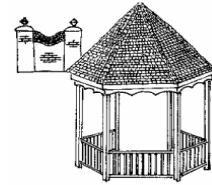


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Most Civic League Events Remain on Hold

As of this issue, all of our community meetings and most events remain on hold. We are making plans for a modified Halloween Walk, however as of now, there will be no Social at the Ferry Plantation House.

HALLOWEEN WALK PLANS

Our 31st Annual Halloween Walk
Saturday, October 24th at 3p.m.

Mark this event on your calendar NOW and start thinking about your costume! Please see inside for more details and volunteer to help make this another successful neighborhood event. Please note that the route will be different this year, we will not be going to the park.



CIVIC LEAGUE ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER

Normally a new board is proposed in October and voted on in November. Given that this has been a bit of a lost year and we haven't had to do much, we are considering asking the membership to just extend the current board for another year.

We plan to publish a paper newsletter for October with details for the Halloween Walk and Board Elections.

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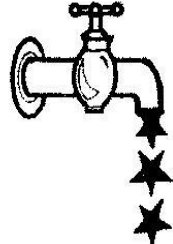
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Presidents Corner

Here we are! The beginning of October, fall is in the air. Unfortunately, so too is COVID, still. I don't think any of us expected to still be under so many restrictions for so long when this started back in March, but here we are. I hope that you and your families are safe, happy, and finding a routine that helps keep sanity in the house! Kids have "gone back" to school in the kitchen and I hope that has been a smooth transition for you as well. Keep in mind that some kids will be heading back to school in person soon, so be on the lookout for buses in the area. And more to the point, please obey the speed limits in the neighborhood! I know it's easy to speed on Pembroke Blvd, but there is no need to do 40 on that stretch, or any stretch of road around here for that matter.

In neighborhood news, I first want to thank everyone associated with the PMRC for all their hard work in making this year's pool season as normal as possible. With new restrictions came new activities in the pool and new faces (food trucks) outside of the pool. Thanks to the Pool Board, Lifeguards and Members who came out to support the Pool. The Civic League assisted the pool as well. When it came to light that there was not enough money in the pool's accounts to make payroll, we held an electronic vote to assist them with \$11,000 to help make ends meet. I want to thank everyone who voted in this first of its kind voting event. As we continue to struggle with not being able to have meetings, we will more than likely have more votes happen online. Make sure you send your email address to PMCL@cox.net to get on our mailing list and be included in electronic votes in the future.

In other news around the hood, be on the lookout for work to finally begin on the median beautification project. After many hurdles and hoops to jump, our Garden Club has been able to reach a compromise with the City to buy plants from McDonalds Garden Center and have city workers install them. Also, make sure you read the article in this newsletter regarding our Halloween Walk for this year. We are trying extremely hard to not cancel the event for this year and we think our event chair-people have

come up with a great way to make it work. And when it comes to Halloween night, we are still waiting to hear from the city on any restrictions they are going to put in place. Once they announce anything, we will put it on the website and send it via email to ensure everyone hears about it.

Let me close with some reminders. First, please don't feed the geese! They are a big enough nuisance already, just standing around in our streets like they own them. Let's not make it worse by having them expect food when they see us. Secondly, please keep grass clipping and yard debris bags out of the street until the night before trash day. They tend to find new homes during a heavy rainstorm. Finally, as I have made my rounds through the neighborhood, it's been great to see all the people out and about walking and biking, gardening and any other activity that'll get you out of the house. Remember to be kind and neighborly to everyone. Wave if someone waves to you, or you can even wave first! You might make a new friend!

As always, your PMCL Board stands ready to serve you. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of us.

Dave

Yard Debris Collection Rules

The following is for curbside collection:

- Limbs up to 4 feet long and 6 inches in diameter will be collected in a pile not to exceed 4 x 4 x 4 feet.
- Two piles, generated from each house, will be collected on each collection day.
- You may also dispose of smaller yard debris, such as grass and leaves (no dirt, rocks, mulch or root balls) in up to 25 clear plastic bags, not more than 25 lbs. per bag.
- Tree removal debris is not collected at the curbside. However, it can be collected through the yard debris container program, provided each piece is no larger than 6 inches in diameter.

