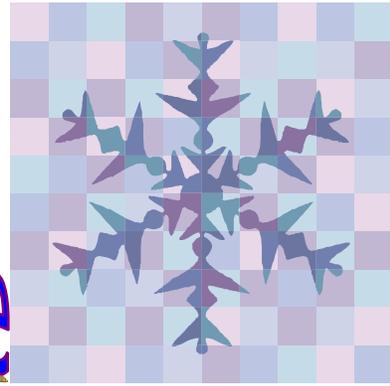




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**October / November, 2012**  
**The PWSCC Newsletter**

## **From Our President**

Happy Halloween! As you read this, Halloween is almost upon us, with cooler weather and fall colors all around. Our community has had a successful and safe summer, with meet and greets, barbecues, and the installation of the safe swim area. Your board will continue to work on the communities behalf to make it the best place to live in the Northern Neck! At this time we have many things planned, from the Fall Festival towards the end of October to Santa's Workshop in December, to Movie Nights at the Clubhouse. Try to stay involved in all of these activities, even as the weather turns colder and the days shorter. And if you have any suggestions let us know, we are always open to new ideas that benefit us all.

On a positive note, the proceedings with Virginia American Water have concluded to the benefit of the entire Eastern District, of which we are a part. The parties have all agreed to a 13.5% rate increase, down from the 34% that had been requested. What does this mean? We will all save money for the next two years. Our participation in this process was highly successful, thanks to all of you who voted to join in this action and support the fight against an unreasonable rate increase. Additionally, we have set the groundwork to fight against future unreasonable rate increases, so a great investment all around. The county will continue to explore ways to further reduce the burden the water company puts on all of our check books. You are welcome to attend our monthly meetings where we discuss this and many other topics affecting our community (second Wednesday of every month).

On a less positive note (dare I say negative note?), Mr. Howe and Mr. Hiter have retained Dunton, Simmons & Dunton LLP to request documents from the PWSCC in support of a suit to be filed against the PWSCC. Initial requests included receiving documentation on the safe swim area that was implemented over the summer (which has been extremely effective in keeping our swimmers safe), and any and all documentation regarding our participation in the Virginia American Water proceedings. The request for safe swim area documents was dropped, but not the Virginia American Water document request. The board is in the process of providing the requested documents (withholding only information that is of a personal nature regarding its membership, such as addresses/phone numbers of the membership). While it is difficult to understand the overall intent of these parties, it may be to prove that the board is not working in the best interests of the community, is wasting the civic corporation's funds, and that the civic corporation should be disbanded. Note that the PWSCC board, as elected by the membership, will continue to work in the best interests of the community, and with your input and votes, get done with what needs to get done. Feel free to drop me a note at [President@PWSCC.org](mailto:President@PWSCC.org), or the entire board at [BOD@PWSCC.org](mailto:BOD@PWSCC.org) and let me know how you feel on everything we do. Thanks, and have a great autumn!



## Want a birthday, anniversary, or some other special occasion mentioned in the newsletter?

Do you have a special shout-out you would like to give a child, friend or neighbor who has gone out of their way to help you or the community? We would like to include them and give them special recognition or thanks from you and/or the community in our newsletter. Just give us a call and we will include it in the newsletter. Call Linda, at 224-9832 or shoot her an email at [secretary@pwscc.org](mailto:secretary@pwscc.org). This idea was started by our past Secretary, Betse and this current board would like to continue 'this tradition.'

## RICKY RACCOON KNOWS WHERE YOU LIVE

Isn't it wonderful that we live in such a nice, rural setting? We get to share our space with many wonderful, wild creatures. BUT we have to remember some rules.

This past summer our community experienced several 'sick' raccoons. Some sick with distemper and some sick with rabies. In the spring there were several ill-tempered possums running around and some black snakes crossed several yards on their way to who knows where. One or two dogs met up with a local skunk. A huge snapping turtle was on the move around Holly Vista and Sebastian.

