



THE SHORELINE

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Good day to all members of PWSCC. Hope everyone is getting ready for the holidays, a nice Thanksgiving, blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. If you have neighbors around that you sometimes worry or think about, now is the perfect time to give them a call or a short visit to make sure they are OK. If there is someone you think PWSCC could help, please call us and let us know. We will look into your request on an individual basis and may be able to make their holiday a little better.

As this is our last newsletter of the year, I do believe that we all can call this year a work in progress. Our new boat ramp has had all high marks from almost every member and it is certainly something we can all be proud of. We still need to address a few problems, but your Doc Master, with the help of the Building and Grounds chairman, have been making plans with Larry Bowie for the second phase of the Marina improvement project, which should be finished by boating season 2011. The third phase, adding new slips to the Marina, will be addressed and talked about during the Annual Meeting in June.

The club house is getting rentals and we have had inquires from places like the YMCA for renting for exercise programs. The kitchen and hallway floor will be replaced this winter and the labor will be done by some of the board members. If you would like to help, please call any board member. We are also looking into the main floor to be sealed with a special coating that makes it scratch resistant, easier to clean and just brightens up the room a little more. If anyone has any thoughts or ideas, please again, contact any board member. Rentals are a little down from last year, but I imagine the economy has a little to do with this, like everything else. Remember, members get special rental fees, but non-members can rent too, at a small additional charge. Also our large wood tables and large coffee are pots for rent. Call Ruthie.

Our Meet and Greets have turned out very well. Please think about attending one when we start doing them again when the nice weather comes back. Our Entertainment Chairman Ralph "Zip" Cook is responsible for putting these together and puts a lot of time and effort in trying to bring people together..... He also does quite a good job of being our resident DJ and spins those records quite well!

Also 3 new "A" frame signs have been purchased to be put strategically in the neighborhood to announce happenings and events at the Community Center. And a new bigger sign will be put at the top of the dip on Holly Vista Dr. where our small PWSCC.org sign is now. We are paying for some of these items, but some have been donated also. But we believe it will be a much better way to communicate to the community about events and happenings with your PWSCC.

Most of you received a SEPTIC SYSTEM PUMP-OUT PROGRAM/VERIFICATION AND COMPLIANCE FORM. This is to verify that all private systems be pumped out at least once every five (5) years. Please fill out the verification and compliance form as documentation that you have met the requirements of this program in accordance with the County's Chesapeake Bay Reservation Area Ordinance. Mail it back to the county office by July 31, 2011. Questions regarding this program should be directed to the Westmoreland County Land Office at 804-493-0120,

Our next Board Meeting is February 9, 2011. Please tell us ideas, suggestions and what you would like to see done next year.

FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

The PWSCC has been active this year. Remember that Membership has Benefits for everyone. You ask, "What did the PWSCC do, last year?"

- 1- Free family picnic in the summer for members.
- 2- Members may purchase a key to use the NEW and IMPROVED boat ramp.
- 3- Reduced rates for the civic center rental. There are plans to freshen up the building's appearance by next spring.
- 4- The PWSCC entertainment Chairman has hosted a "Meet and Greet" several times this summer and into the fall. It has been a great opportunity to socialize with your neighbors and meet the board members.
- 5- The finger pier at our marina is now being completed and some members have enjoyed fishing at the marina.
- 6- The marina will have improved boat slips for "members only" to lease. The plans and monies were approved by the proper agencies and the general membership, this year, and repairs are ongoing.

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- 7- Children's Santa Workshop is a wonderful event for our youngsters (children may have their picture taken with Santa, do crafts, eat a snack and purchase gifts for a small fee). Dec 4th is this year's event.
- 8- Many members came together this year to join in the fight to keep the water rates down. We wrote letters and attended meetings.
- 9- We designed and are still selling "PWSCC" caps and "PWSCC Marina" caps for \$ 15.00, as a fund raiser for PWSCC. Contact Edie Mann if you are interested in purchasing them, they make great gifts and show community support. If we can sell all the hats, we can try t-shirts, as many have requested them.
- 10- PWSCC opened the club house doors to the Alzheimer's Charity Benefit for a fund raiser.
- 11- There are two annual yard sales in the Community Clubhouse-members may sign up to rent a table (spring and fall).
- 12- A newsletter to all members, e-mail information and new communication boards have been implemented to keep members informed of events, news, etc.
- 13- We had a successful "Beach Clean-up Day". The beach belongs to all the property owners. We hope to have an even larger group pitching in next year.
- 14- A bicycle rack was installed at the main beach access.
- 15- Our Community Action Chairman has successfully gotten new street signs installed at many of our intersections. He has also taken many community questions to the county to get information for our members. He keeps abreast of all the problem areas that concern our membership.
- 16- One member won a \$ 50.00 gift card to Hall's Supermarket during the membership fundraiser contest.