31st Annual Halloween Walk

Saturday, October 24th at 3 p.m.

In order to accommodate Covid-19 best practices, we are planning a modified Halloween walk to maintain our neighborhood tradition safely. It will be a circular route, returning to the starting point. As always, since this is a “walk” please leave the skateboards, scooters, bikes and dogs at home. Strollers, prams, carriages, wheelchairs, wagons, etc. are fine. This is for the safety and enjoyment for all.

We will begin at the medical complex on Whitechapel Drive, turn left to Cambria Street, right on Abbey Drive continuing to Severn Drive. We will then turn left back onto Abbey Drive and continue on to Cambria. At Cambria we will turn right and arrive back at Whitechapel.

Individual serving drinks and snacks will be offered at several stations at the medical complex to take with you marking the end of the walk. There will be no activities or food at the park.

If you choose not to walk, you are welcome to join us anywhere along the route and help cheer our little ghosts and goblins as they march to the music.

Neighbors handing out candy: Please just throw the candy out to the street as we did in the old days. We are discouraging kids from walking up to those distributing.

Parents: We need your help to execute this safely. All children must be accompanied by an adult and please direct your kids to maintain social distancing while waiting to start and walking. Also, do not allow them to walk up to those offering treats this year. We are asking neighbors to just throw the candy and let the kids gather it up.

Be a volunteer---we need people to help with providing intersection security while the ghosts

and goblins walk along the route and to help with setting up and watching over the snack tables and coolers.

Care to help out? Contact Elizabeth Matulenas (757)715-5100.

Emergency Preparedness

Know Your Evacuation Zone

Hurricane season runs June 1 to November 30, and the peak of the season is mid-September. If evacuations are ordered in our area, will you know when your zone is called?

The Virginia Department of Emergency Management created an [interactive mapping tool](#) to inform residents of their evacuation zone, with [additional information](#) on what to do during a weather emergency during COVID-19.

Now, all you must know is whether you're in A, B, C or D. Properties in Zone A are in areas most at risk of flooding and storm surge. Then Zone B properties. Then Zone C. And lastly, Zone D.

Just visit www.KnowYourZoneVA.org and click on the link to the map.

For our neighborhood, most homes North of Pembroke Blvd are in Zone D and those South of the Blvd are in Zone C.

Be sure to keep an eye on news reports. When a serious storm is expected to impact Virginia's coastal region, City officials will use multiple tools to get the word out. The more you do now to prepare and plan for tropical storms and hurricanes, the better you will weather the storm. To learn more visit www.vb.gov/residents/emergency-preparedness

For a Disaster Kit Checklist visit: www.ready.gov/build-a-kit

Our Real Estate Market:

Homes Still Selling Quickly-And for MORE Money

REIN reports that Hampton Roads is seeing unprecedented sales activity in both existing AND new homes. In July, home pending sales rose 25.33% over July 2019. Closed sales rose 14.21% year over year for July. In addition, the residential median price for July 2020 was \$275,000, up 7.84% from July of 2019, when it was \$255,000. This is all great news for homeowners!!

What's New in OUR Real Estate Market?

Currently for Sale

4305 St James Cir	4 BR	2 ½ BA	465,000
4245 Cheswick	4 BR	3 BA	869,000
817 Cathedral	3 BR	2 ½ BA	196,000
4109 Cheswick	4 BR	3 ½ BA	790,000

Homes Under Contract

604 Hudgins Ct	3 BR	2 BA	339,000
4220 Cheswick	3 BR	2 BA	339,900
621 Abbey	4 BR	2 ½ BA	315,000
4320 Cambria Cir	5 BR	2 ½ BA	320,000

Homes Sold

613 Sheffield Ct	4 BR	2 BA	339,900
4417 Hudgins	3BR	2 BA	309,900
4516 Notre Dame	3 BR	2 ½ BA	195,000
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Swim Team is an important part of our pool community. Whether it is summer swim or year round we are glad to help these young athletes continue their training!

