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There is always something to be thankful for



Garden Spot News



November 2022

NCDOT Update/New I-74 Beltway

The Flatiron Project/New Beltway I-74 should have traffic turned on to future I-74 by November 7th. This will open up travel from 421 (Business 40) in Kernersville up to University Parkway. The first couple of weeks things may be hectic on University Parkway as people figure out the best way to move around using the new bypass.

U-6005 Right-of-Way Acquisition on Hwy 65

Right of Way acquisition has begun for the U-6005 widening project. Construction of the Project will not begin until summer of 2024. NCDOT Location & Surveys Department will oversee the staking of the proposed right of way and easements. A letter was sent out, to those affected. Residents can call 336-747-7800 with questions.

A Message from Crisis Control Ministry: Give the Gift of Hope

As we head into this Holiday season, Crisis Control Ministry has several ways you can help your community.

- Gift of the Month for November is Sugar, Flour, and Baking Items.** Please consider helping us ensure neighbors in crisis have access to holiday baking essentials through our client choice food pantries. Drop off donations at the Kernersville or Winston-Salem Offices, Monday – Friday between 9 a.m. – Noon.
- Send a Holiday Card** that means more than a season's greetings this year by sending a gift of love and hope to our neighbors in crisis. Each honor card purchase provides food, medication, or housing and utility assistance to a neighbor in crisis. Order online at ccm-card.org. Example of designs pictured right.

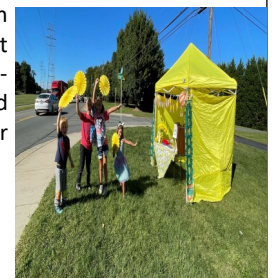
For \$25 you can donate a gas card and make a difference in the life of a neighbors in crisis. Gas cards are given to neighbors who have come to pick up their financial assistance check for rent, mortgage, or utilities at Crisis Control Ministry. Donate to Crisis Control Ministry this **Giving Tuesday on November 29, 2022**. Together, we can break down the transportation barriers for

neighbors needing to come to Crisis Control Ministry for assistance.



Local Children Raise Funds with a Lemonade Stand

We had some very enterprising and thoughtful young people setup a Lemonade Stand on Bethania-Rural Hall Road and Omar Drive. These young people sold lemonade at \$.50 a glass, and raised \$119.00 to buy gifts for the children at Brenner Children's Hospital. The children that participated in this fundraiser were Kronin, Bearington and Sebastian Lynch and Allie and Avent Hook. They liked it so much they already have other fundraising projects lined up. Good job! Thank you for giving back to our community!



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LEAF PICKUP

Leaf pickup service began on **Tuesday, October 18** and will be **weekly on Tuesday** (weather permitting) until the volume of leaves increases. Public Works will make at least one trip around town limits per week. During peak season, Public Works may make additional pickups as time allows. Please follow these guidelines when placing leaves at the curb:

- Leaves should be raked to the **edge of the street**—NOT in the street, onto the sidewalk, or in the curb.
- Do not bag leaves.
- Do not mix debris in the leaves, such as brush, limbs, rocks, trash, etc.

There is no need to call when you have leaves at the curb. Public Works will service them as soon as they are able.



Waste Management Recycling
Recycling Dates Highlighted Below
Recycling every other Tuesday
Garbage every Tuesday

November 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

December 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Community Calendar

Early Voting through November 5
November 8: General Election Day
November 11: Veteran's Day
Town Offices Closed
November 24-25: Thanksgiving
Town Offices Closed
December 1: Town Hall Christmas Tree Lighting 6:00pm
December 4: Rural Hall Christmas Parade - 2:30pm
December 23, 26-27: Christmas
Town Offices Closed
December 30: In observance of New Year's Day- Closed
January 16: Martin Luther King Day- Closed

RHFD Picnic Tables Donated by Woodman Life



As part of a charity project, Woodman Life kindly donated two picnic tables to Rural Hall Fire Department. The tables previously used under the picnic shelter had aged, become unstable, and were discarded off several months ago. As a result, the firefighters were unable to enjoy the opportunities to eat and fellowship outside when the weather was as

beautiful as it has been recently. To add to an already gracious donation, Woodman Life provided lunch to the on-duty shift. Thank you so much to the Woodman Life family for thinking of the fire department and giving so generously.