There is not a whole lot we can do, unfortunately. However, there are some common sense things to think about:

1. If you suspect a sick animal or ANY kind report it to the Inland Game and Fisheries at @ **804 - 829 - 6580. They can guide you through some steps to take.**
2. The wildlings around here have discovered a good food source. An easy food source. Its food you leave out after your pets have eaten. These critters are opportunists and are looking for an easy meal. When your pet is done eating REMOVE the food.
3. Secure your pet doors. Hearing noises in their kitchen one night, Fred and Ethel got up to see what was going on and discovered Ricky Raccoon had come in through their pet door and was feasting on their pet's meal. A nice bowl of kibble or cat food is a heck of a lot better than some old grub or frog. Possums are famous for this also.
4. If you do trap a critter and it is sick, you must call the Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office and report it. Disposal of the animal is less than desirable, but necessary. The Sheriff's Office will tell you what to do. If you suspect rabies, the animal must not be shot in the head as the brain is used for testing. Keep this in mind. When disposal is complete, call the Inland Game and Fisheries. They will want the animal for testing and will give you directions on what to do.
5. Make SURE your pets are up on their shots.

Generally, if their food source is not available the critters will do what nature intended and search for their food source like they should - good old animal hunting techniques.

### Wendy's Feline Friends

804-224-1079

<http://wendysfelinefriends.org/>

Wendy takes in adoptable cats and kittens. All the cats live in a home setting and she also has a fully enclosed outdoor exercise area for them



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## PWSCC Events

**PWSCC Yard Sale  
November 3**



**8-AM – 2 PM**

**Watch the sign  
boards for  
future  
Meet and  
Greets**



**Pancake  
Breakfast  
November 10**



**7 AM – 11 AM**

**Look for the  
yellow sandwich  
board for other  
announcements**



**Santa Shop  
December 8**



**10 AM – 2 PM**

**Have an idea for an  
event?**

**Let us know!  
Call Margaret Bowen  
at (804) 224-7923  
or send an email to:**

**[activities@pwsc.org](mailto:activities@pwsc.org)**

The Santa Shop is in dire need of donations for the children to have for our Santa Shop this year on Dec. 8. We have received only one small box of donations for the children to be able to buy and wrap presents for their family and friends. If we do not get any more donations, the Santa Shop will have to be cancelled. PLEASE look around and donate small items for adults and children..... toys, jewelry, household items, candles, kitchen stuff, decorations, tools, regifted items, any new clothing, and even ask your neighbors if they could donate a few items. Drop them off on the carport at 1456 Holly Vista (last house on the right at Holly Vista and Shore Drive) or call Betse for more information 224-3153

### **Community Action**

We are in desperate need of a rejuvenated Neighborhood Watch Program. Our neighbors who have worked with the program for a number of years - since its inception - have done an outstanding job. It is now time for someone else to take over the reins. The current parties are willing to help with the transition of leadership. BUT we need someone to step up to the plate and become a team leader. Please let someone on the PWSCC board know if you can be of assistance in providing this much needed service.

The paving project for Piney Forest Drive and Westmoreland Drive may finally become a reality. According to information we received this week the project has been advertised and a contractor has been selected. The Westmoreland County attorney is currently reviewing the final contract documents. The contractor will have 120 days to substantially complete the project and 30 additional days to get to final completion, excepting weather conditions which could possibly delay seal coating of the road surface.

The highway department responded to our request and opened drainage ditches where the need was most pressing. It is imperative that we do the best that we can to keep the ditches open. Standing water becomes a health hazard and a problem for you and for your neighbors. Please do not use the ditches as a place to dump leaves and other yard debris. Try to keep the culverts and ditches adjacent to your own property free and clear.

The area on Beach Drive which for many years was used by residents and known as the 'fishing hole' is currently posted with NO TRESPASSING signs. At least one resident has been issued a citation for trespassing. It is our suggestion that you refrain from using Beach Drive and/or the former 'fishing hole'.

### **Building and Grounds**

Thanks for your support and understanding during the swim area process and we hope all enjoyed it and made use of it. The markers have been removed for the off season but will be back in place before May 1, 2013.

Again thanks to the entire community for their support through the issues we have faced with this year and are dealing with. Many thanks to our volunteers who helped keep the beach area pristine and clean.



**PWSCC Meet and Greet  
August 2012**

**Come out and visit with  
your neighbors and  
friends!**



## HANDY ANDY'S DANDY TIP OF THE DAY

YOU ONLY NEED TWO TOOLS IN LIFE - WD-40 AND DUCT TAPE. IF IT DOESN'T MOVE AND SHOULD, USE THE WD-40. IF IT SHOULDN'T MOVE AND DOES, USE THE DUCT TAPE

### What's up with the PWSCC Website?



**We're trying really hard** to get our website up to speed and revised. We're trying to make it easier to get things onto the website quickly and efficiently. Until then, please be patient. Everything will get posted for your information! Remember, if you want your newsletter delivered to you electronically please send an email request to: [secretary@pwsc.org](mailto:secretary@pwsc.org)

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