A Season in Review

Although not how any of us imagined spending our pool's 50th Anniversary, the season was a successful one with quite a few "new". Here are a few to highlight:

- Renovated Concession Stand
- Level Concrete Pad
- Improved deck drainage
- Filtration system for Baby Pool
- Increased Shaded Area
- New deck lighting
- Pool Managers
- Lifeguards
- Members
- Sign-up Genius for reservations
- Family Pods
- Lap swimming lanes
- Cleaning/Sanitation Requirements
- Food trucks
- Float Days & Snow Cones

Membership this season was 25% less than the previous season (which was one of our best!) due to the uncertainty of COVID. We also had no day-care or swim team revenue. You may or may not know that membership dues and fees pay for our daily operating costs and payroll. We are thankful to the Pembroke Meadows Civic League for providing the additional financial support we needed to complete the season.

You may see some activity at the pool in the evenings this month.

Coastal Virginia Aquatic Club (CVAC) will be renting PMRC pool until the Norfolk State pool is ready for them! In addition to swimming for PMRC Marlins during the summer months, many of our neighborhood kids and teens swim for CVAC. We are excited that we are able to help them out for as long as they need.

Looking Ahead

This year, due to COVID, we will not be able to have the Chili Cook-Off (sharing food), but we are working on new ways to keep the pool as an important and vibrant part of our community on and off season. Ideas for fundraising and volunteers to help pull it off are always welcome!

We are so excited that most, if not all, of our lifeguards will be returning for the 2021 swim season! Our lifeguards were amazing this year - making sure safety was number one but also having fun, too!

Please continue to spread the word about PMRC pool to friends and neighbors. We are always hoping to add new friends to the pool.

PMRC Board

THANK YOU to all of the PMRC Board members who served so well this year! The 2021 season PMRC Pool Board is:
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Treasurer: Kerri Denton
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New Financial Assistance Programs Available for Virginia Beach Residents

From the City of Virginia Beach [Website](#):

The City of Virginia Beach has money available for qualifying applicants to help pay real estate taxes, personal property taxes, City Services bills, mortgages and certain expenses incurred as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. Financial help is available for small business owners, residents and community, arts and cultural non-profit organizations. For details about each program, including criteria, eligibility and application requirements, visit emergency.vbgov.com/coronavirus#money. It is important to note that the application timeframe for each program varies.

The Virginia Beach City Council last month authorized a new series of grant programs to provide financial assistance to Virginia Beach residents. Funding sources include the federal economic stimulus bill – Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the City of Virginia Beach. These grant programs are being offered in addition to other aid packages that have been available in the past few months. Information

and access to applications for the existing programs are also available through the online portal.

For more information on the specific programs, follow this [link](#) to the city of Virginia Beach website.



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I encourage all of us to download and use COVIDWISE. It is available from the App Store and Google Play Store. There is also a web page, [covidwise.org](https://www.covidwise.org), that provides lots of information about the app, including frequently asked questions and specifics about how the app works.

PMCL is proud to support the overarching public health effort to defeat COVID-19. Please add your phones in the COVID fight!

- Mike Moore



November 3, 2020 General & Special Elections Schedule & Deadlines

Voter registration deadline: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 (close of business)

Absentee ballot application (BY MAIL) deadline: Friday, October 23, 2020 (5pm)

Absentee ballot (IN-PERSON) deadline: Saturday, October 31, 2020 (5pm)

Voted ballot returned to our office deadline: Postmarked on or before Tuesday, November 3, 2020 (7pm) or in our office Friday, November 6, 2020 (Noon)

Voter resource website

www.vbgov.com/voter

This website provides information about deadlines, identification requirements and a sample ballot along with other valuable information. It also runs a banner showing the **current wait time for in-person early absentee voting at Bldg. 14** at the municipal center.

PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

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<i>First VP</i>	<i>Donna Price</i>	<i>408-4832</i>
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<i>Webmaster</i>	<i>Clif Furedy</i>	<i>490-5792</i>

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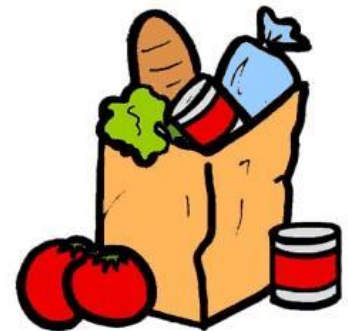
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