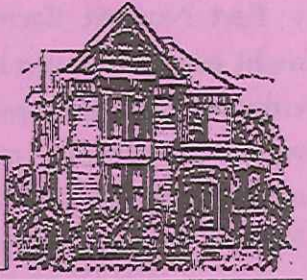
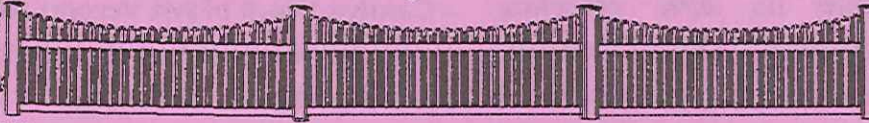
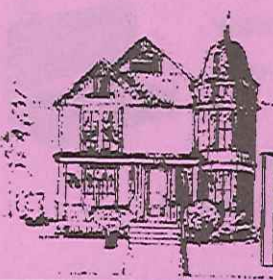


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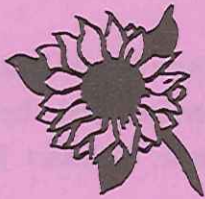


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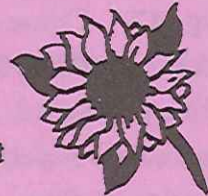
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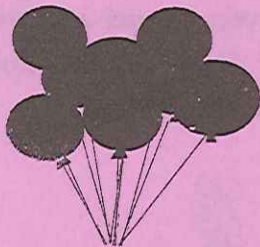
May always brings that time where we celebrate, thank, and remember those special ladies who have the toughest job around. We wish you the happiest of days!

May League Meeting

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, May 6th. Susan Weaver of Broad Street Books will be our featured speaker. Susan will speak to us about what it is like owning and operating a business in the neighborhood. Come and hear her speak as we continue to build a strong bond between our business and residential neighbors. League meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00pm (Note the new time!) at the Port Norfolk Recreation Center, 432 Broad Street. We look forward to seeing you there!

Flea Market Time!

Have you been spring cleaning and wondering what to do with all of those wonderful knick knacks and treasures you no longer have space for or use? Don't worry any longer! Just reserve a space at the annual Port Norfolk Flea Market and make extra room in your home and a little extra money at the same time. This year's event will take place on Saturday, June 19th in the parking lot beside the Recreation Center on Broad Street. Spaces are only \$15 each. The League handles the permits, which allows you to just show up with your items and start selling. As well, the League will have a community space if you have items you'd like to donate to sell. Proceeds will go to YOUR Civic League. If you'd like to reserve a space or donate items to the community table, please contact Joey Matula at 399-3774. Even if you don't have items to sell or donate, don't forget to come out and browse. There's always something to be found at this event. Concessions will also be available.



Happy Birthday!!

What?? Another year gone already?? Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating their very special day

during the month of MayClara Bartran, Bobby Clovis, Mark DiVenuti, Betty Freedman, S.L. Herbener, Dr. Florence Hood, Gail Hoofnagle, James Jones, Ethel Marceau, James Merritt, Mandy Schuchhardt, William Stobo, Susan Weaver.

Editor's Note...

After months of hard work bringing you Porch Talk each month, Mandy Schuchhardt is taking a much deserved rest. My name is Chuck Beeler and I'll be preparing your newsletter for the remainder of the year. I'm excited about again serving our neighborhood in this capacity and look forward to receiving information from you that you'd like to see included each month. If you have submissions for June's issue, please forward them to me at publicity@portnorfolk.org by May 20th or call me at 397-1154. Lets work together to make Porch Talk a valuable resource for everyone in our community!

Welcome New Neighbors!

Have you recently moved to Port Norfolk? If so, we'd like to offer you a warm welcome to the community. Port Norfolk is full of friendly neighbors, unique businesses, and a hometown atmosphere that is difficult to find in many other areas. We're sure that you'll find Port Norfolk a fantastic place to live and build lasting friendships with your neighbors. If you'd like more information about the neighborhood, please contact Madalyn Grimes, Membership and Welcoming Chairperson at 397-0090. She'd be happy to drop off a welcome packet for you!

