

# PORTSMOUTH PARTNERSHIP

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## PORTSMOUTH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION HONORS HORACE SAVAGE The Original “Lefcoe Leader”



Savage above, and with (l to r) Robinett, Gwaltney and Comer, below



**HORACE SAVAGE'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE PORTSMOUTH PARTNERSHIP'S** mission has been massive: as the founding facilitator of the *Lefcoe Leadership Foundation's* program, he has, over 15 years, guided 332 classmates toward a deeper understanding of Portsmouth's history, development, volunteer base and future potential. The overwhelming majority of his graduates have gone on to serve on countless non-profit boards and city commissions - even the Portsmouth School Board. Throughout, his inclusive, cool-headed leadership style has challenged his students to expect more of both themselves and their community.

**BUT SAVAGE'S CONTRIBUTIONS** to both city and country go well beyond this. His undergraduate years at Hampton University were interrupted by service as an infantryman in WWII's European Theatre of operations. He returned from the war to complete under- and post-grad work at Hampton U, and went on to pursue further studies at UVA, ODU and the College of William and Mary. In Portsmouth he filled roles as teacher, coach, administrator, Assistant Superintendent and clerk of the school board.

**SAVAGE'S MESSAGE** to his guests was humorous, clear, and timely. “*Tough love,*” he said, is central toward developing our kids' sense of discipline and responsibility. Further, he reminded them that there is no substitute for involved, **strong parenting**

in guiding our children and setting high expectations for them. Finally, Savage stressed that we must challenge ourselves to **serve our community**. Here he made reference to the value of his beloved *Lefcoe Leadership* program.

**THE PORTSMOUTH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION** has, for twelve years, annually honored a notable alumnus. The signature event raises much-needed money for the Foundation and its crucial support for Portsmouth Public Schools as it shines a spotlight on the grads who have shared their substantial talents in so many ways.



## PRHA's and Partnership's Portsmouth FLAVOR Event a Hit!

**PORTSMOUTH FLAVOR**, held on November 5 at the Portsmouth Service League's Woman's Club in Glenshella, was a smashing success on many fronts. First, the event attracted over 150 guests to the beautiful, newly-refurbished facility. Next, it put the creativity, talent, and generosity of some of Portsmouth's - and Hampton Roads' - finest restaurants on display. From duck tacos to veal dishes, southern-style grits with shrimp or barbecue, killer desserts, Smartmouth beers and Chatham Vineyards wines, guests gladly came early and stayed late, bidding on must-have silent auction items as PorteTowne Magic provided music for the entire evening. Most importantly, though, the event raised over \$8,000 for the PRHA Scholarship Foundation's and the Portsmouth Partnership's respective missions.



Mr. Shannon Glover, the event's emcee, with the ladies of JoJack's Espresso Bar & Café.

PRHA's Scholarship Foundation has, in just three years, awarded 46 scholarships of nearly \$45,000 to Low-Income Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program youth and adults, funding participation in college, university, employment training, vocational and apprentice programs. The **Portsmouth Partnership's affiliates - PortsEvents, Lefcoe Leadership Foundation, GPDC, Partnership Foundation, and Partnership Development Foundation** - have worked to bring to the Portsmouth community assets including Oxford Place Apartments, the Dinwiddie Hotel, Roger Brown's, weekly Farmers' Markets, First Friday Courtyard Concerts, OpSail2012Virginia and 420 active Lefcoe Leadership alumni. **Many thanks** go to event sponsor Elizabeth River Crossings, TowneBank, and the Whitmore Group for their support.



## Lakeview Elementary hosts October "Reading Fair"



While it's fun to dress up as your favorite storybook character for a day, it's also fun to see your teachers – or your parents – dressed up and sharing their favorite stories and characters, too. The message? Stories are fun, reading is cool, and the doors to our imaginations are always open.

Lakeview Elementary School put these ideas into practice as it hosted its **October Reading Fair** on Oct 31st. The event, part of the school's plan to promote reading and parental involvement during this school year, encouraged parent volunteers to join the kids and their teachers as they read some of their favorite stories to each of the K-6 classes. Extra time was also made for the students to read AR books, and to take tests to finish out the month of October.

## JOB, INTERNSHIP AND MENTORING OPPORTUNITIES . . .

Is your company looking for seasonal or summer help? The **Portsmouth Public School System** has responsible students eager to work in the areas of nursing, culinary arts, child care, the hospitality industry, industrial welding, and more. To find out how you, your company and our kids can benefit, please contact:

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**GPDC 15 years 1,000 jobs \$22,000,000 tax revenue**

