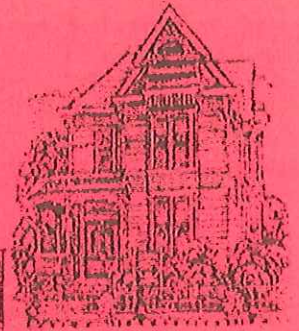




Porch Talk

July 2002



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Happy 4th of July!

PICNIC IN THE PARK!

Come out and join your neighbors on Sat, July 13th from 4-7pm for a Port Norfolk Picnic in Fountain Park. This will be a pot luck style event with the League providing hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks. Just bring your favorite side dish or desert. We'll have activities planned such as volley ball, croquet, and horseshoes. For the kids, there will be a decorated bike parade (start thinking about how to dress that bike up!), tug of war, and sack races. We'll also have Port Norfolk tee shirts and cookbooks on sale that day as well. This will be a great opportunity to spend time with your friends and neighbors and for all of Port Norfolk to come together for a fantastic event. Bring your lawn chairs and sunscreen and we'll see you at Fountain Park on the 13th!!

No League Meeting for July

Every July, the League takes a break. There will be no league meeting this month. We'll resume with the August meeting.

Happy Birthday....

...to all of our July babies: Archie Barclift, Connie Dalhaus, Jason Harrington, Roger Skipwith, Patsy Woodland, Blair Young, Mrs. Bailey, W.C. Crawford, Mary Curro, Guy Buck, Ralph Batten, Tim Woodland, Nancy Jackson, Gene Kovacs, Chuck Beeler, and Martha Ann Creecy.

Homes Needed

We've already started planning for this year's Holiday Homes Tour. If you are interested in having your home on this year's tour, contact Tammy Lifsey at 399-2383. This can really be a fun and exciting experience!

Open Board Positions

The Board of the Port Norfolk Civic League has two openings available. The first is membership chairperson. This position is responsible for maintaining and growing the Leagues membership. If you are interested, contact Richard Ivy at 399-0786. The second position available is webmaster for our neighborhood website. This individual is responsible for updating the website monthly and ensuring that all events and schedules posted are up to date. This position will interview with our current webmasters prior to the position being filled. If interested, contact Deb Foytik at 397-7164. All board positions are filled by volunteers.

Recycle Dates: July 5th and July 19th.



Yard of the Month

Congratulations to Joanne and Laird Ramsey at 230 Broad Street. What a great yard and fantastic job you have done!

Porch Chatter

Thank You to Catherine A. Morris of Staunton, VA and Guy Buck for your donations to Fountain Park!

Congratulations to Josh Wyatt of Mt Vernon Ave on graduating from Wilson High School and your plans to attend James Madison University this fall. Way to Go!

Condolences to the family of Ernest Wellons of Florida Ave. Our thoughts and prayers are with them during this difficult time.

Farewell Friends....On behalf of the entire neighborhood, we would like to wish the very best to a few long time neighbors who will be moving from Port Norfolk and starting new chapters in their lives. Louise Clayton, Avis Shumaker, and Marilyn Shumaker. You will be missed greatly by so many people. We hope you'll always consider Port Norfolk home!

Renovator's Corner

Scraping paint is a summer pastime throughout Port Norfolk, where almost all homes contain lead paint inside and out. Lead is a highly toxic metal, and understanding the health risks of lead paint removal can help us reduce accidents and environmental contamination. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Comm.,

"lead-based paint is a major source of lead poisoning for children and can also affect adults. The National Safety Council (www.nsc.org) recommends "to locate trained lead service providers, including lead-based paint inspectors, risk assessors and abatement (lead removal) contractors in your area, call (888) LEAD-LIST or visit <http://www.leadlisting.org>." Next month we'll focus on some paint removal procedures.

Park Update: We have installed 6 stations with water and electrical throughout the park. This will benefit the adopt a spot recipients. We now have a total of 14 spots adopted. We are in the process of adding one more. I would like to thank the following people who gave so much of their time to making the project a success: Kirby Foytik for designing the project, purchasing the supplies and giving 18 hours of your time to the park on two of the hottest days. This project would not have gotten off the ground without you and your side kick, Lattie Porter. A big Thank You to Billy Harrell who donated the trencher and ran the equipment. Thank You Jennifer Hicks for talking Billy into volunteer and donating. Thank you to the following helpers who helped lighten the load on all of us: Peter Foytik, Jake Foytik, Connie Dalhaus, Steve Dalhaus, Lauren Dalhaus, Kellen, Caitlin, Ashleigh Berry, Chuck Beeler, Bobby Clovis, Madalyn Grimes, Linwood Grimes, and Drew Duncan. If it were not for the volunteers the park would not exist! - Deb Foytik, Fountain Park Chairman. More on our new adopt-a-spot neighbors coming in next month's newsletter!

Port Norfolk Civic League Membership Application/Park Donation

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Birthday Month: _____
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Membership: \$5 per person
Park Donation: _____
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