# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores, and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

**CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER** 



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# Next Civic League Meeting Cinema Cafe Thursday, April 20th, 2017

A free movie and popcorn for PM Civic League Members Choose 1 of 3 movies:

## The Boss Baby @ 6:00 PM Smurfs: The Lost Village @ 6:45 PM The Fate of the Furious @ 7:05 PM

Your Civic League will pay for tickets and popcorn for any neighborhood resident whose household is a paid Civic League member for 2017. Passes will be issued starting at 5:30 PM until 7:00 PM – look for your treasurer outside the Cinema Cafe. Not yet a member? Sign up and pay the \$10 dues at the door. *Membership is open to all residents of Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,* 

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# **Spring Fling** April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 9 AM

168 Members as of 01 Apr 2017 Join our annual clean-up of the neighborhood median, park, and pool grounds to get us looking good for the summer. Many hands make light work and it's a great chance to meet and greet your neighbors as the outdoor season begins. There will be a free cook-out lunch at the pool afterwards.

# **Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center**

Opening Day, Saturday May 27th

Get the Early Bird discount if you join before April 30th. Details and POOL Application are inside!

www.pembrokemeadows.org.





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### *What's good in our `hood:*



Dear Neighbors:

As I write this missive, Palm Sunday, Easter, Passover and SPRING BREAK are upon us! Best wishes to each of you for this joyful time of year. Though it's been many years since Jim and I last planned for and enjoyed a spring break, I still love seeing our neighborhood children out playing and riding bikes. With that in mind, please be careful as you drive our streets and be additionally aware of bike riders, balls and toys that find their way into the road and children running after toys and pets.

We had a small crowd for our March Civic League meeting. The Irish dancers were quite talented and fun to watch. We hope they will come back next March and entertain us again. Our April meeting is scheduled for a movie/popcorn night at the Cinema Café. Remember you must have paid your 2017 civic league dues. Having done so entitles you and your family's children to the movie entry and a popcorn for the family paid for by the Civic League.

Please also remember to come out on April 22, 2017 from 9:00 – 1:00 p.m. to help with our annual Spring Fling event. Many of us remember the origins of this event and the grand gathering at the park to enjoy hamburgers, hotdogs and fellowship. My family fondly remembers Earl Davis and Ashley Wilson manning the grill. We hope to have enough workers to safely remove the cover from the pool, clean at the pool, trim the pool's shrubbery and bushes as needed, clean at the median strip and along Pembroke Boulevard. I hope to see you there. (This is also a great opportunity for our neighborhood scouts, honor society and club members who need community volunteer hours to join us. We'll gratefully accept the extra help and sign those forms!)

This newsletter contains a 2017 Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center application. Please take a moment and consider joining our neighborhood pool. It is rarely crowded and an excellent place to pass the time with friends and neighbors during our summer months. Jim & I have often shared that we have met and/or made some of our best friends at this pool. We often share memories of the happy hours of swim meets, Marco Polo, Sharks & Minnows, wall ball, whatever kept our boys and their pals entertained.

I apologize again for the canceled Easter Egg Hunt. My plea for volunteers resulted in only Beth Bailey contacting me to volunteer. As Jim and I were not in town, this was not something I could accept and take on. So.....the next time you see Vivian Hance, please take the time to thank her personally for her years of providing this fun event to our neighborhood's children and families. When we sat and absorbed just how much effort and work she and her family expend, we were all humbled. Ms. Hance makes it look so effortless! Hopefully, we can find a time next year that will work and the Egg Hunt will return to Pembroke Meadows.

Donna (donnahprice@gmail.com)



## **Neighborhood Yard Sale**

Our community yard sale is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>, rain date, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Gather up your goodies and watch for further details in the May newsletter!

# Ladies Lunch Group

"Strangers are friends we just haven't met yet!"



We will meet at noon on April 27th, always the 4th Thursday of each month. This month we're going to *Rib City* at 4688 Princess Anne Rd. in the Virginia Beach.

Please call Cynthia Lerner, 589-9248, to make a reservation. Everyone is welcome - we hope you can come. If transportation is needed, please let Cynthia know.

# *Our Real Estate Market...*

#### **Home Values**

Home values have risen dramatically over the last 12 months. The National Association of Realtors reports the annual increase in the median existing-home price at 7.1%. Nationally, lower priced homes (which are in high demand) have appreciated about 10% while high priced homes appreciated by only 5.5%. Every market and neighborhood is unique in appreciation rates.

