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Calling All Artists!

You're invited to participate in the 2nd Annual Asphalt Art Pavement Chalk Contest that will be held on Saturday, October 11, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Suffolk Peanut Festival. This exciting event is sponsored by Parr Funeral Home and Crematory.

Pre-registrations will be accepted until October 6, and all those who pre-register will receive a Peanut Festival Parking pass for October 11, which will allow free entry to the Peanut fest site for the day. Walk-up entries will be accepted until 9:45 a.m. on contest day.

The theme for the 2008 Asphalt Art Pavement Chalk Contest is "Holding on to the Past, Looking Forward to the Future." Contestants are encouraged to incorporate the theme into their work, however, it is not mandatory.

Contestants must be at least 12 years of age. Children under the age of 12 will be provided an area for drawing, but their work will not be included in the competition.

The contest will be divided into four divisions: middle school, high school, amateur and professional. A professional is defined as someone who has sold a piece of art.

Each contestant will be given a 4' X 4' space to work in and chalk will be provided. Contestant may bring their own chalk if they prefer.

Judging will take place at 3 p.m. on the day of the contest by the Peanut Fest Queen and her Court. Winners will be selected using 10-point scale based on the following criteria: first impression, portrayal of contest theme, creativity and use of color.

Winners for each division will include: First Place (\$50), Second Place (\$25), and Third Place (\$10) and an Honorable Mention, who will receive Peanut Festival memorabilia.

Registration forms are available from Emily Nickerson at Suffolk Parks and Recreation or online at www.suffolk.va.us/parks/events.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact her at 514-7257 or e-mail her at enickerson@city.suffolk.va.us.

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