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CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER

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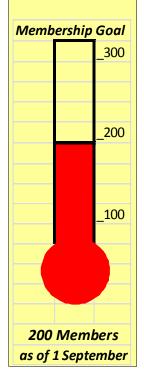
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Next Civic League Meeting
Pembroke Meadows Elementary School Multi-purpose Room
Thursday, October 16th - 7 pm

We look forward to seeing our old and new friends. Please join us for conversation, a little business, and refreshments.



HALLOWEEN WALK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our 24th Annual Halloween Walk - Saturday, October 25th at 3p.m.

We still need volunteers!! Folks willing to:

- Decorate the park prior to festivities
- Be corner / intersection safety monitors
- Walk in parade to provide spacing & safety
- Serve refreshments at the park

This is a great time to meet your neighbors, have fun and show off your costumes. Ages 0 -102+ welcome. Details Inside. Contact- Gerry Richter -497-5243

Mark Your Calendar...

Our November meeting is at the annual wine & cheese party. Thursday, Nov 20th at the beautiful Ferry Plantation House.











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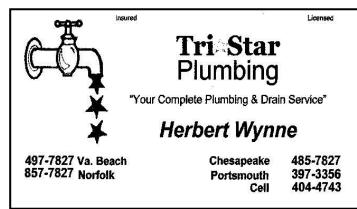
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Dear Neighbors:

Thank you to the neighbors and pool families that gathered at the Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center this past Sunday to place the cover on the pool for the winter. This, to me, is the final sign that summer has ended. With the return of fall weather, we all know the leaves will appear to rapidly disconnect from our trees filling our yards. As you rake and dispose of these leaves, please remember that our city prohibits us from raking leaves, yard debris, etc. into our neighborhood storm drains. These drains lead to our Lake Pembroke and Lake Meadows. Please let us all be ever mindful that we want these waterways filled with fish and wildlife not additional dirt and leaves.

Over the past few weeks, I have received emails from many of our neighbors asking for relief from unsightly issues throughout our streets. The single biggest complaint I have received is for the Civic League to enforce city policies related to trash and recycle cans. As I have explained, the Civic League has no enforcement powers. We have and will continue to request our neighbors to relocate their trash and recycle bins from street view after weekly collections have occurred. I have spoken with staff in the City Waste Management Division, 757-385-4650, regarding several matters related to your emailed complaints, i.e., overstuffed cans, debris fall from the cans and being left on the street. etc. Please see an additional article in this newsletter related to proper trash can etiquette.

Also, I have received an email from a neighbor who arrived home to find that the City Landscaping Service had trimmed several crepe myrtles on his property. Both the homeowner and I have communicated with the City. At the homeowner's request, I am informing/reminding you all that the City does possess a right of way on our properties. Please be ever vigilant and mindful to street and street sign views and if your landscaping in any way inhibits these views. The City of Virginia Beach reserves the right to prune, cut or take other necessary action to ensure pedestrian, vehicle and cyclist safety on our city owned and maintained streets.

As always, your Civic League Board will appreciate the opportunity to meet you at our monthly meetings. We are always seeking new, and

involved, members. However, we'd accept attendance at the meeting if you do not have time to volunteer this year.

Lastly, please continue to email your concerns and views to me at forprices@verizon.net. While I may not always be able to resolve the situation, I am willing to try.

- Donna Price





POOL News

What a wonderful summer we had at the pool this year! Lots of new families, plus some new picnic tables and chairs. And the weather could not have been better.

Thanks go out to Kim Best, Lori Hines and family, Jon and Chris Pascuzzi, Mike and Carol Moore, Joe and Vicki Vaughn, Donna and Jim Price, Dale Price, Thomas Moss, Pat and Darla Guenther, Tom and Russell Hronek, Lifeguards Grayson and Nathan and anyone else I may have missed or forgotten for helping us close the pool up over the last couple of Sundays.

Even though the pool is closed for the season, it is not too early to start thinking about next year! You are welcome to pay for your membership for next year in installments - we do not charge extra for this. If you are interested in this type of plan please fill out an application (available on our website) and send to Kim Best along with your first payment.

We are looking to fill 2 at-large board member positions, contact me if you are interested or know of someone who might be.

Thanks!

Chris Pascuzzi sewscuzzi1@cox.net



Box turtles have thrived this summer but they will soon go into hibernation once the ground temperatures reach about 50 degrees. Did you know they burrow down about two and a half feet or more to spend winter months well under ground. Be careful when planting spring bulbs this fall.