New Deputy Chief for RHFD



On Monday, October 3, 2022 Brian McGlamery was announced as the new Deputy Chief for Rural Hall Fire Department, filling the vacancy left by Chief Deputy Bottoms. Brian has a long history with Rural Hall where he served as a full time Shift Captain for several years. He has also served as a Chief Officer when he was with Forrest Hill FD. Congratulations Deputy Chief McGlamery!

Fire Prevention Week October 10-14

During Fire Prevention Week, Rural Hall Fire Department and the Forsyth County Fire Department gave a tour of the Rural Hall Fire Department to the Kingswood United Methodist Church Preschool 4yr old class. The children greatly enjoyed seeing the Fire Trucks and learning about fire safety and prevention.



Rural Hall Garden Club

A family garden club has been organized for Rural Hall and the surrounding area, to help promote Rural Hall's theme "Garden Spot of the World." *The mission of the club is "to learn and share knowledge about growing all types of plants in order to beautify the community while developing, and enhancing the ecology sharing a greater appreciation for the environment."* Topics of interest range widely and include lawn improvement, vegetable gardening, raised beds, fruit and shade trees, flower beds, landscaping, container gardening, outdoor lighting and many other ideas and activities. Men, women and children (ages 12 and up) are welcome and invited to join!

Meetings are held the 4th MONDAY of the month at 7PM at the Nazareth Lutheran Church (460 Bethania-Rural Hall Rd) through the fall/winter months and at a member's garden or the picnic shelter at the church during the months of May through September. They usually have a variety of speakers during cooler months, and visit local gardens during spring and summer. Join them in the garden!

November Garden Tip: The winding down of the gardening season can be a welcome break. Gardening is a healthy activity for the mind and body. The gardening season is really never over since there are always tasks to do. This is the perfect time to trim shrubbery, plant trees and spring flowering bulbs. Iris' need divided to keep blooming in spring. Mulch everything but avoid the volcano effect. Keep mulch 3-6 inches away from trunks of trees. This is a great time to enjoy the fall weather. So get out and have some fun!

A Message from the Rural Hall Historic Train Depot & Railroad Museum



The Rural Hall Historic Train Depot and Railroad Museum Board of Directors would like to wish the Rural Hall community a very Happy Thanksgiving and say thank you for your continued support. Since they will be busy preparing for Santa's arrival in December, the Depot will not host an Open House in November; however, they do hope you will join them on Sunday, **December 10 from 6:00pm until 8:30pm** for the beloved Santa at the Caboose event. See you then!



ABC Referendum is on the ballot for Rural Hall

Residents who live inside of Rural Hall Town limits will have the opportunity to vote on a referendum on the election ballot to permit the sale of mixed beverages in hotels, restaurants, private clubs, community theaters, and convention centers and the "on premises" and "off premises" sale of malt beverages and unfortified wine in qualified establishments.

Rural Hall Lifespan Center Gives Back to Seniors

The Lifespan Board Inc. will be distributing Thanksgiving vegetable and fruit trays to community seniors, rest homes, business and hospital break-rooms. The deliveries will on November 21 and 22.

Rural Hall Elementary School Watch Dog Program



Register to Volunteer

<https://www.wsfcsvolunteers.com>

Volunteer 1-3 hours per visit

Procedure: Sign in at the office, obtain a watchdog badge, follow the schedule and support the teachers.

Mentoring: Importance of Consistency as much as possible. The school will get a Release of Information to allow for information sharing with the Watch Dogs.

