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CITY OF LAURINBURG

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City News



Mark Your Calendars – Downtown Spring Arts

The Arts Council of Scotland County and the City of Laurinburg are teaming up to present the inaugural Spring Arts Festival themed “Creating Community,” on Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 9am to 6pm. It takes place in downtown Laurinburg – anchored by the Art Garden at the corner of Church Street and Main Street on one end, and the Arts Center – 131 South Main Street – and the new walk through, on the other end.

This day-long celebration of arts and our community will feature the reveal of the 2017 sculptures in the Art Garden with a chance to meet the artists and hear the stories behind their work, a “Maker’s and Food Market” (vendor applications can be obtained from the Arts Center or at Hi-Lites), Live Music on the stage in the Art Garden, art demonstrations and make it take projects led by local artists and by faculty and students from UNC Pembroke. It is also a wonderful time to patronize our downtown merchants and let them know how much we appreciate them.

The day will also hold a Chalk Art Contest. Registration forms for individuals or teams (aged 10 and older) can be picked up at the Arts Center, City Hall or Art By Design. Stroll through downtown throughout the day to see the progress and to vote for your favorite design. Kids aged 10 and under will have their own contest between noon and 1 and can register on site.

A local artist show – including student art – will be held at the Arts Center and will be open for festival goers to view 9am to 1pm and 3pm to 6pm.

The annual Bold-Faced Liars’ Showdown is anchoring the afternoon’s activities at the Arts Center between 2pm and 4pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors, military and kids under 18. Help us choose the biggest Liar in Laurinburg on that day!

The day will wrap up at the Arts Center with a 7:30 pm concert – complete with a cash bar and concessions. \$10 Tickets are available at the Arts Center or on their website: www.storyartscenter.org.

We hope to see many citizens and families at Laurinburg’s first of many Spring Arts Festival at the Art Garden/Downtown. Come see the improvements to our Downtown and celebrate our welcoming community spirit that we are so lucky to have.

Charles D. Nichols III, City Manager

It’s Mosquito Time.....

With warm weather comes mosquitoes. The City of Laurinburg is using a different method to rid these pesky insects. Since mosquitoes start out as larva in stagnant water, state officials have found out that it is better to treat the larval areas before the mosquitoes reach maturity. This method is effective and it is environmentally safe. Homeowners can help by getting rid of excessive standing water around their home and you can also get more helpful tips by visiting our website at www.laurinburg.org. If you have a question please feel free to call Public Works at 910-276-2364.

Calendar of Events

City Council Regular Monthly Meetings

City Council Chambers
April 18, May 16, June 20
7:00 pm

Spring Litter Sweep

April 3-8, 2017
(See Back for Details)

City Offices Closed

Good Friday
April 14, 2017

Memorial Day
May 29th, 2017

See Back for
Sanitation Holiday
Schedule

Spring 2017 Litter Sweep



Keep it Clean, Keep it Green

Brought to you by the Laurinburg/Scotland County
Area Chamber of Commerce

Bag Drop-Off

- Drop off your bags of trash at any of the four recycling centers listed below by Sat. at 3pm. (be sure to notify the onsite volunteer of the number of bags collected)
- Recycling Locations:
 - Stewartsville South
 - Williamson/Livingston Quarters
 - Wagram
 - Palmer Rd (Only Wed & Sat)
- Recycling Centers are open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 7am - 6pm

Who, Where, What?

- Gather a team and collect trash within Scotland County April 3-8 at 3pm.

Supplies

- Collect vests, gloves and trash bags at the Chamber office (606 Atkinson St.) Mon - Fri (8am - 5pm)

Contest

- Your team can win a cash prize for collecting the most weight of trash around Scotland County
- King of the Mountain prize : \$200
- 2nd place prize : \$100
- 3rd place prize : \$50 Gift Card

Holiday Schedule

The City of Laurinburg offices will be closed on Friday, April 14th, 2017 in observance of Good Friday. All solid waste routes for that Friday will be picked up on Thursday along with Thursday's route. The City of Laurinburg offices will also be closed on Monday, May 29th, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day. All solid waste routes for that Monday will be picked up on Tuesday along with the Tuesday route.

To Recycle? Or Not To Recycle?

Do you ever come across an item sometimes and you wonder if it is recyclable or not? I am sure you have asked yourself that question. Sometimes we may come across an item that may have the recycling emblem, but in reality it may not be recyclable in our area. Plastic bags and Styrofoam are a couple of items that are questionable in the recycling world. We are here to give you some inside help. Even though some plastic bags contain an emblem with a number; they are not recyclable at our city recycling center, however most grocery stores do have a drop off for plastic bags and encourage their customers to bring the bags on their next trip to get groceries. Styrofoam is another item that is not recyclable at our city recycling center. When you come across items such as Styrofoam cups, meat trays, or take out trays please place them in the trash.

FY 2017-2018 Citizen Budget Input

Approximately 70 citizens attended the Citizen Budget Input Session held Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at the A.B. Gibson Center. The process for the input session was that individuals were assigned tables from 1-10 when they arrived. The break out session whereby ideas, projects, programs and issues lasted for approximately 40 minutes and then the results from each table were presented. Results of the Citizen Budget Input Session along with input submitted either via email or phone call to the City Manager can be found on the home page of our website at www.laurinburg.org.