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FERRY PLANTATION HOUSE NEWS

"STROLL OF THE LOST SOULS"

October 31st – Halloween Night

8 p.m. Until midnight

There will be Tarrot Card readers, Mediums will be available to give private 15 minute readings at \$5. per 15 minutes session.

You may sign up for medium times and sessions that night.

Seven (7) Cities Paranormal will be on hand with both inside and outside investigations. A basket worth \$50.00 will be raffled off at 11 p.m.

Tickets will be sold at \$1. per ticket or 6/\$5.00 Snacks will be available for purchase. Admission -- \$10.00 per person.

Lost Pet Report



Only 4 pets reported lost this past month. 3 were returned to the owner.

Report Lost or Found Pets to Gerry Richter 497-5243

Old Donation Church Oyster Roast

On November 22, 2014, Old Donation Episcopal Church will host its 80th Annual Oyster Roast from 10 AM - 2 PM on the Church grounds at the corner of Witchduck Road and Independence Boulevard in Virginia Beach.

There are activities planned for all ages in addition to the oysters, barbeque and Brunswick Stew being served and available for take-out. A special oyster tasting with local beer is a new addition this year as well as Santa's workshop.

Other activities include Face painting, Poney Rides, Silent Auction, White Elephant Sale, used Books, Artisan Sales, Baked Goods.

All proceeds support Community Outreach Ministry.



In <u>October</u> we will be going to the Atlas Grill on 2158 N. Great Neck Rd. at Noon.

New, past and present members are invited to join us. Carpooling is available, just call or ask. Continue to watch for coupons. Currently, we are not exchanging gifts at lunch.

This is a good time to explore these restaurants if you have not been there. All ages are invited and feel free to bring a friend/guest.

Send a message or call if you have any questions, need a ride or need directions. Please RSVP.

Joy Guthrie 473-9284 joycelyn7@juno.com

CIVIC LEAGUE ELECTIONS Officers & Volunteers needed

The proposed 2015 Slate of Civic League Board officers is:

- President Kate Nixon
- First VP Donna Price
- Second VP Susan Frohwitter
- Treasurer Mike Moore
- Secretary Beverly Wilson

The slate will be presented at the October meeting, with elections held at the November meeting. The new board will take over in January 2015. If you would rather see your name on the ballot or have questions about duties please contact any current board member.

Fall has arrived!

A gentle reminder – please do not place your yard waste or leaves into the sewer system by raking, dumping or blowing these items into the drains.

These drains lead to our neighborhood lakes.



For Sale (Your Ad Here)

Any Civic League Member is eligible to place a three line ad, three times per year, free of charge.

Our Real Estate Market...

The Federal Reserve conducts a *Survey of Consumer Finances* every 3 years and just released their latest edition. Some of their findings are:

- *The average American family has a net worth of \$81,200
- *Of that net worth, 61% (\$49,856) of it is in home equity
- *A homeowner's net worth is over 36 times greater than that of a renter
- *The average homeowner has a net worth of \$194,500 while the average net worth of a renter is \$5.400

The bottom line is that homeownership is still a GREAT way to build wealth!!!

What's New Here In Our Real Estate Market?

Currently for Sale				
608 Cambria	4 BR	2 ½ BA	278,000	
4400 Drury Cir	4 BR	2 ½ BA	229,900	
849 Cathedral	3 BR	2 ½ BA	148,000	
4436 Hudgins	5 BR	2 ½ BA	256,500	
705 Severn	3 BR	2 BA	259,900	
648 Bishop	4BR	2 ½ BA	279,750	
4257 Cheswick	3 BR	3 BA	459,000	
741 Abbey Dr	4 BR	2 ½ BA	264,900	
4129 Cheswick Ln	3 BR	2 ½ BA	819,000	
4121 Cheswick Ln	4 BR	4 BA	873,000	
Homes Under Contract				
1221 Cambria	E DD	2 D V	285 000	

285,000 4321 Cambria 5 BR 3 BA 820 Saint Clement 3 BR 2 BA 274,900 665 Whitechapel Dr. 5 BR 3 BA 259,000 189,500 4520 St. John Ct. 3 BR 2 ½ BA

Homes Sold

[~]Sue Lentini







Free Event Sponsored by the Virginia Beach Master Gardeners

What: Gardening Talk

Topic: The Tidewater Garden in Winter Speaker: Les Parks, Curator of Herbaceous Plants at Norfolk Botanical Garden

When: Monday, Oct. 27, 7pm-8pm

Where: Central Library

4100 Virginia Beach Blvd.

This event is free and open to the public!





