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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.





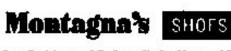
136 Members as of 2 Oct 2020

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. Please make sure you are signed up for the neighborhood email alerts (send a request to PMCL@COX.NET) to receive your opportunity to vote.







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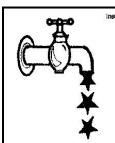
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Presidents Corner

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 through Labor Day, 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

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.

To accommodate Covid-19 best practices, we are planning a **modified** Halloween walk to safely maintain our neighborhood tradition. 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.

<u>Parents</u>: Please speak to your children about the importance of spacing and maintaining proper social distancing. <u>Instruct them to gather candy from the street and not to go up to those tossing candy</u>. It is for the safety of everyone. Please walk with your children and help whenever you see the need.

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.

Ferry Plantation House

Ferry will remain closed until the city gives us permission to re-open. Date is unknown.

Fall Leaves and Your Gutters

Please make an extra effort to keep leaves out of the gutters as they travel down to the storm drains and on to our waterways. We can all do our part for the environment.

Lost Pet Report - I have had to turn over dogs to Animal Control due to lack of identification. Please put your information on your pets collar as it makes returning them to you so much easier and safer for the pet. Cold weather is coming and since I do not have a garage, I need another family willing to hold found pets until owner can be located. They are held for the shortest possible time. If you can help call Gerry at 497-5243.

Box Turtles

It won't be long before the box turtles go into hibernation for the winter. They will dig down about 2 1/2 feet and sleep the winter away. This time of year they are feeding, feeding, feeding to prepare for winter. Once the ground temperature reaches about 50 degrees in spring they will wake up hungry again. Box turtles do very well in our neighborhood.

Flu Shots

On Saturday OCTOBER 10TH Sentara Bayside Hospital is offering **FREE** DRIVE THRU FLU SHOTS. 8 A.M. - NOON while supplies last. Must be 18 years or older



Our Real Estate Market:



What's New in OUR Real Estate Market?

Currently for Sale

629 Cardiff	3 BR	2 BA	349,900
648 Bishop	4 BR	2 ½ BA	379,900
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

812 St James Dr 5 BR 3 BA 375,000

Homes Sold

			
604 Hudgins Ct	3 BR	2 BA	319,000
4305 St James Cir	4 BR	2 ½ BA	460,000
813 St Martin Dr	3 BR	2 BA	305,000
4220 Cheswick	3 BR	2 BA	339,900
621 Abbey	4 BR	2 ½ BA	305,000
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~Sue Lentin









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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.

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!

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:

Director: Karen Roy

Assistant Director: Lindsey McCarty

Treasurer: Kerri Denton Secretary: Nikki Stokes

At-Large: Chrisalyn Amorese, Pamela Davis, Mandy Nixon-Hammer, Leah Moore & Chuck

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The app was created with both public health and public trust in mind. It's easy to use. it ensures your privacy and it helps protect the health and safety of our communities. No location data or personally identifiable information is ever collected, stored or transmitted via this app.

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, that provides lots of information about the app, including frequently asked questions and specifics about how the app works.

Please add your phones in the COVID fight!

- Mike Moore

November 3, 2020 **General & Special Flections** 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

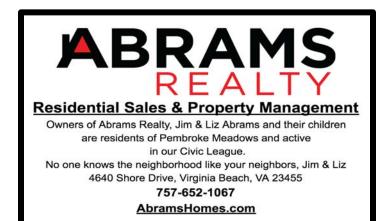
This website provides information about deadlines, identification requirements and a sample ballot along with other valuable information. It also runs a banner showing the current wait time for in-person early absentee voting at Bldg. 14 at the municipal center.

PMCL POINTS OF CONTACT

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Civic League Officers		
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Shores	Bob/Marge Brotman	497-0565
Townhomes	Vacant	
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Lake Pembroke	Vacant	
Lake Meadows	Charlie Russ	497-5298
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	Jeanette Willenbrink	497-0700
Recreation Center (pool)		
Director	Karen Roy	513-4183
Asst Director	Lindsey McCarty	477-1551
Treasurer	Kerri Denton	401-5562
Secretary	Mandy Nixon Hammer	513-6908
PMRC Pool Phone	(in season only)	963-2239







Food Insecurity

These are tough times, and some in our area are not able to feed their families. Please check on your neighbors if you think they need help. Please support a

local food bank if you have the means.

