



PORCH TALK

May 2012



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Next Civic League Meeting

Port Norfolk Recreation Center at 432 Broad Street

Thursday May 3, 2012 7:00 pm

Our May Speaker is Portsmouth Fire Chief Don Horton. Chief Horton and a Fire Marshall will present the end of year fire report and then do a Q&A session.

(Babysitters are available at meetings; please feel free to bring your children with you!)

Civic League News & Events

Participation isn't limited to League members ... Please join us!

Reflection Walk Brick Ceremony

Date: Saturday, June 16th

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location: Reflection Walk Park, on the water in Port Norfolk

Reflection Walk, which overlooks the Elizabeth River, is a sanctuary that honors the families, friends and caregivers whose lives have been touched by cancer. We invite you to attend the brick laying ceremony for the newest engraved bricks that will be placed in the memorial area at the end of Florida Avenue.

Ceremonies are held twice a year (spring and fall). If you wish to order a memorial brick, please contact Nicole Macaulay at reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org or visit our website at http://portnorfolk.org/reflection_walk.html. Proceeds from the sale of the bricks will help maintain this special park and promote cancer awareness.

If you plan on attending the ceremony, please RSVP to Nicole Macaulay by May 15th by sending an e-mail to reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org, or by calling (757) 537-0589.

The next brick laying ceremony will take place at Reflection Walk in the fall. Watch Porch Talk and our website for more details.

Neighborhood Yard Sale

We are in the process of planning a neighborhood-wide yard sale, tentative date is June 9th. We'd arrange to have any unsold and unwanted items picked up afterwards by a charity. More details in next month's Porch Talk and on our website!

Thank you!

Our most sincere thanks to all who helped make the first "Get Off Your Hide and Ride Bike Rodeo and Chili Cookoff" a huge success! All of our neighborhood churches, Jungle Gym, our wonderful Police Dept., the members of CINCH and Healthy Portsmouth, the list is filled with those who deserve more than just thanks, and heading that list is our very own Heather McVey! Next year, we expect everyone who won an award to show up and defend their titles at the 2nd Event! If you are interested in being on the committee next year for this family friendly event, please contact Heather McVey at recreation@portnorfolk.org

The 2nd Annual Progressive Porch Party, or Porch Crawl as it's become known, was also a great success again! Thank you to organizer Erika Nestler, and all of the porch hosts who so very graciously welcomed guests to their porches and homes, with wonderful food and beverage offerings!

EMERGENCIES — PLEASE CALL 911. Non Emergencies: 393-5300

Port Norfolk's NEAT Officer is Kelly Funkhouser. Please contact her if you see anything suspicious (and not an emergency) happening in the neighborhood: (757) 235-5665

For Board member email addresses, visit our website at www.portnorfolk.org

2012 Port Norfolk Civic League Membership Form

Name: _____ Birthday Month(s): _____

Address: _____ Park Donation: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

\$5.00 fee per membership can be paid at a league meeting, or mailed to address below. Park donations should be noted as such and mailed to Port Norfolk Civic League, P.O. Box 7114, Portsmouth VA 23707.

Birthdays

Wishing everyone who celebrates a birthday in May a very happy day!



*Joseph Berry, David Duncan, Amie Graham,
Carolann Malbrough, Erika Nestler, Richard
Smothers and Monica Woods*

Birthdays are obtained from the League membership list. If you would like to recognize someone's special day, please email porchtalk@portnorfolk.org

PIRATES!

May 5 10AM - 5 PM - In conjunction with the event *Celebrate Kids*, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum and Lightship PORTSMOUTH are offering a day of Pirate fun! **Free admission.** Presented by the **Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum and Lightship Portsmouth Museum** | 757-393-8591 | www.portnavalmuseums.com

And MORE Upcoming Local Events

Other upcoming events in Portsmouth include the Gosport Art Festival, Atlantic Coast Kite Festival, the Elizabeth River Run, the Portsmouth Relay for Life and the Memorial Day Parade, our Nation's Oldest! Check out www.portseventsva.com for more information!

FirstEvents - Olde Towne Portsmouth

Held the first Friday through Sunday of each month, Olde Towne Portsmouth's business community opens its doors along High Street between Effingham Street and the riverfront. Events and activities include Arts to Antiques Flea Market, free museum admission, exhibit openings and art afternoons, and a lot more. Sponsored by the Olde Towne Business Association | 757-397-7173



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Porch Talk Carriers

Did you know that we print and deliver 1,200 copies of Porch Talk every month? We couldn't do it without the many volunteers who help us, because there are never enough! We're looking for people who like to get out and walk, who wouldn't mind delivering issues of Porch Talk once a month. Interested? Please contact John at info@portnorfolk.org

Porch Talk Classified Ads

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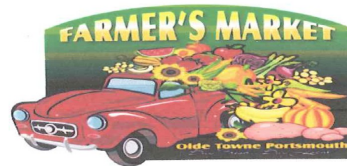
LOST PET - One of our neighbors writes:

Our inside cat, Bella, got out on Thursday night, April 19th. She is 5 years old, a buff color, very shy and gets very scared. She has never been outside. We are sure she is hungry, scared and hiding somewhere. Please check your garages and sheds in case she may have slipped inside. Our other cat keeps looking for her and crying. Our lives have been turned upside down and it is heartbreaking for all of us. Help us and Bella and let us know if you see her PLEASE. She was last seen in the 200 block of Chautauqua Avenue (Port Norfolk) and is a rescue from the PHS animal shelter. Pictures of Bella are posted on the Port Norfolk Website and Facebook page, (addresses below). Our number is 967-8654. If you get no answer, please leave a message. We go out about a dozen times a day to look for her. REWARD Offered!

Neighborhood Watch

Here's the schedule for meetings and walks:

- * 1st & 3rd Fri every month - 7:00pm Neighborhood walk (meet at Fountain Park)
- * 2nd & 3rd Sun every month - 2:00pm Neighborhood walk (meet at Fountain park)
- * 2nd Thur every month - 7:00pm Neighborhood Watch Meeting (at Port Norfolk Baptist Church)
- * 4th Thur every month - 7:00pm Neighborhood Watch Meeting for Captains only (at Port Norfolk Methodist Church)



2012 Markets

Every Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Apr. 21 - Dec. 22, 2012
Court & High Streets

The Chicken, Egg, Turkey & Beef!

Easter is almost here and you're sure to need some eggs. Why not support your local merchants and buy the healthiest food for your family at the same time! RBE Farms (rbefarms.com) offers locally grown, natural and antibiotic-free, pasture raised poultry, eggs, turkey and beef. Contact rbefarm@mac.com to place an order! You order and it's delivered right here to Port Norfolk! Tatjana Adam's house—107 Douglas Avenue—is a pick-up location.



Look for Port Norfolk Online!

Website: www.PortNofolk.org

On Facebook: Port-Norfolk

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