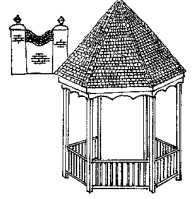


# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,  
And Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER April 2007



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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Apr 19th Civic  
League Meeting

Apr 21st Spring Fling

Apr 21st Grace Sher-  
wood Unveiling

May 17th Civic  
League Meeting

## Annual Spring Fling

Even though we saw snowflakes at Easter, it really is Spring! This year's Annual event takes place on **Saturday, April 21st at 8:00am**. That morning we will meet at the neighborhood park and help with cleaning and sprucing up the park area, dam path, median and pool grounds. Bob Barry is handling the assignments this year. Yard tools are needed to make the job easier. Bring your wheelbarrows, rakes, hand pruners, tree pruners, clear trash bags, weedwackers and blowers. There is something for every age to help with. Jim Price will be chef extraordinaire for our lunch that day for all our wonderful volunteers!

## Grace Sherwood Statue Unveiling

The statue of Grace Sherwood, Virginia's only convicted witch tried by water, will be unveiled on **Saturday, April 21st at 10am** on the lawn of Bayside Hospital, 800 Independence Blvd. The statue will be placed near the corner of Independence Blvd. and North Witchduck Rd. She will be within two tenths of a mile of the old Second Princess Anne Courthouse of 1706, the court that tried Grace many times. She stands one mile West of her ducking point in Witchduck Bay.

Grace lays claim to Witchduck Road, Witchduck Point, Sherwood Lane, and many of our local streets and sites. After 300 years, to the hour of 10am, Grace Sherwood was exonerated by Governor Timothy Kaine. A plaque of Governor Kaine's exoneration will be placed at the base of the statue. Another plaque will tell of Grace's trials and tribulations from the late 1600's through 1706.

A final plaque will display our donors which will include \$10,000 Platinum level, \$5,000 Gold level, \$3,000 Silver level, and \$1,000 Bronze level. Donations of any size are appreciated and are tax deductible. Please send a check to Ferry Plantation House, 4136 Cheswick Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23455. Include "Grace Sherwood Plaque" in the memo section of your check.

We are pleased to be unveiling the long awaited statue of Grace Sherwood. Celebrate our rich culture, attend Virginia Beach's first landing celebrations, enjoy historic sites and support the festivals and arts in your community. For more information please visit [www.ferryplantation.org](http://www.ferryplantation.org), or call 473-5182.

## APRIL CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING:

Attorney David M. Batianns will be speaking to us about wills, estate planning and elder law. For more information see page 3 of this newsletter...

**Thursday, April 19th, 2007, @ 7:00 PM**

**Pembroke Meadows Elementary School Cafeteria**

# *Pool News*

The Pool is getting ready to open Memorial Day weekend. We welcome all who want to help get the neighborhood ready for summer at this month's Spring Fling. We anticipate another great summer at the pool. Given the lack of rain so far, I imagine it will be a HOT summer with lots of sunshine, so now is the time to send in your membership application. If received before April 30, you can take advantage of our early bird discount. You don't have to live in our neighborhood to be a member, so spread the word.

Our activities committee have been busy scheduling fun times for everyone. We are trying to get someone to commit to running water aerobics this year. Under 8 activities were a hit last year and will be again this summer. Float days had tons of kids on rafts trying to be king of the "hill/raft". Family events are a given.

The T-Mobile tower is still in the approval stages, so we don't anticipate funds coming in from the lease until after this season at the pool. It seems fundraisers will still be the best way to supplement the pool coffers for renovations. We are making some improvements in the filtration units in the pump room. We hope to have this completed shortly so that the water for the pool can start being filtered in preparation for opening day. I truly enjoyed the crystal clear water last summer and look forward to it again this year. Remember, Memorial Day is open to all. Bring your friends and celebrate. If you are returning or wanting to sign up for the swim team, Sign-up is April 21 at the pool. Information on meets, suit measurement days, and practices will be available that day from 10-12am.

We are adding some footage to our lounging area at the pool. We will have space for Tetherball and other sports in the area behind the lifeguard chair. Hopefully this will allow for more members to enjoy the sun and fun. See you at the pool!