Goals: Create common spaces that are welcoming and safe. Reduce incidents, define rules, build support teams, decrease disproportionate discipline.

Please contact **Pattie Durham**, School Counselor at 336-701-5789 or pdurham3@wsfcs.k12.nc.us for more information.

Town Manager Visits Rural Hall Elementary School Students

Misty Meadows, our Town Manager, spoke at Rural Hall Elementary School's 3rd graders about local government. We are looking forward to giving them a tour of Town Hall in the near future. Be on the lookout in future newsletters for a series called "Your Town – Local Government 101", explaining the basics of your local government.



Addition to Covington Park & Recreation Facilities

A multi-use court has been completed at Covington Park beside the picnic area. There is one full tennis court and a multi-use court that includes lines for pickleball, volleyball, and badminton. The net can be adjusted to the appropriate height. It is currently set for pickleball, contact Town Hall to have the net adjusted. The basketball court is a half-court area with a 10' non-adjustable goal. We hope the community will enjoy this beautiful addition to our park. Don't forget Covington Park has beautiful walking trails, a playground area, a picnic shelter, and a ball field. The picnic shelter and ball field are facilities that can be rented for a fee. Contact Town Hall at 336-969-6856 or visit www.ruralhall.com for more information.



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Upcoming Christmas Events & Ways to Give Back to Your Community

Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on Thursday, December 1 at 6 PM at Town Hall:

The Town of Rural Hall will host this free, outdoor event at Town Hall on the lawn, along with the Rural Hall Fire Department and Rural Hall Elementary School. There will be a variety of local entertainment, light refreshments, photo opportunities, and lots of music and fun, including the Piedmont Cheering Hearts and a visit from someone special! Bring a chair or blanket and join us for a fun night of festivities!

Annual Christmas Parade on Sunday, December 4 at 2:30 PM down Broad Street:

The Town of Rural Hall's annual Christmas Parade down Broad Street will start at the intersection of Washington Street and end at Wall Street. Bring your chair to sit along Broad Street, and make sure to bring a bag for candy! Parade entry is FREE; however, we ask that you bring non-perishable items to donate to our food drive. We are collecting for **RURAL HALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOOD PANTRY** this year (details below). You must submit an application to enter the parade. You can download an application at www.ruralhall.com or contact Town Hall. (Inclement weather date: Sunday, December 11 at 2:30 PM.)

Food Drive to Benefit Rural Hall Elementary School Food Pantry Nov 21 - Dec 9:

The Town of Rural Hall is hosting an annual food drive in conjunction with the parade, but this year we are collecting canned goods and non-perishables for a special local cause – for the **Rural Hall Elementary School's Food Pantry**. Many children go to school hungry each day and are food insecure at home. Our own community is no different. The RHES food pantry needs donations, and we would like to help! Your donations this year will help local community children and their families. It will help local children thrive as they go to school each day so they can learn. *Donation boxes will be set up at parade line-up locations, or you can drop donations off at Town Hall or the Fire Department beginning **November 21 through December 9.***

Toy and Gift Drive to Benefit Local Needy Families in the Rural Hall Community:

The Town of Rural Hall and Rural Hall Fire Department will collect toy and gift donations along the parade route again this year for their annual toy and gift drive! This year, donations will benefit local families in need – **children AND adults**. Donated items must be NEW. **Accepted items include self-care items and toiletries, blankets, bath and body sets toys, games, books, posters, hats, socks, and gift cards. No need to wrap your gifts. We also are accepting donations of wrapping paper, too.** When we distribute the gifts, we will distribute wrapping paper for the parents to wrap gifts in. *Just bring your gifts(s) to the parade, or you can drop donations off at Town Hall or the Fire Department. **Deadline to drop off: Friday, December 9.***

Mark your calendars for these holiday events and we hope you will take advantage of these opportunities to give back to your local community! **Merry Christmas from the Town of Rural Hall!**