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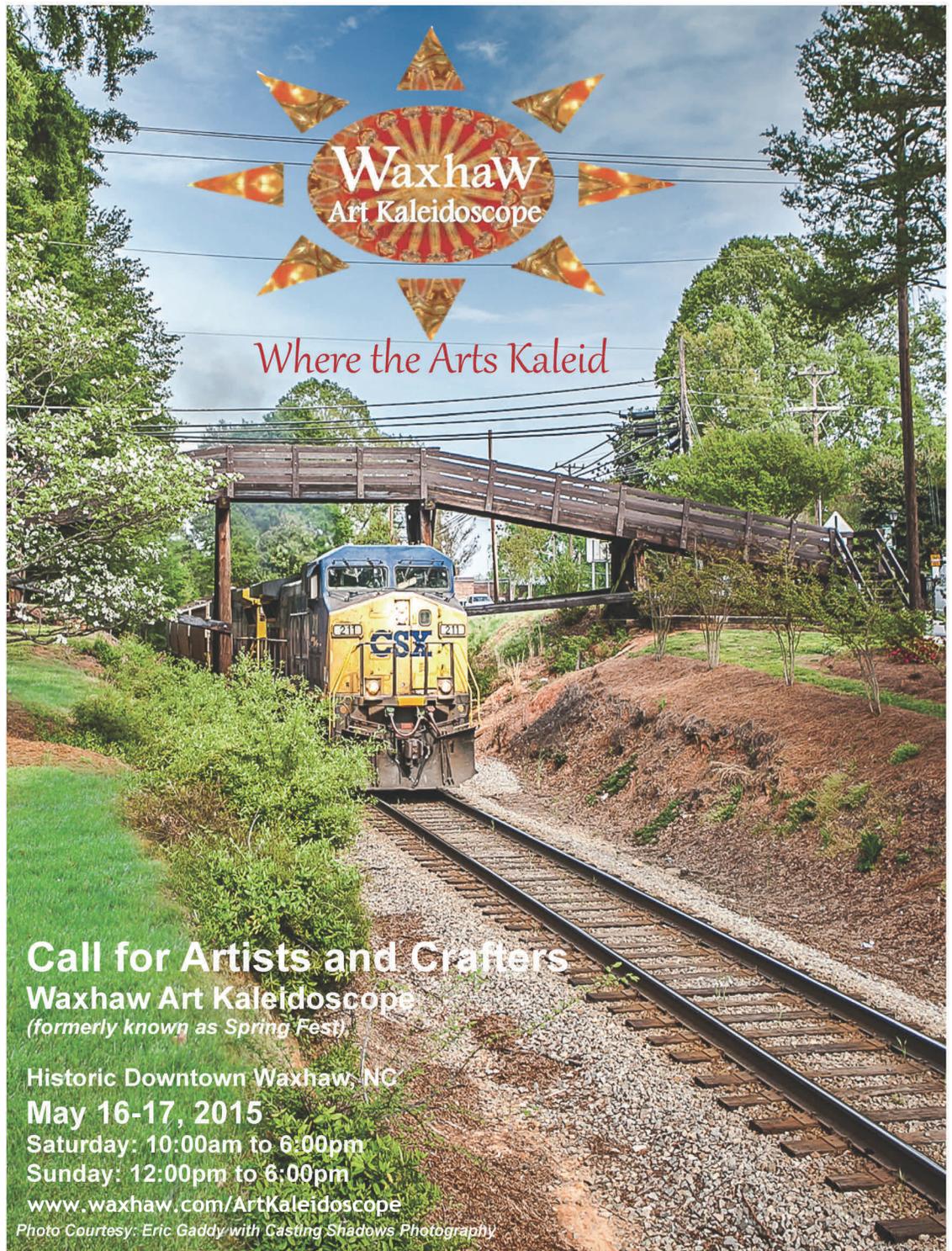
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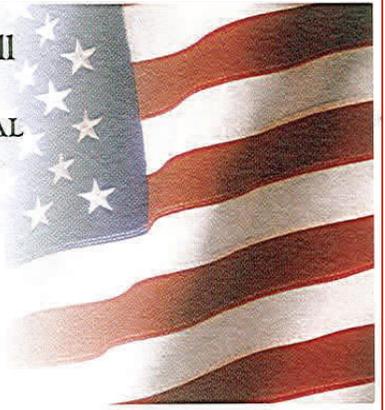
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A Message from the Interim Town Manager



As the town enters 2015 there are a number of exciting changes that are occurring in town government that I would like to bring you up to date on.

