# CIVIC LEAGUE OF PEMBROKE MEADOWS, INC.

Pembroke Meadows, Pembroke Shores, and Pembroke Shores Townhomes



CIVIC LEAGUE NEWSLETTER

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136 Members as of 11 Feb 2019 Next Civic League Meeting...

Neighborhood Pot-Luck Dinner

\*FRIDAY, February 22nd, 2019 @ 6 pm Old Donation Episcopal Church

\* Please Note the <u>Day</u> and <u>Location</u> are different than usual!

Come join us at the annual civic league pot luck dinner. For this favorite civic league event, **we begin at 6:00 p.m.** in the meeting room of the Old Donation Episcopal Church (4449 Witchduck Road). Your civic league will provide the plates, plastic flatware, napkins, drinks and neighbors! We ask that you bring a food dish to share. You will also be able to pay your 2019 Civic League dues when you arrive. We will take afew minutes to vote on the proposed 2019 budget as presented on page 5, other than that... *Our motto for this evening is "all eating – no meeting"* 

If you have a new neighbor, please encourage them to attend!

# POTLUCK + GOOD LUCK = \$\$

This year's Door Prizes will include gift cards to a number of our local establishments. To receive a door prize ticket, you must have paid your 2019 Civic League dues and bring a dish to share. Even if you don't win, you and your family will be all the richer for having spent time getting to know your neighbors. Plus, you'll have the opportunity to sample some great neighborhood culinary creations.

# And Mark Your Calendar...

Easter Egg Hunt April 6<sup>th</sup>, 11 AM, details in the March newsletter!

Our **April meeting** will be a FRIDAY movie and popcorn night at Cinema Café. Your civic league will buy movie tickets and popcorn for any household with 2019 dues paid.











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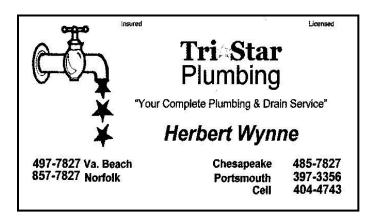
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### Presidents Corner:

Well we had a exciting January! Our Gazebo was hit by a truck and quickly rebuilt. Except for the still damaged roadway sign you can't even tell it happened. We had VB Emergency Management visit our January meeting and give some good tips for storm preparedness. I will bring the remaining handouts that I have to the next meeting. Spring popped by for a few days before winters return but since Punxsutawney Phil didn't see his shadow this year we can all hope for a early spring...or atleast not a long winter. We are guickly approaching everyone's favorite winter civic league meeting - the Pot Luck! I know everyone enjoys the social time and yummy food.

While cleaning out your closets this winter think about saving your items for the summer neighborhood yard sale. This is sure to be a busy spring so keep an eye out for Civic League events.

- Kate

# **LOST PET REPORT**

Its been a good month. Make sure to send in those pet registrations!





- Gerry Richter

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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**, **February 28th.** Our destination is **the New River Tap House** at 1716 Pleasure House Rd.

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.



Receive a \$20 gift certificate on your birthday with ID. Offer valid once during the 3 day window before and after your special day.



# Our Real Estate Market:

Is there a Difference Between Softening Home Prices and Falling Home Prices?

Many real estate articles are putting homeowners in a panic by confusing "softening home prices" with "falling home prices", although there is a major difference between the two. When home values are not appreciating at the same levels as they had over the previous years, the prices are softening. But this does NOT mean that home sales prices are depreciating(falling). For example, home "values" nationally have increased by more than 6% annually over the last several years. If "values" increase by only 5% this year, the home "values" will have softened. However, home sales "prices" are expected to appreciate. Please keep this in mind when reading real estate articles and don't let the writer's confusion put YOU in a -Sue Lentini panic!

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

#### **Currently for Sale**

4304 St Albans	6 BR	3 ½ BA	349,900
633 Abbey	5 BR	2 ½ BA	227,500
608 Whitechapel	3 BR	2 BA	280,000
844 St Martin Dr	5 BR	2 ½ BA	575,000
4416 Hudgins	3 BR	2 BA	280,000
861 Cathedral	3 BR	1 ½ BA	180,000

#### **Homes Under Contract**

4440 Cambria St 5 BR 2 ½ BA 315,000

#### **Homes Sold**

4120 Cheswick Ln 3 BR 2 ½ BA 460,000



# Gazebopocalypse (almost)

After the big excitement of having half our gazebo knocked away, we wanted to share the story with everyone.

On January 13th, a Chevy Silverado (somehow) missed the road and crashed into the south side of the gazebo, taking out three of the support posts. Fortunately, there were neighborhood witnesses who corralled the driver to the Food Lion parking lot and notified the police. They were able to get a copy of the police report which included the insurance information. We would like to thank the Fire Department for immediately placing a support beam to keep the roof from collapsing, although we must give the 2010 builder (Helm Enterprises LLC) a lot of credit given that the whole thing stayed up with only three support beams on one side! Upon contacting GEICO and getting estimates, we were able to guickly secure a contractor and insurance payment. We would like to offer big thanks to Associated Independent Contractors, Inc. for their quick attention to and completion of the job.



