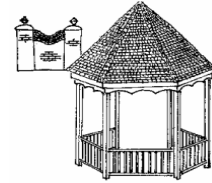


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Next Civic League Meeting Pembroke Meadows Elementary School January 17th, 2019 @ 7 pm

We will have a guest speaker from Virginia Beach Emergency Management to talk about **Emergency Preparedness**. This is a chance to ask any question you may have.

We will also be installing our Civic League officers elected at the November meeting. Come meet them, say hi and give us your input about what you would like to see in the new year.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN! 2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE!

There should be an addressed envelope inside this January Newsletter. Please promptly write a check to Pembroke Meadows Civic League (PMCL) for \$10 (per household) for your 2019 dues. There is also a combined directory data sheet and pet registration form. If any information has changed recently, you are new to the neighborhood or you have just never filled out a directory sheet, you can return this form in the same envelope with your dues. The Civic League supports not only our neighborhood with community events, but also the recreation center/pool, the garden club, the local schools, Ferry Plantation House, the gazebo, entrance flag and lights and median cleanup and maintenance. Residents get a lot for their \$10! You can drop it in the mail, drop it at the Moore house, 4449 Hudgins Dr. or better yet, bring it to a civic league meeting.

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**Neighborhood Pot-Luck Dinner
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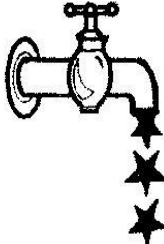
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Presidents Corner:



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Holiday Season. My kids always love seeing the houses decorated. Thank you to all those who attended our annual Wine and Cheese night at the Ferry Plantation, as always it was a delight to be there and enjoy socializing with our neighbors. Another big thank you to Gerry Richter for opening the house and helping us host this fun event.

We are looking forward to having Virginia Beach Emergency Management at our next meeting to talk about emergency preparedness. I hope to see you all there!

Kate

Ladies Lunch Group



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

We will meet at 11:30 am on **Thursday, January 24th**. Our destination is **Red Lobster** on Independence Blvd.

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

Ferry Plantation House

The Ferry Plantation House is closed for annual maintenance and will reopen in March.

LOST PET REPORT

Only 3 pets lost and all were returned to owners. Identification really helps!



- Gerry Richter



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You can get more information on our web site and membership applications will be in the April newsletter.

If you have any ideas for improving the pool, please contact Karen Roy at pmrckarenroy@google.com.

And don't forget that you can pay for next year's membership using an installment plan over the winter.

- Karen Roy

Did Santa Bring a New Pet?



If the answer is **YES** please register your new pet with our LOST PET PROGRAM. It is a **Free** service. A form is included with this newsletter, and **Yes**, you may register your pet even if you are NOT a paid Civic League Member.

Since your pet will grow I suggest purchasing a small plain collar and put the pets name and your phone number using Permanent Marker. Then fill out a Lost Pet Form along with a picture and mail it in. In about 6 months you can send in an updated photo as your pet grows. Forms can also be found on our web site www.pembrokemeadows.org

Be sure to also sign up for our neighborhood email list so you can be contacted if your pet is found.

Our Real Estate Market:

Predictions for the Real Estate Market are GREAT! A recent survey of more than 100 Real Estate economists shows that 94% predict housing prices going up in 2019, 2% predict prices staying the same and only 4% are predicting a slight decline. If you have been contemplating a move, 2019 may be the year to do so!!!

What's New Here in OUR Real Estate Market?

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4304 St Albans	6 BR	3 ½ BA	349,900
4440 Cambria St	5 BR	2 ½ BA	315,000
4120 Cheswick Ln	3 BR	2 ½ BA	478,000
4416 Hudgins	3 BR	2 BA	280,000
861 Cathedral	3 BR	1 ½ BA	180,000

Homes Under Contract

Homes Sold

620 Abbey Dr	4 BR	2 ½ BA	290,000
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Neighborhood Commentary

Oh, those Winter Projects!

You know it's true, these cold winter months are a great time to tackle some indoor projects, you know, those things you've been meaning to get around to doing! Here are some ideas of things to do:

Personally, I am organizing our recipes, they have been driving me nuts for a long time and we are attempting to be brutally honest about "Really, are we ever going to make that?"

Then there is organizing photos, we have the paper ones under control, but the digital ones, oh my, but it must be done (maybe next year's project for us).

Of course, there is the general decluttering, but this can be overwhelming. A good approach is to break it down into small tasks, one closet, cupboard or room at a time. Commit to

whenever you get one of those donation bags in your door, fill just one bag up and get rid of it, at least it's a start and not too painful.

Decluttering is a process, do the easy to toss/donate stuff first, then when you go through again next year, you will find something you couldn't part with this year, has moved to the top of the "Why am I keeping this?" pile. How about something as simple as cleaning out the pantry and spices of all those expired things? It doesn't take long and you get such a feeling of accomplishment and organization!

What about all those things you've thought about learning new? You know it's good for your brain. Maybe playing an instrument, learning to dance, learning a language (all kinds of apps for that), meditation (also apps for that), yoga or tai chi. Maybe you just like playing games, plenty for your iPads, but how about organizing a group for card or board games, much more fun and social.

For our seniors, there are lots of activities through the senior center or the recreation centers, look for something you like and get out there and socialize!

-Carol Moore

Who You Gonna Call?

A tree branch falls on your house. The toilet floods the carpets with nasty water. Shingles blow off your roof in a storm. You are in shock and have no idea who to call, but you know you need help. You could call the biggest ad in the yellow pages. Oh wait! We don't have a phone book anymore. Look it up on the web? Which ad do you believe? That soggy carpet isn't cleaning itself!

Call your insurance company. Even if you don't file a claim. Many insurance companies maintain an "approved" list of local contractors who can do what you need and take care of most of the paperwork for you. In fact, some insurance companies will give you an extended warranty if you let them handle everything.

My experience was with flooded carpet because the toilet was stopped up. We called a national plumbing chain to fix the toilet. And while the plumber was working, the doorbell rang. A salesman from the plumbing company showed up. Exclaimed what a terrible situation we had; how it was a serious health hazard and needed immediate action. And, oh by the way, they had workers standing by who could start immediately and they would help us file the insurance claim. We had no idea who to call, when they could come or what they would charge. So we agreed. We later learned they only did cleaning and demolition, not restoration. So we had to file yet another claim and pay another deductible.

We learned later we could have done it all simply by calling our home owner's insurance first.

Our insurance was with USAA. They sent out an approved contractor the same day who did all the restoration work and USAA gave us a three-year extended warranty. Picking out the new flooring was our only job.

-Clif Furedy

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Lake Pembroke	Vacant	
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	Jeanette Willenbrink	497-0700

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Secretary	Mandy Nixon Hammer	
PMRC Pool Phone	(in season only)	963-2239

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a. The route covering 701-737 Bishop Dr. This is an easy one, only about 14 houses.

b. The route covering 600-645 Whitechapel Dr. This is about 22 houses.

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You may remember Elias' in Aragona and wondered where it went. Well, the owner, Elias, is the proprietor of our new Greek restaurant in the neighborhood next to our Cinema Cafe. This is his fourth consecutive restaurant within a three mile radius, he says he just loves this area. Elias has been in the United States for 26 yrs. with the last 17 being in Virginia Beach. He began his cooking career in the Merchant Marines and has made it his life's work. By trying to keep it simple and fresh, he is able to appeal to a wide variety of customers and keep prices reasonable. Elias would like to thank the neighborhood for being so supportive and helpful over his first few months here and hopes to meet everyone soon.

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