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3rd Annual Field of Friends

A Day of Fun, Food and Friends for Ages 5 -15

The 3rd Annual "Field of Friends" days will be held across the City of Newport News, giving children an opportunity to enjoy a fun filled day organized by various city agencies.

"Field of Friends" was spawned by a Newport News police officer who, in 2007, witnessed children using a trash dumpster as playground equipment.

This event continues to grow in its success because of the collaborative spirit amongst city agencies. New to the sponsors this year is the Hispanic Advisory Committee helping to meet the needs of our Spanish speaking children. A complete list of sponsors appears on page two of this media release.

There are three separate events. One for North, South and Central Newport News.

Please help the task force committee spread the word in advance of the event(s) and provide coverage the day(s) of. We want children to come and enjoy themselves and for their parents to participate, too. We also want the public to volunteer.

3rd Annual FIELD OF FRIENDS

August 7 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
North Precinct, Boys & Girls Club, 429 Thorncliff Drive

August 22 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
South Precinct, Achievable Dream Preparatory School, 726 - 16th Street

August 29 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Central Precinct, South Morrison ES/Boys & Girls Club; 705 Adams Drive(@ Dresden)

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SPONSORS

City of Newport News; NN Police Department; NN Sheriff's Office; NN Adult Corrections (a.k.a. City Farm); NN Fire Department; NN Parks, Recreation & Tourism; NN Department of Public Works; Office on Children, Youth & Families; NN Redevelopment & Housing Authority; Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association; Neighborhood Watch Coalition; NN Public Schools; NN Public Libraries; and NN Hispanic Advisory Committee.

Please donate a canned food item for the Food Bank.

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