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

December 2018 Issue





Merry Christmas!

"I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year."

Charles Dickens, Ebenezer Scrooge, A Christmas Carol

Pembroke Christmas Parade and Festival



Please join us on Saturday, December 8th for our annual Christmas Parade and Festival! The Christmas Market will open at 2:00PM, and the Parade will begin at 5:30 PM. You won't want to miss the music, food, vendors, and festivities! To receive registration information about parade entries, performing on stage or being a market vendor, please email Renee at betterhometown@pembrokega.net

Christmas Tree Decorating Contest!



The Bryan County Senior Center has been gracious enough to donate their space so that the Downtown Development Authority can hold the Christmas Tree decorating contest once again! Trees will be on display in the Senior Center beginning December 3rd. Stop by from 2:00PM-4:00PM on parade day to cast your vote for your favorite tree! Then join us December 19th at 7:00PM for a reception honoring the participants. A lot of work goes into displaying a tree for this and competition we thank those participating!

City of Pembroke

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

Closed Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23nd for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Closed Monday, December 24th, Tuesday, December 25th and Wednesday, December 26th for the Christmas Holiday.



Bryan County Children's Fund is a program designed to assist and support local needy families. The organization works to ensure that no child in Bryan County is without a Christmas and provides gifts for six hundred local children each year.

Bryan County Family Connections is asking citizens to help by 'adopting' a child or family and donating money, clothes and toys. This year, all donations should be made by December 13th to ensure each child receives gifts.

If you would like to adopt a child in need or volunteer to help with shopping, bagging, or distributing the gifts, please call Bryan County Family Connection at 912 653-3824.

Santa's Firetruck Run!!

Santa Claus and his helpers will be riding the big red Firetruck around Pembroke again this year from 6:00-9:00PM December 10th-14th. Check the Pembroke Fire Dept.'s Facebook page to see when he's coming to your neighborhood!



The North Bryan Chamber of Commerce will kick off their 2019 season with the Mayor's Annual State of the City Address. This is a chance for our citizens to reflect on how far we've come in 2018 and our plans

for the coming year. Please come be a part of this tradition at 11:30AM, January 17th upstairs at Higgins Place.

Santa's Coming to Town!



Santa Claus will be at Carla's Furniture Gallery at 37 East Bacon Street from 12:00-2:00PM on Saturday, December 8th before the Christmas Parade. Bring your lists and your cameras!

Talking Trash



As of January 1*, 2019, the City will begin using a new waste management vendor!!

Be on the look-out in December as our new provider, **AllGreen Services**, will begin delivering your new cans so we will be ready to hit the ground running in January. Our current provider, Republic Services, will begin picking up their cans in January.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO USE REPUBLIC CANS AND DO NOT USE ALLGREEN CANS BEFORE JANUARY 1*.

West of Main Street (Hwy 67N/Hwy 119S) will be picked up on Mondays; East of Main Street will be picked up on Fridays.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Sam Sullivan and AllGreen Services to the Pembroke family.

United Way-Second Harvest Food Drop



United Way of the Coastal Empire

Commodities for low income seniors and families are brought to the Pembroke Christian Church on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. All it takes is filling out a short form available at City Hall and at Bryan County Family Connections.

The Next Drops are December 11th and January 8th



2018 UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER EVENTS

Monday, December 3rd at 6:30PM – Junior Police Academy at the J. Dixie Harn Community Center

Thursday December 6th at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning and Zoning Commission in City Hall Conference Room

Saturday, December 8th – Annual Christmas Parade and Festival Festival begins at 2:00PM Parade begins at 5:30PM

Monday, December 10th at 7:30PM - City Council

JANUARY EVENTS

Thursday, January 3rd at 6:30PM - Pembroke Planning and Zoning Commission in City Hall Conference Room

Monday, January 7th at 6:30PM - Junior Police Academy at the J. Dixie Harn Community Center

Monday, January 14th at 7:30PM - City Council

Thursday, January 17th at 11:30AM - Mayor's State of the City Address to the Chamber of Commerce at Higgins Place



CHIEF'S CORNER

Merry Christmas from all of us at Pembroke Police Dept.

With the added holiday travelers on our roadways remember to be safety-conscious.

Tips for a safer holiday season:

- Always wear your seat belt.
- Whether you are hosting an event or attending, have a plan in place to prevent drinking and driving such as, taking the keys or designating a driver.
- Keep a watch on your personal belongings. Don't leave your purse unattended.
- Always lock your vehicle.
- If your Christmas tree is visible from the outside consider not placing gifts under it until the last minute.
- Remember, it's not wise to advertise your travel plans on social media such as Twitter or Facebook.
- **Pembroke Police Department has forms at the station you may fill out requesting extra security checks for your home or business while you are out of town or even if you are only away for a few hours of shopping.