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## **YOUR ANNUAL CIVIC LEAGUE DUES FOR 2007**

### **ARE CURRENTLY DUE**

**The total annual amount due for your household is: \$ 10.00**

**We depend on EVERY RESIDENT to pay their dues promptly.** Send to: Pembroke Meadows Civic League, PO Box 68052, Virginia Beach, VA 23471 .

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## UPCOMING CIVIC LEAGUE MEETINGS– Wills, Trusts, Assessments & Taxes!

- The **April 19th Civic League meeting** will feature *David M. Bastiaans, Attorney* from the law firm of Wolcott, Rivers & Gates here in Virginia Beach. Mr. Bastiaans will speak on the subjects of **WILLS, TRUSTS and ELDER LAW**. There are ways to protect your family, your loved ones and your assets from unnecessary taxation and the unforeseen consequences of failure to plan. You may have questions regarding establishing or changing a will, the reasons to consider setting up a trust, privacy issues concerning your estate or questions about qualifications for long term care assistance or long term care insurance or the tax implications surrounding these subjects. Get answers to your questions... you won't want to miss the presentation and discussion surrounding these and other topics of interest.
- At Our **May 17th Civic League meeting**, *City Councilman and Virginia Beach Vice-Mayor, Louis R. Jones, and City Assessor, Jerry Bannigan* will be our guests to discuss and help us understand the increases in the recent Real Estate Assessments/Appraisals and the plans that City Council members are considering to help alleviate the potential tax burden placed on city residents... plus other subjects of interest to our community. You won't want to miss this discussion of intense interest! Mark your calendar!

## Your Favorite Magazines Can Help Support the Pool!

Here's a great new fundraiser for the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center. Just go to **[www.magfundraising.com](http://www.magfundraising.com)**, then click on "Find your group", type in Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center and begin your online purchasing. There are over 650 popular magazine titles at up to 85% off newsstand prices! Our Recreation Center keeps 40% of the profits and checks will be mailed to PMRC on a monthly basis, based on our sales. This is a secure online program, and all names and emails will be kept confidential and NOT used for any purpose other than this campaign. Renewals are also possible for your existing subscriptions. If you have any questions please call Cindy Cooper at 473-0850. Thanks for your continued support, and happy reading!!!

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## Summer Swim Lessons Dates Change:

Swim Lessons for this summer at the PMRC will be **July 10th-13th and July 17th-20th**. The price is \$50 per child for members, \$60 per child for non-members. If you'd like to have private lessons, please speak with Kris Jackson at the pool once it opens at Memorial Day so she can make arrangements.

### SUMMER CAMP AT FERRY-

#### Children grades 1-6

Living in History Camp will be offered again this year in June and August. Check out the web site for pictures of previous camps. Limited space. Sign up today.

Call **Gerry Richter 497-5243** or **Belinda Nash 490-2504** for registration forms and information.

What a great value! Advertise in our newsletter, and reach over 700 homes and businesses every month!

For further information, contact Roger and Kim Vaughan at 499-6945 or [rogertvaughan@cox.net](mailto:rogertvaughan@cox.net).

## HAS YOUR HOME APPRECIATED IN VALUE?

New appraisals went out in March. How did your home measure up? Let's take a moment and go back in time. Back to when our homes were first built by the Terry Corporation in 1967/68...

The original prices ranged from **\$17,900--\$23,000 including the land.**

Your house came complete with carpet in dining room & living room only. All other floors were tiled. Wallpaper of your choice was included in foyer, kitchen and baths.

Family rooms were paneled in wood grain masonite.

*Of course there were additional options offered.*

Whole house air conditioning--**\$1,050 --\$1,450** depending on the model you chose.

A fireplace was going to add another **\$600-\$700** depending on the model.

Want a 10x24 ft concrete patio **and** patio door? It would cost **\$300.**

Storm windows and doors installed ran **\$260. --\$400** depending on the model

Want solid **oak strip floors** on second floor – add **\$325-\$425**

A fully finished second floor on the Fairfax model (A frame) complete with full bath, closets, 2 bedrooms, and all electrical/heating/air conditioning would run you **\$1,900**

Want another family room instead of the garage? Add another **\$500.** This price included insulation, paneled walls, electric (1 outlet) on all walls, heating, air conditioning, windows and tile floor.

