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#### In Memory of Peggy Cochran

July 18, 1961-December 26, 2018

## **Neighborhood Watch Coordinator League Administrator**

By Michael Schuelke email spmike@cox.net Phone 757 604 8143



There is one truth in this world we all share; our bodies will fail. But, the spirit! Now that is another matter. How many of you have known someone whose light burn so bright, just for a moment? And within that moment, held the world within her finger tips. Then squeezed, just a little, until the world was covered with good. I have and I'm sure you have, too.

The world about us, It's not about money, or power, or even fame. If it were, then who would we have to care for the poor, the weak, or the needy. Who would care for the children? I do not know. Do you?

Peggy was such a person, whose body had failed on Christmas day. One who could place a piece of granite between her finger tips, and squeeze the good from it. One whose light had shined so bright that it lit the world. But she was not wealthy, nor powerful, or even famous. She was not even strong in body, for she rarely ventured out.

And yet, she held that one quality above all others. A quality of the spirit. For she cared. Not for herself, but for her family, her friends, her neighbors. She cared even for the town she lived in. She cared for what was right and just. And then, she did something about it. From within her home, from her desk she wrote, she called. She encouraged others to come together for a cause nobler than anyone's personal problem. She led not one, or two, but so many battles against the unjust, that one cannot fathom. She lived by these words of Edward Bulwer Lytton, "The pen is mightier than the sword." And while her spirit rose to win the war, her body failed, leaving a void. A void of strength, a void of love, a void of the spirit.

Who here among us, in this neighborhood, in this town, in this state, has what it takes to grab your own spirit by the tail. To ride your horse to the edge of the universe and back. To start a movement for the good, the just, the righteous. To burn so bright that the world can see again. I do. Do you?

#### **Save The Date**

Thursday, April 18th: LPCL & NW's Quarterly Meeting, 7:30 pm, St Mark United Methodist Church, 4320 Twin Pines Road

We meet every quarter on the 3rd Thursday, the dates for **2019** are 4/18, 7/18, and 10/17.

Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM: Long Point neighborhood yard sale

Monday, May 6 through Friday, May 10: Street Sweeping scheduled in Long Point, please keep vehicles off the street during the day.

#### **Neighborhood Watch**

By Tom Cochran, NW Coordinator, 484-7757, ptcochran@cox.net



#### **PEBCAF Error?**

Lately I have been reading lots of posts from the online site "Nextdoor". I am seeing that some of our surrounding neighborhoods are being hit with automobile larcenies. We are not exempt or even immune to this crime. Most of this happens when it's dark out and the majority of the victims have left their vehicles unlocked. **Y'all woke yet?** This isn't my first time writing about this trend. After all, modern people can only expect that the car doors lock themselves ...till the phenomenon known as a "PEBCAF" error occurs! That's right! PEBCAF error is an acronym which stands for: *Problem Exists Between Chair and Fob*, yes, I am talking about you! I suppose some of the latest automobiles will lock themselves but those of us who still drive the Flintstone mobile should make sure that the doors do lock. YOU have been warned!



By Tom Cochran

Dear Long Point Community,

I am reaching out to you who are young or perhaps young at heart, through what would seemingly be a vintage format, in hopes that it will be delivered and received with the care in which it was written. We have a small band of aging volunteers who have for many years tirelessly carried forward the efforts of our community organization known as The Long Point Civic League. Now I am not so naive to think that these words will ever be read by most of you, so, I have decided to effect a graphic to capture the sentiment from at least myself!

Well now that I have your attention, your Civic League needs your help and support! We are not in the best position with board members or membership. Since we moved here in 2003, I have always thought of The League as an asset to our neighborhood! I understand now that many of you may not share this thought. So let me ask you, what have you done to help? What positive thing have you done for a neighborhood of just over 500 homes that you reside in? Have you ever attended at least one civic league quarterly meeting in any year you have lived here? There are givers and takers in this world. In Long Point we have about 60 givers who pay the \$20 annual dues! The rest of you are takers, slackers, freeloaders who drive by the 4 or 5 who come out for a front entrance clean up and never stop to ask if you can help, donate or even thank the volunteers for their efforts! Well I guess I shouldn't be surprised! Understand now that this needs to change if the civic league is to continue to flourish! There are board members that need to be replaced with new neighbors who have fresh ideas, and enthusiasm to drive the league. So what will it take? What is your answer to volunteering? Do you even care or want a civic league? Come! Join! Make your ideas known! As much as we need your help we want to support your ideas for our neighborhood! That's all for now!

