



# Ocean Park Civic League



## NEWSLETTER

November 1999

**\*\*Serving the Ocean Park Community\*\***

### Meeting Notice

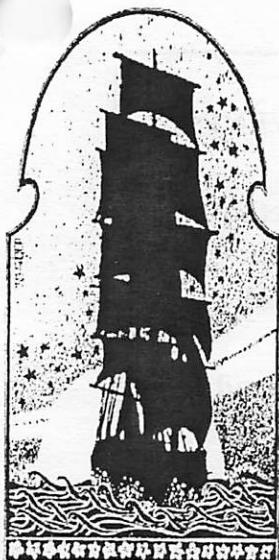
**Thursday, November 4, 1999**

**@ Bay Lake Retirement &  
Assisted Living Community**

**4225 Shore Drive**

**Time: 7:30 P. M. ♦ Food Samplers sponsored by  
Shore Drive Restaurant Owners**

### OpSail 2000<sup>TM</sup> HAMPTON ROADS, VIRGINIA



**C**an you imagine as many sailing ships in the Spanish Armada (1588) coming to Hampton Roads? Not even the combined fleets of Lord Admiral Nelson's British ships and those of the French/Spanish alliance had the numbers of sailing vessels at Trafalgar (1805) that will be seen here. The last time a mammoth fleet anchored in Lynnhaven Roads was in October 1942. Then, Hampton Roads was the birthing area and berthing area for the invasion of North Africa the following month. The OpSail 2000<sup>®</sup> Tall Ship fleet will again fill the bight of Cape Henry just off the Ocean Park beach.

The OpSail 2000 Tall Ship fleet of more than 35 Tall Ships and 100 plus additional sailing craft from 50 nations will anchor off our shores, Thursday, June 15, 2000. Several vessels will be here earlier.

OpSail 2000's East Coast multi port celebration, an epic event, will be the most inclusive of any tall ship event sponsored in the United States. OpSail 2000 is endorsed by the President of the United States and is designated as an official event by a unanimous Joint Resolution of Congress. OpSail 2000 reinforces good will among nations because of its national and international nature.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR HAMPTON ROADS AND THE SHORE DRIVE CORRIDOR?

The Port of Hampton Roads is one of the select group of East Coast Ports chosen to host the historic OpSail 2000 Tall Ship and the Naval Fleet as they make their journey to the July 4, 2000 International Naval Review in New York Harbor.

### ALONG SHORE DRIVE:

- ① Ten thousand international sailors man the ships. Many will make liberty along Shore Drive to participate in hospitality programs and entertainment.
- ② To view the Tall Ship Fleet, several hundred thousand visitors will come to this area from near and afar for some 2-3 days while the fleet rides at anchor.
- ③ Charted boats will take sightseers to view the ships up close
- ④ The Parade of Sail on Friday, June 16 begins at 7:00 A. M. and continues until 4:00 P. M.
- ⑤ Many Parade of Sail festivities will be held in this area.
- ⑥ Adopt a ship and hosting a sailor opportunities will be available
- ⑦ Crew transportation shuttles, shopping and dining opportunities will be arranged
- ⑧ Multiple plans are now being formulated to expound upon this historic visit to the Hampton Roads and the Shore Drive Corridor. The ships' interlude at Lynnhaven Roads will have a major positive impact for commerce in this area.

To this end, your Ocean Park Civic League invites all the residents of our community the opportunity to participate in this event in some manner. The Bay Lake Retirement and Assisted Living Community have opened its recreational facility to the league for a special kickoff assembly on Thursday, November 4. Please join your neighbors at this meeting.

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CIRCULATION: 950 Homes &  
Businesses

**Mr. Roger Phelps,**  
**Assistant Managing Director, FESTEVENETS,**  
**In Charge of OpSail 2000**  
**will speak about the event at this meeting**  
**and present an eye-catching video.**  
**Shore Drive merchants and our host**  
**Bay Lake Retirement &**  
**Assisted Living will provide a buffet and**  
**refreshments.**

Come and learn more about OpSail 2000. Become part of the adventure! It will be one you will recall for many years. One you can be proud to tell your friends and family about.



## Meeting Agenda

The focus of attention at the next meeting will be the historic visit to Hampton Roads of the OpSail 2000 Tall Ship visit to our shores. Positive implications portend for the Shore Drive community. We will ascertain how our involvement will be beneficial to all. Our efforts will be directed toward working closely with the Shore Drive Advisory Committee, The City of Virginia Beach, Norfolk FESTEVENETS, the local coordinator for OpSail 2000, and also cooperating with other bonafide organizations or individuals who can make positive contributions to the multi ship visit.

