

# Norfolk Community League

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## PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

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Together

Dear Members:

Flipping through a scrapbook today I came across this quote,

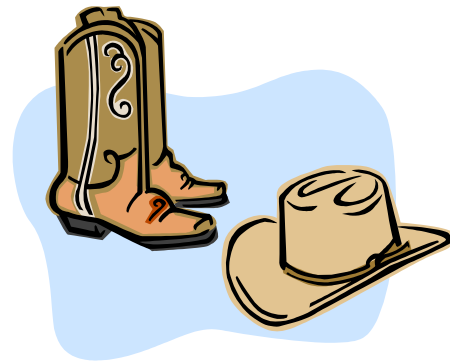
"Alone We Can Do So Little, Together We Can Do So Much..."

What more is there to say? It took the help of **all** of NCL to make the *Gala Gone Wild* the success that it was. For that, I thank all of you. I thank you for reaching out to your friends and neighbors, for finding us fabulous auction items, for volunteering your time, for attending the event, for being brave enough to ride the bull ☺, and for supporting NCL.

What a wonderful and rewarding feeling to be able to be part of an organization whose main goal is to give back to the community in which we all live!

Consider being a part of the 2009 Executive board. Join the board and work together with NCL to continue to achieve our mission of enhancing the quality of life for Norfolk residents, for increasing involvement in activities that better our community and strengthening community spirit. Because, together we really can do so so much...

Fondly,  
Joan Piller



The organizers of the 2009 Town of Norfolk Gala *Gone Wild Hoedown* would like to **SINCERELY** thank Jonathan Hurwitz for his time and energy in setting up the computer network for the event and helping us to make sure everything was running smoothly. Without his help we would have been lost!! Jonathan's assistance allowed us to have a smooth and quick check-in and then a relatively smooth checkout, and with the multitude of guests we had in attendance, that was no small feat. Thanks again Jonathan, and good luck with your upcoming bid for a spot on the Norfolk School Committee!



*It is our mission to enhance the quality of life for Norfolk residents, to increase involvement in activities that better our community, and to strengthen community spirit.*

**FAMILY BASED ACTIVITIES**  
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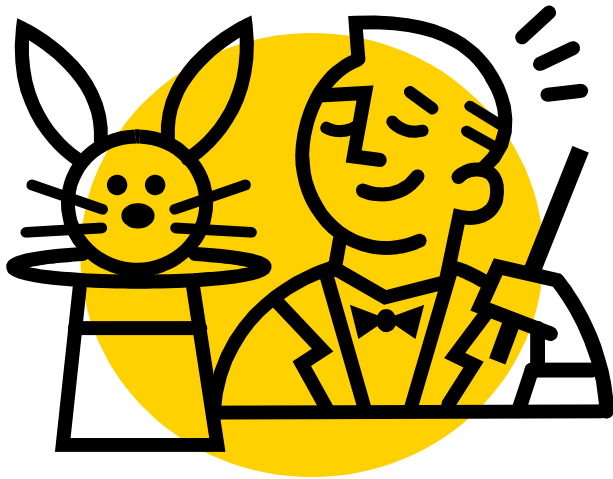
NCL's Annual Easter Bunny Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 4th from 9:00 - 11:00 am at the Freeman Centennial School. Join family and friends together to celebrate Spring and be entertained by magician David Hall! Please bring your camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny! We will also have coloring, crafts and food. Please bring a non perishable donation to benefit the Norfolk Food Pantry.

If you have not sent in your money, tickets are still available. Prices are \$7 per person for NCL members or \$9 for non members. Children under 2 are FREE!

Any questions contact us at  
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We look forward to seeing you there!

Rachael and Ruthann



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We would like to thank everyone for stopping in to the spring coffee this past Thursday. It was nice to see so many new and old faces and catch up.

We are currently working on Candidates' Night for the upcoming town elections. We have tentatively booked the KP Junior High School on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Each Entrant will have a chance to present their campaigns and a moderator will be present. It is a great chance for all of you to get out and hear the issues. Light refreshments will be served. Please look for an email blast announcing the night.

The end of the year party is still in the planning stages and will be announced in our next newsletter. Until then, enjoy the warm weather as spring looks to be finally settling in.

Kate and Colleen

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Thank you so much to everyone who helped to make the 2009 Town of Norfolk Gala Gone Wild Hoedown such a HUGE success! We sold close to 300 tickets, and although numbers aren't definite yet, it looks like we did VERY well. Thank you to all of our volunteers, everyone who attended, and a special thanks to Jim Lehan and Jack Hathaway for leading our Live auction.

The NCL board is currently looking to fill the two fundraising positions, which will be vacant as of June. Interested? Please feel free to contact Stacy Forte at [katiesmom@mindspring.com](mailto:katiesmom@mindspring.com) or Beth Squires at [bkmhe@verizon.net](mailto:bkmhe@verizon.net) if you have any questions.

Please send May newsletter submissions by April 25th to Sarah Holmes, [nclnewslettereditor@yahoo.com](mailto:nclnewslettereditor@yahoo.com)

**MEMBERSHIP**  
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**NEW CLUB FORMING!!!**

The Hors D'Oeuvres and Cocktails Club

Attending a party and need a great appetizer to bring? Hosting a get together and want to serve up a great cocktail? Join our new "Hors D' Oeuvres and Cocktails Club" and try some new recipes and cocktails while having fun with friends! One of the most difficult decisions a party host must make is what to serve. Look no further, except to your fellow Hors D' Oeuvres and Cocktails Club members for delicious recipes and ideas. Your club hostess will serve up a new cocktail recipe or open up a new bottle of wine while others bring their homemade appetizers for you to enjoy. You'll leave with new recipes and impress your next guests!