As some of you know, the town administrative offices will be relocating to 1150 North Broome Street in the Old Hickory Shopping Center. This is the building located between Bojangles and the Verizon store and in front of the Food Lion grocery store. The building is approximately 6,500 square feet and will house all of the town's administrative offices including the Town Manager, Town Clerk, Accounts Payable/Receivable, Planning, and Building Inspections as well as the Events Division. It will be a one-stop location for all permits, tax payments, events registration, and other Town business. The building will accommodate the Town's employees for the next three to five years and provide your Commissioners the opportunity to make an informed decision on where the new Town Hall will be located.

Also, in the very near future you should be receiving news on the decision of a permanent Town Manager who will take over the day-to-day management of the town. As more information becomes available, an announcement of introduction will be made.

Greg Mahar
Waxhaw Interim Town Manager

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Waxhaw News

First Friday is coming back!

Back by popular demand, The Town of Waxhaw is bringing back First Friday. Starting in February, you can enjoy this monthly event on the first Friday of every month. Be on the lookout for more information for future Fridays!

Town Hall Relocation

Waxhaw Town Hall's new address is 1150 North Broome Street. You can find them between the Bojangles and Verizon Wireless. If you have any questions please call 704-843-2195.

Waxhaw Caboose Fundraiser

The Town of Waxhaw is selling merchandise to help bring the caboose to town. Whistles, Books, and t-shirts are being sold at various locations downtown and at Town Hall for \$5, \$10 and \$15. All funds go to the Caboose fund and are greatly appreciated. For more information please call Kayla Harrity 704-843-2195 ext. 235 or Lisa Hoffman 704-843-2195 ext. 226.

Waxhaw's Little Free Library

The Town of Waxhaw welcomes the Little Free Library to town. The library is placed in the water tower lot. In order to keep the library going, one must bring a book to place in the library and take one in return. There has been a bench placed by the library for your reading convenience. Enjoy this wonderful opportunity to share the joy of reading within the town.

Carolyn Griffin Book Signing

Here is your chance to meet the author of the books *Terror on Waxhaw Creek* and *Hope Returns*. Carolyn Griffin will be at the home of Shelby Holston, formerly known as the Old McDonald Hotel which is located next to Noma's on Main Street, on Saturday February 14th from 10:00am- 12:00pm. She will have both books available for signing. Griffin is a North Carolina writer and has lived in Waxhaw for 18 years. She is retired from the Union County Public Schools where she worked as an Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent. Be sure to come meet the author and enjoy her works!

Waxhaw's Art Kaleidoscope (formerly known as Spring Fest)

Applications are now being accepted for the Waxhaw Art Kaleidoscope show on May 16-17th. Be sure to read the application fully as there have been some changes made to the requirements for this year's event. Applications are due by April 1st to Town Hall. If you have any questions, please contact the Events Division at 704-843-2195.

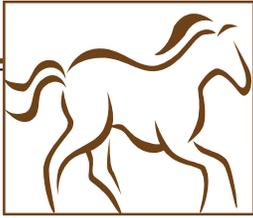
Waxhaw Police Department hosts Identity Theft event

On Thursday, February 12th starting at 7:00pm, the Waxhaw Police Department will host a free event for the community on identity theft featuring guest speaker Tom McClain. The event will take place in the Police Department Training Room. For questions or to RSVP, please contact Officer Montalvo at vmontalvo@waxhaw.com.

Operation Medicine Drop

Safe Kids Union County is partnering with the community for safe medicine disposal. Please take time to check your medicine cabinet and take any old, unused or out-of-date prescription or over-the-counter medications to one of the following drop box locations: Wesley Chapel Volunteer Fire Department on Tuesday-Thursday 9:45am to 3:45pm, Union County Sheriff's Office Satellite Facility at 109 Navajo Trail, Indian Trail, NC on Monday from 8am to 4pm, Tuesday 2pm to 4pm and Wednesday 8am to 11am, and the Union County Sheriff's Office with drop-off available 24 hours. If you have any questions please contact the Union County Sheriff's Office at 704-283-3765 or CMC-Union's Safe Kids office at 704-225-9221.