Programs and Happenings...

- Port Norfolk Recreation center offers adults night every Thursday in May from 7-9pm. Come enjoy an evening of games and relaxing.
- The Recreation center is now accepting applications for its Summer Galazy Program. Kids 6-12 will enjoy a fun packed month of swimming, field trips and more. Breakfast and Lunch is included. During May, registration is only \$100, a \$25 savings. The program runs from July 6-Aug 17. Come by the center or call Delores Parker at 393-8709.
- Broad Street United Methodist Church is sponsoring cub scout pack 216. Meetings are held every Thursday at 7pm on the 3rd floor of the education building. The pack would like to grow and is looking for new scouts and help. This is a great opportunity to join a program that traditionally has helped to instill boys with good character and leadership skills. The Tidewater council is even offering free membership the first year, free handbook, and \$5 toward uniform cost for first time members. Contact Mike Buzan at 397-7255 for more information.



Yard of the Month

So many lawns are looking so good that it was hard to choose in time for the Porch Talk print deadline. We'll announce May's yard of the month in the June newsletter along with next month's winner. Stay tuned to see which lawns are selected!

News from the Board...

- The board wishes to thank Felicia Sawyer for your work serving as Recording Secretary for the first several months of this year. You will be missed. If you are interested in filling Felicia's spot which involves taking and presenting detailed minutes at Board and League meetings, please contact John Lifsey at 399-2383.
- The board would like to welcome Troy Johnson as the League's new Environmental Chairman. Troy will assist our neighborhood by working with the City Inspector to ensure that city codes are communicated and adhered to.

Porch Chatter



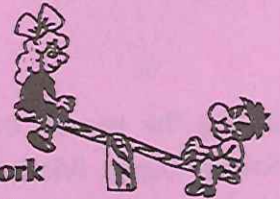
- Congratulations to JoAnne Ramsay who recently achieved the status of Virginia Certified Horticulturist.
- Carolyn Wyatt of Mt Vernon Ave graduated from ODU with a Bachelor of Education degree. Way to go!
- Broad Street Books will be moving into the larger space vacated by the Bike shop. An already awesome store is about to get better. More info next month on the re-opening.
- Volunteers are needed to deliver Porch Talk. It's a great way to get some exercise and help our neighborhood at the same time. Contact JoAnne Ramsay at 391-0340.
- Volunteers for hosts/hostesses are needed for this year's Holiday Homes Tour. Contact Tammy Lifsey at 399-2383.
- When putting out bulk, please remember to keep it accessible to the city by placing it in front of guide wires and not behind parked cars.
- Spring and warm weather is here and with it comes extra activity. Lets all keep an eye out for each other's property and protect ourselves by locking garages and putting lawn equipment away. Considering motion sensor lights is also a good idea.

Condolences

We send our condolences to Lynn Daniel and the family of Linwood Wright Sr. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during your time of loss.

Fountain Park...

Just a reminder that the park has brand new playground equipment thanks to the hard work of the park committee. As well, two new picnic shelters have been built along with new benches along the asphalt. We encourage the families in the neighborhood to go out and enjoy it! As well adopt a spots have been spruced up for spring and the entire park looks wonderful. We still have two adopt a spots available. If you'd like to help and share in making the park beautiful, please contact Debbie Foytik at 397-7164. She'd be more than happy to show you the spots available for adoption.



Port Norfolk Civic League Membership Form

Name: _____ Birthday Month(s): _____
Address: _____ Park Donation: _____
Phone: _____

Mail or take this form and \$5 per member to Madalyn Grimes, 108 Florida Ave. Fountain Park donations should be mailed to Port Norfolk Civic League, PO Box 7114, Portsmouth, VA 23707.