

CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,
and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



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- * Civic League Meeting, Nov 20th 7 pm

FREE 2009 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP TO THE POOL? TELL ME HOW!!

Neighbors:

Our civic league voted in September 2008 to purchase ONE 2009 family membership to our neighborhood Recreation Center (pool). There are two requirements necessary to receive one chance per civic league meeting between now and April, 2009.

First, you must be a paid civic league member in good standing. Second, you must attend the monthly civic league meeting.

Two entries permitted per paid household per meeting; however, one must be an adult of the household and attend the civic league meeting. Membership is transferable if the winner does not desire the membership. Restriction for transferring membership is that the membership may only be transferred to a civic league member family in good standing (dues paid and current).

Questions? Please feel free to contact me at donnaprice@cox.net.

Thank you,
Donna

Civic League Meeting Tentative Programs

As your newly appointed program director for civic league meetings, I worked with members present at tonight's meeting to set a tentative program plan for the upcoming months.

- November, 2008 Meeting will be held at the Ferry Plantation House
- December, 2008 No meeting
- January, 2009 (Unconfirmed) Virginia Beach Police Department representative
Proposed Topic: PhotoSafe Program (red light enforcement)
- February, 2009 Neighborhood Pot Luck Dinner
- March, 2009 (Unconfirmed) A master gardener to help us plan and prepare for spring yards and planting
- April, 2009 (Unconfirmed) VB Consumer Protection Agency speaker
- May, 2009 Open at this time

Please do not hesitate to let me know topics that interest you and your family so that we may plan these meetings. Honestly, I was so heartened in September at the turnout only to note so few in attendance tonight.

Please contact me at donnaprice@cox.net with your thoughts and ideas on possible civic league meeting programs.

Thank you,
Donna



18th Halloween Walk History

Was this a sign of change for the Halloween Walk? I have noticed over the years since 1995 the changes that have taken place. Every year when Henry Dean came out to lead the parade he would always comment on the weather, another sunny day for our community. We had such great spirit and the numbers grew. After the sixth year, we gathered at the Medical Buildings on Whitechapel and if all the neighbors on the parade route would refrain from driving on the streets until the goblins and princesses passed their home also the street intersections had to be blocked then we would not need a permit and could march down the street instead of the sidewalk. All of the homes had a flyer delivered requesting their help. It has worked out very well, the numbers grew, some years we had as many as 52 in the band and 500 from our community marching to the park; a good show of neighborhood spirit.

After Gerry Richter came on board to help, she would provide the face painting and tattoos and get Rose and Womble Realty to sponsor the MOON WALK and provide candy for the hundreds of children. This became very expensive for the realty company and had to stop. It was enjoyed while it lasted. Chanello's Pizza provided free pizza for the band for ten years. Cal'z Pizza delivered the pizza to the pool this year at a huge discount. The Food Lion has always given the drinks for the band, parents provide the apple juice and cookies, Ferry Plantation provided prizes for the games, peanuts and popcorn. The Pool gave the huge bag of candy so that children and band members got extra treats. Each year I have gone around with a jar and collected money at the park this goes to the band, it may buy a drum stick or two or some sheet music, we could never collect enough for a new instrument, but we tried. We will always remember the music they provided each year. Our Civic League pays for decorations and supplies that are needed. This year our donation to The Independence Middle School Eagles Band was \$200.00

collected at the park and the Our Civic League will give a \$50.00 check.

Thank you so much to every one for the years of fun that we have had together, we have all worked so hard to keep the Halloween Walk alive for 18 years. I hope we have some one that will step up in my place and carry it on.

- Belinda Nash 490-2504

<i>Pembroke Meadows Civic League Median Strip Cleanup</i>	
<i>Nov 1 - 14</i>	<i>The Hall's</i>
<i>Nov 15 - 30</i>	<i>The Moore's</i>
<i>Dec 1 - 15</i>	<i>The Hawley's</i>
<i>Dec 15 - 30</i>	<i>Open</i>
<i>Jan 1 - 14</i>	<i>Open</i>

Neighborhood Watch E-mail Alerts

Our Civic League operates an e-mail alert system to notify the community of items of interest within the neighborhood. Notices of instances of crime and vandalism, lost and found animals, and significant events within the community are sent to families who sign up for these alerts.