In The Equestrian Arena



Cedarhill Farm

Cedarhill Farm has been part of the Charlotte/Waxhaw equestrian scene since the 1950's. Originally owned by Nora Cook, the farm was located on the Charlotte side of Highway 51. As the City of Charlotte expanded in the late 80's and early 90's, Cedarhill Farm made its move to Waxhaw. With the move came new owners Andrea and Brian Guzinski. Having just graduated from the University of Connecticut they were ready for a new adventure. Andrea started her riding career at the age of six. She found her passion in the Hunter/Jumper world and has spent the last 25 years building a nationally recognized equestrian program. Her husband Brian uses his Engineering degree to keep the farm and its equipment in tip top shape.

Sadly, in 1991 an electrical fire destroyed the barn and eight horses were lost. The Waxhaw community came together and supported Andrea and Brian and all the clients who found themselves with homeless horses. Cedarhill Farm was temporarily set up on the property recently purchased by the Town on Waxhaw-Marvin Road. At that time it was Kentuckylina Farm. The current location, at the intersection of Waxhaw-Marvin Road and Crane Road, was completed in 1993. On 40 acres with close to 50 stalls, three rings, and numerous turnout options, Cedarhill Farm is a state-of-the-art equestrian facility.



Cedarhill has many programs that cater to all levels of equestrians. Whether you are a beginner, just for fun rider, or you want to compete at the highest level, Cedarhill Farm has something for you. Current students range from age 5 to 60 years of age. With a herd of 25 lesson ponies and horses, the program is accessible to all. The farm also owns a number of lease horses that can take a rider from the cross rail ring to the National Horse Show. The main barn on the property serves as the boarding facility for the privately-owned horse. And with a two-horse, six-horse, and 15-horse semi, Cedarhill will get your horse to the show in style.



Cedarhill has a long history of shining in the show ring from the AA level to local horse shows. Andrea is a founding member of the South Charlotte Equine Circuit which is an equitation based "grass-roots" organization to help introduce the showing world to green riders. By being school-horse-friendly and equitation-based, the circuit creates a level playing field among the riders to learn and promote a passion for the sport. Cedarhill Farm also competes at C-rated shows in North and South Carolina, as well as AA shows from Florida to Pennsylvania with riders earning top honors at all levels.

A recent addition to the Cedarhill Farm program has been the Interscholastic Equestrian Association Teams. Based off the College IHSA style, Middle and High School riders compete on unfamiliar mounts and are judged on Equitation. Currently in the third year of competition, Cedarhill has sent two riders to Nationals and has consistently been at the top of the ribbons. March 7-8, 2015, Cedarhill Farm will be hosting IEA Regionals. All qualified riders will be invited to the farm to participate and hopefully move onto Zones and Nationals. In an effort to promote the "team" concept, the IEA members at Cedarhill Farm have come together to serve the community. Working with homeless teens at The Relatives, running a food drive for Loaves and Fishes, and sorting clothes at Crisis Assistance are some examples of how the Team has given back.

Cedarhill Farm has something to offer anyone that wants to learn within the Hunter/Jumper discipline. There are three instructors teaching six days a week and a calendar full of opportunities to learn, compete and volunteer.

For more information, please visit the Cedarhill Farm website at www.cedarhillfarminc.com or feel free to stop by the farm located at 2620 Waxhaw-Marvin Road, Waxhaw NC 28173



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The Arts & Culture Scene

Ken Halstead was born an artist. Learning art as a child only made the passion stronger for this local artist. His grandfather was a cabinet maker. His father was a painter and illustrator and mother a singer and guitarist. His sister became a singer and songwriter. Of course it was only right that with the family background in such work, that Ken would pick up the flair for art as well.

The first piece of work Halstead can remember making was a colored pencil drawing when he was very young. He copied a picture from an encyclopedia of Stanly finding Livingstone near the shore of Lake Tanganyika. A friend took one look at the drawing and began to make fun of him for it. Not that the picture was bad, but simply because Ken was becoming an artist.