# **Treasurers Report**

# Proposed PMCL 2019 Budget

Here is the breakdown vs. our 2018 expenditures. Funds are being set aside for major improvements to our community pool in 2020. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact the Treasurer.

INCOME	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
INCOME Donations Dues Newsletter Advertising T-Mobile contract Interest Withdraw from Money Mkt	265 1660 2025 46425 18	250 1700 2000 47365 20 0
TOTAL INCOME	50393	51335
EXPENSES Grants Ferry Plantation House Lynnhaven River Now PAHS Operation Graduation	300 100 200	300 100 200
Admin VB Beautification Comm dues VBCCO dues Liability Insurance Postal Box Rental Supplies & Admin (office) State Corp. Comm.	60 0 317 0 160 25	30 25 350 82 450 25
Community Events Pot Luck Dinner Movie Night at Cinema Café Easter Egg Hunt Spring Fling/Cleanup Yard Sale NNO Pool Party Halloween Walk Holiday Social at FPH Entryway Christmas Decor	388 127 189 0 102 754 186 210 126	500 500 600 50 300 750 250 210
Community Support Gazebo & Flagpole Repairs PM Garden Club Support Flag Replacements Median Upkeep Median Utilities Pool Improvements Pool Membership Support Newsletter Printing & Dist	0 0 0 1500 494 6000 6000 1971	500 100 400 3000 500 15000 0 2000
TOTAL EXPENSES Deposit to Money Market	19209 31184	26322 25013
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	50393	51335

# **Pool News**

It may be cold outside, but the summer pool season has been a top priority for your Pool Board! Pool Board members are meeting throughout the winter months to ensure that this summer's pool season and your pool continue to be a valuable resource to the community. Recently, using feedback from PMRC pool members and information shared from our constituents, Board members spent a day in a Strategic Planning process where goals for improvement were identified and prioritized. This process is important to our continual growth and success as the pool moves forward into its 50th year! We are looking at local comparable community pools' practices and pricing, updating By-Laws, researching grounds' improvement, and scheduling pool activities and events. We are all so excited about the summer months and opportunities for building our community!

Be on the lookout for the Pool Application in the March Newsletter. In the interim, feel free to email your pool Director with any questions at pmrcdirector@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing you all poolside!

-Karen Roy

# Residents of Pembroke Meadows:

Do you have something to announce, share, or sell? If so, contact your newsletter editor at <a href="mailto:formoores@verizon.net">formoores@verizon.net</a>, or call 557-0328.

# **Newsletter Volunteers**

Thank you to Karen Joseph & Keren Hamilton for volunteering to take over the two available routes. Thanks for stepping up!

#### PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

Civic League Officers		
President	Kate Nixon	546-4004
First VP	Dave Frohwitter	748-5091
Second VP	Donna Price	408-4832
Recording & Corres. Sec.	Beverly Wilson	499-0723
Treasurer	Mike Moore	557-0328
Webmaster	Clif Furedy	490-5792
<u>Committees</u>		
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
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Meadows	Jim Price	408-4832
Shores	Lisa Dutko	473-1112
Townhomes	Liz Hayes	472-0283
Newsletter Editor	Mike Moore	557-0328
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Shores and Meadows	Gerry Dashiell-Richter	497-5243
Garden Club	Peggy Caverly	490-0925
	Jeanette Willenbrink	497-0700
Recreation Center (pool)		
Director	Karen Roy	478-0580
Asst Director	Jeanne Blair	497-8844
Treasurer		646-1488
Secretary	Mandy Nixon Hammer	
PMRC Pool Phone	(in season only)	963-2239



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# **Changes to City Leash Law**

Virginia Beach Animal Control reports a change to the city's leash law as a result over ongoing confusion surrounding the use of both electronic collars (e-collars) and voice commands with the belief that either constituted use of a leash.

"As stated clearly in the new code, when on a public street, sidewalk, right of way, or when in a city park, your dog must have a physical leash attached to its collar or harness. We ask that you keep in mind that this law does not apply for a dog loose on its own property (whether fenced or not.) Should you see a dog off leash and feel the situation needs to be addressed immediately please contact our dispatcher at 757 385 4444 option 1. If you are seeing an increased number of dogs off leash and in violation of this code section in your neighborhood and would be interested in having a regular patrol of your area (for a predetermined amount of time) by Virginia Beach Animal Control Officers contact the Animal Enforcement Unit via email at vbpdac@vbgov.com"



Open Tue-Sat 11AM – 8 PM, Sunday: 11 AM – 4 PM Closed Mondays (757) 227-3145

Enjoy a 10% community pool membership discount if you join before April 30th.

Details and POOL Application will be inside our March issue!