This list is maintained by Jim and Clera Hall and all messages are sent to James Hall with blind copies to the individuals on the list. This protects your e-mail address from indiscriminate dissemination. If you have not been receiving these alerts and would like to be added to the list please send an e-mail to Jim.hal@cox.net requesting addition to the list.

Neighborhood Directory

The civic league website, www.pembrokemeadows.org, has a directory of all addresses and names for many of your neighbors. If you would like to add, delete or make changes to your entry, send an email to Robert Westmont, odcwa@ncdesigns.net or call him at 473-1024. We need your input to keep the information up to date. There's a form on the website to quickly update and email your information.

Currently, there is no printed version of the neighborhood directory. We need volunteers to find advertisers, double-check the entries and prepare the copy for printing. If you would like to help create the printed directory, call Terri Hawley at 473-1936 or email maryterri123@verizon.net.

PEMBROKE MEADOWS MARLINS SWIM TEAM

The 2008 swim season was again a huge success for our pool's swim team! The Marlins were assigned to the Dolphin Division of the Virginia Beach Swim League. The team's regular season record was 4 wins and 1 loss. Our Marlins swam to a 2nd place finish overall in the Divisional Meet coming a close second to the team from the Little Neck Swim & Racquet Club.

Our overall athlete numbers stayed relatively stable with only a slight increase, if any, over the 2007 member numbers. The team was also very lucky to have returning coaches **Paul Brown, Cliff Cutchins, and Emily Quinn** with two new coaches in **Evan Wrenn and Austin Baraki**. The team representative leadership was again Tara Orem Hoover along with Tricia and Brian Rogerson. Jane Orem served as the team's treasurer and league meeting attendee.

The Tommy Horvatic team spirit award, voted on by fellow team members only, was presented at the season ending party to **Jake Fenter**. Jake graduated from Bayside High School this year and has been an active member of the Marlins team for approximately 10 years. Jake volunteered his time with many of the younger swimmers and helped the coaches run practices. (Jake's mother, Leslie, is the team's beloved "Clerk of Course", also known as the team "Zookeeper" as she keeps the athletes moving and in place for the events.)

If I have counted correctly, Mr. Horvatic changed **21** team records on the Tommy Horvatic team record board. These new records include **4** new league records!

We also had long term swimmers go "over the hill" including **Brian Wilson, David Moore, Matthew Vaughan, Kaitlin Haddock, Rachel Cross, Daniel Gordon, Sabel Harris, Danielle Ballard, Meghan Hussey and Dale Price**. Of those listed, Brian Wilson, David Moore, Daniel Gordon and Dale Price are residents of our neighborhood. Please allow me to thank you to each of you – our neighbors. We know our Saturday meets begin early and disrupt traffic and parking. We appreciate your patience and support for the swimmers, the pool and the team.

Lastly, I appreciate your patience and willingness to read these missives for the past several years. Jim's and my youngest son, Dale, went over the hill and we will be actively looking for another Marlin neighborhood parent to take on correspondent duties. In addition to the joining the pool, we encourage each neighborhood parent with a swimmer to join the team. Jim, Carl, Dale and I are so grateful to Rita and Tom Horvatic for not only encouraging us to move into this neighborhood but for convincing us to join the pool and the swim team. Our sons, and their parents, have met and made some of our best friends at the PMRC and during swim team times.

Donna

Free Mammograms

There has been so much focus and energy on cancer cures that one more item would not be remiss. The following link will get you to an internet site that offers free mammograms. This is important for women obviously, but also to men. Please take a moment and check into the site.

www.thebreastcancersite.com, click on the link to give free mammograms to people who can't afford it. It takes about 10 seconds.