Since then, Halstead has become a well-known artist in Waxhaw and surrounding areas. His two-dimensional work is showcased on a regular basis at the Mint Hill Arts gallery, Mint Hill Town Hall, Waxhaw Town Hall, Charlotte Government Center and various banks and cafés. He enjoys hanging his artwork most with a group of artists at Irene Café in Mint Hill. His pieces range from \$200 to \$2500, depending on the amount of time it took to make that particular masterpiece and the materials used.

Where does this artist make his works of art you ask? You can find him hard at work at two locations. If he is working on prints, oil paintings, frame construction and drawings, you can find him at on his farm. If he is painting with acrylics and watercolors or teaching art lessons, you can find him at his studio at 216-C West North Main Street in Waxhaw. Art lessons run about \$45 an hour plus material. Halstead opens his studios for anyone to come by and visit or talk about art, if they choose. If coming to the Waxhaw studio, it is best to come through the back door on McDonald Street. Halstead enjoys doing art in the early morning and into the evening...only following his afternoon nap, of course.

To see more of his work and inquire about new art, visit www.kenhalstead.com or www.facebook.com/kenhalstead.design.



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Saturday, February 21st is for all of the fashion divas! Turning Point will hold it's first ever **fashion show** in the auditorium at Cuthbertson High School. Please join us and 30+ vendors. Sponsored by: White House Black Market, and Cuthbertson High School SAVE Club (Students Against Violence Everywhere) as we come together to benefit the women and children of Turning Point. Doors open at 1pm with the fashion show beginning at 3pm.

Contact **Kati** for more information on our jewelry holder class 704 288.1826 and **Maria** for the fashion show 704 288-1898.

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Meetings

3rd Wednesday of Every Month

7:30am-8am: Breakfast/Networking

8am-9am: Body Meeting

Location

*Waxhaw American Legion
801 E. South Main Street
Waxhaw, NC 28173*



February 2015

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Message from the President

Hello Members and Guests:

Can you believe it is February already? It seems that the year just begun. Please be reminded that if you have not paid your membership dues for 2015, please do so by February 28, 2015.

We also ask that you please share news about your business with us so that we can mention it in our monthly newsletters.

We look forward to a great WBA year and I hope that you will renew your membership and be a part of the growth of the WBA!!

Kim Karpovich
President

Events

Board of Commissioners Meetings

February 10th @ 6:30 PM

February 24th @ 6:30 PM

Meetings Held in Waxhaw Police Department Community Room
3620 Providence Road South, Waxhaw NC 28173

Waxhaw Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

February 12th, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Planning & Community Development Department
316 N. Church Street, Waxhaw NC 28173

Planning Board Meeting

February 16, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM @ Waxhaw Police Department Community Room

Yard Debris Pick Ups

February 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th @ 7:00 AM

*We would love to see
our organization
grow in 2015.*

*Please invite a guest
to our next meeting!*



If you would like more information on membership, please contact us via email at:

wba@waxhawbusinessassociation.com

Member News

Please share any exciting “happenings” in your business with one of our Board Members, and we will let the General Body know, so that we can all show our support!

We are looking forward to a wonderful year, filled with your growth and success stories.

Business Tip of the Month

10 Quick Tips to Improve Your Small Business

- 1) **Keep Score:** It is important to know your daily, weekly and monthly numbers for your business.
- 2) **Set Goals:** It is essential to know where your business is headed.
- 3) **Use High Impact, Low Cost Marketing**
- 4) **Master Your Business Presentations:** Do you have a position statement?
- 5) **Monitor Trends:** Your business is effected by what’s going on in the world. You should be aware of what is happening to prepare your business for rise and fall.
- 6) **Sharpen Your Selling Skills:** Sales may not be your cup of tea, but you should have some tools in your box.
- 7) **Find Best Practices:** What works for others may or may not work for you. Find YOUR stride!
- 8) **Motivate Staff:** Your team is a crucial part of your business. If they are not on-board, your ship is dead in the water.
- 9) **Know Your Limits:** Even Bill Gates has to be realistic about what he can and cannot do. Do what you do best and hire someone for the rest.
- 10) **Take a Break:** Everyone needs one.