Come out to this important meeting, one which will have great significance for our community next year. If you have not been to a civic league meeting, learn how we do business. Meet your neighbors. Be a participant in building our community.

### OLD BUSINESS

**1. Status of Closing West Stratford Street:** As far as your president is aware, West. Stratford Street will remain closed. As I recall, Mr. Mark Ricketts stated, "The City sided with the Civic League and it would remain closed." However, I went to the barricade on West Stratford and indeed, the road being developed by the Three Ships Landing at the northeast end of the property abuts West Stratford at the barricade. I will look into the matter with the City's Planning Department.

**2. Vice President Vacancy Filled:** Ms. Christine A. Hankins agreed to accept the position of Vice President. Last year we did not have a vice president. The incumbent transferred from the area and the position was missed most importantly by your president. Welcome aboard Christine

**3. Tax Exempt Status of the Civic League:** Mr. Jim McElligott

**4. Social Committee:** Mr Scott Ayers

At the conclusion of the meeting, a no-charge raffle will be held. Two Gift Certificates, each valued at \$25. will be the prizes. The Duck In, Shore Drive and Shell Station, Shore Drive and Pleasure House Road donated the gift certificates to the civic league. You must be present to win.

*Jim McElligott*

### AT THE LAST MEETING

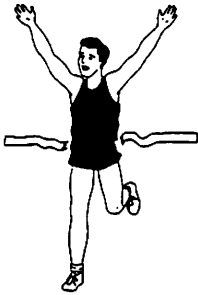
At the September civic league meeting the attendance was low. Perhaps, Tropical Storm Dennis kept some members away. Let's do better at the next meeting. It is an important one. Remember, it is at the Bay Lakes Retirement and Assisted Living Community, Shore Drive.

**Lynnhaven Boat and Beach Facility CIP 4-974:** (East Stratford Road & Shore Drive, southwest of Lesner Bridge) **Mr. Barry Frankenfield,** Director of Parks and Recreation, gave a

comprehensive report on the status of the city's new recreational facility. Civic league members expressed their concerns and interest. They presented many timely questions to Mr. Frankenfield. The report is available. For a copy, call the Dept. of Parks & Recreation at: 563-1100.

**Crime Watch: Mark Johnson** continues to promote this vital program. Unfortunately, response from the community remains modest. The program will start up in areas where residents have come forth to assume duties related to the program.

## Winners of the September Raffle



At the last civic league meeting in September, two Twenty-five (\$25.) Dollar Gift Certificates were donated, one each came from Colley Marine, Shore Drive, and Seascapes Interiors, Ltd. The winners were: Ms. Judy Jones and Ms. Andrea Klein. Lucky ladies!

## VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11

Many memorial services are held throughout the area on this day. We suggest you attend one. Honor the Veterans who served this nation and the men and women who now serve. They are very special people.



## WHAT IS THE OCEAN PARK CIVIC LEAGUE?

We are a community in Virginia Beach that has grown out of collective efforts to fulfill our shared civic ideals. Throughout the years, many residents have been leaders in developing both theory and practical strategies aimed at building our appealing community on Chesapeake Bay. To Promote those objectives, your civic league leaders are committed the following courses of action:

1. Confer with town officials and others on issues that concern our area and the city.
2. Encouraging service on city boards and committees.
3. Encourage residents to attend civic league meetings.
4. Disseminate our positions, local news and concerns through the Newsletter.

Mr. Gee Faison, owner of Bayside Exxon, and continual patron of the civic league, recently acquired the Shell Service Station at Shore Drive & Pleasure House Road.

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### *General Election*

A General Assembly Pilot Project will ID at the polls such as:

- ✓ Drivers License
- ✓ Virginia Voter ID Card
- ✓ Social Security Card
- ✓ Military ID
- ✓ Any printed card with name, address, photo, signature
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Polls open at 6:00 A. M.-

Close at 7:00 P. M.

For further information:

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Park, Shore Drive in Virginia Beach.

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# ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY,  
NOVEMBER 2ND

# Vote!



## Christmas Craft Faire at the Francis Land House



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1999  
NOON-5:00 P. M.  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1999  
7, 11:00 A. M.-5:00 P. M.  
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## *Dues Are Always Due*

The Ocean Park Civic League is supported by the local community. Membership dues of five (\$5.00) per year are used for civic league expenses, which are minimal. We urge you to support your civic league. If you are not currently a member and would like to belong, or you have not paid your dues within the past year, please take a moment to fill out the application form and send it with your dues to our treasurer, Ms. Betty Wood.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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.....  
New development.....  
Zoning.....  
Suggestions.....(your remarks, please)

Mail this Application with your dues, Five (\$5.00), to  
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