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



June 2020 Issue

Happy Summer!



"Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?" – William Shakespeare

## Pembroke is Resuming Regular Utility Billing This Month

Beginning with <u>June's</u> bill, the City of Pembroke will resume a regular schedule of reading and billing utilities and disconnecting service for non-payment. Penalties on existing balances will not resume until <u>July's</u> bill. This gives our customers with balances on their water/sewer account 30 <u>days to address delinquencies</u>.

Please use this time to minimize any back balance as soon as possible to avoid disconnection. If you have questions, please contact City Hall. Our hours are 8:30-5:00 Monday-Friday, (912) 653-4413.

### Pembroke Public Library Summer Reading Program has begun! This year's theme is Imagination!

Each week there will be virtual performances, craft kits for pickup, and online badges to earn along with prizes. This year there will also be a Fractured Fairy Tale (short story) writing contest. Follow the Pembroke Library Facebook page for more information and look for flyers around town! Books may be requested by calling the library or by using the Pines Library website at <a href="https://gapines.org/">https://gapines.org/</a>. You may also contact the library by phone at 912-653-2822 any Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 9am and 5pm.







FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AVAILABLE FOR ALL BRYAN COUNTY CHILDREN TUESDAY, MAY 26-FRIDAY, JULY 31

"GRAB AND GO" MEALS AVAILABLE 11:30AM-12:30PM AT THE FOLLOWING SITES:

HENDRIX PARK
3960 WILMA EDWARDS ROAD IN ELLABELL

PEMBROKE CITY PARK
91 LANIER STREET IN PEMBROKE



### COVID-19 Specimen Collection Site

Bryan County Health Dept.

Pembroke Location

430 Ledford Street

Testing every Friday, Starting May 15<sup>th</sup>

Hours: 8:30am – 12:00pm

### Testing done by Appointment ONLY!

Please call
COVID-19 CALL CENTER
@ 912-230-9744
or
rvan County Health Dept.

Bryan County Health Dept. 912-653-4331 for a referral

TESTING WILL BE DONE IN YOUR CAR

#### Closed for the Summer

Unfortunately, the spring closings of pools, and training centers has prevented the City from acquiring trained and certified lifeguards for the 2020 season. Without lifeguards, the pool at the J Dixie Harn Center will remain closed until summer 2021.

The City will also not be taking reservations for the Community Center in June or July and will reassess at their August Council meeting.



### Post pictures of your purchase and WIN!

Step 1: Make purchase at participating Downtown business

Step 2: Post picture to DDA Facebook page with your purchase by noon on Friday

Step 3: Include #SupportLocalSafely in your post

Step 4: Tag the business (@business name) in your post

Step 5: Include #HistoricPembroke in your post

#### NOTICE OF SMOKE TESTING

The City of Pembroke will be conducting smoke testing to the sanitary sewer system. These tests involve blowing harmless smoke into parts of the sewer system to find damage, improper connections, and where unwanted water may be entering the city's sewage system. As a result, smoke may be seen coming from roof vents, building foundations, and catch basins, clean-outs, down spouts, sewer laterals or manhole covers. The smoke will not enter your home or business *if it is properly plumbed, vented and the water traps contain water*.

The smoke used is a non-toxic substance that is harmless to humans, pets, food, and material items. If smoke does enter the building, it will clear in a few minutes with proper ventilation. Please advise a representative of the smoke testing crew if any leakage occurs in your home or business. Additionally, if you have any questions about the test, health issues or any other concerns, feel free to contact the Utility Department at 912-653-4413.

Your presence is not required during the tests, and all public safety authorities have been notified of this event.

### Census 2020

What if I told you it only takes 5 minutes every 10 years to ensure that your community got their fair share? Would you believe me? Would you make time?

The 2020 Census, whether completed online or by paper, is the easiest representation you will ever receive! By answering a few simple questions, you help ensure that our community receives funding for schools, roads, housing, medical needs, water-sewer infrastructure and many other essentials. Let 2020 be the year you made a difference and make sure you are counted!

Go to <a href="https://2020census.gov">https://2020census.gov</a>, search your address and tell who lived at your home on April 1, 2020.

If you'd like to complete it over the telephone, please call 844-330-2020.

### A Message from Bryan County United Way



### United Way of the Coastal Empire

The UWCE North Bryan Office is in Bryan County Family Connections at 40 S Industrial Blvd, Pembroke, GA.
Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am to 2pm
Phone: 912-651-7750

Please contact them if you need assistance of any kind!



### **2020 UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **JUNE EVENTS**

**Thurs., June 4**th at 1:00PM – Downtown Dev. Authority

Thurs., June 4th at 6:30PM - Planning and Zoning at City Hall

**Monday, June 8**th **at 7:00PM** – Pembroke City Council via Zoom. Check the Downtown Development Authority Facebook page for login information

### **JULY EVENTS**

Thurs., July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00PM - Downtown Dev. Authority

Thurs., July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM- Planning and Zoning at City Hall

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

Out of concern for the health and safety of our employees and residents, City Hall is now closed to the public to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Please utilize our convenient online payment option or the drop box. Most issues can be resolved via phone, so please give us a call at (912) 653-4413.

City of Pembroke Business Hours Monday - Friday 8:30AM to 5:00PM



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

### **CHIEF'S CORNER**

# THE PEMBROKE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19.

THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR EMPLOYEES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

IF YOU NEED TO PAY A CITATION YOU MAY DO SO

**ONLINE AT PEMBROKEGAPAY.COM** 

OR

**BY PHONE AT 1-877-470-4020** 

OR WITH A CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

BY MAIL AT PO BOX 790 PEMBROKE, GA. 31321

OR THE DROP BOX BEHIND CITY HALL.

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND THE CITATION NUMBER.

THANK YOU AND STAY SAFE!