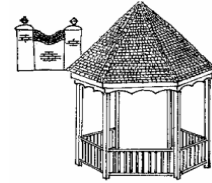


# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores,  
and Pembroke Shores Townhomes

CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER



March 2018

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## Next Civic League Meeting Pembroke Meadows Elementary School Cafeteria

### Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 7 pm

Please join us for a brief performance by the students from the An Cor Rud (The Reel Thing) School of Irish Dance in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Dancers have appeared at the Virginia International Tattoo, for the annual St. Patrick's Day morning show with WVEC Channel 13 and for the Shamrock Sports Fest. Students range from beginners to world championship competitors.



## Our Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt

Face painting, tattoos, prizes and the Easter Bunny!

**Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 11:00 a.m.**

**Pembroke Meadows Park**

Vivian Hance and her Girl Scouts are back to coordinate our Easter Egg Hunt. Yay!

All Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores and Pembroke Townhomes children are welcome. Volunteers are needed for set up and high school students can earn community service hours. If you can help, please contact Vivian at (757) 477-3273

## And Mark Your Calendar...

The **April 19<sup>th</sup>** meeting will be another **movie and popcorn night at Cinema Café**. Your civic league will buy movie tickets and popcorn for any household with 2018 dues paid. If you haven't tried the new reclining seats yet, this is your chance.

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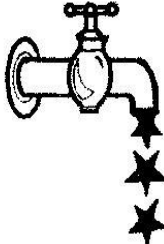
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## Donna's Dithering:



Cool March greetings to each of you! As I sit to write this short missive, the air is brisk and rain is predicted to arrive within a few hours.

I am happy to share that we had an exceptionally fun and entertaining "Pot Luck" meal at our February meeting. The food options were plentiful and we had a great group of attendees. I did not record who won which door prizes. I believe some tables were a tad luckier than other tables though.

The two items of business conducted at this meeting included presentation of the 2018 Civic League Budget and voting; as well as, swearing of the Board officers present. Clif Furedy took photos and, honestly, is my mouth *ever* closed or my hands not in motion? The shared photographs were the source of tremendous amusement at our last Board meeting.

Our current civic league president, Kate Nixon, and her family have welcomed young Mackenzie to the family. All reports indicate that the family is recovering and adjusting.

This newsletter contains the 2018 application for our Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center (pool). With tremendous thanks to our civic league members for affirmative votes, cell tower monies have been dedicated to keeping membership rates at the same level for the past several years and making necessary repairs. PMRC President Chris Pascuzzi has shared her Board's plans for fund raising and season opening this year. They are also eagerly looking toward and planning the pool's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020.

I strongly encourage each of you to visit the pool and join for the summer season! Jim and I have loved our 25+ years as pool members and have never regretted joining. It might even be more enjoyable now that our boys are grown!

Happy Spring to each of you and I hope to see you at our March meeting.

Donna

## Did You Know...

...There is a **GARDEN CLUB** in Pembroke Meadows, established approximately 50 years ago, Sept 11, 1969, and still going? And in need of new blood, new energy, new ideas, & your help...if it is to survive! Within Pembroke Meadows we help the Civic League Board by providing flowers for the Potluck Dinner, ordering and placing the median Christmas decorations and advising on plantings around the neighborhood and pool. We meet the second Thursday of the month, the day after the Council meeting.

Pembroke Meadows Garden Club (PMGC) is part of a larger organization called the Virginia Beach Council of Garden Clubs, which meets monthly at the local library. Programs are varied and may include power point presentations on various gardening topics, demonstrations of floral design, etc. There are many functions aside from the monthly meetings at many different venues which are open to club members. Each year the Council president chooses a project for the group. This year's project is to develop an educational garden at the Whitehurst/Buffington House on North Landing Road, an historical house which is being restored. The VB Master Gardeners have already begun an herb garden on that site.

PMGC has been involved in many of our own community projects over the years and there are still some untapped areas. One potential project could be improvement of our park area (working in conjunction with the City of VB), which could benefit from the addition of some native plants or shrubs and maybe some spring bulbs for a splash of color. A nature path is another possibility.

What is needed to make these ideas a reality is YOU! The current members can provide guidance, leadership and contacts, but without YOU these projects will not come to fruition and PMGC will fade away into the sunset. That would be a shame. With membership in PMGC, many doors are opened along with many contacts to other similar clubs and like-minded people. All you have to do is join us to learn what is out there. Meeting times can be adjusted to meet the needs of new members. For more information, please contact Peggy Caverly at (757) 490-0925 or Jeanette Willenbrink at (757) 497-0700.

# Our Real Estate Market...

## Who are First Time Buyers?

According to the NAR, if you are selling your home to a first-time buyer, that buyer will most likely (57%) be a married couple. However, many unmarried couples (16%) are deciding to purchase a home, possibly investing their money in a down payment rather than a wedding. The number of Single women buying their first home (18%) continues to rise and surpassed the unmarried couples. Single men accounted for only 7 % of the purchases.

