

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

November 2017 Issue



## Keep Pembroke Beautiful!

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

## 34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PEMBROKE CHRISTMAS Parade and FESTIVAL

We've received a lot of positive feedback about our first ever night parade and festival! Our Christmas market will begin at 2:00PM on both sides of Railroad Street, meaning the downtown parking lot will be open for parade viewing. Come visit vendors from all over the region as they bring food, homemade crafts and vendor items to Pembroke!

Photos with Santa can be made all afternoon at Carla's Furniture Gallery and Gifts on East Bacon Street. Live local talent will be performing all afternoon and into the evening on the stage located by the Pembroke Police Dept. At 5:30 PM, the big show begins! Come watch Bryan County's biggest and best parade along Highway 280 with churches, local businesses, clubs and groups, Shriners, Military, elected officials and Santa Claus!

Finally, enjoy our downtown light display centered around the caboose and the lighting of the City Christmas Tree by the Grand Marshals.

Our Christmas festivities get bigger and better every year and it's all because of people like you. Please continue to support this fine tradition.

If you would like to participate in the festival as a vendor, parade entry, stage performer or volunteer. Please contact Alex Floyd at [betterhometown@pembrokega.net](mailto:betterhometown@pembrokega.net) or visit our facebook event.

*All parade entries and vendor applications are due by November 17<sup>th</sup> so do not wait!*

## Parade Grand Marshals

In recognition of their many contributions and longstanding leadership in the downtown community; Mrs. Jeanne McCormick and Ms. Mary Anna Hite will be our Grand Marshals for this year's parade. Help us congratulate these fine ladies and thank them for their service!

## Veterans Day

The City of Pembroke and the John Duggar Chapter of the American Legion will host our annual Veterans Day Ceremony on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10AM in Waters Park downtown. Come join us in honoring our local heroes and those still serving. We are always accepting applications for new flags as well as sponsorships for existing flags at City Hall and at the Legion Post.

## Mayors' Motorcade

On December 6<sup>th</sup>, representatives from the City of Pembroke will participate in the annual Mayors' Motorcade. This is a long standing tradition where city's collect supplies and Christmas gifts for the patients at Georgia Regional Hospital. If you or your organization would like more information on how to donate to this need, please contact Alex Floyd at [betterhometown@pembrokega.net](mailto:betterhometown@pembrokega.net). All donations are tax deductible.

## Scarecrow Contest Winner!

Congratulations to Bryan County 4-H Club for being the winner of our Scarecrow Contest! Remember to go to our Facebook Page and vote for the People's Choice that will be announced on our Facebook page 'Downtown Development Authority of Pembroke' following the Spooktacular Fall Festival. Also Congratulations to all the 4-Her's who participated in the Statesboro and Perry Fairs and showcased their hard work!





## 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS

### NOVEMBER EVENTS

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30PM - Downtown Development Authority at City Hall

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning & Zoning Commission at City Hall

Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day Observed - City Hall Closed

Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM - City Council

Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00PM - Junior Police at the J. Dixie Harn Community Center

Thursday and Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Holiday - City Hall Closed

### DECEMBER EVENTS

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00-9:00 PM - Cookies with Santa Claus at the Mikell Foxworth Rec. Center

Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning & Zoning Commission at City Hall

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00-8:00 PM - Christmas Festival

Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM - City Council

Friday and Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Holiday - City Hall Closed

## Give Today To Bryan County Children's Fund!

### Now Accepting Donations For Our Local Families In Need!



Please Help Needy Children in Bryan County Have A Special Christmas By Donating NEW items!

#### Item Wish List:

Action Figures and Toy Trucks  
Athletic Equipment (Balls, Bats, Gloves, Etc...)  
Clothing (Hoodies, Undies, Hats, Scarves, Socks)  
Personal Hygiene Items (Soaps, Bath Items, Etc...)  
Make Up and Nail Polish  
Age-Appropriate Books  
Board Games  
Jewelry, Purses and Bags  
Hair Items

Bryan County Children's Fund is a Collaborative Program of Bryan County Family Connection and Other Dedicated Community programs, Volunteers, and Contributors. For More Information, Please call 912.653.3824.

This great program is led by Wendy Sims at Bryan County Family Connections. For more information, call 912 653-3824. Donations are collected at the PAC Maintenance Shop.



Join the Pembroke Volunteer Fire Dept and Ladies Auxiliary at the Mikell Foxworth Rec. Center (old BCES Gym) from 6:00-9:00PM, Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

for Cookies, Milk and a Christmas Story read by Santa and Mrs. Claus! Check their Facebook pages for more info.



## Bulbs, Bows and Bricks, Oh My!

We have several ways you can recognize a special someone during the Christmas season.

**Buy a Bulb:** Each year the City lights our annual Christmas tree through the "Buy a Bulb" sponsorship. For just \$5, your loved one's name will appear in the Art Center window during the month of December. Drop by City Hall or check out our Facebook page to participate.

**Buy a Bow:** For a \$20 donation, your loved one's name will appear on the rail of the Pembroke Welcome Center on a large red bow throughout the month of December. Come by City Hall or go to our Facebook page to participate.

**Buy a Brick:** The best deal in town! For the remainder of 2017, our \$50 engraved bricks are selling for ONLY \$35! Bricks will be set in the Railroad Street Memorial Walk forever! To purchase your brick(s), drop by City Hall to complete the form, or you may request one from Alex at [betterhometown@pembrokega.net](mailto:betterhometown@pembrokega.net).

### CHIEF'S CORNER

Please visit us at

[www.facebook.com/PembrokePoliceDept](http://www.facebook.com/PembrokePoliceDept)

and like our page!

Distracted driving is a serious concern everywhere and especially in our school zones where traffic is quite heavy. We have had several incidents with motorists failing to obey the laws set in place to protect our officers directing traffic. These laws were made to prevent accidents, injuries and fatalities. If there's a traffic control device present i.e. stop sign, traffic light or yield sign, **the police officer** will give you directions and commands.

Pursuant Georgia Law O.C.G.A. 40-6-20 (2010) 40-6-20. Obedience to traffic-control devices required; presumptions; enforcement by traffic-control signal monitoring devices

(a) The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of an official traffic-control device applicable thereto, placed in accordance with this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this chapter. A violation of this subsection shall be a misdemeanor, except as otherwise provided by subsection (f) of this Code section.

We will be taking a strict 'No Tolerance' approach beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>, to ensure motorists are abiding by the laws in our heavy school traffic areas. We will also be watching for people passing school buses and for speeders in the school zones. We at Pembroke Police Department take this issue very seriously and as always want to maintain a safe, peaceful environment in our city.