OCEAN PARK CIVIC LEAGUE

NEWSLETTER

March 2000 ✡ Serving the Ocean Park Community ✡

Meeting Notice
Thursday, March 2, 2000
@ Ocean Park Volunteer and Rescue H. Q.
Time: 7:30 P. M.

SHORE DRIVE CORRIDOR PLAN WINS APPROVAL!

The first step of a plan to enhance the environs of Shore Drive has been reached by the Shore Drive Advisory Commission. The City of Virginia Beach Planning Commission voted unanimously to send the plan that took eighteen months to create to the City Council for approval in March. The comprehensive plan will ask the City to include approximately 30 million dollars in its budget to fund the first portions of the plan. Although it might be overly optimistic to expect complete funding of the plan, hopefully a large portion of the request will be included in the City capital improvement budget this year. Certainly the Shore Drive corridor is due for some improvements.

It is important that citizens attend the City Council Annual Budget meeting which is open to the public. Here, citizens will have the opportunity to voice their approval of this very important funding incentive for the Shore Drive corridor.

New Shore Drive Community Coalition

On February 3rd, members from approximately fifteen civic associations and business enterprises along the Shore Drive corridor met to discuss the possibility joining forces to promote an involvement in the OpSail 2000 event in mid-June. Out of necessity for us to meet this challenge and future challenges along the Shore Drive corridor a new organization was created: The Shore Drive Community Coalition (SDCC) came into existence to manage OpSail 2000, a milestone of Chesapeake Bay history. In the future, the SDCC will be a strong advocate for issues concerning the Shore Drive Corridor.

OpSail2000
HAMPTON ROADS, VIRGINIA
June 15-20, 2000

The historic OpSail 2000 event, the assemblage of 30 or more tall ships in Lynnhaven Roads off Cape Henry on June 15, 2000, is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the Shore Drive area to be showcased in the Mid-Atlantic region of the nation and throughout the world.

Approximately 1,500 cadets/sailors from eighteen nations will come ashore at the Virginia Pilots Association facility on Shore Drive

Thursday evening, June 15th. One civic league could not handle the planning of such an event. The combination of volunteers from the civic leagues, condominium associations, and the local merchants association are already hard at work making plans. The City of Virginia Beach has informally committed $35,000 to facilitate this notable occasion.

On Thursday, February 24th, the SDCC Events Committee will make a formal presentation to the City of Virginia Beach on the SDCC plan to showcase the area's hospitably on June 15th. With the short time remaining until then, a concerted effort must be made to bring the plan together. Many volunteers have come forward to assist, however, more are needed. Efforts will be addressed to fund-raising and manning a hospitality center for the visiting sailors. The SDCC is confident that the event will be a great success and it will set the stage for what is hoped will be an annual Shore Drive celebration. Please call me and let me you will be a member of the local OpSail 2000 Team. Volunteers are needed. My telephone number: 363-9795. Thank you.

Scott Ayers

Submitted by Scott Ayers, Member, Shore Drive Advisory Commission , OPSAIL 2000 Committee.

Meeting Agenda

1. Mr. Philip Roehrs, City of Virginia Beach Coastal Engineer will discuss:
   - ✤ Lynnhaven Boat Ramp Project and Beach Facility - Phase I - Dredging of Crab Creek
   - ✤Sand replenishment on Ocean Park Beach, January 2001
2. Council of Civic Organizations (CCO) Awards
   - ✤Judith "Judy" Connors
   - ✤Jerome Nelinson
3. Appoint nominating committee for slate of officers for 2000-2001.
4. February 21, 2000 meeting of Wetlands Board - Letter submission by Ocean Park Civic League
5. Fund Drive for new Ocean Park Rescue and Fire Station - Update
6. OpSail 2000 Status - Scott Ayers, Member of the Committee
7. Ocean Park cleanup announcements
8. Drawing: Three Twenty-five ($25.) Gift Certificates will be given at a no-charge raffle at the conclusion of the meeting. (You must be present to win.)

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Dredging Crab Creek

The City of Virginia Beach plans to begin Phase I of the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp and Beach Facility Project by dredging Crab Creek. Mr. Philip Roehrs will speak to the Civic League about this project at the March 2nd meeting. Citizens of Ocean Park who live along Crab Creek or who live near the creek are urged to attend the meeting to learn what Mr Roehrs has to say about the time frame when dredging will be done. Please attend.

