

The Clean Communicator

2007 Wrap Up Report

72 CLEAN UP EVENTS

2,571 Volunteers

614,617 pounds of bulk debris collected

EARTH DAY

2 day clean up at 9 different sites

196 Volunteers
5,763 lbs of debris collected

6.3 Miles
(Partnered with VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads)

did you KNOW?



ADOPT-A-SPOT

978 Volunteers

29,004 lbs of litter and debris collected

CLEAN THE BAY DAY

712 Volunteers

454 Military Volunteers

33,940 lbs of debris collected
15.65 Miles

Most Common Item Found:
Plastic

Most Unusual Item(s) Found:
10 lb Turtle, Chimney, Deer Leg, and Chandelier

OPERATION CLEAN UP PORTSMOUTH

36 Community Clean-Ups
568,820 lbs of bulk debris collected

YARD OF THE MONTH



CLEAN BUSINESS RECOGNITION



Help us recognize a beautiful yard or business in your community. Submit a nomination for a worthy yard or business to:

smithy@portsmouthva.gov

Include a picture and an address. Nominations can also be sent to:

The City of Portsmouth

Clean Community Commission • 801 Crawford Street • Portsmouth, VA 23704

Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth

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Spring is approaching and it's time to make sure that your neighborhood is scheduled to participate in the Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth 2008. If you want your neighborhood to participate, here's what you have to do:

1. Designate one person as your point of contact to coordinate with the Clean Community Commission.
2. Choose four locations to place containers in your neighborhood for one weekend.
3. Contact Mr. White with Waste Management at 393-8663 let him know that you want to schedule containers for community clean up.
4. Contact Yilla Smith, at 393-5628 and let her know your dates and container locations.



Adopt-A-Spot Program



Each year plaques are presented to the communities that collect the most trash during Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth Community Cleanups. In 2007, over 30 community cleanups have helped remove 199.67 tons of litter and debris from our City's streets. The 2007 Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth winners are:

Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth Winners



4th Place - Oregon Acres - 26,940

3rd Place - Truxtun - 63,060 lbs.

2nd Place - Churchland West - 75,600 lbs.

1st Place - Park Manor - 79,260 lbs.



2007 Most Improved Community

The community that shows the most improvement from year to year, based on the results of Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth is awarded a plaque for most improved community. This year's Most Improved Community Award was presented to:

Cavalier Manor - together the residents of Cavalier Manor have removed over 65,000 pounds of litter and debris from their community since they hosted their first community clean up in 2004.



11,180 pounds in 2007, 37,520 pounds in 2006 and 13,440 pounds in 2004

Have you noticed an area around your community that could use a little TLC? Do you want to know what you can do to help?

The Portsmouth Clean Community Commission has a solution. Adopting a spot to maintain is a straightforward approach to improving the community, which will help you gain recognition and merit in your community. Why not Adopt-a-Spot? Everyone from the US Navy to Jr ROTC, Sororities, and Churches are all working together to help make Portsmouth prettier.

For more information visit our website at: www.portsmouthva.gov/cleancom and click on the Adopt-a Spot Program or give us a call, 393-5628.

2007 Annual Recognition Banquet



The Clean Community Commission hosted its 10th Annual Clean Community Recognition Banquet on Thursday, October 25, 2007 at The Pavilion at Bide-A-Wee Golf Course. 72 guests attended the event including Vice Mayor Marlene Randall who provided greetings from the City of Portsmouth. Martha Blevins, Volunteer Program Manager for VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads was the guest speaker for the evening.



Presidential Volunteer Service Award Winners

SILVER

A. Peppy Owens
412 Volunteer Hours
Raymond Durham
432 Volunteer Hours

BRONZE

Mary Phillips
107 Volunteer Hours
Jeannette Rainey
102 Volunteer Hours

VOLUNTEERS

Valuable is the work you do.
Outstanding in how you always come through.
Loyal, sincere and full of good cheer,
Untiring in your efforts throughout the year.
Notable are the contributions you make,
Trustworthy in every project you take.
Eager to reach your every goal,
Effective in the way you fulfill your role.
Ready with a smile like a shining star,
Special and wonderful - that's what you are.

UNKNOWN

Operation: Clean Up Portsmouth Winners

The Clean Community Awards were created by the CCC as a way to recognize groups and individuals whose civic pride and efforts in the community are in keeping with the Portsmouth Clean Community Commission's Mission of litter prevention and beautification. This year, the commission received six applications from individuals, groups and organizations all over the city.

1st Place

Mayor's Outstanding Achievement Award
Olde Towne Civic League Beatification Committee



The twenty members of this community Beautification Committee rally over 2,500 volunteers each year and have saved their, community and the City of Portsmouth over \$44,000 in labor and wages. From July of 2006 through June of 2007, this beautification committee has worked with the city to host eight major events and community beautification projects.

2nd Place

Chairman's Outstanding Achievement Award
Park Manor Civic League



3rd Place

Outstanding Organization
Boy Scout Troop 233



Military Support



This year the Portsmouth Clean Community Commission honored the *USS George Washington* for their outstanding contribution to the City of Portsmouth. Since their return to Portsmouth in 2006, the *USS George Washington* has conducted four major cleanups at 27 sites throughout the city, and played a major role in Clean the Bay Day. They have removed 23,768 pounds of litter and debris from our city's streets and waterways.

Notes from the Commission

Community Champion



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*A. Peppy Owens,
2007 Joseph Preziotti
Community Champion
Award Recipient.*

The Community Champion Award was created by the Commission in honor of our late Chairman Joseph Preziotti, Jr. The award recognizes an individual within the community that goes above and beyond his or her civic duty to help make his or her neighborhood and the City of Portsmouth a better place.

This year's Community Champion has dedicated his life to serving his country, his community and his family. As the former Vice Chairman of the Clean Community Commission, and the current President of the West Park View Community League this individual has managed to find time to sit on the History Commission, the Fine Arts Commission, the Mayor's Sister Cities Commission and the Mayor's Commission on Military Affairs while starting two businesses and working with his brother's real estate office. With his unselfish devotion to making the City of Portsmouth a better place, this individual embodies the pride and dedication to the community that Joe Preziotti was known for. Please stand and help us recognize Mr. Alvah "Peppy" Owens as the recipient of the 2007 Joseph Preziotti Community Champion Award.

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