

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE



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Message from the Mayor

To the Citizens of Waynesville:

"Pack The Pantry" Community Food Drive 2009

The current economic crisis has made the needs of the citizens in our community even more apparent. Sometimes it can be overwhelming. Although the Town of Waynesville doesn't provide social services, we do provide several opportunities for our citizens to assist less fortunate folks in Waynesville and throughout the county. One of the newest is a community food drive. Last year on their own initiative several employees organized a food drive. Because of the efforts by the town personnel and generosity of citizens, a large truckload of food was delivered to Haywood Christian Ministry. As helpful as this was, it was distressing to see how bare the shelves were, especially in the middle of the holiday season. Haywood Christian Ministry has the storage space and volunteer manpower needed to distribute donations throughout the County, but they need the food to make it happen. This year employees aspire to extend their efforts and requests to the county as a whole. The following plan was devised by them to fulfill their dream.

Food donations will be accepted at every Town facility, including the Recreation Center, Public Works, the Police and Fire Departments and Town Hall (new and old). In addition, everyone will have opportunities to donate goods at many community events beginning with Halloween and continuing throughout the Holiday Season. Most gratifying is that this is true not only in the Town of Waynesville, but in Clyde, Canton and Maggie Valley. County employees and facilities are also participating. The full list of collection sites is being compiled as this newsletter is going to print, so please check the town website, county cable channel and the papers for updates and information.

I encourage you to make every gathering of family and friends an opportunity to collect food, blankets or coats which could be used by someone in need. Drop off your food collections at any governmental facility, or take it directly to Haywood Christian Ministry.

Accepted Items:

Flour
Sugar
Cornmeal
Cooking Oil
Soups
Peanut Butter
Rice
Beans
Canned Meat & Tuna
Coffee & Tea
Cereal
Canned Vegetables and Fruit



During 2008 Haywood Christian Ministry provided food assistance to 3,492 families.

Want to Help Even More?

If you are a Town of Waynesville utility customer, join H.E.A.T., the Home Energy Assistance Team. You choose the monthly amount you would like to donate through your utility bill. The full amount is divided equally between Haywood Christian Ministry and the Salvation Army to provide home heating assistance to those in need. For further information on H.E.A.T. please visit the website or contact Utilities at 456-3515.

100 years from now I want Waynesville to be remembered as the "Town That Cared."

Gavin A. Brown, Mayor

Upcoming Events

Thru Nov - First Friday each month -
Art After Dark

Oct 10 26th Annual Church Street
Art & Craft Show

Oct 17 21st Annual Haywood County
Apple Harvest Festival

Oct 31 Treats on the Street

Nov 22 Holiday Open House
12 noon - 5 pm

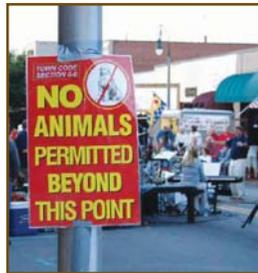
Dec 7 6 pm - Waynesville Christmas parade

Dec 5 A Night Before Christmas
& 12

For more information call Downtown Waynesville Association at 456-3517 or visit www.downtown-waynesville.com.

ANIMALS ARE PROHIBITED AT ALL TOWN FESTIVALS AND PARADES

If you plan to attend one of Waynesville's festivals or parades, please make arrangements to leave your animals at home. Pets can sometimes get overwhelmed in large crowds and react in a manner that could compromise the safety of others. Signs will be posted and this ordinance will be strictly enforced. If you bring your animal you will be asked to leave the festival. You could also be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days for each offense.



No Signs on Utility Poles!!!!



- this includes Yard Sale Signs. This is for the safety of employees required to climb poles to repair utility lines.

Call Land Use Manager Byron Hickox at 452-0401 to make sure your sign complies with Waynesville's Sign Ordinance.

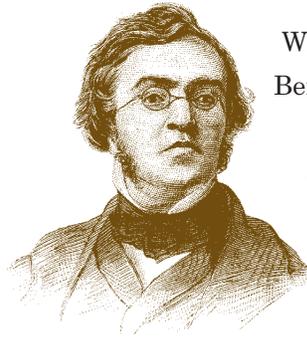
Bible Found in Municipal Building

A Bible has been in the Board Room of Waynesville's Municipal Building for several years. The name of Ellen Blanche Jackson, born March 31, 1890 is written in the front of the Bible. Please contact Town Clerk Phyllis McClure at 452-2491 if you have information regarding Ms. Jackson's relatives.