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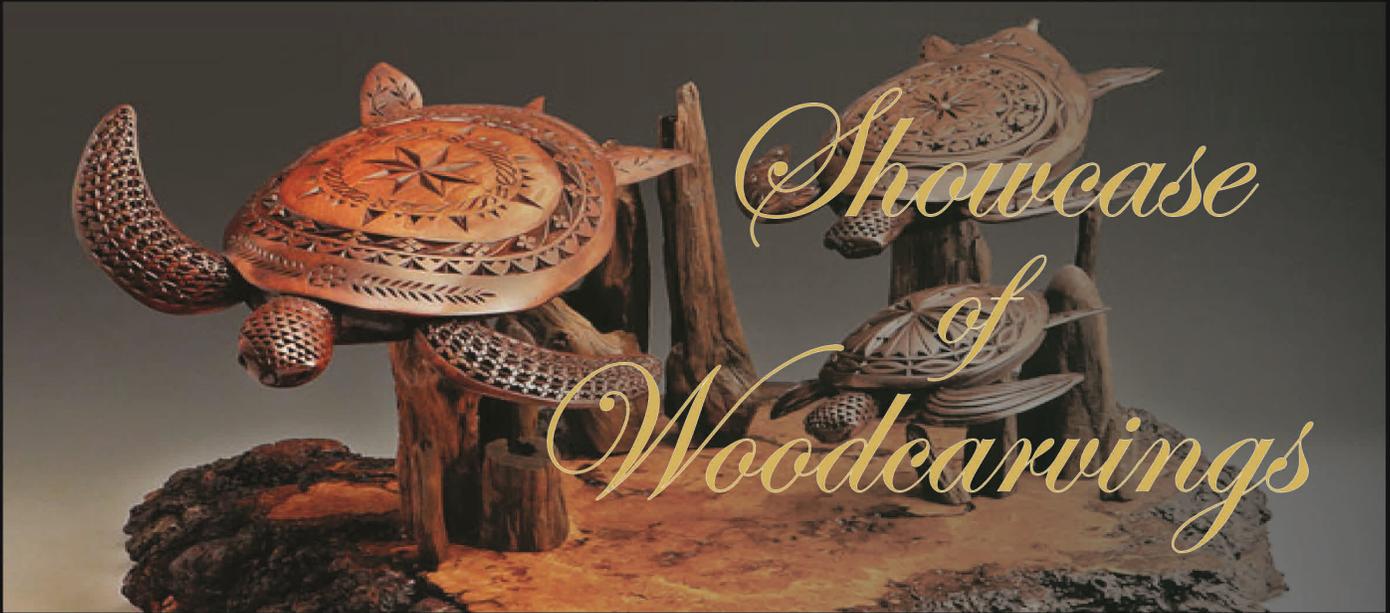
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Town Calendar

Monthly Meetings and Special Events

ABC Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at The Meeting Place, 209 W. S. Main Street at 6:00 pm.

American Legion Post 208 meets the 1st Monday of every month at 7 pm at the American Legion Post Hall. Phone: 704-243-0600. Rental inquiries: 704-243-0186

American Legion Post 208 Woman's Auxiliary meets the 1st Monday of every month at 7 pm

American Legion Rider's Club meets 3rd Monday of the month at 7 pm

Sons of American Legion meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 8 pm

Bingo is held every Tuesday from 7-9 pm

Autism Society of NC-Union County Chapter meets quarterly at the community room at CMC-Waxhaw. For meeting times/topics, email unioncountyautismsociety@yahoo.com or go to www.unioncountyautism.com.

Beautification Committee meets on the first Monday of each month at 4:00pm at The Meeting Place, 209 W. S. Main Street.

Board of Commissioners/Public Hearings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Waxhaw Police Department Community Room.

Carolina Regional Mustang Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Captain's Galley restaurant on Independence Blvd. in Matthews. Phone: 704-572-0006 or www.ponytales.org

Cub Scout Pack 53 meets every Tuesday at 6:30 pm (during school year) at Waxhaw United Methodist Church on McDonald Street. Cub Master Michael Krueger 704-621-8097 waxhawpack53@gmail.com or www.waxhawpack53.org.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 95 meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 am at the Golden Corral in Monroe. More info: chp95dav@gmail.com

Garden Club of Waxhaw meets the 4th Thursday of each month at different locations. Always looking for new members. Interested? Phone: 704-843-5931.