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

|                     |      |        |         |
|---------------------|------|--------|---------|
| 725 Abbey           | 5 BR | 2 ½ BA | 325,000 |
| 625 Whitechapel Dr  | 3 BR | 2 BA   | 277,500 |
| 859 Cathedral       | 3 BR | 2 ½ BA | 194,900 |
| 4133 Cheswick Arch  | 4 BR | 3 ½ BA | 479,000 |
| 4508 St John Ct     | 3 BR | 1 ½ BA | 180,000 |
| 4233 Cheswick Ln    | 5BR  | 4 BA   | 895,000 |
| 4505 Whitechapel Ct | 5 BR | 2 ½ BA | 317,900 |
| 520 Cheswick Arch   | 4 BR | 3 ½ BA | 479,000 |

## Homes Under Contract

|                    |      |        |         |
|--------------------|------|--------|---------|
| 4512 Notre Dame Ct | 3 BR | 1 ½ BA | 174,700 |
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## **Ladies Lunch Group**

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



We will meet at 11:30 am on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. This month we're going to the **New River Tap House, 1716 Pleasure House Road**

Please call Cynthia Lerner, (757) 589-9248, to make a reservation. Everyone is welcome - we hope you can come. If transportation is needed, please let Cynthia know.

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Kathleen 636-1402



## **What does a Pool cost?**

Our neighbors with pools know they can be expensive. Ever wonder what it costs to operate a 120,000 gallon, 25 meter pool that meets commercial safety and sanitation requirements?

In 2017 it cost \$57,000.00!

|                               |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| LIFEGUARD Payroll             | 24847 |
| Inspections (City/elect/fire) | 300   |
| City Water & Sewage           | 4301  |
| Chemicals                     | 3215  |
| Electric (Pool & St Lights)   | 3849  |
| Insurance                     | 5051  |
| Repairs                       | 2866  |
| Improvements (bath floors)    | 2330  |
| Dumpster Rental (5 months)    | 2613  |
| Landscaping                   | 2620  |
| Pool supplies                 | 1195  |
| Phone & free wifi (5 months)  | 1376  |
| Advertising and admin         | 241   |

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| INCOME                    |       |
| Membership (152 families) | 35615 |
| Swim Teams                | 9400  |
| Day Care                  | 1695  |
| Guest Fees & punch cards  | 3465  |
| Concessions               | 1938  |
| Parties                   | 1250  |
| Fundraisers               | 263   |

The Pembroke Meadows Recreation Center. PMRC is a not-for-profit recreation area owned and operated by your civic league. Your civic league uses cell tower income to make capital improvements and to reduce the cost of membership. We also keep our costs low with volunteer labor and management. Only the lifeguards are on the payroll


So come on down and check us out this summer, the application should be in this newsletter.

- Mike Moore

## **Lost Pet Report**


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| First VP                 | Susan Frohwitter | 274-2001 |
| Second VP                | Donna Price      | 499-5115 |
| Recording & Corres. Sec. | Beverly Wilson   | 499-0723 |
| Treasurer                | Carol Moore      | 557-0328 |
| Webmaster                | Clif Furedy      | 490-5792 |

### Committees

|                   |            |          |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| Bldg/Grounds      | Tim Roy    | 478-0580 |
| Median Electrical | Mike Moore | 557-0328 |
| Median Flag       | Joe Lang   | 497-2897 |

### Block Security

|           |                   |          |
|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| Meadows   | Vacant            |          |
| Shores    | Bob/Marge Brotman | 497-0565 |
| Townhomes | Vacant            |          |

|                           |              |          |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Lakes/Waterways Chairman: | Jeff Brown   | 464-0183 |
| Lake Pembroke             | Vacant       |          |
| Lake Meadows              | Charlie Russ | 497-5298 |
| Lynnhaven                 | Jeff Brown   | 464-0183 |

### Welcoming Committee Chair: Clera Hall, Karen Roy, Jeanette Willenbrink

|           |            |          |
|-----------|------------|----------|
| Meadows   | Jim Price  | 499-5115 |
| Shores    | Lisa Dutko | 473-1112 |
| Townhomes | Liz Hayes  | 472-0283 |

|                   |             |          |
|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| Newsletter Editor | Mike Moore  | 557-0328 |
| Newsletter Ads    | Carol Moore | 557-0328 |

### Pet Lost & Found/Pet Registry

|                    |                        |          |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Shores and Meadows | Gerry Dashiell-Richter | 497-5243 |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------|

|             |                      |          |
|-------------|----------------------|----------|
| Garden Club | Peggy Caverly        | 490-0925 |
|             | Jeanette Willenbrink | 497-0700 |

### Recreation Center (pool)

|                 |                  |                |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| Director        | Chris Pascuzzi   | 671-1850       |
| Asst Director   | Jeanne Blair     | 497-8844       |
| Treasurer       | Terry Waters     | (301) 646-1488 |
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