

Cradock Civic League Membership Form/ Email Mailing List Request:

	I would like to be a member of the Cradock Civic League. Please print this page and submit \$12 payment at the next Cradock Civic League Meeting. Seniors -\$6 per year
	I may be interested in getting more involved in my community and would consider volunteering to help with Civic League Activities.
	My particular interests are:
	Neighborhood Watch
	Delivering Quarterly Newsletters
	Gardening and Cleanup
	Yard of the Month
	Website Maintenance
	Helping with Special Events
	I would be interested in receiving emails concerning Cradock

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

We Welcome New Members!

Meetings:

Meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in the Cradock Community Center. The meeting room can be accessed directly from the outside on the North end of the building.

All residents and property owners of Cradock are welcome to attend civic league meetings and to become members. Dues are \$12 per year for members under age 65 and \$6 per year for members age 65 and older. Current membership is required to vote.

2011-2012 Board Officers:

President: Pat Wheeler

Pat@historiccradock.org

Vice President: Joanna Hall

Joanna@historiccradock.org

Treasurer: Patti Van Dorn

Patti@historiccradock.org

Recording Secretary: Dolores Knight

Dolores@historiccradock.org

Corresponding Secretary: Joyce Howe

Joyce@historiccradock.org

Civic League officers are elected to 2 year terms. The current officers began their terms January 2011 and will continue through the end of 2012.

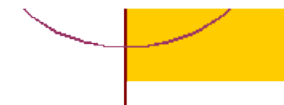
If you missed the elections, but still want to be involved, there are various ways to make a difference. Members are encouraged to become active in the civic league by chairing or joining a committee.

Welcome to the Neighborhood



Historic Cradock

Portsmouth, Virginia



Historic Cradock



Cradock was one of the nation's first government--built planned communities along with the neighboring Truxtun. Conceived as a model community, it incorporated many of the most advanced planning techniques of its day. The construction was funded through an act of Congress in 1918 which allowed the Federal Government to build housing projects related to the wartime efforts.

Most of the features of the present-day planned community including schools, recreational areas, commercial area, and public transportation were provided for Cradock. All facilities were within walking distance of one another. The town pioneered the use of concealed utility lines. The town had its own government built schools, fire house, sewerage, water system and electric street lighting system. Afton Parkway, the major traffic boulevard, also carried the street car line. The street car line ran to the Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, and other suburban areas. When WWI ended in 1920, the US Housing Corporation was unable to continue to assume the cost of public services forcing the orphaned community to assume self government until Norfolk County was able to adopt Cradock in 1922. *Courtesy Cradock & Truxtun Design and Rehabilitation Guidelines and History by the Alumni and Friends of Cradock, INC.*

Cradock Organizations:

- Cradock Little League
- Boy Scouts
- Clean Community Commission
- Enviva
- Cradock Middle School PTA
- Neighborhood Watch
- James Hurst PTA
- Quality of Life Team For The Return of Paradise Creek
- VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Chapter 993
- DAV Chapter 41
- Lions Club
- Neighborhood Quality Enhancement
- The Citizens Advisory Committee on Waste Management for Portsmouth and Wheelabrator
- Alumni & Friends of Cradock
- C.P.R. Cradock Preservation & Revitalization
- Cradock Conservation & Redevelopment Plan Portsmouth Redevelopment & Housing
- Cradock's Yard of the Month
- Focus Urban Design Commission
- Cradock Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Churches:

- Cradock Baptist Church
- Emmanuel Episcopal Church
- Holy Angels Catholic Church
- Cradock Presbyterian Church
- Victory Life Assembly of God

Cradock Has Everything You Are Looking For:

- Library, Post Office, Fire Station
- Schools (James Hurst Elementary and Cradock Middle)
- Elizabeth River Paradise Creek Nature Park
- George Washington Skate Park
- Cradock Recreational Center

The Portsmouth Vision 2025 Plan is aggressively pursuing a city wide revitalization effort. Portsmouth is rediscovering the intrinsic value of its Historic neighborhoods. Working with a nationally recognized urban designer, Portsmouth has unveiled the Cradock neighborhood redevelopment plans. *"Gindroz's redevelopment plan for Cradock calls for Revitalizing the Afton Square commercial district, improving George Washington Highway corridor into the neighborhood, making historical building guidelines less of a financial obstacle to revitalization, redeveloping problem areas by building new housing and renovating other homes and improving the Victory Boulevard corridor and establishing Paradise Creek Park."* Virginia Pilot

Future Community



Many on going efforts are being made by the residents and community groups to enhance and preserve the historic Cradock neighborhood. We believe community builds a community.



PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT