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**~SEPTEMBER 2010 LUNCHEON MEETING AND PROGRAM ~**

**GUEST SPEAKER**

**PAUL D. FRAIM**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 28TH, 2010**

*11:30 AM to 1:00 PM*

*Cagney's Address. 1108 E. Little Creek Road, Norfolk, VA 23518*

**\$20.00 per person. Buffet with Chef's Choice, Vegetable and Starch of the day, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Butter, Iced Tea and Coffee, and assorted Desserts.**

*RSVP to Judy Pethel at 466-0190 or Carmen Bittenger at 622-7845 by Monday evening, Oct. 25th or email Jennifer Lee at [jlee13@cox.net](mailto:jlee13@cox.net). You may bring cash or check (made out to NRW) to the luncheon.*



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**PAUL D. FRAIM**

Paul D. Fraim was born in Norfolk, Virginia, graduated from Norfolk Catholic High School, completed undergraduate studies at Virginia Military Institute, received his Masters in Education from the University of Virginia and his law degree from the University of Richmond.

A member of Norfolk City Council since 1986, he was elected Mayor on July 1, 1994, and has been re-elected to a new four-year term beginning July 2010.

He began private practice in May 1977, and is presently president of the law firm of Fraim and Fiorella, PC. He is a member of the TowneBank Board of Directors and Chairman of

its Norfolk Board.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Hampton Roads Partnership and the Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance. He is currently a member of and has twice chaired the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs Caucus. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce, Norfolk Division, the Kiwanis Club of Ocean View, the Norfolk Sports Club, and the Navy League.

He has been a member of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission since 1990 and formerly served as chairman. He is a former chairman of the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization and currently serves on the Board of Directors. He is past co-chair of the Hampton Roads Military and Federal Facilities Alliance and currently serves on the Board of Directors. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Norfolk Corporation. He is former chairman of the Norfolk Electoral Board and the Norfolk Highway Safety Commission. He is the former chair of the USS

**The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants. Thomas Jefferson**



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Wisconsin Foundation, is a member of the Virginia Maritime Heritage Foundation, and a member of the National Maritime Center Board of Directors. He is a trustee of the Eastern Virginia Medical School Foundation. He is vice-president of the VMI Board of Visitors. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.

He was co-captain of the football team at VMI and coached football at both the University of Virginia and the University of Richmond. The Norfolk Sports Club named him "Man of the Year" in sports in the metropolitan area for 1994. In 1995 he received Old Dominion University's "Bud Metheny" award, and was named "Sportsman of the Year" in 1996 by The Virginian-Pilot. In 1996 the Downtown Norfolk Council selected him as the "Downtowner of the Year." He was also awarded in 1996 the Meritorious Public Service Award Medal from the United States Navy. He was the recipient of the 1998 Tidewater Humanitarian Award presented by The National Conference of Christians and Jews. In 2004 the Hampton Roads Maritime Association presented him with its "Port Champion" award. In 2007 he was presented the "Bishop's Humanitarian Award" by Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia and the "A Home for Every American Award," a national honor given by the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness.

Mr. Fraim is a member of the Virginia State Bar. He is a member of and has served on the Executive Committee of the Virginia Bar Association, and he is also a fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation. He is married to Elizabeth Peer Fraim and they have four children.

To All Members;

If you were not able to attend September's meeting, you missed a good one! Pamela Brown, Chair of the Norfolk Republican Party, our guest speaker, enlightened us with a very informative and encouraging message regarding statewide and national campaigns. In addition to Pam's message, representatives from Chuck Smith and Scott Rigell's campaign updated everyone on their campaigns and upcoming events. The pundits and mainstream media are doing their best to derail our message and our candidates. We must be diligent in our resolve to prove to the voters that the GOP victory is crucial to our cause and the very survival of our nation, as we have known it.

In just a couple of weeks we will be going to the polls to vote in one of the most important elections in some time. This is our chance to regain a majority and take back our Nation! This could be another 1994 landslide victory for the GOP, or it could be another "woulda, coulda, shoulda if only we had done more" type election. So let's keep doing what we can to help our candidates by manning the phones, knocking on doors, attending fundraisers, donating money, spreading the word and volunteering to work the polls. It is of utmost importance that we continue to work even harder the next two weeks so we don't lose the momentum that began so many months ago. Thanks to everyone for all that you have been doing!

I would like to encourage everyone to attend the October meeting on Thursday, October 28 at 11:30 for a wonderful lunch at Cagney's Restaurant. Our guest speaker will be Mayor Paul Fraim. He will update us on the current and future plans for Norfolk. May I suggest you come with questions, suggestions and opinions so we can have an exciting discussion. Hopefully, our candidates or their representatives will come with positive messages as well. I look forward to seeing the meeting room full to capacity!!

Respectfully submitted,  
Carmen Bittinger

*Pictures from the NRW Sept Meeting*  
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What great weather we had! What wonderful people attended! What a grand time was had by all! Best of all, according to Scott Rigell and Chuck Smith, the event was a productive one for them. It may not be a scientific measure of the enthusiasm of the folks who attended, but there was not a yard sign to be had when it was over. Even the two which had been in my yard before the event found a new home!

Sincere thanks to all who worked so hard to pull it off. Forgive me if I start with Willy, my husband, who stayed up all night with our daughter Lynda (who later directed traffic) and son-in-law Chris (who served as our shuttle driver) cooking and picking well over 200 pounds of pork. Pam & Bob Brown, Carmen & Chuck Bittinger, Stevie Giffin, Dan Haworth, Lana Moon, and Chris Woodfin all gave generously of their coolers, tents, tables, decorations, energy and talents to make this event one in which the NRW and RPN can take justifiable pride.

I'm not at all sure we want to do this every year, but, now that we know what we're doing (sort of), we might keep it in mind for a repeat in the future.

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