# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores, and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

**CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER** 



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	LEAGUE	JANUARY 21, 2010 MEETING – 7:00 P.M.
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	7:00 pm	Please join your neighbors at our monthly civic league meeting. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at the Pembroke Meadows Elementary School. We now meet in the school's multi-purpose room. Those of us who attend the meetings prefer the adult sized seating and tables! Coffee and light
	January 2010	refreshments are served at the end of our meetings allowing those who need to leave to do so and the rest of us an opportunity to socialize a few more minutes!
	Inside:	
	Ladies Lunch	I WAINTED I
	Group	
	Appreciation &	
	Condolences	YOUR CIVIC LEAGUE NEEDS YOU!
	Property	
	Sales/Values	Two of the civic league board positions are available immediately. Your civic league board needs both
	Pool News	a recording secretary (two meetings a month) and a league treasurer. Won't you please considering volunteering? Please contact Mike Moore, civic league president, at 557-0328 or <u>formoores@verizon.net</u> to discuss. We'd love to have YOU join in our fun
	Community	
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	<b>President's</b>	
	Ponderings	
LADIES LUNCH		LADIES LUNCH GROUP
	Movies?	
	Pet Lost &	Hi Ladiesand we will hopefully be off to a pleasant start for 2010. The following is the schedule for the first three months of the year.
	Found Update	January 28, 2010 (Thursday) Coastal Catering, 4216 Virginia Beach Blvd. This restaurant is in the Willis Wayside Complex. <i>Please call to let me know if you plan to attend, I need to provide the restaurant a confirmed number of reservations.</i>
	Tuesdays @ 2	
	Points of	February 24, 2010 (Wednesday) Bubba's on Shore Drive, near the Lesner Bridge.
	Contact	March 25, 2010 (Thursday) Surf Rider at Diamond Springs Rd and Wesleyan Dr. in the Cypress Pt Shopping Center

If you have any questions, or if you should need a ride, please call me------Jeanette 497-0700

www.pembrokemeadows.org.

### **Newsletter Ad Rates**

\$ 30 One time – Business Card
\$135 One year (9 issues) – Business Card
\$100 Insert (Advertiser provides the insert)
\$ 60 One time – ¼ Page

### TUESDAYS @ 2

The Bayside Library Tuesdays at 2 series continues with the following upcoming events:

Jan 19: His Story & My Story. Examine your life's stories to understand their meaning.

Jan 26: Sustainable Seafood. Be good stewards of the environment by making the right choices when purchasing seafood.

<u>Feb 2: Using Handwriting Analysis in Criminal Cases</u>. Learn how handwriting is used in the courts.

<u>Feb 9: What Your Handwriting Says About You</u>. A graphologist analyzes writing samples to draw some interesting conclusions.

Feb 16: Internet Buying. Tips for using eBay and Craigslist to find bargains.

Feb 23: Your Heart's Desire. Meet George Washington

and make a colonial Virginia valentine.



### **Appreciation**

Your civic league board and neighbors would like to take this time to extend our thanks to the Garden Club ladies and their husbands for decorating our gazebo and entryway for the Christmas holidays.

### CONDOLENCES

The Civic League Board also offers condolences for our neighbors Cheryl Beazley Wolfred and her son on Drury Circle for the recent passing of Cheryl's mother.



Many women in our own neighborhood have battled breast cancer, are currently in treatment, facing treatment, or have won the long fight against this dreaded disease. There has been discussion regarding starting a support group among those interested in helping others as they travel along the road to recovery, offering support, sharing experiences, offering helpful tips as women go through the various stages toward being cancer free. If you are interested in participating, please contact **Michelle Browning at 497-1684.** 



### PET LOST & FOUND

Please register your pets in our neighborhood's FREE Pet Lost/Found Registry. Forms and details may be found at <u>www.pembrokemeadows.org</u>

#### LOST & FOUND PET REPORT

#### Lost Pet Program

Please complete a Lost Pet Form and submit it. The forms are on the web site at www.pembrokemeadows.org

With our winter having arrived with extremely cold temperatures, I hate to see and hear of our beloved pets out in the cold, shivering and scared. This is a <u>free</u> **program** for our community.

During November 3 cats, 7 dogs and 1 rabbit were reunited with their families.

In December report, the Pet Lost & Found registry tracked 8 dogs missing with 7 returned, 2 cats missing with 1 returned and 3 animals hit on Independence Blvd. (2 cats, 1 dog).

--Gerry Richter

### **Median Cleanup**

January 16 – 31	Jim & Donna Price
February 1 – 15	Your name here?