# IMPORTANT NUMBERS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: (cut this out and tape it on your phone at home and program into your cell phones, even your teens can help be aware)

911 - to report life-threatening incidents or a crime in progress

393-5300 - Portsmouth Police Dept.-Non-Emergency number, to report crimes that have already occurred & suspicious concerns

235-5667 - Officer Komorowski's Cell-Our NIO

484-7787-LPCL/NWC Tom Cochran



Recycling Reminder Visit:
www.PortsmouthVA.gov/genserv

<u>Dates for Long Point 2018 are: April 1,15, & 29, May</u> <u>13 & 29, June 10 & 24, and July 8 & 22</u>

Garbage cans and other trash for pickup should be placed at the curb for collection at any time **after** 5:00 p.m. the day before collection and by 7:00 a.m. the day of collection. **Empty garbage cans must be removed from** the curb by 7:00 p.m. the day of collection





#### MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION FROM THE "interim" TREA\$URER

JoAnn Cawood 484-3413 joann48@cox.net







It is a pleasure to thank these gracious members for their generosity, I continue reminding everyone the League would not survive without them: Jim Kasbohm & Jeness McDowell, Sydney Moroney, Catherine Wolfe, Bruce Arceneaux, Doug & Renee Turner and Roy Glodis.





Shout Out to our Vice President, Dan Schreiner, for planting 280 pansies in the entrance flower beds. Don't know what our Civic League would do without his green thumb. Kudos to Anne Bender for helping Dan! Two Master Gardeners at work makes for a beautiful first impression as you enter Long Point!





After 11+ years as the Treasurer and Membership coordinator for the League, I have handed over the checkbook and Membership Roster to Jonathan Rolsheim. My personal thanks to everyone who tolerated the emails I sent reminding you to renew your membership. To those of you that generously supported the League each year with more than your dues, you have my thanks and gratitude. YOU made the League better! So, the last thing I have to say is; I hope you will support Jonathan with renewed enthusiasm, he is very eager to enhance the Long Point Civic League Membership. Best Wishes to Jonathan in his new role. Cheers!!!







▶ UPDATE: Before the newly elected Treasurer could get his boots off of the ground, the Board received his resignation effective March 15. Unfortunately, he will be moving from Long Point. Until such time as a new Treasurer/Membership person volunteers and is elected to that post, JoAnn will oversee the day to day tasks. Be on the lookout for a Drive Up Sign Up in the near future.







Membership is still only \$20 a year. Consider PayPal for your membership dues and donations! Log on to our website to view the link: longpointcivicleague.com

2019-2020 Paid Membership Dues - September 24, 2018 to March 22, 2019







Ali, Peter Armistead, Ron & Sylvia Cawood, JoAnn & Roy Glodis Kasbohm, Jim & Jeness McDowell Mayfield, Andre & Monika Moroney, Sydney Neff, Bill & Wanda Spicer, Ronald & Ruby

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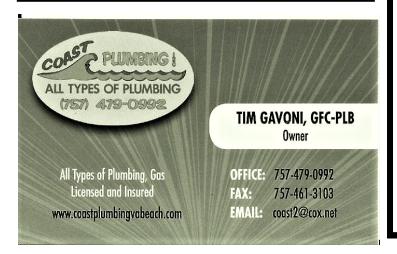
#### RENEW or BECOME A LONG POINT CIVIC LEAGUE TODAY!

NAME:	E	MAIL
ADDRESS:		
How Long?		
HOME PHONE #	CELL #	
LPCL DUES (\$20) \$	ADD'L DONATIONS: \$_	TOTAL \$
ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:	Neighborhood Watch	Maintaining entrance Gardens
Submit form to: LPCL TREASURER JoAr	ın Cawood 3904 Flagship W	ay 484-3413 <u>joann48@cox.net</u>



Las Vegas Style Variety Show "If you're not looking for the best...then why look at all?"

757.484.1725



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They volunteer much of their personal time and business expertise to help us better our neighborhood and have a voice for our community.

Please consider serving. Your Civic League NEEDS "YOU!"

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## Long Point's Neighborhood-Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Long Point Civic League's Point of Contact for this event

Parliamentarian, André Mayfield

Phone: 686-1612 Email: easygoing58@msn.com



We will all have our own individual yard sales at our own homes.

#### The cost is: \$12.00. This covers:

**Cost of the City of Portsmouth Permit (required) \$5.00**. We will go to the City to obtain permits for everyone (on the deadline date below) and deliver them to you prior to the sale date.

Cost for the ad placed in the Virginian-Pilot, etc.

#### Miscellaneous costs for signs, balloons, strings, envelopes and maps

We make maps to help tell people where each of us are located within Long Point. We will each receive a supply of maps to hand to people that come to our yard sale, to locate other participants, and we'll email a copy, in case you need to print more. You get a couple of balloons and string to tie to your mailboxes to draw attention to all of us participating.

!!! The deadline to have your funds and information in is !!!

Monday, April 29th Deliver to: André Mayfield, 11 Sailfish Street

\*\*\*\* I <u>MUST</u> have all the information below and your funds to be able to purchase a permit on your behalf with the City of Portsmouth

(If by check, Payable To: LPCL) \*\*\*\*

\*\*RAIN DATE WILL BE SATURDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>\*\*

Name:	/	
Print	Signature	
Street Address:		
Phone Number:	Cell	
Email:		