



City of Laurinburg

MAY 2024



Employee HR Newsletter

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~Message from HR~



Please join us at the
2024 Health-Wellness Event!

All City of Laurinburg Employees

Hammond Park

Thursday, 06/13/2024

Remember!!!

MAY – HEALTH AWARENESS

National Physical Fitness and Sports Month

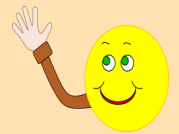
National Physical Fitness and **Sports Month** is celebrated in **May**. It is an initiative by the President's Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition. Fitness isn't just for professional athletes. As doctors and nutritionists will tell you, any physical movement is good for you.

Many people give up on their fitness goals early on due to misplaced notions of fitness. Every year in May, the council aims to dispel these myths. Exercise isn't about the pounds you shed or the number of burpees you should be able to do. The key to an active, healthier lifestyle is consistency. No matter what you do, ensure you keep doing it, and while you're at it, eat healthier, and make better choices each day. The simplest things are the hardest to do. But this is the key to leading a happy and healthy life.





NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome New Hires to the City!

Dekanawida Jones
"Landscape Worker"

05/16/2024



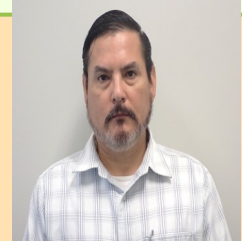
James Butterfield
"Sanitation Worker"

05/20/2024



Carlos Castaneda
"Police Detective"

05/24/2024



Bryan Woods
"Recycling Center Worker"

05/14/2024



Deonta Harrington
"Seasonal Landscape Worker"

05/16/2024





**** PROMOTION ****

Woodrow Breedon III

TO

"Sanitation Equip Operator I"



CERTIFICATIONS



Lloyd McCoy II

"Community Development Academy"

ADMIN DEPT.

Danny Cofell, Jr.

"Driver/Operator Pumps-Aerials"

FIRE DEPT.

*** Stephen Currie**

*** Hezekiah Hardee III**

*** Tyler Strickland**

"Field Training Officer"

POLICE DEPT.

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for those celebrating
Birthdays and Years of Service with the City!
Keep up the **GREAT** work!



*** YEARS OF SERVICE ***
May 2024

Randy Strickland	28 Years
Zachary Van Horn	12 Years
Diana Chavis	12 Years
Cody Stewart	3 Years
Mitchell Johnson	2 Years
Ashaad Blackmon	2 Years
Brian Campbell	1 Year



*** BIRTHDAYS ***
June 2024

Stephen Currie	06/01
Brian Campbell	06/06
Jeremy White	06/08
Manuel Campbell II	06/09
Kevin Rader	06/14
Travis Cooper	06/17
Susan Coble	06/18
Jordan C. McQueen	06/19
Terrence Ellison	06/20
Benjamin Stewart III	06/21

HR REFLECTION FOR THE MONTH...

JUNETEENTH~~WHAT IS THIS HOLIDAY?

On June 19, 1865, nearly two years after President Abraham Lincoln emancipated enslaved Africans in America, Union troops arrived in Galveston Bay, Texas with news of freedom. More than 250,000 African Americans embraced freedom by executive decree in what became known as Juneteenth or Freedom Day. With the principles of self-determination, citizenship, and democracy magnifying their hopes and dreams, those Texans held fast to the promise of true liberty justice for all people.

Opal Lee, is referred to as the “grandmother of Juneteenth”, she campaigned for decades to make Juneteenth a federal holiday, leading walks in many states to promote the idea. At age 89, she led a symbolic walk from Fort Worth, Texas to Washington, DC to advocate for the federal holiday.

On June 17, 2021, President Joe Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act, making June 19th the eleventh federal holiday. It was established as a federal holiday, opening it to symbolic and global interpretation and providing a better understanding of the evolution of our nation and its people. Juneteenth celebrations then, like now, recognize the ongoing fight for human rights and equality and are commemorated through family cookouts, faith services, musical performances and storytelling. Today, Juneteenth celebrates African American resilience and achievement while aiding in the preservation of those historical narratives that promoted racial and personal advancement since Freedom Day.

On May 21, 2024, City of Laurinburg Council, approved Resolution No. R-2024-08 to add Juneteenth (June 19th) to the holiday schedule in the City of Laurinburg Personnel Policy.



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