Masonic Lodge 562 meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Masonic Hall on N. Main Street. Phone: 704-843-5537.

Park and Recreation Committee meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at The Meeting Place, 209 W. S. Main Street.

Planning Board meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Waxhaw Police Dept. Community Room.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Two Groups:

1. Meets each Monday at Bonds Grove Methodist Church 6:30 pm. Weigh-in 7 pm. Phone: 704-843-2735
2. Meets each Thursday at Waxhaw Bible Church 6 pm. Weigh-ins/program 6:30 pm. 704-843-5518/704-254-3880

Waxhaw Arts Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. For info call Lambeth Marshall 704-843-5060.

Waxhaw Business Association meets at 8 a.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Hall, Waxhaw. Phone: 704-575-0544.

Waxhaw Historic Preservation Commission meets the 2nd Thursday of the month 6:30 pm at Town Hall.

Waxhaw Italian Club meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm. See the Waxhaw Italian Club Facebook page for details.

Waxhaw Line Dance Club offers line dancing and lessons every Friday night at the Waxhaw American Legion, 801 East South Main St. at 7:30 PM. No age limit or partner required. Beginner to intermediate dance levels. Call 704-843-9119 or visit www.waxhawlinedancers.com for info.

Waxhaw Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm. Phone: 704-843-5537 or 704-634-1761.

Waxhaw Police Explorers meet every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:30pm at the Waxhaw Police Department. For more information, please contact WPD at 704-843-0353.

Waxhaw Small Town Main Street Advisory Committee meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 5:30 pm at Michael Ryan Realty.

Waxhaw Volunteer Fire Department holds their business meeting at 7:00 pm the 2nd Thursday of each month at the firehouse. Phone: 704-843-4001.

Waxhaw-Weddington Sunrise Rotary Club meets Thursdays at 7:30 am in the CMC-Waxhaw Community Room. Phone: 704-618-8087

Waxhaw Woman's Club meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm from Sept.-May at The Belk Building on Southeast Main Street. Phone-Peggy Dvorak 704-843-3495

Waxhaw Woodturners meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Phone: 704-843-4907 or <http://www.waxhawwoodturners.com>

Who's Who in Waxhaw?



We would like to announce the retirement of Cliff Stifford from the Town of Waxhaw's Public Services Department on January 31, 2015.

Cliff served as Waxhaw's first official Mechanic and Fleet Maintenance Manager for the past 12 years. He will certainly leave behind big shoes to fill. He has done an incredible job managing the rapidly growing fleet/equipment maintenance program for the Town during his career. Cliff is known among his fellow employees as a man who can fix anything and everything while maintaining the one of the cleanest shops.

Cliff's immediate plans for his newly retired career will include working on his own shop at home and riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle. He also plans to spend more time with his wife Pam, his children and grandchildren.

Please join us in congratulating Cliff on his retirement and wish him the best for the future.

We would like to introduce Tony Helms, the new Automotive Mechanic Supervisor for the Town of Waxhaw. Tony has been with the town for over 12 years where he held the Maintenance 2 position. He has always enjoyed working for Waxhaw and takes great pride in what he does.

When he is not at work, Tony usually spends his time outdoors. Some of his hobbies include hunting, fishing, boating and camping. You can also find him showing off his green thumb out in his garden.

One of Tony's favorite things to do is restore cars. He is currently working on a 1976 Dodge Power Wagon Crew Cab. This also happens to be the truck he always wanted.

Congrats, Tony, on your new position!



On January 14, 2015, Lt. Ashley Zill attended her last meeting as a Waxhaw Police Explorer.

Ashley has been in the Explorer program for 7 years and has worked her way up from Cadet to the Post Commander. The Explorers presented Lt. Zill with an award in appreciation of her leadership, dedication and service.

