

Claudia's Corner



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Welcoming a "Friendlier", More Beautiful Portsmouth

*Friends of the
Community, Inc.
Unveiled at Bide-a-
Wee Pavilion on
June 25, 2004.*

We are looking for good, solid, fiscally enterprising individuals to serve on our new, non-profit fundraising arm of the Clean Community Commission. This premiere group of elite individuals will be the charter group that will change Portsmouth communities forever.

Examples of projects that the Clean Community Commission would like to fund are:

- A Junior Clean Community Commission
- Proactive Litter Prevention Program for Youth



- Multi-Media Educational Program
- Storage Space for our Equipment
- 2 way radios for our volunteers



Why be 'Friends'?

Our land-locked community is taking innovative steps to overcome the need for more revenue, in keeping with our Comprehensive Planning efforts.

Who are 'Friends'?

Anyone who wants to donate any amount of time, energy, and leadership. Initially, we intend to establish an elite, intelligent, entrepreneurial minded board.

When will we be 'Friends'?

Our goal is have this board in place by mid summer 2004.



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*A newsletter to promote and
celebrate The Portsmouth Clean
Community Commission's
participation in the appreciation,
protection, and enhancement of
our environment.*

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15th Annual Event – 7 years of trends in Portsmouth *Clean the Bay In Portsmouth: “Tracking Our Trends”*

Last year, after our 6th year of working on cleaning waterways in Portsmouth, some interesting trends were revealed. In 2003, **446 volunteers** cleared **28,628 pounds** of debris throughout the city for Clean the Bay Day. The trend shows that over time, we are enlightening more and more citizens, residents and volunteers to participate in our clean up efforts. That's good news! What is even better is that there is less debris to clean up. That means we are doing something right!

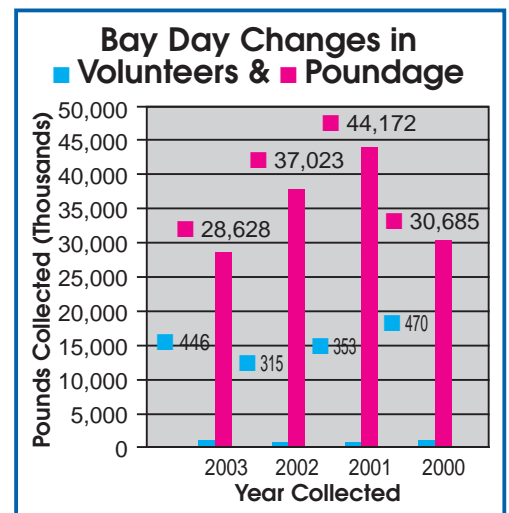
We all know that once you have improved your image, maintenance becomes even more important. In Portsmouth, we can focus on quality control issues now, like what is the **most common form of debris** collected.

In 2003, it was **Styrofoam**. What this tells us is that fast food chains and convenience stores need to be enlightened about the litter that they produce.

Additionally, now is a good time to volunteer! Since our waterways are cleaner, your job will be easier, and you can focus more on quality and maintenance. Now is a better time than ever to volunteer! Volunteer by calling 1-800-SAVEBAY; 393-5628, or register on line at: www.cbf/clean. We look forward to cleaning and celebrating, and remember, have a nice 'Bay Day'!



June 12th – 9 a.m. until noon



Clean the Bay 2004 – continued

Zones (neighborhoods) Cleaned in 2003

- West Norfolk / BASF Plant
- Port Norfolk
- Scotts' Creek
- Cradock- Paradise Creek
- Shea Terrace
- Hoffler Creek
- Waterview
- Swimming Point
- Naval Medical Center



Our Results last year:

- **28,628** Total Pounds Collected
- **446** Volunteers
- **6.1** Miles of Shoreline Covered
- Most Common Items Found: Styrofoam, plastic, cans, lumber, bricks, and logs
- Most Unusual Items Found: Message in a bottle, bath tubs, ship's fender, floating dock, washing machine

MANDATORY Zone Captain's Training & Supply Distribution

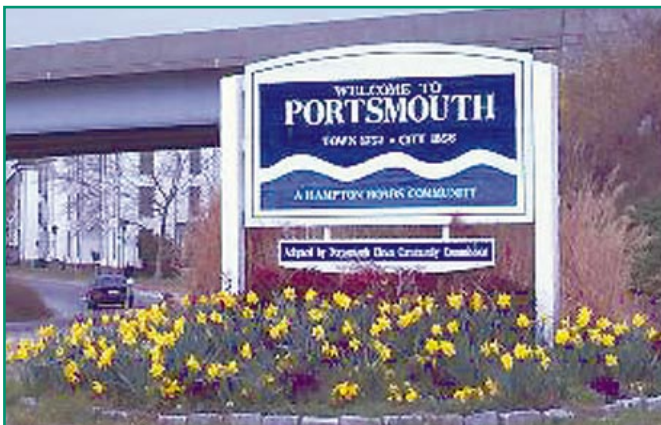
June 3, 2004
6:00 pm
527 High Street, #102

Refreshments
will be served.

Succeeding at partnerships with youth in the community and colleges!



Goodbye and thank you to Political Science Intern and resident of Portsmouth, Barry Doughty, graduating from Norfolk State University in May 2004! You did a great job!



Adopt-a-Spot

Welcome new spot holders:

- Portsmouth Youth Advisory Commission
 - District 6 Order of Eastern Star PHA
 - Genesis Lodge #7
- PRIDE Students Waters Middle School
 - SCA Cradock Middle School

For information or to adopt-a-spot, go to www.portsmouthva.gov; neighborhoods; clean community commission; adopt-a-spot. Or call 393-5628

Operation
CLEAN-UP
Portsmouth



It's not too late!

Community Group	Date	Weight Collected
1. West Park View	March 26	12,000 pounds
2. Churchland West Civic League	April 9	14,000 pounds
3. Park View Civic League	April 16	12,000 pounds
4. West Park View Civic League	April 23	14,000 pounds
5. Oregon Acres Civic League	April 30	22,000 pounds
6. West Norfolk Civic League	May 21	
7. Wilson Ward Civic League	June 4	
8. Wilson Ward Civic League	June 11	
9. Westwood Neighborhood (Churchland - Welcome)	July 11	
10. Cavalier Manor	July 23	
11. Cradock Civic League		



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Operation: Guardian Shepherd

Volunteers Servicing Our Seniors. 28 Portsmouth senior residents aided in this project.



Thanks to:

- Naval School of Health Sciences
- United Methodists Ministers of Charlottesville & Richmond
- Naval Shore Intermediate Maintenance Command (SIMA)
- U-GOT-JUNK, INC.

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- News 3 WTKR
- The Virginian-Pilot



and do your part!



Adopt Hampton Roads May 16th. Portsmouth residents partner with Farm Fresh for 2 Clean Ups on June 6th. **Sponsored by Farm Fresh WNIS, WTKR, BOB FM, AND KICK FM.