RABIES AWARENESS WEEK ✿ MARCH 6-10, 2000

Sponsored by the Virginia Medical Association and the Virginia Department of Health

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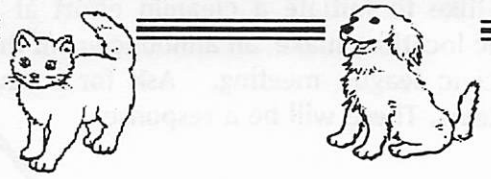

DOG AND CAT RABIES VACCINATIONS ARE OFFERED AT A REDUCED RATE DURING THIS WEEK–COST $6.00 - PLEASE CALL A PARTICIPATING VETERINARIAN TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Vaccination is required by Virginia Law for all cats and dogs by four (4) months of age.

CENSUS INFORMATION

Volunteers will be at the Bayside Library, Independence Boulevard, from March 8-14, to assist anyone who needs help in completing a census form. Persons with vision, language, or other difficulties that might prevent them from returning their census form can get assistance at the library. Accurate figures are vitally important. Any questions? Please call:

Carolyn Caywood
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460-7518

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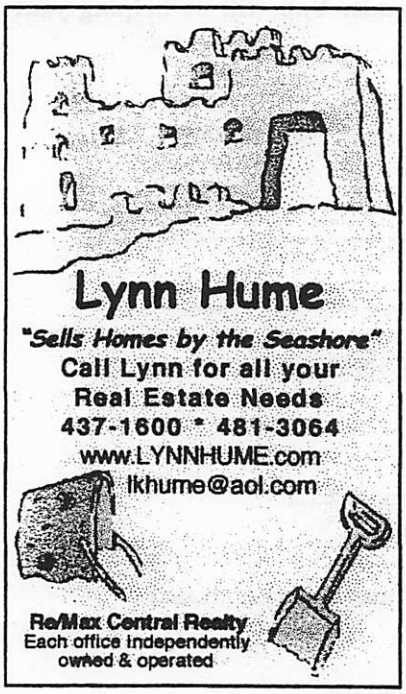

Lost and Found

After the last civic league meeting, January 6, a pair of glasses was found. Anyone loose them? Please call Jim McElligott @ **412-0941.**

IS CLEANUP TIME

Some streets, vacant lots, and pathways to the beaches are shoddy looking. Although summer has long passed, refuse left by beach-goers rots away along the paths; building materials strewn about by construction crews remains scattered in lots and along streets. It is time to pick up the letter of left by thoughtless people even if it is not on your property. Let us restore the beauty of our area. Now, is the time to do the cleaning up before the growth of spring covers up the trash in the lots.

If there messy areas you are aware of, plan to organize a working party to clean them. Saturday mornings seem to be a good time to get out and refreshed these trashy areas. If you would like to initiate a cleanup effort at a specific location, make an announcement the next civic league meeting. Ask for a few volunteers. There will be a response.

Duck-In
JOIN US IN OUR LOUNGE & ENJOY OUR COZY FIREPLACE!
HOWDY NEIGHBORS!
15% OFF COUPON
MUST BE A RESIDENT OF OCEAN PARK! COUPON VALID SUN-THURS, NO HOLIDAYS EXP 4/30/00 - ALCOHOL EXCLUDED
481-0201
3324 SHORE DR, VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

BAYSIDE EXXON
Gee Faison, Owner
Post Office Box 5643 • 4460 Shore Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23455 • (757) 464-0515

MEMBERSHIP DUES–2000

If you did not renew your membership in the civic league at the beginning of the year, now is the time to do it and keep your membership up to date. If you are not a member, become one now. Just fill in the Membership Application and send it to our treasurer, Ms. Betty Woods. You will be helping your community and yourself.

DO IT NOW!!

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION–2000

NAME:.....

ADDRESS:.....

PHONE:.....**RENT:**.....**OWN**.....**YEARS IN OP**.....

Areas of Interest in Ocean Park Civic League (Check Off ✓)

Newsletter contributions.....
Newsletter distribution.....
Refreshments, civic league meetings.....
Social Events committee.....
Crime Watch committee.....
OpSail 2000 committee.....
New Development.....
Zoning .....
Suggestions.....(Your remarks, please.)

Mail this Application with your dues, Five ($5.00) to:
Ocean Park Civic League (OPCL), P. O Box 55385, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23455-5385