### **PROPERTY VALUES**

(Although retired from an active role in the real estate world, I try to "stay on top of" our neighborhood property sales transactions.)

Here is an update of the real estate picture since Bob Schultz, my former real estate partner and advertiser in this newsletter, and I reviewed market activity in Pembroke Meadows and Shores in November.

Currently two end unit town homes are being marketed at \$192,900 and 209,900. The sellers of a 4-bedroom/ 2+ ½ bath/1956 square foot home are asking \$299,000.

A 2488 square foot, 5 bedroom/3 bath home currently tax assessed at \$303,800 listed at \$242,300 sold for only \$172,500! It was marketed as a "short sale" and requiring a lot of work. The transaction was mentioned as "pending" in the November newsletter. Additionally, a 5 bedroom/2/5 bath/2615 square foot home sold for \$312,500.

--Jake Froehlich



### **MOVIES?**

I do love a good movie, and even a good documentary. I thought the other oldies in the neighborhood might like some ideas for good DVD's to cozy up with on these cold days. Of course I cannot promise that the local video outlets will have them. I get my DVD's from Netflix.

Series: Berkeley Square, Bramwell, and Dr. Finlay.

Movies: Small Time Crooks, Whatever Works, Waking Ned Devine, and The Englishman Who Went Up a Hill and Came Down a Mountain.

Documentaries: The Capitol, The Statue of Liberty, America on the Air

Would others like to share their recommendations?

Loretta Watkins, Drury Circle

(Editor's Note: Thanks to Loretta's article, I got to thinking about some of my favorite "old" movies. I recently took time to watch Cary Grant in Father Goose, Hitchcock's Rear Window and a "new" favorite of Secondhand Lions with Michael Kaine and Robert Duval.) Worried about your health? Heart Disease? Cancer? Neuropathy? You can reverse disease & the aging process! And you will actually feel good again. Folks with cancer are now cancer free. This will change your life - Call Today!

> Carol Tietjen 227-9580 Enagic USA



**POOL NEWS** 

Our pool has been winterized! On these cold days, who can help but to long for those hot, lazy days of summer and the cool of our pool. Please remember that YOUR family can begin making payments on a 2010 membership now. Please follow this publication for additional details related to the upcoming season and some pre-season fundraisers.

### ATTEND A MEETING; WIN A SUMMER OF FUN!



Your Civic League Board, in an effort to encourage both civic league membership and pool membership, has agreed to purchase a 2010 family pool membership. Adult household members, with current paid civic league dues, may place an entry to win this membership at every civic league meeting they attend. You must attend the meeting to place your entry into the contest The winner will be selected at the April 2010 meeting. You do not need to be present to win.

The winning family may transfer their membership to another neighborhood member with paid civic league dues if desired.

### HOLIDAY HAY WAGON RIDE

December 12<sup>th</sup> was a cold day. It was just perfect for wrapping up and caroling. All those that participated the wagon ride had a great time enjoyed singing and waving along the route along followed up with refreshments at Ferry Plantation House, sitting on Kris Kringle's lap and keeping warm by the outdoor fire. The animals have really enjoyed the edible treats made by the children and adults. Hot dogs were roasted and served along with lots of laughter and holiday cheer.

(Editor's note: While attending an office function, I overheard our forensic dentist raving to others about the fun time she and her daughters had on this hayride. They live in Thoroughgood and "just happened to hear about the event". Thanks to all who volunteered to organize yet another successful Ferry House event!)

#### Question to the editor:

Ever wonder if the wannabe off-roader who has chewed up the berm on Pembroke Boulevard is the snuff dipper who discards his/her spittle filled water bottle & empty snuff cans in our neighborhood?

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#### PAY A LITTLE EACH MONTH GET A SUMMER OF COOL FUN

Did you know the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center (pool) will accept payments all through the offseason? A lay-away type plan is available. Please contact Jeanne Blair, <u>ibbbtbbb@verizon.net</u> for more information.

### **President's Ponderings**

Your civic league board in partnership with the Ferry Plantation House again hosted the November civic league meeting. As promised, wine and cheese were served. Vice-Mayor Louis Jones and Mrs. Jones attended and were recognized by those gathered. Jim Willenbrink, (senior), reminded the attendees of Vice-Mayor Jones' many years of support of our neighborhood and our concerns.

Those gathered were thrilled to welcome some "new" faces to our group – Vicki Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Byman, Angelo & Beverly Mele, Jeff Brown, Walter & Shirley Westhoff, Mr. & Mrs. McCarty, and Mrs. Rowley. We hope to see them, and YOU, each month.