Garbage and Household Waste Collection Etiquette

Trash and household waste are collected in 95-gallon containers. The containers may be purchased from the Waste Management Division by calling **385-4650** to schedule delivery or by visiting our office at 3024 Holland Road.

- Have containers and/or items for pickup at the street by 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection.
- Put the container on the street with the handle toward your house.
- Keep at least 3 feet of clearance between your container and any other items.
- Cans that are overflowing will not be collected. The lid should be able to close securely.
- Remove containers from view at the end of collection day.
- Clearly label your container with your address and record your container's serial number.
- Loose trash in the can should be bagged, to reduce litter.
- No other garbage will be collected outside of the black can except for yard waste.
- To report service issues, please call 385-4650 on your collection day or by noon on the following business day.

www.VBgov.com/wastemgt

Neighborhood Smoke Testing



In an effort to locate defects in the sanitary sewer system, Public Utilities has contracted with Hydrostructures, they will be performing smoke

testing, manhole inspections, dye testing, night flow evaluations and CCTV inspections of the public sewer system in streets and easements. In areas where the crews will be working, notices will be left at residences and businesses several days prior. Your presence is not required during the work.

Don't be alarmed if you see smoke rising from manholes in the street or from the ground. Smoke testing is a procedure used to detect leaks in plumbing and sanitary sewer systems. Smoke testing involves forcing HARMLESS smoke into the sanitary sewer system through manholes. The smoke is NON-TOXIC, CLEAN, HARMLESS TO HUMANS, PETS, FOOD AND MATERIAL GOODS, and CREATES NO FIRE HAZARD. During testing, plumes of smoke form where there are potential defects in the sanitary sewer system. By watching to see where smoke escapes, crews can identify problem areas in the pipes for further sanitary sewer investigation techniques. Smoke may be seen coming from manhole covers, storm inlets, or holes in the ground. On occasion, smoke may be seen coming from building foundations or roof vent stacks. However, the smoke should not enter your home or business unless you have defective plumbing or dried-up drain traps. If you have any seldom used drains, pouring water into the drain to fill the trap will help prevent sewer gases or odors and smoke from entering vour home or business.

All public safety authorities have been notified. If you have any questions, please call the following Virginia Beach Public Utilities Engineers: Steve Poe, P.E. @ 385-8845 Katherine Nixon, P.E. @ 385-8860

We All Need a Little Help from our Neighbors

One of our townhome neighbors, Liz Hayes, also one of our newsletter deliverers and townhome welcoming committee, has been ill, and both she and her fiancé, Carlos, have been out of work for some time. They are on the verge of losing their home after living here for 11 years. She has just gotten a job as a New Cox representative if anyone needs service, but to make ends meet in the meantime, she has a huge stock of new and used **Tupperware** products available and Carlos is a professional residential and commercial painter, as well as able to do "Handyman" odds and ends work. Every little bit helps, so if you are in need of any of these goods or services, please contact Liz or Carlos.

New & Gently Used Tupperware Cox Services Contact Liz Hayes 757-472-0283

Professional Painting & Handyman Services Contact Carlos Zayas 757-506-2118

PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

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Shores and	Gerry Dashiell-Richter	497-5243
Meadows	Jim Willenbrink	497-0700
Recreation Center (pool)		
Director	Chris Pascuzzi	671-1850
Asst Director	Erin Strasburger	
Treasurer	Lori Hines 557-0101	
Secretary	Kim Best 671-1810	
PMRC Pool Phone	(in season only) 963-2239	

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Do You Know Your Neighbors?

Winter is coming and with it we tend to stay indoors. Perhaps with the warm weather of fall it would be a great time to meet some of your neighbors. Introduce yourself.

Another great way is to come to our November Civic League Meeting held at Historic Ferry Plantation House located right here in our neighborhood-4136 Cheswick Lane.

We will have a wine and cheese get together. Plus you get to see the inside of this lovely house.

FREE FLU SHOTS!













Virginia Beach Department of Public Health will be conducting a free flu shot clinic 757-518-2700

Newtown Elementary School 5277 Learning Circle Virginia Beach,VA 23462

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014 Time: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Flu Vaccine

Available for ALL adultsAvailable for children ages 3

years and older

•For children (ages 3 to 8 years old) please bring a copy of immunization record if available