The more members we have, the more events we can plan. We have a request for a possible movie night or e-bay classes. As always, we are anxious to hear all suggestions from our members. Any member that wishes to get involved in our community is always welcome. We would like to be able to have more activities. We do need more volunteers to help with events and any new membership activities. We appreciate all of our volunteers. If everyone pitches in a little, then no one has to do a lot!

FROM THE SECRETARY

Hello and Happy Holidays to everyone from the "new" Secretary!! Due to personal reasons Linda Lumpkin resigned as Secretary in September and I, Julie Gilbert, was appointed by the Board of Directors. I am excited about this new opportunity to "serve" our community. I have been a member of PWSCC for 16 years and when asked to take on this responsibility I felt it was my time!! Please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns. Please notify me if you are not receiving e-mails from the PWSCC so I can be sure everyone that wants to receive e-mails is receiving them.

FROM THE TREASURER

I just want to remind everyone of a couple of important dates to mark on your calendar. First, a reminder that bills will be sent out in February for boat slip rentals at the marina. If anyone wants to rent a slip that does not currently have one be sure to contact the Dock Master to be put on the waiting list. **All completed slip rental applications, check for fees and a copy of your current boat insurance must be post-marked or hand delivered to Sharon or Julie no later than March 31, 2011 in order to reserve your current slip.** Also remember that association dues expire on March 31, 2011 also so please renew your membership for next year.

FROM THE FINANCE CHAIRMAN

PWSCC ANNUAL SANTA SHOP.....It's that time of year again..... time for the PWSCC's annual Santa Shop Party for the children. The date is Saturday, December 4 at 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM. We have lots of things for the children to buy and wrap for their family and friends. (But could always use more if you have any clean unused gifts and items to donate!) The kids will be able to go shopping, wrap all their gifts, play games, do crafts, address Christmas cards, win prizes (in fact, all children attending will "win" a door prize), and of course, see Santa. Santa will be there around 11:00 AM to talk to the kids and have his picture taken with the little ones (and you big kids too)! Lunch will be served at 12 noon for everyone (crackers, cheese, fruit, cupcakes and fruit drinks). Thru the years, since the PWSCC has been sponsoring this party, we believe the adults have just as much fun as the children do, so if you would like to volunteer to help, just call Betse at 224-3153.

ADULTS, PLEASE NOTE: REMEMBER, THIS IS NOT A YARD SALE FOR ADULTS. IT IS A SANTA SHOP WHERE THE CHILDREN CAN BUY VERY INEXPENSIVE GIFTS FOR THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WRAP THEM THEMSELVES, AND THEN GIVE THEM TO SPECIAL PEOPLE IN THEIR LIVES. THEY LEARN AND FEEL SOME OF THE **TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS** IN THAT IT MEANS JUST AS MUCH TO GIVE AS TO RECEIVE. PLEASE HELP US AT "SANTA'S SHOP" KEEP THIS TRADITION GOING.

We would like to try something new this year, if we can get enough girls (and/or guys!) to participate. How about a good old fashioned Christmas Cookie Exchange?? Bake maybe 2 or 3 dozen of your favorite cookies and bring them up to the Community Center Sunday, Dec. 12 at noon and trade them with others who have baked and brought their favorites. Take back as many as you

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bring..... if you bring 36 cookies, take home 36 different cookies, if you bring 24, take back 24, etc. Bring some copies of your recipe with you to hand out in case someone wants it. It will be a fun opportunity to share your cookies and get some different ones for the holidays. Also, nice to share a little of the holidays with your friends and neighbors and wish them Merry Christmas. We will have drinks, coffee, tea and of course MILK to wash down any sampling you might do! Call Betse at 224-3153 by Dec. 10 or tell me at the Santa Shop Dec. 4 from 10AM to 1PM if you would like to participate.

FROM THE COMMUNITY ACTION CHAIRMAN

We enjoy clear, crisp autumn days but they serve to remind us that winter is soon approaching. We are almost guaranteed to have snow and ice as well as uncomfortably cold temperatures. We can and should prepare for potential problems ahead of time. When winter arrives anything that goes wrong will be a headache to fix. Most things you can do yourself; however, in some instances you may need to consult a professional. I hope the attached checklist will be helpful-actually preparing this list made me aware of the things I need to do!! I have also included something I found on the internet and re-printed. I think it is timely and appropriate for all of us.

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