout and selected the new equipment that was paid for by the City. The Joseph Richter Memorial Fund also contributed to the equipment. Several years ago the dam that provides the beautiful bridge across the lake would have been destroyed had it not been for our Civic League. And not too long ago, the path was again in danger when a contractor mistakenly thought it was part of his land. Our Civic League worked with the City of Virginia Beach to keep the path open and get the beautification project in place. Our Civic League participates in Clean the Bay Days and works year round to keep our lakes and waterways clean and free of pollutants. Have you seen or heard of the "Shad Ladder" that our Civic League built to save the fish? Our Civic League works closely with the Pembroke Meadows Garden Club to maintain the entrance to our lovely neighborhood. The brick walls were recently power washed by a neighbor and other neighbors painted the gazebo. The garden club maintains the beautiful shrubs and is in the process of getting new plantings at the brick

wall and the medians. Neighbors volunteer for a two-week period to keep the median free of litter. If more neighbors signed up, we could make it one week or less! The possibility of restoring the lanterns on top of the brick wall and a lighted flagpole on the median was discussed at the September meeting and a committee was appointed to research the feasibility. Our Civic League puts in many hours of volunteer work to provide the Neighborhood Directory. Ours is one of the few neighborhoods with a newsletter published nine times a year to provide vital information which affects the quality of our lives. We have a Pet Lost and Found Registry that has helped to return over a thousand lost pets to their owners. Our Civic League donates to many organizations such as the Boy Scouts (we sponsor Cub Scout Pack 475), Ferry Plantation House and the Senior Class of Princess Ann High School. A Civic League president originated the Bayside Historic Trail, which received a national award. Our Civic League instigated the installation of wheelchair ramps on our sidewalks and motivated the city to put in crosswalks in front of our elementary school. Our Civic League sponsors the Neighborhood Watch Program, a successful tool in the prevention of neighborhood crime. Our Civic League helps support the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center by getting involved in Spring Fling and other activities of the center. Our Civic League participates in the Virginia Beach City Neighborhood Preservation. Our Civic League is devoted to keeping our neighborhood a safe, pleasant place to live. One of the results of our Civic League efforts is higher property values—and that means money in our pockets. Our Civic League is made up of NEIGHBORS—YOU AND ME. Don't think of it as THEY—consider it WE and become a part of the group that is working for the benefit of the neighborhood. Our Civic League meeting is Thursday, October 19, in the school cafeteria. Don't sit back and say, "Why don't THEY?" Please attend and say, "Why don't WE."

Clera Hall

Condolences - We are sorry to announce the death of a long-time resident, Mr. Eugene Krebs of Cavendish Drive. Our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS! Tim and Chris Stacey and their son, Taz, recently moved in at 617 Abbey Drive and Diane Ostby and young Nicole Ostby at 4512 St. John Court.

CLASSIFIED AD

The Daybreak Singers, a group of active and retired military wives who have been entertaining military and civilian communities in Hampton Roads since the 1970s, needs fresh voices! Do you harmonize in the elevator? Are you "on" the radio in your car? Do you sing in the shower and drown out your stereo? Call Helen Vasta at 499-6774 for more information.

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Everyone will meet at the decorated park for refreshments that are being donated by the residents.

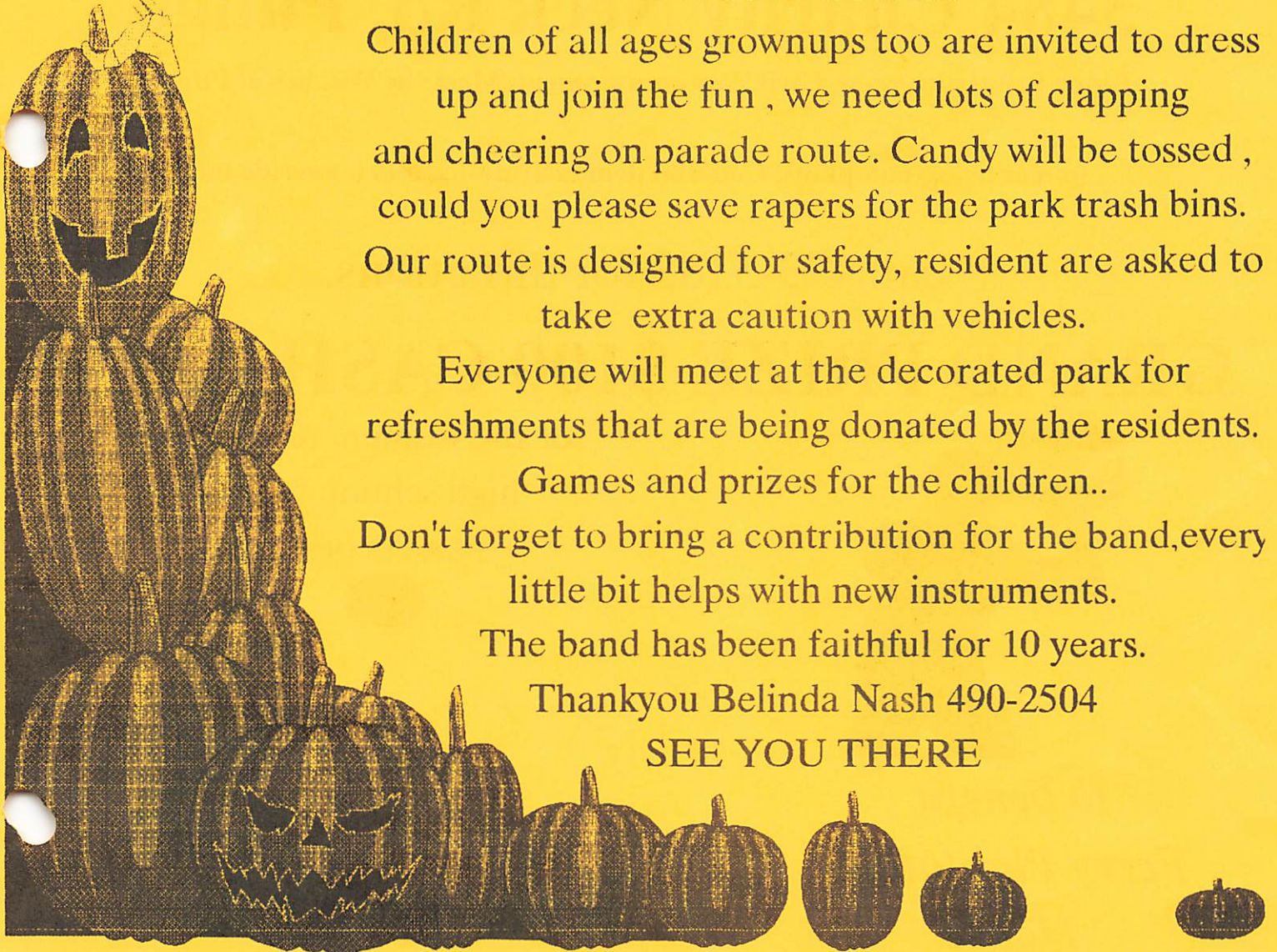
Games and prizes for the children..

Don't forget to bring a contribution for the band, every little bit helps with new instruments.

The band has been faithful for 10 years.

Thankyou Belinda Nash 490-2504

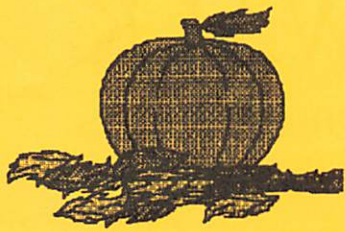
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