Portraits of Mayors are Being Relocated to New Building

Portraits of former Town of Waynesville Mayors are being relocated from the Municipal Building to the new Board Room at 9 South Main Street. If you have a photograph of a former Mayor, please contact Town Clerk Phyllis McClure. Help us complete our collection of portraits of former Mayors.

We do not have portraits of the following Mayors:



William B. Ferguson, 1871-1872

Benjamin F. Smathers 1872-1876

A. L. Herron 1880

James M. Moody 1884-1886

Norvell 1888-1889

J. R. Morgan 1907-1909

Waynesville Watershed Hike Scheduled

The 8,600 acre Waynesville watershed is normally closed to public access, but free guided hikes are offered twice a year, in the spring and fall.



The final hike of this year will be on Saturday, October 17th.

Two departure times are offered: at 7:00 a.m. Naturalist Don Hendershot will lead a group specifically for those interested in bird watching. A second group will depart at 9:00 a.m., led by Dr. Peter Bates of Western Carolina University. Dr. Bates will discuss the Waynesville watershed management plan as well as current conditions within the property. Eric Romaniszyn of Haywood Waterways Association will also attend to discuss water quality throughout the county.

The hike will be between 3 and 5 miles long, across moderately strenuous terrain. Hikers should bring their own lunch, water, appropriate (warm) clothing, hat, rain gear, and wear sturdy shoes. Birders should also bring their binoculars. Both groups will leave from the Waynesville Water Plant and return by 2:00 p.m.

Advanced registration is required and can be done online at www.townofwaynesville.org or by calling 452-2491. When registering, please specify which hike you are interested in attending.

Weatherization Assistance Program

Do you need help keeping your home warm and saving money on your utility bills this winter? Mountain Projects, Inc., is operating a Weatherization Program to make homes more energy efficient. Professionally trained weatherization crews perform on-site home energy audits using state-of-the-art equipment to identify outside drafts and inspect heating and cooling systems for efficiency. The crews install insulation, seal off air leaks, make modifications to (or replace) existing heating systems and make minor repairs to ensure safety at no cost to qualifying homeowners. Guidelines to qualify are below:

Weatherization Guidelines

Family Size	Yearly Income
1	\$ 21,600
2	\$ 29,140
3	\$ 36,620
4	\$ 44,100
5	\$ 51,580
6	\$ 59,060



Heating Appliance Repair / Replacement Program Guidelines

Family Size	Yearly Income
1	\$ 16,245
2	\$ 21,855
3	\$ 27,465
4	\$ 33,075
5	\$ 38,685
6	\$ 44,295

For more information contact Mountain Projects at 452-1447, Extension 132 or 119.

State Bans Plastics From Landfills

Beginning October 1, 2009 plastic bottles (#1 and #2) will be banned from the Haywood County Landfill. These plastic bottles include those "that have a neck smaller than the body of the container, and that accept a screw top, snap cap, or other closure." This does not apply to rigid plastic containers that are intended for use in the sale or distribution of motor oil.



The acceptable plastic bottles can be placed in blue bags for collection on your regular household garbage collection day. Please remove the lids from the bottles. The lids are not recyclable. Other items that can be placed in these blue bags include aluminum cans, catalogs, small pieces of corrugated cardboard, foil roasting

pans and pie pans, glass (food or beverage containers only), household cardboard boxes (cereal, cracker, cake mix, etc.), junk mail, magazines, newspaper, paper grocery bags, steel or tin cans and telephone books. Please rinse all containers. Labels can remain.

Interesting Info - each year, North Carolinians throw out enough plastic bottles to line the Blue Ridge Parkway 642 times.

Let's all do our part to recycle and save landfill space while saving taxpayer dollars. For more information about recycling please contact Haywood County Solid Waste at 627-8042.

SENIORS: DON'T MISS THE WAYNESVILLE SENIOR SAFETY DAY - OCTOBER 7TH

Be sure to attend this FREE event. Get priceless advice on how to live safely, independently and stress-free - enjoy a free lunch, and a chance to win door prizes/safety-related giveaways. Join us on Wednesday, October 7, 10 am - 2 pm, at the new Waynesville Fire Station, 1022 N. Main St. Speakers, demonstrations and exhibits include:

Police Department
 Fire Department
 Neighborhood Watch
 Audiologist - better hearing
 Health Dept./Healthy Haywood
 Tai Chi
 HRMC - fall prevention
 Physical Therapy
 Nutrition/Food Safety
 And much, much more



Receive a free night-light, pedometer and several other gifts. Register for a free (installed) smoke detector. Win certificates from local merchants. You can live safely via preventative habits and devices.

If you need a ride, call Haywood Public Transportation (at least 24 hours in advance) at 452-1447, ext. 120. Parking is available in the Fire Department parking lot and on Broadview Street behind the station.

