During the Christmas season we give out toys and gifts to our residents who are limited in what they can do for their children. If you know of anyone in need, please contact Joanie at extension 218. We will be accepting unwrapped toys in town Hall from now thru the Holiday Season. This is a very special occasion where we invite all the children in the neighborhood who have been noted by the managers of their apartment buildings or their mobile home parks as being of special need. Our Fire Department dresses up Santa Claus arrives every year. We have pizza and other events for the kids. It is a very special time and anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated.

On Wednesdays we will start our musical picnic for our Canadian chickens as well as anyone else who would like to participate. During these Wednesday afternoon events in the Oglesby Preserve on 52nd Avenue we will have Celtic music, foods, arts and crafts, rentals, and line dancing and other activities. We will also be having petanque matches and tournaments. It is a wonderful event; usually 600 to 1000 people attend the event. It is run by Club Richelieu and there is a minimal charge for parking. All proceeds go to the City of Hope charity which provides special funding for families within our Town. It is a very worthwhile endeavor and you are certainly welcome to attend and participate. This runs thru the Fall and Winter season until Easter.

These are just a few of the options available in which you may get involved. Please contact Joanie Greene at extension 218 at Town Hall 854-969-4600 if you would like to take further information. In addition we will be giving out school supplies as we did in the Fall. If you would like to be a part of that event, please let us know. Many of our students have used up their school supplies by then or with the year-round school system they may be just getting off their vacation and they need new school supplies. After the holidays many children are in need of having a fresh set of supplies. Please let us know if you would like to contribute to this event.

Welcome back to Pembroke Park. Your home town, even when you are away from "home".

Sincerely,
Bob Levy, Town Manager
Thanksgiving Food Drive

Many years ago, the Town staff adopted a few families in need during the Thanksgiving Holiday. Through the help of the Town of Pembroke Park and other local donations, the staff food drive was able to help over 30 families last year. Each family was provided with a full turkey meal and all the sides items ready to prepare as they wish. This year our goal is to help 40 families. If you wish to donate canned or boxed goods (fruit, corn, beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, etc.) or know of a resident in need please contact Season Goree at 954-965-4400 x218.

Thank you to those who donated to our food drive and made it a success last year. With the community’s continued support, this year’s event will be bigger and better.

Broward Sheriff’s Office Explorer Program

The Broward Sheriff’s Office South Broward District is proud to announce the commencement of the first Explorer Post 2021. The Explorer Post was established in early 2021 to represent the Town of Pembroke Park. The Post has quickly grown to 23 Explorers. Over the summer, Explorer Post 2021 held their first Explorer Academy at the South Broward District where 11 Explorers successfully graduated from the program. The Broward Sheriff’s Office will continue recruiting in the Town of Pembroke Park for additional young adults that are interested and would benefit from the program.

The Post will provide educational training programs for young adults on the purposes, mission, and objectives of law enforcement. The program provides career orientation experiences, leadership opportunities, and community service activities. Members of the Post could also qualify for scholarships opportunities as well. The primary goal of the program is to help young adults choose a career path within the law enforcement profession and to challenge them to become responsible citizens of their communities. Members of the Explorer Post will assist in community events along with the Broward Sheriff’s Office. Members will also travel throughout the State of Florida, attend conferences and represent their particular communities and the Broward Sheriff’s Office.

Qualifications are young men and women, ages 14 to 18 years of age without a criminal record. Additional information can be found on the Sheriff’s website, browardsheriff.org. If you know of anyone who might be interested in the program, they can also contact Deputy James Martinez at 954-989-5000, Lead Advisor for the South Broward Explorer Post.

Reading Oasis Program

The Town of Pembroke Park, City of West Park, the Children’s Service Council, Scholastic, and the Broward County Sheriff’s Office are working together to create a Reading Oasis at Lake Forest Elementary and Walthas Elementary Schools. A Scholastic Reading Oasis is a dedicated reading room with more than 1,200 books, a wireless printing station, furniture, and a smartboard. Pembroke Park and West Park do not currently have any reading programs, and the new reading oasis will bring a sense of delight and wonder of reading to students from all walks of life.