

# March 2015 PORCH TALK



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## Civic League News & Events

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

### Next Civic League Meeting

Port Norfolk Recreation Center at 432 Broad Street

**Thursday March 5, 2015 7:00 pm**

Did you know that 2015 is the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the beginning of Port Norfolk? We all know Port Norfolk is a special place, but what really makes it great are the people who live here! Yes neighbors, you are the heart of what makes Port Norfolk special! **YOU are Port Norfolk!** As we begin this very momentous year, the primary focus of your civic league is the celebration of the many elements contributing to our unique neighborhood. These celebrations are opportunities for you and your family to join with us to demonstrate that our neighborhood is vibrant, healthy and beautiful, which brings us to our upcoming meetings:

#### **MARCH MEETING: PORT NORFOLK BEAUTIFICATION AND PIZZA PARTY!**

Our March Civic League meeting will be an interactive event! This meeting is a round table discussion with some of our key City leaders, neighbors and our Civic League Members. The goals for this meeting will be ways to promote property value growth, ensure a clean and healthy environment in a neighborhood where children are safe and neighbors work together to achieve positive change. This is an excellent opportunity for all to create positive change in our neighborhood. Please come with constructive ideas and a commitment to working together. We need every resident--homeowners and renters--to help keep Port Norfolk a safe and beautiful place we can all enjoy for many years to come! Join us for pizza and creative idea sharing at our March Meeting!

#### **DON'T JUST WATCH ... NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH!**

Do you live in Port Norfolk? Then we need you and yours in the Neighborhood Watch! The only requirement for participation is the desire to live in a nice place with neighbors who care, and that description could fit just about all of us. The March Civic League Meeting will feature a round table discussion about improving our neighborhood, and one of the best ways to see immediate improvement is through an active Neighborhood Watch! Come to the March Civic League meeting; members of our Neighborhood Watch will be there to answer any questions. Plus you can always immediately address any concerns you may have with John Higgins, our Neighborhood Watch Coordinator: (757) 535-2724 or higgsafe@cox.net.

#### **HISTORIC WINTER = EXTERIOR REPAIRS**

Now that we are finally starting to see hints of the Spring we are all eagerly awaiting, some of you are probably already planning repairs and updates to your home exterior. Remember, we are a historic district, and as such, permission needs to be obtained for changes to the exterior of your home. If you have any questions about work you are planning, please call Jocelyn Adumuah, Planning Manager (393-8836 ext. 4203) so you don't end up with a fine afterwards!

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

**Our new NIO Officer is Officer Jennifer Truitt. Please contact her if you see anything that is suspicious, but not an emergency: (757) 737-3073**

For Board member email addresses, visit our website at [www.portnorfolk.org](http://www.portnorfolk.org)

## 2015 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.

**So Fun It's Scary!**  
**BOO-yah!**  
5K and Fun Run  
October 24, 2015



Come join us October 24, 2015 at the 4th Annual BOO-yah 5K and Little Monster's Fun Run! This Halloween themed race is a FUNdraiser for the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Port Norfolk Civic League.

Runners and walkers zip by ~~haunted~~ HISTORIC homes, including the infamous **MARYLAND MANSION**, decked out in all their Halloween finery on spooky, tree lined streets! This is a race to be remembered and here are some of the reasons why you don't want to miss out:

- Dog friendly!
- Timing services provided by the Tidewater Striders!
- Pack the Foodbank truck – each non-perishable food item donated earns you a chance at winning most excellent raffle prizes!
- Each participant gets a medal and a good quality tech t-shirt!
- An after party featuring great music, local beer and pizza!
- Zumba before the race and costume contests for people and pets after!
- Strider discount 10% - STRIDE
- If this is your 4th BOO-yah we want to reward your loyalty...25% off - FOUREVER

### Birthdays

Wishing everyone who celebrates a birthday in March a marvelous day!



*Allison Berry & Heather Smith*

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

### PLAAAAY BALL!

Wilson Little League is registering boys and girls, ages 4 and up, for the spring baseball/softball season. For more information, call (757) 405-7345 or visit their website online: [www.WilsonLittleLeague.org](http://www.WilsonLittleLeague.org).



### Reflection Walk Memorial Brick Orders

The Easter and Memorial Day holidays are approaching, and are the perfect time to express your love for a friend or family member who has suffered at the hands of cancer. The Port Norfolk Civic League offers bricks, engraved to your specifications, that are professionally laid under the beautiful gazebo at Reflection Walk, overlooking the Elizabeth River. A brick dedication ceremony is held annually each September for those who have purchased bricks for their friends and loved ones. For more information, or to obtain an order form, please e-mail Nicole Macaulay at [reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org](mailto:reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org) or call (757) 412-7391.

### Look for Port Norfolk Online!

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