



# PORCH TALK

December 2015



Port Norfolk Civic League, P. O. Box 7114, Portsmouth VA 23707

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## Next Civic League Meeting

Port Norfolk Recreation Center at 432 Broad Street

**Thursday January 7, 2016 7:00 pm**

Our December 3rd Meeting is our Annual Holiday Pot Luck Dinner at the Port Norfolk Rec. Center. Bring your family, and a dish to share as we join our wonderful friends and neighbors to celebrate the conclusion of another great year in Port Norfolk!  
You do not need to be a civic league member to attend.

## Civic League News & Events

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

### **December 3rd: Holiday Pot Luck at Port Norfolk Rec. Center**

Bring a dish to share & prepare for a great time, because this meeting is all about EATING!

### **December 1st-12th: Port Norfolk Presents Our 4th Holiday Light Show Contest!**

Join your neighbors for a good spirited, competitive and fun event that will give the winners bragging rights for an entire year! The rules are pretty straightforward: You can decorate in any style, theme or color that you'd like, but keep it clean for the kids, please! In order to be eligible for any of the coveted titles that will be awarded to the best of the best in Port Norfolk, you must have your lights in place and ready to be judged, no later than the evening of Saturday, December 12th! But, the earlier you have them up the better, because that gives you more exposure time for the highly coveted "People's Choice" award! This is the award that YOU pick! Pictures will be posted on our Facebook page for voting! You can also nominate your neighbor, just to make sure their home is not overlooked in the judging process! Go to the Holiday Lights section of our website for more information. The judges will make their selections by Saturday, December 12th and the award signs will be placed in the lucky winner's yards that night. Best of luck to everyone and thank you for filling our neighborhood with holiday spirit! Our homes, decorated for the season, look absolutely magical! May your days be merry and bright ...with LIGHTS!

### **December 13th: Port Norfolk Historic Homes Holiday Tour, 2-6pm**

Join us for this greatly anticipated event where you have the opportunity to view five gorgeously decorated homes in our neighborhood. No two homes are exactly the same, earning a coveted place on the National Registry of Historic Places. The featured homes changes every year, so don't miss the ones that are open for you to tour this year! Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 the day of the event. Email [hometours@portnorfolk.org](mailto:hometours@portnorfolk.org) or go to our website, [www.portnorfolk.org](http://www.portnorfolk.org) for more information.

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

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

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

# 2016 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 December a delightful day!



*Walter Bell, Jerome LaMont & Vicki Stevens*

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)

## We Salute You!

A very heartfelt thank you to our neighbor, Walter Bell, for donating a new flag for Fountain Park!

## Reflection Walk Memorial Brick Dedication

The holidays are approaching, and now is 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 in the Spring for those who have purchased bricks for their friends and loved ones. For more information contact Nicole Macaulay: [reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org](mailto:reflectionwalk@portnorfolk.org) or 757-412-7391.

## Apartment for Rent in Port Norfolk - \$665

Port Norfolk - One bedroom apartment for Rent \$665.00! WW carpet, A/C, ceiling fans in each room. Spacious eat-in kitchen. Porch and small yard. Located in the 300 block of Maryland Avenue. Owner pays for Water, Sewage, Trash & Yard Care. Drive by! To see, or for info, call 757-578-7207. More details on Craigslist.

## 2016 Civic League Officers

- \* President: Erika Nestler
- \* Vice President: Amy O'Donnell
- \* Recording Secretary: Dorothy Parker
- \* Corresponding Secretary: Judith Collins
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## Look for Port Norfolk Online!

Website: [www.PortNorfolk.org](http://www.PortNorfolk.org)  
5k Website: [www.BOOyah5k.com](http://www.BOOyah5k.com)  
On Facebook: Port-Norfolk  
On Twitter: @PNCLtweet



## December Family Fun in Portsmouth!

**Dec. 1-31: Winter Wonderland** – holiday displays from the Coleman Nursery Collection. Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center, Corner of High & Court St. | 393-8543

**Dec. 5-6, 11-13, 18-20: Santa@Winter Wonderland** Call for times: 393-8543

**Dec. 4-6: Face Painting@Winter Wonderland** - At the Art Annex. Call for times: 393-8543

**Dec. 4th: Community Concerts Presents Leon Bates** Internationally acclaimed pianist performs at Willett Hall. Call for info: 686-5447

**Dec. 5-7, 10-13, 18-21: Midtown Santa House** - Midtown Portsmouth Kroger (parking lot) @ 1301 Frederick Blvd.

**Dec. 12: 21st Annual Santa Claus Shuffle 5K Race and 1 Mile Fun Run, 7 AM** - Race begins at nTelos Wireless Pavilion. Call 757-488-9161

**Dec. 12: Pancake Breakfast for Portsmouth Humane! 8-11am** - Portsmouth United Church of Christ (5900 Portsmouth Blvd) \$5 in advance; \$7 at the door. Register at Portsmouth Humane website.

**Dec. 12: Olde Towne Holiday Music Festival, Noon - 6 pm** Launched in 1998, this festival has become one of Portsmouth's signature Holiday Season events. 16 different locations, 84 performances! This is a must see! Go to [www.portsvaevents.com](http://www.portsvaevents.com) for performance schedule.

**Dec. 17: Holiday Harmony featuring the Tidewater Concert Band & Special Guest Eric Taylor - 7pm**

This special Holiday Performance will feature performances of festive music including *Polar Express*, *Clarinet Candy*, *Sleigh Ride*, *Christmas Festival*, *White Christmas*, *Buglers Holiday*, *An American Christmas*, *Carol of the Drum*, *Christmas Is Coming*, *Bells of Christmas*, and more. Free and open to the public at Willett Hall.

**Dec. 22 & 29: Teeny Tiny Farm, 11-3pm** Families and kids can enjoy the best variety of miniature farm animals in Hampton Roads FREE. Children's Museum of Virginia outside in the Middle Street Mall.

**Dec. 31: Noon Year's Eve Bash: Countdown to Noon, 11 am-2pm** - Crafts, activities, music, and more! Corner of High & Court St. 393-8543

**Dec. 31: 18th Annual Olde Towne Scottish Walk, 3:30pm** - A procession will be led by bagpipe-and-drum music beginning at Queen & Washington Streets and Ending at High Street Landing. Contact Susan Heeley for more information (757) 650-3052

*Happy New Year!*

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