If my raffle coordinator recalls correctly, the Mele Family won the wine basket for attending and Gerry Richter won a wine basket for inviting the Meles to attend.

All who attended, and who were current with their civic league dues, had their names entered for an opportunity to win the 2010 Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center membership.

Speaking of the pool, please watch this publication and our civic league website for upcoming fundraisers for the pool as well as announcements for our annual Spring Fling activities. We have always enjoyed tremendous neighborhood support for the pool and spring fling and look forward to seeing you all again in 2010!

I look forward to hearing from you about neighborhood issues and areas of concern. You may reach me at 557-0328 or <u>formoores@verizon.net</u>.

Happy New Year to All, Mike Moore

### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

 Jan 21- <u>Civic League Meeting</u> @ 7 p.m.
 Pembroke Meadows Elementary – Multi-purpose Room
 Feb 18 - Civic League Meeting @ <u>6:00 p.m.</u>
 Pembroke Meadows Elementary – CAFETERIA – Annual Pot Luck Meal – bring a food dish to share!

• March 18 – Civic League Meeting @ 7 p.m. Pembroke Meadows Elementary – Multi-purpose Room Clay Bernick – "Bayscaping" - gardening & landscaping

### **Economic Stimulus Projects**

Virginia Beach is working hard to create jobs and infrastructure with economic stimulus funds from the federal government. This will help boost the local economy during the current slump.

As of Jan. 12, Virginia Beach has been approved for more than \$95 million in stimulus funding for schools, roads, housing, police and other agencies. Here are some of the programs that have received funding:

#### **Constitutional Officers**

Restored state cuts to Sheriff's Office - \$4,802,111

#### Housing and Neighborhood Preservation

Emergency Shelter Grant - \$1,010,599 Community Development Grant - \$660,901

#### **Human Resources**

Summer Youth Employment Program - \$322,161

#### Human Services

IV-E ARRA Funds - \$202,964

#### Police JAG/Byrne Formula Funding - \$881,256

#### Roads

Witchduck Road, Phase 1 - \$10,640,000 Princess Anne Road, Phase IV - \$16,700,000 Great Neck Road ramps/Interstate 264 - \$10,640,000

#### Schools

Various programs - \$49,080,574

#### **Complete List**

See the complete list of Virginia Beach <u>Economic</u> <u>Stimulus Projects</u> – some funded, some with applications pending.

Contact Information: Media & Communications Group 2401 Courthouse Dr. Municipal Center, Bldg. 1 Virginia Beach, VA 23456 Main: (757) 385-4679

# FRAUD ALERT!

#### From the Virginia Beach Consumer Affairs Program

Eventually, more than 140,000 U.S. Census workers will gather information about every person living at each address in the United States. Information for the 2010 Census includes name, age, gender, race, and other relevant data. Most people in the Hampton Roads area will receive a Census form by U.S. Mail in March 2010. A few remote locations and harder to contact households will be contacted in person beginning in January 2010. It is important to know how to tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a con artist.

U.S. Census workers will have a badge (no photo), a notebook, a black Census Bureau canvas bag with white lettering, and a confidentiality notice.

- Ask to see their identification and their badge before answering their questions. If you ask, the worker should provide you with a phone number to call to verify their employment with the Census.
- Never invite anyone you don't know into your home no matter who they say they are!
- There are only 10 questions on the official Census form.
- The Census Bureau will not ask for any financial information, such as a salary range, and will NOT ask for Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers.
- Census workers will never ask for payment or contributions of any kind.
- Census workers may contact you at your home in person or by telephone only if you are in a hard to access situation or you did not return your mail-in form. They will NOT contact you by email.

## VIRGINIA BEACH CASE partnership

For assistance call the Virginia Beach Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney, Consumer Affairs Program at 385-6373 or Adult Protective Services at 437-3550

#### PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

Civic League Officers		
President	Mike Moore	557-0328
First VP	Brian Rabe	456-0864
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Memb. Chrman	John Sheadel	<b>499-06</b> 78
Recording Sec.	Teri Mikulka,	497-5856
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Webmaster	Clif Furedy	490-5796
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Bldg/Grounds	Michael J. White	
Entrance/Median	Jim Price	499-5115
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Flag	Joe Lang	497-2897
Neighborhood Maint.	Robert Westmont	473-1024
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Meadows	Stephanie Neihart	456-5795
Shores	Bob/Marge Brotman	497-0565
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