

It's...The Talk of the Town!

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Keep Pembroke Beautiful!

Please help us Keep Pembroke Beautiful - if you see litter, pick it up. Show the beauty of our community!



RUN FOR THE HEROES
MAY 25 - 29, 2016



Run For the Heroes is a 260 mile relay across Georgia that begins at Fort Stewart and transitions through the plains of middle Georgia ending in Fort Benning/ Columbus. Pembroke will be the first transition point for this group of bikers and runners. The city expects to welcome them again this year. Contact Sharroll at City Hall for more information. Plan to come out and cheer them on!

The mission of **House of Heroes, Inc.** is to recognize and honor military and public safety veterans and/or their spouses who have served our country faithfully and sacrificially. Proceeds raised from the event are used to repair homes of needy veterans. Donations are welcome at City Hall.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

The City of Pembroke, along with the Downtown Development Authority and the American Legion will be hosting a Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 30th at 11:00AM at the intersection of South College and East Railroad Street.

Please join us as we present new memorial flags and honor our fallen.



CITY OF PEMBROKE SCHEDULE

Regular office hours are Monday - Friday
8:30AM - 5:00PM

CLOSED - Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day



May's highlight citizen: Jewel Cowart Owens



Jewel Cowart Owens has lived in Pembroke since she was 10 years old. Her parents were Carlos and Lillie Mae Warren Cowart. She has two brothers, Gene (deceased) and Bobby Cowart, and one sister Kay Cowart Deloach Martin (deceased). Jewel is a member of the Pembroke United Methodist Church.

Jewel graduated in 1951 from Bryan County High School. After graduation she attended Armstrong and the Warren A. Candler School of Nursing in Savannah where she graduated as a Registered Nurse. Soon after graduation from nursing school, Jewel returned to Pembroke and married Ralph A. Owens. Together they had two children, Donovan Gordon and Leigh Anne Owens Maiden. She has three grandchildren and six great-grands who all reside in Bluffton, South Carolina.

After returning to Pembroke, Jewel worked at Bulloch County Hospital for one year and in July of 1956 she was employed by the Bulloch County Board of Health as a Public Health Nurse. She worked in this position for 10 years. In September of 1966 she was employed by the Bryan County Board of Health as a Public Health Nurse where she worked for 24 years until her retirement. In 1972 she was appointed to the Pembroke Hospital Authority Board, serving as chairman on several occasions. Jewel continues to serve on this board, as well as the Bryan County Board of Health.



“Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections every two to four years; but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.” (Unknown)

For more information on becoming a volunteer, please contact City Hall at 653-4413.



The American Legion is collecting tattered and worn American flags. If you have worn American flags that are no longer presentable, please drop them in the red-white-and-blue chest on the west porch of the American Legion building located at 1040 US HWY 280 West. These flags will then be disposed of properly at a joint American Legion - Boy Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony to be announced at a later date. Thank you for your participation!

CITY POOL OPENS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!

The City of Pembroke Recreation Department is opening the city pool on Saturday, May 28th at 12:00PM just in time for Memorial Day! Open swim times this year will be Monday through Saturday from 12:00PM to 6:00PM and Sunday from 1:00PM to 5:00PM. Open swim time admission is \$3.00. Season pool passes will be available for sale! We look forward to seeing you pool side this summer!



Street Light Out?

When you see a street light out, please contact City Hall at 653-4413, and provide us with the street address and pole number. Does the light blink off and on, or is it totally out? Thank you for making the effort to report outages so we can keep these to a minimum.



2016 UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY EVENTS

Thursday, May 5th at 1:30PM - Downtown Development Authority at the J. Dixie Harn Community Center

Thursday, May 5th at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning & Zoning Commission

Thursday, May 5th - National Day of Prayer (at Bryan County Courthouse)

Monday, May 9th at 7:00PM - City Council

Monday, May 30th at 11:00AM - Memorial Day Service

JUNE EVENTS

Thursday, June 2nd at 1:30PM - Downtown Development Authority at the J. Dixie Harn Community Center

Thursday, June 2nd at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning & Zoning Commission

Monday, June 13th at 7:00PM - City Council



CHIEF'S CORNER

Please visit us at www.facebook.com/PembrokePoliceDept and like our page!

The Junior Police Program is off to a start and **adult volunteers are needed to assist!** Our first meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 6th at 10:00AM at the PD. All interested volunteers are encouraged to attend. A background check will be required. We are hoping to have our first meeting with the kids on Monday, May 16th at 6:00PM. We will be serving with children ages 7 through 12.

The PD is still looking to implement a Citizens Police Academy. Anyone interested should contact Chief Alexander.

Ever wanted to do a ride-along? We have recently implemented a new ride-along program for citizens over the age of 21. For more information, please call the police department at 912-653-4409. You will be required to sign a waiver and complete a pre-ride interview.