Want waterfront property? It would cost an additional **\$2,000** per lot.

**Typical monthly house payment including mortgage, taxes, fire and homeowners insurance, FHA insurance where applicable ran less than \$200. per month.**

**(Taxes took up \$24. per month –or about \$288. per year.)**

Since this was the first “**Totally Electric**” development our average electric bill which included heating, air conditioning, appliances and lights ran approximately **\$25.00** per month. Wow, what a difference!

<b>The Bike Shop</b>	<p align="center"><b>Pembroke Meadows Shopping Center ~ 1976</b></p> <p><i>The late, beloved Valerie Davis and I loved to reminisce about the Pembroke Meadows Shopping Center of the “old days” (1976) and had planned to write an article for our newsletter. With help from some of the Civic League Ladies at our luncheon, Janet (of J.J.’s, now Janet’s), Colony Beach Florist, and my children, here’s how it was (we think)!</i></p> <p align="center">...Margie Brotman</p>	
<b>Rudy and Kelly Hairstylist</b>		
<b>The Creamery</b>		
<b>Sound World, Ltd.</b>		
<b>Courtesy Hardware</b>		
<b>Revco Drug Store</b>		
<b>Optical Shop</b>		
<b>Pet Luv</b>		
<b>The BeeHive</b>		
<b>J.J.’s</b>		
<b>Kitchen Barn</b>		
<b>Colony Beach Florist</b>		
<b>SafeWay</b>	<b>Mrs. Warner’s</b>	<b>Pembroke</b>
<b>Witchduck Inn</b>	<b>Ballet Studio</b>	<b>Vet Clinic</b>



## Boy Scout Troop 375 – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!

During the past 50+ years, many young men from our neighborhood were active Scouts in Boy Scout Troop 375 at Old Donation Episcopal Church. The Troop is currently planning a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Court of Honor and would like to invite all current and former Scouts, Troop leaders, committee members and their families to attend.

This special event will be held on **Sunday, June 3, 2007** from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Cypress Point Country Club. Adult tickets will cost \$20.00/ticket with children under 12 ticket prices set at \$10.00/ticket.

To reserve your ticket, learn more details or share the contact information of a former Scout or leader for the troop, please contact:

A.J. Vasta (current Scoutmaster) at 635-0511 Or  
Sheryl Bliley (event chairperson) at 497-0161

*Thank you! ....Donna Price*

### Kindergarten Registration- April 24th!

Will your child be FIVE YEARS OLD on or before September 30, 2007? If so, plan on attending Virginia Beach City Public Schools Kindergarten Open House and Registration...

**Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 9:00 am  
Pembroke Meadows Elementary School**

For more detailed information about the kindergarten program, please visit the website:

**[www.vbschools.com](http://www.vbschools.com)**

Or call Pembroke Meadows Elementary School administrative offices at 473-5020.

### Cinema Café Art House- New Twist on an Old Favorite

John Walker has reopened his Cinema Café (which first opened in Pembroke Meadows in 1986) as the Cinema Café Art House. The theater will feature independent movies, foreign films, documentaries and children's films. They will also host Open Film Night, where the audience will show their approval or dislike for short films and DVD's, with a prize awarded for the audience's favorite.

The theater will still be serving a full menu of items, with added menu specialties and an espresso bar. The new forum will definitely expand our local cultural and artistic offerings.

*As featured in the Virginian Pilot "Beacon", by Irene Bowers, Correspondent.*

### Teens willing to work for \$\$- Support our youth -hire a teen for those odd jobs!

- **Katie Sarazine** (14 years old) I am willing to do yard work and any other odd job for my neighbors. I work very hard and do not lolly gag.. My phone is 671-7484
- Jeremy Hamilton** (13 years old), willing to do babysitting (ages 4 to 11), yard work, vacuuming/dusting and is open to suggestion regarding other work needed. 497-0395 Thank you.
- Stephanie White** (16 years old) available for yard work and babysitting (taken babysitting course including infant and child CPR), can watch children at her family home if necessary due to allergy to cats. Contact her at her home phone : 363-2168

**Submission to: Kim Vaughan 499-6945 / [kgvaughan@cox.net](mailto:kgvaughan@cox.net)** \* Parent's permission required, home addresses not listed for security reasons.