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Parks and Recreation

There are so many wonderful things happening in the Parks & Rec Department! The past four months have been groundbreaking! From developing administrative infrastructure to the assessment of park assets to building relationships with community partners, I have been busy and loving the journey! What is on the horizon? Where do I begin?

July is Parks & Recreation Month across the country! 2015 will be the first year that Waxhaw celebrates! It's also a fantastic target to aim for with regard to park improvements and building awareness of what Waxhaw has to offer while we work toward providing new opportunities to recreate. All Town of Waxhaw departments, as always, have been working hand-in hand to hit that target. It is my sincere hope that you will discover or rediscover Waxhaw via these efforts.

The old saying goes, "Rome was not built in a day" and this holds true for Waxhaw's Parks & Recreation Department. With that being said, however, we have A LOT going on! Some of our current projects include the planning of a downtown park, a new Carolina Thread Trail Connection, trail enhancements, safety and aesthetic upgrades, strategic planning, possible land acquisition and work toward a very notable partnership between the Town and a well-known entity. Sound mysterious? Again, these are SOME of the items being worked on! By the way, please stay tuned for the unveiling of our new logo!

Enthusiasm for this next chapter in Waxhaw's history is evident and there are a lot of people to thank for what has been done, what is being done and what will be done to benefit our citizens. I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to specifically thank Waxhaw's Public Services and Planning Departments, Events Division, Parks & Recreation Advisory Boards past and present, Tom Risser, Community Works of Waxhaw and the Waxhaw Athletic Association for taking on sizeable roles in providing park and rec offerings in the absence of a formal department.

This list is just the start of a long list of community-minded champions that I hope to get a chance to personally thank. A foundation has been laid and you have our gratitude!

In closing, to say that this is an exciting time for Waxhaw would be an understatement. Please consider joining us on the Waxhaw Parks & Recreation Facebook group page to share your dreams, ideas and thoughts as we strive to build a beautiful legacy. Stay tuned!

Sincerely, Natalie Jackson
Director of Parks & Recreation
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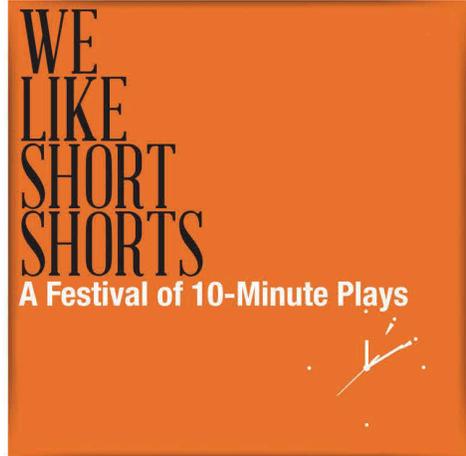
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New Businesses on the Block

Little Free Library

What is it you ask? The Little Free Library is a place where the community can come together and share a passion for reading. It's a library with no cards, fees or hours of operation. The first library was built in Wisconsin in 2009 by Todd Bol. His library reflected a one room schoolhouse as a tribute to his mother who happened to be a teacher with a passion for reading. He set the library outside in his front yard and attached a sign promoting the free books. His neighbors and family enjoyed the new library in town.

With common goals in mind, Rick Brooks and Todd Bol joined forces to bring this project to life. In the summer of 2010, the mission of the library was set and more were being built. Each library was unique and shared the theme of exchanging good books and bringing people together for something positive.

On January 16th, two young ladies, Bella Moubarak and Lily Austin cut the ribbon which officially opened the Little Free Library. With an audience full of children, teachers, community members and adults, the library was overflowing with books just 10 minutes after opening. The goal was to exchange your books with others in the library and read new material.

Waxhaw's Little Free Library was built by Paul Fitzgerald and Joseph Moubarak. It was then painted by Bella and Lily. The library is unique and special to Waxhaw residents because it symbolizes and looks like the McDonald house in historic downtown.

Bella first got the idea when she went to Wisconsin and decided she wanted to bring the idea to the Town of Waxhaw. The girls created a PowerPoint presentation and presented it at a Board of Commissioners meeting. The Board admired their eagerness to bring the community together and approved the library. Today it sits under the water tower and welcomes readers of all ages to bring books in exchange for new ones. There is also a bench for you to read a book there if you choose to do so.





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All Day

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