Haywood Community Connections and the Waynesville Senior Resources Team (WSRT) is coordinating this event. Questions? Call a team member:

Sandra McIntosh 734-5393; Hazel Kolsrud 452-1726; Evelyn Cooper 456-9348; Nancy Burleson 627-1883; Bud Dirscherl 454-9246.

(Article submitted by Sandra McIntosh and Bud Dirscherl)

www.haywoodconnections.org

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CORNER

A BRIEF HISTORY OF WAYNESVILLE

The Town of Waynesville was founded in 1809 by Colonel Robert Love, a Revolutionary War soldier. He donated land for the courthouse, jail and public square, and named the Town after his commander in the war, General "Mad" Anthony Wayne.

Waynesville also has a connection to another war. Waynesville was the scene of the last and perhaps most unusual skirmish in the eastern theater of the American Civil War. On May 6, 1865, Union Colonel William C. Bartlett's 2nd North Carolina (Federal) Mounted Infantry were raiding, pillaging, burning homes and engaging in other activities to undermine the economic base of the area and were attacked at the Sulphur Springs (east of Waynesville) by a detachment of rebels from the Thomas Legion of Highlanders, who had been summoned for help by locals. East of the Mississippi, Thomas' Legion fired "The Last Shot" of the Civil War in White Sulphur Springs, North Carolina. The Legion consisted of soldiers who had served under Jubal A. Early during the Shenandoah Valley Campaigns of 1864, but had been sent back to their native North Carolina mountains to engage in guerrilla warfare against the remaining Union forces. The disoriented Union soldiers retreated into Waynesville, and on the evening of May 6 remaining elements of the Thomas Legion surrounded the town. The soldiers lit numerous bonfires on the ridges above the town and engaged in war chants in an effort to intimidate the Federals. The following day the Confederate commanders Gen. James Green Martin and Col. William Holland Thomas (for whom the Legion was named) negotiated a surrender. These commanders had been made aware that Generals Robert E. Lee and Joseph E. Johnston had already capitulated, and that continued hostilities would prove pointless.

(Text adapted from various internet-based sources)

Frog Level Historic District

Take time this fall to visit the shops of the Frog Level National Historic District. A broad spectrum of interesting shops can be found along Depot and Commerce Streets. Refresh your spirit with yoga and massage or restore your fine antiques. Get in a work out at the fitness center or peruse the antique and second hand shops after lunch and coffee. From pottery to printing, Frog Level will delight you. Peek in the windows of the new shops, you're bound to see a friend.



Leaf Season

Beginning Monday, October 19 until mid January, the Town will collect leaves by vacuum machine. Leaves should be raked to curbside **but not in the ditches**, gutter lines or in a manner that would obstruct the street or sidewalk. **Leaves must be free of sticks or other debris and will be left if improperly prepared.** The leaf collection schedule will vary due to volume and weather.

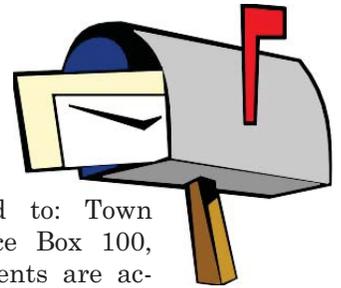


You can continue to bag leaves if you prefer - they will be picked up by another truck. **Please keep all other material separate from leaves.**

Tax Bills Are In Mailboxes

Tax bills were mailed to property owners in mid-September. If you have not received your tax bill, please call the Town of Waynesville Tax Collector at 452-3588.

Payments can be mailed to: Town of Waynesville, Post Office Box 100, Waynesville, 28786. Payments are accepted in person at 16 South Main Street, or can be made on line at www.townofwaynesville.org.



Land Development Standards Review

Consultant Craig Lewis of the Lawrence Group has submitted his initial assessment report, and the committee has begun work in dealing with the current Land Development Standards and evaluating the report from Mr. Lewis. On August 19, the Committee had a three hour meeting with Mr. Lewis to discuss his initial report, and the group would like to delve into the details so that by the end of the year, a recommendation will be forthcoming to the Town Board. A copy of Mr. Lewis' report is available for review on the Town's web site for those who may be interested. The Committee plans to meet every other Wednesday from 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. at the second floor lobby of Town Hall. Their first meeting was held on September 2.