If you're interested in joining this new club, please contact Kathy McDonald at [jkmcdonald530@comcast.net](mailto:jkmcdonald530@comcast.net).

**HISTORIAN**  
**STACEY McDONELL**  
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We saw lots of cameras flashing at the Hoe Down and I'm sure you all have some great pictures! If there are any pictures you'd like to share with us, we'd love to see them! Please share them by emailing them to [semcdonnell@verizon.net](mailto:semcdonnell@verizon.net) . Thank you!

Thanks!

## Events Calendar:

- April 4<sup>th</sup>**      **Easter Bunny Breakfast**
- April 28<sup>th</sup>**     **Candidates Night**
- TBA**            **End of Year Party**

**NORFOLK COMMUNITY LEAGUE is calling for all interested parties to get involved!! Please consider applying for one of our open board or committee positions. Now's the time to Just Do It!**

The following board positions are available for the 2009-2010 fiscal year:

**Executive Board Positions:** Persons holding these positions shall attend monthly board meetings and hold voting privileges.

**President (one person):** The President presides at all Executive Board Meetings; is a non-voting member of all committees except the nomination committee, and shall only cast a deciding vote in the event of votes being equal; shall lead the effort to develop annual goals and performance measures, lead the annual By-Law review, provide overall leadership and guidance and be held accountable with the Executive Board to achieve the current year's goals; shall be responsible to review all fund-raising ideas brought forth by any Norfolk Community League Member, shall review plausibility for each and make recommendations to the Board for future fund-raisers; shall prepare a final summation for the incoming President; shall be authorized to sign checks; shall prepare the agenda (the secretary did this during this term); shall be custodian of all records of the organization and shall help coordinate the information to be published in the newsletter. Term is two years

**First Vice-President – Membership (one person):** Two year position, collect all membership dues, prepare a master list of membership and retain all membership forms, shall be sure that all members have signed the membership form that includes NCL's liability disclaimer, create master list of club membership, check status of clubs and update as needed, create master list of all members and volunteer list; distribute to board as needed. If President is unable to fulfill her duties the First VP shall assume all Presidential duties. Any questions can be directed to Kathy McDonald at [jkmcdonald530@comcast.net](mailto:jkmcdonald530@comcast.net)

**Second Vice-President – Treasury (one person):** Two year position, monitor NCL Funds, provide cash boxes for events, keep records of financial

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transactions, and coordinate with CPA for tax returns. In addition, make sure NCL and its events are fully insured. Disburse funds to receipts of our fundraising. Keep an accurate and up to date record of revenue and expenses for NCL events.

**Fund Raising Co-Chairs (two persons):** Please contact Stacy Forte or Beth Squires for details.

**Secretary (one person):** The secretary will take attendance and keep accurate, concise minutes at the Executive Board meetings and will distribute minutes within two weeks of the meeting. The secretary will oversee the distribution of holiday greeting cards. Term is one year.

**Hospitality (one or two persons):** Will arrange and carry out social functions including but not limited to coffee socials, couples night, the Kick-Off, Holiday and End of the Year parties as well as Candidate's Night. Term is one year.

**Family Based Activities Coordinator (one or two persons):** Will be responsible for developing, soliciting, reviewing and implementing ideas for activities that involve families, including but not limited to our Santa Breakfast and The Easter Breakfast. Term is one year.

**Historian/Photographer (one person):** Will work closely with Publicity and Committee Chairpersons to document and photograph NCL events and create media. Term will be 2 years.

**Editor:** Will gather all materials for the monthly newsletter and will mail or email members; Will proofread the newsletter and send mass email communications upon requests of Executive Board members and Standing Committee members. The term is one year.

**Standing committees:** Persons holding these positions are not required to attend monthly board

meetings.

**Coordinator for Nearly New Sale (1 or 2 persons):** Will be responsible for developing, soliciting, organizing and conducting the Nearly New Sale generally held in April of each year. Term is 1 year.

**Coordinator for NCL Road Races (1 or 2 persons):** Will be responsible for organizing, arranging and conducting both the Jingle Bell Run and the Community Day Run. Term is 1 year.

**Newcomer committee (one person):** Will work closely with Membership to increase current membership, to welcome new NCL members to our organization, and to contact individuals new to Norfolk to inform them about NCL opportunities. Term is 1 year.

**Webmaster (one person):** Maintain and update [norfolkcommunityleague.org](http://norfolkcommunityleague.org) website.

If you have any questions about any of the board positions, please contact NCL President, Joan Piller at [joanpiller@yahoo.com](mailto:joanpiller@yahoo.com). Please express your interest by email to Joan Piller at [joanpiller@yahoo.com](mailto:joanpiller@yahoo.com) by April 15, 2009. All interested parties will be listed in our May newsletter. Per NCL bylaws, all NCL members are welcome to vote for next year's board members by ballot (which will be enclosed in the May newsletter, as well as available online) to Kathy McDonald, VP/Membership by May 15, 2009. Winners will be announced both in our June newsletter at our end of the year party in June. Current board members that are serving their first term are eligible to run for reelection. Please remember that prior board experience is not necessary!!

The current board is working very hard to make this year a fun, rewarding year for all. We hope each member seriously considers joining us and giving back to the community.

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