#### What's New Here in OUR Real Estate Market? Currently for Sale

4404 Chelsea	5 BR	2 ½ BA	324,900
632 Abbey	3 BR	2 BA	240,000
856 St. James Dr	4BR	2 ½ BA	304,900
737 Bishop	4BR	2 BA	309,750
517 Cheswick Arch	4 BR	3 ½ BA	579 <i>,</i> 900
4500 Sheffield Ct	5 BR	2 ½ BA	315,000

#### Homes Under Contract

717 Bishop	4 BR	2 BA	305,000
804 St. Mark	3 BR	2 BA	249,999
4133 Cheswick	5 BR	3 ½ BA	975,000

-Sue Lentini



### Neighbors Helping Neighbors through Public Safety and Beautification Volunteerism

There are a variety of programs in the City of Virginia Beach that empower neighbors to come to the aid of their friends living just "Nextdoor". Here are a few ways you can get more involved by volunteering steps from your own front porch:

Public Safety

Neighborhood Watch

Project Lifesaver

Virginia Beach Community Emergency

Response Team (VBCERT)

Virginia Beach Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Virginia Beach Medical Response Team (MRC):

Beautification:

Adopt-A-Programs Helping Hands

For more information on these and other volunteer programs with city agencies and schools near you, please feel free to reach out to us.

Office of Volunteer Resources: volunteer@vbgov.com 757-385-4722 www.vbgov.com/volunteer

## Meet a new Neighborhood Business

## YAMA.CHEN SUSHI

Yama.Chen Sushi is the sixth business in the Yama franchise in the Hampton Roads area. The owners here are Debbie and Calvin Chen who are joined in running the restaurant by Debbie's Mom, Wang. The Chens had lived and worked in New York City for several years when they were contacted by their friend, Andy Chen, who started the original business on General Booth Blvd. 14 yrs. ago, with an offer of running the Pembroke Meadows location. Debbie shared that all the franchise owners are friends who originally came from the same area in China. Debbie, Calvin and Mom moved into a neighborhood townhome in February. Currently it is just the three of them working every day, but they hope to be able to hire help soon. Luckily, because the Yama group is so close, they are able to call Andy for help whenever it gets too busy, which is a good thing!

After a ringing endorsement from our neighbors, the LaFrances, Mike and I took our \$20 coupon we received on our door and tried the place out. The sushi and sashimi were wonderful, with the salmon being particularly delicious. For those who are not raw food lovers, they also offer cooked sushi rolls as well as dinners including teriyaki, dumplings, stir-fry and tempura. The menu also includes wine, beer and sake.

Also of note is the décor which is the same in all the Yama restaurants, deep orange walls with striking black painted designs. It's worth a stop in just to see it! Debbie explained that all the Yama franchisees want their customers to feel like they are with family and that you are part of the Yama family. We encourage you to stop in, say hi, introduce yourself and support this young family in their new business venture. Do you need to buy, sell, or need Property Management for your home? Look no further than your own neighbors Jim & Liz Abrams. They have the knowledge and experience to assist you with any real estate need. Give them a call today!¶ 4624 Pembroke Blvd #102 Virginia Beach, VA 23455¶ 757-644-3800¶ www.SoldFastHamptonRoads.com¶

# **POOL (PMRC) NEWS**

We have included a membership application in our newsletter. Applications can also be downloaded at

http://bcsthome.net/pembroke/main/pool/2017 PoolApp.pdf

A family membership for the summer is \$350, and only \$315 if paid by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Individual memberships are \$150; \$135 if paid by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

You do not need to live in Pembroke Meadows to join our pool! Many of our members live in other neighborhoods - all are welcome, so if you have friends who want to hang out this summer pass them an aplication!



Many thanks to our awesome Civic League for their continued financial support which helps keep us running, helps to keep our membership fees low and provides continued improvements to our facility.

- Chris Pascuzzi

## Pembroke Meadows Marlins Swim Team

It is time to sign up for the world famous Pembroke Meadows Swim Team. Registration and information can be found at www.marlinsswimteam.com

-Carol Moore

## PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

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# Mark Your Calendar...

Expect more details in the May newsletter for: Clean the Bay Day - June 3<sup>rd</sup> Neighborhood Yard Sale -June 24<sup>th</sup> National Night Out - August 1st