**Committees**

<i>Bldg/Grounds</i>	<i>Travis Little (temp.)</i>	<i>671-7885</i>
<i>Entrance/Median</i>	<i>Jim Price</i>	<i>499-5115</i>
<i>Electrical</i>	<i>George Watkins</i>	<i>497-2130</i>
<i>Flag</i>	<i>Joe Lang</i>	<i>497-2897</i>
<i>Neighborhood Maint.</i>	<i>Robert Westmont</i>	<i>473-1024</i>
<b>Block Security</b>		
<i>Meadows</i>	<i>Stephanie Neihart</i>	<i>456-5795</i>
<i>Shores</i>	<i>Bob/Marge Brotman</i>	<i>497-0565</i>
<i>Townhomes</i>	<i>Barbara Willenbrink</i>	<i>554-0092</i>
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<i>Directory Chairman</i>	<i>Robert Westmont</i>	<i>473-1024</i>
<b>Lakes/Waterways Chair: Jim Willenbrink</b>		
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<i>Lake Meadows</i>	<i>Charlie Russ</i>	<i>497-5298</i>
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<i>Meadows</i>	<i>Donna Price</i>	<i>499-5115</i>
<i>Shores</i>	<i>Lisa Dutko</i>	<i>473-1112</i>
<i>Townhomes</i>	<i>Liz Hayes</i>	<i>472-0283</i>
<b>Pet Lost and Found/Pet Registry</b>		
<i>Shores</i>	<i>Belinda Nash</i>	<i>490-2504</i>
<i>Meadows</i>	<i>Jim Willenbrink</i>	<i>497-0700</i>
<i>Pool Phone</i>		<i>963-2239</i>

*If you are interested in the Welcoming Committee Chairperson position, please call Don Sanders at 499-7987.*

**For corrections or submissions to this newsletter, contact the editors via email at [rogertvaughan@cox.net](mailto:rogertvaughan@cox.net), or call 499-6945.**

**Officers, Civic League**

<i>President</i>	<i>Don Sanders</i>	<i>499-7987</i>
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<i>Second VP</i>	<i>Travis Little</i>	<i>671-7885</i>
<i>Corres. Sec.</i>	<i>Danielle Kressig</i>	<i>965-2386</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Jim Hall</i>	<i>473-8258</i>
<i>Membership Chair</i>	<i>John Sheadel</i>	<i>499-0678</i>
<i>Recording Sec.</i>	<i>Terri/Bill Hawley</i>	<i>473-1936</i>
<i>Pool Director</i>	<i>Kris Jackson</i>	<i>486-3696</i>

**Cell Tower Plans Move Forward**

The T-Mobile cell tower proposal was approved at the Virginia Beach Planning Commission meeting on March 14, 2007. The next step will be approval by the Virginia Beach City Council at 6 PM on April 24, 2007. I hope this approval process will continue to go smoothly.

*Best Regards*  
*Don Sanders, PMCL President*

**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!

<b>Pembroke Meadows &amp; Shores Civic League Median Strip Clean-up</b>	
<b>DATE 2007</b>	<b>VOLUNTEER</b>
Thanks to:	Sid Sward
April 16-30	Jeanne Blair
May 1- 15	Kim, Savannah & Casey Vaughan
May 16-31	Dale & Carl Price
June 1-15	Travis Little
June 16-30	Open- please call!

Please consider helping out with the Median Cleanup. Even if you can only get out there once or twice each week, that little extra effort can go a long way. If you work together with a friend or family member to do it together, you can cover the area quickly, and the fresh air is so good for you! Just watch out- you might get a few horns honking from thankful neighbors!

*Please Remember...*  
*The speed limit in our neighborhood, including on Pembroke Blvd., is*  
**25 mph!**  
*Speeding doesn't cut that much time off your drive, but it may cut a lot of time off of someone's LIFE!*

**Our Wishes...**  
 Our thoughts and hopes are with our neighbors, Kathleen Brickley and Dan Santivasci. From your friends in Pembroke Meadows...