Yard Waste and Bulky Items Pickup Schedule

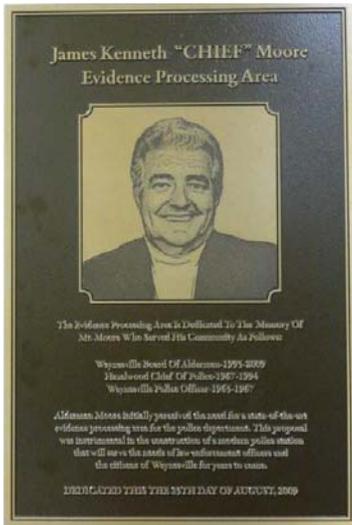
Waynesville uses the PinPoint system to collect yard waste and bulky items. When the garbage truck comes by your residence or place of business on your waste collection day, the driver of the truck can pinpoint electronically through a tracking device, yard waste, bulky items or recyclables that need to be collected. A list is then printed for the driver of the appropriate truck so that an employee can go directly to the locations identified. In order for this system to work, **yard waste and bulky items must be at curb side no later than 7 am on your household waste pickup day.** The pickup schedule for October, November and December is posted below:

OCTOBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Yard Waste						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Bulky Items						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Yard Waste						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Bulky Items						

NOVEMBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Yard Waste						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Bulky Items						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Yard Waste						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Bulky Items						
29	30					

DECEMBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Yard Waste						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Bulky Items						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Yard Waste						
27	28	29	30	31		
Bulky Items						

Evidence Processing Area Dedicated to the Memory of James Kenneth “Chief” Moore



Alderman James Kenneth Moore initially perceived the need for a state-of-the-art evidence processing area for the police department. This proposal was instrumental in the construction of a modern police station that will serve the needs of law enforcement officers and the citizens of Waynesville for years to come. Mr. Moore served his community as Waynesville Police Officer from 1965 – 1967; Hazelwood Chief of Police 1967 – 1994 and Waynesville Board of Aldermen 1995 – 2009. A plaque was dedicated to his memory on August 25, 2009.

Employees from the Police Department, Planning Department, Inspections, Code Enforcement and the Public Works Director are now located in the newly renovated and expanded Police Station/Development Office located at 9 South Main Street. All telephone numbers remain the same.

Administration and Finance Departments remain in the Municipal Building at 16 South Main Street. The Hazelwood Office at 280 Georgia Avenue will continue to be Station No. 2 for the Fire Department and the drive-thru window will remain open for bill payment from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Monday through Friday.

Utility Line Repair Work

The Town has contracted for the replacement of deteriorated water and sewer lines in the Belle Meade Drive and Camelot Drive areas, where there has always been a considerable amount of sewer system infiltration and overflows. Hopefully, these improvements will result in a much tighter system and ground water will not be seeping into the system.



MAYOR:

Gavin A. Brown

MAYOR PRO TEM:

Gary Caldwell

ALDERMEN:

Elizabeth Feichter

J. Wells Greeley

LeRoy Roberson

MANAGER:

A. Lee Galloway

ASST. MANAGER:

Alison Melnikova

TELEPHONE REFERENCE

Police Administration	456-5363
Fire Administration	456-6151
Building Inspections	456-8647
Code Enforcement	456-2010
Utilities	456-3515
Tax Collections	452-3588
Town Manager	452-2491
Asst. Town Manager	456-2002
Town Clerk	452-2491
Human Resources	456-2028
Planning	456-2004
Zoning	452-0401
Public Works Director	456-4410
Streets/Sanitation	456-3706
Water/Sewer/Electric	456-3706
After Hours/Emergency	456-5363
Water Treatment Plant	456-8497
Waste Treatment Plant	452-4685
Parks and Recreation	456-2030
Armory	456-9207

DOWNTOWN WAYNESVILLE

ASSOCIATION 456-3517
www.downtownwaynesville.com

MEETING SCHEDULES

Board of Aldermen

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7 pm - Town Hall

ABC Board

3rd Tuesday at 10 am - 373 Walnut St.

Board of Adjustment

1st Tuesdays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Community Appearance Commission

1st Wednesdays at 9 am - Town Hall

Firemen's Relief Fund Board

On Call

Historic Preservation Commission

1st Wednesdays at 2 pm - Municipal Bldg.

Planning Board

3rd Mondays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Public Art Commission

2nd Thursdays at 5:30 pm - Town Hall

Recreation & Parks Advisory Comm

2nd Tuesdays 5:30 pm - 550 Vance St.

Waynesville Housing Authority

1st Wednesdays 5:30 pm - 65 Church St.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving - Offices closed November 26 and 27 (garbage pick up on 27th for both days)

Christmas - Offices closed December 24 and 25 (garbage pick up on 24th for both days)

New Year's Day - Offices closed January 1 (garbage pick up on Dec. 31 for both days)

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